

# FUMC Weekly

MARCH 10, 2019

## THIS SUNDAY

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

### Youth IMAX Night

3:45 p.m. Bob Bullock Museum, 1800 Congress



All 5th-12th grade FUMC youth are invited to a movie night to see the new movie, "Captain Marvel." Since it is opening weekend for this film, please purchase your tickets

beforehand on the Bob Bullock website. Youth should arrive by 3:45 p.m. to get seats together before the show starts at 4:15 p.m. The movie will run until 6:30 p.m. "Captain Marvel" is rated PG-13 for sequences of sci-fi violence and action and brief suggestive language. This is our Engage gathering for the evening. We will not meet at the FLC.

### MISSION EMPHASIS AND COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)



When we want to buy fair-trade products. When farmers need help with appropriate agricultural technology. When a natural disaster strikes somewhere around the globe.

When a community needs clean water and effective sanitation. When these and many other disasters occur, UMCOR is there because our contributions support the life-saving work in sustainable development, global health, relief supplies, and disaster response. Your gifts, marked "UMCOR," may be left at the communion rail or placed in the offering plate today or any Sunday in March. You may also send them to or bring them by the church office.

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

**BEGINNING TODAY**  
Churchwide Lenten Study  
Book Study: *Sensing God*

**BEGINNING MARCH 11 AND 12**  
Lenten Study Groups

*For more information about these offerings, see our Lenten insert.*

## LENTEN WORSHIP

This year, in this holy season of preparation leading up to Easter, we delve deep into the last moments leading up to Jesus' Crucifixion—his entrance into Jerusalem, being anointed with oil, overturning the tables, sharing the last supper, and facing God in the garden of Gethsemane. Step by step, we will make our way through these moments with Jesus on his way to the cross and beyond, as we connect more deeply with the Lord of life this Easter.

# CALENDAR

## MARCH

- 17 Sunday**  
**Chapel Service**  
 9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel  
**Manna Bag Sale**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Assemble UMCOR Relief Kits**  
 10:00 a.m. FLC Great Hall  
**Training for Thursday Women's Ministry**  
 12:15 a.m. FLC Great Hall  
**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday**  
 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. SAN MLF Kitchen
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- 21 Thursday**  
**Morning of Service at Marbridge**  
 9:30-11:00 a.m. 2310 Bliss Spillar Road
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- 24 Sunday**  
**Contemplative Worship Service**  
 9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
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- 26 Tuesday**  
**"Feed My People" Fourth Tuesday Breakfast**  
 4:45-7:00 a.m. FLC
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- 31 Sunday**  
**Sanctuary Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Mercy & Justice 5th Sunday**  
 10:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel

## "Cheers Ministry" for Boomers

12:00 p.m. EDU Room 108

## Con Confianza Safety Training

1:00-3:00 p.m. SAN Wesley Hall

## MARCH 16, 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.

### Habitat Methodist Build

7220 Boyle Drive

FUMC will join area Methodist churches for the 2019 Habitat Methodist Build. Our commitment includes a fundraising goal of \$7,500, along with providing ten volunteers for each of the following Saturdays: March 16, April 13, and May 4. If you would like to put your faith into action, sign up at [fumcaustin.org/habitat](http://fumcaustin.org/habitat). Donations may be placed in the offering plate (marked "Habitat Build") or made online at [fumcaustin.org](http://fumcaustin.org). For more information, contact Terri Purdy at [terri.sohn@gmail.com](mailto:terri.sohn@gmail.com).

