



we've been called

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Thank you for supporting our team as we walked the **2016 NAMI Walk** to end the stigma around mental illness. With your help, Team Highland Park raised **\$2,420** for NAMI Austin! Our T-shirts also won **1st Place** in the T-shirt design contest!



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NOVEMBER

Give thanks in all circumstances

— 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

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November 10-12, Cheryl, Kevin, Kelley,
and Anna will be on a staff retreat.
The church office will close at 1 p.m. on
November 23 for Thanksgiving and re-
open on November 28.

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Ministry Council and Church Business
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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: NOVEMBER 13

NEXT MINISTRY MEETINGS: NOVEMBER 16

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Notes from the October Ministry Council Meeting

Pastor Cheryl Kimble read from I Corinthians 12:7-26 about all of our gifts, all of them activated by God. She emphasized how important it is to include as many members as we can in our ministries. Melissa Butler and Cheryl worked on a mailer for Consecration Sunday, and the Nominating Ministry is moving forward. The Council discussed need for bylaws changes. Cheryl also gave a library and organ update.

Servant Ministry is working on ways to recognize service of congregation members, looking to set up a planning committee for Manifest, and looking for ways to keep communication going between members and college students – discussed a bulletin board of photos and regular Touch cards. Thinking we should mobilize for disasters like Haiti – respond in a visual way, maybe touch cards.

Nancy Osgood is working toward Harvest Fest on Oct. 30 for Consecration Sunday. Womanfest is about to happen and Wednesday night dinners at 6 p.m. seems to have increased attendance.

Kristin Werner discussed working with Administration Ministry on installing pew holders this month for new materials. Working on gathering a social media team and improving the visitor table.

Worship Ministry is working on Advent themes, with Advent beginning Nov. 27, and working with Missions Ministry on a set of banners for the sanctuary.

Missions Ministry agreed to increase our Baptist Joint Committee support to \$1200 in 2017. We discussed also the amount allocated to River Ministry, which is now more than 10 percent of our budget. We also discussed designs and wording for a set of missions banners in the sanctuary. Balcones Drive cleanup possibly on a Sunday after worship and lunch. Always recruiting volunteers for our regular mission partners.

Property Ministry lowered the upstairs hallway mail slot and added a receptacle inside; solved a rat problem and performing tree trimming and vine clearing to discourage rats; working on a plaque to remember our old van's long history of service; talking to vendors about the electronic sign and considering sight line in placement of sign; discussed timeline for removing pews from sanctuary.

Don Dillard and Butlers will share teaching with Glazeners for middle school and high school Sunday School; Joe Stafford's Sunday School class dissolved and members have gone to other classes; our older elementary kids are staying full time in worship. NAMI presentation during the Sunday School hour Nov. 13.

Pastor Kevin Mitchell's 2017 plans: Children's Camp from June 5-9 at Disciple's Crossing in Athens, Cheryl preaches; Youth Camp from June 18-23 at Schreiner University in Kerrville, Stephanie Cooper of UBC preaches; VBS from July 10-14; Midwinter Retreat from February 17-18.

CHURCH-WIDE THANKSGIVING DINNER

6 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16

Meat will be provided by our cooking team.

Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side or dessert to share.

RSVP to the church office by Monday, Nov. 14



FALL FOOD DRIVE

The Baptist Community Center Mission's annual Fall Food Drive is underway! We will kick off our collection with November's Share Your Table collection and go through the end of the month. At this time of year as we reflect on the bountiful gifts we have received, let us be generous in thanksgiving to God.

BCCM FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST

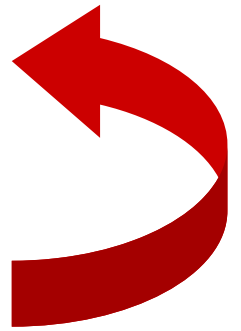
Chili	Sugar in 2 lb bags	Instant potatoes
Canned chicken	Mac and cheese	Ravioli
Spaghetti	Ranch style beans	Canned yams
Spaghetti sauce	Beef stew	Cereal
Jelly	Pinto beans in 1 lb bags	Rice in 1 lb bags
Pancake mix	Juice	
Pancake syrup	Cornbread mix	

*These are
some of the
most popular
items. All non-
perishable
food items are
welcome!*



FALL BACK!

