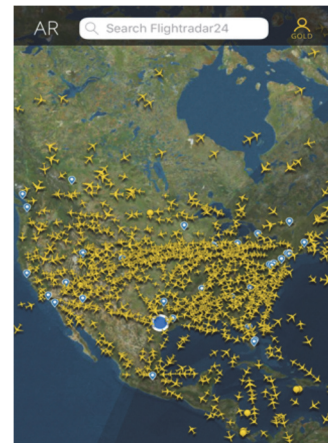


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A Note From Pastor Andy

Have you ever heard of Flight Radar 24? It is an APP that provides real time information for commercial aircraft anywhere in the world. It is possible to review an aircraft's history through its registration number or follow the altitude and airspeed of a specific flight number. As you can see from this screen shot from my phone, there are hundreds of planes in the air carrying thousands of passengers. In other words, we are a people on the move!



This is my last newsletter article as your Pastor, but I leave you with thoughts of the 23rd Psalm. Our recent sermon series on this timeless scripture has opened our eyes to God's shepherding skills and to the goodness God accomplishes in our lives. Every word of every verse is filled with power and comfort, but perhaps its closing words are the most cherished of all: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life... I find strength in that promise and hope you can take comfort in the knowledge that God is with you and with Manchaca in this time of transition. Even when we are on the move, we can always be assured that God's goodness and mercy are in pursuit. Not even the fastest jet can escape the promises God has for us.

June 2 will be my last Sunday in the pulpit, but the faithful service of our clergy team: Rev. Jeanne Devine, Rev. David Linkletter, and Rev. James Shackelford will ensure the church has clergy leadership until the arrival of your new pastor: Rev. David McNitzky on July 1. I have had the pleasure of meeting with Rev. McNitzky and can assure you that he is a powerful servant of God who will bless the life of this congregation. David is excited to join Manchaca and looks forward to working with everyone in ministry and outreach. You will be blessed with David's pastoral ministry and leadership.

The Lord bless you and keep you!

Andy



SPECIAL GUESTS:

Manchaca welcomes two very special guests from our Conference Office who will be preaching in the Life on the Road service. Rev. Kendall Waller will be with us on Sunday June 16. He currently serves the Rio Texas Conference as the Executive Director of Administration and Finance Ministries. He is a truly gifted and passionate preacher. Then on June 23, we welcome the Director of Vitalizing Congregations & Leadership Development, the Rev. Karen Horan. Her passion is missions and outreach and has been part of planting new congregations in Dallas and in Gruene, TX. You will also enjoy her passionate preaching. You will not want to miss these two Sundays!



WORSHIP AND FINE ARTS



Daily Scripture

June 1-2

Saturday	Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
Sunday	Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26

Week of June 3

Monday	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Tuesday	John 14:8-17
Wednesday	Romans 8:14-17
Thursday	Romans 8:14-17
Friday	John 14:25-27
Saturday	Acts 2:1-4

Day of Pentecost

Sunday	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Romans 8:14-17 John 14:8-17
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Week of June 10

Monday	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Tuesday	Proverbs 8:1
Wednesday	Psalm 8
Thursday	Romans 5:1-2
Friday	Romans 5:3-5
Saturday	John 16:12-15
Sunday	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

Week of June 17

Monday	1 Kings 19:1-9a
Tuesday	Psalm 42:1-5
Wednesday	1 Kings 19:9b-15a
Thursday	Luke 8:26-36
Friday	Psalm 42:6-11
Saturday	Luke 8:37-39
Sunday	1 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 42 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39

Week of June 24

Monday	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
Tuesday	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
Wednesday	Psalm 16
Thursday	Psalm 16:8-11
Friday	Galatians 5:1, 13-15
Saturday	Galatians 5:1, 16-25
Sunday	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 8:26-39



A Note
from the
Minister
of Music

One of my favorite characters from the Peanuts comic strip by Charles Schulz is Linus van Pelt. While Linus may have a certain innocence about him, he often exhibits profound thinking. Linus may believe in the Great Pumpkin, but he often makes observations about life that seem to be right on target. Linus is often seen sitting next to Charlie Brown helping Charlie figure out a solution to a problem or giving Charlie advice about his latest dilemma. One of the things that usually identifies Linus is the presence of his blue security blanket. Linus' possession of his security blanket has caused him to be ridiculed by his friends and his family, but Linus holds on, figuratively and physically. He even calls it his "spiritual tourniquet," saying "...Without it, I'd be nothing..." When we are faced with problems in our own lives, or experiencing changes, I'm sure we all feel like we could use a security blanket – something to help hold us together. What's our "spiritual tourniquet?" As Matthew's Gospel closes, Jesus commissions the disciples to "go..make disciples of all nations." But he also reminds them that he will be with them "to the end of the age." Jesus is always with us. No matter what we are going through, Jesus is there, walking beside us, at times carrying us, holding us together. Jesus can be our "spiritual tourniquet." Linus keeps his blue blanket as close to him as possible. We should keep Jesus as close to us as possible. "Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray."

