

Kids' Night In & Parents' Night Out

Young families are invited for a great night of fun on Friday, November 16 from 6-9 p.m. The kids will stay at HPBC for dinner and games, and parents are welcome to venture off for a date night, errand run, whatever! Dinner will be a taco bar from Cabo Bob's. We will have varied activities for kids thru 5th grade, including crafts, stories, foosball and Gaga ball, all in the Underground. Drop offs may begin at 6 p.m.— please come through the door at the very front corner of the church building (pass by the Burchette Room). Our night will end at 9 p.m. This event is by RSVP-only. Please contact Kevin at kmitchell@hpbcaustin.org or call his cell phone if you would like to attend. We look forward to a fun time together, treating both our parents and children to a great evening!



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Worship this Month

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Choir Practice
10:55 a.m. Worship Service

November 4

- **Daylight Savings Time ends** so please be sure to move your clocks back one hour before bed.
- Worship for **All Saints Sunday** honors our loved ones who we have lost in the last year. Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches
- Celebration of our Lord's Supper with communion by intinction
- Worship on the **Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
- Church member **Walt Shelton preaches** "*Strawberry Fields: What Do We Choose To See?*"

November 11

- Womanfest retreat takes place in Fredericksburg, TX
- **Taizé Worship Service at 7:30 p.m. in the Atrium**
- Worship on the **Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

November 18

- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches
- **Ministry Council Meeting** in the Library after worship

November 25

- Worship on the **Christ the King Sunday**
- Rev. Kevin Mitchell preaches



We were delighted to have Mandy Tyler (right), Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Freedom, as our guest preacher and presenter on Sunday, October 7. That morning, we also celebrated World Communion Sunday.

What does it mean to be “called”? Whenever people discussed that term my thoughts would wander because I thought being called was not a part of my daily reality. To me it was not a tangible thing and seemed just like another idea you only hear in church. What did it really mean? What did the person feel when they said it?

When my position at work was eliminated recently I never felt as free as the moment I drove away from a job that did not make me happy. The only thing calling me to my job was a paycheck. I had always hoped to retire at this age and I am analyzing my finances carefully, but there is strong possibility I will need to go back to work. This is not a decision I make alone but one I make with my loving wife Cindy. I have enjoyed being on the Ministry Council this year and my support of John as a back-up for the service sound recordings. And now that I am free from work I can go to the last Wednesday night dinner of the season. Someone asked if I would like to be a cooking team leader next year and others have asked about support for their church activities. I always answer, “Maybe, but it depends on if I go back to work.”

Last week we had a beautiful sunny Sunday. I was a greeter at church. It turns out I was a week early for my shift that week to but I stayed the morning to enjoy LaNell Coltharp’s company and greeting the people coming through the door. Later that day Cindy and I took advantage of the sun and warmth by going for a walk. I told Cindy that I felt a change in my feelings towards commitment to the church. I wanted to do more but I wasn’t sure if it was like a “calling” or just that I did not want to go back to work.

Over the last two weeks I realized that I want to participate in the church council, I want to join the choir, I want to lead a cooking team, I want participate in the church support walks, I want to go to the men’s prayer breakfast, and I want to go on trips with the youth and children. Is this what a calling is all about?

My future is not known as for retiring or to continue to work. But there is an emotional feeling working to create a change in me about my part of the church I love and what I can do to help serve its mission. Is that what a calling is?



Guest writer
Nathan Thane

BCC Mission Fall Food Drive



Our semi-annual Baptist Community Center Mission **Food Drive will be collecting food throughout the month of November.** The last Sunday for collecting will be Nov. 25th. This is a wonderful way to help feed the hungry as we help replenish

the food room at the BCCM, which is open Monday thru Friday. **Most needed items are listed at the right.** As usual, we will pass out bags with suggested lists of all needed items at the beginning of the month - or you may pick up the bags and lists in the church Atrium. Food donations are due by Nov. 25.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

- Chili/Beef stew/Soups
- Canned chicken
- Spaghetti and sauce
- Canned ravioli
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Cereal
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Cornbread mix
- Sugar in 2 lb. bags
- Mac and cheese
- Ranch style beans
- Pinto beans in 1 lb. bags
- Juice
- Instant potatoes
- Canned yams
- Rice in 1 lb. bags

Please check expiration dates before donating.



