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Sunday, February 22

Five Ways to Worship...



Rev. Mark Craig
8:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.



Rev. Jeff Hall
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.



Rev. Walt Marcum
Great Hall, 11:00 a.m.



Rev. Paul Rasmussen
Contemporary Service
Wesley Hall, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.



Rev. Paul Rasmussen
Wesley Hall, 8:30 a.m.

...within One Church

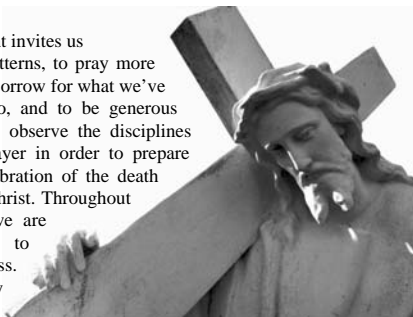
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LENTEN SEASON BEGINS ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Lent offers us all a very special opportunity to grow in our relationship with God and to deepen our commitment to a new way of life, rooted in our baptismal vow.

In our busy world, Lent invites us to reflect upon our patterns, to pray more deeply, to experience sorrow for what we've done and failed to do, and to be generous to those in need. We observe the disciplines of self-denial and prayer in order to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the death and Resurrection of Christ. Throughout this 40-day period, we are afforded the chance to grow in Christ-likeness.

It is an extraordinary invitation to each one of us.



Lenten Worship

Ash Wednesday Worship Services

Wednesday, February 25, Noon (all ages) and 7:00 p.m. (family)
Cox Chapel

Finding Light in Lent - Taizé Worship

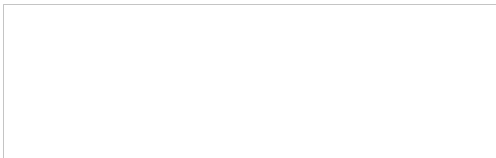
A time for prayer, renewal, reflection and worship through song.
Thursdays, March 5 & April 2, 7:00 p.m.
Cox Chapel

Sunday Morning Worship in the Sunday Night Way

A Six-Week Lenten Series of Services
March 1-April 5, 9:30 a.m. in Cox Chapel led by Rev. Arville McLain.

- Cokesbury hymns
- Altar time
- Evangelical preaching on "The Way of the Cross"
- Informal style

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† hpumc youth choir
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CELEBRATE

DESSERT THEATRE 2009



Sunday, March 1
4:00pm & 7:00pm

Dessert/Coffee served thirty minutes prior to each show.

FUN show for the entire family!

Tickets available by calling 214.523.2250, online at www.hpumc.org OR two weeks prior in Fellowship Hall and outside Wesley Hall.

Reserved Tickets - \$10 General Admssion - \$5

MISSION TRIP FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS!

May 16-24 is the Costa Rica college mission trip. The cost is \$800 plus your own airfare. If you are a college student (or parents, sign up your kids!) who has a heart to serve others and would like to help build the first Methodist orphanage in Costa Rica, contact Rachael Faubion at faubionr@hpumc.org or Trissie Osborn at osbornrt@hpumc.org. The registration deadline is February 22.

Can one New Year's resolution help you meet new friends, learn new skills and make a difference? Serving can!

Commit to volunteering in your church, in your community or in the world this new year. Contact Connect & Serve for some fresh ideas and ways to get started: luederl@hpumc.org or 214.523.2246.



HPUMC SINGLES MINISTRY

CROWN FINANCIAL MINISTRIES for Singles



Wed • Feb 18 - Apr 29
6:30-8:30 p.m. • \$45
Rm 387



Led by Carolyn Campbell

**The Bible contains more than 2,350 verses on money.
Come learn God's financial principles for your life.**

You are required to attend 8 out of 10 weeks, be on time and do the weekly homework. You will receive a book, 2 CDs, a student guide and Practical Application Workbook. You do not need to reveal any private financial information. Pay online or with a check.

