## HAPPENINGS this week at CPFUMC

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

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

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

## LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES 10am

#### 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/

## Are you having trouble connecting to the Facebook service on Sunday mornings?

Try using this YouTube link, which becomes available about an hour or two after the Facebook service is over: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyKfsPkzCTo-2DRH1azgHAg

Additionally, save this link, because it has all the past episodes as well. It looks like gobble-dee-gook, but I think you will find the results rewarding. You can also get to videos of recent worship services on the church website on our Find Out What's Happening page at:

https://cpfumc.org/find-out-whats-happening/

#### IN-PERSON OUTDOOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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 13<sup>th</sup>, 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.

#### COME: IT IS MARVELOUS ...

God, who is more than we can ever comprehend, help us to seek you, and you alone.

Help us to stand before all that we could do and seek what you would do, and do that.

Lift from us our need to achieve all that we can be and instead, surrender to what you can be in us.

Give us ways to refrain from the busyness that will put us on edge and off center, give us today your peace.

#### **PRAYERS of Thanksgiving:**

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.

Gigi Baggerman Heermans, Prayers for Jett and Jodi Nana Vickie Heermans and my friend Cotton who is ill.

Gigi Baggerman Heermans. Prayers that my in person students and athletes remain Covid free so we can continue to meet as a class and Prayers for my cross country athletes as we started competing this past couple of days. Keep them safe from illness and injury.

Parthenia Hughes Keys Prayers for my sister and her family in Northern California near the fires. So far they are safe.

Par Keys: Having trouble breathing ... nuclear stress test next Tuesday ...

Sterling Hartman. Prayers for Marilyn now at 79lbs. If she doesn't get her weight up she will go to Hospice at our home.

Prayers for the safety of family and friends in Louisiana with Hurricane Sally approaching with 100 mph winds forecast...

.....Travel mercies for my brother Richard and sister in law Patti who are traveling down from Dallas this week to visit with Marilyn.

Lisa Evans Feazell. Prayers for the victims of the West Coast fires, from losing homes to just trying to breathe,

Martha Orr. Please continue to Pray for my brother David who is clinging to life by a thread in the VA Hospital of Augusta

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......

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## Celebrations <a href="https://cpfumc.org">https://cpfumc.org</a>

## Mon-Thurs Online Well-Being Classes Wesley Nurse

Pam Castles, Pastor Peter's wife, is the Wesley Nurse at Life in the City United Methodist Church in south Austin. Wesley Nurses are special faith community nurses placed in many Methodist Churches by Methodist Healthcare Ministries out of San Antonio www.mhm.org Maybe you are unfamiliar with the whole idea of a faith community nurse. What sets the faith community nurse apart from other registered nurses is his or her attention to caring for the spirit. In this time of Covid, when spiritual suffering and spiritual distress are quite prevalent, it is so important for the faith community nurse to attend to people's spiritual needs and promote their well-being.

In an effort to do this, Pam developed daily well-being activities and invited other Life in the City Church members to join her. She would welcome your participation, if you are interested. The daily gatherings are small, about 5 or so people attending each day, but the conversation and sharing have been transformational!

Each day, Monday through Thursday, a different hour-long, well-being activity is offered online for free. The purpose of each activity is to help decrease anxiety, stress, and boredom, while sheltering at home. The schedule of classes is as follows:

**Monday** is poetry day, where people bring selected poems to read, and all discuss words and phrases that have personal meaning. This allows each person to explore topics that they hold close to their hearts.

**Tuesday** is weaving day, where Pam helps participants make a simple loom with cardboard and string to learn the basics of weaving. This provides an opportunity for improved dexterity, and carries with it a meditative quality as well.

**Wednesday** involves Doodlio Divina. Using one of the texts from the Revised Common Lectionary, along with Taize music and the lectio divina process, participants listen for God's voice as they draw and color meditatively. This allows them to experience prayer while listening for and sharing their experience of God.

On **Thursday**, the group reads a book aloud to each other. Reading in a slow and intentional manner provides depth to the book discussion as the group explores the importance of using one's voice to speak up for self and environment.

If any of these free, online well-being classes are of interest to you, please contact Pam PCastles@mhm.org for more information about how you might participate.

"These daily activities have been a source of life and joy during the pandemic. In these activities, I have deepened my relationship with God and also with those in our group. They bring a richness to my life and I'm so grateful for them!"—Ashley

#### **HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!**

## CALENDAR THIS WEEK AT CPFUMC cpfumc.org

#### WEDNESDAY, September 16th

8:30am Men's "Red Shirt" Fellowship via Zoom (contact Dave Sidney to attend)

9:00am MEMBERSHIP CARE Committee

THURSDAY, September 17th

10-11:30a Book Study #2 Sermon on Mount

FRIDAY September 18th

SATURDAY September 19th

SUNDAY, September 20th

8:30a In Person Outdoor Worship

9:00am Children's Sunday school class via Zoom

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: In Person "Get Wet!!"

