



*Estancia United Methodist Church,
600 Williams, Estancia, New Mexico*



*Sunday Worship 9:00 AM
Nursery Provided
Church School 10:30 AM*



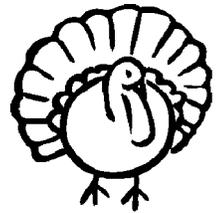
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OUR MISSION: To honor God by leading people to become devoted followers and ministers of Jesus Christ.



NOVEMBER, 2001



SUNDAY SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Lay Assist: Marcia Fitzner
Acolytes:
Ushers: Ray & Elaine Darnell
Greeters: Shellee & Ashlea Stewart

YOUTH SCRIPTURE READERS

Nov 4:
Nov 11: Andrew Moore
Nov 18: Cris Hughesl
Nov 25:

KINGS KIDS

Nov 4: Marcia Fitzner
Nov 11: Carolyn Hill
Nov 18:
Nov 25:

NURSERY

Nov 4:
Nov 11: Sharron Avery
Nov 18: Carolyn Moore
Nov 25:

FLOWERS:

Nov 4:
Nov 11:
Nov 18:
Nov 25:



TIME OUT

WITH "COACH" JOHANN

Greetings Estancia Saints,

"I thank my God every time I remember you." With those words the apostle Paul commenced his letter to the church at Philippi – a letter written from prison. And "thanksgiving" and "rejoicing" in tough times are dominant themes of that great letter. Chapter 4:4 has that memorable verse: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice"

I believe that is an appropriate reminder for us in this season of Thanksgiving – to be giving thanks to God in the midst of, and in spite of, the tragedies and hardships our nation has experienced and continues to endure. And each of us, no doubt, has our own personal struggles and battles to deal with – be it health, or finances, or rocky relationships, or issues at work. Praise and thanksgiving is not just the right and appropriate response from us when things are going well in our lives – that's easy!; but particularly when "a ll hell seems to be breaking loose". It is at such times that our faith grows as we focus our attention away from the problem and onto the Problem Solver - on the Lord who is the source of our strength and our hope. And what such a conscious and deliberate choice does is to open us up to all the resources of heaven instead of relying simply on our own grit and determination (that

runs out pretty quickly even in the toughest of individuals).

Here's just a small sampling of what I am giving thanks to God for – my beloved wife and very best friend, Anne; my three daughters and granddaughter, Molli; each one of you in this congregation; the privilege of serving Jesus with you in this community; the awesome growth in the Logos program and all the challenges and opportunities (rather than problems and obstacles) it is presenting to us; the growth of our adult Sunday School program; the commencement of an ESL (English as a Second Language) program at our church and the opportunity to reach out to the non-English speaking people in our area; the growth of shared ministry with other pastors and churches in Estancia.

Paul concluded his letter to the Philippians with this reminder: “And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.”

Upward and onward....



“Coach” Johann

LOGOS ANGEL OF THE MONTH

Who can make Mac n Cheese for 125 people? Who can grill hamburgers for 125 people? Sue Hughes that who!! Did you know that Sue Hughes has been our Logos Kitchen Angel going on four years!!! Sue was one of the original planning members who attended a 3-day Logos Training Session on how to create a successful Logos Program within your church. Since that time, Sue has been in charge of one thing -- GETTING THE MEALS ON THE TABLE. This is no small feat when you consider that last year alone she planned, shopped for and help prepare about 2000 meals. Sue has managed to put fantastic meals on the table every Wednesday night of Logos all for just pennies a meal!!

Of course Sue cannot discount Charlies help (Charlie is Sues other half). Charlie helps Sue

shop, load and unload groceries and he is her main gopher!! Sue also has wonderful Kitchen crew members who help her prepare the meals each week and clean up after feeding the hungry. Some of Sues kitchen crew members include: Linda McConkey, Ida & Ronnie Reynolds, Chris Rogers, Cindy Littlefield, Kerry Alfonso, Renee Richards, Roy & Lacy Daniel, Oscar Gomez, Sam Wilson, Kathy Long.

