



First United
Methodist Church
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FUMC Weekly

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

THIS SUNDAY

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

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.

SEPTEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS AND COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING



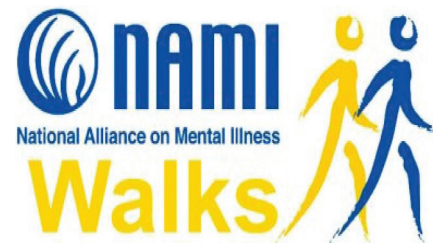
The Global Mission Fellows Program of the General Board of Global Ministries is a two-year mission service and educational opportunity

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.

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."

SEPTEMBER 29, SATURDAY



Support our team for this year's NAMI Walks event!

First Church is walking to support the work of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) as we promote education and awareness and work to end the stigma associated with mental illness.

Come walk with us or support our team with a donation through our NAMIWalks team page at fumcaustin.org/nami-walks.

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

1201 Lavaca Street | Austin, Texas, 78701 | 512-478-5684 | www.fumcaustin.org

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 next Sunday's events and our service opportunities, see the enclosed insert.

30 Sunday

- Sanctuary Services: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
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

OCTOBER

5-8 Friday-Monday

- Disaster Recovery Mission Trip to Sinton, Texas**
Register at fumcaustin.org/harvey

7 Sunday

- Sanctuary Services: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- Sunday School Series: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall
- Conversations on Racial Justice**
4:30-6:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

12 Friday

- Connect for Tweens**
6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall
- Kids' Club**
6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel
- Kids' Night Out**
6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU Room 102

14 Sunday

- Sanctuary Services: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- Sunday School Series: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall

Administrative Board Meeting

12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall

16 Tuesday

- Book Study: transforming Begins**
6:30-7:30 p.m. La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane

19 Friday

- Family Fall Party**
6:30-8:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

20 Saturday

- FreeStore Third Saturday**
8:30-11:30 a.m. Memorial UMC Gym, 6100 Berkman
- Hands on Housing Raise the Roof**
Register at fumcaustin.org/hoh

21 Sunday

- Chapel Service**
9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel
- Sanctuary Services: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- Manna Bag Sale**
9:30-11:00 a.m. Sidewalk
- Sunday School Series: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall
- Churchwide Celebration Picnic**
12:15 p.m. Capitol Lawn
- Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday**
4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. SAN MLF Kitchen

28 Sunday

- Contemplative Worship Service**
9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel
- Sanctuary Services: Commitment Sunday**
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- Sunday School Series: Celebrate! Living the Abundant Life**
10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall

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| S | 23 Sun | Study and Discussion of <i>Unafraid</i> | 10:00 a.m. | SAN Wesley Hall |
| | | Sunday School Classes for All Ages | 10:00 a.m. | Various Locations |
| | | Engage for Youth | 4:30-7:00 p.m. | FLC Great Hall |
| - | 24 Mon | Prodigal Sons Men's Group | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | FLC Room 103 |
| | 25 Tue | "Feed My People" Fourth Tuesday Breakfast | 4:45-7:00 a.m. | FLC |
| H | 26 Wed | Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews | 9:00 a.m. | fumcaustin.org/submissions |
| | | Wednesday Morning Bible Study | 10:00 a.m. | SAN Room 213 |
| | | Handbell Choir Rehearsal | 6:15-7:15 p.m. | SAN Balcony |
| H | 27 Thu | FUMC Choir Rehearsal | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | SAN Choir Room |
| | | Feed My People Breakfast | 4:45-7:00 a.m. | FLC |
| H | 29 Sat | Feed My People Breakfast Worship | 6:30 a.m. | FLC Garrison Chapel |
| | | NAMI Walks | 9:00 a.m. | Long Center, 701 West Riverside Drive |

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 7, SUNDAY



Conversations on Racial Justice 4:30-6:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

Join us as we work together on racial justice, seeking to undo racism in ourselves and recognize systemic racism, while working for and supporting work being done to end racial oppression. This

group meets on first Sundays to discuss and learn more about racial oppression, issues of whiteness and racism, and other topics through videos, podcasts, and short articles. For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at cathy@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

OCTOBER 12, FRIDAY

Connect for Tweens . 6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

All 5th, 6th, and 7th graders are invited to a night of fellowship and fun! Connect for Tweens bridges children and youth ministries through building relationships, serving, and helping youth connect with one another and with God during the transitional pre-teen years.

Kids' Club . 6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

All 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders are invited to a night of faith building through games, mission projects, a movie, and pizza!

