



Our Sunday evening prayer Taizé-style contemplative worship service will resume on Sunday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m. We've been meeting for this service on the second Sunday evening of the month for almost 13 years now. During these past two months of July and August we took our first break, and now look forward to being together for the foreseeable future.

Our musicians and vocalists Brenda & Russ Nelson, Emily Yeager, and Gwyndolyn Jones prepare a service each month that includes spoken meditations, singing, silence, candle light, communion and prayer. The service order is identical each month and has no written order of worship in hopes that you will be able to relax into the flow and allow yourself to participate in the way that meets your needs. Printed song lyrics are available, but are mostly simple scripture portions and repetitive, so you may find yourself not needing them after a few services.

A unique gift of this service is the invitation to participate in the way that speaks to you that evening. You may want to sit in silence with closed eyes in your seat throughout. You may enjoy singing, offering a prayer aloud, lighting a candle in prayer and receiving communion. We have no expectation of your experience, and you may come and go in silence if you wish. This service offers community for contemplation, or if you wish, relative anonymity in your personal meditation.

It is a joy to provide a contemplative service each month. We have a varying number of participants, and our intention is to provide a Taizé-style experience for whomever has the desire to join us. **You are warmly invited to come on September 9 and see what the service has for you.**

~ Rev. Melissa Russell

Worship this Month

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

September 2

- Worship on the **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- **Share Your Table** donations to the Micah 6 Food Pantry (Donations welcome all month on Share Your Table shelf)
- **Communion by intinction** during worship
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches *"Did You Wash Your Hand?"*

September 9

- Worship on the **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches *"Be Open"*
- **Taizé Worship Service** at 7:30 p.m. in the Atrium

September 16

- Worship on the **Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches *"Human Things"*
- **Quarterly Church Conference** following worship and **Ministry Council Meeting** following the Conference

September 23

- Worship on the **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- Rev. Kevin Mitchell preaches

September 30

- Worship on the **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches *"If Any of You"*
- **Children's Swim Day** following worship

Mandy Tyler preaches on October 7

We are delighted to welcome Highland Park's own Amanda (Mandy) Tyler as our guest preacher on Sunday, October 7th. Amanda is the Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Freedom in Washington D.C.. HPBC is a supporting congregation of the BJC's mission is to defend and extend God-given religious liberty for all.



Meet our newest member: Roger Vaughan

Joined on August 19, 2018

Roger has been an active participant at HPBC on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. He recently took the time to come up and repair some of the pew racks in our Sanctuary. Thank you, Roger. We're glad you're here!

← Looking Back, Moving Forward →



On Sunday, August 19th we had one of the most meaningful services for our church. We took the entire worship time to look at how this church banded together in many different ways to support, encourage, help and teach during the summer, and how we'll continue to support each other into the new school year.

For me the most beautiful part of the day was seeing all our youth and children sitting in the front of their church with backpacks on and hearing the adults of the church promise, once again, to keep them in their prayers and support them during this coming school year.

When we walk our children up and down the aisle on the day they are dedicated we make promises to them; we tell them we're going to be there, we're going to teach them and love them and support them. That day means a lot. Maybe not to the child at that exact moment, but certainly to the parents and to us as a church. We make a covenant together to be in relationship to this child as long as they will allow us to be. When we volunteer to help in VBS, or we pray for the kids as they leave for camp, or we help raise money to send families off on a mission trip, we're making good on our promise.

I so look forward to this new school year and to the many activities planned for children and youth and families. May we continue as a church giving of ourselves each and every day, praying for our young people, encouraging them on their journey, volunteering to teach Sunday School or sponsoring activities, reminding them that we love them and that Highland Park is their home.

As we look forward to this year, may we recognize our role in making it all possible, not just for our children and youth but for all of us as we continue to grow into the church God calls us to be.

On the journey together,

Rev. Cheryl Kimble

Matthew records Jesus saying, "Whoever will receive one such as this child, in my name, receives me." This is exactly what you do Highland Park and did so beautifully on Sunday, August 19 in our time of worship, "Looking Back, Moving Forward."

