

*A word from our pastor...*

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*Playing Favorites*

As your pastor, I have to confess to you that I play favorites- not with people but with Bible texts. Here are three of my favorites:

My favorite invitation is Matthew 11:28-30; *“Come to me you who are weary and I will give you rest.”* Unapologetically, I must tell you that it is essential that we come into a love relationship with Jesus who is our Lord, our Savior and our Comforter. He is the source of Hope which we so desperately need in our world. This is why I devote time and energy into preaching, teaching and practicing pastoral care. I want to help the church experience the love of Jesus.

My favorite command is Matthew 28:17; *“As you go into the world make disciples.”* This teaches me that our coming to Jesus is incomplete if we fail to take the love and hope we have in Jesus outside our church to the world. This is why I will begin spending at least a day a week out of the church in the community. I will be involved in mentoring in the schools and also in partnering with others who are making a positive difference in our community. I’ll be inviting you to do the same.

My favorite promise is Psalm 121:7; *“The Lord will watch over your coming and going from this time forth and forevermore.”* This is why I am confident that good things are in store for us at MUMC. As we dedicate ourselves to the central activities of the gospel- coming to Jesus and then going out to the world he loves, we will not be doing so alone. As Jesus himself promised in Matthew 28:20; *“I am with you always.”*

*Proud to be with you as we come and go,*

*David McNitzky*

**Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**

*1 Thessalonians 5:16, 18*



# WORSHIP AND FINE ARTS



## Daily Scripture

### October 1-6

- Tuesday Psalm 137:5-9
- Wednesday Psalm 137:1-4
- Thursday 2 Timothy 1:1-7
- Friday 2 Timothy 1:8-14
- Saturday Luke 17:5-6
- Sunday Lamentations 1:1-6  
Psalm 137  
2 Timothy 1:1-14  
Luke 17:5-10

### Week of October 7

- Monday Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- Tuesday Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
- Wednesday Psalm 66:1-12
- Thursday Psalm 66:1-12
- Friday 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Saturday Luke 17:11-19
- Sunday Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7  
Psalm 66:1-12  
2 Timothy 2:8-15  
Luke 17:11-19

### Week of October 14

- Monday Jeremiah 31:27-34
- Tuesday 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
- Wednesday Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Thursday Psalm 119:97-104
- Friday Luke 18:1-8
- Saturday Luke 18:7-8
- Sunday Jeremiah 31:27-34  
Psalm 119:97-104  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5  
Luke 18:1-8

### Week of October 21

- Monday 2 Timothy 4:6-8
- Tuesday 2 Timothy 4:16-18
- Wednesday Luke 18:9-14
- Thursday Joel 2:23-27
- Friday Psalm 65:5-13
- Saturday Psalm 65:1-4
- Sunday Joel 2:23-32  
Psalm 65  
2 Timothy 4:6-8,  
16-18  
Luke 18:9-14

### Week of October 28

- Monday Habakkuk 1:1-4,  
2:1-4
- Tuesday 2 Thessalonians  
1:1-4, 11-12
- Wednesday Luke 19:1-10
- Thursday Psalm 119:137-144  
Luke 16:19-31



I have always admired the work of the French artist Georges Seurat. While he is known as an impressionist painter, one of his main interests was how light and color interact. Seurat believed a painter could use color to create harmony and emotion in art just as a composer could use variations and counterpoint to create harmony in music. Seurat found beauty in ordinary events and in ordinary objects. One of Seurat's famous paintings "A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" was the inspiration for a musical by James Lapine and Stephen Sondheim. In the musical the character of George talks with his mother about "beauty." George states that there is a difference between something that is "pretty" and something that is "beautiful." George tells his mother that everything has beauty; "...pretty isn't beautiful...pretty is what changes." As fashion and styles change, what might be considered as "pretty" changes as well. However, the essence of beauty never changes. As we are all created in the image of God and, as they say, God doesn't make junk, we all have an essence of divine beauty about us. No matter what we look like or how we dress, each of us possess the inner beauty with which God created us. As Ray Stevens sang many years ago, "...everything is beautiful in its own way." May you find the divine beauty within yourself as well as the divine beauty in the world around you.