– Mark Hixon, Director of Music and Fine Arts

"In the Good, ol' Summertime!"

Have you ever thought about what it would be like to sing with the Sanctuary Choir? Why not give it a try for a few weeks? While some church choirs take off during the summer, the Sanctuary Choir will continue to rehearse. Singers of all levels of experience are welcome in all sections. Not sure if you sing soprano or alto, tenor or bass? Try out an evening rehearsal and see where you feel most comfortable. The Sanctuary Choir rehearses Wednesday evenings from 6:45 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. in the main Choir room and participates in the 11a.m. Sanctuary service on Sundays. For more information, contact Mark Hixon at 512-282-7274 or Mark@ManchacUMC.org.

Honor Someone with Flowers

The Worship and Fine Arts Team invites you to sign up to provide an arrangement in the Sanctuary for our Sunday morning worship services. You can remember someone on their birthday, anniversary, or other significant life-event. There is a sign up calendar on the Worship and Fine Arts bulletin board in the Hospitality Area. Once you sign up, you arrange for the arrangement to arrive in the Sanctuary prior to the 8:30 a.m. service. Arrangements can be delivered to the church on Friday during office hours. If you let Deanna Custer know the special significance for the altar arrangement, she will include the information in the bulletin/insert. The floral arrangement should stay through the morning services after which you can take the arrangement home. Help enhance the worship atmosphere while honoring someone special.

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)
Family Life Center



STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

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WITNESS

We Pray for...

Milton Allen	Mark Monteith
"Sam" Arhelger	Charlotte Morahan
Malcolm Caldwell	Tish Moulton
Donna Carlson	Dorma Nickels
Tina Carter	Pat Nixon-Gunn
Betty Chase	Mike O'Dell
Ned Coleman	Pat
Robin Crowley & Family	Karola Paul
Erik Curtis	Rev. Mimi Raper
Nancy Drinan Davey	Katrina Roberts
Roxli Doss	Aliya Rosegreen
Kristine Ehrlich	Deborah Sanders
David Fegan	Opal Shuffield
Odette Gibbs	Christi Sontag
Imogene Gray	Josie Stevens
Tena Hammond	John Stone
Robin Hansen	Wanda Summers
Lee Herring	Adrienne Thel
Susan Hilburn	Emmett Thomason
Alycia Howell	Dean & Rita Thompson
Angel Jackson	Robert Todd
Norma Jacobson	Carolyn Vail
Jolly James	Ray Vaughn
Forest & M'Liss Jordan	Joy & Lori Whitlock
Ethan McBride	B. A. Wilcoxson
Chris & Allen McKean	Clint Wilson
Bobbie Meador	Ron Wilson
Dick Meyer	Bobbie Word
Mike	Roger Young
Donna Montgomery	



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

Sympathy to...

The Kollman Family, on the loss of
Jimmy's brother, **Bobby Kollman**.

The Family and Friends of Grover Alexander.

Susan Hilburn, on the loss of her
mother, **Imogene Gray**.



Attendance

Sunday 4-28-19	234
Sunday School	136
Visitors	30
First time visitors 0	
Sunday 5-5-19	311
Sunday School	155
Visitors	36
First time visitors 0	
Sunday 5-12-19	337
Sunday School	137
Visitors	39
First time visitors 1	
Sunday 5-19-19	401
Sunday School	172
Visitors	54
First time visitors 0	

Financial Report



MARCH

Operating Income	\$ 59,062.07
Operating Expenses	\$ 60,618.99
Net Op. Loss	\$ (1,556.92)

YTD (March)

Operating Income	\$ 185,597.98
Operating Expenses	\$ 191,755.46
Net Op. Loss	\$ (6,157.48)

March Special Offering Rec'd

Food Pantry	\$ 340.00
Build-Serve-Grow	\$ 3,115.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,410.00
Missions	\$ 200.00
Alter Rail Offerings	\$ 170.00
Memorials	\$ 1,180.00
Scholarships	\$ 165.00
UMCOR GIFTS	\$ 244.00

The Church's financial reports are available for review, by any Church member, in the Church's office, during normal working hours. Please contact Dick for assistance and to make an appointment.

June Altar Rail Offering

The June altar rail offering will once again benefit the Emergency Assistance Fund (MUMC Good Samaritan Account).