K E E W	10 Sun	Churchwide Lenten Study	10:00 a.m.	SAN Wesley Hall
		Lenten Study-Parents of Young Children	10:00 a.m.	SAN Room 215
		Lenten Study-Young Adults	10:00 a.m.	FLC 102
		Sunday School Classes for All Ages	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		Book Study: <i>Sensing God</i>	12:15-1:45 p.m.	SAN Room 212
S I H T	11 Mon	Children's Choir Rehearsal	12:15 p.m.	SAN Room 110
		Prodigal Sons Men's Group	6:30-8:00 p.m.	FLC Room 103
		Lenten Study-Manor	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Home of the Hartmans
S I H T	12 Tue	Lenten Study-Southwest Austin	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Home of the Wilders
		"Feed My People" Breakfast	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
		Lenten Study-Northwest Austin	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Home of the Morris
		Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews	9:00 a.m.	<a href="http://fumcaustin.org/submissions">fumcaustin.org/submissions</a>
S I H T	13 Wed	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.	SAN Room 213
		Handbell Choir Rehearsal	5:45-7:15 p.m.	SAN Balcony
		FUMC Choir Rehearsal	7:00-8:30 p.m.	SAN Choir Room
		"Feed My People" Breakfast	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
S I H T	14 Thu	"Feed My People" Breakfast Worship	6:30 a.m.	FLC Garrison Chapel
		FreeStore Third Saturday	8:45-11:00 a.m.	Memorial UMC Gym, 6100 Berkman
S I H T	16 Sat	Habitat Methodist Build	7:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	<a href="http://fumcaustin.org/habitat">fumcaustin.org/habitat</a>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MARCH 17, SUNDAY**

### **Assemble UMCOR Relief Kits . 10:00 a.m. FLC Great Hall**

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is the UMC's disaster response agency. UMCOR is often the first in and last out following a natural disaster. All ages and stages are invited to gather and help assemble UMCOR cleaning and hygiene kits. These kits assist families and Emergency Response Teams by providing cleaning materials to make homes safe, clean, and habitable following a disaster, and also by providing families who are displaced with necessary toiletries. All Sunday School classes are invited to participate. There will be no regular Sunday School for children and youth.

### **Training for Thursday Women's Ministry . 12:15-2:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall**

This May, we are launching a new ministry with women experiencing homelessness following the "Feed My People" Breakfast on Thursday mornings. We will have two opportunities for volunteer training that includes an overview of the ministry, volunteer roles, ways to welcome and interact with our guests, and signup information. All potential volunteers are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be provided. Questions? Contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

**MARCH 31, SUNDAY**

### **Mercy & Justice 5th Sunday . 10:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel**

All are encouraged to attend this presentation sponsored by our United Methodist Women to learn about and participate in advocating for better maternal care in Texas. We will hear from Kelene Blake-Fallon, who co-chairs the Community Engagement Team of the Black Mamas Community Collective (BMCC) which works to improve post-partum outcomes and lower the mortality rate among black mothers through sharing resources, advocacy, and awareness.

### **"Cheers Ministry" for Boomers . 12:00 p.m. EDU Room 108**

Boomers are invited to join us for the first official event of the new "Cheers Ministry"—a community for those young-at-heart who are recently retired, semi-retired, or thinking about setting a date to retire. Designed for our members and visitors who are of the Baby Boomer generation (you know who you are), this group is a way to build community, get to know others, and find ways to connect within our large church family. We will meet for lunch, conversation, and a service project to assemble UMCOR cleaning kits. Questions? Contact Dick Young at [rtyoung@austin.rr.com](mailto:rtyoung@austin.rr.com) or 512-789-8480.

### **Con Confianza Safety Training . 1:00-3:00 p.m. SAN Wesley Hall**

The Rio Texas Conference requires all volunteers with youth, children, and vulnerable adults to be certified through a 3-step Safe Gatherings process. This certification is required to teach summer Sunday School, participate in youth retreats or mission trips, and lead Vacation Bible School, among other service opportunities. FUMC will host an online training session to complete step 3. We encourage participants to attend in person because there will be opportunities to discuss training topics pertinent to our church. However, if you are unable to attend in person, you can attend online. If you plan to attend in person, visit [fumcaustin.org/conference-safety-training](http://fumcaustin.org/conference-safety-training) to register, NOT the Conference website. If you plan to take the course online from a different location, register online at [riotexas.org/safetrainings](http://riotexas.org/safetrainings) for the March 31 online session. If this day/time does not work for you, select another time listed on the website to fulfill the requirement. Questions? Contact FUMC Safety Policy Administrator Emily Buchanan at [emily@fumcaustin.org](mailto:emily@fumcaustin.org).