Logos deeply appreciates Sue Hughes and has named her our Angel of the Month. If you see Sue you may want to let her know how much you appreciate all the work and dedication she gives to the Logos program. Logos certainly appreciate Sue. Thanks for all you do Sue!!!

On a sad note: Sue will not be able to continue her duties as the Logos Kitchen Chef. Her last Logos meal will be on November 28, 2001. We will miss Sue soooo very much -- words will never be able to express how much myself and the rest of Logos will miss you!! We wish you and Charlie the best Sue and know that you have left some very large footprints in the sand here in Estancia Valley.

SHARED UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The United Methodist Women of the Estancia Church wish to thank you once again for all operation of the entire church while we were promoting the Ecumenical Cookbook. Thanks to all of you we were able to go forward with our project. I just want to report the end result of this project. Our intention was that the monies would go entirely for mission work. One third for local mission, one third for nation mission and one third for inter national mission work. We ended up making 1,500 profit from the sale of the books. We gave 500.00 to the local church for work with Logos, 500.00 undesignated for mission work within the US and 500.00 undesignated for international mission work. We also, thru pledges etc., were able to pay our entire pledge that we as a unit make to missions. I personally am very proud of the work that our small unit does and the dedication of the women involved in it. Our next project is

putting on a Special Luncheon in Nov. and are inviting women of the church that are not currently involved in UMW work. We hope to build a better fellowship between us and to let them have a better knowledge of what we do and why we feel obliged by the Gospel to go forward with mission work in whatever way we can. You should be receiving a personal invitation soon. I know that perhaps the time may not be good for you, but we hope that somehow you can arrange your schedule to be with us and learn about who we really are. We have a great deal of talent within this church fellowship and women who are interested in promoting mission work in our church and the general church. Helping women, children, and youth under all circumstances. You will be hearing more from us as we try to build a better understanding of United Methodist Women .

Thank you once again. Marcia
Fitzner

JACOB'S LADDER READING PROGRAM

Pastor Johann recently was invited to meet with Ms. Shelley Freirich, Principal at the Estancia Elementary School, and share with her details of the Jacob's Ladder Reading Program he initiated at the Gayle Pond Elementary School in Odessa, Texas. Ms. Freirich was enthused with the program and eager to see something similar commence here in Estancia. She asked, and Pastor Johann volunteered to spearhead the establishment of such a program. The first eager volunteer to assist in its establishment is Chris Rogers. If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, or just want to ask questions about the program, please contact either Pastor Johann (384-5215) or Chris Rogers (384-5080)

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPORT

As I complete my term as Ad. Council Chrm., I look back on the blessings each committee has realized during year 2001. With God's help, many accomplishments have been made:

1. Pastor's project: "Making disciples of church leaders"
2. Assisting families in need
3. Extended Communion to shut-ins.
4. The computerized church financial records.
5. Very successful Logo Program.

6. Orientation Meeting and guidebooks furnished for Committee Chairman.
7. Revival Meeting.
8. Sunday Prayer Walk to school campuses.
9. Trustees continual improvements on all church properties.
10. Successful Stewardship Program: "Give to Live".
11. Church and Sunday School time schedule reversed.
12. Adult Sunday School growing.
13. Quarterly congregational meetings to discuss concerns.
14. Thanksgiving dinner for families of inmates at CCA.
15. UMW's successful mission project financed by Ecumenical cookbook sales.
16. UMW's Ecumenical luncheon.
17. Continued men's prayer breakfast with support to Waco Children's Home.
18. Special music by choir for Christmas and Easter.
19. First Father's Day Church picnic.
20. Church Directory.
21. Sewing group's gift of altar cloths.
22. Covenant Players for a morning Service and Sunday School.
23. Paid caretaker for nursery.
24. Food pantry.
25. Bibles for confirmands.
26. Plans for 100th birthday celebration in progress.
27. History of the church being worked on and will be realized in booklet form.
28. Committee appointed to study needed expansion of church facilities.