1:00pm Bible Study, Minor Prophets, led by Sergio Longoria via Zoom sergio.longoria@gmail.com

MONDAY, September 21dt ...

9:00am Tea Time with Pastor Suzette (5 minutes of prayerful reflection via FB Live)

#### TUESDAY, September 22nd

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 23<sup>rd</sup>

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

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# Please check the calendar on our website...... as it is changing often Sun. Sept 20<sup>TH</sup> 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 ....

#### 8:30 Sunday In Person Outdoor Worship

https://cpfumc.org/mosworship-service/

Link to reserve a seat for the outdoor worship service.

All of this is also on the home page of our website.

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 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 17TH

#### SHORT TERM BOOK STUDY

**SERMON ON THE MOUNT** 



SERMON on the MOUNT

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.

## 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 ( <a href="mailto:director@childshaven.net">director@childshaven.net</a>). 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

#### SEPT 26<sup>TH</sup> & OCT 3<sup>RD</sup> & FOLLOWING..

#### 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

#### SIGN UP TO WORK THE PUMPKIN PATCH

A sign up sheet to work in the pumpkin patch is now on the Church website. Once you enter the website and scroll down, about the time you get to the picture showing our location, a picture of pumpkins will appear. Clicking on that will open the sign up sheet for you to volunteer.

For those of you who choose to not sign up this way or do not typically access computers. You can e mail at bob927bowker@ gmail.com the dates and times you desire to volunteer or call me at 512-771-1680.

Your help is badly needed and greatly appreciated

**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 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.

Our donation this week was 81 pounds.

This means that over the last 9 weeks we have donated over 1150 pounds of food and health care items. This averages out to 128 pounds a week WAY TO GO CPFUMC

#### 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

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\*\* Amount Pledged to Date (balance due 1 /5 /2021):

**\$0\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\$37,630 (71%)** \$53,000

\*\* Restroom Cash in Bank:

**\$0\_\_\_\_\_\_(\$25,180)** (48%) \$53,000

#### **Sanctuary Building Renovation Project**

Give yourself a pat on the back! Thank you to all who have responded so far to our goal of raising \$53,000 for the Sanctuary Building Renovation project. As of September 1st, we have 33 pledges and contributions totaling \$37,630. Two thirds of that (\$25,180) is money in the bank and another third will arrive shortly after the new year. Remember, some people pledged money coming from their Required Minimum Distributions and with COVID-19, there is a recess on required withdrawals in 2020. Before January 5, 2021, all the pledged money should have arrived.



The actual rest room remodeling is estimated be about \$48,000 and the extra \$5,000 will pay for painting and new carpet. We are short \$15,370. If we do the painting ourselves and wait a bit for the carpet (subtract \$5,000), then we only need \$10,370 in new pledges or cash to reach our goal.

A big Thank You to all who have contributed so far!

#### 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.

#### **NEWS AND FEATURES**

#### What was the first school started by Methodists?

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Education is a core value of The United Methodist Church that dates to the earliest days of the Methodist movement in 18th-century England. Founder John Wesley believed everyone should have access to education, regardless of gender or class. In 1748, he enlarged a school he had opened for the children of coal miners near Bristol. Ask The UMC, a ministry of United Methodist Communications, has more on the Kingswood School and the church's commitment to education.

Read story

Read more Ask The UMC

#### **Holston Conference**

#### Struggling church committed to feeding ministry

BISHOP, Va. — Every Thursday, volunteers at Alexander Memorial United Methodist Church mobilize to deliver meals to their low-income neighbors in a former coal-mining community, despite the small church's own financial woes. The only church in Bishop was attracting about 30 people to Sunday worship before the coronavirus pandemic hit. Annette Spence has the story.

Read story and watch video

#### **Global Ministries**

#### Long recovery seen for south Louisiana

ATLANTA — Relief work is underway by United Methodists and many others in south Louisiana after Hurricane Laura hit hard there on Aug. 27. Full recovery from the storm's damage could take three to four years, writes Dan Curran, a public relations consultant for the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries and United Methodist Committee on Relief.

Read story

#### **Texas Conference**

#### Houston churches offer 'Sanctuaries of Learning'

HOUSTON — Online learning at home is a big challenge for kids who don't have good internet access and whose parents need to be away at work. As the pandemic continues and the school year begins, United Methodist churches in Houston are offering a Sanctuaries of Learning program. Kids come to the churches for supervised, socially distanced learning with the needed technology. Lindsay Peyton reports, with photos by Mike DuBose.

Read story

See more photos

#### Church exits denomination for LGBTQ equality

SAVANNAH, Ga. (UM News) — The United Methodist Church has seen multiple congregations disaffiliate since the contentious 2019 General Conference. Asbury Memorial Church is the first to leave in recent years expressly in support of its LGBTQ members, and a New England congregation has plans to do likewise. Heather Hahn reports.

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