



First United  
Methodist Church  
A U S T I N

# FUMC Weekly

JULY 15, 2018

## THIS SUNDAY

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

### RETURNING VBS VOLUNTEERS PACKET PICKUP

#### Children's Hallway, Education Building

A packet with all relevant materials, such as schedules, rotations, and parking information will be available for returning volunteers ONLY. If you have already completed your Safe Gatherings certification and/or background check, no additional training is required.

### MANNA BAG SALE

#### 9:30-11:00 a.m. Sidewalk

Our 4th and 5th graders show the love of Christ to those in need through the making and selling of Manna Bags. You can purchase a bag for \$5, with proceeds going to purchase more supplies.

### SIGN UP FOR TABLE FOR 8 FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

#### 9:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Foyer



Table for 8 is a fun and exciting way to connect with people from First Church in a casual and relaxed atmosphere! Singles, couples, and families of all ages are welcome.

Sign up today or online! Then you will be placed with others in your geographical area and a dining group will be formed. Our intent is to mix you up so that new relationships develop and grow while sharing a meal. From this group of 8, an initial "Lead Host" will contact all the other members to decide the date and time of your first gathering. Tables will meet three times in the fall and three in the spring. The group can meet at a home, restaurant, park...it is up to you! Questions? Visit our FAQ at [fumcaustin.org/tablefor8](http://fumcaustin.org/tablefor8) or email Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org).

### MOBILE LOAVES & FISHES THIRD SUNDAY

#### 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. MLF Kitchen

An opportunity for first timers of all ages to give this ministry a try. Join the Make-Ready Team from 4:00-5:00 p.m. (preparing the food and loading the truck) or the Truck Team from 5:00-6:30 p.m. (delivering the food to our hungry neighbors around Austin).



### DO YOU WISH YOU KNEW MORE OF THE BIBLE?

FUMC is journeying together through the Bible in this summer series. We start in Genesis—inviting everyone to open up the Bible and read a little bit each day—and end in Revelation in August. Our worship each Sunday focuses on the passages we read the week before.

### GROUP DISCUSSION

All are invited to Wesley Hall each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

### DAILY READINGS

Bookmarks with daily readings are available in the foyer and at [fumcaustin.org/storyofgod](http://fumcaustin.org/storyofgod).

### CONNECT ON FACEBOOK

Quotes, Bible trivia, links and more are posted at [facebook.com/groups/FUMCAustin](https://facebook.com/groups/FUMCAustin).

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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

**22 Sunday**  
**Contemplative Worship Service**  
 9:00 a.m. Murchison Chapel  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Young Adult Lunch**  
 12:15 p.m. Front Steps, Sanctuary Building  
**Vacation Bible School (VBS) Decorating Day**  
 12:15-3:00 p.m. Wesley Hall  
**Vacation Bible School (VS) New Volunteer Training**  
 12:15 p.m. Room 111, Sanctuary Building

**23-27 Monday-Friday**  
**Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School (VBS)**  
 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sanctuary

**23-26 Monday-Thursday**  
**Triumph Sports Camp**  
 12:30-4:30 p.m. Family Life Center

**24 Tuesday**  
**Feed My People Fourth Tuesday**  
 4:45-7:00 a.m. Family Life Center

**29 Sunday**  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Fifth Sunday Presentation on Mental Health**  
 10:00 a.m. Wesley Hall  
**Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Slide Show**  
 12:15 p.m. Garrison Chapel, Family Life Center

## AUGUST

**5 Sunday**  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**PRIDE Interfaith Celebration**  
 4:00 p.m. JCC Austin, 7300 Hart Lane

**7 Tuesday**  
**Book Study: I'm Still Here**  
 6:30-7:30 p.m. Room 103, Family Life Center

**9 Thursday**  
**Service Day at Caritas Community Kitchen**  
 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. 611 Neches Street

**10 Friday**  
**Kids' Night Out**  
 6:00-9:00 p.m. Education Building

**11 Saturday**  
**Austin PRIDE Festival**  
 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.  
**Austin PRIDE Parade**  
 Beginning at 8:00 p.m.

**12 Sunday**  
**Chapel Worship Service**  
 9:00 a.m. Murchison Chapel  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Back-to-School Pool Party**  
 6:00-8:00 p.m. Balcones Woods Pool

**14 Tuesday**  
**Book Study: I'm Still Here**  
 6:30-7:30 p.m. Room 103, Family Life Center

**18 Saturday**  
**ERT Basic Training**  
 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Wesley Hall  
**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday**  
 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. MLF Kitchen

**19 Sunday**  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Manna Bag Sale**  
 9:30-11:00 a.m. Sidewalk  
**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday**  
 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. MLF Kitchen