Our chairman have used their gifts and talents to enable others to use their gifts and talents. They have focused on the mission of our church and as a result their ministry is visible. It has been a pleasure to work with the church chairman and they are to be commended for their dedication.

Ethel L. Floyd, Chrm.

In memory of the tragic events of September 11, 2001 the Logos youth has voted to participate in The Angel Project. The grief of our nation is overwhelming. Even those who did not lose someone they know feel a despair seldom experienced. Our Logos children want to personally reach out to the grieving families across the country and have unanimously agreed to make angels for The Angel Project.

The Angel Project is a nation-wide crusade sponsored by Clapper Communications asking Americans to make an angel in memory of the victims of the recent tragedy. Through The Angel Project, people can pay tribute to those who have died and, by creating something with their own hands, help themselves heal from this heartache, too. Although not every one can deliver condolences in person, all Americans can send a message from their hearts through these angels. The completed angels will be signed by each Logos youth with a special Logos message. These angels will then be mailed to New York and during Christmas week, these angels will be hand-delivered to victims of the September 11, 2001 tragedy for a special The Angel Project memorial service.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS

As we enter the holiday season, there are a number of dates to hi-light on your calendars:

- **EUMC Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday November 18, following our morning worship. We will be coming together to celebrate God's faithfulness in the year that has passed and also to demonstrate our confidence in His provision for the future as we bring in our signed pledges of financial support for the church's ministry in the upcoming year.**
- **Estancia Community Thanksgiving Service at Emmanuel Baptist Church on Sunday November 18 at 5pm. Pastor Albert Hagin's wife, Diane, is working to put together a united church choir for that special event and so we urge as many of our people to attend the remaining two practices at 3pm on Sunday, November 4 and 11.**
- **Children's Christmas Play – The Shepherd's Story on Sunday, December 9 during the morning**

worship service

- **Ladies Appreciation Dinner – following the Children's Christmas play on December 9, the men of the church will be serving and honoring the ladies of our congregation. Please fill out the registration sheet at church to notify us of your attendance.**
- **Community-wide Carol Singing commencing at 5pm. Details of this event will still be supplied, but the plan is for it to include a "Progressive Supper" as we travel from church to church and sing at locations in the area along the way.**

URGENTLY NEEDED!

The following are areas of help and assistance that are urgently needed:

- **LOGOS – God is obviously blessing this ministry and demonstrating His favor upon it by the numbers of young people that keep coming. Over 100 meals were served at a recent meeting. Apart from the concerns about space, transportation of some who are now relying on us to get them to and from the meetings, we already have a few children coming who need almost one-on-one attention by another adult. Please pray with us and believe God for the provision for our needs.**
- **FOOD PANTRY – We have already had 3 families come for food assistance and our shelves are still very sparsely stocked. Your help in providing non-perishable food items is greatly appreciated.**
- **ESL CLASSES – Tutors for English as a Second Language are needed. Toby Mora and Johann Neethling are in the process of being certified as tutors, however the need in our area is great and already four families are waiting for classes to commence. Certification involves four classes at TVI or in Santa Fe and transportation costs are paid for. Knowledge of a language other than English is not required.**

