



*A Spiritual Oasis Committed to Christ,  
to Peace, and to Service*

Cedar Park First United Methodist Church

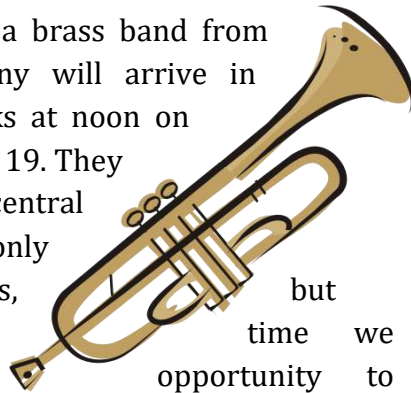
# Connections

## Newsletter

### Posaunenchor Arrives in October – Please Sign Up to Help

Submitted by Neil Howard

Posaunenchor, a brass band from Hamm, Germany will arrive in about six weeks at noon on Friday, October 19. They will be here in central Texas for only about 48 hours, but during that time we will have an opportunity to hear them twice. They will play a concert at 4pm on Saturday, October 20 at Highland Estates, 1500 N. Lakeline Blvd. On Sunday they will play during both our 8:30am and 10:45am worship services.



For all those of you who have already volunteered, Vielen Dank! Many thanks for your willingness to participate in this event.

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### Run for Water! Run for Life! Run for Transformation!

Submitted by Russ Lundstrom

Running a half (13.1 miles) or a full marathon (26.2 miles) may seem impossible for you, and doing something about global poverty might feel impossible to you. But here at CPUMC, we are giving you the opportunity to find seemingly impossible things become a reality!

For some of you, God is calling you to take on a challenge of running the race:



Run the Austin Half or Full Marathon and help provide clean water in Africa.

You won't regret it.

I was challenged with this opportunity in the spring of 2013. I accepted the challenge, trained hard and ran my very first full marathon in October of 2013. Knowing that I was running for a purpose helped me to

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## JESUS ROCK STAR CORNER

Submitted by Carolyn Smith

The Jesus Rock Stars have been studying how Jesus loves and care or us all. We studied Zacchaeus and how Jesus loves everyone, even sinners. Jesus welcomes all into his kingdom who ask.



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Our science project helped us to understand how Jesus always loves and protects us. Sometimes we may sin but Jesus always stays with us to protect us.



We learned Jesus is always with us so we should not be fearful. Jesus protects.



We should always have faith that anything is possible through Jesus. Jairus asked for Jesus' help to heal his daughter. Just like Jesus we want to surround ourselves with good people and we want to be encouraging to others.

### Mark your calendar – EMPOWER is Saturday, October 13 from 6-9pm

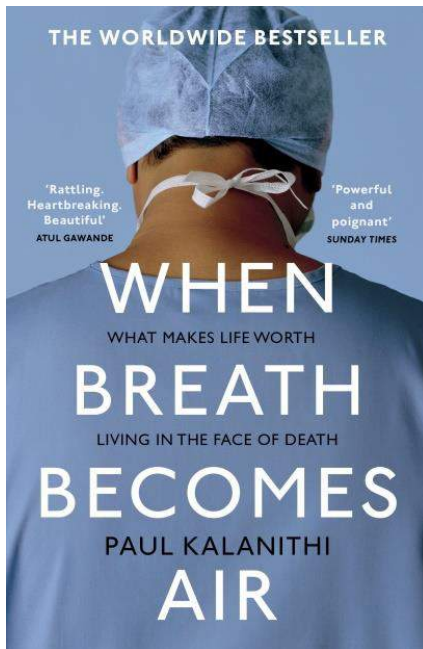
This is a time when elementary children are encouraged to demonstrate one of their talents which God has given them. They will have 5 minutes to show us how to dance, sing, and tell jokes, cook, or anything they would like to demonstrate.

Empower is open to all elementary children. Please plan to attend and bring your friends.

Registration forms will be available in Sunday school or on the church website: [cpfumc.org](http://cpfumc.org).