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

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**MARCH 17, 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. Sign up at [fumcaustin.org/mlf](http://fumcaustin.org/mlf).



**MARCH 21, THURSDAY**

### **Morning of Service at Marbridge**

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

#### **2310 Bliss Spillar Road**

Come make a difference as we interact with residents through games, crafts, and other activities planned by the Marbridge staff. This event is family-friendly for all ages. Children under the age of 10 years should be accompanied by an adult. Marbridge is a non-profit residential community that offers transitional and lifetime care to adults with a wide range of cognitive abilities and provides them opportunities to learn, experience, and achieve a whole new life. Space is limited, so register now at [fumcaustin.org/marbridge](http://fumcaustin.org/marbridge). For more information, contact Pastor Cathy Stone at [cathy@fumcaustin.org](mailto:cathy@fumcaustin.org) or 512-656-9749.



**MARCH 26, TUESDAY**

### **Feed My People Fourth Tuesday Breakfast 4:45-7:00 a.m. FLC Great Hall**

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.

## CHURCH NEWS

### FUMC ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Nancy Lewis, given Arnold and Ruth Buss.

### GIFTS TO FUMC

To our Children's Ministries in honor of the baptism of Adeline Potts, given by Daviss King.

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To our Ministry Plan in memory of Gene Lyrly, given by Roy O'neal.

To our Mobile Loaves & Fishes Ministry in memory of Bruce Venno, given by Tom and Robbie Ausley.

To our Mobile Loaves & Fishes Ministry in memory of Wilton Stone, given by Michael and Amy Reeves.

To our Reconciling Ministries in memory of Patricia Newell, mother of Lana Newell Rodriguez, given by the Downtowners Sunday School Class.

### 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. The cost is \$65 and the available dates for the next several months are March 31; April 28; May 5, 19, and 26; and June 9, 16, 23, and 30. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at [tami@fumcaustin.org](mailto:tami@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

### APRIL 28, SUNDAY

#### 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 sign up, fill out the Connections Card and place it in the offering plate, online at [fumcaustin.org/firststeps](http://fumcaustin.org/firststeps), or email Trevor Harper at [trevor@fumcaustin.org](mailto:trevor@fumcaustin.org).

### EASTER BUNNY NEEDS HELP



- We are accepting donations to ensure there are plenty of treats for the children at our Easter Egg Festival on April 20. Donations of candy and egg-sized plastic toys or stickers are most helpful. Recommended candy choices are individually wrapped Lifesavers, small Nerds boxes, Starbursts, and small wrapped bubble gum. All candy should be nut free and fit inside an egg. Place donations in the bunny barrels found near the entrances of the children's Sunday School wing and the Sanctuary. To help stuff eggs, contact Dustin Goss at [dustingoss@yahoo.com](mailto:dustingoss@yahoo.com).
- Sign up for an Easter Egg Festival shift (or more) at [fumcaustin.org/easter-egg-festival](http://fumcaustin.org/easter-egg-festival). From greeters to egg organizers, we have a job for you.

## PRAYER

### WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

#### Health

Grady Basler; Sandy Bowles; Tom Derryberry; Gussie Fallon; Katie Kaighin; Melanie Miller; Kathy Morales; and Weldon Wink.

#### Condolences

To Scott Davis on the death of his father, Martin Davis.

#### Other

Lucio Gonzales and our Church worldwide.

### BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Melissa Biegert's father, Travis Langley; Sandy Bowles' daughter, Carla Bowles; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Cheryl Etie's friend, David Siems; April Ferrino's mother, Sara Ferrino, and mother-in-law, Gloria Hernandez; Ann Fields' sister-in-law, Cindy Brown; Bob Garrett's father, Leo Garrett; Caroline Jones' friend, Rick Acuna; Alice Parrish's cousin, Cynthia; Larry Peters' friend, Peter Balbour; Pat Rives' friend, Susan Tyler; Leslie Story's father, Neel Richardson; Ann Venno's cousin, Rosemary Todd; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.