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# Looking Back, August 19 Moving Forward

Join us for a very special Sunday of worship as we look back at the many events of this past summer and move forward into fall activities



Sharing stories and pictures from the summer

Promoting children within the Sunday School department

Blessing the school bags of our students and teachers as they begin a new school year

#### LOOK INSIDE...

- UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS
- MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND IMPACT
- SUMMER RECAPS: PICTURES AND STORIES
- BABY BOOM THIS SUMMER AT HPBC

#### Summer was a big success!

With Youth and Children's Camp, VBS, and the Mission Trip, our ministries and staff have been busy.

- Thanks to Kevin for making these events so successful! Also a thank you to all those who volunteered at our many events; these things cannot happen without your great help and hard work.
- Thanks to Erin Randall and Maddy Proud for working in the office this summer while Kelley was out on maternity leave. They worked above and beyond to make sure our office was covered as well as helping with all of the events.
- Thanks to Kelley DeCleene for training and leaving detailed information so that all the bases would be covered.

How lucky Highland Park is to have such amazing people who volunteer, who pray for, and who financially support our ministries. ~ Cheryl







#### Thank you from the DeCleene Family!

Dear HPBC Friends, thank you for the gifts and notes, the support and excitement, the love and prayers as we happily became a family of four with the birth of Juliet in May.

My twelve weeks off to care for Juliet were invaluable, and we all absolutely adore our sweet, smiley addition. Thank you for everything.

Kelley and Logan Mason and Juliet

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

August 5

- Worship on the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
- Communion by intinction during worship
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches "From Religion to Intimacy"

August 12

- Worship on the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches "Where I'm From"

August 19

- Worship on the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- Congregation shares stories & pictures from the summer
- Promotion Sunday with Blessing of the Backpacks

August 28

- Worship on the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches "To Whom Can We Go"

#### Summer Smiles & Special Services in Worship







Yours is the day, yours also the night; you established the luminaries and the sun. You have fixed all the bounds of the earth; you made summer and winter. - Psalm 74:16-17



It might be hot outside, but worship's always cool at HPBC!

# COLUMNIA ENERGIS



VOLUNTEER AT THE HPBC BOOTH on 8.11.18

The Austin Gay and Lesbian Pride Foundation (Austin Pride) is having their annual Pride Week here in Austin from August 3-12. The mission of Austin Pride is to educate, provide resources, and help connect the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) community in Austin.

On Saturday August, 11th, Highland Park Baptist Church will be sponsoring a booth at the Pride Festival, which takes place at Festival Gardens from 11 am to 6 pm. This will give us an opportunity to not only show our love for the LGBTQ community,

but also to engage in meaningful dialogue, talk about life at HPBC, and hand out some fun promotional items. We hope to have a foot-washing station at our booth to serve as an expression of our belief that all LGBTQ persons are beloved children of God - ones to whom we are committed to loving and serving.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Pride Festival with HPBC, please contact Kristin Werner at <a href="mailto:kswerner87@gmail.com">kswerner87@gmail.com</a>.

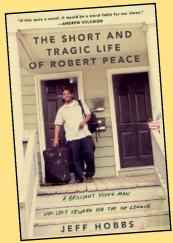
# Community Happy Hour with Highland Park West

Highland Park Baptist Church is proud to be active in the Highland Park West community. If you live in the Highland Park West community, you are invited to a **Community Happy Hour on Thursday, August 23 from 5:00 - 6:30 pm at Barley Swine,** 6555 Burnet R. #400, Austin, TX 78757.



Come and mix & mingle with other Highland Park West community members, European Motorwerks will be providing a complimentary beer or cocktail and light appetizers will be provided. Free giveaways included!