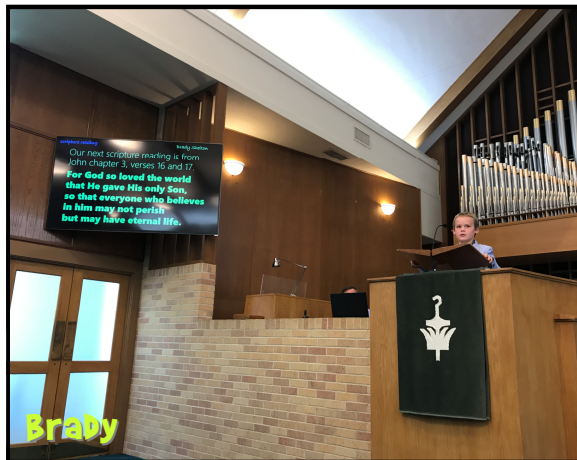
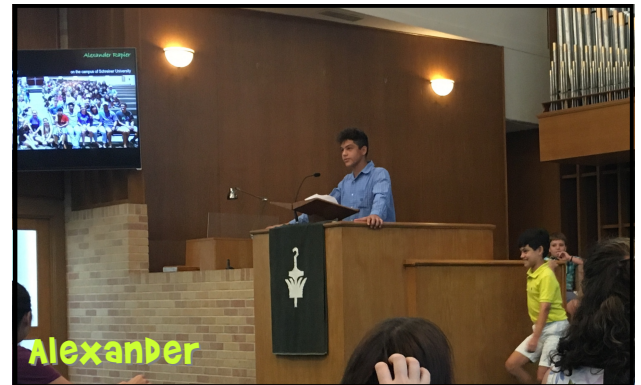
We called it this because we took time to share experiences from the summer and move into our fall schedule with the beginning of the new school year.



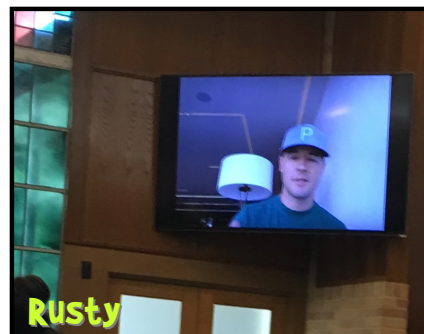
Blessing of the Backpacks



Southwest Baptist Youth Camp



Southwest Baptist Children's Camp



Vacation Bible School



"Love One Another"



Folks from all generations shared stories, read from scripture, shared the gift of music, and blessed one another. Thanks for all the ways you welcome each and every one of God's children, just as Jesus did then and does still through you.

What does God calling you to next? Join us on the next great adventure.



Mission Trip to Port A, TX



MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

- Put your Faith into action -

Come make new friends from Austin & around the world by volunteering at **Friendship International** each Thursday at 9:45 a.m. at **Hyde Park Baptist Church**. Friendship Int'l offers opportunities for women to learn English and many creative skills in a safe & friendly environment. Music, food, and culture are all shared between American women and international women. Friendship meets on Thursdays from 9:45-noon at Hyde Park Baptist Church, 3901 Speedway (51). Enter through the main office door on Speedway and take the elevator to W326. Parking is free at the garage across the street. Visit with Mary Ellen Sullivan if you'd like to learn more about Friendship International.



Upcoming Events

September 13
Welcome Tea/Coffee

September 20
First day of Fall Classes

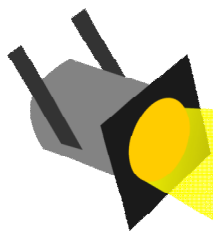
2018 NAMIWalks

Saturday, September 29

Our team page: hpbcaustin.org/NAMI



Join our enthusiastic team walking the 2018 NAMIWalks in support of the work of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. This 5K walk at the Long Center will be Saturday, September 29, 2018, with check in at 7:30 a.m. and walk launch at 9:00 a.m. Through NAMIWalks' public, active display of support for people affected by mental illness, we are changing our community and ensuring that help & hope are available for individuals and families right here in the Austin area. But, you don't have to only walk to make a difference, you can donate too! Visit our team webpage to sign up to walk with us, donate to NAMI, or advocate the mission: hpbcaustin.org/NAMI
Contact our Team Captain Maddy Bewley Proud to learn more & get involved.



