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# Cedar Park First United Methodist Church

## HAPPENINGS

Sunday, March 1, 2026



8:30 AM In Person Worship  
10:45 AM In Person Worship  
and [YouTube Channel](#) /  
[Facebook Page](#)

*Sunday School - 9:45 am*

Seekers and Thinkers

are studying

The Apocalypse:

Controversies and Meaning

in Western History

in MMB Back Room

Followers of the Word

are studying 1 Corinthians

in MMB Conference Room

Children Sunday School

in MMB Room  
Youth Sunday School  
in Youth Room

*Activities for the Week*

**Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**7:30pm** Contemplative Prayer  
in the Sanctuary

**Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:30am** NO Service of Morning  
Prayer

**10:00am** Bible discussion group  
meets at Affinity at Cedar Park, 1520  
Juliette Way

**Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30am** Men's Redshirt Fellowship on  
Zoom (contact Dave Sidney)

[dsidney@aceweb.com](mailto:dsidney@aceweb.com) for the link)

**Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00am** Sanctuary Preparation

**10:00am** Read Across America with  
the children of A Child's Haven

**Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

**8:45am** Men's Redshirt Fellowship at  
Randalls (1400 Cypress Creek Road)

**Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME RETURNS –  
CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD ONE HOUR!!**

**IF YOU NOTICE ANYTHING ON OUR CHURCH  
PROPERTY OR FACILITIES THAT NEEDS REPAIR  
PLEASE EMAIL OUR TRUSTEES**

*Trustees@cpfumc.org*

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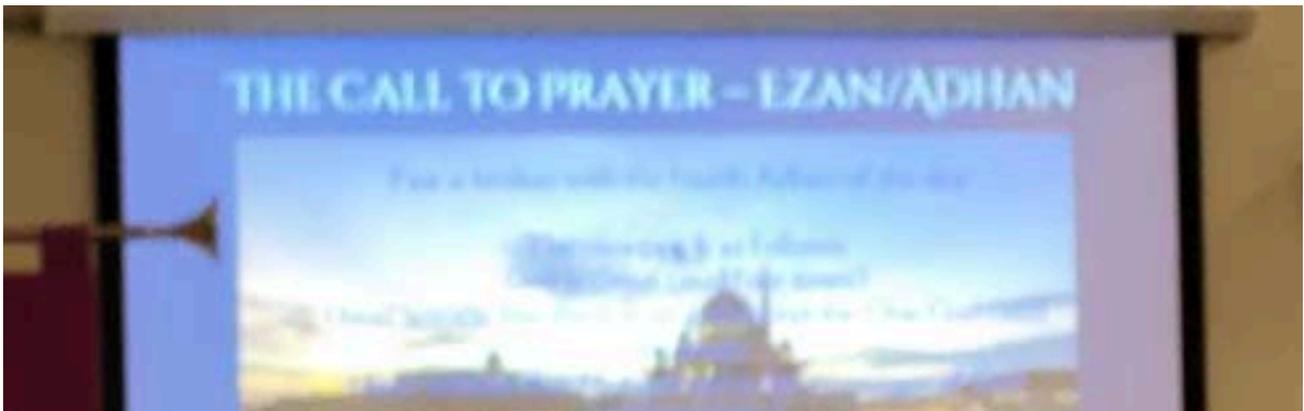


If you have questions or if interested,  
please contact Neil Howard,  
[nhowardtx1@gmail.com](mailto:nhowardtx1@gmail.com)



Joint Ash Wednesday Service  
[Article](#)

# Ramadan Iftar Dinner hosted by Dialogue Institute Austin at CPFUMC























## *Upcoming Events*



**A Child's Haven**  
**(sign up in the Lobby)**

## **READ ACROSS AMERICA AT A CHILD'S HAVEN ON MARCH 5**

**Read Across America Day, also known as Dr. Seuss Day, is a yearly observance in the USA inaugurated by the National Education Association (NEA). It is held on a school day that is near to March 2, Dr. Seuss's birthday. Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American artist, book publisher, animator, poet, and author of over 60 children's books.**

**NEA is an organization that represents public school teachers and other support personnel, staffers, and faculty at universities and colleges, as well as educators that have retired and college students who are preparing to become teachers.**

**In 1997 NEA launched the Read Across America, to encourage children to read more books and also get them excited about reading. On March 2, 1998, the first Read Across America Day was celebrated. Since then, it has been held annually.**

**The holiday mainly focuses on motivating children to read, as it improves their performance in school. On this day, hospitals, bookstores, community centers, churches, libraries, and schools host many events to promote reading.**

This year on Thursday morning, March 5, Cedar Park Church members are invited to Read Across America with the children at A Child's Haven.

