



# ROOSTER TALES

The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

**June 2017**



**JUNE GATHERING IS June 17, 2017**

**First United Methodist Church**

**2525 Piedmont Rd. North**

**Piedmont, OK**

**The Piedmont folks are putting on a Fish Fry for us, so please bring side dishes (and of course desserts)! The fish will be provided! Come for the fun and fellowship!**

*“Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.”*

*Luke 24:35(NRSV)*

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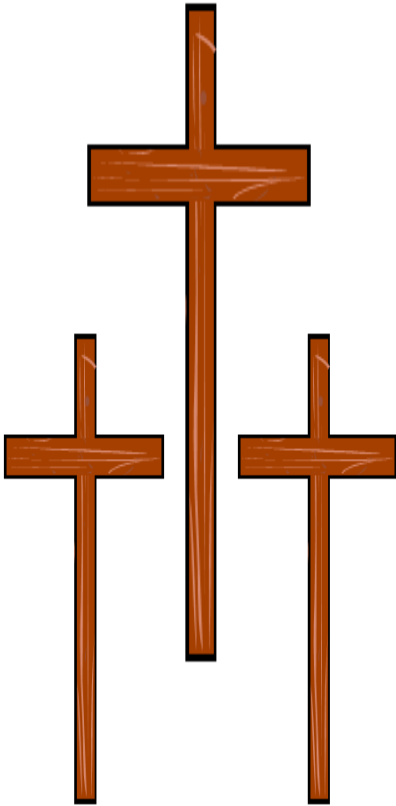
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# NEW SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

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The Board is pleased to announce that Keith Cressman is our new Spiritual Director. He is serving at St. Mark's Methodist Church. Please welcome him in Christian Love!

From your Community Lay Director

As most of you know, Kim and I attend Sunnybrook Christian Church in Stillwater. On the second Friday of each month, the Music Ministry puts on an event which is appropriately called... "2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Worship." This is a time when anyone who wants to attend can gather in the sanctuary for an hour of Christian music and it is something that we look forward to every month. We often joke that it should be called "Every Friday Worship" and that it should be held each and every Friday, because it is an incredibly powerful event.

So on the second Friday in May, we discovered that we had a conflict. My son Christopher, who many of you have met at Emmaus Gatherings, was set to graduate from High School in Arkansas. We had a decision to make... just kidding, I am very proud of the young man that my son has become and there was no way that we were going to miss Christopher's graduation! Kim and I travelled to Wynne, Arkansas and attended the graduation, and then spent some time with Christopher, who would be leaving shortly for Army Reserve boot camp in South Carolina. After six weeks of boot camp, Christopher will go through six weeks of Advanced Individual Training in Human Resources, and will hopefully be returning to Oklahoma to attend college at Oklahoma State University. Have I mentioned that I am very proud of my son?

When Kim and I left Wynne, we travelled to the Super Museum in Metropolis, Illinois, where we spent a few hours looking at thousands of pictures, posters, costumes, coins, ties... more Superman items than you could ever imagine! They allowed flash photography and believe me, we took every advantage. It truly was a Super experience! We stayed in Paducah, Kentucky and then returned home the next day.

I've been thinking a lot about Christopher, wondering what he is going through in South Carolina and where his journey through life will take him, and Kim and I are both looking forward to attending his graduation from boot camp later this summer. I just hope that it isn't on the second Friday of the month...

Blessings and De Colores to all of you, and I hope to see you at the June Gathering at Piedmont UMC!

David Smith, Community Lay Director  
Pioneer Country Emmaus

# Meet Your Board!

## Debbie Rowland—Gatherings/Fourth Day

*Hi, my name is Debbie Rowland. My position on the Pioneer Country Emmaus Board is Gatherings and Fourth Day. My job is to find a church and clergy for our Gatherings on the third Saturday of each month, except for walk months, which there is no Gathering and no Gathering in December. I also get childcare, if needed. I also get the elements for communion, and coordinate with our music board rep. On Walks my responsibility is to get childcare, some conference room responsibilities, candles for candlelight, worship books, and oh, yes, a little thing called the TAs. Go TAs! This is my second time to serve on the board.*

*I went on my original walk June 2002, Walk #78 at Asbury UMC. I have served as a TA (which is my favorite all time thing to do!) I try to show up at every walk and help wherever needed. Someone did that for me and I want to do it for others. I have been in the Conference Room numerous times, as a table leader and assistant table leader. I will never forget when asked to give my first talk! My friends believed in me a lot more than I did! And if you have never been hugged by me, where have you been!*

*I have worked in insurance since I was 18 years old, which, well, has been a long time. The part of insurance I love the best is the getting to know the people part. The interaction you have in peoples lives.*

*I have three amazing children and three adorable grandchildren, all living in the OKC area. I am a proud member of St. Andrews UMC ( I love my church). I co-teach 4 and 5 year olds, play in the bell choir and participate in Disciple Bible Study.*

*It's a blessing every time I serve on a Walk, whether behind the scenes or in the Conference Room. You see people before the Walk and the change in them after the Walk. God has blessed me more than I deserve.*

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Do you have a 4th Day Story?

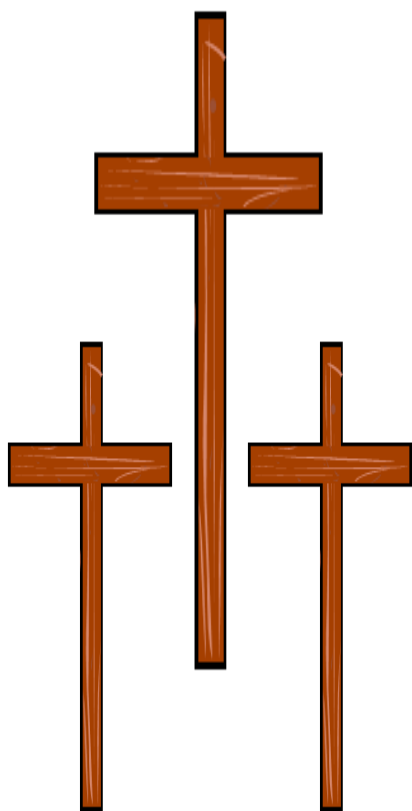
How about a good study or devotional that's worked for you?

Why not share them with the PCE community?

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# CALENDAR

June 17, 2017

June Gathering

First UMC Piedmont

2525 Piedmont Rd. N, Piedmont, OK

*Potluck dinner begins at 5:30 PM. Praise and worship follows at 7:00 PM. Childcare is by RVSP. Please contact Debbie Rowland at 681-2135 or 802-8113 to make the necessary preparations.*

Gatherings are open to all, so please invite a friend!

June 17, 2017

June Board Meeting - 4:30 PM

First UMC

Piedmont, OK

June 17, 2017

June Gathering - 5:30 PM

First UMC

Piedmont, OK

July 15, 2017

July Board Meeting - TBD

Good Sheperd UMC

Piedmont, OK

July 15, 2017

July Gathering - 5:30 p.m.

Good Sheperd UMC

Piedmont, OK

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