TODAY
A complete schedule of today’s events is in “This Week” section on Calendar page.

ASP STOCK SALE
9:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Sidewalk
Our Appalachia Service Project (ASP) team is raising funds for this year’s mission trip June 21-July 2. Stop by to learn more about ASP, meet team members, and purchase stock in our ASP trip and our youth.

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 26; June 9, 23, and 30; July 7, 14, and 28; and August 11, 18, and 25. To sign up, contact Tami Kellberg at tami@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 226).

MAY MISSION EMPHASIS AND COMMUNION RAIL OFFERING
Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF)
The Mobile Loaves & Fishes’ downtown Austin truck, based at FUMC, goes out nearly every day of the year to provide meals, clothing, and hygiene products to the homeless and working poor in our community. Each year, our downtown truck provides over 26,000 hearty meals with the help of more than 350 dedicated volunteers. It will cost over $67,000 to fund this ministry for the next 365 days. Please give generously as we try to make a difference for our friends living on the streets. You may leave gifts, marked “MLF,” at the communion rail or you may send them to or bring them by the church office. For more information, contact Scott Wilder at swilder21@gmail.com or 512-971-1525.

MAY 14-JUNE 4, TUESDAYS
THE COLOR OF COMPROMISE
Pastor Cathy Stone will lead this discussion of 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.

6:30-7:30 p.m.
FLC Room 104
May 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
Children's Choir Musical
10:00 a.m. SAN Wesley Hall
Administrative Board Meeting
12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall
Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF) 3rd Sunday
4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. SAN MLF Kitchen

May 20
Monday
Ramadan Iftar Dinner with Dialogue Institute
7:30 p.m. FLC Great Hall

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

May 27
Monday
Church Office Closed
Memorial Day Holiday

June 1
Saturday
Deadline for Early Bird Pricing for VBS
fumcaustin.org/vbs
Deadline for Early Bird Pricing for Post VBS Sport Camp
TriumphSports.com/FUMCAustin
Deadline for Early Bird Pricing for Rookies Camp
TriumphSports.com/FUMCAustin

June 2
Sunday
Sanctuary Worship Services: Renegades
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
VBS Volunteer Training and Luncheon
12:15-2:00 p.m. SAN Wesley Hall

June 9
Sunday
Sanctuary Worship Services
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
ASP Anniversary Celebration
12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall

FUMCAUSTIN.ORG
The Texas Interfaith Center for Public Policy/Texas Impact invites you to participate in Courts & Ports: Faithful Witness on the Texas-Mexico Border.

This two-day immersion experience engages people of faith to witness first-hand the legal and law enforcement processes related to immigration, detention, and deportation occurring in South Texas.

FUMC will send a team Sunday evening, June 16-Wednesday morning, June 19. Register by Sunday, May 26, with Pastor Cathy Stone at cathy@fumcaustin.org or 512-478-5684 (ext. 215).

Learn more about Courts & Ports at texasimpact.org/project/courts-ports.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS
MAY 19, SUNDAY
Children’s Choir Musical
10:00 a.m. FLC SAN Wesley Hall
Join our Children’s Choir as they explore the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand in their Spring musical: Table for Five...Thousand! Come be blessed by their performance.

Administrative Board Meeting
12:15 p.m. FLC Great Hall
All are welcome to attend and participate in discussion. Board members have voting rights. We will hear a report and consider recommendations from the “Moving Forward” Task Force regarding FUMC’s response to General Conference. 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.

MAY 20, MONDAY
Ramadan Iftar Dinner with Dialogue Institute
7:30 p.m. FLC Great Hall
Each year, Dialogue Institute Austin invites friends of other faiths to celebrate and learn about Ramadan, the holy season when Muslims focus on prayer, charity, and thanking God for his blessings. Ramadan Dinners are hosted almost every evening at different places of worship all over Austin. For more information, contact Terri Purdy at terri.sohn@gmail.com.

JUNE 2, SUNDAY
VBS Volunteer Training and Luncheon
12:15-2:00 p.m. SAN Wesley Hall
This training and orientation is for all adult volunteers—new and returning—for VBS 2019. (Youth will receive their own training on July 10). Come learn everything you need to know so you are ready to serve July 21-25. We will reflect on the scripture, explain roles and expectations, get a sneak peak at the special plans our area leaders are working on, and see the changes we have made to the schedule (4 days) and kick-off party. Lunch is provided with registration at fumcaustin.org/vbs-volunteer-training.