**21 Tuesday**  
**Book Study: I'm Still Here**  
 6:30-7:30 p.m. Room 103, Family Life Center

<b>WEEK</b>	<b>15 Sun</b>	<b>Sign Up for "Table for 8"</b>	9:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Foyer
		<b>Manna Bag Sale</b>	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Sidewalk
		<b>Sunday School Classes for All Ages</b>	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		<b>"The Story of God" Group Discussion</b>	10:00 a.m.	Wesley Hall
		<b>Mobile Loaves &amp; Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday</b>	4:00 p.m./5:00 p.m.	MLF Kitchen
<b>THIS</b>	<b>16 Mon</b>	<b>Prodigal Sons Men's Group</b>	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Room 103, Family Life Center
	<b>17 Tue</b>	<b>Feed My People Breakfast</b>	4:45-7:00 a.m.	Family Life Center
	<b>18 Wed</b>	<b>Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews</b>	10:00 a.m.	fumcaustin.org/submissions
	<b>19 Thu</b>	<b>Feed My People Breakfast</b>	4:45-7:00 a.m.	Family Life Center
		<b>Feed My People Breakfast Worship</b>	6:30 a.m.	Garrison Chapel, Family Life Center
<b>T</b>	<b>21 Sat</b>	<b>FreeStore Third Saturday</b>	8:45-11:00 a.m.	Memorial UMC Gym, 6100 Berkman

## UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 22, SUNDAY

**VBS Decorating Day . 12:15-3:00 p.m. Wesley Hall**

Decorate and help with final prep for Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School. Childcare provided with registration at [childcare@fumcaustin.org](mailto:childcare@fumcaustin.org).

**VBS New Volunteer Training. 12:15 p.m. Room 111, Sanctuary Building**

New volunteers should plan to attend this 30 minute training before helping with set-up on decorating day.

JULY 29, SUNDAY

**Fifth Sunday Presentation on Mental Health . 10:00 am. Wesley Hall**

One in five adults will experience a mental health condition in their lifetime. However, everyone is affected or impacted by mental illness through friends and family. "In Our Own Voice" is a program developed by the National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI). This presentation by individuals living with mental health conditions serves to educate the public, support the individual's wellness and empowerment while dispelling the stigma of mental illness. This relevant and important conversation is hosted by our Mercy & Justice Team.

**ASP Slide Show . 12:15 p.m. Garrison Chapel, Family Life Center**

All are invited to a slide show of this year's Appalachia Service Project trip to Magoffin County, Kentucky. Come hear stories from our high school youth about the trip, the people they met, and the experiences shared. We will also celebrate Gordon Wesley and his 25 years of leading this trip! A light lunch and ice cream will be served.

AUGUST 5, SUNDAY

**PRIDE Interfaith Celebration . 4:00 p.m. JCC Austin, 7300 Hart Lane**

This annual LGBTQIA+ inclusive faith celebration features speakers from our LGBTQIA+ communities and the return of the outstanding Celebration Choir! This year's featured speaker is Kat Marcias. Reception immediately following. FREE. All are welcome!

AUGUST 7, 14, AND 21, TUESDAYS

**Book Study: I'm Still Here . 6:30-7:30 p.m. Room 103, Family Life Center**

Join us as we read and discuss this book by Austin Channing Brown, a powerful new voice on racial justice, an eye-opening account of growing up Black, Christian, and female in middle-class white America. Register at [fumcaustin.org/imstillhere](http://fumcaustin.org/imstillhere). For more information, contact Pastor Cathy at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

AUGUST 10, FRIDAY

**Kids' Night Out . 6:00-9:00 p.m. Education Building**

While parents enjoy an evening out, children play, eat pizza, and watch a movie with our trained childcare staff. We accept infants through 1st graders. Cost is \$25 for the first child and \$8 for siblings. Reservations required. Make reservations at [childcare@fumcaustin.org](mailto:childcare@fumcaustin.org) no later than the Wednesday prior to the event.

AUGUST 11, SATURDAY

**PRIDE Festival . 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Join the five reconciling United Methodist churches in presenting an affirming witness by hosting a booth at the PRIDE festival. Help let the LGBTQIA+ community know that FUMC is an affirming church. Sign up for shifts coming soon. For more information, contact the Reconciling Team at [rmn@fumcaustin.org](mailto:rmn@fumcaustin.org).

**PRIDE Parade . Beginning at 8:00 p.m.**

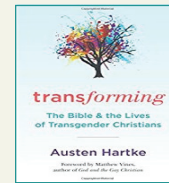
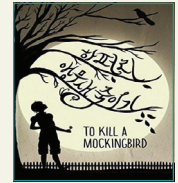
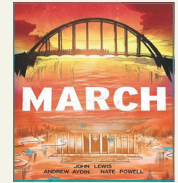
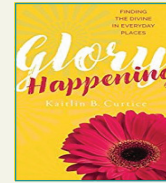
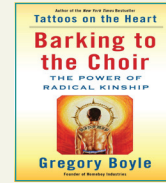
Ride or walk with the FUMC float in the 2018 PRIDE Parade. We gather at the Family Life Center and walk to our starting position at an evening time to be determined. Save the date and watch for announcements of details.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS AND ALL CHURCH NEWS,  
PLEASE VISIT [www.fumcaustin.org](http://www.fumcaustin.org).

