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Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

2016 Ministry Council:

Becky Dillard, Chair

Herb Wilson, Administration

Melissa Butler, Stewardship

Nancy Lamb, Personnel

Jim Nuckols, Property

Larry Ingerly, Finance

Kay Greenhaw, Worship

Alana Mallard, Missions

Roy Kimble, Servant

Roxanne Shelton, Christian Education

Nancy Osgood, Family Life & Fellowship

Kristin Werner, Outreach & Communications

Ministry Council

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: OCTOBER 9

NEXT MINISTRY MEETINGS: OCTOBER 19

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Notes from the September Ministry Council Meeting

Kay Greenhaw is preparing a picture book of seasonal sanctuary decorations done over the past three years. Worship planning meets biweekly and they have just begun work on Advent.

Alana Mallard updated on Keep Austin Beautiful and Adopt a Street – a sign should be up within a month and we will plan a Saturday clean –up for October or November. Also, Alana and Kay have discussed and are aimed at creating missions banners for use along the side brick posts of the sanctuary.

Roy Kimble talked about great things going on in servant ministry and HPBC, and he wants to recognize people in a concrete way, as a Servant of the Month. Roy talked about Sunday morning assembly and going over the Touch list where it is clear that people are keeping in touch.

Herb Wilson reported that the finance room had been “DeCleared” so that a check-catching receptacle can be installed, and that the van was sold out of our parking lot the second day it was advertised for sale. We will have a wall hanging to commemorate the many trips the van took. He also updated on tree trimming, possible relocation of the sound desk to a higher location, removing back pews in the sanctuary, possible renovation of the back stairs, need for Sapp Hall roof repairs, and huge renovations in the library to create a more usable space. In the area of Finance, a complete committee is needed; and in Personnel, Nancy Lamb reminds us that Kevin Mitchell’s five-year anniversary is in November.

Roxanne Shelton talked about John and ToniKay Osgood teaching a new Sunday school class for parents of young children, and the Glazeners and Thanes alternating to teach Sunday school for middle school and high school kids. Our Wednesday night schedule includes presentations from NAMI, Refugee Services of Texas, Texas Freedom Network, and possibly an end-of-life presentation by Melissa Russell and Holly Eades.

We discussed programming for children on Wednesday nights, and Nancy gently reminded us that we may be seeing the end of an era, where families just do not come on Wednesday nights because of school and activities. For that reason, her ministry plans most programming for kids and families on Sundays after worship when everyone is already here: Fall Festival on Oct. 30, bowling Nov. 6, and Deck the Halls on Dec. 4.

Kristin Werner gave detail about new visitor literature that will be in literature racks on the pews. She is also considering giving visitors a coffee cup and bag of free trade coffee or bag of cookies. She suggested two new areas of outreach in the areas of LGBTQ and human trafficking.

On the horizon for Kevin Mitchell is camp planning and Academy for Leaders. Cheryl Kimble met with the Nominating Ministry. Sheila Allee is chairing the group, with next meeting set for Sept. 25.



Sunday, October 30

Join us as we dedicate our first fruits to God!

Everyone is invited to a Sunday celebrating the bounteous gifts of God! In worship, we'll consecrate our pledges for 2017. After worship, plan to stay for lunch by Cabo Bob's and lots of fun for all ages! We'll have crafts, games, and activities for children and adults alike. Contact Nancy Osgood and keep watching the announcements for more information about how you can help make this a bountiful Harvest Festival!

9:30 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages

10:55 a.m.

Worship, with consecration of our gifts

12:00 p.m.

Festival begins!



