



**First United
Methodist Church**
A U S T I N

FUMC Weekly

OCTOBER 21, 2018

THIS SUNDAY

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

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. Bags contain nutritious snacks, a pair of socks, and a note with God's blessing. You can purchase a bag for \$5, with proceeds going to purchase more supplies.

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. Study and discussion guides are available at fumcaustin.org/generosity for Sunday School classes who wish to participate in their own setting.

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).

CHURCHWIDE CELEBRATION PICNIC

12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall



Join us for fellowship and fun with the church family!

OCTOBER 28 NEXT SUNDAY

COMMITMENT SUNDAY: CELEBRATE!

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

We will place our Commitment Cards in the offering plate as an act of worship. Completing and returning a Commitment Card expresses your intent and affirms your desire to honor God with your financial generosity. Your financial generosity enables all of our ministries to answer God's call effectively.

COLD WEATHER SHELTER TRAINING

10:00-10:45 a.m.

EDU Murchison Chapel

FUMC is a Tuesday night host for Cold Weather Shelter for Women, a program managed by Front Steps at the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless. This training includes an overview of the ministry, safety and logistics, ways to welcome and interact with our guests, Q&A, and signup. Please contact Pastor Cathy Stone at cathy@fumcaustin.org with any questions.

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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

OCTOBER

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

Cold Weather Shelter Training

10:00-10:45 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

NOVEMBER

2 Friday

Spirit of Compassion Awards Luncheon

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

4 Sunday

Sanctuary Worship Services

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

Visit Our Sukkah

10:00-10:30 a.m. SAN Room 110

First Steps Class

12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

Conversations on Racial Justice

4:30-6:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

9 Friday

Connect for Tweens

6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

Kids' Club

6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU Room 108

Kids' Night Out

6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU Room 102

10 Saturday

God in Transition

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Justice For Our Neighbors Gala: Families Belong Together

5:30 p.m. Crowne Plaza Ballroom, 6121 North IH 35

11 Sunday

Sanctuary Worship Services

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

Conversation with Reverend M Barclay

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

Wedding Reception for Michael and Betsy

12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall

17 Saturday

FreeStore Third Saturday

8:45-11:00 a.m. Memorial UMC Gym, 6100 Berkman

18 Sunday

Chapel Service

9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

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. SAN MLF Kitchen

25 Sunday

Contemplative Worship Service

9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

Sanctuary Worship Services

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

K E E W	21 Sun	Manna Bag Sale	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Sidewalk
		Sunday School Series: Celebrate!	10:00 a.m.	SAN Wesley Hall
		Sunday School Classes for All Ages	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		Churchwide Celebration Picnic	12:15 p.m.	FLC Great Hall
		Engage for Senior High Youth	4:30-7:00 p.m.	FLC Great Hall
		Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday	4:00 p.m./5:00 p.m.	SAN MLF Kitchen
	22 Mon	Prodigal Sons Men's Group	6:30-8:00 p.m.	FLC Room 103
	23 Tue	Feed My People Fourth Tuesday Breakfast	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
		Book Study: transforming	6:30-7:30 p.m.	La Madeleine, 5493 Brodie Lane
S I H T	24 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
		FUMC Choir Rehearsal	7:00-8:30 p.m.	SAN Choir Room
	25 Thu	Feed My People Breakfast	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
		Feed My People Breakfast Worship	6:30 a.m.	FLC Garrison Chapel

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2, FRIDAY

Spirit of Compassion Awards Luncheon . 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall

Come honor Tim League of Alamo Drafthouse for his inspiring contribution to community organizations ECHO, Front Steps, and Community First! Village. The keynote speaker is Chris Del Conte, Vice President and Athletic Director at The University of Texas at Austin. For sponsorship or ticket information, email Lydia Chambers at lichambers@foundationhomeless.org, call 512-576-1343, or visit www.foundationhomeless.org/soca-2018.

NOVEMBER 4, SUNDAY

Visit Our Sukkah . 10:00-10:30 a.m. SAN Room 110

The 4th and 5th graders are celebrating the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot and they are inviting you to come visit their Sukkah. This holiday remembers the 40 years the Hebrew people wandered in the wilderness after their escape from Egypt and celebrates the fall harvest. The children are also collecting food donations for Caritas of Austin, so please bring a non-perishable food item to place in the Sukkah.

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. Register at fumcaustin.org/conversations.

NOVEMBER 10, SATURDAY

God in Transition . 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sanctuary



If you are interested in learning about how you, individually, and our congregation, collectively, can support transgender (trans) and non-binary people and their loved ones, come join us for a day-long event of education and community building. With featured plenary speaker, Reverend M Barclay, a non-binary trans minister in The United Methodist Church, you will be invited to grow in understanding of what it means

to be trans today, learn how the Christian faith can support people in their transitions, deepen your understanding of gender, and walk away with practical tools for celebrating people of all genders. Come with an open heart and mind. Cost is \$20 and lunch is provided. Register at fumcaustin.org/barclay.