Register for both of these camps through Triumph Sports at TriumphSports.com/FUMCAustin.

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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! We have big plans, so 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 church. 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 be commissioned at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

4. Join us 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.

As a youth, I attended ASP from 2007 to 2009 and witnessed the rolling hills and clear blue sky of Appalachia.

However, at my first ASP worksite, I didn’t see much of either. We spent most of our time underneath the house digging holes in the dark. The house we were assigned to had serious foundation problems, and our team was tasked with digging large holes as the first step in creating the house’s new foundation.

On my first day, I remember crawling on my stomach into the darkness to the spot where I would spend most of my week digging. I thought to myself, “What have I gotten myself into?”

Though I struggled at first, by the end of the week I had successfully dug multiple holes. Photo evidence includes me proudly sitting in a hole I dug. Though I was proud of my newfound digging skills, what stuck with me most was the family’s appreciation for my small part in making their home safer. I felt God’s presence in the darkness underneath that house and in the relationships we built with the family we served.

As an adult volunteer for this year’s ASP trip, I am excited to see our youth discover God’s presence wherever they find it.
NEW MEMBERS

Please take a moment to introduce yourself and share with them how First Church has enriched your life.

PRAYER

WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION
Sandy Bowles; Gussie Fallon;
Beth Peck Kerr; Kathy Morales;
Mari Perez; Olivia Weldon; and
Weldon Wink.

BEYOND OUR CONGREGATION
Jan Ashmos’ mother, Mildred
Spencer; Melissa Biegert’s cousin,
Michelle Cole; Sandy Bowles’
daughter, Carla Bowles; Fay
Brown’s sister, Jo Rene Altenburg;
Sarah Gutierrez’ brother-in-law,
Mark Bishop; Lori Huang’s
mother, Sharon Reed; Jan
Iverson’s friend’s nephew, Todd;
Reverend Earle Lewis’ son-in-law,
Rob Valenca; Katrina Morales and
family; Mark Morris’ and Kathy
Tullos’ friend, Martin Langan;
John and Fara McMullen’s friend,
Dale Van Horne; Betsy Mumme’s
cousin, Callie Metler-Smith; Julie
Nelson’s cousin, Troy Elliott
Hooker; Delia Peters’ cousin,
Michelle Cano; Cindy Reidland’s
friend, Carly; Barbara Ruth’s
mother, Jewel Ruth; Debbie
Shaw’s friend, Alice Flores; Leslie
Story’s father, Neel Richardson;
Dick Young’s nephew, Jeff Young;
and to the family and friends of
former member Eleanor Connell
on her death.
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 today to Devon Bailey at devon@fumcaustin.org.

BOOKS DONATIONS NEEDED FOR PICKLE ELEMENTARY
The next Book Sale is 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 beran.casey@gmail.com.

FUMC SCOUT UPDATES
By Brooks Schuelke

Recently, Troop 5, our longstanding boys troop celebrated 10 scouts who earned their Eagle Scout Award, the Boy Scouts of America’s highest advancement award. During their time in Troop 5, these scouts have been on adventures that include backpacking at Philmont Scout Ranch, sailing in the Bahamas, backpacking in Alaska, and dog sledding on the frozen tundra. The troop’s newest Eagle Scouts are Ryan Babb, a senior at Anderson High School; Ben Campana, a sophomore at Austin High School; Luke Fuka, a senior at Anderson High School; Brian Glasheen, a sophomore at Austin High School, Jadon Haynes, a senior at the Regents School of Austin; Parker Jett, a sophomore at Austin High School, Jacob Maupin-Garcia, a senior at Austin High School; Sam Potter, a senior at St Andrew’s Episcopal School; Ryan Schuelke, a sophomore at Austin High School; and Luke Williams, a junior at Austin High School.

FUMC welcomes our new scouting troop for girls, Scouts BSA Troop 50, which began meeting on February 5, the first Tuesday after the February 1 official launch of girls in Scouts BSA. The troop has 12 girls and is growing. In the short time since they started, the troop has already gone on a couple of campouts. They have participated in activities such as climbing and rappelling, rifle shooting, swimming, stargazing, and stand-up paddle boarding, and they have learned about fire building, camping safety, knife safety, and other skills. We are excited about this new ministry and the ways it can grow.
ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR MOTHER’S DAY...

