

**THIS WEEK AT  
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

November 20-27

**TODAY**

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Worship                   | 8:40 & 11:00 a.m. |
| Sunday School             | 9:45 a.m.         |
| Jr. High Youth            | 5:00p.m.          |
| Sr. High Youth            | 6:15p.m.          |
| BAMA Thanksgiving Worship | 6:30p.m.          |

@ New Life Baptist Church

**MONDAY**

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| Boy Scouts    | 6:30p.m. |
| Chancel Choir | 7:00p.m. |

**TUESDAY**

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| Bible Study | 9:00 a.m. |
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**THURSDAY**

Happy Thanksgiving!

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**Prayer Concerns:**

Maxine Penney Cely, Betty Dutcher, Dorothy Hayes, Jeanette Hicks, The Family of Kari Moss Honaker, Hillary Husband, Ina & Charlie Johnson, Raywood Lantier, Freddie Luther, The Family of Don Wells, Rick Wisdom.

*\*Hospitalized*

**Disciple Bible Study**

Clear your calendars for Thursday nights beginning the second week of January. Get a free preview booklet for Disciple Bible Study on the display table. Class is 2 hours each week, with 20 minutes home study daily. Please register by calling the church office.

**This is Commitment Day.**

Please bring your *Estimate of Giving Card* forward during the hymn of Invitation to indicate your intentions to give in 2012. Cards are available from an usher.

**Next Week's Text and Message**

First Sunday of Advent

*"More Than Waiting for Christmas"*

Isaiah 64:7-9, Mark 13:24-37

**BAMA Thanksgiving Service**

Today at New Life Baptist Church at 6:30p.m. Please give generously to the BAMA Benevolent Fund then.

**Church Office Closed**

The church office will close at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, and remain closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

**World AIDS Day**

Our pastor, Dr. Wayne Evans, will preach at the Lake Charles District celebration of *World AIDS Day* on Thursday December 1 at Warren UMC, 1800 Orchid St., Lake Charles at 6:00 p.m. All are invited.

**Women's Prayer Breakfast**

The next Women's Prayer Breakfast is Thursday, Dec. 1, @ 8:30 am in the Conference Room. All ladies are invited. Please bring a can of meat for God's Food Box. Renee Evans will be the speaker.

**Hang the Ivy and the Holly**

Discover the Christian origins of decorations and symbols associated with this season at our annual Hanging of the Greens in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Dec. 4, at 5 pm.

**Wesley Rent-A-Student**

Wesley Foundation's Rent-A-Student II is Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. Contact "Rikho" @ 337-764-5507. Let them know what you need done! Proceeds support their mission to Indonesia in May.

**Pictorial Directory**

If you had your portrait taken at another church, please notify the church office.

**Children's Home Angel Tree**

If you would like to purchase a gift for a child at the Louisiana Methodist Children's Home, please contact the church office at 463-4491 or Susan Hill at 462-3727.

**Poinsettias & Christmas Tree Lights**

If you'd like to order a poinsettia or Christmas Tree Light in Honor or Memory of someone, order forms are located by the bulletins.

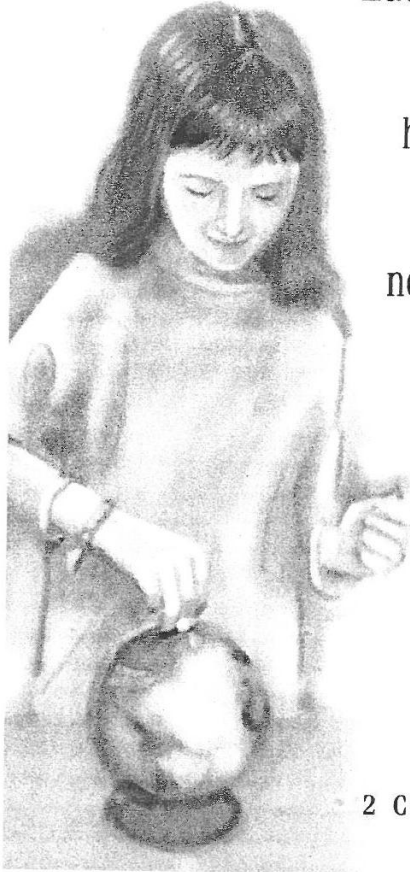
**Ministry Staff:**

Rev. Wayne Evans, Pastor; Derek Trout, Director of Children/Youth Ministry; Dawn Crawford, Administrative Assistant; Linda Labue, Finance Director & Early Worship Team Leader; Judy Kay, Choir Director; Elizabeth Vincent, Organist; DiAnne Kindler, Pianist; Michael Litters, Head Custodian.

**Central to DeRidder – Centered in Christ**

Mission Statement of First United Methodist Church of DeRidder: To Serve & Grow in Christ!

# Give Thanks



Each of you must  
give as you  
have made up  
your mind,  
not reluctantly  
or under  
compulsion,  
for God loves  
a cheerful  
giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

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8:40 a.m. Worship  
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# First United Methodist Church – DeRidder

November 20, 2011

8:40 a.m. Worship

Welcome and Greetings

Dr. Wayne Evans

**“Come Into His Presence”**

Lynn Baird

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Come into His presence with thanksgiving in your heart  
And give Him praise, and give Him praise.  
Come into His presence with thanksgiving in your heart  
Your voices, your voices raise.  
Give glory and honor and power unto Him  
Jesus, the name above all names. *(Repeat)*

**“Give Thanks”**

Henry Smith

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Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. *(Repeat)*

And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
Let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!” *(Repeat)*

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And now let the weak say, “I am strong,”  
Let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us!”  
Give thanks, give thanks.

**“We Gather Together”**

Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck, 1626

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known.  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

**Affirmation of Faith 887**

**Romans 8:35, 37-39**

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God!  
Amen.

**ALL: Great indeed is the mystery of the gospel. Amen.**

Announcements

Noisy Offering

**“Song of Hope”**

words by Alvin Schutmaat

Scripture

Matthew 6:19-21

John Marcello

Leader: The word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Children’s Time

Prayer Time

## **THE LORD’S PRAYER**

### **Sung Response**

Seth Sykes & Bessie Sykes  
©1940, 1945 Singspiration Music

**Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul, thank You, Lord, for making me whole;  
Thank You, Lord, for giving to me Thy great salvation so rich and free.**

God’s Tithes, Our Gifts, and Offerings

Offertory

“All Good Gifts”

Tyler Cobb & DiAnne Kindler

Message

“My Treasure”

Kip Shuford, Methodist Foundation

### **Presentation of Estimate of Giving Cards**

#### **Hymn of Invitation**

**“Count Your Blessings”**

words: Johnson Oatman, Jr.  
Music: Edwin O. Excell

**When upon life’s billows you are tempest tossed,  
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,  
Count your many blessings, name them one by one,  
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.**

#### ***Chorus:***

**Count your blessings, name them one by one;  
Count your blessings, see what God has done;  
Count your blessings, name them one by one;  
Count your many blessings see what God has done.**

**Are you ever burdened with a load of care?  
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?  
Count your many blessings, ev’ry doubt will fly,  
And you will be singing as the days go by. (*Chorus*)**

**When you look at others with their lands and gold,  
Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold;  
Count your many blessings, money cannot buy  
Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high. (*Chorus*)**

### **Benediction & Sending Forth**

**Count your blessings, name them one by one;  
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Count your many blessings see what God has done.**