Spotlight on **MICAH 6 AUSTIN**

You're Invited!
**ANNUAL MEETING
OF MICAH 6
AUSTIN**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 9
AT ALL SAINT'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
209 WEST 27TH
STREET (05)
AT 12:30 P.M.**

On Sunday, September 9, All Saints' Episcopal Church will host the Annual Meeting of Micah 6 with a reception in the Parish Hall. We'll get an update on M6 programs for the homeless: Sunday afternoon drop-in shelter, food pantry, Friday home-cooked meal, and women's support group. All are welcome to attend and see how our church is in grass-roots collaboration with other congregations to have a greater impact. Participants of this meeting will have an opportunity to hear from M6 Executive Director Rev. Barry Smith and representatives from each Micah 6 program. Attendees are invited to bring simple foods such as finger sandwiches, chips, veggies, fruit, and cookies.

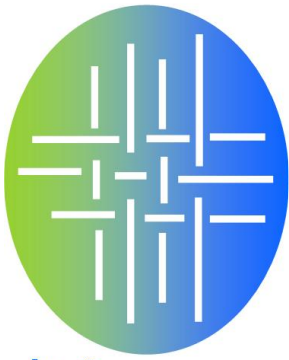
The mission of Micah 6 of Austin is to work together to identify and meet the needs of the homeless and the impoverished in the University of Texas campus area. Micah 6 has served the central Austin community for the past 15 years.

This organization provides what has become the largest food pantry in the area, offers a Sunday Day Shelter for street youth under the age of 30, facilitates a Women's Resource Group for homeless young women, and supports a meal for those who are hungry in our community each Friday.

Did you know? To get ready for evening shopping hours, the Micah 6 Food Pantry has an early morning volunteer shift on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30/8:00 am. It's for unloading a truck of food from the Capital Area Food Bank and stocking the shelves in the pantry. The pantry is located in the basement of University Presbyterian Church, 2203 San Antonio, across Guadalupe St. from UT. Regular volunteers get a parking pass! Find more info at www.micah6austin.org/pantry or talk to recent HPBC volunteers about it – the Rapiers, the Chandlers, the Neas, the Glazeners.



Wednesday Weavings Evening Program



Weaving
with
the Spirit

Recently we sent an email to our current Wednesday night "regulars" requesting feedback for our program. We were blessed with an immediate response and have now finalized our fall program.

As suggested by most of our respondents, the programming will mostly be Bible study, with an occasional speaker and a Hymn Sing. Thank you very much for your insightful suggestions and support for this program.

Our evening program will begin Wednesday, September 19 and end Wednesday, October 24.

All are invited to these Wednesday evenings. We will gather for a meal at 5:45 p.m. and our program leader will begin at 6:15 p.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. We will meet at HPBC in Sapp Hall and our meals will either be provided by one of our cooking teams or from a local restaurant, with a group potluck on Oct. 24 to conclude our wonderful time together.

We do ask if you plan to attend, please contact Kelley DeCleene, Director of Church Operations at 512-453-6603 or hpbcoffice@hpbcaustin.org by 2 p.m. on each Tuesday before so we know how much food to have ordered/prepared. **The cost of dinner will remain \$6 per person.**

We look forward to seeing returning attendees for this program and encourage newcomers to join us. **It's a wonderful way to get to know people in a more personal way as we gather for prayer, fellowship, and share a meal together.**

May God's joy be with you as we begin this new program year at HPBC!

Rev. Jody Harrison, Christian Education Ministry Chair

Schedule

5:45 p.m. Dinner
6:15 p.m. Program

September 19 & 26

"Listen to
the Music"

October 3

Hymn Sing

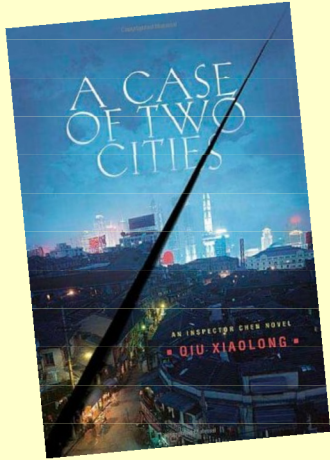
October 10 & 17

Bible Study with
Walt Shelton

October 24

"A Reading
from the Book
of Exodus"

Book Club Selections for September



Monday Night Book Club

discussing "The Case of Two Cities"

by Qiu Xiaolong

Monday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m.