Calendar of Events

Reception for Pastor Andy -9:45 am	Sun, Jun 2
Stephen Min. Supervision -1:30 pm	Sun, Jun 2
Wordspirations -4 pm	Sun, Jun 2
Coloring Café -10 am	Mon, Jun 3
Open Hearts -7 pm	Tues, Jun 4
Stephen Ministry Leaders -9 am	Thurs, Jun 6
Sunshine Café -11:15 am	Thurs, Jun 6
Pentecost Sunday	Sun, Jun 9
Pastor's Coffee -9:45 am	Sun, Jun 9
Teacher Appreciation Luncheon -noon	Sun, Jun 9
Making Sense of the Bible -3 pm	Sun, Jun 9
Prayer Shawl Ministry -6 pm	Mon, Jun 10
Movies with a Message -2:30 pm	Tues, Jun 11
Grace Not Perfection -9:30 am	Wed, Jun 12
Daytime Bunko -1 pm	Thurs, Jun 13
Book Club -6:30 pm (offsite)	Thurs, Jun 13
Women of the Word -9:30 am	Fri, Jun 14
FATHER'S DAY	Sun, Jun 16
Stephen Min. Supervision -1:30 pm	Sun, Jun 16
Coloring Café -10 am	Mon, Jun 17
Staff Meeting -1 pm	Mon, June 17
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE -noon.	Tues, Jun 18
Movies with a Message -2:30 pm	Tues, Jun 18
Grace Not Perfection -9:30 am	Wed, Jun 19
Youth Game Night -6:30 pm	Wed, Jun 19
Movies Under the Stars -8:30 pm	Wed, Jun 19
Making Sense of the Bible -3 pm	Sun, Jun 23
Drama Camp -9 am	Mon, Jun 24 - Fri, Jun 28
Prayer Shawl Ministry -10 am	Mon, Jun 24
Missions Commission -7 pm	Mon, Jun 24
Movies with a Message -2:30 pm	Tues, Jun 25
FLAMS -9 am	Wed, Jun 26
Daytime Bunko -1 pm	Thurs, Jun 27
Church Council -7 pm	Thurs, Jun 27
Women of the Word -9:30 am	Fri, Jun 28
High School Mission Trip	Sun, Jun 30
5th Sunday Combined Worship -10 am	Sun, Jun 30
Come to the Table -11 am	Sun, Jun 30
Making Sense of the Bible -3 pm	Sun, Jun 30

Recurring Events

Worship - Sanctuary -8:30 am	Sun
Sunday School -9:45 am	Sun
Worship - Sanctuary -11 am	Sun
Worship - Family Life Center -11 am	Sun
UMYF -3 pm	Sun
Bulletin Deadline -noon	Mon
HS Youth Bible Study -6:30 pm	Mon
AA -7:30 pm	Mon
Boomer Exercise -9/10 am	Tue/Thur
Craft Group -7 pm	Tue
Craft Group -9 am	Wed
Men's Group -12 noon	Wed
Such as These Praise Band -6:30 pm	Wed
Sanctuary Choir -6:45 pm	Wed
Glory Bells -7 pm	Thurs

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Build•Serve•Grow

Dear Friends,

We rejoice in the response from many members to give generously for the Build-Serve-Grow Phase 2 capital campaign! As of this writing, 53 families have pledged a total of \$301,930.02! If you were not able to make your pledge on Commitment Sunday, there is still time to participate. We are still well short of our goal of \$600,000.



In 2016, there were 143 families that made a commitment to address much needed repairs and upgrades to our facilities. For the past three years, we have all witnessed the completion of the Sanctuary renovation and exterior building upgrades.

Your gracious donations will allow the remodeling of the Family Life Center's walls, flooring, and ceiling along with a new stage to enhance our contemporary worship service. Addressing the FLC will renew its ability to support church and community events. Phase 2 also remodels the bathrooms in the main building and adapts at least one to meet ADA code. Finally, repairs and enhancements will be made to the hospitality area and to the north stairwell of the education building.

For those you have not already pledged please prayerfully consider extending, or pledging for the first time, your three-year commitment. There is no gift too small or too large, but we need everyone to participate!

You may always turn in a pledge card at the office or visit our church's website and use the online BSG Pledge Card found on the giving page of the website: <http://www.manchacaumc.org/give/build-serve-grow>.

Here is a timeline of key events that will occur over the next two months:

- June 27th – Church Council meets to provide funding approval, based on pledges received, and announce date for a final Church Conference
- July 14th - Conduct Church Conference to obtain final member approval; this will be a ratification of the funding reviewed and approved by the Church Council



Through your continued generous giving, we can transform this house of worship, grow in Christ and serve the generations to come.

Yours in Christ,

Build-Serve-Grow Team

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Adventures with Flat Jesus!

Pick up a "Flat Jesus" to take with you on your Adventures this summer! Flat Jesus is a reminder that Jesus is with us wherever we go. Take pictures with Flat Jesus at the zoo, or the pool, or wherever else you go on summer vacation, and then post them on Instagram or Facebook with the hashtag #MUMCFlatJesus. You can also send your pictures to Kim@ManchacaUMC.org and Ms. Kim will post them on our church's Facebook page and/or our website!



Thank You to Our Teachers!

We have an amazing team of dedicated and gifted Sunday School Teachers who faithfully volunteer their time and energy each week of the school year to share God's Love and God's Word with our children. Please take the time to say "thank you" for their efforts!

