

HAPPENINGS this week at CPFUMC

9/09/2020

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

ALL Sunday Worship & Other OnSite Activities have been canceled until further notice

IN-PERSON OUTDOOR WORSHIP BEGINS

Hear the invitation to attend this worship service in the memorial outdoor sanctuary :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m8NnGndu6-o&feature=youtu.be>

Beginning **September 13th**, come join us for onsite, in-person worship in our Memorial Outdoor Sanctuary on Sundays at 8:30 am (weather permitting). Worshipers must reserve a seat in advance, agree to abide by the Covenant and submit a signed Waiver the first time they attend. The Waiver can be downloaded from the blue Waiver form link at the bottom of the reservation page:

<https://cpfumc.org/mos-worship-service/>

Click on a yellow **SELECT** button to select the date of service you wish to attend, then click on the yellow **SELECT** button again to select the time of the service (there's only one choice right now), type in your name, email address, phone number and reservation information, then click on the yellow **RESERVE SEAT!** button to reserve your seat(s). You should receive a confirmation by email.

LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship at 10am

LINKS for the Sunday Service AND the Sunday Bulletin are on our website homepage

OR ALL may be found posted on our Facebook page.

(<https://www.facebook.com/pg/CedarParkFUMC/posts/>)

If you prefer NOT to receive these Happenings each Wednesday, please reply and let us know that.

Psalm 103:8

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

PRAYERS of Thanksgiving:

Birthdays this Week: Lillian Smith & Hyacinth Fenty &

Sterling Hartman: I was in St David's Round Rock ER on Friday with pulse of 151-158 BPM. Drugs got it down to normal. Also checked heart attack proteins twice and I didn't have a heart attack ne. ER Doc thought it might have been caused by the Pointe raising room, board, and nursing \$400/mo to \$5186/mo-- that is \$62,232/yr.

The second good news is that I get to see Marilyn in person on Monday at the Pointe from 2-245 pm. First time in over three months

The third good news I was able to send comments during Sunday's recorded service. First time in three weeks

Thanks for a Mission Minded & Giving congregation sharing God's love with so many in need in our community.

PRAYERS for Help and Healing :

Prayers of Sympathy for MaryAnn & Dewayne Mosier. On the death of her sister, Stella and Dewayne's sister, Kathy .

For patience and understanding ...

Margaret McClintock. Let there be Peace on Earth and let it begin with me.

Please Pray for everyone struggling during this time especially the youth.

Prayers for all the parents, students and teachers trying to figure out the new school year.

Corrie Van Rensburg. Asking for Prayers for residents who under isolation and everybody else dealing with Covid. Also asking for Prayers dealing with family issues with my daughter.

Edna Soto. Please Pray for my son, tested positive for the virus. He is feeling better. .
 Jessica Benson: Grover had been hospitalized with breathing (possibly heart-related) issues Now back home.
 MaryAnn Mosier. Thank you for the Prayers. Please continue to Pray for Dwayne's mother, Evelyn. Having a hard time with the loss of her daughter, Kathy.
 Martha Orr. Please continue to Pray for my brother David who is clinging to life by a thread in the VA Hospital of Augusta
 Priscilla Gregory. Gretas' grandson is having surgery Thursday on his hip. Please Pray for him.
 Karen Packard. I Praise the Lord for keeping Kyle and Morgan and all the other participants in the Martin Luther King Memorial March in D. C. Safe and peaceful
 Margaret McClintock. Keep all the students and teachers safe in those schools that are meeting in person. Help those learning on-line with their lessons.
 Bob & Karen Bowker: Michael Navarro, step-grandson in Pharr, Covid pneumonia & Bill Pridgen, brother-in-law, knee replacement surgery
 Glenda Morrison. Continued Prayers for my 23 year old granddaughter, Erin who is still battling cancer.
 Sue Sidney: my sister, Pam, lymphoma Chemo started Monday .. so far doing OK
 David Engle. David is having health issues.
 Childcare facilities strategizing to open: A Child's Haven & Acts of Love

Please RE-MEMBER with prayers and cards and calls

Please remember to contact these folks and others

during these weeks with cards, calls, notes of some kind. Those in care facilities are NOT currently able to have visitors so are needing a little extra TLC.....