— Mark Hixon, Director of Music and Fine Arts

## World Communion Sunday, October 6

On Sunday October 6, we will celebrate our global faith community as we celebrate World Communion Sunday. Endorsed in 1940 by the Federal Council of Churches (now the *National Council of Churches*), World Communion Sunday recognizes that we may differ in language, skin color, and customs, but we are all children of God. In each of the morning worship services, as we gather to celebrate Holy Communion, we will take a moment to look beyond our walls, beyond our borders, and lift up our brothers and sisters around the world.



## All Saints Sunday, November 3



On Sunday November 3, during the morning worship services, we will celebrate All Saints Sunday. All Saints Day actually falls on November 1, so the first Sunday in November has been designated as All Saints Sunday. The liturgical color for the day is typically white. During the services, we will take the opportunity to remember those of our congregation who have passed since the last All Saints Sunday. Let's celebrate the lives of those saints which live on in our memories.



## Sunday Worship and Sunday School Opportunities

**8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday**

Traditional Service  
Sanctuary

**9:45 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday**

Sunday School (all ages)  
Various Classrooms

**11:00 a.m. Sunday**

Praise Worship (Life on the Road)  
Fellowship Hall

# STEWARDSHIP

## PRAYERS

## PRESENCE

## GIFTS

## SERVICE

## WITNESS

### We Pray for...

Margy Andrews	Ramses Leon
Jimmy Ballew	Ryan Lubin
Cedric Benson	Ethan McBride
Family & Friends	Keri McClure
Carey Brady	Chris & Allen McKean
Carol Brewer	Bobbye Meador
Tana Brown	Zee (Chouinard)
Charles Butler	Meredith
Bettie Campbell	Dick Meyer
Donna Carlson	Charlotte Morahan
Betty Chase	Dorma Nickels
Ned Coleman	Sally Nunn
De La Fuente Family	Karola Paul
Kristine Ehrlich	Rev. Mimi Raper
Paige Everman	Kevin Rawlings & Family
David Fegan	Katrina Roberts
Denise Gentry	The Rocha Family
Alfonso Gonzales & Family	Donna Rone
Joedy Gray	Aliya Rosegreen
James Guthrie	Deborah Sanders
Bill H.	Melody Shugrue
Tena Hammond	Christi Sontag
Robin Hansen	Leah Squyres
Sophie Harrigan	Beverly Stokes
Lee Herring	John Stone
Susan Hilburn	Wanda Summers
Gary & Shirley Howe	Adrienne Thel
Angel Jackson	Dean & Rita Thompson
Norma Jacobson	Gloria Turner
Jolly James	Carolyn Vail
Forest & M'Liss Jordan	Ray Vaughn
Al Keith	Kat Vice
Joyce Klotz	Jerry Weaver
Earl LeCray	B. A. Wilcoxson
Daniel Lefave	Bobbye Word



*Names are removed from prayer list each month unless otherwise requested.*

### Sympathy to...



*Natalie (Nixon) & Austin Wimberley, on the loss of Austin's mother, Sue Hurry.*

*James & Monroe Euers, on the loss of their son/grandson, Jacob Monroe Euers.*

**October's** altar rail offering benefits Missionaries Willie Berman and Ray Zirkel (& Family).

**November's** offering benefits the MUMC Food Pantry.

### Attendance

<b>Sunday 8-25-19</b> .....	277
Sunday School	110
Visitors	50
First time visitors	2
<b>Sunday 9-1-19</b> .....	249
Sunday School	104
Visitors	32
First time visitors	0
<b>Sunday 9-8-19</b> .....	284
Sunday School	133
Visitors	51
First time visitors	7
<b>Sunday 9-15-19</b> .....	323
Sunday School	167
Visitors	47
First time visitors	2

### Financial Report



#### JULY

Operating Income.....	\$ 63,072.46
Operating Expenses....	\$ <u>61,153.69</u>
Net Op. <b>Gain</b> .....	\$ 1,918.77

#### YTD (July)

Operating Income.....	\$ 423,909.96
Operating Expenses....	\$ <u>437,039.74</u>
Net Op. <b>Loss</b> .....	\$ (13,129.78)

#### July Special Offering Rec'd

Altar Rail Offerings ...	\$ 330.00
BSG/Building Gifts....	\$ 2,070.00
Food Pantry.....	\$ 310.00
Missions.....	\$ 1,469.49
Memorials .....	\$ 1902.00
Children's Ministries..	\$ 1,072.00

The church's financial reports are available for review, by any church member. Please contact Dick Christ for assistance or to make an appointment: (512)282-7274 ext. 328 or [busadmin@manchacaumc.org](mailto:busadmin@manchacaumc.org). Dick works Monday and Wednesdays, 8-5 p.m.

