



# THE FLAME

First United Methodist Church, LaGrange, GA

*Christians . . . SERVING, CARING, & SHARING*

**July 2, 2017**

**Church on the Hooch  
10:00am, West Point Lake**

**\*Combined Service  
10:30am in the  
Fellowship Hall**

**Church Family Cookout  
following the service.**

**\*Korean Worship Service  
11:00am in the Chapel**

**July 9, 2017**

**Church on the Hooch  
10:00am, West Point Lake**

**\*Morning Glory  
8:45am in the Fellowship Hall**

**\*Early Worship Service  
9:00am in the Chapel**

**\*Traditional Service  
11:00am in the Sanctuary**

**\*Korean Worship Service  
11:00am in the Chapel**

*\*Child care is provided.*

**\*\* Story Hour** is for 2 & 3 yr. olds in Room 107 of the Children's Building from 11am to 12 noon.

**Children's Church** is for ages 3rd grade & younger. Children attending the early services will dismiss to the Small Dining Room in the MMC building; 11:00am service children will dismiss to Room 203 in the Children's building.



## OUR CHURCH'S EL SALVADOR MISSION

*"If you've gotten anything at all out of following Christ, if his love has made any difference in your life, if being in a community of the Spirit means anything to you, if you have a heart, if you care – then... forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand."*

(Philippians 2:1-2 & 4, THE MESSAGE)

As you read this article, seven others and myself from our church and community are representing LaGrange First UMC on a mission trip in Ahuachapan, El Salvador (about 2 hours west of the capital of San Salvador). And though we've had members and friends in the past who've participated in the mission trips of other churches, groups, and organizations, to my knowledge this is the first time in recent history that our church has sponsored a mission trip on *its own* -- that's something to celebrate!

While there, we'll be doing construction work helping to build a new Methodist church, will lead a children's Bible school, and will participate in a feeding and evangelism ministry. All of this will be coordinated through the "Salvadoran Mission Projects" (<http://www.salvadoranmissionprojects.com>), a ministry partnership between the Evangelical Methodist Church in El Salvador and United Methodist Volunteers in Mission in the United States, whose purpose is to improve the spiritual and physical lives of economically disadvantaged people living there.

Many of you have donated financially and otherwise over the last year to help make this trip possible -- thank you!!! Please **mark your calendars for July 9th**, when trip participants will be sharing testimony during all our worship services about the work that God accomplished through the team (and they will also be available later that for Sunday School and other group programs, as well).

In the meantime, however, please continue to be in prayer not only for our team's safety and safe travels, but most importantly for the work we're doing there as your (and God's) representatives.

Always remember that God loves you and I do, too!

Pastor Brian

**Church Offices are Closed  
Monday & Tuesday  
for the July 4th Holiday.**

**We will reopen on Wednesday, July 5th.**

**REMEMBRANCES RECEIVED**

*Memorials*

**Mrs. Stacie Vinson** (Charlene McClanahan's Mother) - Virginia Robertson

**Mr. Wayne Hoven** - Betty & John McManaway, Sam & Heather Graham

**Mr. Jim Hamilton** - Peggy Lukken, Carol & Jim Morgan

**Remember to Store this number in your phone.**

**Emergency After-Hours Pastoral Care**

(To reach a pastor at LaGrange First UMC)

**(888-456-1203)**



**Church of the Hooch Sunday Lineup**

July

2 – Rev. Dr. Colin Dacus, UMC Retired

9 – Linda Frano, Lay Speaker

16 – Russell Davis, UMC Camping & Retreat Ministries Director

23 – Rev. Susan Landry, LaGrange District Superintendent

30 – Rev. Dr. Brian Germano, LaGrange FUMC

**JULY USHER COMMITTEE**

Gary Stephens, Captain

Lewis Powell

Bill Davidson

Hoyt Rogers

H.R. Shepherd

Sam Graham

Robby Burch

Jerry Clement

Ric Selbie

Perry Wilder

Ken Young

Blair Harlin

Mike Peterson

Ray Holmes

**ALTAR GUILD**

Belinda Borders, Chair

Mary Beth Colley

Sally Holmes

Carlene Mills

Trish Germano

Jane Stephens

**MORNING GLORY** Denise Wilson

**COMMUNION** Belinda Borders, Bill & Joyce Young, Denise Wilson, Hank Dobbins, Nancy Cammon, Deb Johnson, Carolyn Day, Jean Edwards

**Welcome! Jeanne Jones**



The Staff Parish Relations Committee is very pleased to introduce to you, **Jeanne Jones**, our new Director of Children's Ministry. She comes to us from Louisiana, where she gained tremendous experience as a school classroom teacher as well as a teacher of children's ministry. We are excited for our congregation and encourage you to greet her with open arms. Please offer your support as she revitalizes our children's program.

