

Stevens Chapel UMC

NEWSLETTER

309 WOLTERS AVE
SCHULENBURG, TX
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Worship: 2nd & 4th Sunday – 11am

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Historical Information

January 1893 – Stephen Methodist Church was formed in the Schulenburg community. The first pastor was The Reverend Bank Stephen. The church began on Eilers Street, but in 1939 the original church building was moved to its present location at 309 Wolters Avenue which was land donated by Reverend Stephen. During this period, the church was renamed to Stevens Chapel Methodist Church and in 1968 when the Methodist churches merged the denomination was then called United Methodist Church. Another transformation happened and the church is known today as: Stevens Chapel United Methodist Church (UMC). This church continues to transform throughout its long history of church existence. Stevens Chapel UMC will celebrate one hundred and thirty one (131) years of faithful Christian service this year and stands today as a testament of God's grace, mercy, and goodness along with a small membership that believes in the church's positive impact in the community of Schulenburg, Texas of Fayette County!

“I am about to do a
NEW thing ...”
Isaiah 43:18-19
(NRSV)



TRANSFORMATION

In the new year, our church is undergoing another remarkable transformation. We are embracing change and embarking on a journey of growth and renewal.

Our church, once rooted in tradition, is now evolving into a vibrant and dynamic community. We are grateful for the past traditions and members; however, we are embracing a fresh vision for the future.

The atmosphere within our church is electric with anticipation and excitement. There is a keen sense of unity and purpose as we come together to redefine our identity and mission.

Ready, Set, Go!



THE BEST IS YET TO COME!

Gone are the days of outdated practices, we will begin to embrace innovation, creativity, seeking new ways to connect with our membership and the wider community.

“A New Year – A New Focus!”



CHANGE IS CONSTANT

We will focus on our worship services becoming more engaging and inclusive, incorporating contemporary elements while still honoring the rich history of the church. We will explore different styles of music, incorporate multimedia presentations, and encourage active participation from all members.

The physical space of our church is also undergoing a transformation. We are seeking to create a warm and welcoming environment that reflects our values of inclusivity and hospitality.

But the **most** significant transformation is happening within our hearts and minds. We are deepening our spiritual journey, seeking a closer relationship with God and a greater outreach within the community!



Birthdays

January 1 – Nancy Green and Veronica Brown
January 3 – Courtney Renee Collins
January 6 – Tammy (Hubbard) McCook
January 8 – Charles Orelup
January 12 – Billy A. R. (Jocko) Lewis
January 15 – Sharon Hubbard
January 16 – Brenda Chambers and Betty Hubbard
January 18 – Jailen Dixon
January 19 – Rose Burton
January 24 – Darryl Overby
January 28 – Rochelle Washington
January 30 – Brenda Runnels

Anniversary

Pastor Sattiewhite & Elder Ron Johnson
Holy Matrimony (Watch Night Service & January 1st)