



Issue IV April 2018



Each Sunday at 5:30 p.m. in the Library. All are welcome!

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From the Pastor's desk...

April 2, 2018

Thank you! – – I don't say that near enough. I admire people who send thank you notes right after receiving a gift or going to an event. I always intend to do that but I get distracted and it just doesn't happen. So I'm going to take a moment to thank a few folks who truly deserve it.

Lent and Easter were such wonderful times together, and it involved the work of a lot of people, beyond just the staff. There are the office volun-

teers who help to both keep and pull things together: LaNell Coltharp, Dottie Denton, Fran Hattin, Susan Magee and Nancy Osgood (who does double duty). Our Worship Ministry Chair, Sheila Allee Kershaw, plans the worship services with us and makes sure the Sanctuary is always prepared for worship. Many thanks to her and those who work on her ministry. I want to also thank Kristin Werner who contributes to worship planning and coordinated our solos throughout Lent. Brenda Nelson buys our communion elements and Sue Enoch works hard to be sure that we have communion servers, greeters, and ushers when needed. Abby Byrd and family pulled off a truly wonderful picnic and egg hunt for our children two weeks ago. Thank you to all who volunteer their time here at HPBC.

Of course, our staff works hard too. John keeps our building clean and tidy and makes sure everything's set just right before we arrive for any of our activities. Josh spends hours planning our spectacular music, holding practices, tweaking things to be just right, while also producing an opera and teaching at Texas State. Kelley works tirelessly to keep the whole building running, all the while putting together beautiful bulletins and newsletters, announcing our events, updating our website, learning the new sign, and more....if I tried to list all that she does I would need this whole newsletter.

I also want to say a big thanks to Kevin for allowing me a few special times away recently. Over Spring Break, my family had a beautiful time together in Breckenridge which meant a lot to us. This week I'll be in Oklahoma, doing some babysitting and working with my brothers to get my mother's estate closed. And in May, I'll be taking a trip away with Roy for our anniversary and then traveling to the Festival of Homiletics. Last year I attended this conference and it was one of the most spiritually refilling experience I've gone to in a very long time. I look forward to these times away because they energize and renew me, so thanks Kevin for managing things when I'm away, and all you do for the Highland Park people. And thank you Highland Park for these vacation times.

My last thank you (for today) is to our Property Ministry. They have been so hard at work the last several months. Jim Nuckols (last year's chair) has worked tirelessly to get our new sign out front up and running. We've got to lighten up the "Highland" still but it's beautiful and working well. Jim also helped us get the new stairs up in back - they are strong, sturdy and safe! Thank you to those who helped make sure folks could safely enter the building during that building process. Our current Property chair, John Osgood, knew we needed to do a deep cleaning of the kitchen following a few issues in there. The cleaning bids were very high so he pulled together an Osgood-Nuckols team and they deep cleaned the kitchen themselves. Not only did they get the kitchen sparkling clean, but it saved HPBC a lot of money... thanks John, John Jr., Nancy, ToniKay, Charles and Jim!

I know I have many, many more thank you's to make! Mostly I'm thankful to you HPBC for being the wonderful, supportive, loving congregation that you are. I thank God every day for allowing me to serve in this amazing church.



Rev. Cheryl Kimble

Vorship this Month 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:55 a.m. Worship Service

April 1	 Worship Easter Sunday features a brass quintet, the baptism of Morgan and Madison Mitchell, and the flowering of the cross. Please bring flowers to help adorn the cross. Communion by intinction during worship Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches "Why Are You Weeping?" Share Your Table donations for the Micah 6 Food Pantry
April 8	 Worship on the Second Sunday of Easter Rev. Kevin Mitchell preaches Ministry Council Meeting in Rm. 225 following worship Taizé contemplative service at 7:30 p.m. in the Atrium
April 15	 Worship on the Third Sunday of Easter Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches
April 22 April 29	
April 29	 Worship on the Fifth Sunday of Easter Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches Our Fifth Sunday Benevolence Offering this day will bene- fit the Arefa Sewing School which teaches refugee women

how to sew to earn income.



WELCOME O U R N E W E S T HPBC MEMBER!

Madison Mitchell

Joined March 18, 2018





Opportunities for Study



Our Wednesday Weavings dinners and programs will resume on Wednesday, April 4 with our usual Wednesday schedule:

6:00 p.m. Dinner in Sapp Hall, followed by a time of prayer6:30 p.m. Program in Sapp Hall7:30 p.m. Choir Practice in the Choir Room

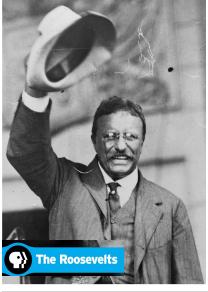
All are welcome at these times together. Great value is found in the freshly prepared meal and the wonderful fellowship in the middle of our busy weeks. Please contact the church office if you'd like to attend so we can plan for enough food. We look forward to gathering again.

