



Feb 3 Share Your Table for  
Micah 6, Java for Jesus Youth  
Fundraiser, Deacons Meeting

Feb 8-10 Youth Midwinter  
Retreat Brownwood

Feb 10 Scout Sunday, Taize  
Worship 7:30 p.m. Atrium

Feb 11 S.I.S. 7 p.m. at Mary  
Morgan's home

Feb 13 Ash Wednesday Service  
6:30 p.m. Sanctuary, Fellowship  
Dinner 5:30 p.m.

Feb 15 'It Takes a Village'  
Game Night 7 p.m. Sapp Hall,  
Potluck 6 p.m.

Feb 18 Ministry Council 7 p.m.  
Lydia and Crossroads Class-  
rooms

Feb 24 Serve Supper at Micah  
6 Youth Drop In 4 p.m.

Feb 27 Church Conference,  
Ministry Meetings

March 2 Youth Fundraiser  
Dinner and Talent Show

March 3 CROP Walk Camp  
Mabry

March 6 Lenten Organ Recital  
6:30 p.m.

Welcome our New Member



Rosa Stafford  
Joined Jan. 20

## From Our Pastor

I wish I knew how to even begin to say Thank You! The service of Installation was moving beyond words. The words spoken, the music, the friends and family, the reception, the gifts — it was all so meaningful and special to me.

I would first like to say a thank-you to the two Search Committees. Back in 2000 when I first came in contact with Highland Park I saw a group of people whose faith was strong and who believed they were following God's leadership in finding the person to serve at Highland Park. It was a spiritual experience that I'll not ever forget. And so to turn around again in 2012 and have another group of people, this time a group of people I already knew and loved — but another group whose faith was strong and who also believed they were following God's leadership — it was exceptional.

Who could be so fortunate to have two groups of people to move with them through the process of God's calling? I'm blessed to say I am!

What a blessing it was to have my family present, my friends from ministry around town, and then my church family. It's not often that a pastor is installed and has known pretty much everyone in the congregation for 12 or more years. As my friend Jackie said, "This Isn't Your Ordinary Installation."

I'm so blessed to have people like Jackie Saxon and Vernon Davis in my life. They both have meant so much to me in my time here at Highland Park, Jackie as a close friend and confidant and Vernon as a beautiful example to me of how a pastor is to love others and how a pastor is to love worship. Every Sunday as I sat next to Vernon in worship, I admired the way he sang and prayed and sang and laughed and sang and preached and sang. So often we, as ministers, get so caught up in the "doing" of worship that we forget to worship. Vernon always loved worship and I'm so blessed to have learned that from him.

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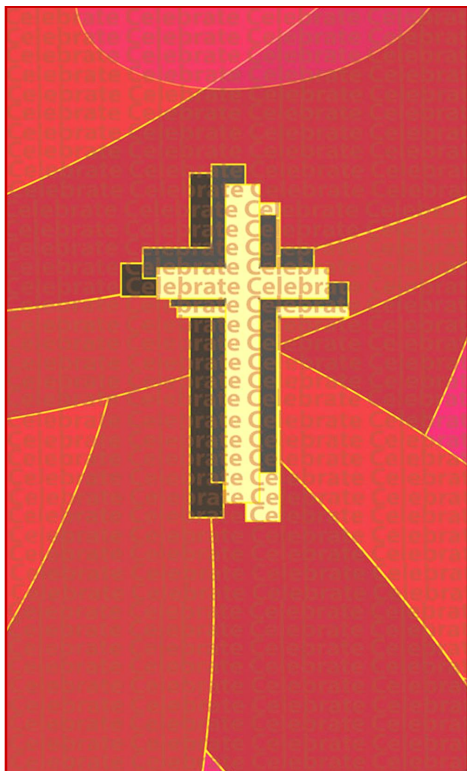
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I'm thankful to the Search Committee for helping me recognize Kevin and Garrett and Kelley and the role they have played in our ministerial team. The stoles they gave to the three of us are beautiful and will be a constant reminder of this special day. The banner given to the church will be a beautiful way to celebrate throughout our liturgical year so thank you for thinking of that. And the beautiful sculpture by C.D. Weaver is more amazing than I can begin to say. The moment I first saw that sculpture at Austin Presbyterian Seminary, I was incredibly moved, and so now to be able to see it every day hanging in my office is a blessing indeed. I sit and look at it, and I'm reminded of the love, peace, and grace of Christ. I'm thankful to be a part of the family of God.

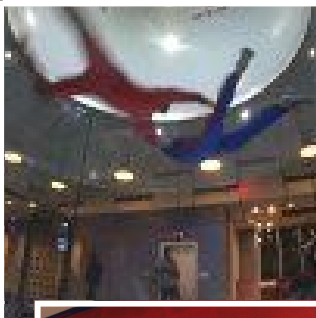
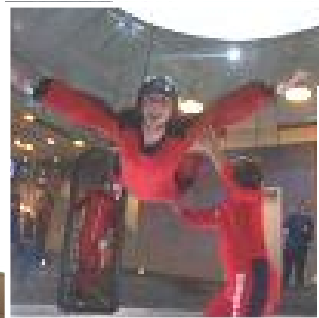
And then the reception! Oh my, can this church throw a party! The food was incredible; the laughter, music, and fellowship was warm and comfortable; the hugs and tears and pictures were all beautiful, each and every one.

