



**First United  
Methodist Church**  
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# FUMC Weekly

Making Disciples,  
Making a Difference

**JUNE 25, 2017**

## THIS SUNDAY

A complete schedule of today's events is in "This Week" section on Calendar page.

### TOILETRY COLLECTION

**Collection Bins . Foyers, Sanctuary and Family Life Center**

Place your toiletry donations in the collection bins. For more information, see the article in the insert.

### RENOVATION MOVE OUT: HELP NEEDED

**12:00-5:00 p.m. Children's Wing, Education Building**

We are so excited for the renovation of the Children's Wing to begin. But, before we can start, we have to move out of all our Sunday School classes on the first floor hallway. All are invited to help box up and move classroom furniture and materials in preparation.

### JUNE MISSION EMPHASIS

**Peace with Justice Offering**

Moved by Christ's love to pursue reconciliation and peace, honoring the dignity of every individual made in God's image, The United Methodist Church is unwilling to turn a blind eye to injustice. Because of the Peace with Justice Offering, the people of The United Methodist Church are able to make a difference together by sowing seeds—and yielding fruit!—of peace.

Half of our offering will go to support Peace with Justice Grants beyond our local church, at the Conference and Global level of the UMC. The other half will go to support the peace and justice work of Austin Region of Justice for Our Neighbors (ARJFON), a United Methodist-affiliated immigration ministry that provides free or low-cost legal advice and services. Each year, Justice for Our Neighbors offers hope and transforms the lives of thousands of low-income immigrants from around the world. In two years of operation ARJFON has helped families from all over the world, and has a special emphasis on representation of undocumented minors.

Monetary donations may be left at our communion rail or sent to or brought by the church office during June.

## JUNE 27, TUESDAY FEED MY PEOPLE

Come help serve breakfast to 300 of our homeless neighbors. To volunteer, preparing, cooking, and setting up begins at 4:45 a.m.; serving begins by 6:00 a.m.; and clean-up is finished by 7:00 a.m. We have a large number of UT students serving during the school year, so we are light on volunteers during the summer.

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

## JUNE 27, TUESDAY TOWN HALL MEETING

As an alternative to the larger Town Hall Meetings on Marriage Equality, join us for this smaller meeting in the Community Room. We will include a briefing about issues that arise when UMC congregations strive for marriage equality and discuss questions and comments about how FUMC can respond. Register at [fumcaustin.org/townhall](http://fumcaustin.org/townhall).

**6:30-8:30 P.M.**  
**HEB MUELLER**  
**1801 EAST 51ST STREET**

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; and Sundays, 9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Pastors are on call after office hours and during holidays. Call 512-478-5684, press 213, and leave message for return call.

# CALENDAR

## JULY

**4 Tuesday**

Church Office Closed

for July 4 Holiday

Have a safe and blessed holiday

**6 Thursday**

Youth Poolside

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Deep Eddy Pool, 401 Deep Eddy

**7 Friday**

Registration Deadline

for Vacation Bible School (VBS)

fumcaustin.org/registervbs

**9 Sunday**

Finding Your Fit 2

10:00 a.m.

Murchison Chapel

**9-15 Sunday-Saturday**

Family Promise Week

Family Life Center

Sign up: fumcaustin.org/familypromise

**11 Tuesday**

Book Study: The White Umbrella

6:30-7:30 p.m.

La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane

**13 Thursday**

Youth Poolside

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Deep Eddy Pool, 401 Deep Eddy

**14 Friday**

FUMC Movie Night

7:15 p.m.

Family Life Center

**15 Saturday**

FreeStore 3rd Saturday

8:30-11:30 a.m.

Memorial UMC Gym, 6100 Berkman

**16 Sunday**

Chapel Worship Service

9:00 a.m.

Murchison Chapel

Manna Bag Sale

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sidewalk

Vacation Bible School (VBS) Work Day

12:00-3:00 p.m.

Wesley Hall

Mobile Loaves & Fishes Third Sunday

4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Mobile Loaves & Fishes Kitchen

**17 Monday**

Day of Service at Marbridge

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Sign up: fumcaustin.org/marbridge

**18 Tuesday**

Book Study: The White Umbrella

6:30-7:30 p.m.,

La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane

**22 Saturday**

FUMC at Zilker Hillside Theater

7:00 p.m.

Zilker Park, 2206 William Barton

**23 Sunday**

Contemplative Worship Service

9:00 a.m.

Murchison Chapel

**25 Tuesday**

Feed My People Fourth Tuesday

4:45-7:00 a.m.

Family Life Center

Book Study: The White Umbrella

6:30-7:30 p.m.,

La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane

**28 Friday**

Weekend of Service at FUMC

6:00-10:00 p.m.

Youth Area

**29 Saturday**

Weekend of Service at FUMC

10:00 a.m.