Prayer Breakfast

Due to travel and holidays in the month of November, the **Men's Prayer Breakfast will meet for their weekly fellowship at Austin Diner** (5222 Burnet Rd #550) for all Fridays in November. Men of all ages are welcome to join for delicious food and wonderful conversation. Each Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Sisters in Service

Each year, we create stuffed stockings from start to finish for the children's Christmas Party at the BCCM. Thanks to our enthusiastic decorators we have enough appliquéés for this year. Thank you to our loyal seamstresses who have sewn the stockings. **SIS will meet on Tuesday, November 20 at the home of Donna Reisenbigler to decorate the stockings** and they will go back out in December to be stuffed with goodies.



Pants & Shoe Drive for Micah 6 Drop-In Center

The Drop-In Center, housed at University Baptist Church across from the UT campus, is open to street-dependent young adults under age 30. Currently, about 25 guests use the shelter each Sunday afternoon. **HPBC will be collecting new & gently-used women's and men's pants and shoes for guests in need.**

We will collect throughout the month of November in preparation for the approaching colder months. Please bring your donations to the box in the Atrium. Thank you!



Volunteer w/ Micah 6 Austin

Besides the Food Pantry and the Drop-In Shelter, Micah 6 also operates a strong Friday evening meal program called **Home-Cooked Fridays**. The HCF ministry, based at All Saints Episcopal Church (209 West 27th St.), serves a hot dinner each Friday at 4:00 p.m. to anyone who's hungry. The meal is nutritious and served with tablecloths, flowers in vases, cloth napkins, china plates, and real flatware. The ministry needs about 50 volunteers each week to prepare the food and the dining hall, handle the serving, and then clean up. Most of the volunteers say they get so much from it that they are regulars, but the ministry is growing (now serving around 125 guests), and there's always a place new volunteers. Need to check it out? Access the sign-up link [HERE](#).



Residential Landlord, Property Management, or Group Home Experience?

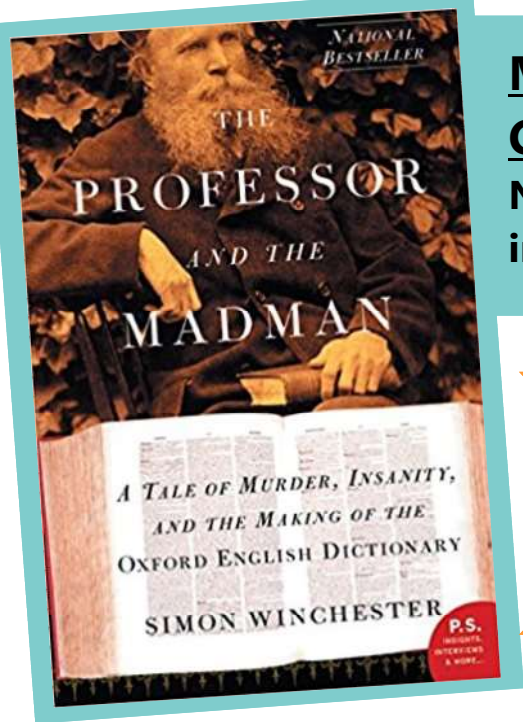
The Board of Micah 6 needs your advice. No commitment required. The Board is gathering information to evaluate the possibility of providing transitional housing to its Drop-In Shelter guests. Please contact Cathy Glazener.



