

## CHURCH NEWS

### GIFTS TO FUMC

To our Music Ministry in memory of Scott Davis' father, Martin Davis, given by Tom and Robbie Ausley; the FUMC Choir; and Tami Kellberg.

To our Mobile Loaves & Fishes Ministry in honor of Judy Morris' birthday, given by her Walk to Emmaus Reunion Group.

### 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 May 5, 19, and 26; June 9, 23, and 30; and July 7, 14, and 28. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at [tami@fumcaustin.org](mailto:tami@fumcaustin.org) or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

### PRAYER

#### WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

##### Health

Sandy Bowles; Gussie Fallon; Marijo Hartman; Paul Hicks; Kathy Morales; and Weldon Wink.

##### Congratulations

To Curt and Jan Ashmos on the birth of their of grandson, Stetson Bleu Sharpe.

##### Condolences

To Ann Fields on the death of her cousin, Kathy Scott, and to the family and friends of Jack Nolan Miller who died on March 31.

##### Other

To the families and friends of the girls who died in Bastrop car accident and to the victims of flooding in our country.

#### BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Jan Ashmos' mother; Sarah Austin's grandmother, Betty Williams; Cheryl Bias' niece, Lauren; Sandy Bowles' daughter, Carla Bowles; Fay Brown's sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Janet Camp's sister, Nancy Willet; Jimmie Sue Francis' friend, Diane Whitehead Fojtasek; Curtis Fuelberg's friend, Randy Wilson; Bob Garrett's father; Nancy Gillett's brother, Ted Lester; Daviss King's sister, Margaret Morse; Delia Peters' cousin, Michelle Cano; Debbie Rippletote's friend, Melvin; Pat Rives' friend, Susan Tyler; Leslie Story's father, Neel Richardson; and Dick Young's nephew, Jeff Young.

### REGISTER NOW!



First United Methodist  
**PRESCHOOL**

First United Methodist Preschool is currently enrolling students (ages two months - five years) for the 2019 - 2020 School Year.

The teachers and staff strive to create an atmosphere in which each child can develop emotionally, intellectually, physically, socially, and spiritually. FUMC offers an educational experience through a flexible, well-planned program. The basis of that program is play is learning!

If you are interested in learning more or to inquire about openings, contact Director Sandy Pennington at [preschool@fumcaustin.org](mailto:preschool@fumcaustin.org).

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

APRIL 13 , SATURDAY  
**Habitat Methodist Build**  
7:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
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 10 volunteers for each of the following Saturdays: April 13 and May 4. Put your faith into action 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).

APRIL 14, SUNDAY  
**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. This training includes an overview of the ministry, volunteer roles, ways to welcome and interact with our guests, and sign-up information. All potential volunteers are encouraged to attend training on April 14 or May 5. Lunch will be provided.

APRIL 20, SATURDAY  
**Easter Egg Festival**  
9:30-11:00 a.m.  
Capitol Grounds

Sign up for a 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.



# FUMC Weekly

APRIL 7, 2019

### THIS SUNDAY

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

#### CHURCHWIDE LENTEN STUDY

10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall

Join this study of *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week* by author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine.

#### 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 topics through videos, podcasts, and articles.

#### RECEPTION FOR PASTOR CATHY STONE AND JEFF JACKSON

12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall

Please join us for a reception to celebrate the marriage of Pastor Cathy Stone and Jeff Jackson. These newlyweds love adventure and the outdoors, and are even saving up for a travel trailer to which you can contribute through their registry at [registry.theknot.com](http://registry.theknot.com).

#### EASTER OFFERING AND APRIL MISSION EMPHASIS



At Easter, we celebrate the life-giving Resurrection of Christ. As a response to the new life we have been given, each year we dedicate a special Easter Offering to a ministry or facility need that increases our ability to serve others. This year's Easter Offering will directly support ministry with our neighbors through the Emergency

Assistance Fund (EAF) and new Thursday Morning Ministry with Women Experiencing Homelessness. Your generosity changes lives. Thank you for your generous gift to this offering as we support our neighbors in their moment of need. Gifts, marked "Easter Offering," may be left at the communion rail or placed in the offering plate today or any Sunday in April. You may also send them to or bring them by the church office.

### APRIL 12, FRIDAY

#### Connect for Tweens

6:00-9:00 p.m.

FLC Great Hall

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 transitional preteen years.

#### Kids' Club

6:00-9:00 p.m.

EDU 108

2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders are invited to a night of faith building through games, mission projects, a movie, and pizza! Register at [fumcaustin.org/kno](http://fumcaustin.org/kno) the Wednesday prior to the event.

#### Kids' Night Out

6:00-9:00 p.m.

EDU 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. Register at [fumcaustin.org/kno](http://fumcaustin.org/kno) the Wednesday prior to the event.