BLANKETS
Luke and Heather Caraway in honor of Helen Black, Debbie Caraway, and Ima Gene Caraway and in memory of Bobbye Crocker and Viola Patton
Angela Everard in honor of Grace James
Daviss King in memory of Rosa Rodriguez
Jackson May in honor of Karen May
Patricia McNeely in honor of Carol Fegan
Connie Payne in memory of Rosemary Bellinghausen and Mary Hertel
Mary Faye Randolph in honor of Kathy Morales
Joanna Sanders in honor of Shirley Sanders
Vivian Smith in memory of Eunice Reading and Dorothy Smith
Steve and Pam Tackett in memory of her mother, Christine C. Brandes
Janice Teas in memory of Fern Garrett
Janice Teas in memory of Olivia Zesch
Laura Valez in honor of her daughter-in-law, Lara Greene
Sally Watkins in memory of Lydia Mills

HYGIENE KITS
Keith and Meridith Albright in honor of Sandy Cable
Keith and Meridith Albright in honor of Allison Fogle
Keith and Meridith Albright in honor of Chelsea Fogle and Christina Fogle
Keith and Meridith Albright in honor of Vira Martinez
Keith and Meridith Albright in memory of Dale Smith
Luke and Heather Caraway in honor of Helen Black, Debbie Caraway, and Ima Gene Caraway and in memory of Bobbye Crocker and Viola Patton
Angela Everard in honor of Grace James
Daviss King in memory of Thelma Norsworthy
Jackson May in honor of Karen May
Mary Faye Randolph in memory of her aunt, Bess Gerst
Vivian Smith in memory of Eunice Reading and Dorothy Smith
Steve and Pam Tackett in memory of her mother, Christine C. Brandes

BOOKS
Betty Bird in memory of her mother, Bernice King Bird
Luke and Heather Caraway in honor of Helen Black, Debbie Caraway, and Ima Gene Caraway and in memory of Bobbye Crocker and Viola Patton
Curtis and Mary Higgs in honor of their daughters-in-law, Brenda Higgs, Debbie Higgs, Jan Higgs, and Jean Higgs and in memory of their mothers, Stella Higgs and Louise Newman
Anthony and Anna Holland in honor of Jennifer Placke
Jeff Jackson and Cathy Stone in honor of Diane Dwight
Jeff Jackson and Cathy Stone in memory of Sofie Jackson
Jeff Jackson and Cathy Stone in memory of Billie Stone
Daviss King in memory of Margaret (Mimi) Golden
Daviss King in memory of Melissa (Granmommie) King
Patricia McNeely in honor of Carol Fegan
Connie Payne in memory of Rosemary Bellinghausen and Mary Hertel
Mary Faye Randolph in memory of her mother, Ruth Randolph
Becky Ratliff in memory of her mother, Ruth Randolph
Smith children in honor of Karen Smith
Vivian Smith in memory of Eunice Reading and Dorothy Smith
Steve and Pam Tackett in memory of his mother, Christene C. Tackett
Andy and Becky Weary

FABRIC AND SEWING SUPPLIES
Tom and Robbie Ausley in honor of their daughters: Amber Epps, Kelly Flores, and Amy Hodges
Luke and Heather Caraway in honor of Helen Black, Debbie Caraway, and Ima Gene Caraway and in memory of Bobbye Crocker and Viola Patton
Anthony and Anna Leigh Holland in honor of Ann Holland
Daviss King in honor of Gail Grissom King
Smith children in honor of Karen Smith
Vivian Smith in memory of Eunice Reading and Dorothy Smith
Randy and Ann Teich in honor of Christina Teich, mother of Evalyn Elizabeth
Randy and Ann Teich in honor of Lillian Whitten, mother of Liam Alexander
Randy and Ann Teich in memory of his mother, Iris Teich Carpenter
Randy and Ann Teich in memory of her mother, Eva Hardeman
George and Jackie Vanderhule in memory of their mothers, Evelyn Miller and Juanita Vanderhule
Andy and Becky Weary

FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING
Judy Kostura in memory of all mothers who did the best they could

SCHOOL READING FESTIVALS
Howard Hartman in honor of Marijo Hartman
Howard and Marijo Hartman in memory of their mothers, Annabel Hartman and Nan Rector
Daviss King in memory of Peggie Golden King