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.

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 bring it with you to class.

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.

Renegades

The Unbelievable Stories of the Earliest Christians

Back before Church people got so “churchy,” they were outlaws.

Everything they did was experimental; they challenged social and political norms; persecution and arrest were a way of life. They followed God and, in the process, they turned the world upside down.

Join us as we track the adventures of Jesus’ first followers.
**CALENDAR**

**MAY**

**5**
- Sunday
  - ASP Stock Sales Begin
    - 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Sidewalk
  - Sanctuary Worship Services: Renegades
    - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
  - Deadline for Alternative Gifts for Mother’s Day
    - 12:00 p.m. tami@fumcaustin.org
  - Training for Thursday Women’s Ministry
    - 12:15 a.m. FLC Great Hall
  - Conversations on Racial Justice
    - 4:30-6:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel
  - Deadline for Love in Action Pre-teen Retreat
    - 4:30-6:00 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel

**10**
- Friday
  - Kids’ Night Out
    - 6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU Room 102

**10-11**
- Friday-Saturday
  - Love In Action Pre-teen Retreat
    - 6:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. FLC

**12**
- Sunday
  - Sanctuary Worship Services: Renegades
    - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

**14**
- Tuesday
  - Book Study: The Color of Compromise Begins
    - 6:30-7:30 p.m. FLC 104

**16**
- Thursday
  - Cheers Ministry Field Trip
    - 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Fredericksburg

**17**
- Friday
  - Book Sale for Pickle Elementary
    - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Pickle Elementary

**18**
- Thursday
  - FreeStore Third Saturday
    - 8:45-11:00 a.m. Memorial UMC, 6100 Berkman
  - Community First! Village Service Day
    - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 9301 Hog Eye Road

**19**
- Sunday
  - Chapel Worship Service
    - 9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel
  - Manna Bag Sale
    - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
  - Sanctuary Worship Services: Renegades
    - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
  - Administrative Board Meeting
    - 12:15-2:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall
  - Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) Third Sunday
    - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. SAN MLF Kitchen

**26**
- Sunday
  - Contemplative Worship Service
    - 9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel
  - Sanctuary Worship Services: Renegades
    - 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

**27**
- Monday
  - Church Office Closed
    - Memorial Day Holiday

**28**
- Tuesday
  - “Feed My People” Fourth Tuesday Breakfast
    - 4:45-7:00 a.m. FLC

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**BOOKS DONATIONS NEEDED FOR PICKLE ELEMENTARY**

Our next Book Sale is Friday, May 17, from 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Donate the books your kids read this school year to students at Pickle Elementary who need books for summer reading. Books sell for 25 cents. Kids love adventure, animals and insects, dinosaurs, exploration, fairytale, monsters, mystery, and sports books. Only current titles or popular classics please. Spanish language books especially appreciated. Donations of books can be left in SAN Room 217 behind the Library or in bins off the Sanctuary foyer. Consider donating gift cards from Savers. To sort or sell for an hour or two contact bergan.casey@gmail.com.
UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 5, 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. Register at fumcaustin.org/conversations.

MAY 10, FRIDAY
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 4th graders. Cost is $25 for the first child and $8 for siblings. Register at fumcaustin.org/kno.

MAY 14-JUNE 4, TUESDAYS
Book Study: The Color of Compromise
6:30-7:30 p.m. FLC Room 104
Join us as we read and discuss The Color of Compromise: The Truth about the American Church’s Complicity in Racism by Jemar Tisby. The author provides an accurate diagnosis for a racially divided American church and suggests ways to foster a more equitable and inclusive environment among God’s people. Register at fumcaustin.org/compromise.

MAY 16, THURSDAY
Cheers Ministry Field Trip
Fredericksburg
Our Cheers Ministry, a community for those young-at-heart who are recently retired, semi-retired, or thinking about setting a date to retire, is planning a field trip to Fredericksburg. Our first stop will be at The National Museum of the Pacific War at Nimitz Museum. After touring the George H. W. Bush War of the Pacific exhibits, we will eat together in one of the fine restaurants of the city. After lunch and some shopping or bench sitting, we will journey homeward, but not before a tour of a winery for a tasting. Because our mission is to build community, we plan to travel together for fun and fellowship. Transportation arrangements will be sent to registrants. Register by May 3 at fumcaustin.org/cheers.

MAY 19, SUNDAY
Administrative Board Meeting
12:15-2:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall
All are welcome to attend and participate in discussion. Board members have voting rights. Lunch will be provided for $10 per person. Board members and guests who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 15. Register at fumcaustin.org/adminboard. Childcare is available by emailing childcare@fumcaustin.org to make reservations. Reservations are not guaranteed until confirmed.

