

Prayer Concerns

Let Us Pray...

For the world:

Ecumenical prayer cycle: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia
All those affected by the coronavirus

For our family and friends:

Cliff Burris	Beverly Montgomery	Sterling and Marilyn Hartman
Grover Williams	Jessica Benson	Hardy Porterfield
Priscilla Gregory	Clara Crank	Cynthia Lawrence
Myrl McKellar	Lillian Smith	Marc Hall
Andrew Thompson (Vickie's son)		Adalid Verastegui
Joyce Collins (friend of Vickie Thompson)		Marcia Pridgen (Karen Bowker's sister)
Denise Ellis (Diann Russell's daughter)		Janice Shultz (Marsha Venable's sister)
Brice Bridges (Sally Johnson's great-grandson)		Gary Thorpe (Suzette's father)
Corrie Van Rensburg's sister Poppie		Janice and Cliff Burris' niece Shelly
Karen Packard's sisters Cindy and Connie and Connie's granddaughter Neva		
Debbie Ozolins and Peggy MacWilliams (Sue Sidney's cousins)		
Jeff Slater, Joyce Read and Cheri Jessen (Carol Slater's son and cousins)		
Jorge Soto's mother Aida and her sister Marla in Puerto Rico		

If you wish to add a prayer request to this list, please complete a Prayer Card available in the chair pouch in front of you and place it in the collection basket as you come forward for communion. Please indicate how the person we are to pray for is related to you.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4th

Reflection on Previous Sunday

Monday

Job 8:1-22
1 Corinthians 7:1-9

Tuesday

Job 11:1-20
1 Corinthians 7:10-16

Wednesday

Job 15:1-35
Matthew 5:27-36

Preparation for Coming Sunday

Thursday

Job 17:1-16
Hebrews 3:7-19

Friday

Job 18:1-21
Hebrews 4:1-11

Saturday

Job 20:1-29
Matthew 15:1-9

Sunday, October 10th

Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Psalm 90:12-17
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

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Committed to Christ
Committed to Peace
Committed to Service*



World Communion Sunday
October 3, 2021 — 10:00 a.m.

**Cedar Park First United Methodist Church
World Communion Sunday**

October 3, 2021

** indicates an invitation to stand as you are able*

GATHERING

WELCOME

Peter Castles

PRELUDE/BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Jodi Blount

*GREETING

In the beginning, God made the world:

Made it and mothered it, shaped it and fathered it.

Filled it with seeds and signs of fertility,

Filled it with love and its folk with ability.

All that is green, blue, deep, and growing,

God's is the hand that created you.

All that is tender, firm, fragrant, and curious,

God's is the hand that created you.

All that crawls, flies, swims, walks, or is motionless,

God's is the hand that created you.

All that speaks, sings, cries, laughs, or keeps silent,

God's is the hand that created you.

All that suffers, lacks, limps, or longs for an end,

God's is the hand that created you.

The world belongs to the Lord;

The earth and all its people are God's.

Praise the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Let's Sing unto the Lord"

UMH 149

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*OPENING PRAYER

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There are many different opportunities for spiritual enrichment here:

Sunday Worship at 10am

Sunday School at 9am for adults and children

United Methodist Youth Fellowship (6th-12th grades) — Sunday, 11:30am-1pm

United Methodist Women — day and time varies

Young At Heart (older adult fellowship) — day and time varies

Sanctuary Choir — performs Sunday at 10am, practices Sunday at 11:30am

Contemplative prayer group — Monday, 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

Tuesday prayer service — Tuesday, 9:30am in the Sanctuary and via Zoom

Weekly Bible study — Tuesday, 10am in the Sanctuary and via Zoom

Prayer shawl ministry — Tuesday, 11am in the Sanctuary

Weekly women's coffee — Friday, 10am in the Sanctuary

A Child's Haven (preschool) — Monday through Thursday, 9am-1pm

(Fall thru Spring; contact director@childshaven.net for more info)

The United Methodist Church is a 12-million-strong global church that opens hearts, opens doors, and opens minds through active engagement with our world.

John Wesley and the early Methodists placed primary emphasis on Christian living, on putting faith and love into action. This emphasis on what Wesley referred to as "practical divinity" has continued to be a hallmark of United Methodism today.