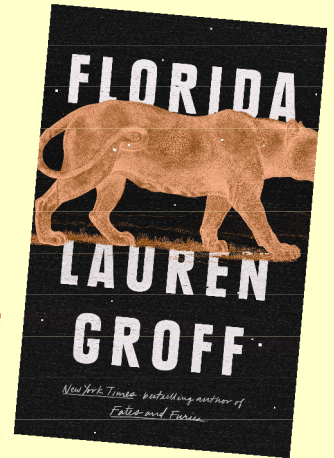
in the downstairs Library

Saturday Book Club

discussing "Florida" by Lauren Groff

Saturday, September 22 at 10:00 a.m.

in the Upstairs Parlor



All interested readers are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AT HIGHLAND PARK BAPTIST

The Christian Education Ministry would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us for our education hour before Morning Worship:

CHILDREN

Children (Birth-PreK)

↳ Bible stories & crafts

Children (K-5)

↳ Story-oriented lessons from SHINE

Youth (Grades 6-12)

↳ Study scripture with Faith Element

Nursery

Room 134

Underground

ADULTS

Study scripture and discuss lessons from the Smyth & Helwys *Formations* Bible study booklets (follows Lectionary):

Discovery

Room 200

Faith, women's class

Room 224

Inquiry

Room 219

Conversations

Room 223

↳ Book and discussion-based, currently reading "Grounded" by Diana Butler Bass

Journey

Room 222

↳ Bible study & discussion-based, currently reading Gospel of Matthew, studying the Gospel of Luke next.

YOUNG COUPLES

Late Risers Class, meets at home of David & Kim Balkum on a weeknight
↳ Book study & conversation-based

HAPPY

- Sept 2** Kade Keith
- Sept 4** Holly Eades
- Sept 5** Tom Prud'homme
Don Barlow
- Sept 7** Tricia Traeger
- Sept 8** Jody Harrison
- Sept 9** Sue Fowler
- Sept 10** Alyssa Coltharp
- Sept 13** Norma Spivey
- Sept 14** Donna Reisenbigler
Carole Lake
David Malone
- Sept 15** Lynn Butler
- Sept 16** Amy Avery

BIRTHDAY

- Sept 18** Faye Davidson
Asher Knight
Ben Lindsey
- Sept 20** Lynn Crawford
Nathan Thane
- Sept 21** Brady Shelton
- Sept 25** John Osgood, Jr.
- Sept 26** Eva Cranford
- Sept 22** Rusty Shelton
- Sept 27** Leslie Lake
- Sept 28** Deborah Autry
- Sept 29** Kyndal Brower
Erna Jeffrey
Silas Prasek
Judy Wilson
- Sept 30** Saoirse Schumacher



The Faith Class invites you to

Sip & See

and meet little Juliet DeCleene

**Wednesday, September 5
10:00 a.m. in the Atrium**

**Come enjoy light refreshments
and lots of baby smiles!**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Children's Swim Party

@ Cheryl & Roy's house

Children grades K-5 are invited over to the Kimble's house following worship on September 30 for an afternoon of swimming and games. Lunch will be provided. Parents are welcome to drop their children off and return for pick up by 3:30 p.m.

Visit the Children's Ministry webpage at hpbcaustin.org/children to find the waiver required for the event or pick one up at the church on Sunday morning.



**Come swim from
12:30-3:30 p.m.
on September 30!**

Our women's mission group, Sisters in Service (SIS), aims to raise our mission awareness and make a difference in our city and community. This summer they supported and shared from Austin all the way to Alaska!



SIS and HPBC provided and served lunch to clients and volunteers of Drive A Senior Northwest on August 23. There were wonderful salads, fabulous desserts, yummy bread, and the world's greatest servers. Thank you to all who helped — they did go on and on about our food.