- Splash Pad (Ages 3-6): Becky Sturzl, Anne Stirling, Sherri Foster, Diane Ewing
- Godly Play (1st Grade/2nd Grade): Loretta Loyd, Courtney Brock
- Bible Divers (3rd Grade): Susan Feldkamp, Jena Abel, Leslie Piggott
- Wave Walkers (4th/5th Grade): Tonia Norman, Ron and Linda Hawkins
- Awaken Middle School: Errin Lagow, Rick Bowman
- Awaken High School: Ron Mize, Laura Candelaria

Our Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and Fellowship is on Sunday, June 9, and we will be inviting parents to provide food and goodies. Look for the sign up in the weekly email blasts and on our website calendar!



Movies with a Message

Tuesdays @ 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall

Free family movies on the big screen with free popcorn and water provided. Kids are invited to bring blankets, pillows or nap mats to lounge on the floor, while chairs are provided for adults.

June Schedule:

- June 11: Wall-E
- June 18: Muppets in Space
- June 25: Incredibles 2



Star Trip Sunday School: Our Faith Awakens! Beginning June 9th

Children (ages 4 years old – 5th grade) in Summer Sunday school will join Luke Skywalker, Only One Kenobi, and Yoda on an epic adventure to find the light of Jesus in Summer Sunday school. Through skits, Bible stories, arts and crafts, science, drama, journaling and more, children will learn about the story of Christmas through the eyes of the wise men who followed a star only to find the Light of the World! Summer Sunday school begins June 9! (On June 2, there will be no children's and youth Sunday school as the church will gather for a farewell reception for Pastor Andy.)



Calling all 3rd-6th Grade Thespians! June 24 - 28 — Registration open NOW!

This summer, MUMC will offer a Drama Camp to rising 3rd through 6th graders. The camp will be from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. June 24-28, with a performance on Sunday, June 30, after the combined service. Campers will spend the week learning lines and songs, playing games, painting sets, and taking part in a daily devotional.

The play, "Come to the Table" teaches the children that all are welcome at God's table. The cost of the camp will be \$75.

Online registration is now open on our [Drama Camp](http://manchacaumc.org) page at manchacaumc.org.



Blast Off to Vacation Bible School 2019

As we travel **To Mars and Beyond**, we'll explore where God's power can take us!

- Monday - Thursday, July 29 - August 1
- 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Ages 4 Years Old – 5th Grade (Early drop off available for volunteers)
- Cost: \$20/child, \$10 additional children (Scholarships Available)



Registration is open at manchacaumc.org on our [VBS 2019](#) page!

Space is limited, so sign up early!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Alex's Lemonade Stand

Alex's Lemonade Stand

Manhaca UMC's Caring Kids is holding a fundraiser to help Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation move one step closer to finding a cure for all children with cancer! We will "sell" lemonade and cookies on Sunday, June 9, between worship services and Sunday school. (Get either a cup of lemonade or a cookie for a minimum donation of \$1). We hope you can come to the event and support our cause, but if you won't be at church that morning, you can still help us reach our goal by making a donation here: <https://www.alexslimonade.org/mypage/1699953>.



The money you donate will pay for research to find better treatments and cures for childhood cancer. Please help kids and their families by providing desperately needed hope! Thanks for your support!

Children who would like to sell lemonade, please sign up on the website or on the clipboards at church.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Summer Youth Service Hours Available!

- **Drama Camp (June 24 - 28):** Must be rising 8th grade or older to volunteer. Contact Kim Carroll or Leslie Piggott for more information on how you can earn service hours at this fun camp for kids in 3rd - 6th grade!
- **VBS Service Squad (July 29 - August 1):** Rising 6th and 7th graders are invited to join our VBS Service Squad! They will meet in the assembly at VBS, have their own group lesson and game time while serving VBS behind the scenes through many service projects. Check out our [VBS](#) page on the website to register. (Cost: \$10 for shirt and snacks).
- **VBS Youth Volunteer (July 29 - August 1):** Rising 8th - 12th Grade students can apply to be group and station leaders working with the adult volunteers at VBS. Find the link to apply on the [VBS](#) page of the website or in the weekly newsletter.



It's a Star Wars Summer at Awaken! Sunday Morning Youth Fellowship

Sundays, 9:45 am, Beginning June 9th

This summer in youth Sunday school, we'll be finding and discussing glimpses of gospel as we watch the original Star Wars movie trilogy! **Come join us!**



- June – Star Wars IV: A New Hope
- July – Star Wars V: The Empire Strikes Back
- August – Star Wars VI: Return of the Jedi

High School Mission Trip

June 30 - July 6



The High School Mission Trip 2019 to Marvell, AR is just around the corner! Please send prayers our way as we travel.

Youth Star Wars Games & Outdoor Movie Nights



Rising 6th – Graduating 12th graders are invited to join us for food, Star Wars games, and devotional before the community outdoor screening of the latest Star Wars movies. Pre-registered youth can be dropped off at 6:30 pm and picked up after the movie ends around 11:15 pm. (Families are invited to join us for the movie, too!)