## Book Glub Selections for August



**Study** 

Lunch

Together

Monday Night Book Club
discussing "The Short and Tragic Life of
Robert Peace" by Jeff Hobbs
Monday, August 6 at 6:00 p.m.
in the downstairs Library

Saturday Book Club discussing "Our Souls at Night" Saturday, August 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Upstairs Parlor



#### All interested readers are welcome!

Our **Study and Lunch Together series is back on Wednesdays, August 1 - September 5** and all are welcome to join in reading, discussing, and growing together. Bring a sack lunch or pick up something quick on the way and meet at noon in the Library; the church will provide water, tea, and coffee. The weekly discussion will focus on *Making Sense of the Christian Faith* by David Lose.

Copies of the book are available for purchase for \$10 each.



#### SUMMER MISSIONS: "HANDS-ON FEELS DIFFERENT"

The Chandler family arrived in mass on July 21 to help staff the Micah 6 Food Pantry, across Guadalupe from the UT campus. Just about the whole family! Luke and his cousins helped repack groceries from shopping carts to take home bags as clients left the pantry – frozen meat & pizzas, milk & eggs, canned & packaged goods, dairy, rice, beans, fresh veggies donated by Sunshine Community Garden. Victoria helped clients pick out fresh fruit and bread. Tiffany, her sister, and mother also repacked groceries. Cousin Spencer was the runner to return empty carts to their storage racks. Every job at the pantry lets you glimpse up close the need of truly destitute men and women from the street. The Chandlers said, "it opened my eyes... I won't throw away a backpack any more... very useful. Very smooth operation, everybody knows what they're doing, easy to get the hang of it. More important and less boring than office work I've been paid to do... other volunteers and the shoppers were all nice... saw another world, how others live... I've donated before but hands-on feels different."







The Neas & Rapier-Montemayor families volunteered to staff the pantry on July 28. Hannah Neas recounted, "The kids had a really great time volunteering at the pantry. We sorted food and helped bag groceries for their shoppers. While bagging Katalina mentioned to one elderly shopper that she really liked the gummies he picked and he tried to give them to her. It was pretty apparent that he had nothing, but he still wanted to share with her. She happily refused and told him to keep them, but it took everything in me not to cry. There is so much need in this world and so much love. The kids asked to go back next week."

Find out more about volunteering here at <a href="https://www.micah6austin.org/pantry">www.micah6austin.org/pantry</a>.

There are so many amazing organizations worthy of your resources. We try to partner with organizations in our community and highlight particular needs that we can address together as a church. If many people do a little, there is a big impact.

Here are a couple opportunities this month to which you might considering donating. Thank you for your generosity!



We will finish collecting **gift cards for McCallum High School and its feeder schools**. Please bring them to the church office or Cathy Glazener. Our friends at MACares are wanting grocery and fast food restaurant gift cards in \$10-\$25 amounts for students and families needing quick help.



The women of SIS will prepare & serve a salad lunch on Aug. 23 at Anderson Mill Baptist for Drive-A-Senior North clients and volunteers. Let Alana Mallard know if you will make a salad or dessert and if you want to help serve. We'll meet at HPBC at 10:30 to drive to Anderson Mill where we'll serve about 60 people.



Fill the Shelves with Share Your Table! The Missions Ministry has set up a big bookcase, easy to find in the Atrium, where you can drop off food donations at any time for the Micah 6 Food Pantry and the Baptist Community Center. Between deliveries, anyone who needs assistance can pick up from the bookcase. If you see bare shelves, it's time to donate!

**SAVE THE DATES** for these upcoming opportunities to show your support through

- donating and/or walking: NAMI Walk on September 29
  - Walk to End Alzheimer's on October 13



By being thankful, helping others, being brave, loving differences, and treating others like ourselves,

God gives us the power to be peace-makers.













I spent VBS this year with eleven kids ranging from fourth graders to sixth graders. And just like the rest of the 55 or so kids in Highland Park's VBS this summer, the kids had a grand time learning about the power of peace as they went from making snacks in the kitchen with Nancy Osgood, to learning a Bible story with Amy Avery, to making round-the-world crafts with Maddy Proud and Jane Macias, to singing with Cheryl Kimble, to playing games with Audrey Wong, Chase Osgood, Gabe Zamarripa, and Kevin Mitchell.