We invite you to learn more about our rich theological heritage by visiting the website for The United Methodist Church (UMC.org).

If you would like to learn more about Cedar Park First UMC or have questions about joining the church, e-mail one of our pastors or check "Desire a Call" on the attendance registration pad when you sign in today.

Rev. Peter Castles, Pastor Peter@cpfumc.org
Rev. Suzette Thorpe Johnson, Pastor Suzette@cpfumc.org
Dr. Jodi Blount, Music Director
Laurel Fabian, Nursery Coordinator

This week at Cedar Park First UMC

SUNDAY, October 3rd

- 9:00am Sunday school for adults:
Followers of the Word are studying *Colossians* (MMB Conference Room and Zoom)
Seekers are studying *Religions of the Axial Period* (MMB Classroom 4)
- 9:00am Sunday school for children in MMB Classroom 3 and Zoom
- 10:00am WORSHIP with Holy Communion
- 11:15am Choir Practice in the Sanctuary

MONDAY, October 4th

- 6:30pm Trustees meet in the MMB Conference Room and Zoom

TUESDAY, October 5th

- 9:30am Service of Morning Prayer in the Sanctuary and via Zoom
- 10:00am Bible discussion group meets in the Sanctuary and via Zoom
- 11:00am Prayer Shawl ministry meets in the Sanctuary (come crochet or knit with us!)

THURSDAY, October 7th

- 10:00am Pastor Peter leads a study of "The Difficult Words of Jesus" in the Sanctuary and Zoom

FRIDAY, October 8th

- 10:00am Women meet for coffee in the Sanctuary

Don't forget to bring items for Hill Country Community Ministries

We are always collecting items for **Hill Country Community Ministries**.

Canned items: stew, tuna, chicken, chili, soup, spaghetti's, tomatoes, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce, corn, peas, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, pineapple, apple sauce, peaches, peanut butter, jelly, orange juice, apple juice

Dry items: dried beans (1 or 2 lb. pkgs), spaghetti/pasta (1 or 2 lb. pkgs), cold cereal, hot cereal

Personal care items: bar soap, dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet tissue, toothpaste

New and gently-used clean clothing, shoes, coats and other accessories

A COLLECTION SHELF IS IN THE LOBBY

Visitors and Newcomers:

We invite you to participate to the extent you feel comfortable. *UMH* indicates a song from *The United Methodist Hymnal* (found under the chair in front of you). *TFWS* indicates *The Faith We Sing*, the soft-bound hymnal out on top of the chairs. Words will also be shown on the screen at the front. Childcare is provided for infants and preschoolers in the Nursery next to the Lobby. Ask an usher for directions. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us, and we thank you for the gift of your presence.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

UMH 62

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice but your own,
that, hearing, we may also obey your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

PSALM 8 (Response 1)

UMH 743-744

SCRIPTURE LESSON Job 12:7 (p. 438 in the pew Bible OT)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People's response:* **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*RESPONSE TO THE WORD

God created us and placed us on the earth to be stewards of all living things; therefore let us proclaim the glory of our Creator, saying:
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you create the animals and give us the ability to train them to help us in our work.
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe;
you give us food from animals to replenish our energies.
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; for the sake of our comfort
you give us domestic animals as companions.
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you care for us
even as you care for the birds of the air.
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you offered your Son to us as the passover lamb
and in him willed that we should be called your children.
O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

PRAYER SONG "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" TFWS 2171
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CONCERNS AND PRAYERS
People's response: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

MISSION MOMENT

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

HYMN "Come, Share the Lord" TFWS 2269
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING TFWS 2257-b,c,d
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . . And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ . . . And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here . . . Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

**Amen, Amen, Amen.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen**

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Because the table at which we gather belongs to the Lord, it is open to all who respond to Christ's love, regardless of age or church membership. All, including children, are invited to receive both bread and cup. If you desire gluten-free bread, please ask for it when you come forward to be served.

*Place your regular or special offering in the offering basket as you come forward for communion.
Giving envelopes are available in the pocket of the chair in front of you.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN "All Things Bright and Beautiful" UMH 147

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*SINGING THE SHALOM