I can go on and on! I love this church, each and every one of you. I look forward to the years ahead of us as we continue to seek God's leadership in our church and as we gather together to worship, to love, to reach out, to share — to be the Body of Christ.

Amen and Amen,  
Rev. Cheryl Kimble



## Work and Fun at Youth Disciple Now Weekend





## Worship of the Lord

**Feb. 3 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany** Celebration of Communion, Share Your Table ingathering of food for the community, Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches at 10:55 a.m., "I'm Known."

**Feb. 10 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany** Scout Celebration Sunday, Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches at 10:55 a.m., "Heading Downhill." Taize Worship led by Rev. Melissa Russell at 7:30 p.m., with meditation, prayer, music, communion.

**Feb. 17 First Sunday of Lent** Rev. Kevin Mitchell preaches at 10:55 a.m.

**Feb. 24 Second Sunday of Lent** Rev. Cheryl Kimble preaches at 10:55 a.m., "We Question."



*Light dawns for the righteous and joy for the upright in heart. Psalm 97:11*

## Wednesday Weavings

Please join us as we eat together in Sapp Hall at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in February. All are welcome to come enjoy meals prepared by teams headed by Roy Kimble, Nancy Osgood, Dee Dee Wilson, and Barbara Lightsey. And remember that first-timers are always our guests. Adult dinner \$6, \$4 half-plate and kids, \$18 max for families. After supper we have a time of prayer and then programs at 6:30 p.m. for adults, kids, and teens where we all learn about the grace of God.

**Feb. 6 The Last Week** After we eat, Joe Stafford and Keith Cranford continue in Sapp Hall the three-evening series of "The Last Week," Marcus Borg's book detailing Christ's last week on earth.

**Feb. 13 Ash Wednesday Service** We'll go into the Sanctuary after supper for our Ash Wednesday Worship Service

**Feb. 20 The Last Week** Joe Stafford and Keith Cranford finish their discussion of "The Last Week," our pre-Lenten study of the week the ends with Jesus' resurrection.

**Feb. 27 Church Conference and Ministry Meetings** Our regular, quarterly Church Conference with reports and recommendations from Ministry Council.





## Celebration of Installation of Rev. Cheryl Kimble, Jan. 27





And what's an installation without a party?



Thanks to Kayla Prasek  
for her photography







## Plan to Walk On March 3 To help end hunger

Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty

CROP Hunger Walks help to support the overall ministry of Church World Service, especially grassroots, hunger-fighting development efforts around the world.

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs.

From seeds and tools, to wells and water systems, to technical training and micro-enterprise loans,

the key is people working together to identify their own development priorities, their strengths and their needs—something CWS has learned through

some 64 years of working in partnership around the world.

## How Funds Are Used Locally

One-fourth of the money raised in our CROP Hunger Walk is distributed to **local hunger-alleviating agencies in the Austin area**. The community is blessed by a variety of worthy hunger agencies. These local agencies were chosen by the local CROP Hunger Walk Team to receive funds in 2013:

- **Capital Area Food Bank** Healthy Options for the Elderly at Blackland Neighborhood Center, Fresh Food for Families at Greater Love Baptist Church, Wheels of Sharing Mobile Food Pantry at SW Keys, St. John's Community Food Center, and Faith Food Pantry
- **Mt. Olive Baptist Church** for Food Pantry
- **Refugee Services of Texas- Austin Office** for refugee meals
- **Urban Roots** for gardening project





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February 2013

## Life of the Church

**Share Your Table** Our February ingathering of food will benefit Micah 6 Food Pantry at University Presbyterian Church just off Guadalupe and 22nd St, and in March we will also gather food for Micah 6 Food Pantry. Thanks to Barbara Shearer for delivering our February collection to Micah 6 Food Pantry.

**Sisters in Service** Mary Morgan hosts our Feb. 11 S.I.S. meeting of fellowship, missions, and good eats. Beginning in March, Morning WMU will join with our Monday night Sisters in Service, and the group will take the name of both organizations: WMU Sisters in Service. Our first joint meeting will be March 4 — a week earlier than our normal second Monday — at 7 p.m. when we'll meet at church to ride the bus to visit Martha Fields. Martha has been a gracious hostess of S.I.S.

**CROP Walk** March 3 — Camp Mabry — We walk because they walk. An ecumenical walk to lift those living in poverty. Talk to Roy Kimble for details and a donation packet. Registration begins at 1:45 p.m. at camp Mabry, and the walk starts at 2:30 p.m. Some of the proceeds go to our friends at Refugee Services of Austin.

**Ministry Council** Our council meets the third Monday in February, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. In March our meeting will be Sunday, March 10. The congregation is always invited to attend monthly meetings of our Ministry Council. We'll try to meet once a quarter on Sunday after worship to see if that is more convenient for congregation members to attend.

**Finance Ministry** We can now receive securities as gifts to fulfill pledges and gifts for 2013. This may be a win-win situation for both the church and you, to transfer dollars to the church and conserve cash for your needs. There may be other financial benefits to the donor. For details on gifting securities to Highland Park, contact Susan Hammack, the church bookkeeper. Her information deals only with the gifting procedure, not legal or financial information.

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Sunday Morning Bible Study for all ages 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.  
Taize Worship on Sunday, Feb. 10, March 10, April 14, at 7:30 p.m., the second Sunday evening of each month  
Please join us. All are welcome