Mona Cannell 1606 Carriage Hills Trl Cedar Park, 78613	Marilyn Hartman The Pointe 450 Discovery Blvd Cedar Park, TX 78613	Cynthia Lawrence Highland Estates Rm 134 1500 Lakeline Blvd Cedar Park, TX 78613 737.843. 7011 (new!!)	Myrl McKellar The Pointe 450 Discovery Blvd Cedar Park, TX 78613 512.966.3063 myrlpointe@yahoo.com
Diann Russell 1503 N Woodstone Cedar Park, 78613 512.496.8794 dhjr99@yahoo.com	Lillian Smith The Pointe 450 Discovery Blvd Cedar Park, TX 78613	E. Duke Squibb Gracy Woods 12042 Bittern Hollow Austin TX – 78758	Marsha Venable 2112 West Riviera Drive Cedar Park, TX 78613 512.257.9698
Adalid & MaryLinda Verastegui Serenity Senior Living 100 Shady Trails Pass Cedar Park, 78613 512.909.4975 mlindav@gmail.com	New Address: Andy Carver 109 Estrella Crossing #200 Georgetown, TX 78628. 512 350 6705	New Address: Glenda Goss 2016 Discovery Well Dr. Liberty Hill, TX 78642	New Address: Priscilla Gregory c/o Sewell 4104 Timberbrook Dt Arlington, TX 76015

Celebrations <https://cpfumc.org>

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!

CALENDAR THIS WEEK AT CPFUMC cpfumc.org

WEDNESDAY, September 9nd
 8:30am Men's "Red Shirt" Fellowship via Zoom (contact Dave Sidney to attend)
THURSDAY, September 10th
 10-11:30a Book Study #1 Sermon on Mount
FRIDAY September 11th
SATURDAY September 12th
SUNDAY, September 13th
 8:30a In Person Outdoor Worship
 9:00am Children's Sunday school class via Zoom

**8:30 Sunday In Person
Outdoor Worship**
<https://cpfumc.org/mos-worship-service/>

10:00am Livestream Worship Service on Facebook (go to Facebook.com/CedarParkFUMC or click the link on the CPFUMC.org homepage)
 11:30-1p Youth : online: Anxiety 2.2
 1:00pm Bible Study, Minor Prophets, led by Sergio Longoria via Zoom sergio.longoria@gmail.com

Link to reserve a seat for the outdoor worship service.
 All of this is also on the home page of our website.

MONDAY, September 14th ..

6:30pm FINANCE Meeting
 9:00am Tea Time with Pastor Suzette (5 minutes of prayerful reflection via FB Live)

TUESDAY, September 15th

9:30am Service of Morning Prayer led by Pastor Peter via Zoom (email Peter to attend)
 10-10:30a HCCM food collection in the Parking Lot ..600 W Park
 10:00am Bible discussion group via Zoom

WEDNESDAY, September 16th

8:30am Men's "Red Shirt" Fellowship via Zoom (contact Dave Sidney to attend)
 9:00am MEMBERSHIP CARE Committee
 8:00pm Youth Midweek Manna (30-minute check-in with Pastor Suzette via Zoom)

Please check the calendar on our website..... as it is changing often

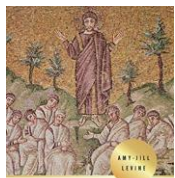
SUN. SEPT 13TH 1PM SUNDAY STUDY MINOR PROPHETS

Followers of the Word begin a study of the **Minor Prophets** this Sunday at 1pm via Zoom. Sergio Longoria (Gmail) <sergio.longoria@gmail.com> will be leading this study of the Minor Prophets. Let Sergio know if you are interested in participating When you get the invitation save the email. You will need to click on the link to join Sunday's meeting. Here is a **tentative schedule**. If any supplementary materials are used, they will be emailed to the participants after class.

Sep 13, Micah, Zephaniah Sep 20, Nahum, Obadiah Sep 27, Habakkuk, Haggai, Zechariah
 Oct 4, Joel, Malachi Oct 11, TBD

I hope you can join us to discuss these sometimes difficult and elusive books of the OT. Find out who the minor prophets were, what they did and why they are still relevant to us today.

THURS, SEPT 10TH SHORT TERM BOOK STUDY SERMON ON THE MOUNT



SERMON on the MOUNT
 A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

Pastor Peter will be leading a six-week study of the Sermon on the Mount, utilizing Amy-Jill Levine's recent book *Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven*. The classes will be held via Zoom videoconferencing from **10-11:30am on 6 consecutive Thursday mornings, beginning September 10**. If you'd like to take part in this study, please email Peter@cpfumc.org.

The Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew, chapters 5 through 7, contains some of Jesus' most profound and most memorable teachings. What might these teachings have meant to his disciples, and to the others who first heard them? How do they enhance our reading of the rest of Matthew's gospel, and how do they speak across the centuries to listeners today?

How, if we pay careful attention to his words, does Jesus provide us with a road map for living as God would have us live?