### Memorials



#### Given by:

John & Marie Mathews  
James & Janis White  
Norma Grubert  
Pat Meinzer  
Jim & Pat Ward  
Karen & Karl Ruttko  
James Heidmann

#### In Memory of:

Pat Gunn  
Pat Gunn  
Pat Gunn  
Eleanor Smith  
Pat Gunn  
Eleanor Smith  
Eleanor Smith

### Calendar of Events

World Communion Sunday..... Su, Oct 6  
 Combined 11am Worship -11 am . Su, Oct 6  
 Pre-Teen Youth (FISH) -6:30 pm... W, Oct 9  
 Pumpkin Unloading -noon ..... Su, Oct 13  
**OFFICE CLOSED -Columbus Day ..M, Oct 14**  
 Staff Meeting -1 pm ..... T, Oct 15  
 Movies in the Patch -6:30 pm ..... F, Oct 18  
 CDC Staff Meeting -6:30 pm..... M, Oct 21  
 Church Council -7 pm ..... Th, Oct 24  
 Stephen Ministry Retreat -5 pm .. F, Oct 25  
 Stephen Ministry Retreat -8 am . Sa, Oct 26  
 Fall Festival -4 pm ..... Sa, Oct 26  
 Charge Conference -3 pm ..... Su, Oct 27  
 Staff Meeting -1 pm ..... M, Oct 28  
**SET BACK CLOCKS -2 am..... Su, Nov 3**  
 Combined 11am Worship -11 am . Su, Nov 3  
 CDC Fall Pictures -8 am..... T, Nov 5 - 8  
 Surviving the Holidays -1:30 pm.Su, Nov 10  
 Staff Meeting -1 pm ..... M, Nov 11  
**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE -noon. Tu, Nov 12**  
 Pre-Teen Youth (FISH) -6:30 pm..M, Nov 13  
 Craft Show -9 am ..... Sa, Nov 16  
 Craft Show -8 am ..... Su, Nov 17  
 Combined 11am Worship -11 am Su, Nov 17  
 Staff Meeting -1 pm ..... M, Nov 18  
 CDC Staff Meeting -6:30 pm..... M, Nov 18  
 FLAMS -9 am ..... W, Nov 20  
**OFFICE CLOSED..... Th & F, Nov 28 - 29**

### Adult Studies

GriefShare -1:30 pm ..... S  
 This We Believe -3:30 pm (ends 11/3) ..... S  
 Defiant Joy -4 pm (ends 11/17) ..... S  
 Sermon... -9:30 am/7 pm (ends 10/29)..... Tu  
 Determined -9:30 am (ends 10/23) ..... W  
 Light of the World -9:30 am (starts 11/13) .. W

### Recurring Events

Worship - Sanctuary -8:30 am ..... S  
 Sunday School -9:45 am..... S  
 Worship - Sanctuary -11 am ..... S  
 Worship - Family Life Center -11 am ..... S  
 Stephen Min. Sprvsn. -1:30 pm ..... 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> S  
 GodSpring Youth Choir -2:30 pm ..... S  
 Middle School Youth-3:30 pm ..... S  
 Children's Choir -4:30 pm ..... S  
 Youth Snack/Supper -5 pm ..... S  
 High School Youth -5:30 pm..... S  
 Coloring Café -10 am ..... 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, (5<sup>th</sup>) M

### Bulletin Deadline -noon

Prayer Shawl Ministry -6 pm ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> M  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry -10 am ..... 4<sup>th</sup> M  
 Missions Commission -7 pm..... 4<sup>th</sup> M  
 AA -7:30 pm ..... M  
 Boomer Exercise -9/10 am ..... T/Th  
 Craft Group -6 pm (T)/9 am (W) ..... T/W  
 Men's Group -noon..... W  
 Such as These Praise Band -6:30 pm..... W  
 Sanctuary Choir -6:45 pm..... W  
 Stephen Ministry Leaders -9 am ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Th  
 Glory Bells -7 pm..... Th  
 Women of the Word -9:30 am ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> F



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

## Lunch with Littles:

**A new ministry for families with young children.**

Join us for our first "Lunch with Littles" gathering on Sunday, October 6, right after the 11:00 am worship services. We'll meet on the shaded playground behind the church and enjoy a lunch of piglets in a blanket, chicken nuggets, fruit, cheese, veggies and drinks. Kids can play, parents can visit, and each child/family will have the opportunity to make a prayer tool to use during family devotions! We'll have blankets for babies to lounge and play on, too. So, let's gather together and build a community in which to raise our children surrounded by Christian love!

