

# HAPPENINGS this week at CPFUMC

01/09/2019

Find the Happenings on our church website: <https://cpfumc.org/find-out-whats-happening/>  
If you prefer NOT to receive these Happenings each Wednesday, please reply and let us know that.

**Sunday Worship times 8:30a & 10:45a**

**PLEASE find ALL of the church announcements and happenings on the website: <https://cpfumc.org>**

*I spent a lot of years trying to outrun or outsmart vulnerability by making things certain and definite, black and white, good and bad. My inability to lean into the discomfort of vulnerability limited the fullness of those important experiences that are wrought with uncertainty: Love, belonging, trust, joy, and creativity to name a few. - Brene Brown*

## **PRAYERS** for Help and Healing :

### **Recent Requests for Prayers:**

Debbie MacCarrol's having breast cancer surgery tomorrow

Pat Sowder, respiratory issues, now home from hospital .

Herb Posner in rehab after hospitalization for pneumonia ...

Adalid Verastegui who had a fall

Alex Wallace, Par's nephew

Irene A. , peace, understanding with family conflict

Mary Williams, at home, "Y'all come to see her!"

From Sterling Hartman: my sister in law, Pattie Hartman, 3<sup>rd</sup> food surgery; granddaughter, Shelley, RN to be: class problems; & Sterling: memory problems

Cephus Lack fell and is pretty banged-up & for Wanda, his wife, the caregiver.

Please remember the children at the border and in detention centers as Christmas approaches.

Ms.Faghih, teacher at Child's Haven health issues

Prayers of sympathy for Dorris Childs who died in Columbus where she resided near her daughter.

Prayers of sympathy for Glenda Goss on the death last night of her sister, Jackie Vaughter.

Prayers of sympathy for Sterling Hartman on the death of his cousin, Dr. Douglas Zatechka. lung cancer

Prayers of sympathy for Donna, wife, & Ron King, friend ,on the death of Ed Aaron. cancer

## **PRAYERS** of THANKS!! :

### **THANKS**

Friends, Family, Sunshine and Cold, Wonders of life,

## **HAPPENINGS GOING ON!!**

### **NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PLANNED FOR OUR CHURCH**

It's been several years since the last pictorial directory for Cedar Park First UMC was created. So, we have engaged Lifetouch Church Directories to photograph all of our families for a new directory on Tuesday, February 26, and Wednesday, February 27, 2019. Book your appointment now by going to:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ykqp4tv/>



What to expect:

- A professional photography session, no session fees
- View your images after your session and make your selections

You will receive:

One FREE 8 x 10 standard print and church directory

### **TIFF'S TREATS & DRIVE A SENIOR; FAITH IN ACTION CAREGIVERS**

### **DRIVE2019**

**Tiff's Treats** (yummy cookie delivery company that started in Austin - [www.cookie-delivery.com](http://www.cookie-delivery.com)) is having a 20th anniversary contest. They have chosen a group of non profits to participate and we are one of them!

Every time someone orders cookies (online for delivery or instore pick up, in any city they have cookie stores) using our code of **DRIVE2019**, we receive 10% of that sale...**AND**, the non profit with the most sales at the end of January receives their anniversary grant of \$20,000!!!! So, think of all the awesome reasons you might need cookies (birthdays, client gifts, anniversaries, hungry kids, school events, etc.) and order lots in January - be sure and use our code of DRIVE2019 before you check out. Thanks for your help with this - at the very least, it's a great fundraiser for us, best case scenario we win the \$20,000 to help more of our senior neighbors! *Tiff's Treats: 4701 TX-183A B, Cedar Park, TX 78613; cookiedelivery.com*

**SAT. JAN 12 UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) HTTP://WWW.UMWRIOTEXAS.ORG**

**NEXT MEETING:** Second Saturday, January 12, 2019 9am Ask Sue Sidney  
**Learn about the Tx UMW Legislative Event Jan 27-29<sup>th</sup>:** <http://texasimpact.org/2018/11/umw-legislative-event-registration-open/>

**Learn about the Reading Program and How To participate in it.....** We will have available forms to keep track of the books you have read from the UMW Reading Program lists. Five Books .. one from each category is a Plan 1 accomplishment. These lists must be complete by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to be submitted to the Conference UMW for recognitions. The books will soon be listed.