June 19 – Star Wars: The Force Awakens
July 10 – Star Wars: The Last Jedi

Movies Under the Stars

June 19 - Star Wars: The Force Awakens
July 10 - Star Wars: The Last Jedi


Families and people of all ages are invited to come and watch the latest Star Wars movies in the field by the Pavilion. We'll begin gathering at 8:30 and the movie will start as the sky darkens! Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. Free popcorn and water will be provided! All children and youth must be supervised by an adult caregiver, except for youth pre-registered for the Star Wars Game Nights.





2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS


CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2019 MUMC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!


- **Michael Ballinger**, after graduating from Jack C. Hays High School, will be a freshman at Blinn College this fall, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. Michael has been blessed with athletic abilities and has played sports from elementary through high school. As a member of Future Farmers of America, Michael has learned leadership and project management skills, competed in stock shows, and raised rabbits. He has a passion for welding, building things, and welding competitions. During his junior year, he helped build a BBQ pit valued at \$12,000. Michael's career goal is to start his own successful welding business.



- **Kendall Carroll**, a senior at Westlake High School, enrolls in college classes at the University of North Texas this fall to pursue a degree in English with minors in Journalism and Psychology. She also plans to obtain her secondary teaching certificate. Kendall has received numerous awards and honors for her journalism skills and academic record, served as Editor of her school newspaper, and was a 4-year member of girls' basketball team. At Manchaca UMC she served on the Youth Council every year (6th - 12th), Children's Ministry Team (7th-12th), Fish Mentor leading 4th and 5th graders (7th-12th), and capacity of the children and youth programs.



- **Brooke Hanson** plans to matriculate at the University of Texas at Austin this fall after graduation from James Bowie High School. Brooke has been a four-year active member of the JBHS Outdoor Performing Ensemble and the Steel Drums and will continue her musical and marching skills in the Longhorn Band. A favorite activity of Brooke's is community service which has afforded her opportunities to volunteer in the Austin Marathon and judge science fairs at elementary schools. She has excelled in academics earning National Honor Society Membership. Brooke plans to major in Government with future plans to attend Law School.


- **Rachael Moon**, aspires to be a Physician Assistant after her graduation from the Liberal Arts and Science Academy, and she enrolls this fall at the University of Texas San Antonio to major in Life and Health Sciences. Rachael is a busy young person who excels in her academics, works a job 15 hours per week, in addition to taking a full load of classes and serving as athletic trainer at her school. She also volunteered at MUMC as Coordinator of Acolytes and assisted in the Food Pantry. Her interest in medicine led to her office of President of the Health Occupation Students of America Club as well as Athletic Trainer for Austin Junior Volleyball.


- **Garrett Moore**, soon-to-be graduate from Jack C. Hays High School, plans to major in Mechanical Engineering at Texas A & M University this fall. He wants use his major to design prosthetics for veterans to help the disabled regain some of what they have lost. Garrett also plans to follow in the footsteps of family members and participate in the Corps of Cadets. During high school he has been busy excelling in football, track, and academics earning athletic awards, and National Honor Society Membership. He has also volunteered at MUMC VBS and assisted with technology and the Child Development Center.


- **Jake Nix**, will attend Texas A&M University this fall after his graduation from James Bowie High School. His career goal is to be a traffic engineer, who designs of intersections, bridges, and roads, and his major will be Civil Engineering. Jake hopes to continue his education for his Master's Degree and become a Civil Engineer. During high school, Jake has excelled in academics, marching, concert, and jazz bands, and baseball, which have earned him National Honor Society Membership, and numerous awards and honors. Mission trips every year since sixth grade, tree lot sales, Youth Council, Habit for Humanity, and 5K runs are some of Jake's many MUMC Youth Activities.


- **Amanda Palecek** plans to study Biological and Agricultural Engineering at Texas A & M University after her graduation from James Bowie High School. Her dream is to work with water conservation and irrigation. Amanda's involvement in MUMC's Community Garden and Future Farmers of America have earned her awards and honors, plus increased her interest in plants and animals. Amanda participated in MUMC mission trips, volunteered for VBS, Pumpkin Patch, Christmas Tree Sales, marched in Bowie's Band, swam competitively, and participated in Girl Scouts. At A & M, in addition to her courses, she hopes to be an Aggie Wrangler because of her passion for country and western dancing.



Our congratulations, prayers, and best wishes go with these students as they pursue their dreams. Their scholarships are made possible by the generosity and support of the MUMC family and friends of MUMC. Thank you for continuing to support this important MUMC Mission serving the youth of our community.

This year is the 35th year for the MUMC Scholarship. Including this year, a total of over \$70,000 has been offered through 142 scholarships. With this assistance, recipients have achieved their aspirations of becoming engineers, teachers, pastors, health care professionals, and business professionals. The scholarship committee extends its deepest gratitude to you, the congregation, for your loving dedication in supporting this fund. This year, donations exceeded \$4000. Please be aware that donations may be made throughout the year to this fund.