*(Future gatherings will be on first Sundays after church, but the location and activities may change!)*



## Movies in the Pumpkin Patch!

Join us for a fun, free, family event in the pumpkin patch.

🎃 6:30 - Arrive early to pick your viewing spot! Bring a picnic or stroll through our pumpkin patch and take pictures! When it gets dark, our movies will start.

🎃 7:30 - It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

🎃 8:00 - The Worst Witch (a 1986 classic!)

Free popcorn provided! Bring your own blankets and lawn chairs. (Low chairs and blankets only in the front). You are welcome to come for just one or both movies! In the event of rain, the event may be canceled - check the website for updated info.



## FISH Youth Group for Tweens in October and November

Monthly Gatherings, 6:30 - 7:30 pm:

🐟 **Wed. October 9: CHOICE**

FISH will learn that they have the opportunity and power to make decisions and that their choices affect others.

🐟 **Wed. November 11: COURAGE**

Courage is standing up for what is right and facing your fears. FISH will explore how to stand up for themselves and others and not follow the crowd.

FISH is open to all 4th and 5th grade students! Fall service and mission opportunities will be scheduled soon. Check the children's page of our website for more information!



## Children Leading Worship!

On October 20 children are invited to help lead worship as acolytes, Scripture readers, liturgists, communion servers, and greeters. Worship leaders may need to come early before worship to practice and get comfortable with where to stand and how to speak into the mic. Look for a sign-up in the weekly "Good News" e-newsletter.

*(If you aren't on our email list, contact [Kim@ManchacaUMC.org](mailto:Kim@ManchacaUMC.org)!)*



## Caring Kids – Food Pantry Holiday Bags

On Our next Caring Kids service project will be on Saturday morning, November 2 at 10 am. We'll gather at the church to assemble the holiday bags for the food pantry to give away to our neighbors in need at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Each bag has all the ingredients needed to make a holiday meal. Families with children of all ages are invited to come and help serve our community!



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

## Thankful Tree and Sunday School Food Pantry Drive

It seems that this time of year especially, when the holiday season is fast approaching, we are all looking for ways to teach our children to approach life with an "attitude of gratitude." It can be hard for children to be thankful for what they have when they are so focused on what they want for Christmas! Each year our church offers one way to help children (and adults!) pause for a moment to count their blessings. During November, stop by the Thankful Tree display in the Hospitality Area. Then, consider showing your thanks with a generous gift to our Food Pantry.



Our children's and youth's Sunday school classes will be competing to see which class can collect the most food for our Food Pantry during November. (All Sunday school offerings collected from these classes in November will also go to the MUMC Food Pantry.)

## Top Ten Reasons to Bring Your Children to Sunday School!

Join Our Sunday school teachers work hard to provide nurturing, safe spaces in which your children can grow in their faith, deepen their relationship with God through Jesus Christ and learn to love others! To find out more reasons your child should attend Sunday school, visit our website: <http://www.manchacaumc.org/ministries/children/childrens-sunday-school/>.



# YOUTH MINISTRIES

## Awaken Youth Sunday Morning Fellowship

AWAKEN is THE PLACE for youth to be during the Sunday school hour. **YOUTH** - don't miss this time of fun, catching up with friends, and growing your faith! **PARENTS** - adolescence is the time when your kid needs to be surrounded by a caring Christian community and claiming their own faith. Join us 9:45-10:45 AM every Sunday morning!

- You're accepted just as you are.
- We respect each other's thoughts and struggles.
- We're all in this together.
- God is here, ready to be your friend because you matter!