Our Spring 2018 Wednesday Weavings Schedule

DATE	DINNER TEAM	PROGRAM
April 4th	Team Nancy	"Journaling Your Spiritual Journey" workshop with Sheila Allee Kershaw. Sheila says: "Deepen your spiritual life by developing a consistent practice of writing about your experiences, prayers, dreams, Bible study and more. In this workshop, participants will learn to start a journal and de- velop a regular journaling practice."
April 11th	Team Alana	"Journaling Your Spiritual Journey" workshop with Sheila Allee Kershaw
April 18th	Team Roy	"Journaling Your Spiritual Journey" workshop with Sheila Allee Kershaw
April 25th	Team Nancy	<i>"My Spiritual Journey"</i> a presentation from Barry Smith, Executive Director of Micah 6 Austin
May 2nd	Team Alana	"Table Topics - Questions to Start Great Conversa- tions" led by Roxanne Shelton
May 9th	Team Roy	"Celebrating Your Life: End of Life Advance Planning" with a panel of speakers including Ana Talamantez, Dr. Josh Miller, Rev. Jody Harrison, Rev. Kimble
May 16th	Team Nancy	"Ancient Conversations" led by Rev. Jody Harrison
May 23rd	Team Alana	Hymn Sing with Dr. Larry Lake & Kristin Werner

THIS MONTH AT HIGHLAND PARK

Join the Monday Night Book Club: Monday, April 2@6 p.m.

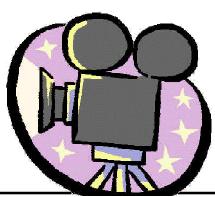


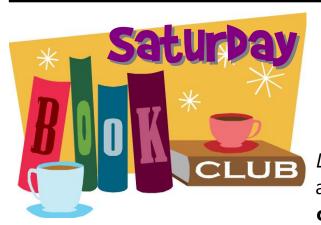
First Monday Book Club will have another "A Book and A Movie" this month. *Taking on Theodore Roosevelt* is our book for the month and we'll **watch a Ken Burns PBS special on Teddy Roosevelt on our meeting night**, **Monday, April 2.** Jane Feinstein will be bringing a FREE sandwich supper for all to enjoy. The gathering will start at 6 in the Library and last until around 8:30 p.m. (a little later than usual). All interested are certainly welcome. Club founder, Art Coltharp, would be so pleased - Art loved history and loved reading about the Roosevelts.

Spring Faith and Film Series: Keith Cranford and the Christian

Education Ministry will present a 3-week series watching and discussing films that exhibit prejudice. We'll gather at 5:30 p.m. in the 1st floor Library to watch and discuss these amazing films. Snacks are provided. We hope you'll join us!

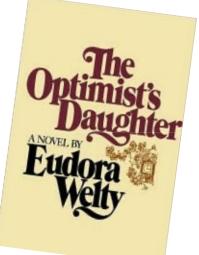
Sunday, April 22: *To Kill A Mockingbird* Sunday, April 29: *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* Sunday, May 6: *Far From Heaven*





All interested readers are welcome at our monthly Saturday morning book club. This month we're reading *The Optimist's Daughter* by Eudora Welty and we'll meet to discuss on Saturday, April 28. All

are welcome; you need not be a member of HPBC to attend. We meet in the church's upstairs parlor from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Bring a friend, bring your book, bring your coffee!



Our Missions Impact









MINISTRY FAIR & MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER Bound Together

It was a team effort to promote our ministries and support the summer mission trip on Sunday, March 4. Everyone worked together to plan a special worship





service, host fun games for our congregants, serve a fresh Cabo Bob's taco bar, prepare yummy desserts for auctioning & provide entertainment in our variety show. What a wonderful day and so much generosity shown for our missions. We raised over \$2,500 for this summer's intergenerational mission trip! Thanks to all who contributed in any way - - as members of Christ's church and members of this church, we are all bound together, and we're glad you call HPBC your church home.

Ongoing Opportunities



Warm breakfast & conversation, and offerings taken for global missions. All men are welcome - -7 a.m. on Fridays in Sapp Hall.

Sisters in Service

APRIL 17 at Donna Reisenbigler's

SUNDAY

OFFERINGS



SIS had a wonderful March 20 meeting at LaNell's beautifully Easterdecorated home, enjoying food provided by LaNell, Shirley, and Alana. Kristen Erdem talked us through the incredible programs of Catholic Charities of Central Texas and our generous group donated \$310 to their organization. Ending Poverty is Possible. kNOw Poverty!

On April 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Donna Reisenbigler, Rev. Cheryl Kimble will talk to us about Baptist Women in Ministry and Texas BWIM, both new to our HPBC Missions budget this year. Women of all ages welcome.

> Our **Share Your Table food donations on Sunday**, **April 1** will go to the Micah 6 Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued contributions to this ministry.