SIS and HPBC were part of the fundraising effort for the 4,000-mile bike ride that Barb & Fred Worley's granddaughter, Alayna Enos, made to Alaska, all to raise funds for cancer research. Alayna left on June 2 and arrived on July 1. Way to go, Alayna!!



Sisters in Service

SEPT 18 AT 4 PM
@ Mary Morgan's

SIS meetings will return from summer break on Sept. 18 - meeting earlier than usual at 4 p.m. Women of all ages are welcome as we lay out our plans for the year with hostesses and programs. We'll also discuss hosting the Church Women United meeting on Oct. 5.

HPBC hosts CWU on October 5



Church Women United is a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women's movement, celebrating unity in diversity and working for a world of peace and justice. The group provides many service opportunities, learning opportunities, and times of celebration throughout the year. Highland Park will host their celebration of Human Rights Day on October 5 in Sapp Hall.

This celebration focuses on the dignity of all people. All women of the church are invited to attend their meetings, and we invite you especially to our time to host on October 5. Visit with Alana Mallard to get involved with hosting.

Womanifest

NOVEMBER 9 - 11

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MINISTRY COUNCIL

- Thanks to the generosity of a couple church members, HPBC will now run an ad in the Highland Park West Magazine for the remainder of 2018.
- The Missions Ministry hopes to have a mission trip to La Grange, TX this fall to continue assisting those affected by Hurricane Harvey.
- The church's Consecration Sunday and Fall Family Festival will again be combined into one special event - Harvest Festival on October 28.
- We have partnered with Austin Energy to replace the vast majority of lights in our building with energy-efficient LED lighting.



CHURCH CONFERENCE

On Sunday, September 16, we will have the regularly scheduled **Quarterly Church Conference** (Q3) at which the 2018-2019 Nominating Committee will be selected. The Nominating Committee has the important task of recommending members for elected church positions. Please be thinking and praying about members who might serve on the Committee. Then speak to the person you have in mind about the value of this role at HPBC. If they agree to serve, be prepared to nominate them on September 16. A vote will be taken after the nominations.

Remaining Ministry Council Meetings: Sept. 16 | Oct. 14 | Nov. 18 | Dec. 9

Remaining Church Conferences: Sept. 16 (Q3) and Dec. 2 (Q4)

2018 Austin Pride

Representatives from Highland Park Baptist Church were thrilled to participate this year in the Austin Gay & Lesbian Pride Foundation's annual Pride Festival at Fiesta Gardens on August 11th. What an opportunity to engage directly with the LGBTQ community, to affirm both our love and God's love for them, and - through listening and learning - to better understand the needs of this community and how we can best serve and love them. We are already looking forward to 2019!

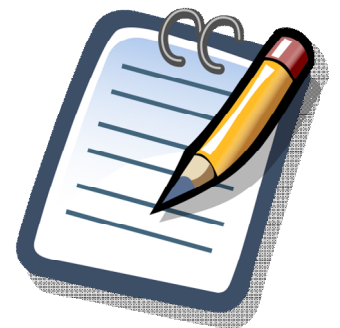


Social Media Ambassadors

The Outreach & Communication Ministry would like to increase our presence on the web, particularly through social media. If you would be interested in helping share and/or create messages on our social media pages, please contact hpbcoffice@hpbcAustin.org to volunteer.

Reflections in the Mirror

Would you like to submit an article or special information for the next issue of the Mirror? Or would you like to recognize the work of someone in our midst? Please email your thoughts to hpbcoffice@hpbcAustin.org by Sept. 14.





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Sunday Worship: 10:55 a.m.
Taizé Service: 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd
Sunday of each month

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16 Quarterly Church Confer- ence & Ministry Council Mtng	17	18 SIS Meeting at 4:00 p.m.	19 Wednesday Weavings Evening Begins	20	21 Men's Prayer Breakfast	22 Saturday Book Club
23 Children's Swim Day 30	24	25	26 Wednesday Weavings	27	28 Men's Prayer Breakfast	29 NAMIWalks at Long Center