## Support for Parents of Tweens and Teens

We are hoping to start a new ministry that provides support for parents of middle and high school students. The idea is to have a quarterly meeting at the church, bringing in guest speakers to provide information and education on subjects that matter most to parents of adolescents. In between meetings, small groups of parents would meet 1-2x a month in each other's homes or coffee shops to provide some encouragement, support and prayer. Parenting teens is a challenge, but you don't have to do it alone! If you are interested in supporting this ministry with your awesome organizational skills, if you'd like to facilitate a small group of parents (resources will be provided), or if you'd like to participate in this new ministry, contact Ms. Kim at [Kim@ManchacaUMC.org](mailto:Kim@ManchacaUMC.org).

## Confirmation Classes in 2020

Confirmation is an important milestone in one's faith journey. Confirmation classes will be offered in Spring 2020 and will be open to 6th grade students and any middle school student who has not yet been confirmed. After completing the classes, on Confirmation Sunday, youth are invited to declare their faith publicly and become full members of the church. We are sending out survey to try to find days/times for classes that meet the needs of the majority of our students. If you are interested in attending confirmation classes, please take the survey and/or contact [Kim@ManchacaUMC.org](mailto:Kim@ManchacaUMC.org).

# ADULT MINISTRIES

## Coloring Café

1st & 3rd Mondays: 10/7, 10/21, 11/4 & 11/18, 10 am, Parlor

Come and join us at the Coloring Cafe! Coloring sheets, colored pencils, gel pens and markers will be available to share or bring your own supplies. Feel free to bring a friend!

All are welcome — come and go as you please! You do not need to be a member of the MUMC family. You are welcome to bring a treat or refreshment for yourself or to share! We will provide coffee & water.

Questions? Call/text Kristine at 512-789-9285 or email her at [kehrlich01@gmail.com](mailto:kehrlich01@gmail.com).

*Why do two colors, put one next to the other, sing?  
Can one really explain this? No. ~Pablo Picasso*

# SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS



Grief support for the upcoming holidays  
November 10, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
Register at [Manchacaumc.org](http://Manchacaumc.org) or [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org)

## Adult Christian Education Team

Are you interested in being a part of the team that supports adult Sunday school and plans the adult Bible studies and enrichment opportunities offered at Manchaca UMC? We want to form a team of people who will invest in the spiritual growth and discipleship of members of our congregation and community through Adult Christian Education. We are seeking people with various spiritual gifts such as organizing, teaching, administration, and communication. We are also looking for those with the spiritual gift of teaching and/or facilitating discussions to lead Bible studies! If you are looking for a new place to serve, maybe the ACE Team is the right fit for you. Call or email Kim for more information:

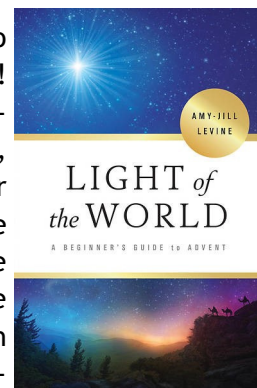


[kim@manchacaumc.org](mailto:kim@manchacaumc.org),  
512-282-7274.

## Light of the World Advent Study by Amy-Jill Levine

Women's Study, Wednesday Mornings, 9:30 - 11 am,  
\$14 for book  
11/13, 11/20, 12/4 & 12/11

You are invited to dive deep into the history of the birth of Christ! In "Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent," author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine shows how the Gospel narratives connect to the Old Testament; highlights the role of women in first-century Jewish culture; and emphasizes the importance of Mary's visitation, the census, the stable, the star of Bethlehem, and the flight to Egypt. Led by Kim Carroll.



# SERVICE AND OUTREACH

## Craft Group News

Look for handcrafted  
Halloween and Fall items  
in the halls  
beginning October 1.



## Fall Back!

Daylight Savings Time ends  
at 2 a.m. Sunday, November  
3rd. Set your clocks back an  
hour before bed on Saturday, November 2nd.





# SERVICE AND OUTREACH

## Pumpkin Storytellers and Helpers Needed!

Pumpkins are coming! Every year we host about 1000 children from local schools at our Pumpkin Patch for storytime field trips. Books and ideas provided! We need storytellers and helpers for each weekday morning between October 7 and October 18. Look for our sign-ups [online](#) and on the clipboards at church.