SEPT. 9TH A CHILD'S HAVEN (ACH) NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The First Day of ACH went well ... getting accustomed to the process (*Neil has some great pictures!!*). Thank YOU to those that were able to help shepherd kids and parents to the right spots. Then the rain came... the second day changed some of the routine and BIG umbrellas were a great asset ... We will keep learning the process and do all we can to keep everyone safe

VOLUNTEER HELP DESIRED:

2-3 people assisting with check-in by walking the children AFTER temperature screening to class and getting hands washed to start the school day
 Assistant teacher on Wednesdays in 3's class

OUTDOOR playground wipers

INDOOR surface wipers such as doorknobs and hard surfaces

If you are able to assist in these important tasks for the health of the children and teachers, please contact Shannon to offer your help (director@childshaven.net). I am sure she will welcome whatever time you can offer if it is one day a week on the playground or every morning during check-in. It will take a village this year more than ever before.

We staggered our time for arrival and departure. I made a copy of where the parents need to go and what they need to do. I attached it to this email. Would it be possible first few weeks that we can ask the church staff to park in Area B until all the parents get accustomed to the new guidelines? Please let me know.

Thank you, Shannon P. Parker Director [A Child's Haven](#)

OCT 3RD PUMPKIN PATCH NEW OPPORTUNITIES !!

As I am sure you are all aware that we will be having a pumpkin patch this year. We are still on schedule to receive the pumpkins on Saturday, October 3rd at 9:00 AM. Much has been put out regarding the need for help unloading the pumpkins and we could still use more volunteers .

NEW area of need

BEFORE the pumpkins arrive we have to prepare the grassy area that is surrounded on two sides by parking lot. On Saturday, September 26th at

9:00 AM we will need volunteers to help us convert the area into the patch. Erecting a couple of tents, moving the empty pallets from behind the multi purpose building to the patch area to prepare to receive the pumpkins.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for this. If we get enough people we should be done before noon.

Any questions about transforming the grounds for the patch, unloading the pumpkins, or working the patch please contact Bob Bowker at bob927bowker@gmail.com or 512-771-1680.

SEPTEMBER BE LIGHT YOUTH NEW FALL SCHEDULE

YOUR YOUTH are the ones stepping forward. Well done church!! peace, Suzette suzette@cpfumc.org

ALL on-line and in-person are NOW Sundays 11:30-1PM unless otherwise noted

When we meet in person

BRING: face mask, water bottle, lawn chair, and lunch (I am investigating possible lunch donations as we move forward but for now everyone brings their own food and we gather under the trees distantly to eat).

All YOUTH families must complete a one-time COVID covenant prior to being on the church campus.

Sept 13th - online: Anxiety 2.2

Sept 20th - in-person - what's the deal on baptism? prepared to get WET!!

Sept 27th – MISSION day – painting mural at Montopolis; 1-4PM

SATURDAY Oct 3rd in-person Church work day 9-1PM

Oct 11th – NO YOUTH

Oct 18th - in-person What's up with communion?

Oct 25th - online: Anxiety 3.1

Nov 1st- in-person: All Saints Day - let's talk about death, shall we?

Nov 8th - online worship/discussion

Nov 15th online Anxiety 3.2

Nov 22nd in-person Hanging of the Greens

Nov 29th online Advent starts

Dec 6th in-person Mission activity

Dec 13th in-person Christmas party in a socially safe kind of way TBD

Dec 20 and 27th Winter break - activities TBD

Jan 3rd resume in-person

Please remember the Youth as they struggle getting back into school but still missing their school chums ... !!!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY BLESSINGS

Please let the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team know if you are aware of someone in need of receiving a shawl that has been handmade and prayed over just for them (*they don't have to be a member of our church as long as you will get the shawl to them after it is blessed*). The shawl will be delivered directly to them ...

Remember that shawls are blessed on the altar the 4th Sunday each month.

If you have completed shawls that need to be picked up, just call or email to let me know.
 Hope you are all doing well. Blessings, Karen Bowker kbowker1949@gmail.com / home: 512.401.0787

HELP NEEDED !!! HILL COUNTRY COMMUNITY MINISTRIES (HCCM) GOD BLESS YOU ALL !!



THEY NEED OUR HELP!!!!
 HCCM IS NOW ACCEPTING FOOD DONATIONS. Since we are not having in person Church services you are unable to bring donations on Sunday as you have been used to doing. **Starting Tuesday August 4th** I will come to the Church parking lot from **10:00 until 10:30** for anyone who would like to drop food off, which I will then take up to HCCM. There is a box on the front porch of the church for donations also.