## METHODIST READING CLUB - FALL 2018

*Keep Cedar Park Reading!!*



### **METHODIST READING CLUB** **Wednesday, September 12, noon**

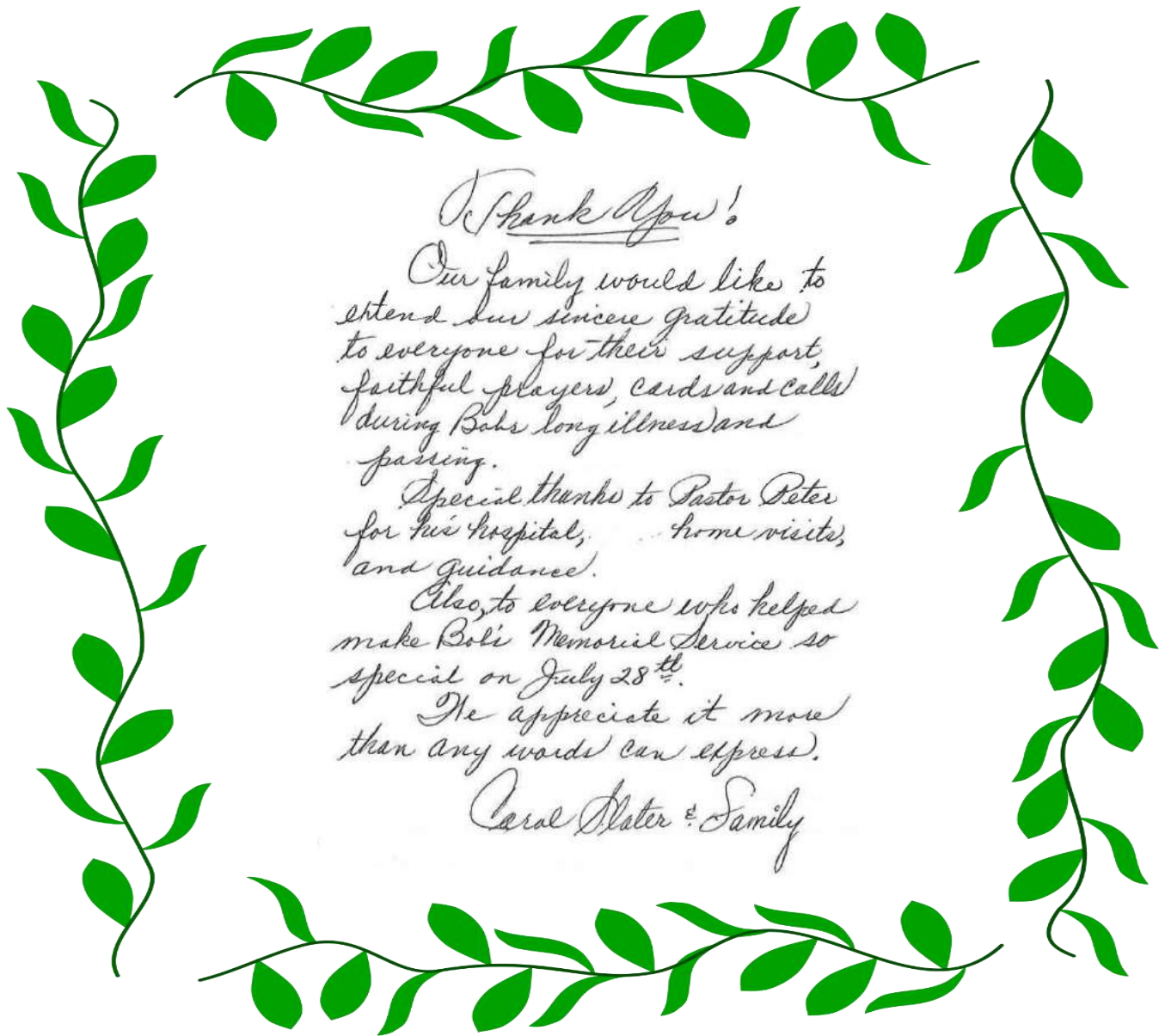
In this inspiring, exquisitely observed memoir, Paul Kalanithi finds hope and beauty in the face of insurmountable odds. Kalanithi, who died while working on this book, was an idealistic young neurosurgeon attempting to answer the question *What makes a life worth living?* Please join us in the Sanctuary for a brown bag discussion of the book, a 2018 UMW Reading Program selection.