## The Pumpkins are Coming!

The pumpkins are almost here!! Please join us for pizza and salad after the combined worship service on Sunday, September 29! After lunch we will be unloading the first truck of pumpkins, setting up the tent and decorating! All ages and abilities are welcome!!! The second set of pumpkins arrives after church on Sunday, October 13! We are offering service hours and entering all that help on pumpkin unloading day as well as selling pumpkins into a drawing for prizes!!! Volunteer sign up is at:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4AA9A728A5FC1-mumc2>

## Harvest Food Drive, November 3rd-24th

Harvest is the time for gathering crops at the end of the growing season and celebrating the bountiful harvest by giving thanks and enjoying a big feast. Also, most of us take stock of our abundant lives. Yet many of our neighbors struggle to feed their families on a day-to-day basis. During this harvest season, the Missions Commission invites you to give thanks by sharing your blessings with others in our area who are less fortunate. This may be done through donations of food and money for the Food Pantry.

Throughout the year, MUMC Food Pantry provides sacks of food to persons who request aid in the church office. Each sack provides at least three basic meals and costs about \$15 to purchase. During a typical month, 30 sacks of food are given out. We also support the Backpack Ministry at Menchaca, weekend food sacks for Akin's Homeless and the Blessing Box which enables neighbors in need to get food when the church is not open. During November, December and April for Easter the Food Pantry provides sacks filled with food for a traditional holiday meal.

We encourage you to bring food from the shopping list to the right and place them in the Hospitality Area through November 27th. Monetary donations may be made to MUMC and designated for the Food Pantry. Questions? Contact Margaret Bowen at [mabow-en314@gmail.com](mailto:mabow-en314@gmail.com).

-Margaret Bowen

## Shopping List for Food Pantry:

- cheerios—12oz. box
- oatmeal - 18oz. box
- saltine crackers - 1 lb. box
- canned meat - tuna or chicken breast
- dried pinto beans - 1 lb. bag
- canned chili - 15oz.
- Hunt's pasta sauce w/ meat—24oz. can
- canned broth based soup - 10oz.
- canned cream soup (chicken, mushroom, celery)—15oz. can
- macaroni & cheese - 7.25 oz. box
- peanut butter—18oz. jar
- canned fruit - in own syrup - 15oz.
- canned green beans - 15oz.
- canned other vegetables - 15oz.
- canned corn - 15 oz. can
- rice - 1 lb. pkg.
- tomato sauce - 8 oz. can
- toilet paper
- paper towels
- liquid dish soap
- bar bath soap



Any time you see cans with tabs please consider buying them.

## Advent Festival and Live Nativity - Save the Date! Sunday, December 15, 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Celebrate the story of Jesus' birth with games, food, lights, hot chocolate and cider, Santa photos, and a Petting Zoo! Live Nativity performed by children and youth at 6:15 pm!



**Set clocks back at bedtime Saturday, 11/2**

# SERVICE AND OUTREACH



## The Kairos Prison Ministry

*Lockhart Women's Unit, Oct. 3-6*

*Luther Men's Unit, Oct. 17-20*

Kairos Prison Ministry is an ecumenical ministry that serves incarcerated men and women as well as the staff at correctional institutions in Texas, the United States, and many other countries.

The four day weekend offers the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to those who have made bad decisions in their life and are repaying their debt to society. Many of these women and men have had challenging lives and may never have had a relationship with God through Christ or the relationship became broken or distant from God.

The Kairos weekend seeks to offer God's mercy and love through a series of spiritual talks, prayer, music, activities, food, and fellowship. To witness the transformation of these individuals by the Holy Spirit is to know the power of God's love. The volunteers serving the women/men are brought closer and deeper to Jesus as well, and the body of Christ grows and rejoicing and blessings are shared by all! There are 42 "pilgrim" women/men "candidates" and about 15 prison steward volunteers who have been on a Kairos weekend and are now serving their fellow inmates for the weekend. The Kairos team is 42 volunteer women/men on the "inside team" and about 50 men and women volunteers on the "outside team" who cook and prepare meals, and pray for the entire team.

You can be a part of the Kairos weekend through your prayers, letters, posters, and cash donations. The weekend costs \$150.00 per inmate and \$150.00 for the volunteers. This pays for food, supplies, and materials needed for the weekend - about \$20,000.00. Cash donations are tax deductible. If you feel led to participate and support this Kairos weekend contact Sharon Mize at 512-699-8029 or email [petunia54@earthlink.net](mailto:petunia54@earthlink.net) or Ron Mize at 512-699-8031 or email [mizeron@earthlink.net](mailto:mizeron@earthlink.net). Together we can share God's amazing grace to incarcerated women, men, and the prison staff. God Bless You!