On April 29, we will collect a special Fifth Sunday Benevolence Offering following the worship service. Our collection this month will go to the Arefa Sewing School

which iAct supports. The school teaches refugee women sewing skills, basic and advanced, and also takes in alterations and sewing jobs at reasonable prices for the women to work. All the proceeds from the work go to the refugee women.

Let's go see the Wildflowers!

On Monday, April 9, a group will head west to the Fredericksburg- Willow City Loop area to enjoy our beautiful Texas wildflowers. All adults are welcome to come along! We will depart the church at 9:00 a.m. and plan to return by 4:00 p.m. Please bring money for your lunch out in Fredericksburg and donate toward gas. Looking forward to our daytrip!

SUMMER 2018 DATES

June 17-22: Southwest Baptist Youth Camp July 9-13: HPBC Vacation Bible School July 23-27: Southwest Baptist Children's Camp

Registration and deposits for summer camp are due now.
Please contact Kevin Mitchell at <u>kmitchell@hpbcaustin.org</u>
to sign up and turn in your \$100 deposit.

Servant Ministry is in need of helping hands

God's call has never been influenced by social standing, importance or power. When there was work, God called, and the servant... a child, a financial officer, a teacher... said yes. Today our HPBC community has many needs. We need Touch Ministry members to help support and care for those in our congregation; we need Open Door members to pray and contact those whose movement is limited. Our special services for the community need smiling greeters and knowledgeable guides, as do our Sunday morning services. Most of these activities require intermittent help, so the members just need to be willing when needed.

So, what about you servants out there? Will you answer the call? Please contact Sue Enoch at <u>madshe2004@yahoo.com</u> or the church office, if you like to help out. We will help you get connected!

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- Apr. 5 Jack Davis
- Apr. 6 LaNell Coltharp Donna Beth McCormick Scot McCann
- Apr. 9 Katie Sue McCann
- Apr. 10 Tessa Wilson
- Apr. 11 Travis Nuckols
- Apr. 12 Louis Lightsey Rick Hidell
- Apr. 15 Barbara Paul Wesley Russell Jeff Neely

BORTHDA

- Apr. 16 Mary Ann Fisher
- Apr. 19 Cathy Glazener
- Apr. 22 Jim Spivey Jim Harrington
- Apr. 24 Walt Shelton
- Apr. 25 Emma Cranford Angelica Allen
- Apr. 26 Terri Reynolds Shannon Ingerly
- Apr. 27 Caleb Gamble Ava Byrd



JENT & HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

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From Dust You Came, and To Dust You Shall Return...









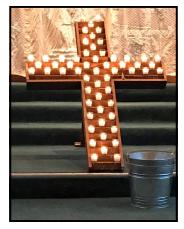














Beneath the cross of Jesus, I humbly take my stand.



Paim Sunday Pichic Me Easter E99 Hunt!

Sunday, March 25 after worship: lunch, games, and treats!



Christ is alive! He comes to bring Good news to this and every age, Till earth and sky and ocean ring With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Sunday, April 1

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We are very excited about some recent updates to our building and property. The back stairs were replaced over Spring Break - - not only are they safer but they are aesthetically pleasing too! A digital sign has been installed on the existing brick sign at the front of the property along Balcones Drive. We are excited about the creativity, flexibility, & ease this sign will provide for announcing messages to our neighbors. Thanks to Jim Nuckols for overseeing both projects, to the ladies who helped our groups enter the building as the back stairs were changed, and to Jeff Brower for helping us understand the software for the sign.



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UPDATES FROM THE SCOUTS

On Saturday, March 24, Troop 410 held a Court of Honor to award the rank of Eagle Scout to six members of the Troop. Congrats to Koehler Vandament, Nikhil Joyce, Ethan Shackelford, Cassidy Dreyfus, Chad Hemphill,



and Holden Hunter, their families, and the Troop for this great achievement.









DONATIONS NEEDED

HPBC member Derek Dillard is collecting donations for the Hays-Caldwell Women's Shelter in San Marcos as part of a school project for a class at Texas State. The shelter serves victims of family violence, sexual assault and child abuse in Caldwell and Hays counties.



Supplies currently in desperate need: Diapers (sizes 5,6,7), Baby Wipes, Sippy Cups, Full-size bottles of shampoo and conditioner, Razors and shaving cream, New Hairbrushes. Monetary donations may also be made through check or cash. Don and Becky will collect the donations on Sundays & Wednesdays.

A collection box for supplies will be put in the Highland Park Atrium. Please give where you can and give generously. Thank you very much.



Huntington-Surrey School



Our friends at **Huntington-Surrey School** have invited us to a few of their upcoming events. Please consider coming out in support of the students.

Tuesday, May 1: Arts Night

from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in Sapp Hall

Tuesday, May 29: Graduation

from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. in Sanctuary

Student enrollment and involvement is expanding at Huntington-Surrey and the school has re-rented the back building to accommodate for their growing needs. The school will also be taking charge of the garden area to the left of the castle playground and will maintain a working garden in the space. They have also received a grant that they will put toward a raincollection system for that area.



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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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