

## Prayer Concerns

Let Us Pray...

For the world:

Ecumenical prayer cycle: North Africa — Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara, Tunisia  
All those affected by the coronavirus

For our family and friends:

Cliff Burris	Grover Williams	Bob Bowker
Priscilla Gregory	Audrey Gay	Martha Orr
Longoria family	Andy Carver	Cynthia Lawrence
Myrl McKellar	Lillian Smith	Marc Hall
Corrie Van Rensburg	Adalid Verastegui	Sterling and Marilyn Hartman
Jeff Slater (Carol Slater's son)		Mart Goodman's cousin Mike
Brice Bridges (Sally Johnson's great-grandson)		Steve Sullivan (friend of the Howards)
Corrie Van Rensburg's sister Poppie		Marcia Pridgen (Karen Bowker's sister)
Karen Packard's sister Cindy and her sister Connie's granddaughter Neva		
Debbie Ozolins and Peggy MacWilliams (Sue Sidney's cousins)		
Suzette Thorpe Johnson's mother Bogi, her daughter Mady, and her husband Jim		

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 JANUARY 24th

#### Reflection on Previous Sunday

##### Monday

Jeremiah 36:1-10  
1 Corinthians 14:1-12

##### Tuesday

Jeremiah 36:11-26  
2 Corinthians 7:2-12

##### Wednesday

Jeremiah 36:27-32  
Luke 4:38-44

#### Preparation for Coming Sunday

##### Thursday

2 Chronicles 34:1-7  
Acts 10:44-48

##### Friday

2 Chronicles 35:20-27  
Acts 19:1-10

##### Saturday

2 Chronicles 36:11-21  
John 1:43-51

##### Sunday, January 30th

Jeremiah 1:4-10  
Psalm 71:1-6  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
Luke 4:21-30

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## Cedar Park First United Methodist Church

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Committed to Christ  
Committed to Peace  
Committed to Service*



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 23, 2022

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

***GATHERING***

WELCOME

*Peter Castles*

PRELUDE/BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*Jodi Blount*

\*GREETING

We give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart.  
**Before all creation we sing God's name.**

When we call, the Lord answers.  
**The steadfast love of God endures for ever.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Jesus Shall Reign"*

UMH 157

\*OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

***PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen**

\*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:14-30 (p. 57 in the pew Bible NT)

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People's response:* **Thanks be to God!**

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There are many different opportunities for spiritual enrichment here:

Sunday Worship at 8:30 and 10:45am

Sunday School at 9:45am for adults and children

United Methodist Youth Fellowship (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) — Sunday, noon-1:30pm

United Methodist Women — day and time varies

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

Sanctuary Choir — performs Sunday at 10:45am, practices Sunday at noon

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 Reanna Eddy [director@childshaven.net](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:Peter@cpfumc.org)  
Rev. Suzette Thorpe Johnson, Pastor [Suzette@cpfumc.org](mailto:Suzette@cpfumc.org)  
Dr. Jodi Blount, Music Director  
Laurel Fabian, Nursery Coordinator

# This week at Cedar Park First UMC

## SUNDAY, January 23rd

- 8:30am WORSHIP with Holy Communion  
9:45am Sunday school for adults:  
Followers of the Word are studying *Psalm 23* (MMB Conference Room and Zoom)  
Seekers are studying *Religions of the Axial Period* (MMB Back Room)  
9:45am Sunday school for children in MMB Classroom 3 and by Zoom  
10:45am WORSHIP with Holy Communion

## MONDAY, January 24th

- 6:30pm Finance Committee meets by Zoom  
7:30pm Contemplative Prayer in the Sanctuary

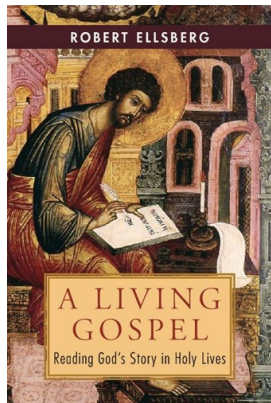
## TUESDAY, January 25th

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

## FRIDAY, January 28th

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

### METHODIST READING CLUB Begins FEBRUARY 3



In his latest book, Robert Ellsberg, the author of many acclaimed works on the saints, looks on the “living gospel” that is written in human lives. From biographical reflections on traditional saints and spiritual masters (including Dorothy Day, Henri Nouwen, Thomas Merton, Flannery O’Connor, and Oscar Romero), he reflects on what it means to read the spiritual text that is written in such lives. From that, we learn to read our own lives in the same light.

Pastor Peter will be leading a 9-week discussion of this book (in person and by Zoom) on Thursday mornings at 10am, beginning February 3. If you are interested in joining us to read and discuss this book (a 2021 UMW Reading Program selection) please see the sign-up sheet in the Lobby or email Peter.

Copies of the book will be available for \$22, or you can download the book to your e-reader.

#### *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.

## SERMON

\*RESPONSE TO THE WORD (A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada)

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.  
We are called to be the church:  
to celebrate God’s presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God. Amen**

## BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

(Prayer shawls will be blessed today for Audrey Gay, Karen Bowker’s cousin Alan Erke, and Mart Goodman’s cousin Mike McKitterick.)

**May God’s grace be upon these shawls  
to warm and comfort, enfold and embrace.  
May they provide a safe haven,  
a sacred place of security and well-being,  
sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones.  
May those who receive these shawls be cradled in hope,  
kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## PRAYER SONG

*“Open My Eyes, That I May See”*

UMH 454

## CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

*People’s response:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

## MISSION MOMENT

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

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.*

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

*"Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"*

UMH 668

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*SINGING THE SHALOM