2019
Class of

With heartfelt gratitude,

MUMC Chris Brown and Don Banker Scholarship Committee

ADULT MINISTRIES

Wordspirations

Women's Bible Study

Sunday Afternoons

June 2, July 7, August 4, 4:00-6:00 pm

No cost, no homework, and there are always snacks!

Wordspirations

Wordspirations Women's Bible Study will meet Sunday afternoons from 4:00-6:00 p.m. and fellowship together, sing, visit ...and this summer we will do something different – we will watch a DVD each time and discuss it together! We will hear from teachers Ann Voskamp, Max Lucado, Joyce Meyer, and Stasi Eldredge.... then we always leave feeling lighter and uplifted by God's touch and the community of others. We would love for you to join us – and bring a friend! Led by Ellen Carpenter & Team ~ Julie Chandler, Sharon Mize, and Debi Jones.

Open Hearts

Tuesday, June 4, 7 pm in room 8

[A LAITY SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS, FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND ALLIES OF LGBTQ PERSONS]



Do you feel the tension in the congregation? In your Sunday School Class? In your small groups? The Methodist Church is at a crossroads once again. It's not the first time and I'm sure it won't be the last. We are humans, after all. Parents and family members of LGBTQ persons have been living in this "tension" for almost 50 years. It is very debilitating. That is why the Open Hearts Support Groups were started. It is a place you can speak your heart knowing that you will be heard with love, understood, and supported. Each of us has been in your shoes at some point. We know the tangle of emotions and questions that can engulf you; but you don't need to travel this path alone.

For more information, call Loretta [mother of a gay son] 281-615-6149 [cell] or Kim 512-282-7274 [at the church]. We gather the first Tuesday of each month to share. If you're not ready to share, we understand. Just come listen. It will definitely be worth your time.

Emmaus Local Gathering

Please join us at the next local Buda/Kyle/Manchaca gathering (please note the date change):

⇒ June 11, 2019

⇒ Buda UMC, 302 West Elm

⇒ 6:30 p.m. Potluck & Service to follow

Bring your worship book, nametag and lanyard. If you need childcare, please contact me by June 7.



De Colores,
Wanda
(512-295-2061)

Coloring Café

1st & 3rd Mondays: June 3 & 17, 10 am in the Parlor



Come and join us this month at the Coloring Café! Coloring sheets, colored pencils, gel pens and markers will be available to share or bring your own supplies and a friend!

Everyone is welcome to join us and you can 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 bring one to share! We will provide coffee & water.

Questions? Call/text Kristine at 512-789-9285 or email her at ehrllichkristine@gmail.com.

Sunshine Café

Thursday, June 6, 11:15 am - 2 pm, Parlor

Seniors and other adults are invited to attend a fun-filled afternoon of provided lunch, activities and conversation on Thursday, June 6th, in the Parlor.

☀ 11:15 am Check-In

☀ 11:30am -12:00pm Lunch

☀ 12:00-2:00 pm Games & Conversation

Bring a friend along and get ready for an enjoyable afternoon!



Grace Not Perfection

Wed. Morning Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays for 4 weeks

June 12 & 19, July 10 & 17, 9:30 – 11:00 am

Cost: \$8 for the book, Led by Kim Carroll

Have you been trying to do it all... only to burn out? Learn to find joy and acceptance in the midst of life's beautiful messes.

As a busy wife, new mother, business owner, and designer, Emily Ley came to a point when she suddenly realized she couldn't do it all. She needed to simplify her life, organize her days, and prioritize the priorities. She realized that she had been holding herself to a standard of perfection, when what God was really calling her to do was step into his grace.

In this four-session video-based study, Emily describes the journey that led to her pursuing a simpler life—one that allowed



her to breathe, laugh, and grow—and provides ways for others to simplify their lives. She reminds each of us that God abundantly pours out grace on us, and because of this, we can surely extend grace to ourselves – and others! (from book description on Cokesbury)

ADULT MINISTRIES

Adam Hamilton's Making Sense of the Bible

Sundays, June 9, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$12 for the book, Led by Kim Carroll

Do you want to take the Bible seriously, but wrestle with what some Scriptures say? Do you want to find meaning and purpose in the Bible for your life today? Did you watch General Conference and wonder how people can read the same Scriptures and come to completely different interpretations? Do you want to know what the Bible really says about science, violence, suffering, sexuality and relationships? Then this study is for you! Please read chapters 1-7 of the book prior to the first meeting.

Faithful Christians continue to experience deep divisions over universal social issues, because of differences in how we understand the nature of scripture and how we should interpret it. The world's bestselling, most-read, and most-loved book can also be one of the most confusing. In *Making Sense of the Bible*, Adam Hamilton addresses the hot-button issues that plague the church and cultural debate, and answers many of the questions frequently asked by Christians and non-Christians alike: Did God really command Moses to put gay people to death? Did Jesus really teach that everyone who is not a Christian will be assigned to hell? Why would Paul command women to keep silent in the church? Were Adam and Eve real people? Is the book of Revelation really about the end times? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? Is the Bible ever wrong? In this 6-week study, Hamilton addresses these often misunderstood biblical themes leading readers to a deeper appreciation of the Bible so that we might hear God speak through it and find its words to be life-changing and life-giving. *(from the book description on Cokesbury)*



SERVICE AND OUTREACH

Hey Church – We need your support at VBS!