## Fall Festival Bake Sale

The Missions Team is sponsoring a bake sale during the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 26, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Please volunteer to provide baked goods that will be sold in the bake sale or used as door prizes. Proceeds from the bake sale will be used to fund mission activities sponsored by our congregation such as local disaster victims, students at Akins High School who are experiencing homelessness, our missionaries, Food Pantry, Angel Tree Program, Zoe Helps, Habitat for Humanity, backpack ministry, manna bags, beats headphones for Paredes Middle School, etc.

We are accepting any kind of baked goods! Suggestions are brownies, cookies, cakes, cupcakes, bread (banana, pumpkin, zucchini, etc.). Please bring items packaged for sale, labeled, and in see-through packaging. For cakes or cupcakes, make sure they are covered so we can display them and flies can't get to them. Bring your donations to the kitchen in the Parlor on Saturday, October 26, between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Linda Hawkins at 512-695-6609 or [ronandlinniehawkins@gmail.com](mailto:ronandlinniehawkins@gmail.com). Please volunteer for this wonderful community outreach opportunity.

## MISSING!

The Craft Group is still looking for their two missing room dividers/screens. We could really use them this year for our approaching Craft Show. If anyone knows of their whereabouts, please contact the Craft Group.



# SERVICE AND OUTREACH

## Fall Festival—Save the date!!!

The MUMC annual Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat is Saturday, Oct. 26, from 4-7 p.m.! **FREE Family FUN!** Each year we attract over 700 people in our community! This year's festival will be filled with live music, face painting, games, cookie decorating & so much more! We will be joined by the awesome Manchaca fire department. The Travis County Sheriff will be there with child ID kits! Dress up in your favorite non-scary costume and invite your family, friends and neighbors! Purchase dinner from one of our food trucks! Don't forget about our bake sale and handmade crafts for purchase!



We are in need of volunteers to run games and to help in the booths, as well as people to host trunks for the Trunk or Treat! We also need donated baked goods for our cake walk and bake sale as well as bags of candy to hand out to the kiddos! We will be offering service hours! Questions? Contact Jennifer: 512-585-0244 or [Jennifer.bautista1@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.bautista1@gmail.com).

Sign up to volunteer here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aa9a728a5fc1-mumc3>.

## 2019 Craft Show Preview!

*This year's **new Craft Show themes** include fairy and unicorn decorations (great party items!), musical decor, \$5 and under stocking stuffers, and novelty chicken crafts and decor. There will be an expanded assortments of hats and lap robes (you can make a purchase of these items that we will donate to the VA for you), **Northwoods** themes, and quilted table runners for all seasons.*

**For Christmas favorites:** reindeer, snowmen, and Santas.  
*New selection of embroidered towels with witty sayings!*



### 5TH SUNDAY COMBINED SERVICE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

**ONE SERVICE**  
10:00 am 



ONE SERVICE AT 10 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY  
NOISY OFFERING—BRING YOUR CHANGE!  
PIZZA AND SALAD FOLLOWING WORSHIP  
PUMPKIN UNLOADING AFTER LUNCH



 **NOISY OFFERING**  
BRING YOUR CHANGE TO CHURCH

ALL VOLUNTEERS WILL BE ENTERED INTO A RAFFLE FOR PRIZES!

## The MUMC Annual Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat Saturday, October 26, 4-7 p.m. *See page 9 for more info!*

**44th Annual** *November 16th and 17th* **MUMC Craft Show**

*Saturday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.*  
*Sunday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.*

*Baked goods will be available both days.*  
*This year we will be located in the Fellowship Hall and beyond!*

**Newsletter Article Submittal:**

**NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**  
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 NOON

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[office@manchacaumc.org](mailto:office@manchacaumc.org)

**NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE MAILED:**  
Wednesday, November 20, 2019

**Sunday Worship and Sunday School Schedule:**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. — Traditional Worship w/Communion in the Sanctuary  
9:45 -10:45 a.m. — Sunday School for all ages  
11 a.m. - noon — Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
11 a.m. - noon — Praise Worship in the Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday:**  
6 a.m. — Morning Prayer in the Prayer Room

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