**TUES JAN. 15TH METHODIST READING CLUB**

Current ..	<b>Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.</b> Kristin Fischer (Georgetown) to discuss her novel " <i>Forgiving Natalie</i> "
YET TO COME:	<b>Wednesday, February 13th at noon Brown Bag Book Discussion</b> " <i>Threading My Prayer Rug</i> " by Sabeeha Rehman (UMW Reading List) <b>Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.</b> Abigail Wilson (Dripping Springs) to discuss her debut " <i>In the Shadow of Croft Towers</i> " note: I have not read this novel and this will be an opportunity to support a new and local author <b>Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 6:30p</b> With book author Linda Evens Shepard, two books: her new one "Praying God's Promise: The Life-Changing Power of Praying the Scriptures" and "The Potluck Club" a novel. .
	<a href="https://soundcloud.com/kutnews/emily-donahue-interviews-amanda-eyre-ward-on-the-same-sky">https://soundcloud.com/kutnews/emily-donahue-interviews-amanda-eyre-ward-on-the-same-sky</a>

Please join us in the future for a brown bag Noon discussion of the UMW Reading Program selections. Please come and enjoy the discussion even if you have not yet finished reading the book.

**THURS JAN. 17 NOON BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP:**

The **first** meeting in the nursery on Thursday, Jan 17 at noon. May bring lunch. Talk to Irene Carrillo, RN about this group that is forming. Invite your friends to attend also.

**JAN. 24-27 LHS PERFORMING ARTS THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE**

Jett Heermans, one of our Youth (sang at the 5pm Christmas Eve Service) will be performing with the Leander High School fine Arts Department's presentation of "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at the LHS Performing Arts Center, 3301 S Bagdad Rd, Leander, TX 78641  
 Thursday, January 24- Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 2pm \$15 Adults, \$12 Students, Staff, Seniors 65+ . Tickets available <https://www.leandertheatre.org/tickets/> ....

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**WEDNESDAY, January 9<sup>th</sup>**  
 9:30a ReScheduled to 23<sup>rd</sup> Membership Care  
 1:00p **NO** Easy Line Dancing Class

**THURSDAY, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**FRIDAY, January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
 9:00am Men coffee at Randall's Cypress Creek  
 10:00a Weekly Women's Coffee

**SUNDAY, January 13<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30a WORSHIP, Come, Celebrate, Communion,  
 9:45a Sunday School for all ages  
 Sergio Longoria in the Followers class will be leading a study of Matthew  
 10:45a WORSHIP, Come, Celebrate,  
 6:00p Youth

**MONDAY, January 14<sup>th</sup>**  
 6:30p FINANCE

**SATURDAY, January 12<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00a UMW

**TUESDAY, January 15<sup>th</sup>**  
9:30a Morning Worship  
10:00a Bible Study  
noon Breast Cancer Support in Nursery  
6:30p Book Club  
**WEDNESDAY, January 16<sup>th</sup>**  
9:30a Membership Care  
1:00p Easy Line Dancing Class

**LOOKING FORWARD !!**

Fri.. Jan.18	Newsletter Input	Sun Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>	3:00p Soul Lift Worship
Sun. Jan. 20th	3:30p Worship at The Pointe	Sun-Tues Jan 27 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup>	UMW Legislative Event
Mon Jan 21 <sup>st</sup>	Martin Luther King Day	Mon Jan 28 <sup>th</sup> 6:30P	CHURCH COUNCIL
Wed Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30a Membership Care	Sat Feb 29 <sup>th</sup>	ReThink Leadership
		Youth Mid-Winter	<b>Friday, February 22, 7 pm – Sunday, 24</b>

**Please check the Calendar at our website: [www.cpfumc.org](http://www.cpfumc.org)**

**JANUARY 2019 INFORMATION ON CHURCH VITALITY!**

Month to Date Finances		This Week's Attendance
Anticipated expenses	\$ 21,865.	<u>January 6<sup>th</sup></u>
Contributions (1/4) Sundays	\$ 3,325.	<u>8:30am</u>
Additional Giving	\$ 18,540.	35(Visitors 4)
Capital Campaign (Parking Lot)	\$ 5.	<u>10:45am</u>
\$2 For 20	\$ 14.	57(Visitors:2 )
True Vineyards (Rwandan Widow)	\$ 11.	<u>Sunday School</u>
Communion (Gaston Ntambo )	\$ 257.	Children:
Park Str Landscaping	\$ 0.	Adults:
		<u>Soul Lift</u> Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>