This summer we hope to welcome 200 children into our church at our To Mars and Beyond VBS, July 29 – Aug. 1! At least 75% of these students will come from our community with many not having a church home of their own. In order for VBS to be a successful outreach, we need 100% support from our congregation. So, how can you help?

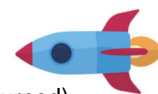
- **Be Group Leader!**
- **Be an Early Playground Volunteer** (7:45-8:45)!
- **Be a Greeter at the Check-In and Out Desk!**
- **Help with VBS Prep** – Some prep can be done at home!
- **Provide items on our wish list**
- **Donate scholarship money.** The cost to attend VBS is \$20 per child, but we offer scholarships to all those who ask for it.
- **Serve on the Prayer Team!** (Can be done anywhere!)



VBS Wish List:

One of the ways you can help with Vacation Bible School is through donations of items you may have around the house! Drop off your donation in the bin outside Ms. Kim's office!

- Aluminum foil rolls
- Black plastic sheeting or disposable tablecloths
- 35mm plastic film canisters with snap-on lids
- Sturdy plastic drinking cups (like solo)
- Clean, clear plastic soda bottles with lids (i.e. 16-20 oz)
- 8 oz paper cups (like leftover birthday party cups)
- Toilet paper rolls
- Cereal boxes
- Tissue paper in bright colors
- Cellophane in bright colors
- Clean, frosting containers or similar size
- Nuts, bolts, and washers
- AA Batteries
- Empty clean peanut butter jars
- Bouncy balls
- Large cardboard box (like appliances)
- Portable Black Lights (will be returned)
- Icicle-style white Christmas lights (will be returned)



SERVICE AND OUTREACH

Akins End of Year Update

Well, it's hard to believe but school is almost out, AGAIN!! Here's what MUMC and Akins have been up to this spring: Akins High School has seventeen seniors experiencing homelessness graduating this spring, all but 2 are planning to attend college in the fall. The schools include: ACC, Texas State, Temple College, Blinn College, St. Mary's, Texas Women's University, Texas State Technical College and University of Texas, San Antonio. The other two plan to work and save money to attend in the future. For the students moving into dorms, each received a comforter, mattress cover, pillows, sheet set, towel set and school supplies. Eleven students received a refurbished laptop computers. We also gave various gift cards and other items to make life as an adult a little easier as they begin this new journey!

A very special thanks goes to the **Craft Group** and the **Christians with Borders** and **New to Me Sunday School classes** who donated over \$2000. And thanks to **Discount Electronics** for the awesome deal on refurbished Dell laptops!

We also helped with prom tickets, tuxedos for prom, caps and gowns for graduation as well as Advanced Placement testing fees. Our **food pantry** regularly donates snacks and food bags for students who need extra food for weekends.

Thanks to your generous gifts to Angel Tree, participation in the 5K (which donated \$2645 to Akins, part of which will be used to create a clothing closet for all the many clothing items donated) and donations to the food pantry, We are able to continue our support to Akins students in need. Please contact the Mission Team or Sandee Setterquist if you would like to learn more!

**THANK YOU FOR
SUPPORTING STUDENTS
AT AKINS HIGH SCHOOL!**

Habitat -- Thank You, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

Thanks to everyone who participated in any way to the building of the Habitat Methodist home for Laura and her five kids. The house was beautiful for the dedication. Theresa Welborn gave the blessing for the house and the family. The family was very excited to be moving out of a two-bedroom duplex into a new, beautiful five-bedroom home in a nice neighborhood. Laura expressed her gratitude to Habitat, the churches that sponsored the build, and all of the volunteers.

Again, thank you Manchaca United Methodist Church for helping to make this happen!



Movies Under the Stars Free Community Event

June 19 & July 10, 8:30 PM, by the Pavilion

Families and people of all ages are invited to come and watch the latest Star Wars movies in the field by the Pavilion. We'll begin gathering at 8:30 and the movie will start as the sky darkens! Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. Free popcorn and water will be provided!

All children and youth must be supervised by an adult caregiver, except for youth pre-registered for the Star Wars Game Nights.



Popcorn and a Play

June 30, after the 10 am combined service, Family Life Center

Our Summer Children's Drama Camp will be presenting their play, "Come to the Table," written by Leslie Piggott, on Sunday, June 30. The play teaches us that Jesus invites us all to His table, and that it's much more fun when everyone is included! The performance will be in the Family Life Center following the combined 10 am worship service.

For refreshments, we will have a popcorn bar with many flavors and toppings! Please come and see the Word of God presented by our children!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS 2019 CONFIRMANDS!

