

NOVEMBER 9  
2009

# U of H Student Lunch

A COMMUNITY... CREATED... CALLED... LED... RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

## SOUTHWEST CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

About 200 students at the University of Houston 'chilled out' with two kinds of chili at the A.D.Bruce Religion Center last Wed., Nov. 4th.

It was fun to see the long line of students from around the globe get their lunch and munch happily while dining with friends in the bright upstairs room. Our thanks goes to Mike McAlister for inviting, hosting and helping us and to those of you who sent support. We also want to thank the following helpers who pitched in to help wherever needed:

Adriel Lofton, Andrea and David Engle, Barbara Washington, Beverly Thetford, Bobbie Huebner, Dawn and Ken Henson, Frances Bivins, Glen Harper, Jo and Steve Sandifer, Konny Cross, Laure and Michael Tucker, Lois Oden,

Luci and Michael Bell and Suzy Walker . Thanks also to our church family for your support of this event in prayer and encouragement!



# ***Church Spotlight-Joyce Van Houten***

Joyce grew up in Dallas where the family attended Western Heights Church of Christ. This is the oldest church in Dallas that is still in use in the original location. It was established in 1872. Her family as far back as her great-great-grandmother Joyce attended there. Joyce was baptized at age 11. She enjoys visiting with her brother and sister. Joyce has a daughter Carole and son-in-law Albert Green. Joyce retired from teaching elementary school after 37 years. She enjoyed working in her garden when she came home. Joyce is also very talented china painter.



Joyce came to Southwest Church of Christ in 1955 soon after the church was founded. She had attended McGregor Park Church of Christ prior to the move.

The church has always been a very important part of her life. She has continued to feel the church is family and where you find acceptance. She grew up in the church and attended because it was expected and now she goes because it is a joy to get to attend.

*By Jenny Fagg*

## **Community Thanksgiving**

The community Thanksgiving service is scheduled for **November 22** at 4:00 p.m. at Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The music that has been selected is:

**God is Our Refuge-Allen Pote-Publishing Company-a 583**

**O How Amiable-R. Vaughan Williams-Oxford Press-No. 42.056**

**This Day is the Day the Lord Has Made-Mark Hayes-Beckenhorst Press-BP1442**

**Brothers-Carl M. Steubing-Dickson-Wheeler Inc-DW103**

The rehearsal schedule is as follows:

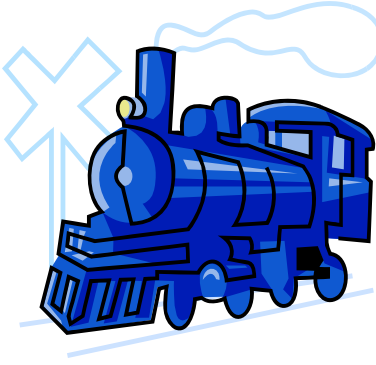
**Sunday, November 15th at 5:30 p.m. at Salem Lutheran**

**Tuesday, November 17th 7:30 p.m. at Westbury UMC**

**Sunday, November 22nd 2:00 p.m. at Salem Lutheran**

Any questions can be directed to Paul Ofield at 713-304-4863

**As God has loved us, we will meet people on common ground and journey together to the higher ground of life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**



November is National Model Railroad month, and Steve Sandifer is joining over 60 layout owners in the area in having their layouts open to the public. Steve models the Santa Fe Railway in Kansas circa 1952 in HO scale. If you would like to see his layout under construction, he will be open 7:00-9:00 p.m. on **Friday November 20**, and 1:00-5:00 p.m. on **Saturday, November 21**.

See <http://sanjac.leoslair.com/tour.htm> or <http://ssandifer.com/Lay/Howard/Index.htm> for more details.

## Living Gift Market

On Sunday, November 22 at noon, St. John's Presbyterian Church will be hosting the Living Gift Market. This market serves as a forum to help vulnerable populations and promote sustainability around the world. At this event, you will learn about local and international relief efforts as well as find unique handcrafted items-just in time for the holiday season!



Thanks so much to those of you who came last night to bowl with our youth. Your presence among them is invaluable - and vice-versa as well. I appreciate you all. -*Steve Sargent*

## Mark Your Calendar...

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

Outback Group  
Girls Reflecting Glory

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

SEASONS  
Girls Reflecting Glory

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

Community Thanksgiving 4:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

No Café Grace

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

Office Closed.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

Office Closed.

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

November 9 .....	John 14-16
November 10 .....	John 17,18
November 11 .....	John 19-21
November 12 .....	Acts 1-3
November 13 .....	Acts 4-6
November 14 .....	Acts 7,8
November 15 .....	Acts 9,10
November 16 .....	Acts 11-13
November 17 .....	Acts 14-16
November 18 .....	Acts 17,18
November 19 .....	Acts 19,20

## Family Matters

Congratulations to Melanie Fry, granddaughter of **Novie Booker**, who has passed the bar exam... **Dawn and Ken Henson's** granddaughter Avery was in the emergency room over the weekend...

## Please Note

There will not be Café Grace on **November 25** or **December 23**



## Remember in Prayer...



**Michael Greenwood**, receiving treatment for cancer... **Evelyn Guinn**, is beginning chemotherapy... **Jennifer Porter** (former SWC member) in first trimester of pregnancy is having complications and has been put on bed rest... **Wendy Rassbach** scheduled for surgery for cancer later this month... **Beth White**, receiving cancer treatment...

## Continue to Remember:

Mary Drehsel... Ginger Hanning... Lee Hayden... Carol Lewis... Wonnie Short... Nathan Womack... Richard Womack... SWC friends & family in the US military... SWC families who are grieving.

## Just for the Record November 8, 2009

Class .....	75
AM Assembly .....	108
Budget Gifts .....	\$5,232.79
Designated Gifts .....	\$1000.00
<b>Year-to-Date</b>	
Planned Giving .....	\$52,200.00
Actual Giving .....	\$46,943.12
Giving Under Budget .....	<5,256.88>
Other Gifts .....	\$4,175.00
Special Contribution .....	0

## Elders

Dick Darroh	David Pipes
Michael Tucker	Larry Watson

## Staff

Mike McAlister	<i>Interim Pulpit Minister</i>
Steve Sargent	<i>Youth &amp; Family Minister</i>
Steve Sandifer	<i>Pastoral Minister</i>
Robyn Albright	<i>Secretary</i>
Antonio Zapata	<i>Maintenance</i>
David Louis	<i>Keymaster</i>

## Assembly Times

Bible Class .....	9:00 a.m.
Worship Assembly .....	10:15 a.m.
Evening Assembly .....	6:00 p.m.

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