Sunday School starts at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning at HPBC. We have many active groups for all ages. New and interested learners are always welcome. **Check it out!**

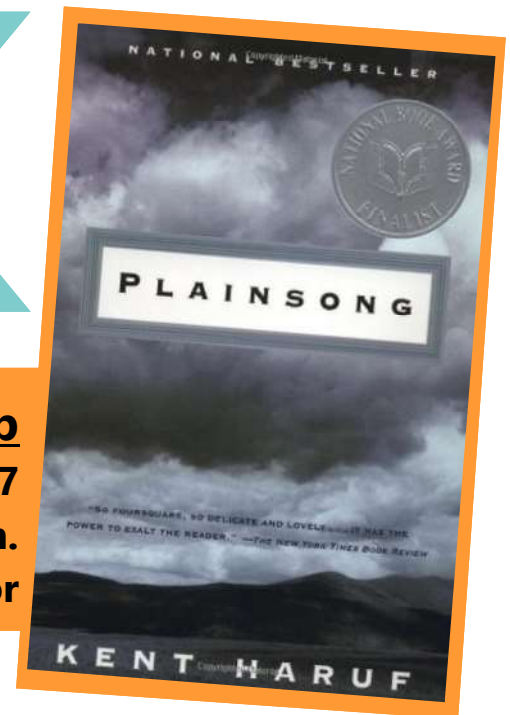
- ◆ **Pre-school age children:** Nursery area, first floor
- ◆ **School-age children:** Multi-purpose room, first floor
- ◆ **Youth:** Underground Rec Room
- ◆ **Adults:** Classrooms on second floor
- ◆ **Young Couples** class meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Book Club Selections for November



Monday Night Book Club Monday,
Nov. 5 at 6:00 p.m.
in the downstairs Library

Saturday Book Club Saturday, Nov. 17
at 10:00 a.m.
in the Upstairs Parlor



Thanks to all who cooked, taught, and attended our Wednesday Weavings gatherings in the months of September and October. This is a special and sacred time for those who come together each week to dine, share joys & concerns, pray, and learn. We look forward to additional Wednesday gatherings at noon and night in early 2019.

From the Pastor...

October ended with a bang! The Family Life & Fellowship Ministry provided Highland Park with an amazing Harvest Festival that ended the month of Stewardship with food, fun, and festivities for all.

Stewardship is often not a fun topic but we got through the month pretty well unscathed. Our first numbers for pledges in 2019 is \$240,160 with 40 households pledging. Last year, our pledges ended up totaling \$384,060. I have faith that we will reach a number that will allow us to do the work we need to do in 2019. Please prayerfully consider your commitment to the church and turn in your pledge, either on a paper card or on our website.

Following the worship time people moved in to Sapp Hall for a wonderful lunch catered by Cabo Bob's and beautifully put together by Nancy Osgood and Teresa Nuckols. What a blessing those two have been this year, providing us with so many wonderful opportunities to both dine and celebrate together in beautifully decorated spaces.

The children had fun playing games, getting their faces decorated (okay, maybe some of the adults have fun with this, too), winning candy and cakes, and doing crafts. A big thank you to Abby Byrd and all of our volunteers for putting together such a great event. Everyone had fun watching the activities, especially the spectacular costume contest with Grand Prize Winner, Katalina Neas!

It is always such a blessing for me to see our church come together, especially for a joyous occasion. We have been blessed this year by each of you and your commitment to God and to sharing the Good News. Thanks for all you do and for all you will do in the future.

Peace of Christ to you,

Rev. Cheryl Kimble



Thanks to all who helped
at our 2018



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Delicious food and treats in Sapp Hall





Featuring a spectacular Costume contest with prizes for all "Best in Show"



Face-painting and fun for the whole family





WOMANFEST 2018

at the Fredericksburg Inn & Suites
November 9-11

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Friday, November 16 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Dinner and games in the Underground.

H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y

November 1 Laura Meritt

November 2 Andy Manns

November 3 Mark Bewley
Jim Eskew

Teresa Nuckols
Tom Petrie

November 4 Don Hartman

November 7 Beau Butler
Carolyn Coleman

November 9 Lan Barlow
Lori Mitchell

November 13 David Longoria

November 14 Kathy Osgood
Debra Sylvester

November 15 Lynn Langley



November 16 Gary Farmer
Barbara Worley

November 17 Keith Cranford

November 19 Joan Young Smith

November 21 Margot Beyersdorff
Clayton Engelke
Tom Harrison

November 22 Logan Kimble

November 23 Don Dillard
Lochlann Neas

November 24 Mason DeCleene

November 27 Lynn Evans

November 28 Mary Hidell

November 30 Diane Post

Good things to know:

- Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 4. Don't forget to fall back before you head to bed on Saturday, November 3.
- Highland Park will be a Travis County polling location for the 2018 midterm elections. Please get out and exercise your right to vote. If you need help getting to the polls, please [contact the church office](#).
- The remaining Ministry Council meetings will be Sunday, November 18 and Sunday, December 9. All church members are welcome.
- The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- The remaining Quarterly Church Conference (Q4) will be Sunday, December 2 following worship. The 2019 budget will be presented and voted on at this business meeting.



Rainfall in October 2018 caused flooding and the waters that rushed down the Llano River into the Highland Lakes brought massive amounts of silt and dirt into Austin's drinking water supply in Lake Travis. The dirty water became too difficult for the city's water treatment plants to clean adequately. The city issued a boil-water notice in anticipation Austin's water would fail state water-quality standards. The boil-water notice lasted 6 days.

Rev. Cheryl Kimble emptied the ice machine so it could be unplugged to not further strain the water system.

The Austin Center for Grief and Loss introduces "Crafting & Community" on ongoing Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m. beginning November 1st.



THE AUSTIN CENTER FOR
Grief&Loss
Hope > Healing > Transformation

We invite you to join retired UT professor Jane Lippman as she "holds space" for those in our community who are grieving a loss. You are welcome to bring a craft, a book, knitting, coloring or only bring yourself. A variety of supplies will be available. No crafting is required, and you are welcome to join and "just be" with a safe and loving community.

This event is an opportunity for our Austin Grief community to come together for a time of community and connection. No RSVP is required and there is no cost. Please feel free to bring a friend.



Church Women United will have their monthly meeting and service on Friday, November 2 at Oak Hill UMC. All women are welcome. This month will celebrate "World Community Day" which focuses on justice and peace in our global community. CWU-Austin will collect monetary donations that will be sent to Church World Services for their worldwide blanket program. **Friday, November 2, 2018 with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.**
**Program at Oak Hill United Methodist Church,
7815 US 290 West 7815, Austin, TX 78736**

Foundation for the Homeless Invites you to their 2018 Spirit of Compassion Awards Luncheon on Friday, November 2 at First United Methodist Church in the Schmidt-Jones Family Life Center, 1300 Lavaca Street, Austin, TX 78701 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The 2018 Spirit of Compassion Award Honoree is Tim League of Alamo Drafthouse. This annual award recognizes those who have made exceptional contributions as advocates, volunteers and philanthropists to improve the quality of life for individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Austin.

Join us for lunch with fellow community philanthropists and advocates and hear from our keynote speaker Chris Del Conte - Vice President and Athletics Director at The University of Texas! Buy tickets, sponsor, or donate at <https://www.foundationhomeless.org/soca-2018>

Drive A Senior - West Austin's "Stories From the Road" celebration will be Sunday, November 4, 2018, from 4:00-6:00 PM at Congregation Beth Israel, 3801 Shoal Creek Blvd. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served.

At this year's event, the board will be honoring two long time volunteers, past board members, and HPBC members LaNell Coltharp and Barbara Paul, with the "John C. Scurlock Volunteer of the Year" Award.

Drive a Senior provides rides to medical appointments, exercise and wellness programs, grocery stores and other routine outings for daily life. Mary Ellen Sullivan and Brooke Ostrom represent HPBC on the DAS-West board of directors.

Tickets for the celebration are available for purchase at \$100 per person or \$175 per couple. For questions regarding the event, call the Drive a Senior – West Austin office at 512-472-6339 or [visit their Facebook page](#).