BIBLE STUDY for Singles in the City



Tues. • 7:00 p.m. • Rm. 241 (Storm Lounge)

Begins Feb. 17

Feb. 17 • Rev. Arville McLain

Feb. 24 • Dr. Paul Benson

9:11: The Fruits of Religious Extremism

Add some spark to your Tuesday nights! Come ignite the fire in your life! Join us on Tuesday nights for a Bible study specifically designed for 40s+. Fellowship first, followed by study of the scriptures with small group discussion. Guest speakers will guide us through different topics and scriptures. Come meet new people! Invite your friends!

FRIDAY NITE DINNER & MOVIE

Friday • February 20 • 6:15 p.m.
NorthPark Mall

Meet at the Glass Atrium in the Food Court.

Come join us! We will meet at the Glass Atrium in the Food Court of NorthPark Mall where we'll eat, chat and decide which movie to attend. After dinner, it's off to see a movie at the AMC Theater. For more info: 214.523.2206.

For more info: www.hpumc.org/singles



Pull out those old cell phones! VIP is continually collecting phones to be donated to domestic violence agencies in the area. Bring them to the collection box at the information desk located inside the north entrance to the sanctuary.

THE LANDS OF THE BIBLE CRUISE NOVEMBER 11-22



Visit Israel, Greece, Turkey and Egypt, and best of all: your bags stay on the boat. Join Revs. Walt and Barbara Marcum and Richard Stanford in as they cruise the Bible Lands, with visits to the Acropolis, Corinth, the Pyramids, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, Ephesus, and the island of Rhodes. This is an easy way for the Christian traveler to see most of the eastern Mediterranean lands that play such an important role in both Old and New Testaments.

If you need a brochure or want more information, contact Richard Stanford at 214.523.2249 or stanfordr@hpumc.org. A copy of the brochure can also be downloaded from the Special Events page at www.hpumc.org.

Miss a sermon?

Watch & listen online at www.hpumc.org.

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your offering online?

You set the amount
You set the schedule
(one time or recurring)
Changes are easy
Use your credit card or
bank account

Set it & forget it
www.hpumc.org

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CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

In Sympathy for the Families of:

Names of HPUMC members are listed in bold.

Charles V. Cotten 1/17/09. Survived by wife Wanda Cotten; daughter and husband **Cheryl & Bill Elder**.

Carol Reeves Streicker 1/23/09. Survived by mother Mabel Claire Reeves; brother **Bill Reeves**; sister-in-law **Kay Reeves**; niece and husband **Claire & Alan Leek**; nephew **Travis Reeves**.

Robert Edmund Grinnan, Jr. 1/31/09. Survived by mother Catherine Curry Grinnan; brother and wife Gregory & **Ellen Grinnan**; dear friend Ellen Beadling.

Edward Thomas Slaughter, Jr. 2/2/09. Survived by wife Betty Slaughter; daughters and husbands **Kathleen & Dan Chaney**, Pamela & Philip Bush; grandchildren **Will & Ben Chaney**.

Medora White 2/5/09. Survived by husband **Bill White**; daughter and husband **Kathleen & Richard Neely**; sons and wives **Bill & Leslie White, David & Jennifer White, Stephen & Carol White**; sister and husband **Polly & Michael Trapp**; grandchildren **Medora & William Neely, Madeline, Christiana, Matthew, Meredith, Jacqueline, Claire, Andrew & Robert White**; nephews and wives **Mac & Lisa Tichenor, Ben & Allison Doherty**.

Robert Dale Buckner 2/8/09. Survived by daughter and husband Barbara & Bruce Land; granddaughters and husbands **Kimberly & Philip Cormier, Stacy & Daniel Odom**; great-grandchildren **Lily & Olivia Cormier, Riley Odom**.

Celebrating the Birth of:

For births or baptism listings, contact Mary Bishop, bishopm@hpumc.org.

Jackson Ezra Mills was born on January 13, 2009. He is the son of Shannon and Brandon Mills and joins Acacia. His grandparents are Linda and Frank Roby.

Abigail Heidi Roby was born on January 14, 2009. She is the daughter of Lesley and Daniel Roby and joins Noah. Her grandparents are Linda and Frank Roby.

Margaret "Elise" Allen was born on January 22, 2009. She is the daughter of Cecile and James Allen.

William Douglas Watson was born on January 24, 2009. He is the son of Kimberly and Doug Watson. His aunt and uncle are Tammy and Scooter Beachum.

