



First United  
Methodist Church  
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# FUMC Weekly

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

## THIS SUNDAY

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

### FAITH AT HOME SESSION

**10:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel**

At a Faith at Home session, participants learn and try out spiritual practices that are "do-able," adaptable, fun, and meaningful. These activities can be used by households of all shapes and sizes. This class focuses on exploring the practice of prayer and touches on some practical ideas to enhance the worship experience for you and your child.

### STUDY AND DISCUSSION OF UNAFRAID

**10:00-10:45 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall**

Pastor Cathy Stone leads this study of Adam Hamilton's *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times*. In his book, Adam Hamilton explores the most common worries and fears experienced by Americans today. He considers practical steps for overcoming these fears, and reflects upon fear in the light of Scripture and a faith that promises again and again that we do not need to live in fear. We can live with courage and hope.

### A WAY FORWARD BRIEFING

**10:00 a.m. Sanctuary**

Pastor Michael Mumme will give a status update on A Way Forward, the process our denomination is considering at the February 2019 Called General Conference. This briefing includes factual updates about the process as well as some limited interpretation about the efforts to organize in support of the One Church Plan and ongoing developments.

### FIRST STEPS CLASS

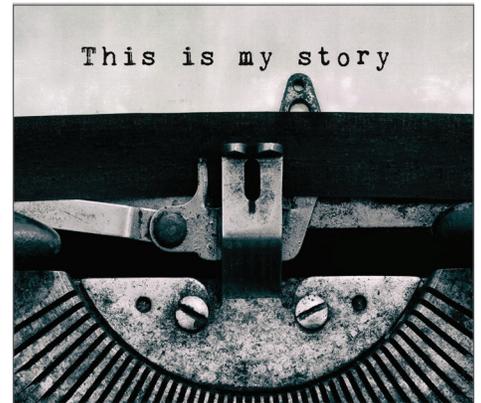
**12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel**

Are you interested in joining FUMC? Prior to joining, we ask all to participate in a First Steps Class to learn about United Methodist beliefs and the ministry of FUMC, meet the pastors and other members, and ask questions. To register, fill out the Connections Card and bring it with you to class.

### PRACTICING CHRISTIAN MINDFULNESS BEGINS

**12:30-2:00 p.m. SAN Room 212**

Mindfulness is getting a lot of notice these days from everyone from elite athletes to business executives—and for good reason! Did you know that our Christian mothers and fathers created a rich legacy of mindfulness practices? This six-week class led by Cindy Walter explores several of these practices.



Each of us has a story, an experience that has helped us understand God and ourselves. When we tell our stories, we find that they intertwine with God's story and the stories of others.

During worship we will hear from an FUMC member and then reflect through prayer, scripture, song, and sermon.

Join us as we delve into the stories of FUMC and find that our own lives are wrapped in the story of God.

#### September 16

*"I'm terrified, but I'm answering a call..."*

Daviss King

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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

## SEPTEMBER

For more about this week's and next Sunday's events and service opportunities, see the enclosed insert.