### *SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE: SOUL LIFT*

On the fourth Sunday of each month we meet in the Memorial Outdoor Sanctuary at 3pm to sing the old, familiar hymns, hear words of comfort from the Bible, and share Holy Communion. Please join us for this special worship service on Sunday, September 23, which aims to lift the soul.





Thank You!

Our family would like to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone for their support, faithful prayers, cards and calls during Bob's long illness and passing.

Special thanks to Pastor Peter for his hospital, home visits, and guidance.

Also, to everyone who helped make Bob's Memorial Service so special on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

We appreciate it more than any words can express.

Carol Slater & Family

**An evening with author Katherine Reay to discuss any or all of her novels.**

Katherine Reay is the award-winning author of Dear Mr. Knightley, Lizzy & Jane and The Bronte Plot, an ALA Notable Book Award Finalist. Her latest novel, A Portrait of Emily Price, released in November 2016 and received Starred Reviews from Publishers Weekly, Library Journal and a Romantic Times TOP PICK! The Austen Escape, Katherine's next story, will release in November 2017. All Katherine's novels are contemporary stories with a bit of classical flair. She holds a BA and MS from Northwestern University and is a wife, mother, rehabbing runner, former marketer, and avid chocolate consumer. After living all across the country -- 9 years in Austin, TX -- and a few stops in Europe, Katherine now happily resides outside Chicago, IL.

**Join us Wednesday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m.!**

We will have a short meeting after the late worship service on Sunday, October 7 for all volunteers. During this meeting, we will go over guest/host assignments, the entire schedule for the Posaunenchor visit, maps of travel routes and transportation logistics. There will be an opportunity to have any and all of your questions answered.

The Posaunenchor group of 28 musicians and a few family members, ages 12 to early 60s, will tour Cedar Park and Lago Vista on Friday and then spend most of Saturday touring the capital and related sites in downtown Austin before having lunch downtown. While they are here, we plan to host them in our homes. A number of church members have already volunteered to be HOSTS. HOSTS provide a place to sleep for 2 nights and one meal, dinner on Saturday night. We still need about 3-4 more HOSTS to accommodate everyone. We also need 3-5 more GUIDES to go with the group as they tour in multi-passenger vans on Friday and Saturday. This will be a wonderful opportunity for a cultural exchange. Language is not an issue since they all speak some English, most very well. If you are willing and able to help by providing a place to sleep for a couple, or ride shotgun on one of the vans, won't you please sign up on the sheets at the back of the sanctuary? Contact Neil Howard if you have any questions.

## National Night Out

Submitted by Pastor Bonnie

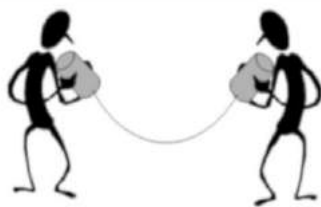
Mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 2, from 6pm to 8pm! We are celebrating National Night Out with our neighbors.



Sponsored by the City of Cedar Park Police, National Night Out is an event held in communities across America with the goal of bringing law enforcement and neighbors together in positive interactions. Block parties, cookouts, and parades help to foster a stronger sense of community.

Our event will include hot dogs and refreshments, as well as square dancing in the parking lot. We encourage everyone to bring their friends and neighbors along with lawn chairs, lawn games and a great spirit of fun to come out. Relax and enjoy getting to know people in our community!





Want to get in touch with a Church Leader?  
Are you thinking of submitting something for a  
future Newsletter?