The CPFUMC donation of food and health items this week, was 96 pounds. While this is lower than the last several weeks it is still a goodly amount especially when you consider the size of our Church Thank you for sharing what you have with those less fortunate Bob

Our donation this week was 96pounds.

In the last 6 weeks we have donated 900 pounds of goods. Really proud of our Church with this effort

ACTS OF LOVE CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER BABY NEEDS

As teen moms try to return to school AoL would like to have some supplies for them. CPFUMC has been asked to help provide Baby Wipes and Diaper Cream for about 10 moms with babies. Now Through the end of the school year so ongoing giving is terrific !!

To Donate: a. Bring donation of supplies to the church office on Wednesdays when Sue is there
 OR b. put additional money in your weekly offering designated for AOL Supplies
 OR c. Bring or Send Supplies to Sue Sidney's house at 1606 Mackenzie Ln, Cedar Park

Any Help will be greatly welcomed as these moms continue their education at LISD ...
 Acts Of Love is discussing a partnership with LISD's New Hope High School to serve the teen mom's in the district..... Keep praying for a successful partnership

TRUSTEES UPDATES ON REST ROOM RENOVATION BY JANE HOWARD

Update on Rest Room Renovation as of 8/23

** Percentage Responding so far (cash gifts plus pledges): as of 8/23

27%	100%
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** Amount Pledged to Date (balance due 1 /5 /2021):

\$0	\$37,630 (71%)	\$53,000
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** Restroom Cash in Bank:

\$0	(\$25,180) (48%)	\$53,000
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COVID-19 DATA WILLIAMSON COUNTY

(from the Williamson County & Cities Health District & the Texas Department of State Health Services)

As of 01 September 2020, the 7-day moving average of the number of **new coronavirus cases** in Williamson county is 28.3 cases/day. The number of cases/day has been declining since it peaked on July 19th at 136.6 cases/day.

The 7-day moving average of **deaths/day** also peaked on July 19th at 3.0 deaths/day and has been decreasing since then to its current 7-day moving average of 0.0 deaths/day. Since March 2020, there have been 123 deaths in Williamson county attributed to coronavirus. The most recent death from coronavirus in Williamson county was on August 24th. The COVID-19 death rate in Williamson county is 0.22% of those tested and 1.61% of those confirmed positive.

To date, 98.4% of the persons contracting COVID-19 in Williamson county have already recovered. There are currently 128 active cases in the county. COVID-19 testing in Williamson county has been steadily rising. As of 01Sep20 there have been 59,379 tests producing a 13.4% average positive rate since testing began

in early May. Testing has contributed to the increase in cases at an average rate of about 63 cases/day since May 7th.

At the current average rate of testing, it will take about 3.5 years to test everyone in the county. Presumably, there will be a vaccine before this.

FROM THE UNITED METHODIST NEWS SERVICE

COMMENTARIES

UM News includes in the Daily Digest various commentaries about issues in the denomination. The opinion pieces reflect a variety of viewpoints and are the opinions of the writers, not the UM News staff.

A New Reformation? Look To The Ngos

COLUMBIA, Mo. (UM News) — The church of today stands at the threshold of a new reformation, measured not by its size or budget, but its heart, writes the Rev. Mel West. Following the example of nongovernmental organizations, its members will "prefer deeds over creeds, work over words and mentors over messengers and who will seek co-workers more than converts."

[Read commentary](#)

RECENT HEADLINES

Churches See Census As Part Of Their Mission

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus..." — Luke 2:1
The Rev. Ralph Thompson (right), senior pastor of Columbia Drive United Methodist Church, and Taressa Thompson, the church's first lady, stand with a Fair Count sign and "Come To Your Census!" T-shirts. The two are working with the nonpartisan nonprofit to make sure people get counted in the census. Photo courtesy of Taressa Thompson.

When first asked to help with this year's U.S. census, the Rev. Eric Reece was initially hesitant to add to his already packed schedule ministering in a pandemic.

"But what came to mind was the Christmas story," the United Methodist pastor said. "It's because of a census that I know the story of salvation."

He figured if a Roman census played such a significant role in Christ's birth, then Christ's followers have a role to play in ensuring an accurate census.

Now his congregation, Robbinsville United Methodist Church, is working with other nonprofit groups across western North Carolina to increase the usually low census response rate in their rural, mountainous region.

The North Carolina congregation is not alone. All across the United States, United Methodists are trying to make sure everyone in the U.S. can stand up and be counted in the once-a-decade census. They especially are focusing on historically undercounted populations, including people of color, immigrants, renters and rural residents.

Read the article Here: [Churches see census as part of their mission](#)