Youth and Children Areas

**30 Sunday**

Fifth Sunday Presentation

10:00 a.m.

Murchison Chapel

Weekend of Service at FUMC

12:00-3:00 p.m.

Decorating and Final Prep for VBS

**31 Monday**

Vacation Bible School Week Begins

9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Building

<b>K</b>	<b>25 Sun</b>	Contemplative Worship Service	9:00 a.m.	Murchison Chapel
		Sunday School Classes for All Ages	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		Renovation Move Out	12:00-5:00 p.m.	Children's Wing
<b>E</b>	<b>26 Mon</b>	English as a Second Language (ESL)	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Family Life Center
		Prodigal Sons Men's Group	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Room 103, Family Life Center
<b>W</b>	<b>27 Tue</b>	Feed My People Fourth Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Family Life Center
		ASP Team Returns	5:00 p.m.	Church Parking Lot
		Smaller Town Hall Meeting	6:30-8:30 p.m.	HEB Mueller, 1801 East 51st Street
<b>S</b>	<b>28 Wed</b>	Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews	10:00 a.m.	fumcaustin.org/submissions
		FUMC Choir Rehearsal	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Choir Room, Sanctuary Building
<b>H</b>	<b>29 Thur</b>	Feed My People Breakfast Worship	6:30 a.m.	Garrison Chapel, Family Life Center
		English as a Second Language (ESL)	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Family Life Center
		Youth Poolside	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Deep Eddy Pool, 401 Deep Eddy

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**JUNE 29-JULY 13, THURSDAYS**

**Youth Poolside . 6:00-8:00 p.m. Deep Eddy Pool, 401 Deep Eddy**

Join us for some summer fun! Youth and their families are invited for connecting and swimming. Youth will meet with adult leaders for small groups from 6:45-7:15 p.m. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner. Admission fees charged.

**JULY 9, SUNDAY**

**Finding Your Fit 2 . 10:00 a.m., Murchison Chapel**



We are continuing the conversation about new ways to connect at FUMC. We had a great first conversation in May and will continue discussing and begin the process together of making some plans. Join us for the journey!

For more information or questions, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

**JULY 11, 18, AND 25, TUESDAYS**

**The White Umbrella . 6:30-7:30 p.m., La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie**

Every year, thousands of young women are forced into sexual exploitation. Most are under the age of 18. The damage this causes to their emotions and souls is immeasurable. But they are not without hope. *The White Umbrella: Walking with Survivors of Sex Trafficking* tells stories of survivors as well as those who came alongside to help them to recovery and offers principles and guidance to anyone with a heart for these hurting young women and a desire to help. This book study leads up to our Fifth Sunday Social Justice presentation on July 30th. We have a Facebook group for online discussion as well as meeting in person. All are welcome to join us online and/or in person. For more information or questions, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

**JULY 22, SATURDAY**

**FUMC at Zilker Hillside Theater . 7:00 p.m. 2206 William Barton**



We're off to see the Wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz! The "curtain" goes up around dusk at 8:15 p.m., but arrive early with low-backed chairs and blankets to sit with our FUMC group. Bring a picnic dinner or snacks and let's enjoy the show together! For more information or questions, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

**JULY 30, SUNDAY**

**Fifth Sunday Presentation . 10:00 a.m., Murchison Chapel**

Join us for this presentation sponsored by our Social Justice Team. The speaker will be Toni McKinley, Director of Therapeutic Services at The Refuge for DMST (Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking). Toni has been counseling survivors of trafficking since 2012. She is a survivor and has dedicated her life to helping other survivors discover their true potential so they can live a life free from trauma. For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS AND ALL CHURCH NEWS,  
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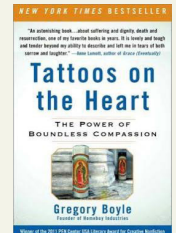
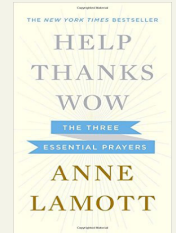
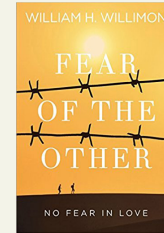
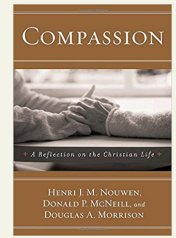
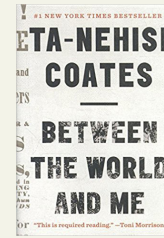
**Reserve meeting space and AV equipment by contacting Marilyn Good  
at [marilyn@fumcaustin.org](mailto:marilyn@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 204).**

**Submit content for FUMC Weekly / eNews  
using submission form at [fumcaustin.org/submissions](http://fumcaustin.org/submissions).**

**NOW-AUGUST 13**

**Summer Book Club**

Our Summer Book Club is as easy as 1, 2, 3!