**ON-GOING HAPPENINGS !!**

**SUN. 6:00-8:00PM YOUTH MEETINGS MEALS NEEDED**

**YOUTH MID-WINTER:** Fri., Feb. 22@7 pm – Sun. 24@11 am / **Stoney Creek Ranch** (New Ulm, TX)  
Please turn in Release Form and Payment to your Youth Leader upon registering online. Check with your youth leader for the price. The regular signup deadline is February 1. Late Registration is from February 1-15 and the price goes up by \$25. [Register Here](#)

DATE	DINNER		
Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>			
Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>			

**SCHOOL IN SESSION!! BACKPACK FOOD FOR WHITESTONE ELEMENTARY**

**THINK: 2 Breakfasts ; 2 Lunches ; 2 Dinners; 4 Snacks**  
**Your help keeping the shelves full has been wonderful !!!**

These food items are individual servings of things the children can fix for themselves either eating right from the container or heat easily in a microwave.

**JAN. 27TH CHOIR JODI, 512-633-0009**

OFF for a few weeks; then January 27th - back to rehearsing for Lent and Easter - practice after second service

Here is a rough schedule to get us started for Lent and Easter -

Sunday January 27th - practice after second service February 3rd - practice February 10th - practice - sing TFWS #2127 Kyrie February 17th - OFF February 24th - sing TFWS #2108 & practice March 3rd - OFF March 10th - OFF March 17th - practice March 24th - sing TFWS #2112 & practice March 31st - sing TFWS #2105 & practice	April 7th - sing "Jesus Keep me Near the Cross" & practice April 14th - sing ? & practice Holy Thursday - sing "At the Lamb's High Feast" & TFWS #? Good Friday - sing "Gethsemane" Sunday April 21st - Easter - sing both services – "Jesus Keep me Near the Cross", "Gethsemane", "At the Lamb's High Feast" May 19 & 26 & June 2 - practice Sunday June 9th - Pentecost - sing "May the Road Rise to Meet You"
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**SAT, FEB 9, RETHINK LEADERSHIP SITE TBA**

Who We Are – Methodists  
 Bishop Robert Schnase will be our keynote speaker. This year's 20 workshop choices will help you learn more the special session of General Conference, offer in-depth instruction on church committees and initiatives, and empower new leaders to the mission of the church.

**TIDBITS**

**FROM THE DS HAPPY NEW YEAR! I TRUST YOU ALL HAD A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS SEASON.**

Over the holiday, my family traveled to Colorado to visit my brother, his wife, and their 3 month old son. Other members of my extended family joined us. We rented a house for several days and enjoyed visiting, playing games, and delighting in my baby nephew. One day we ventured out to a small town called Nederland. Located about an hour from Denver, Nederland is best known for the Carousel of Happiness. When my brother told me we were going to ride on this Carousel of Happiness, I thought it was a joke. But there we were. All thirteen of us; all three generations of us. The story of how this carousel came to be is quite extraordinary and it is rooted in events that are rather somber. Scott Harrison was a Marine who witnessed horrific events while serving in the Vietnam War. During his time of service, he carried with him a small music box that someone had given him. As the war raged on, he found brief moments of consolation whenever he listened to the music. As our tour guide told us, "He held [the music box] up to his ear to distract him from the horror of the war going on around him. The music brought him a peaceful image of a carousel in a mountain meadow" (carousellofhappiness.org). All these years later, the peaceful image he dreamt about became a reality. A few decades ago Scott was met with an opportunity to restore an old carousel and he took the opportunity, carving many of the ride's animals himself by hand.

As I consider the new year before us, I carry with me this memory of riding the **Carousel of Happiness**. I am on a longhorn and my parents are behind me on a horse and cheetah. My daughter on a deer and my husband on a zebra ahead of me. My siblings, niece and nephews scattered around on other animals including my youngest nephew in the arms of his mother who is seated on a bench. A memory like this can enable one to imagine and dream as playful events often do.

In 2019, I want to embrace more fully opportunities that lead to play and joy. Yes, we take our work seriously. Yes, there are very real concerns we carry. And yes, there are horrific injustices we won't ignore. But in the midst of it all, there are moments of levity and happiness. Such moments are gifts from God, given so we might be reminded that Christ came and comes still to give us life and life abundantly.

What a joy to be your District Superintendent!, *teresa*