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night, November 5. Daylight Savings Time officially ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, November 6.



We will be serving free coffee to voters all day on November 8 as an out-reach to our community. Free coffee is great, but personal interactions are what make a first impression! We would love for you to help us serve coffee and chat with folks as they wait in line, whether it's just an hour or a full day.

To sign up to help serve, go to <http://tinyurl.com/ElectionDayCoffee>



POINSETTIAS

\$8 each ... order by November 20



Ordering poinsettias is a beautiful way to both decorate our Sanctuary and honor a loved one. Arrangements will decorate the Sanctuary during Advent and may be taken home after December 24th. Find an order form envelope in the narthex or order online at hpbcaustin.org/poinsettias from November 6 to 20.

Decorate a Stocking!

Each year, we decorate and stuff stockings for the Baptist Community Center's Christmas party for children. We hope you'll help us again this year!

October 30 through November 13

Make appliques and deliver to the church

November 15

S.I.S. makes stockings at Barbara Lightsey's House

November 20 through December 4

Bring stocking stuffers to the church (list below)



Suggested Stocking Stuffers

- Small toys (like cars, Legos, bouncy balls, cards)
- Wrapped candy, chocolates, gum (At least 1 large per stocking)
- Cracker Jacks, nuts, pretzels (NO RAISINS)
- Coloring books & coloring pencils
- Gloves/socks (one size fits all)
- Toothpaste, toothbrush, lip balm
- Cokes, Sprites, or juices

PLEASE NOTE:

Gender-neutral items are best since these are handed out randomly to boys & girls



Deck the Halls

Christmas Fair & Fair Trade Bazaar

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, AFTER WORSHIP

Eat lunch

Make garlands & ornaments

Decorate Sapp Hall

Sing Christmas Carols

Decorate cookies

Shop for fair trade gifts

We're making a list and checking it twice! Help us bring Christmas cheer to Highland Park on Sunday, December 4th as we Deck the Halls—Sapp Hall, that is! Our Christmas Fair and Fair Trade Bazaar will have activities for all ages after worship. Ho-ho-hope to see you there!

Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

— ISAIAH 12:6





National Alliance on Mental Illness

we welcome KAREN RANUS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 *in* SAPP HALL

9:45 A.M. *to* 10:45 A.M.

Karen Ranus, Executive Director of our mission partner NAMI Austin, will be returning to Highland Park on Sunday, November 13th. She'll speak to us during the Sunday School hour about the work the National Alliance on Mental Illness is doing in our community and tell us how we can help fight the stigma surrounding mental illness. To learn more about NAMI Austin and find resources, visit www.namiaustin.org.

STAFF RETREAT

Cheryl, Kevin, Kelley, and Anna will be heading to Flatonia, Texas for a staff retreat November 10-12. Be in prayer for them as they learn more about using their gifts to care for the church's needs.

**AND WE KNOW THAT ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER
FOR GOOD TO THOSE WHO LOVE GOD, TO THOSE WHO
ARE THE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE.**

— ROMANS 8:28

Sisters in Service

THIRD TUESDAYS
All women welcome!
7:00 P.M.

Sisters in Service, our women's mission group, meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. during the school year to learn about and work on mission needs in our community.

November 15	Stockings for the BCCM at Barbara Lightsey's house
December 20	Cookie Exchange at Nancy Osgood's house

September 2015 - August 2016 Sisters in Service Report

SIS collected **nearly \$1500** for missions at its meetings.

SIS heard presentations at its **nine meetings** from Refugee Services of Texas, National Alliance for Mental Illness, Church World Services, Baptist Peace Fellowship and Seeds of Hope, Assistance League of Austin, and San Francisco Summer Mission Trip.

SIS took **two field trips** on meeting nights: one a literal "field" trip, when we hopped on the church bus and went to visit WMU and SIS member Martha Fields at her new place; and another when we had a tour of Assistance League of Austin, where we saw Operation School Bell and did some after-hours shopping in the Thrift House.