Justice For Our Neighbors Gala: Families Belong Together . 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Immigrant families face hostility in our land today and research shows most immigrants without legal representation in court face deportation. Join us at this family-friendly gala as our honored guest, the Reverend Laura Merrill, shares her experience leading worship in the Tornillo detention center for minors and reflects on the need to reunite families and keep children from being housed in tent cities. Your support helps provide expert legal services to immigrants in need. Help us keep families together! Purchase tickets at www.jfonaustin.org/gala. This gala will be held in the Crowne Plaza Ballroom located at 6121 North IH 35.

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

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

OCTOBER 23, 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.



NOVEMBER 17, 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.



NOVEMBER 18, 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.

CHURCH NEWS

NOVEMBER 4, SUNDAY

Join Us for Our Next

First Steps Class

12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

Are you interested in joining FUMC?

Prior to joining, we ask all to come

to this 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/firststeps.

GIFTS TO FUMC

- To our Mercy & Justice Ministries in memory of Wilton Stone, given by Donna Peavler.
- To our Ministry Plan in memory of Marijo Hartman's father, Joe Rector, given by Tami Kellberg.
- To our Ministry Plan in memory of Wilton Stone, given by Kaye Albright and Sally Watkins.

OCTOBER MISSION EMPHASIS AND COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING

World Communion Sunday and Casa Marianella

Together, we enable national and international graduate students to change the world. Together, we welcome and care for the poor, the stranger, the sojourner, the outcast.

The World Communion Offering equips disciples like Mary Grace Galapon to serve in Jesus' name. As a small child, Mary Grace labored as a housemaid in exchange for food and clothing. Yet, allowed to attend church, she found hope. As a member of The United Methodist Church, your giving on World Communion Sunday has allowed this deaconess of the Mindanao Philippines Annual Conference to pursue an education that is changing her community as she works to eliminate poverty. Mary Grace's work, and the impact of hundreds more like her, are possible because you give.

Around the globe, countless gifted and qualified youth and young adults face financial obstacles that hinder their preparation for their God-given vocations. For ethnic students who will be the first generation to attend college, or for people of color who haven't historically had access to higher education, the road toward education has often been unwieldy. World Communion Sunday is a time to join with Christians all over the world to "press on toward the goal" of serving God in life-changing ministries.

Your giving helps provide scholarships through the United Methodist Church for national and international graduate students whom God has called to learn and to serve. This October, 25% of our World Communion Offering will go to Casa Marianella, an organization that welcomes displaced immigrants and promotes self-sufficiency by providing shelter and support services. In addition to shelter, Casa offers access to legal and medical resources, food, clothing, English classes, and other resources. Gifts, marked "World Communion," may be dropped in the offering plate anytime during October or mailed to or brought by the church office.

NOVEMBER 11, SUNDAY

Wedding Reception for

Michael and Betsy

12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall



Pastor Michael is getting married to the love of his life, Betsy Richards, on Saturday, November 3.

The happy couple has been dating for over three years and even spent six weeks trekking the Camino de Santiago in Spain together. (That takes commitment!)

Join us for a reception as we celebrate the newlyweds!

SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWER

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 9, 16, and 23. Contact Tami Kellberg at tami@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

PRAYER

WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

Health

Marilyn Bettis; Hadley Fuerst; Paul Hicks Nancy Lewis; Terry Kahn; Gene and Charlotte Lyerly; Andrea Peck; and Bruce Venno.

Condolences

To Marijo Hartman on the death of her father, Joe Rector, and to Cathy Stone on the death of her uncle, James Stone.

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Craig Blome's and Tamra Golden's grandmother, Dorothy Carter; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Davis Covin's nephew, Benjamin Cowan; Shirley Derryberry's sister, Marcia Ohlhausen; Jimmie Sue Francis' friend, Travis Brown; Tina Hester's father, David Hester; Anthony Gutierrez's grandmother, Genovena Gandara; Sydney Head's niece, Charlie, and brother and sister-in-law, Brandon and Vicki; Patricia Kane's friends, Johnny and Mimi; Connie Payne's brother, John Bellinghausen; Delia Peters' brother, Robert Ybarra; Michael Render's friend, Paul Freeman; Pat Rives' friend, Judith Moyers; Justin and Erin Scarth's friends, Chad Burnette and Lisa Whatley; Leslie Story's father, Neel Richardson; Amy Wink's father, Weldon Wink; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.