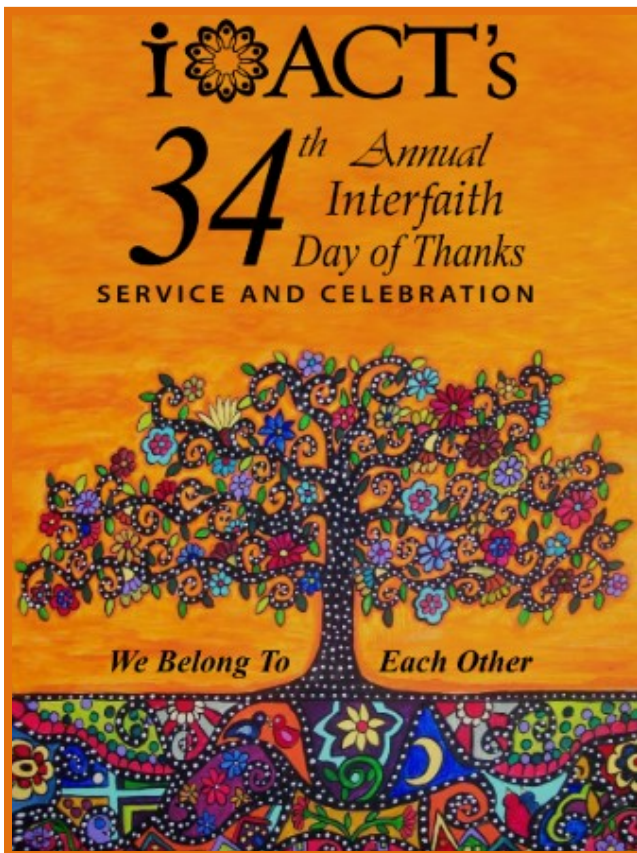


Drive a Senior
West Austin



Thirteenth Annual
Stories from the Road Celebration

Sunday, November 4, 2018



SAN JOSÉ
CATHOLIC CHURCH

2435 OAK CREST AVE.
AUSTIN, TX 78704

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Service: 4:00-5:30pm

Reception: 5:30-6:30pm

Please bring your favorite dish, ready to serve and labeled for those with dietary restrictions.

(No pork or shellfish please!)

Church Women United meets at Highland Park

Austin's chapter of Church Women United met at HPBC on Friday, October 5 and gave Mobile Loaves and Fishes founder Alan Graham its Human Rights Award for his leadership service as a mentor and social activist in human rights and human development. CWU-Austin honored his advocacy for "peace and justice with no boundaries of political system, country, cultural background or religion."

"I stand up here to honor people in leadership who help the homeless," said Graham in accepting the award, "and to recognize the extraordinary and glorious nature of each of us – each one of us." Graham called on people to shower lavish extravagance on others, not used leftovers, and to be "settled and cultivating" so that we can care for something outside ourselves.

In his advocacy for homeless people, Graham said, "Never, ever, ever as a little 12-year-old, lying in bed at night, warm in the covers and with the moonlight shining in, never ever did that 12-year-old think they would go out and be a crack addict or a prostitute or live in squalor in an urban camp. I promise you, it is not a choice."

Graham is also the guiding force in Community First Village, a 27-acre community of homes and services



near Decker Lake where 110 people live. Graham is the author of the book, *Welcome Home(less)*. The women of CWU-Austin donated cleaning supplies and equipment to Community First Village as this month's mission.

CWU-Austin meets at member churches around town on first Fridays at 9:30 a.m., and several HPBC women are members. CWU was organized nationally in the 1940s to bring women of diverse backgrounds and denominations together, with the motto "Agreed to differ, resolved to love, united to serve." CWU-Austin members come from churches all across Austin.



On Saturday, October 6, Cathy Glazener, Kelley and Mason DeCleene, Sheryl Steger, Katie McCann, and Alana Mallard walked the 2018 Alzheimer's Texas Walk, in memory of loves ones lost to Alzheimer's and in support of those currently battling the disease. Thanks to family and friends, the HPBC team raised \$1,492.37, which will stay right here in Central Texas.

Cathy learns to juggle. Go Cathy!





5206 Balcones Drive
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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

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Rachel Davis, *Director of Congregational Music*
Kelley DeCleene, *Director of Church Operations*
John Guerra, *Church Custodian*
Susan Hammack, *Church Bookkeeper*

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