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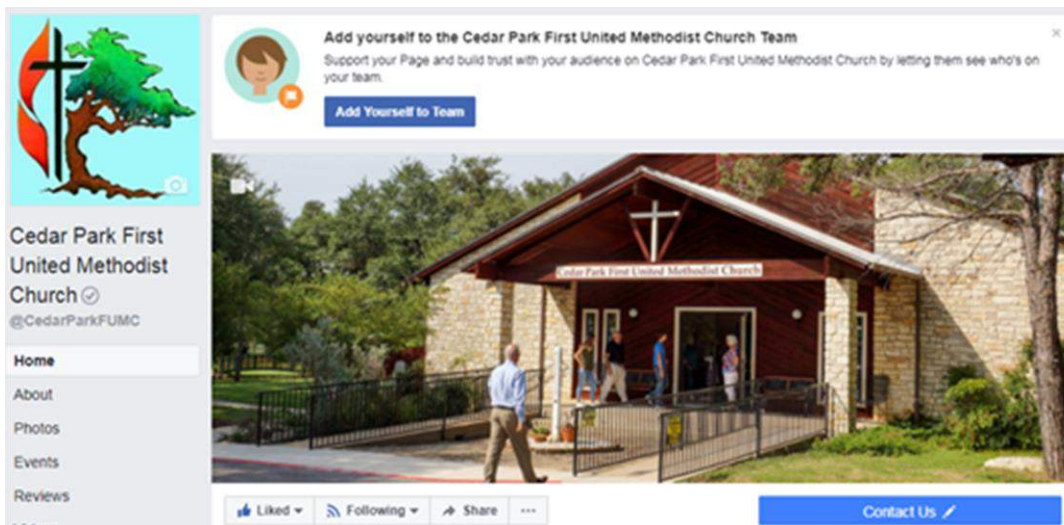
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You can also find us online at [cpfumc.org](http://cpfumc.org)  
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(512) 335-9540

Are you our friend on Facebook? We now have 84 followers. If you would like to be, you will find us in your search as **Cedar Park First United Methodist Church**.



Once you “like” us, posts from Cedar Park First United Methodist Church will appear on your Facebook Newsfeeds. Feel free to comment. But more importantly, please “Like” and “Share” our posts.

Do you have an event you would like to have posted from the church's page? Please email a picture and details to **Colleen Litaker**, [colleen.litaker@gmail.com](mailto:colleen.litaker@gmail.com).



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stick with the training and then to cross the finish line with my World Vision teammates!

How to say YES:

1. Choose a distance (half marathon or marathon)
2. [Join the CPFUMC team](#)
3. Register for the race (you will receive a charity registration link)

What You Get:

- A personal webpage that makes online fundraising safe and easy.
- Group Runs to train with other people in our area (including teams from our friends at Rockbridge and Good News UMC churches!)
- Training plans & fundraising resources to help you get to the finish line
- Weekly training emails to keep you on track
- Access to Team World Vision staff and volunteers to answer questions
- TWV Swag when you hit fundraising levels

Why World Vision?

World Vision is the largest non-governmental provider of clean water in the World. Last year they reached over 4.6 million new people with clean water. Water projects run in harmony with



World Vision's other key areas of development: health, education, food and economic development. This approach tackles the root causes of poverty, enabling children to experience fullness of life.

Over the last 10 years, over 25,000 people have said, "Yes," and joined Team World Vision.

Perhaps God is calling you to do the same!

Of course, physical limitations may prevent some of you from running or walking with us. If this is the case, I would like to invite you to join our team as a sponsor. This year I predict several of us from CPFUMC will be running/run-walking the Austin Half or Full Marathon. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring one of these world changers!

Cedar Park First United Methodist Church, CARE Calendar, Child's Haven Events, Choir, Sep 2018 (Central Time - Chicago)  
 CP1UMC Youth, Other Groups, Pumpkin Patch, SCOUTS, United Methodist Men, United Methodist Women

See full calendar online at  
<https://cpfumc.org/find-an-event/>

CPFUMC September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8:30am - Worship 9:45am - Sunday 10:45am - Worship 3pm - Soul Lift	12:30pm - Talley 7:30pm - Centering	9:30am - Morning 10am - Bible Study 3pm - Talley Piano 7:30pm - AA Men's	9:30am - Powerful 1pm - Easy Line 1:30pm - Talley 6:30pm - Buckles	9:30am - Tai Chi 2pm - Talley Piano	12:45pm - Talley 3pm - Talley Piano 6:30pm - Alcoholics	
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