Annual Budget for 2002 - Estancia United Methodist Church

	1999	2000	2001	2002
	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget
Education	2.19%	2.33%	2.22%	2.63%
Youth Literature	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$800
Crafts, Supplies, & Snacks	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$350
Adult Carenote Ministry	\$100			
United Methodist Reporter	<u>\$100</u>	\$120	\$120	\$170
Youth Literature		\$100	\$100	
Vacation Bible School		<u>\$300</u>	<u>\$300</u>	\$500
Confirmation Class				<u>\$50</u>
Education Sub-Total	\$1,050	\$1,370	\$1,370	<u>\$1,870</u>
Logos Program	2.50%	2.04%	1.94%	5.62%
Training	\$415	\$415	\$415	
Curriculum	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$2,000
Food	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$1,500
Publicity, Supplies, Music	\$185	\$185	\$185	
Recreation & Craft Supplies	<u>\$200</u>	<u>\$200</u>	<u>\$200</u>	<u>\$500</u>
Logos Program Sub - Total	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	<u>\$4,000</u>
Outreach	1.41%	1.58%	1.50%	1.41%
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$400	\$500	\$500	\$500
Preaching Mission	\$145	\$145	\$145	\$145
Upper Room	<u>\$129</u>	\$183	\$183	\$183
Stamps, etc.		<u>\$100</u>	<u>\$100</u>	\$100
Church Picnic/Campout				<u>\$75</u>
Outreach Sub - Total	\$674	\$928	\$928	<u>\$1,003</u>
Worship	0.63%	1.02%	0.97%	0.56%
Altar Supplies	\$200	\$100	\$200	\$100
Choir Music	<u>\$100</u>	\$200	\$200	\$200
Worship Supplies		<u>\$300</u>	<u>\$200</u>	\$100
Worship Sub - Total	\$300	\$600	\$600	<u>\$400</u>
Laity	0.83%	0.68%	0.65%	0.56%
Annual Conference	<u>\$400</u>	<u>\$400</u>	<u>\$400</u>	<u>\$400</u>
Laity Sub - Total	\$400	\$400	\$400	<u>\$400</u>

Office Supplies	2.38%	2.22%	2.76%	2.48%
Stamps, Paper, Bulletins, etc.	\$675			
Stamps, Supplies, etc.		\$175	\$175	\$200
Copier & Supplies		\$600	\$1,000	\$1,000
Monthly Newsletter	\$225	\$225	\$225	\$225
Historical 100th Yr. Project	<u>\$240</u>	\$240	\$240	\$240
P.O. Box Rental		<u>\$68</u>	<u>\$66</u>	<u>\$100</u>
Office Supplies Sub - Total	\$1,140	\$1,308	\$1,706	<u>\$1,765</u>
Property Care/Utilities	21.37%	18.40%	17.89%	19.33%
Telephone (Parsonage & Church)	\$1,320	\$1,320	\$1,320	\$1,500
Telephone Maintenance		\$263		
Yellow Pages Ad		\$165	\$165	
Church Utilities	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$3,000	\$3,600
Parsonage Utilities	\$2,600	\$2,600	\$2,800	\$2,800
Property Insurance	\$1,547	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
Custodian	\$900	\$900	\$900	\$1,200
Groundskeeper	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$600
Supplies	\$100	\$100	\$200	\$200
Fire Protection				\$1,280
Capital Improv(Trustee Fund)	<u>\$480</u>	<u>\$480</u>	<u>\$480</u>	
Nursery Worker				<u>\$860</u>
Property Care/Util. Sub-Total	\$10,247	\$10,828	\$11,065	<u>\$13,740</u>
Ministerial Support	55.29%	59.13%	56.85%	51.09%
Pastor Salary	\$16,913	\$23,052	\$23,513	\$24,513
Pastor Travel	\$1,200	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$2,200
Pastor Group Insurance	\$4,200	\$4,800	\$5,016	\$5,016
Pastor Pension	\$2,401	\$3,458	\$3,527	\$3,677
Annual Conference	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
Continuing Education	\$900	\$900	\$500	\$500
Moving Expenses	<u>\$500</u>	<u>\$500</u>		
Ministerial Support Sub-Total	\$26,514	\$34,910	\$35,156	<u>\$36,306</u>
Finance Committee			0.49%	0.42%
Finance Committee Expenses			\$300	\$300
Finance Comm. Sub - Total			\$300	<u>\$300</u>
Apportionment	13.41%	12.44%	14.74%	15.88%
Estancia Allocation	\$6,433	\$7,320	\$9,113	<u>\$11,283</u>
Apportionment Sub - Total	<u>\$6,433</u>	<u>\$7,320</u>	<u>\$9,113</u>	<u>\$11,283</u>
Grand Total	\$47,958	\$58,862	\$61,838	<u>\$71,067</u>

