



Vaniece Jacoby (health) – Marie Huie's sister
The Gee Family
Michele De Loach – Ruth Fuls
Kathy Bandy
Archie Shivar
Wesley Rankin Community Center
The 300 Families in West Dallas
Danny Wakeham
Bill Davis (health) – Nancy Hartman

United Methodist Social Creed

We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts, and we repent of our sin in misusing these gifts to idolatrous ends.

We affirm the natural world as God's handiwork and dedicate ourselves to its preservation, enhancement, and faithful use by humankind.

We joyfully receive for ourselves and others the blessings of community, sexuality, marriage, and the family.

We commit ourselves to the rights of men, women, children, youth, young adults, the aging, and people with disabilities; to improvement of the quality of life; and to the rights and dignity of all persons.

We believe in the right and duty of persons to work for the glory of God and the good of themselves and others and in the protection of their welfare in so doing; in the rights to property as a trust from God, collective bargaining, and responsible consumption; and in the elimination of economic and social distress.

We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world, to the rule of justice and law among nations, and to individual freedom for all people of the world.

We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world. Amen.

Just a Thought

People who say "don't sweat the small stuff" have never slept in a dark room with a mosquito!



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Our New Sermon Series: We Believe

Leading up to Holy Week, we will be going into a new series of sermons titled: "We Believe," going over our beliefs and identity as United Methodist. This, along with our Lenten study of CREED by Adam Hamilton will help us as Chapel Hill to understand our United Methodist and Christian identity more. This season of Lent is a time when we grow closer to God and God's transformation in our lives by digging into who God is, who we are, and how we live out the lives that God wants for us. This series is a way for us to take a deeper look at who we are and what we are called to do. Join us throughout the season of Lent as we find out what "We Believe" starting with the Apostle's Creed this Sunday!



Ash Wednesday

This coming Wednesday, March 1, is Ash Wednesday and it begins the season of Lent. Which observes the 40 days (excluding Sundays) that lead up to Easter.

Chapel Hill will observe Ash Wednesday with a Break-fast meal at 6:00 pm. Followed by a service of reflection and imposition of ashes at 7:00 pm. All are asked to participate in the

complete fast for the 24 hours leading up to the service, just giving up snack-time, or even giving up social media. Please join your fellow congregants as we begin this most holy of seasons in the Christian church.

If you would like to help in the preparation of the meal (either bring food items or physical help), call Jan Wooldridge, [972/243-1108](tel:9722431108). In addition, the sanctuary will be open during regular hours for personal reflection and imposition of ashes by Pastor Odom.

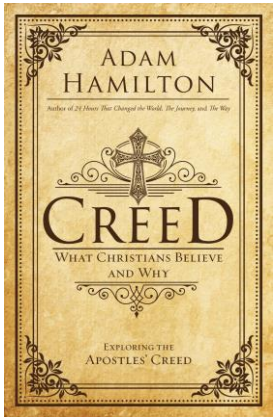
Metro District Laity Day

with Bishop Michael McKee

Saturday, March 25, 2017 | 9:30 a.m. to noon

Spring Valley UMC 7700 Spring Valley | Dallas, TX 75254





Creed: Lenten Study

Join us throughout the season of Lent every Thursday at 7pm and with Class Menagerie Sunday morning during the Sunday school hour. We will be going through this Lenten study of *Creed* by Adam Hamilton. We are starting this journey together this Thursday. Come and join!

In this book for Lent, Easter, and beyond, Hamilton considers important questions of life, reality, and truth. He explores not only what Christians believe, but also why they believe it

and why it matters.

CARTER BLOODCARE BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, March 19, 2017

Mark your calendar for our March Carter BloodCare Blood Drive and look for the Blood Drive sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions as to being a donor or ready to sign up, contact Iris at 214-597-5326 or hope75234@yahoo.com. Enjoy our Potluck Lunch and be ready to give the Gift of Life!

Times: 11:30 – 2:30PM

Who Can Give: Those over who are 18 and 16 years old with written parental consent

Where: Chapel Hill UMC Parking Lot

Why: Giving Blood = Giving Life; Because We Care

A personal note of thanksgiving: Archie and I are so grateful to our Chapel Hill UMC family for all the times you have given at our Carter BloodCare blood drives. Even as I type this, Archie is receiving those lovely red blood cells. The chemo treatment takes care of the leukemia and sometimes those red blood cells and platelets loose out. Every time Archie has had chemo treatment he has needed red blood cells and platelets afterwards. Thank you, Chapel Hill UMC and praise the Lord for Chapel Hill UMC and Carter BloodCare!



Communion Offering

This month, we will be donating all the offering to Empty Bowls which will help the North Texas Food Bank. For every \$1 that is given, 3 people in the North Texas area are able to have a meal. Let's help our community!

Children's Choir News

We want to welcome our music director, David Lee, who is excited about leading our children's choir! Starting this SUNDAY, the choirs will be working on music for Palm Sunday and also will be learning to use the hand chimes. There is a NEW time for Children's Choir – both the children's choir and Rock-n-Praise choirs will meet immediately after church in the choir room. Also, the children will have a light snack in message experience to help them be ready for choir time. We will host choir for no more than 20-30 minutes so that you will have time to go to lunch with your families after 12pm. If you have any questions, you can contact Melanie at 214-335-3365 or David at 609-439-2655.