**Morning Glory Strategic Input Session Sunday, July 9th, 10:30am, Fellowship Hall**

The Worship Committee's Morning Glory Task Force would like to share ideas and proposed changes with the church family at the session on July 9th.

If you can't make this session, please feel free to email any questions, thoughts or input you might have to [worship@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:worship@lagrangefumc.org).

Please be in prayer as we discern God's direction for this worship service.

**Special Offering: Murphy Harpst Children's Centers**

On Sunday, July 9th, we will join other churches in the North Georgia Conference and take a special offering for the **Murphy Harpst Children's Centers**. The money collected through your donations is the main funding source for the therapy services that are so critical to the recovery of these young people. Your prayers are also needed to make a difference in the lives of the children to bring life and hope to Georgia's most severely abused children.

**The Church Newsletter**

Starting in September, *The Flame* will transition into a monthly issue. You will see more details about activities and events so that you can plan your weeks sooner. Inspirational messages will be added to keep you going, and more information about all of the work that goes on in and around our church will keep you informed. If you have ideas of what you would like to have in *The Flame*, please email [dodie@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:dodie@lagrangefumc.org).

**School starts back in 6 Weeks!!**

**Our Mission... to be School Sheperds all school-year long!**

*Your financial support is most needed.*



**Need to Talk?** Refer yourself or a friend in need to one of our church's confidential Stephen Ministers who can help walk one-to-one with you or them through crisis. For more information or for a referral, speak to one of our Pastors or email [stephenministry@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:stephenministry@lagrangefumc.org).

## Youth Ministry

CJ Lord, Director, [cj@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:cj@lagrangefumc.org)

This past week, June 18th-21st, 11 students went to Lake Junaluska where we worshipped, served LC, and had fun! We spent time white water kayaking and volunteering at a thrift store/soup kitchen. The speaker for the week was Andy Lambert, who brought powerful messages to the students!

On **July 23rd**, the Student Ministries of LaGrange FUMC is inviting everyone who has any interest in working with our youth to a **Volunteer Summit/Luncheon** in the Small Dining Room to be held after the 11:00 worship service. Come join us, have lunch, and learn about the different ways that God might be calling you to serve at LaGrange FUMC.



The rest of the summer will be super busy for our students!

July 7th, we leave for the 8th Grade **Mystery Trip** (who knows where we are going).

July 16th, we go to a **Braves Game** that will be followed by a **Need2Breathe Concert!**

July 29th, we welcome our Rising 6th Graders with an **Exit 18 Olympics!**

In August, be on the lookout for a **Six Flags** trip and a lock in at **Malibu Grand Prix!**

Grace and Peace,  
CJ Lord

## Children's Ministry

Jeanne Jones, Director, [jeanne@lagrangefumc](mailto:jeanne@lagrangefumc).



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**July 24th - 28th**

“**Hero Central**” will be live from **9 a.m. - noon each day** as we learn during this year’s VBS how to discover our **Strength in God**. If you are a rising K-6th grade student, please join us. If you are a teen or adult who can help out that week, we need you.

Go to the [lagrangefumc.org](http://lagrangefumc.org) to register and to complete a volunteer form.

For questions, contact Jeanne Jones, [jeanne@lagrangefumc](mailto:jeanne@lagrangefumc).

## 2017 El Salvador Mission



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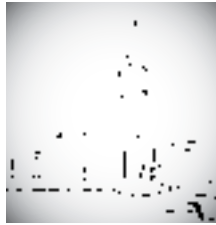
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 please call the church office.

*We always look forward to hearing from you.*



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Included in this issue of *The Flame* are lots of yard equipment and tools that are up for sale to the highest bidder.

Any questions or for more information, call or email Andy at 706-884-4635 or [andy@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:andy@lagrangefumc.org).

**NO MEETINGS IN JULY FOR  
 Thursday Lunch Club and UMW Circles**

**ATTENDANCE, Sunday, June 18**

Sunday School.....126  
 Worship Service.....291

**ATTENDANCE, Sunday, June 25**

Sunday School.....134  
 Worship Service.....272

**Church Flowers**

The flowers in the church on Sunday, July 9th, are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Cliff Cammon** by Mom & Dad, and Margaret, Tim, Caroline & Ben Sanders.