### 16 Sunday

#### Chapel Worship Service

9:00 a.m. Murchison Chapel

#### Sanctuary Worship Services: "This Is My Story"

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

#### Third Grade Bible Presentation

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

#### Connections Fair

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. SAN Wesley Hall

#### Manna Bag Sale

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

#### Study and Discussion of *Unafraid*

10:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

#### Lunch & Learn About Global Fellows

12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

#### Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday

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

### 17 Monday

#### Disciple Fast Track: Into the Word/World Begins

6:30-8:00 p.m. FLC Room 104

#### Financial Peace University Begins

6:30-8:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

### 23 Sunday

#### Contemplative Worship Service

9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

#### Sanctuary Worship Services: "This Is My Song"

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

#### Generosity Leadership Summit

12:15 p.m., FLC Great Hall

### 25 Tuesday

#### Feed My People Fourth Tuesday

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

### 29 Saturday

#### NAMI Walks

9:00 a.m. Long Center, 701 West Riverside Drive

### 30 Sunday

#### Sanctuary Worship Services

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

#### 5th Sunday Presentation: Implicit Bias

10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall

#### Baptism Class

12:15 p.m. EDU Room 108

#### Putting Your House in Order

12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

K E E W	9 Sun	<b>Faith at Home Session</b>	10:00 a.m.	EDU Murchison Chapel
		<b>Study and Discussion of <i>Unafraid</i></b>	10:00 a.m.	SAN Wesley Hall
		<b>Sunday School Classes for All Ages</b>	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		<b>A Way Forward Briefing</b>	10:00 a.m.	Sanctuary
		<b>Children's Choir Rehearsal</b>	12:15 p.m.	SAN Room 110
		<b>First Steps Class</b>	12:15 a.m.	FLC Garrison Chapel
S		<b>Practicing Christian Mindfulness Begins</b>	12:30-2:00 p.m.	SAN Room 212
		<b>Engage</b>	4:30-7:00 p.m.	FLC Great Hall
	10 Mon	<b>Prodigal Sons Men's Group</b>	6:30-8:00 p.m.	FLC Room 103
H T	11 Tue	<b>Feed My People Breakfast</b>	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
	12 Wed	<b>Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews</b>	9:00 a.m.	fumcaustin.org/submissions
		<b>Wednesday Morning Bible Study Resumes</b>	10:00 a.m.	SAN Room 213
		<b>Handbell Choir Rehearsal</b>	6:15-7:15 p.m.	SAN Balcony
	<b>FUMC Choir Rehearsal</b>	7:00-8:30 p.m.	SAN Choir Room	
13 Thu	<b>Feed My People Breakfast</b>	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC	
	<b>Feed My People Breakfast Worship</b>	6:30 a.m.	FLC Garrison Chapel	
	<b>Disciple Fast Track</b>	7:00 p.m.	FLC Room 104	
14 Fri	<b>Connect for Tweens</b>	6:00-9:00 p.m.	FLC Great Hall	
	<b>Kids' Club</b>	6:00-9:00 p.m.	EDU Room 108	
	<b>Kids' Night Out</b>	6:00-9:00 p.m.	EDU Room 102	

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 18, TUESDAY

### Immigrant Story” . 6:30 p.m. Westlake UMC, 1460 Redbud Trail

Many of us are, sadly, familiar with a part of the story. Reports of parents being separated from children, children being kept in cages, and other circumstances of utter desperation have been brought to the forefront of our media and consciousness. However, the reports are just part of the story, and, the story is far from over. All are invited to attend Immigrant Story where we will hear presentations from acclaimed Austin Immigration Attorney Kate Lincoln-Goldfinch and Sofia Casini, Immigrant Rights Organizer at Grassroots Leadership. Both of these courageous women have worked on, and continue to work on, the front lines of the immigration story right here in Austin. Perhaps there’s something that all of us can do to help. For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org).

SEPTEMBER 30, SUNDAY

### 5th Sunday Presentation: Implicit Bias . 10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall

Who, Me? Biased? As each of us experiences life—in school, at home, in church, at work, watching T.V. —we are surrounded by a number of biases. Some of these biases we consciously accept as our own, some we consciously reject, while many more fall into the subconscious level. Even though we are not aware of implicit biases, they constantly help to form our beliefs, values, ideas, and actions every day. By taking an intentional look at implicit bias and the ways it works in our brains and in our actions, we commit to rooting out the biases that are corrupted by stereotype or prejudice. Come learn what implicit bias is, how it influences our thinking, and how its impact can be minimized.

### Baptism Class . 12:15 p.m. EDU Room 108

Are you ready to have your child Baptized? Pastor Taylor Fuerst and Director of Children’s Ministries Lara Greene host this class to discuss our beliefs about Baptism, logistical information about scheduling and service preparation, and ways to help your child live the baptized life. This class is required for those preparing for a child’s Baptism. To register, indicate your interest on the Connections Card in worship or online at [fumcaustin.org/baptismclass](http://fumcaustin.org/baptismclass). If you are interested in adult Baptism, email Pastor Taylor at [taylor@fumcaustin.org](mailto:taylor@fumcaustin.org).

### Putting Your House In Order . 12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

Give the loving gift of preparedness to those you love. This estate planning workshop helps you share your plans and passions with your loved ones while leaving a legacy of faith to continue the work of the church. Tom Stanton of the Texas Methodist Foundation leads this workshop, which includes a detailed workbook. Cost is \$10. Register at [fumcaustin.org/house](http://fumcaustin.org/house).

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using submission form at [fumcaustin.org/submissions](http://fumcaustin.org/submissions).

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at [marilyn@fumcaustin.org](mailto:marilyn@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 204).