Finance Committee Letter to The Church

Over the years the Finance Committee has used various ways to obtain pledges to support the annual budget. Some of the programs used were more successful than others, but none provided the amount needed to support the annual budget. However, the tithes, gifts, and other contributions have been enough to meet the budgets. The present year may be an exception to that situation since income is not quite keeping pace with expenditures. Fortunately, we had a significant carryover from last year and we should meet the present budget. In previous budget cycles the pledges have only amounted to 50% to 60% of the budget which places a significant burden on the Finance Committee, and especially the Church Treasurer to pay our expenses per the budget.

Since the previous programs made it difficult to be sure everyone was contacted for a pledge, it was decided by the Finance Committee that a letter to the Church with a copy of the Annual Budget for 2002 adopted by the Administrative Council with a pledge card be included in the church newsletter. The pledges should be returned to the **Church Finance Secretary by November 18, 2001**. The Financial Secretary is the only one who knows the pledge amount from individuals. The Financial Secretary then shares only the total number and amount of the all the pledges with the Finance Committee and the Church. The pledge at the bottom of this sheet is to be detached and given to the Financial Secretary, Sylvia Levy. You may put it in an envelope

~~\$-fold and staple to maintain confidentiality.~~-----

Pledge to Support 2002 Budget

I pledge \$ _____ (weekly, monthly) (cross out one to show your choice of how you wish to contribute) to support the Church budget for the year 2002.

Signed (optional): _____

Note: If more than one member of a family wants to pledge, you may get additional pledge cards from Sylvia Levy.



NOVEMBER



with a prayer to:

Estancia United Methodist Church
P. O. Box 378
Estancia, NM 87016

EUMC November 2001

“Each One Win One in 2001”

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 7:00pm Church Conference in Moriarty	29 7:00 Women's Reunion Group 7:30 A.A.	30 10am Pastor's Prayer 3pm ESL 4pm Span B/S 6:30pm Prayer	31  HALLOWEEN! 5:pm LOGOS	1 6:15:pm Literacy Program Meeting at Moriarty Library	2 6-9pm ESL Training at	3 9am-4pm ESL Training at
4 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship/H.C 11:30 Ad Council 3:00 *Communion to Homebound *Choir practice at Emmanuel	5 7:00 Women's Reunion Group 7:30 A.A.	6 10am Pastor's Prayer 6:30pm Prayer in sanctuary	7 Pastor at CPE Training in Durango 5:pm LOGOS	8 Pastor at CPE Training in Durango	9	10
11 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 11:15 PPRC 3:pm Choir practice at Emmanuel	12 10:am Care & Outreach 7:00 Women's Reunion Group 7:30 A.A.	13 10am Pastor's Prayer 6:30pm Prayer 7:pm Trustees	14 5:pm LOGOS (Thanksgiving)	15	16	17 7:am Men's Prayer
18 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 11:30 Potluck 5:pm Thanksgiving Service at Emmanuel Church	19 7:00 Women's Reunion Group 7:30 A.A.	20 10am Pastor's Prayer 6:30pm Prayer in sanctuary	21	22 THANKSGIVING	23	24
25	26 7:00 Women's Reunion Group 7:30 A.A.	27 10am Pastor's Prayer 12:noon UMW 6:30pm Prayer in sanctuary	28 5:pm LOGOS (Jingle Bells)	29	30	If you want to know more about any of our activities, or have some others that need to be listed, please contact the church office at 384-5215

Abbreviations:

A.A. – Alcoholics Anonymous
 S.S. – Sunday School
 Conf. – Confirmation Class
 Sp B/S - Spanish Bible Study
 ESL - English Second Language

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