1. Pick your book.
2. Read your book.
3. Bring your book and discuss.

Books to choose from:

*Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates; *Compassion: A Reflection on the Christian Life* by Henri M. Nouwen, Donald P. McNeill, and Douglas A. Morrison; *Fear of the Other* by William H. Willimon; *Help, Thanks, Wow: The Three Essential Prayers* by Anne Lamott; *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult; or *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion* by Gregory Boyle.

Gather with others who read the same book and talk about it on August 13 at 10:00 a.m. in the Great Hall. Each group will have a facilitator to guide the discussion.

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## CHURCH BUSINESS

### SEARCH FOR

#### NEW YOUTH DIRECTOR

FUMC Austin has officially launched its search for a new Youth Director, a process expected to take three to six months. A search committee has been formed and met for the first time on June 13. The committee is being advised and assisted by Ministry Architects, an experienced firm that has partnered with nearly 600 churches nation-wide regarding youth ministry, children's ministry, and church-wide strategic planning. The committee asks that you consider whether you know of anyone who would be a great Youth Director or anyone who might know of someone who would be a great Youth Director. Pass on any such contacts to Aly Eaton at [aly.eaton@ministryarchitects.com](mailto:aly.eaton@ministryarchitects.com). Please keep the search committee in your prayers, as well as the gifted person who will guide and impact our youth for years to come. To view the search committee members and the full job description, visit [www.fumcaustin.com/hiring](http://www.fumcaustin.com/hiring).

## PRAYER

### WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

Health: Andrea Peck and Virginia Wattinger.

Congratulations to Curtis and Mary Higgs on the birth of their ninth great-grandson, Bentley Tucker Higgs.

Condolences to Kent Black on the death of his father, Edgar Black.

Other: Travel mercies for FUMC ASP Team.

### BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Kent Black's mother, Norma Jean Black; Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Reverend Tina Carter; Teresa Edwards' mother, Fern Edwards; Pastor Taylor Fuerst's mother, Dawn Meador; Jan Higgs's friend, Betty Kurio; Larry Peters' friend, Charles Roper; Clint Lawrence; Pat Rives' grandson, Luke Rives; Justin and Erin Scarth's friend, Lisa Whatley; Donna Shands' mother, Eva Reneau; Alan Stephens' parents, Carl and Genevieve Stephens; Ann Venno's friend, Rob Hecksel; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.



### STEPHEN MINISTRY



Stephen Ministers care for people dealing with convalescence, divorce, financial struggles, grief, hospitalization, job loss, loneliness, terminal illness, and other life difficulties. If you are dealing with some type of crisis or difficulty in life, email [stephenministry@fumcaustin.org](mailto:stephenministry@fumcaustin.org) and ask about speaking with a Stephen Minister. All contacts are completely confidential.

### CHURCH LIFE:

#### YOUR ONLINE ACCESS TO FUMC

*Church Life* is a secure cloud-based church management software system that allows members to access the church calendar, review their contact information, schedule one-time or recurring giving, view giving history and pledge commitment, and access a church directory. *Church Life* is also available in a mobile app so you can have this information at your fingertips. For more information, contact Mary Heckmann at [mary@fumcaustin.org](mailto:mary@fumcaustin.org).

### SIGN UP FOR

#### SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

Placing flowers on the altar is a wonderful way to honor someone you love and appreciate, remember a departed loved one, or celebrate special days or events in your life or the life of the church. Available dates for the next several months are: July 9, 23, and 30 and August 13 and 27. Other dates are also available. Arrangement cost is \$65. Contact Tami Kellberg at [tami@fumcaustin.org](mailto:tami@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

## FAITH IN ACTION

### FAIR DAYS

By Liz Branch



For the last 10 years, FUMC has housed a wonderful community outreach event called the Women's Resource Fair. It provides vital services to some of Austin's most needy—women and children who suffer from homelessness and survivors of domestic violence. Over the years, close to 5,000 women and children have come to the Family Life Center seeking medical care, legal services, mental health and spiritual counseling, social services referrals, haircuts, a clothing closet, gift bags, breakfast, lunch and childcare. It is a day when the Austin community, including hundreds of volunteers, medical and legal professionals, businesses, and non-profits come together under one roof, for one purpose—to serve and value others. This is what I like most about the Fair.

I have helped coordinate this event since it began, and I have to admit that at times it has been exhausting and exasperating. But above all, it has been rewarding and uplifting. (In all 10 years, we have not had rain. Thanks be to God!) On each springtime Saturday, I have taken a deep breath, never knowing what is in store, but at the same time knowing what it holds. It holds comfort, smiles, connections, and valuing people simply for who they are—children of God. While I fret over logistical things each year (will parking go ok?, how was our outreach?, will our morning set-up volunteers show?), I bring my mind back to the sensible and comforting words of my husband, "If you have helped one person have a better day, then you did your job." I am always reminded that we have.