Sadie Scott Bono was born on January 27, 2009. She is the daughter of Debbie and Justen Bono and joins Molly.

Harrison Marquez Smith was born on January 30, 2009. He is the son of Heidi and David Smith and joins Patterson. His grandparents are Nita and David Smith.

Family Fun

Join your church family for a special evening of dinner, fellowship and worship to prepare for the Lenten season Wednesday, February 25, 6:00-6:45 p.m., Great Hall. Dinner (\$8 for adults, \$4 for children) will be eggs, pancakes and fruit. There will be crafts and activities at each table, along with a Lenten calendar for each family to take home. Online registration at www.hpumc.org/children. Please make your reservations by Monday, February 23.

At 7:00 p.m. there will be a family-oriented service in the Sanctuary with a worship packet provided for children. Nursery/KidCare will be available during the service for ages newborn-5th grade. Please make your reservation by Friday, February 18 at 214.523.2201. Questions? Contact Amanda Clepper at 214.523.2265.

Lenten Lessons

Living With the Mind of Christ

The biblical basis for our Lenten study this season is based on one of the most eloquent passages in the entire New Testament, written by the apostle Paul (Philippians 2:1-11). Paul's purpose is as challenging as it is clear. He is out to change our minds. Paul's challenge to us, "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." Tuesdays, February 17-March 24, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Room 385. Fee: \$10. Register by Thursday, February 12. Led by John Lucas. Registration: 214.523.2231 or www.hpumc.org.

Jesus Calls Us - To What?

Adult Ministries Special Events is offering a six-week Lenten Bible Study, "Jesus Calls Us - To What?" Thursdays, February 26-April 2, noon-1:30 p.m. in room 120 with lunch (\$9). Sign up for the study and lunch by Tuesday before the event with Richard Stanford at 214.523.2249 or stanfordr@hpumc.org.

Gospelled Lives: Encounters with Jesus, A Lenten Study by John Indermark

A provocative study focusing on both the positive and negative responses of people in the Gospels who encountered the living Christ and his offer of good news. Calls may be heard or neglected. Challenges may be taken or passed up. That's as true today as it was Jesus' time. Begins Monday, March 2 from 7:00-8:15 a.m. in room 241 (Storm Lounge). Fee: \$11.50. Registration: 214.523.2231 or www.hpumc.org.

Holy Week: What Really Happened? What Does It Mean?

This three-part series will go through each day of Holy Week and explore what scholars now believe really happened historically and what it means. The presentations will draw from the material in the Gospel of John as well as the synoptic gospels.

Thu., April 2: What is Palm Sunday?

Mon., April 6: Cleansing of the Temple on Monday and the Events of Tuesday and Wednesday

Wed., April 8: What is Maundy Thursday and Good Friday?

All from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in room 386. Fee: \$25. Register by Thursday, March 26. Led by Walt Marcum. Registration: 214.523.2231 or www.hpumc.org.

Passover Seder Meal

The Passover Seder is a ritual feast held on the first night of the Jewish holiday of Passover. Families gather around the table on the night of Passover to read the Haggadah, the story of the Israelite exodus from Egypt. As Christians, we participate in the Seder in order to learn about our own spiritual heritage, for the story of God saving his people is a story in which we share.

Tuesday, March 31, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Great Hall. Fee: \$20.

Led by Rabbi Heidi Coretz, SMU Hillel Foundation. Reservations and fee must be in by Wednesday, March 25. Registration: 214.523.2231 or www.hpumc.org.

Pick up a Lenten brochure at the church for more details plus our Easter worship schedule.



The Academy of Christian & Life Enrichment Studies

FEBRUARY AND MARCH CLASSES

John Wesley Series:
"A Plain Account of
Christian Perfection"
Tuesdays,

February 24-March 17

Breaking Free –
a Beth Moore study
Thursdays, beginning
February 26

Drawing as a
Spiritual Practice
Mondays, March 2-30

Conversational Spanish
Tuesdays & Thursdays,
March 3-April 9

Jesus, the Gospels
& the History
Tuesdays, March 3-24

Registration/information:
call 214.523.2231 or
214.523.2296
or visit www.hpumc.org.