The following youth were confirmed on May 19:

Peyton Brunner	Allison Bergh	Warner Erwin
Nolan Espinosa	Frances Geerts	Jackson LeBlanc
Chad Lee-Gardner	Nathan McCoy	Daniel Millán
Rachel Oates	Scarlett Teague	Justin Winkenhofer



Yet To Be Confirmed: **Ava Singhurst**

As of newsletter printing time, Ava has not yet been confirmed, but is expected to be confirmed during the month of June!

RECEPTION FOR PASTOR ANDY

June 2, 9:45 - 10:45 am

June 2nd will be Pastor Andy's last day to preach at Manchaca United Methodist Church. He will be preaching at both the 8:30 and 11:00 am services in the sanctuary.

During the Sunday School hour (9:45 - 10:45 am), the SPRC is hosting a reception for Pastor Andy in the Family Life Center. Be sure to stop by and give your well-wishes to Pastor Andy as he prepares to make his transition to La Grange First United Methodist Church. Please consider bringing a note or card to show your appreciation for Pastor Andy's dedication to MUMC these past 3 years. There will be a love offering basket and blank cards to write a personal note to Pastor Andy and his family available at the reception, as well. If you are giving a love offering by check, please make payable to Rev. Andy Smith, not the church!



Dear Boss,
I will miss your incredible sermons, your sense of humor and your savvy "techiness"! Thank you for helping me learn the ropes and teaching me many new things. If the folding machine goes missing, I know where it will be! I wish all the best for you, Monica, Anna, Rachel & Daisy!
Many Blessings,
Deanna

HELP NEEDED IN THE SANCTUARY

1. Did you know that every week we have a volunteer that straightens up our sanctuary for the Sunday services? It only takes about an hour a week! This task consists of straightening the hymnals and bibles, making sure the pencils are sharpened and replacing prayer cards, offering envelopes and visitor packets as needed. Please consider taking on this small, but important job! This is a job that can easily be shared between 2 or more people.
2. We need a few people to count the number of people that attend church at the **8:30 am** service. When we report our numbers every year to the conference, we depend upon our counters to get the most accurate attendance count, as sometimes people forget or don't have a chance to sign the registration books. It would be ideal to have several counters as a back-up (even for the 11 am sanctuary service). The count includes EVERYBODY present in the sanctuary: the pastor, all musicians, the person that operates the sound-board, children and babies. Thank you to our current counters--you are much appreciated!!!
3. Have you ever wanted to help usher, take up the offering, or help with communion? Although we have a few regulars, we can ALWAYS use back-ups to fill in when they are out. Please consider helping out your church in this way. It is a great way to meet people you don't know and a good way to challenge yourself to remember everyone's name!



If you are interested in any of these opportunities or would like more information, please contact Deanna in the office at 512-282-7274 or at Deanna@manchacaumc.org.

Paper Shredding

The paper shredding on April 27th was a **HUGE** success!! We had between 110-120 cars in the two hours we were open, plus \$100.00 in donations!

The winner of the most paper shredded was our own Debbie Jones! We will definitely be doing this next year. Mark your calendars for sometime in April--hopefully the 18th or 25th.

Thank you to everyone who brought paper to be shred. We are saving the earth one box at a time!



Check the Lost & Found!

Have you lost an umbrella? A crock-pot? A jacket? Please look in our Lost & Found outside of the church office (across from the Craft Group display).

We also have a collection of odds and ends inside the office, such as single earrings, rings, a watch and other items. If you can describe the item you lost, it's yours!

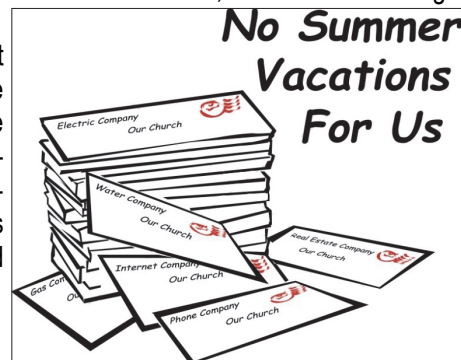


**Friday, June 21st
is the
First Day of Summer!**

Don't Forget the Church

Many will be going off on fun vacations and trips to see friends and relatives this summer. Manchaca UMC will be offering many opportunities for ministry through the summer as well. The cost of these meaningful events, as well as our recurring costs such as church staff salaries, will continue through the summer.

Please don't forget your giving to the church through the summer! Your giving helps us concentrate on ministries and service instead of finances!



5th Sunday on June 30th

- ◆ Combined service at 10 am in the Sanctuary, Rev. Jeanne Devine preaching.
- ◆ Noisy Offering!
- ◆ Popcorn and a Play after worship in the Family Life Center.



DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at **NOON**

Email submissions to:

deanna@manchacaumc.org or
office@manchacaumc.com

NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE MAILED

Wednesday, June 26, 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. - 12 noon- Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

11 a.m. - 12 noon- Praise Worship in the Family Life Center

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