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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

### APRIL

- 14 Sunday**  
**Chapel Worship Service**  
 9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel  
**Sanctuary Palm Sunday Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Training for Thursday Women's Ministry**  
 12:15 a.m. FLC Great Hall
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- 15 Monday**  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Murchison Chapel
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- 16 Tuesday**  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Murchison Chapel
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- 17 Wednesday**  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Murchison Chapel
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- 18 Thursday**  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Murchison Chapel  
**Maundy Thursday Worship Services**  
 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary
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- 19 Friday**  
**Good Friday Family Worship Service**  
 10:30 a.m. Murchison Chapel  
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 12:10 and 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary

- 20 Saturday**  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:30-11:00 a.m. Murchison Chapel  
**Easter Egg Festival**  
 9:30-11:00 a.m. West Capitol Lawn
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- 21 Sunday**  
**Sanctuary Easter Worship Services**  
 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
**Walk the Labyrinth**  
 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Murchison Chapel  
**Butterfly Release**  
 10:00 a.m. West Capitol Lawn  
**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday**  
 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. SAN MLF Kitchen
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- 23 Tuesday**  
**"Feed My People" Fourth Tuesday Breakfast**  
 4:45-7:00 a.m. FLC
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- 28 Sunday**  
**Contemplative Worship 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  
**First Steps Class**  
 12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

K E E W	7 Sun	<b>Churchwide Lenten Study</b>	10:00 a.m.	SAN Wesley Hall
		<b>Lenten Study-Parents of Young Children</b>	10:00 a.m.	SAN Room 215
		<b>Lenten Study-Young Adults</b>	10:00 a.m.	FLC 102
		<b>Sunday School Classes for All Ages</b>	10:00 a.m.	Various Locations
		<b>Children's Choir Rehearsal</b>	12:15 p.m.	SAN Room 110
		<b>Reception for Pastor Cathy Stone and Jeff Jackson</b>	12:15 p.m.	Great Hall
		<b>Engage for Youth</b>	4:30-7:00 p.m.	FLC
	8 Mon	<b>Prodigal Sons Men's Group</b>	6:30-8:00 p.m.	FLC Room 103
	9 Tue	<b>"Feed My People" Breakfast</b>	4:45-7:00 a.m.	FLC
		<b>The Armor of Light Screening</b>	6:30 p.m.	AFS Cinema, 6406 N IH-35
S I H T	10 Wed	<b>Deadline for FUMC Weekly and eNews</b>	9:00 a.m.	fumcaustin.org/submissions
		<b>Wednesday Morning Bible Study</b>	10:00 a.m.	SAN Room 213
		<b>Handbell Choir Rehearsal</b>	5:45-7:15 p.m.	SAN Balcony
		<b>FUMC Choir Rehearsal</b>	7:00-8:30 p.m.	SAN Choir Room
	11 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
	12 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
	13 Sat	<b>Habitat Methodist Build</b>	7:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	fumcaustin.org/habitat

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL 9, TUESDAY

**"The Armor of Light" Screening . 6:30 p.m. AFS Cinema, 6406 N IH-35**  
 Presented by Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America (momsdemandaction.org), this movie follows an Evangelical minister and Lucy McBath, the mother of a teenage shooting victim, who ask, "Is it possible to be both pro-gun and pro-life?" Suggested donation \$10. Adults only, please. RSVP at every.tw/2NTYTQR.

### APRIL 15-21, MONDAY-SUNDAY

#### Walk a Labyrinth . EDU Murchison Chapel



During Holy Week, a labyrinth, an ancient pattern for prayer, meditation, and contemplation, will be available for walking during church office hours, during the Easter Egg Festival, and on Easter Sunday.

### APRIL 20, SATURDAY

#### Easter Egg Festival . 9:30-11:00 a.m. West Capitol Lawn



Your family and friends are invited to this fun community-wide event with an egg hunt/roll, face painting, games, and, of course, the Easter Bunny! Bring food donations for Caritas of Austin.

### 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, go online at fumcaustin.org/firststeps, or email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

### JULY 22-25, MONDAY-THURSDAY

#### Vacation Bible School . 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sanctuary



Attention all Voyagers!

The Starship Galaxion needs our help. Children four years - completed 5th grade are invited on a journey to Mars and Beyond this summer! It is going to be an out of this world adventure as we explore where God's power can take us.

Early bird pricing is \$30 before June 1, then \$40 until the registration cut-off on July 10. Spots are limited and fill up quickly, so register now at fumcaustin.org/vbs.

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

Submit content for FUMC Weekly / eNews using submission form at [fumcaustin.org/submissions](http://fumcaustin.org/submissions).

## HOLY WEEK

### APRIL 14, SUNDAY

**Palm Sunday Services**  
**9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary**  
 We wave palms as the people welcome Jesus to the Holy City, and then we continue our journey with Him to the cross.

### APRIL 18, THURSDAY

**Maundy Thursday Services**  
**12:10 and 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary**  
 We celebrate the Holy Meal which Jesus began in the Upper Room on the night before his crucifixion. *Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided for the 7:30 p.m. service.*

### APRIL 19, FRIDAY

**Good Friday Family Service**  
**10:30 a.m. Murchison Chapel**  
 We experience the stories of Christ's life through Easter with age-appropriate storytelling of passion week and walking the Labyrinth. Wear socks! *Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided.*

### Good Friday Noon Service

**12:10 p.m. Sanctuary**  
 We experience Christ's crucifixion through reading scripture, prayer, and singing hymns.

### Good Friday Evening Service

**7:30 p.m. Sanctuary**  
 We experience Christ's crucifixion through Tenebrae, a service of darkness, with special music from the FUMC Choir. *Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided.*

## EASTER

### APRIL 21, SUNDAY

**Easter Services**  
**9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary**  
 We celebrate God's victory over the powers of sin, oppression, and death. We find new life and shout "Alleluia!" *Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided.*

### Butterfly Release

**10:00 a.m. Capitol Lawn**  
 We enjoy the beauty of resurrection and new life as we release butterflies.