SIS served **four meals to nearly 400 people**: a lunch for Drive A Senior North Austin, a lunch for Longhorn Baptist Student Ministry at UT, and two meals for the Micah 6 Street Youth Drop-In Center.

SIS sponsored **two donation drives**: a glove/sock/hat/scarf donation drive for the Micah 6 Street Youth Drop-In Center, and a school supply drive for Popham Elementary School.

Mission Voices

One of the sweetest things that happened at SIS was at our March meeting at Mary Morgan's house when Katie Cook came from Waco to talk to us about Seeds of Hope and Baptist Peace Fellowship. Martha Burns served on the board of Seeds of Hope for a good long time, and when she and Katie Cook reunited at that SIS meeting it was beautiful. Beautiful to hear Martha talk about the good work of Seeds of Hope and the tender friendship between her and Katie Cook.

SIS is a place where once a month we all talk about good work and tender friendships – we meet in one another's homes, we share food, we write cards to women who can't be with us for one reason or another or who are going through a hard time, and we learn about missions in our community – the near community and the far community – and we support those missions with our gifts. Loving God and loving our neighbor. That's Sisters in Service.

- Alana Mallard

BUILDING UPDATES

Rev. Cheryl Kimble updates us on the status of two major projects: the library and the organ.

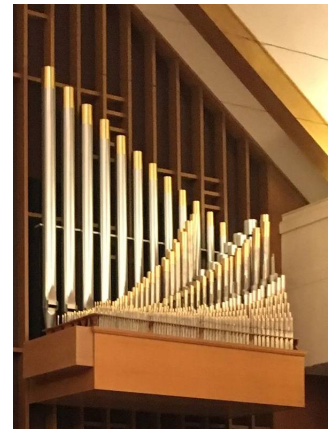
Highland Park has been busy the last few years. I ran into Diane Baker at the Pumpkin Patch at her church and she mentioned that she kept hearing about all the things we've done she just needs to come over and have a tour. Well she is exactly right! We have done a lot to our building and there is still much to do. Many have asked where we are on the projects, so I thought I'd give you an update.

**Praise God with trumpet sound; praise him with lute
and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!**

— PSALM 150:3-4

Organ

The first phase of the organ project is complete. It's amazing the difference it has made, but we're not through yet. Phase two is on hold as a few new pipes and their brackets are being built. Evidently, pipe building isn't an easy or fast thing. Curtis, our organ repairer, is just waiting patiently for the final parts to arrive. Once that happens the new pipes will be placed and every pipe will be tuned and voiced to the room. That will make the most difference in the organ. We also need to have a little electrical work done so the organ can be on its own dedicated power source. Phase two is completely funded, we're just waiting and sometimes that's the hardest part.



Library

The library is the next big project and it's looking good. Tables and chairs are ordered, books are being returned to their shelves, little details are being finished and it looks amazing.

Sunday School resources, including multiple translations of the Bible, Biblical commentaries, dictionaries and atlases of the Bible, and other reference books, were moved upstairs to the new John Miller Reference Library in the Lydia Crossroads room to be used by Sunday School teachers and pastors.

On October 30th, the Young Adult Sunday school class will begin meeting in the library and we're already dreaming of multiple ways the room can be used. Stop in and look it over, check out a book or two, pick up a cup of coffee and just enjoy the beauty of it.

Thanks to Jim Nuckols, the Property Ministry, the Library Ministry, and our many volunteers for the fabulous work!

**Until I arrive, give
attention to the public
reading of scripture, to
exhorting, to teaching.**

— 1 TIMOTHY 4:13

Check out our new library spaces!

These photos only capture a portion of the work done the last few months. Stop by and see!



Children's library, with doors to both the library and the children's Sunday School hallway



Coffee bar in the Oletha Sapp Library



New, more spacious layout and new flooring



Tables and chairs near the coffee bar



A new door opens to the hallway just outside Sapp Hall



The John Miller Reference Library upstairs



5206 Balcones Drive
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DART BOWL

SUN 11/6/16
after worship

You grab your shoes & lunch
- we've got the lanes!



Reserve your spots by 10/30!
Email mitchmail4@gmail.com



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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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