## GENEROSITY

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 28

### Worship Series

9:00-11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Living the Abundant Life

*I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.* —John 10:10

Do you feel stuck, wishing you could become more generous or more open to God’s leading? Jesus said that he came in order for our lives to change—to become more abundant. He didn’t expect that anyone listening had already arrived at the full measure of abundance; he came in order to make it possible. So what does abundance look like on the ground? What is the fulfillment we really long for, and how does God help us get there? Join us for this five-week series as we take steps toward the abundant life Jesus promises.

OCTOBER 7-28

### Sunday School Series

10:00 a.m., SAN Wesley Hall

Want to explore practical ways to live out the Abundant Life? Join our Pastors in Wesley Hall at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays in October for study and practical discussion in conjunction with our upcoming series, “Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life.” Study and Discussion Guides will also be available for Sunday School classes who wish to participate in their own class setting.

OCTOBER 21, SUNDAY

### Churchwide Picnic

12:15 p.m., Capitol Lawn

OCTOBER 28, SUNDAY

### Commitment Sunday

9:00 & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

## CHURCH NEWS

### 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 rest of the year are: September 23 and 30; October 28; November 25; and December 2, 9, 16, and 23. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at [tami@fumcaustin.org](mailto:tami@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

### THANK YOU, FUMC!

Many thanks to all who contributed new children's underwear during August. Members of the UMW Joy Circle made two trips to Southside Community Center in San Marcos to deliver our donations which were received with great appreciation. The donated underwear will be given to San Marcos ISD elementary school nurses to use throughout the school year as needed. Your donations will help make children in need more comfortable and confident!

### SANCTUARY BELLS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS



Adults, teens, rookies, old pros, and everyone in between are welcome to join! No handbell experience is necessary, but an instrumental music background is essential. Bring a willingness to learn and we can comfortably

bring new ringers up to speed, whether you have never held a bell before or are just dusting off skills you have not used in a while. We have a "family feel" and the rehearsals are a time of fellowship and a time to grow in the Lord and learn new and exciting instruments. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:15 p.m. in the balcony of the Sanctuary. For more information, contact Director Shirley Derryberry at [derryberry22@gmail.com](mailto:derryberry22@gmail.com) or 512-497-1852.

## PRAYER

### WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

#### *Health*

Randolph Bias; Carol Brady; Ken and Susan Hensley; Nancy Lewis; Gene and Charlotte Lyerly; Andrea Peck; Pearl Spears; Wilton Stone; and Bruce Venno.

#### *Congratulations*

To Bill and Shirley Derryberry on the birth of their granddaughter, Clara Grace, and to Isao and Julia Karisch Jonas on the birth of their son, Nat Charles Jonas.

### BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Robbie Ausley's sister-in-law, Sue Holt; Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Craig Blome's and Tamra Golden's parents, Paul and Carol Golden; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Shirley Derryberry's sister, Marcia Ohlhausen; Bennett and Meisa Ezekiel's friend, Dev Reddy; Cindy Gunderson's neighbor, Barbara White; Elizabeth Lerner's daughter, Katherine; Gene Lyerly's neurologist, Dr. Thomas Hill; Mark Morris' and Kathy Tullos' neighbor, Warren Pettinos; Connie Payne's brother, John; Debbie Rippetoe's friend, Jo Johnson; Justin and Erin Scarth's friend, Chad Burnette and Lisa Whatley; Donna Shands' daughter, June; Leslie Story's father, Neel Richardson; and Dick Young's nephew Jeff Young.

### SEPTEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS AND COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING

#### The Global Mission Fellows Program

The Global Mission Fellows Program of the General Board of Global Ministries is a two-year mission service and educational opportunity for young adults, ages 20-30, to work in social justice ministries. Fellows from the United States and other countries leave their home communities after an extensive orientation and work either in the U. S. or internationally. This graduate-level fellowship allows participants to address the root causes of oppression and alleviate human suffering alongside community organizations in a variety of issue areas, including public health, migration/immigration, education, and poverty.

Rather than continuing to support a single missionary or missionary couple, FUMC is beginning a partnership with this program. Through this partnership we will support these young adults and their work through financial giving, prayers, letters of encouragement, and visits from Fellows. We invite you to meet Grace Okerson, a Global Mission Fellow from Florida who is serving with the NOAH Project in Detroit, on Sunday, September 16.

During the month of September, you can contribute at the altar rail, drop your gift in the offering plate, or send or bring your contribution to the church office. Make checks payable to FUMC and include a note stating that your contribution is for "GM Fellows."