And me too – I also had a grand time. Those older elementary school kids have major amounts of energy and they used it as they crafted and sang and stacked red solo-cups and acted out Bible stories. Kids that age are a sneaky lot, aren't they? Just when I thought they weren't paying a bit of attention, I would get zinged by their insights about the world, about God, about our week together.

There is probably not a better way to start a day's work than with singing, and we always get to do that with VBS. Hearing the kids sing, watching the kids work on the motions, singing myownself – all of that is worship to me. And this year my heart was full as the kids sang about kindness and agreeing and being grateful. Watching the little ones walk to the front with their offerings for Mobile Loaves and Fishes was a lesson in gratitude.

I'm so grateful for the time I spent with all the kids of VBS, especially those wiggly, giggly, runny, jumpy kids in my group. -- Alana Mallard



Gaga Ball is
AWESOME AND
Spencer took
second place
even.

My favorite part of Children's Camp this summer was church group time, like when we could hear what everybody felt about the day.

Disciples Crossing in Athens, TX

July 23 - 27

I liked the slide and the blob!

# overheard at southwest baptist chibren's camp

The food was better last year.

My favorite thing about Children's
Camp was the joy that I found in all the
little things. The sunsets in Athens, TX
were breathtaking, the laughter of the
kids filled my heart, and the daily
exploration of Christ's presence in all of
our lives is something I won't forget!

It was too hot but the lake felt great.

Brady and Luke's dad sure tells good bedtime stories.

#### **"FOLLOW THE LEADER" (JESUS)**

- 1. Go where the leader goes
- 2. Do what the leader does
- 3. Keep up





"We grow closer to the Savior as we, out of pure love, serve others for Him."



# SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Port Aransas, Texas: August 3-6, 2018

Dear friends,

An unbelievable amount of work was done, by a great team, in sweltering heat, for the people of Port A, still trying to recover from Hurricane Harvey's overwhelming destruction. This was Highland Park's fourth wave of help sent to the hurricane ravaged coast. Nearly a year after Harvey hit, there is no shortage of work to do. Please keep the people still living in the wake of this hurricane in your prayers and thanks for the ways you've prayed with your action too. You are LIGHT in this old world.

Please ask one of the twelve who went on this most recent adventure to share a story about their work and the impact it's having on their faith. (You may want to have a tissue handy when you do). Some of us will share a story or two in worship on Sun. August 19. You'll be blessed hearing what God's been up to these days.

Thank you Cathy Glazener for making this adventure happen. And thanks be to You, dear God, for Your unending waves of love, and this kind church.

Peace y'all, Kevin





Major
demolition
work on a
church's
kitchen to
make way
for its
replacement.





"Work with a smile" Appliances, sink, windows, doors, walls, roof (and lots of other gunk) was all pack up and taken away.







We are so excited to welcome these beautiful babies into our Highland Park family this summer.







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#### Don't forget to bring your backpack, lunch box, or teacher's bag to receive a special blessing on

# Looking Back, Moving Forward



SUNDAY, AUGUST 19





























**August 1** Martha Fields

Suzanne Lowe

**August 3** Barbara Lightsey

**August 4** Nancy Norris

**August 5** Greg Gregory

**August 7** Kristin Werner

**August 9** Mary Macias

**Avery Nuckols** 

**August 10** Luke Stokes

**August 12** Judith Latimer

August 13 Susan Magee

Michael Wilson, Jr.

August 14 Dottie Denton

Michael Hartman

Glenn Shoemake



August 16 Rachel Longoria

August 17 Rosa Luna

Tom Morrow

Madeleine Proud

**August 18** Montez Coyle

**Scott Davis** 

August 19 Cindy Thane

August 21 Don Ballard

Deborah Denney

**August 22** Rusty Shelton

**August 23** Kathryn Ingerly

Sergio Longoria

August 25 Chuck Roberts

**August 31** Luke Chandler

Kathy Stanley





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Sunday of each month

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Table				Dinner		
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