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7:00 p.m. Simpson UMC, 1701 East 12th Street
This annual business meeting of the church will be shared with several other churches in our district and hosted by Simpson UMC. Church leadership is expected to attend to approve the key action items (Nominations, Clergy Compensation, and various reports) and then spend time with the District Superintendent in learning and conversation.

20 Wednesday
iACT Square One Thanksgiving Luncheon
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Central Presbyterian Church

24 Sunday
Contemplative Worship Service
9:00 a.m. EDU Murchison Chapel
Sanctuary Worship Services
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary
Intergenerational Advent Party
10:00-10:45 a.m. FLC Great Hall
Interfaith Day of Thanks Service and Celebration
3:00-4:30 p.m. Riverbend Church

26 Tuesday
Feed My People Fourth Tuesday Breakfast
4:45-7:00 a.m. FLC

27 Wednesday
Thanksgiving Holiday
1:00 p.m. Church Office Closes

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UPCOMING EVENTS
NOVEMBER 15, FRIDAY
Connect for Tweens
6:00-9:00 p.m. FLC Great Hall
All 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 the transitional pre-teen years. Register at fumcaustin.org/connect.

Kids’ Club
6:00-9:00 p.m. EDU 108
All 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders are invited to a night of faith building through games, mission projects, a movie, and pizza! Registration and cost for Kids’ Club and Kids’ Night Out is conveniently combined: $25 for the first child and $10 for siblings. Register at fumcaustin.org/kno.

NOVEMBER 17, SUNDAY
First Steps Class
12:15 p.m. FLC Garrison Chapel
You are interested in joining FUMC? Prior to joining, we ask all to participate in a First Steps Class to learn about United Methodist beliefs and the ministry of FUMC, meet the pastors and other members, and ask questions. To sign up, go online at fumcaustin.org/firststeps or email Trevor Harper at trevor@fumcaustin.org.

FUM Preschool 40th Anniversary Event
1:00-3:00 p.m. Wesley Hall
Our preschool is celebrating its 40th Anniversary. Please join us for a come and go celebration with refreshments, photo displays, and a stroll through the campus. Come see old friends, tour the renovated preschool, and see fun photos from every decade. We hope to have a great turnout from current and former families.

NOVEMBER 20, WEDNESDAY
iACT Square One Thanksgiving Luncheon
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Central Presbyterian Church

iACTRefugee Services will host their annual Thanksgiving Luncheon for ESL students, with help from FUMC and Saint John’s UMC. You are invited to join us to set up tables/decorations, provide desserts, plates, utensils, and cups, and serve a delicious turkey luncheon to students. Volunteers are needed from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and donations can be dropped off before the luncheon. Sign up at fumcaustin.org/thanksgivingluncheon.

NOVEMBER 24, SUNDAY
Contemplative Worship Service
9:00 a.m.
EDU Murchison Chapel
Contemplative prayer can provide a welcome respite, a place to find the inner resources to actively serve a chaotic world from a place of strength and peace. This 30 to 40 minute service is offered to beginners and experienced practitioners of mindfulness meditation.

Intergenerational Advent Party
10:00-10:45 a.m.
FLC Great Hall
Deepen your experience of Advent and enjoy a fun morning with your church family. Bring any family staying at your house, too. We will have a potluck breakfast and games and activities designed to prepare our hearts for the holy season of Advent. This is a great opportunity to bridge generational lines and connect with people of all ages in new and fun ways. Pick up some special spiritual practice aids and service opportunities you can do at home. Help us provide food for party. Sign up to bring breakfast items at fumcaustin.org/adventparty.

Interfaith Day of Thanks Service and Celebration
3:00-4:30 p.m.
Riverbend Church
4214 N Capital of Texas Hwy
For the past 34 years, iACT has had the great joy and privilege of bringing this service to the Austin Community. This is a unique opportunity for Austinites of all faith backgrounds to come together to give thanks as one community. Free, family-friendly, and all are welcome! A reception follows the service. For more information, visit fumcaustin.org/thanksgivingservice.