Kids' Night Out . 6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU Room 102

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 no later than the Wednesday prior to the event.

OCTOBER 14, SUNDAY

Administrative Board Meeting . 12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall

All are welcome to attend and participate in discussion. Board members have voting rights. Lunch provided for \$10 per person. Board members and guests who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10. Register at fumcaustin.org/adminboard. Childcare available by making reservations at childcare@fumcaustin.org.

OCTOBER 19, FRIDAY

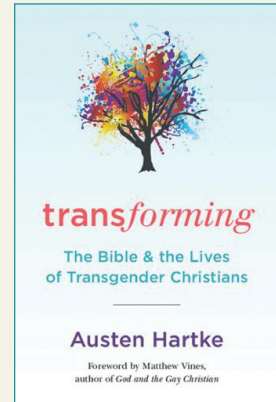


Family Fall Party 6:30-8:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

Join us for some family fun! Preschoolers and elementary-aged children are invited to bring their parents to this party hosted by the Children's Ministry Team. Activities will include a bounce

house, face painting, a prize walk, and other games. Halloween costumes are encouraged! Pizza and drinks will be available for purchase. In lieu of an admission fee, please bring a non-perishable food item for the Central Texas Food Bank. To volunteer or donate items, visit fumcaustin.org/family-fall-party.

OCTOBER 16, 23, AND 30
Book Study: *transforming*
6:30-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays
La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane



Join us as we read and discuss *Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians* by Austen Hartke.

This book provides access into an underrepresented and misunderstood community and will change the way readers think about transgender people, faith, and the future of Christianity. By introducing transgender issues and language and providing stories of both biblical characters and real-life narratives from transgender Christians living today, Hartke helps readers visualize a more inclusive Christianity, equipping them with the confidence and tools to change both the church and the world.

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 at La Madeleine. Please purchase your book at a local bookstore or through Amazon.

Register at fumcaustin.org/book-study-transforming. For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at cathy@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS AND ALL CHURCH NEWS,
PLEASE VISIT www.fumcaustin.org.

churchlife

Giving · Calendar · Connections

This secure cloud-based church management software system allows members to access the church calendar, review 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. To log in, visit fumcaustin.org/churchlife. For more information, contact Mary Heckmann at mary@fumcaustin.org.

NOVEMBER 4, SUNDAY

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 during worship and place it in the offering plate or online at fumcaustin.org.

[org/firststeps](http://fumcaustin.org/firststeps). Questions, email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

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: October 28 and December 2, 9, 16, and 23. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at tami@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

FUMC ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Jack Heacock, given by Jerry and Patsy Heare.

GIFTS TO FUMC

To our Ministry Plan in memory of Paul Ruiz, given by Dan Wood and Marilyn Good.

To our "This is My Song" Special Choir Offering in honor of Penny Appleby, given by Tom and Robbie Ausley.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Do you know someone who is celebrating or struggling? Someone who would be comforted by knowing that there are people who care and are praying for them? A group of skilled and dedicated knitters here at First Church has produced a collection of beautiful prayer shawls. They are available by request in the church office. These free shawls carry the assurances of prayer.

PRAYER

WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

Health

Randolph Bias; Carol Brady; Ken and Susan Hensley; Nancy Lewis; Gene and Charlotte Lyerly; Andrea Peck; Conneen Viva Sanders; Pearl Spears; Bruce Venno; and Olivia Weldon.

Condolences

To the family and friends of Elaine Ward on her death.

Other

For those who are affected by Hurricane Florence.

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; Peggy Davis' aunt, Virgie Sorrells; Bennett and Meisa Ezekiel's friend, Dev Reddy; Jimmie Sue Francis' friends, Travis Brown, Joe Harrelson, and David Orton; Nancy Gillett's mother, Joyce Lester; Kathleen Graham's cousins, J. R. and Tiffany Tucker; Cindy Gunderson's neighbor, Barbara White; Elizabeth Lerner's daughter, Katherine; Charlyn Loera's mother, Alma, and friend, Ruth; Gene Lyerly's neurologist, Dr. Thomas Hill; Mark Morris' and Kathy Tullos' neighbor, Warren Pettinos; Connie Payne's brother, John; Stacy Prentice's grandmother, Jean Alston; Debbie Rippetoe's friend, Jo Johnson; Rick Russell's cousin, James Winborn; Justin and Erin Scarth's friends, Chad Burnette and Lisa Whatley; Donna Shands' daughter, June; Leslie Story's parents, Neel and Pat Richardson; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.

Condolences

To Kevin and Haley Rose on the death of their friend, Jo Hallmark.