

ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR MOTHER'S DAY...

BLANKET

Doug and Judy Chambers in honor of Edith Johnson
Howard and Marijo Hartman in honor of Carol Dickerson
Tami Kellberg in honor of Nell Broadbent
Tami Kellberg in honor of Olivia Weldon
Daviss King in memory of Rosa Rodriguez
Olivia G. Weldon in memory of her mother, Fern Olivia Garrett

FIVE-GALLON WATER JUG

Daviss King in memory of Thelma Norsworthy
Olivia G. Weldon in memory of her mother, Fern Olivia Garrett

LITERACY CLASS

Doug and Judy Chambers in honor of Edith Johnson
Pamela Craig in memory of Julia P. Craig and Norma R. McNutt
Earl, Amelia, and Jones Crane in honor of Sarah Crane
Howard and Marijo Hartman in memory of his mother, Annabel Hartman
Chris and Jan Higgs in honor of Mary Higgs and in memory of Mary Henry
Daviss King in memory of Margaret J. Golden
Sallie Novinger in honor of her daughter, Lucy, and daughter-in-law, Melani, and in memory of her mother,
Lora Bethany Billups
Cathy Stone in memory of her mother, Billye Stone
Janice Teas in honor of her mother, Olivia G. Weldon
Miles and Lilly Whitten in honor of Ann Teich

BIRTHING KIT

Doug and Judy Chambers in honor of Edith Johnson
Howard and Marijo Hartman in memory of her mother, Nan Rector
Curtis and Mary Higgs in honor of their daughters-in-law, Brenda Higgs, Debbie Higgs, Jan Higgs, and Jean Higgs and
in memory of their mothers, Stella Higgs and Louise Newman
Daviss King in memory of Melissa D. King
John C. Woodward in memory of Mae Woodward

FABRIC AND SEWING SUPPLIES

Betty Bird in memory of her mother, Bernice King Bird
Jim and Jane Bowen in memory of Denzle Roberts Bowen, Jennie Harrison Bowen, and Lucy Hadley Rohovec
Howard Hartman in honor of Marijo Hartman
Daviss King in honor of Gail G. King
Mark Morris and Kathryn Tullos in memory of Gwen Bardin Laplante and Jane Crissey Tullos
Kevin and Haley Rose in honor of Nevie Lacy
Kevin and Haley Rose in honor of Sheila Rose
Libby Sykora in memory of Audrie Lee Coffman
Alex and Tina Teich in honor of Ann Teich

MICRO-ENTERPRISE LOAN

Daviss King in honor of Margaret K. Morse
Matthew, Eleanor, and Micah Purdy in honor of Terri Purdy
Kevin and Haley Rose in honor of Nevie Lacy and Sheila Rose
Kevin, Catherine, James, and Thomas Waggoner in honor of Jane Olsen and Alicia Waggoner

FAMILY FOOD PACKAGE

Tami Kellberg in memory of her mother and best friend, Ireta Kellberg
Daviss King in memory of Peggie G. King
George and Jackie Vanderhule in memory of Evelyn Miller and Juanita Vanderhule

THANK YOU

MUSIC UNDER THE DOME CONCERTS

By Jim Bowen



Those who were able to attend our “Music Under the Dome” concerts were treated to three wonderful experiences of music at FUMC. Each concert, performed during the noon hour on the Fridays of Eastertide, had a special theme.

The first featured First Church Singers in a musical tribute to Earth Day, beginning with a stirring organ solo of Copland’s “Fanfare for the Common Man.” The selections included a stunning anthem featuring music based on Sibelius’ “Finlandia” and modern works by John Rutter.

The second concert featured music for trumpets, harp, and organ with both classical and modern works from composers including Vivaldi and Roy Perry. It concluded with a rousing selection from Handel’s “Royal Fireworks Music.”

The third concert featured a guest appearance by Austin’s Trio Verde, playing wonderful selections of classic jazz (I’m tempted to say “Golden Oldies” here). It was a magical trip down memory lane!

These concerts have been a terrific addition to our Music Ministry. It was wonderful to hear these outstanding musicians. Our thanks to each of them and to Scott Davis for his own ministry of music and for bringing his colleagues to enrich our own music experiences.

FAITH IN ACTION

TRUST FALL

By Lara Greene, Director of Children’s Ministry



Have you ever done a trust fall? It is a team building exercise where you stand on a platform, close your eyes, and fall back, praying that the teammates behind you will catch your helpless body that is quickly descending toward the ground. You have to let go of your fears to lean back. When you are caught, it is an exhilarating and humbling feeling.

I want to thank this body of Christ for being the arms for my trust fall a few weeks ago. This spring was my seventh egg hunt to coordinate. Every year I face the nagging fears of egg shortages, lack of volunteer help, disappointed families, and rain. And God says, “Lean back.” So I lean and each year more of you surround to catch. I know many do it to bless the church and community families, and I love you for that. But I want you to know that you have blessed me as well.

On my days of throw-my-hands-up exhaustion and frustration you are there, my brothers and sisters in Christ, to remind me that none of us are alone in this mission of loving the world and each other. I have learned we can lean back and take risks together, not because it isn’t scary, but because we, in God’s grace, are doing it together.