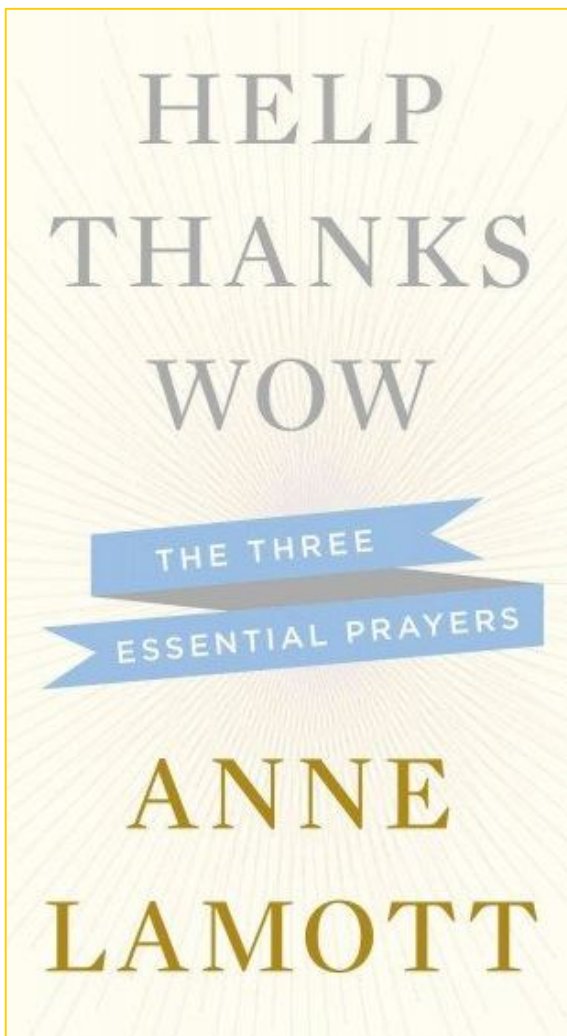
WOMANFEST

NOVEMBER 4-6, 2016

One cannot think of Anne Lamott ("Saint Anne") without thinking of her vulnerability, authenticity and humor. Join us as we take a close look at her book *Help, Thanks, Wow*. We will talk and learn together about why asking for help from God and others is crucial to our Christian journey, how gratitude gives us important perspective, and how the wonder or "wow" constantly reminds us of the very miracle it is to be alive and breathing.

Our retreat leader, LeAnn Gardner, will lead us in these topics through a variety of ways: small group discussion, silence and meditation, and art. Be prepared to laugh and cry (sometimes laughing until we cry) as we delve deeper into what it means to be a person of faith.

Although having read the book is not a requirement, it will be helpful to our time together.



When: Friday, November 4th – Sunday, November 6th

Where: Fredericksburg Inn and Suites
201 S. Washington St., Fredericksburg, TX

Cost: Three - four people per room: \$150/person
Two in a room: \$210/person
One in a room: \$345/person

Includes: Lodging/facility fees (rooms have two queen beds), two breakfasts, and Saturday dinner

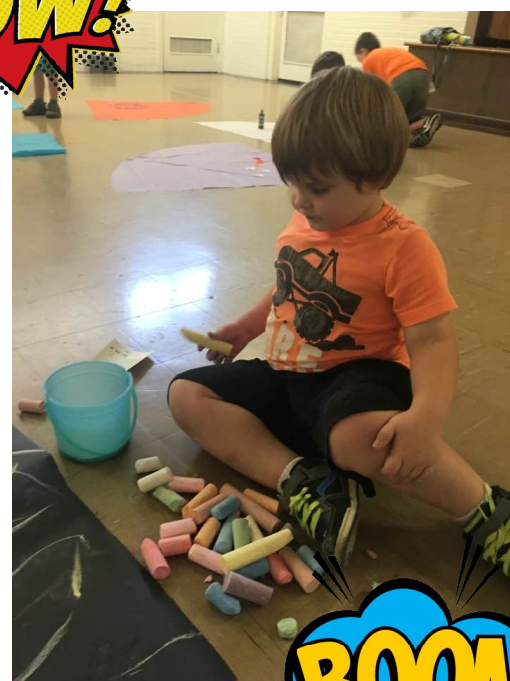
Register online at hpbcaustin.org/womanfest or in the Atrium on Sunday.

*Payment is due with your registration. The registration and refund **deadline is October 19**. Because of our hotel reservation, after October 19, the payment is nonrefundable.*

SEE YOU THERE!

SUPERHERO SLUMBER PARTY

Parents' Day Out September 18



Dreams Come True!

The library gets a new look

For several years there has been a dream around HPBC that the library get a face lift. The possibility of opening the space up, opening the wall on the Sapp Hall side so you could actually enter from either side, and being able to use the room for group activities has been discussed for many years and it's now becoming a reality.

A crew has been busy tearing out carpet, opening walls, moving book shelves and searching for water for a potential sink. Before long the openings will be framed up, a kitchenette will be installed, new wood looking floors will be installed and a fresh coat of paint will be applied. Most of this work is being accomplished because of a generous gift from the John Miller estate.

Once the basic work is completed we will be seeking ways to furnish the new area with seating for groups like Kerygma, Faith and Film, and Sunday School groups as well as comfortable places for coffee or reading.

Please know, the library is not going away! Hopefully the books will be easier to get to and the space will be used in so many new and different ways.

Stay tuned for our grand opening announcement!

—Rev. Cheryl Kimble



Before: The arrangement of shelves left little breathing room in the library and not enough space for a seating area.

After: We placed all the shelves against the walls to open up the space. Only six shelves had to move upstairs.



Before: This hallway closet shared a brick wall with the library.

After: Jim Nuckols's team busted out the brick wall to create a new door for better access to Sapp Hall from the library. The items from this closet are now in a storage room off of Sapp Hall.



Before: The J.C. and Virginia Evans History Room was in the children's wing and shared a wall with the library.

After: This room will be a children's library, accessible from both the children's wing and the library, thanks to a new doorway where the cabinets were. The history room is now upstairs.



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HIGHLAND PARK - MISSIONS - AT - WORK -

Hear from our Missions partners at Wednesday Weavings!

Sept. 28	National Alliance on Mental Illness
Oct. 5	Refugee Services of Texas
Oct. 12	Texas Freedom Network



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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 10:55 a.m.
Taizé Service: 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Sunday of each month
Wednesday fellowship dinner & program: 6:00 p.m.

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