

Church Lay Leadership Roles  
First United Methodist Church, Fairfield, Texas  
2011 - 2013

## Church Council

Church Council will meet monthly to plan and celebrate the ministries of the church.

Chairperson - Bob Chesnut

The Church Council is comprised of:

Christian Education Chairperson	Cynthia Outlaw
Evangelism Chairperson	Bob Anderson
Family Ministries Chairperson	Carol Chappell
Finance Chairperson	Jenny Calame
Lay Leadership Chairperson	Rev. T. Paul Kethley
Nurture Chairperson	Jennifer Doyle
Outreach Chairperson	Teresa Farris
Staff Parish Relations Chairperson	Terry Dunlap
Trustees Chairperson	Craig Dunlap
Worship Chairperson	Grace Wathen

Ex-Officio members with vote:

Lay Leader	Sam Bill Bournias
Delegate to Annual Conference	Kevin Benedict
President of United Methodist Men	Sonny Schick
President of United Methodist Women	Carol Chappell
Society of St. Stephen Chairperson	Chris Perona
Youth Representatives	To be elected by youth.

Program Staff

Music Director	Dianne Murden
Weekday Ministries Director	Cynthia Outlaw
Youth Director	Chad McElveen
Pastor	Rev. T. Paul Kethley

At large Council Members

Class of 2011

Andy Awalt  
Bodie Emmons  
Paula Stroade

Class of 2012

Beverly Awalt  
Eunice Barker  
Tracey Schlabra

Class of 2013

David James  
Karen Smith  
Kelly Teer

## Christian Education Committee -- Cynthia Outlaw, Chairperson

This committee is to coordinate all the educational ministries of the church. Ministries include bible ad book studies, Children's Ministries, Sunday School Vacation Bible School and Weekday ministries.

### Class of 2011

Elizabeth Partain  
Amy Ralstin  
Rhonda Kilpatrick

### Class of 2012

Jennifer Doyle  
Rosa Brown  
Angela Morgan

### Class of 2013

Nicole White  
Nicole Crawford  
Wendy Gallegos

## Evangelism Committee

Evangelism Ministries are those ministries that the church engages in for the primary purpose of telling others about Jesus Christ. While all ministry includes this at its heart Evangelism is the more direct form of this proclamation. Evangelism will meet as a group monthly.

### Class of 2011

Selah Mason  
Michelle Pratt  
Bob Anderson, Chairperson

### Class of 2012

Alicia Berger  
Liz Thornton  
Jack Thornton

### Class of 2013

Gilbert Gatlin  
Dell Terry  
Jeanie Wilson

## Family Ministries Committee

This committee is to coordinate family, age appropriate and church wide fellowship. Ministries include church wide luncheons, special events, senior adult ministries and trips.

### Class of 2011

Shirley Burlson  
Rodney Gillen-Hall  
Edye Gillen-Hall

### Class of 2012

Carol Chappell, Chairperson  
Paula Wade  
Joe Schick

### Class of 2013

Edith Scott  
Amanda Burlson  
Eddie Smith

## Finance Committee

The Committee on Finance identifies, perfects, and manages the finance system for the congregation. The finance system is the processes of raising, managing, and dispersing the finances so that the mission and vision of the congregation can be achieved. Finance will six times each year and as the need may arise.

- The major responsibilities of the Committee on Finance include: Provides financial direction for the congregation and regularly reports to the church council and to individual members
- Recommends an annual budget to support the mission and ministry of the church
- Develops plans for the annual funding program to ensure that the financial needs of the church are met.

### Class of 2011

Jenny Calame, Chairperson  
Burt Richards  
Susan James

### Class of 2012

Morris DeFriend  
Lyle Red  
J.R. Corn

### Class of 2013

Susan Myers  
Jeff White  
Charlene Ezell

Church Treasurer – Lofton Dunlap, Finance Secretary, Lay Leader, Church Council, Trustee and Staff Parish chairpersons are also on Finance.

## Lay Leadership Committee (Nominations)

The Committee on Lay Leadership is responsible for identifying and nominating persons to serve in the leadership of the church. This committee is chaired by the pastor.

Committee on Lay Leadership will meet 3 to 6 times in the late summer and early fall.

Class of 2011  
Bob Pearson  
Kristen Dunlap  
Robert Chesnut

Class of 2012  
Maurice Burlison  
Carol Chappell  
Mike Landers

Class of 2013  
Loy Newberry  
Sally Red  
Edith Scott

## Nurture Committee

Nurture Ministries refers to those ministries that the church engages in for the primary purpose of caring for its members and building up the Body of Christ. These ministries include visitation ministries, prayer ministries. Nurture will meet as a group quarterly. Sub committees and task groups will meet as necessary.

Class of 2011  
Jennifer Doyle, Chairperson  
Julie Hale  
Geri Thompson

Class of 2012  
Chris Perona  
Edith Scott  
Carol Lacey

Class of 2013  
Carolyn Williams  
Barbara Chesnut  
Bob Chesnut

## Outreach / Mission Committee

Outreach Ministries refers to those ministries that the church engages in for the primary purpose of reaching persons outside the local congregation. These ministries include mission and community service. Outreach will meet as a group quarterly. Sub committees and task groups will meet as necessary.

Class of 2011  
Traci Ezell  
Theresa Farris, Chairperson  
Russell Keaton

Class of 2012  
Debi Hamilton  
Debbie Rash  
Judy Schick

Class of 2013  
Guy Ward  
Jane Ward  
Nicole Crawford

## Staff Parish Relations Committee

The Staff/Parish Relations Committee is the administrative unit in a local church where staff and congregational interests are integrated to focus on the mission of the church. This committee relates to all staff, both bishop-appointed staff and employed staff. It has some of the same functions of a personnel office or Human Resources department in other organizations. Its primary responsibility is to work with staff so that the mission of the church is realized.

Staff Parish meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month and as the need may arise.

Class of 2011  
Mike Pratt  
Bill Whitson  
Stephanie Thorne

Class of 2012  
Neta Daniel  
Von Wade  
Carolyn Newberry

Class of 2013  
Terry Dunlap, Chairperson  
Jeri McBay  
Tom James

## Trustees

The Board of Trustees supervises and maintains all property belonging to your congregation so that the ministries of the congregation can be effective. The committee is entrusted to see to the proper keeping of God's house as a way to honor God and to facilitate the ministry of the local church.

The primary purpose of the church building and facilities is to enable the vision and ministry of the congregation. Good stewardship, common sense, and prudence dictate that the church, parsonage, facilities, property, equipment, furnishings, and other physical property be well maintained.

The Trustees have a regular meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month and as the need may arise.

### Class of 2011

Craig Dunlap, Chairperson

Rick Medford

Derrell Ezell

### Class of 2012

Steve Anderson

Betty Gentry

Chad Morgan

### Class of 2013

Sally Red

Ron Lacey

Buzz Hamilton

## Worship Committee

The worship committee will assist in the planning support of the worship activities of the church. These include our regular weekly services as well as our special services related to Christmas, Holy Week, Easter and other special worship services.

### Class of 2011

Bob Henley

Natalie Cherry

Tina Williams

### Class of 2012

Grace Wathen, Chairperson

Cari Martin

Julie Ann Medford

### Class of 2013

Kristin Dunlap

Cindy Neal

Janie Richards

The Pastor and the Director of Music Ministries are also on this committee.