Choir Rehearsal

Want to be part of Choir, but can't make it to Wednesday night rehearsal? Come to our monthly Sunday rehearsal March 5th at 4pm in the choir room. We will be practicing our pieces and Easter Cantata music as well. See you there!



Current Youth UMYF Study: *Groove Studies-- Grace*

Grace is a church word that sometimes gets lost in the world of teenagers. Research shows that most teenagers have embraced a system of belief in which being a follower of Jesus is defined by behavior, instead of the grace of God offered through Christ. *Grace* is designed to show youth that grace is a real, practical force in their lives even in the midst of brokenness, fear, doubt, and stress. These key factors can often become major stumbling blocks for youth if they are not equipped with the tools to understand how God's grace operates in each of these areas. Each student will be equipped with a book of devotionals to be completed throughout the week to help them work through the thoughts they are left with on Sunday night. Sometimes the lessons leave youth with more reflection and processing to do; such devotions and challenges help youth develop a maturing, deepening faith that will last into adulthood. Keep the youth in your prayers these upcoming weeks as they engage in this new study.

March Usher List

5 - Kathy Scheihagen, Bob Bull; Roger & Angela Romine
12 - Barbara Tatum, Robert Putnam; Ruth Fuls, Larry Rains
19 - Patsy Kaphengst, Mary Bandy; Linda Pace, Jacob Gooch
26 - Kandy Burdette, Charlie Wood; Laurie Peake, Sandy Fletcher



Interim Children's Director

I accepted the position to be the interim children's director until our new director is found and hired. I am excited about the opportunity to serve the church in this capacity! Please be praying for our church and SPRC committee to find the right person to take on the leadership of the children's department in the upcoming weeks and months! I will greatly welcome your prayers and continued support during this time of transition. Blessings! Melanie Willhite

Message Experience

The church at large will be participating in the Lenten series, "Creed" by Adam Hamilton, which begins this Sunday and ends on Palm Sunday. The children have been given Lenten passports to complete. We have challenged them to bring their passports EVERY Sunday and to any event they participate in at church so they can receive their "passport stickers." If they each child earns at least 2 stickers every week, we will have a party the week after Easter to talk about what they learned and to celebrate! This week they can receive stickers for: Filling out their information page (and drawing a self-portrait). Bringing an item to Break-fast, attending Break-fast and Ash Wednesday, talking to their parents about what they learned about fasting and Ash Wednesday, and committing to either give up something or add something to their daily routine for the season of Lent. The children are excited about the challenge and will need your support to learn and complete their weekly tasks!

Easter Eggstravaganza

Mark your calendars for the Easter Eggstravaganza on Saturday, April 8 from 4-7pm. We are excited about partnering with the German School and the community to host the event this year. Here's the schedule of events:

Egg Hunt - 4pm

GISD performance - 4:45pm

BBQ dinner – 5pm

CHUMC Easter Program - 6pm

Please come and support our church, children and GISD as we celebrate the season of Easter and the beginning of Holy Week!

Easter Candies

We need your help! We are asking for your donations of Easter candy! We will be accepting them until potluck on Sunday, March 19. Please bring the following items and put in the box labeled "Easter Candy" by the closet:

- Lifesavers (or something similar)
- Bubble Gum
- Little packages of jelly beans
- No hard candies
- Small trinkets (like bouncy balls, etc)

We will take chocolate but would prefer only the mini versions so they can easily fit inside the eggs. If you have something else in mind, that's certainly fine but please make sure all candies are **individually wrapped** and **will fit inside a regular egg**. Thank you so much for supporting the children's program!

Children's Department Workday

We need your help! THIS Saturday from 1-5pm are cleaning the Garden room out so it can be upgraded with paint and a new floor! We need volunteers who might be willing to get their steps in (or sit and sort books and papers) so we can move items to a new space. Even if you aren't involved in the children's ministry but would like to help the church, please come! Thank you!

Want something in the Newsletter?

Please send your newsletter article into office@chapelhillumc.org by Monday at 11am

Have an event for church that you need to reserve a room or get on the calendar?

Go to our website: chapelhillumc.org and fill out the event request form or email office@chapelhillumc.org



Tuesday, February 28

10:00 AM GISD Carnival Party
3:00 PM Project Transformation

Wednesday, March 1

ASH WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM Staff Meeting
12:00 noon GISD Gym
3:00 PM Project Transformation
6:00 PM Break-fast
7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, March 2

3:00 PM Project Transformation
6:00 PM Prayer Team
7:00 PM CREED Study

Saturday, March 4

1:00 PM Children's Workday

Sunday, March 5

9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship
11:30 AM Children's Choir
11:30 AM Mission Trip Meeting
11:30 AM UMM Meeting
11:30 AM Youth Council
4:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM UMYF

Monday, March 6

9:00 AM GISD Gym
10:00 AM Companions in Christ
11:30 AM Prayer Group
1:00 PM GISD Gym
3:00 PM Project Transformation

Please see our full calendar at:

<https://www.chapelhillumc.org/getinvolved/calendar/>

BIRTHDAY REMINDER: Please let our church office know your birthdate, mm/dd/yyyy, so your church family can acknowledge your special day. **Your 'year' will remain private:** office@chapelhillumc.org



Cindi Moore 3/11
Hayley Byrd 3/16
Kelsey Maxwell 3/26

Judy Bull 3/14
Lilian Harlow 3/25

Lee Willhite 3/15
Tom Bull 3/26