Sign up in the Sanctuary Lobby to read from one of Dr. Seuss's books to a group of children for ten to fifteen minutes that morning.

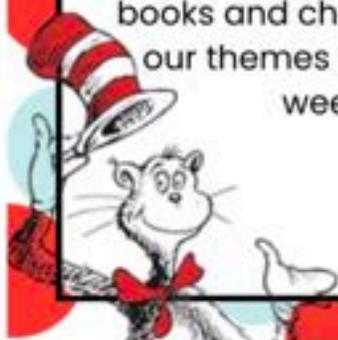
What a great way to celebrate reading!!



# Join us in celebrating Dr. Seuss and Read Across America Week

Read Across America Week is celebrated from March 2 to 6 – it begins on the birthday of the beloved author, Dr. Seuss. The National Education Association (N.E.A.) aims to encourage reading and educate people about its benefits, especially among children and young adults.

At ACH we celebrate by incorporating Dr. Seuss' books and characters into our themes during that week.



ACH would love to include CPFUMC in the fun by inviting church members to read to our students.

If you would like to participate, please sign up for a slot below.

We will provide the books for you!

**Date: Thursday, March 5th 2026**

Toddler 1		
PreK-3 (3-4 years) 10:50-11:05 (4 readers)	_____	
PreK-4 (4-5 years) 11:10-11:30 (4 readers)	_____	

# *Choir Practice*



March 8th - sing TFWS 2112 at second service and practice afterwards

March 15th - BASS AND TENORS sing Let Me Never and practice afterwards

March 29th - Palm Sunday sing TFWS 2111 and practice afterwards

April 2nd - Holy Thursday sing Lamb's High Feast

April 5th - sing Behold the Lamb and Rejoice

## *Be Light Youth* *Event and Schedule*

Sun 3/15 YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE on the Beatitudes; SS confirmation

Thu 3/26 VR HS Color Guard Performance to celebrate Karen

Sat-Sun 3/28-29 Confirmation Rally with the Bishop in Victoria TX then overnight confirmation retreat at the beach in Port Aransas too

Sat 4/4 Sunrise service practice / final confirmation with Leland

Sun 4/5 Scripture enactment, Dance and confirmation of Leland  
egg hunt with confetti

June 1-4<sup>th</sup> possible mission trip for flood relief in San Angelo.



# HCCM

Hill Country Community Ministries

Our donations for the 4<sup>th</sup> week of February were; Food / Health Care Week. 51 pounds YTD. 517 pounds



## *Finance Report*

## HCCM NEEDS

Peanut butter

Jelly

Peaches

Pasta Sauce

Toilet Paper

Deodorant

Dish Soap

In January, the Church had an operating loss of -\$6,342. The icy weather that forced the cancellation of one week of Sunday services had a material impact on contributions. Operating expenses were lower than the monthly average budgeted. However, January does not include apportionments and some one-time expenses. Specific operating expense line items were consistent with budgeted amounts. The Church continues to have adequate reserves to meet its financial obligations.

YTD Financial status through January 31, 2026  
Total Income: \$11,802  
Total Expenses: \$18,144  
Net Loss: -\$6,342

*Communion*

**3 WAYS TO OBTAIN ITEMS FROM HCCM****1. Become a client**

To do this please call 512-259-0360X202

Please have your financial data available as well as household needs

**2. Community Cupboard**

No previous call needed just go to

1005 Lacey Drive Leander

on Monday through Friday

from 9AM TO NOON AND 1PM TO 3PM

except Thursday WHERE THEY ARE OPEN UNTIL 7PM

At the Cupboard you can obtain breads,

pastry, deli goods, produce

WHILE YOU CAN ONLY GO ONCE A DAY,

HOWEVER YOU CAN GO EVERY DAY THEY

ARE OPEN

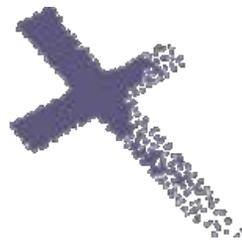
**3. FRESH FOOD FOR ALL. THE DELIVERY TRUCKS FOLLOW A SCHEDULE AND THIS SCHEDULE IS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD LOCATED ON THE WALL BETWEEN THE KITCHEN AND THE NARTHEX. THEY WILL HAVE FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**

**ANY QUESTIONS ON ANY OF THESE PLEASE CALL BOB BOWKER @512-771-1680**



Help is needed  
to prepare the communion elements  
before the 8:30am and 10:45am worship  
services (contact Sue Sidney  
[suesidney@aceweb.com](mailto:suesidney@aceweb.com)  
if you are able to help with this)

also, help is needed  
to clean up the communion elements  
after the 10:45am service  
(contact Anita Stratmann  
[anitastratmann5@gmail.com](mailto:anitastratmann5@gmail.com))



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