**Meals on Wheels - Urgent Need**

One of our Meals on Wheels drivers has retired after 15 years delivering meals to those in need, and we need someone to fill this role. It's one Monday every other week. For questions or more details, call Dorothy Cammon at 706-884-2078.

**Supporting Our Ministries**

In addition to traditional giving methods (cash & check), you can also donate to First United Methodist Church via Text-to-Give (Text LGFUMC to 73256) or online at [lagrangefumc.org/online-giving](http://lagrangefumc.org/online-giving).

**Calendar for July 2 - July 8**

- Sunday**
- \*10:30am.....One Combined Worship Service
- 12:00.....Church Family Cookout
- Monday**
- 11:30am-12:00.....Meals On Wheels & Soup Kitchen
- Church Closed for the July 4th Holiday
- Tuesday**
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- Wednesday**
- 11:30am.....Soup Kitchen-Sack Lunch
- 5:30pm.....Morning Glory Task Force
- Thursday**
- 9:00am.....Community Care
- 9:45am.....Prayer Ministry
- 10:00am.....Dulcimers Rehearsal
- Friday**
- 7:00am.....Men's Coffee & Prayer Group
- Saturday**
- 8:00am.....Men's Breakfast

**Summer Camp — Monday through Friday**

**Calendar for July 9 - July 15**

- Sunday**
- \*Nursery
- \*Worship Services
- \*10:00am.....Sunday School
- Monday**
- 11:30am-12:00am.....Meals On Wheels & Soup Kitchen
- 5:45pm.....Stewardship Committee
- Tuesday**
- 9:00am.....Community Care
- 10:00am.....Dulcimers Class
- 12:30pm.....Red Cross Blood Drive
- 5:30pm.....SPR Committee
- 7:00pm.....Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm.....Morning Glory Band Rehearsal
- Wednesday**
- 11:30am.....Soup Kitchen-Sack Lunch
- 5:45pm.....Missions Committee
- Thursday**
- 9:00am.....Community Care
- 9:45am.....Prayer Ministry
- 10:00am.....Dulcimers Rehearsal
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**Men's Breakfast**

All men are invited to our July Men's Breakfast on Saturday, July 8th, at 8:00am, in the Small Dining Room. A delicious home cooked breakfast and a program featuring **Hope Taylor** is a great way to start your day. See you on Saturday.



**Our Sympathy**

Our Sympathy is extended to the following:

Lisa Highland & Family in the death of her Aunt, **Erma Lee Thrower, June 14, 2017**

Louise Kirby & Family in the death of her brother, **Wayne Harrison, June 16, 2017**

**We are taking bids to sell our lawn equipment.**

**Dollar amount listed is the minimum bid, but the highest bid wins...so bid high!**

**If you are interested in an item, email [andy@lagrangefumc.org](mailto:andy@lagrangefumc.org). Include your bid and the item number. Bidding will close on 7/14. To view the items or ask questions, contact Andy Rainey in the church office.**



**Echo backpack blower PB-500T (#10) (\$100.00)**



**Echo stick edger PE-225 (#15) (\$125.00)**



**Echo backpack blower PB-500T (#11) (\$100.00)**



**Echo stick chain saw PAS-266 (#16) (\$175.00)**



**Echo weed eater SRM-230 (#12) (\$100.00)**



**Echo hedge trimmer HC-150 (#17) (\$75.00)**



**Echo weed eater SRM-230 (#13) (\$100.00)**



**Yard Machines 5550EX Push mower (#18) (\$25.00)**



**Honda Commercial Mower HRC 216 (#14) (\$750.00)  
Original cost \$1,200.00 bought 08/15/2016**



**Yard Machines 5550EX Push mower (#19) (\$25.00)**



**Cub cadet chipper, shredder & vacuum CSV 050 (#20)  
(\$150.00)**



**Rubbermaid wheelbarrow (#25) (\$25.00)**



**McLane walk behind edger 098793 (#21) (\$50.00)**



**Hand tools, Sprayers & Gas cans (#26)  
(Items sold individually) (\$1.00 min. bid per item)**



**Echo Piston backpack sprayer MS-400 (#22) (\$25.00)**



**Ryobi Hand Blower (#27) (\$20.00)**



**Echo chain saw CS-310 (#23) (\$25.00)**



**Fiskars limb trimmer (#28) (\$20.00)**



**Various hand tools (#24) (Items sold individually)  
(\$5.00 min. bid per item)**



**Spare parts (#29) (items sold individually) (\$1.00 min.  
bid per item)**