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

EVENT REGISTRATION

MAY 10-11, FRIDAY-SATURDAY
Love in Action Pre-teen Retreat
6:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. FLC
Calling all 4th, 5th, and 6th graders! Our Friday night sleepover at the church includes games, dinner, participating in small groups, and preparing to serve and love our neighbors on Saturday morning. Drop-off at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and pick-up at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday will be at the Family Life Center. The cost is $40. Register by May 5 at fumcaustin.org/loveinaction.

JULY 22-25, MONDAY-THURSDAY
Vacation Bible School
9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sanctuary
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 at fumcaustin.org/vbs.

JULY 22-25, MONDAY-THURSDAY
Post VBS Sports Camp
12:30-4:30 p.m. FLC
A multi-sport camp for ages 5-12 consisting of games like capture the flag, dodgeball, kickball, and other games revolving around sports like basketball, flag football, and soccer. The cost is $85 before June 1 and $95 after June 1.

JULY 29-AUGUST 1, MONDAY-THURSDAY
Rookies Camp
8:30-10:30 a.m. FLC
Calling all younger children ages 2.5 - 6 years. Come learn the basics of basketball, indoor soccer, and other fun and goofy games. The cost is $75 before June 1 and $85 after June 1.

Register for both camps through Triumph Sports at TriumphSports.com/FUMCAustin.
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 and 26; June 9, 23, and 30; and July 7, 14, and 28. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at tami@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

EASTER EGG FESTIVAL THANK YOU

Our Easter Egg Festival was a wonderful morning of community outreach and fellowship. With just over 600 children and their families, we saw our largest number of guests to date. Many of the families have made our festival a tradition because of the gracious hospitality shown by our 50-plus volunteers not only on the day of, but also the weeks leading up to the event. This year, volunteers provided over 10,000 stuffed eggs, 432 sugar cookies, 8 bottles of sprinkles, 12 cans of icing, hundreds of painted faces, and an endless amount of photos with the Easter Bunny. We also collected and donated over 264 pounds of food for Caritas of Austin. Thank you for supporting this event!

PRAYER

WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION

Health
Sandy Bowles; Gussie Fallon; Ruth Howie; Kathy Morales; Chuck Watt; Olivia Weldon; and Weldon Wink.

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION

Jan Ashmos’ mother, Mildred Spencer; Cheryl Bias’ niece, Lauren; Sandy Bowles’ daughter, Carla Bowles; Fay Brown’s sister, Jo Rene Altenburg; Sarah Gutierrez’ brother-in-law, Mark Bishop; Ken and Susan Hensley’s friend, Jackie Middleton; Curtis and Mary Higgs’ friend, Eleanor Connell, on the loss of her brother; Lori Huang’s mother, Sharon Reed; Daviss King’s father, Hugh D. King; Reverend Earle Lewis’ son-in-law, Rob Valencia; Kathleen Malaspina’s friend, Kathy Farley; Cindy Reidland’s friend, Carly; Barbara Ruth’s mother, Jewel Ruth; Leslie Story’s father, Neel Richardson; and Dick Young’s nephew, Jeff Young.

CHURCH NEWS

MAY 5, SUNDAY

ASP STOCK SALES BEGIN
9:00-11:00 a.m. Sidewalk

FUMC’s Appalachia Service Project (ASP) team is raising funds for this year’s mission trip to Kentucky, June 21-July 2. Stop by to learn more about ASP, meet team members, and purchase stock in our ASP trip and the youth of our church.

GRADUATING SENIORS

Graduation is an exciting milestone—at any age! We want to recognize all graduating seniors—high school, college, or graduate school—in our FUMC Weekly on May 19. Please provide as soon as possible a picture of the graduate, name, school graduated from, degree(s) received, and future plans. Email information by May 12 to Devon Bailey at devon@fumcaustin.org.

CELEBRATE THE ASP LEGACY AT FUMC

For 40 years, we have been participating in the Appalachia Service Project, sending youth and adults to serve alongside families in the Appalachian Mountains to make their homes warmer, safer, and drier. We want your help to mark the occasion! On Sunday June 9, we have big plans, so save the date, and help us out in four ways:

1. Upload your favorite ASP photos to social media using hashtag #FUMCASP40 or email them to devon@fumcaustin.org by June 1.

2. Upload a short video (one minute or less) sharing what ASP means to you or recounting a favorite memory using hashtag #FUMCASP40 or email them to devon@fumcaustin.org by June 1.

3. Wear your work clothes or ASP t-shirt to worship on June 9! ASP alums from across the years will share the impact these trips have had on them personally and on the life of this church. This year’s team will then be commissioned at the 11:00 a.m. service.

4. Join us on June 9 for a churchwide luncheon at 12:15 p.m. in the FLC Great Hall. Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for children. Or, for just $20, you can get a meal ticket and a limited edition commemorative lapel pin! Proceeds from the meal will support future ASP teams by establishing a permanent long-term tool fund. Register at fumcaustin.org/asp40 by June 1.

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