

## SEPTEMBER 30, NEXT 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.

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### 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).

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### Putting Your House In Order

12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

Give the 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).



## LIVING THE ABUNDANT LIFE

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 28

### Worship Series

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

*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 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 for study and practical discussion in conjunction with our worship 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

### Churchwide Celebration Picnic

12:15 p.m., Capitol Lawn

We will celebrate our ministry and growth at a churchwide picnic.

OCTOBER 28

### Commitment Sunday

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

We will place our Commitment Cards in the offering plate as an act of worship.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

SEPTEMBER 25, TUESDAY

**Feed My People**

**Fourth Tuesday Breakfast**

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

**FLC Great Hall**



We need more volunteers! Come help serve breakfast to 300 of our homeless neighbors.

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. You may arrive and leave to meet your schedule. On-the-job training is available.



OCTOBER 20, 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. There is something for everyone, so show up and serve.



OCTOBER 21, SUNDAY

**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF)**

**Third Sunday**

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

**SAN MLF Kitchen**



MLF serves daily, but this day is for individuals and families who want to try face-to-face service working with experienced volunteers.

Join the Make-Ready Team from 4:00-5:00 p.m. (preparing food and loading truck) and/or the Truck Team from 5:00-6:30 p.m. (delivering food around Austin). Sign up at [fumcaustin.org/mlf](http://fumcaustin.org/mlf).

## FALL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

OCTOBER 5-8, FRIDAY-MONDAY

**Disaster Recovery Mission Trip . Sinton, Texas**



**Long-Term Disaster Recovery**



First Church is sending a mission team (ages 14 and up) to this coastal bend region to help with long-term recovery from the devastation of Hurricane Harvey one year ago. Volunteers must complete a background check process. No other training is required. The cost is \$125 and work days are Saturday and Sunday. Register at [fumcaustin.org/harvey](http://fumcaustin.org/harvey). Contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) to complete background check process or for more information.

OCTOBER 20, SATURDAY

**Hands on Housing Raise the Roof . 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.**



iACT's Hands on Housing utilizes volunteers and skilled professionals to repair the homes of senior citizens and disabled individuals who are living in deep poverty. Come join us for the Fall Raise the Roof event, and help repair and paint a home. Register at [fumcaustin.org/hoh](http://fumcaustin.org/hoh).