



Audrey Oppenheim
 The Hampton Family
 The Gee Family
 Nita & Jonathan Horne
 Kurt Maerschel – Confirmand
 Emily Smith – Confirmand
 Betty Peace
 Jocelyn Barnard
 Scott Fletcher
 Jennie Leamons
 Tom Sanders
 Jim Hanigan
 Edrese Hanigan
 Justin Hardin
 Nancy Ochoa and baby Anaya
 Gary & Judy Anderson
 Dixie & Lynn Copeland
 Garth & Cassandra Gelker
 Christy Hopkins

Craig Stanley
 CHUMC Homebound



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– Pastor’s Message –



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Chapel Hill Family,

A couple of your fellow CHUMC members and I attended the North Texas Conference of the UMC Immigration Summit two weeks ago at Lovers Lane UMC. We enjoyed a wonderful time of worship and reflection on the humanitarian crisis occurring on our border. It has been my intent to travel down to the border with others who have gone down to see for it myself but have not yet made that happen. I do know the images I have seen and the stories I have heard from those who have been there deeply troubled my heart. The Immigration Summit was an excellent opportunity to hear more about the situation and what those of us who are moved by compassion and are hungering and thirsting for justice can do in response to their spiritual urgings.

The simplest thing you can do to advocate for justice for our immigrant neighbors is to call your representatives and senators on a weekly basis. Tell them you want the Migration Protection Protocol known as Remain in Mexico, which requires asylum seekers to remain south of our border in camps and detention centers, ended. Explain you want the detention centers north of the border closed down. Bear witness to our scriptural call to welcome the immigrant because immigrant status is at the foundation of who we historically and spiritually (Ex. 22:21; Matthew 25:31-45). Tell the stories of immigrants you know. Why? Will they listen? Do they care what you think? Well, as Texas Impact (of which I am on the board) Executive Director Bee Moorhead explains, creating change in the political arena is like trying to push a bus out of a mudhole. We may not have a tow truck or a tractor that can help us. But if everyone gets out and provides a push, we can get the bus unstuck and moving forward again.

That is what happens when we make regular calls to our governing officials. They get to know us and our stories. They start to take more notice. And when a mass of constituents do this, they start to take notice and the needle begins to move.

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Upcoming Usher List

3/1 – Craig Davis, Mitchell Davis, Tom & Jan Wooldridge
3/8 – Kandy Burdette, Linda Pace, Larry & Andrea Rains
3/15 – Dave & Ilene Oldfield, Robert Putnam, Barbara Tatum
3/22 – Meredith Freeman, Nathan Moore, Ruth Fuls, Pat Moore
3/29 – Joel & Kim Rangel, Gaje Allen, Ava Allen

February & March Mission Organizing Project

Chapel Hill Family,

Kasandra Hampton was a youth here at Chapel Hill and she needs some help. She is about to become a teen mom to a baby girl and is needing baby items to help them get started. We will be collecting items till March 15th. If you have any questions, ask Meredith Freeman. Please help this new mom get off to strong start and show our love and support for her and her baby girl

Diapers newborn-1 size
Wipes
Baby Hygiene items
Baby girl clothes newborn-3 month sizes
Bibs
Burp cloths
Walmart gift cards

Love, The Outreach Team

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 26 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. We will, as a church, observe this special day. As you know, the Lenten season is 40 days of reflection as we prepare for Easter.

At 6 pm, on Ash Wednesday, we will partake in a Break-Fast meal. Everyone is encouraged to fast after your evening meal on Tuesday until 6 pm on Wednesday. For some, the fasting could range from no food at all to just giving up one meal or snacks.

When we gather, we'll enjoy a meal of breads, fruits, cheeses and juice. Afterwards, we'll celebrate the day with a service of reflection and imposition of ashes. There will be a bulletin insert for the next couple weeks to sign up to bring food items.

Safety Awareness Training

CHUMC is hosting a Safety Awareness Class Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020 7:00-9:00 pm to help CHUMC members learn valuable safety skills that can be used in many emergency situations.

FB Police Crime Prevention Officer Steve Rutherford and FB Fire Dept. Emergency Management Specialist Lauren Sanchez will teach ways to keep yourself safe in the event of an active shooter or other emergency and provide Stop the Bleed hands-on training.

All Chapel Hill members are welcome and encouraged to attend. We need to know if you are coming so please sign-up by calling the church office or emailing Jan Wooldridge at jhwool51@gmail.com.

Pastor's Message Continued...

Maria Robles of Faith in Texas shared another way you can help is to provide accompaniment to one of our immigrant neighbors when they have a scheduled check-in with ICE or have an immigration court hearing. This accompaniment alleviates the fears of immigrants when they interact with immigration officials, allows us to witness what happens when immigrants interact with immigration officials and any injustices taking place, and gives us knowledge we can use to advocate for needed change in the immigration system and our community.

One other way to advocate is to join with the Dallas Area Progressive Christian Alliance, whose board I served on a few years back, for their Good Friday Walk for Justice in which we will walk through the City of Dallas as a prophetic witness to the call to welcome our immigrant neighbors.

The passion to love the vulnerable and seek justice as we follow Christ in seeking our scripture's vision of the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in this world (Book of Discipline para. 122) is a major part of what drew me into the United Methodist Church. Perhaps we can join together into this way of discipleship together. It is, at times, thankless and painful. but the reward is oh so great.

May God bless and keep you this week.



Inclement Weather Procedure

In the event of inclement weather, our office will close if DISD closes. This is so that our staff and congregation can stay safe during those winter storms that we get every now and again. Please stay safe this winter and bundle up!

Church Calendar

Wednesday, February 26th

10:00 AM Staff Meeting
6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 27th

7:00 PM Safety Training

Sunday, March 1st

9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship
11:30 AM Children's Choir
11:30 AM Blood Drive
11:30 AM UMM Meeting
4:00 PM Youth
4:00 PM German Worship Service

Wednesday, March 4th

10:00 AM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Numismatics Int'l Board Meeting
7:00 PM Plus 4's Square Dancers
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

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



Veronica Law 2/12
Habib Khoury 2/24
Kathy Scheihagen 2/26

Adam Richards 2/17
Jacob Rangel 2/24

Ana Christensen 2/21
Sarah Baird 2/26

Want something in the Newsletter?
Send your newsletter article to office@chapelhillumc.org by 8am Friday.

Need to reserve a room or get an event on the calendar?
Please fill out an Event Request Form located on our website: chapelhillumc.org, email office@chapelhillumc.org, or in the folders on the table in the narthex.

Want to have a bulletin insert or announcement slide?
Look at the standards and procedures in the folders on the narthex table and turn it in by 4pm Thursday.

Have something to celebrate?
Email the office with your celebration by Monday at 11am so that we can put your celebration in our "Hats Off" section to have everyone know the joy you are experiencing in your life.