NOW-AUGUST 19

**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: (1) *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship* by Gregory Boyle; (2) *Everybody, Always: Becoming Love in a World Full of Setbacks and Difficult People* by Bob Goff; (3) *Glory Happening: Finding the Divine in Everyday Places* by Kaitlin B. Curtice; (4) *March Trilogy* (graphic novel) by John Lewis and Andrew Aydin; (5) *Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church* by Rachel Held Evans; (6) *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee; and (7) *Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians* by Austen Hartke.

Gather with other summer readers to discuss books on August 19 at 10:00 a.m. in Wesley Hall. For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

## CHURCH NEWS

### JULY MISSION EMPHASIS

#### Mission Projects During Vacation Bible School (VBS)

During VBS, children participate in hands-on activities showing love to neighbors. They learn about and contribute to our main ministries with the hungry and homeless in the Austin community assembling Manna Bags for the congregation to distribute and Hygiene Kits for distribution at the Feed My People Breakfast. By the end of the week, the children will have a deeper appreciation of these ministries, the people we serve, and why these ministries are so important.

How can you help? Monetary donations may be left at the communion rail, made online, or sent to or brought by the church office. Please indicate "VBS Mission Projects" on your gifts. In addition to monetary donations, we are collecting items for the Hygiene Kits. We need 300 of each of the following items: **Full Size**-Chapstick; Combs; Disposable Razors; Feminine Hygiene Items; Stick Deodorant; and Toothbrushes. **Travel Size**-Bar Soap; Conditioner; Hand Sanitizer; Lotion; Shampoo; and Toothpaste. Bring donations by Sunday, July 22. Donation bins are located in the sanctuary foyer and Family Life Center. We are thankful to have such generous members and the opportunity to serve our children and our community.

### SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

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. Cost is \$65 and available dates for the next several months are July 29; September 9, 16, 23, and 30; and October 7, 14, 21, and 28. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at [tami@fumcaustin.org](mailto:tami@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

### FEED MY PEOPLE THANK YOU

Many thanks to those who bought and prepared food and set up and cleaned up for the Feed My People Fourth Tuesday Breakfast June 26: Sarah Austin; Sharon Doss; Jude Funke; Charles Harrison; Amy Williams; and Cecily Wright.

## PRAYER

### WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

*Health:* Francis Allen; Randolph Bias; Fay Brown; Gary Diehl; Merianne Gaston; Lucio Gonzales; Michael Render; Marie Richards; Pearl Spears; and Bruce Venno.

*Condolences:* to the family and friends of former FUMC pastor, Jack Heacock, on his death.

*Other:* Daviss King; FUMC Middle Schoolers on Reach Beyond Mission Team; and travel mercies to Africa for Henriette Iranyibuka and Donna Shands.

### BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Robbie Ausley's sister-in-law, Sue Holt; Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Craig Blome's and Tamera Golden's parents, Paul and Carol Golden; James Jackson Burns' mother, Karen Burns; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Bennett and Meisa Ezekiel's friend, Dev Reddy; Curtis Fuelberg's and Susan Griffith's friend, Ron Rogers; Nancy Gillett's mother and brother; Rev. Sheldon Johnson; Josh and Doise Miers' father and father-in-law, Gene Miers; Chip and Jan Morris', daughter, Vanessa; Mark Morris' and Kathy Tullos' neighbor, Warren Pettinos; Larry and Delia Peters' aunt, Marie Simmons; Shirley Sanders' son, Riley; Justin and Erin Scarth's friends, Chad Burnette and Lisa Whatley; Leslie Story's father, Neel Richardson; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.

*Condolences:* to Sherry Orsak of the death of her sister, Sharon Johnson, and nephew, Ray.

## 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.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

JULY 21, SATURDAY

**FreeStore Third Saturday**

**8:45-11:00 a.m.**

**Memorial UMC Gym**

**6100 Berkman**

Sort, organize, and shelve donated items; assist shoppers; bag items; provide hospitality; and share stories over a cup of coffee. Something for everyone, so just show up and serve.

JULY 23-27, MONDAY-FRIDAY

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)**

**Volunteering**

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

**Sanctuary**

For a safe and fun Rolling River Rampage VBS, we need over 50 adult and youth volunteers! We can help you find a place to serve. Contact contact Sarah Whitley at [sarah@sarahwhitley.com](mailto:sarah@sarahwhitley.com).

JULY 24, TUESDAY

**Feed My People**

**Fourth Tuesday**

**4:45-7:00 a.m.**

**Family Life Center**

Prepare and serve breakfast to 300 of our homeless neighbors. Without our regular supply of UT student volunteers, we need extra help during the summer. 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. Arrive and leave to meet your schedule.

AUGUST 9, THURSDAY

**Service Day at**

**Caritas Community Kitchen**

**9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

**611 Neches Street**

Adults and youth (12+) are invited to serve. Caritas of Austin provides a free, nutritious lunch—no questions asked—to over 300 individuals Monday through Friday. We have ten spots reserved to serve in this primarily volunteer-operated kitchen. Individuals and families must register at [fumcaustin.org](http://fumcaustin.org).