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Jesus Through the Centuries

This 10 weeks course will be led by Dr. Jim Mayfield and will be held on Monday evenings beginning January 28th and ending April 8th. The class will meet from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The focus for the study will include:

- How has Jesus been perceived and understood across the centuries?
 - What various aspects of Jesus the Christ have been emphasized at various points in history?
 - What may have influenced each era to have its focus or perception of Jesus?
- The cost for the course is \$20.00 (for book and materials). Childcare is available by reservation only. Registration will be held until all 35 spaces are filled. For more information, or to register for the course, call the church office (472-3111) or email Nancy @tarrytownumc.org.

Lenten Daily Devotional Guide

As we prepare for the upcoming Lenten season, we ask that you consider contributing a devotional to our annual Tarrytown UMC Lenten Daily Devotional Guide. If you turn in an item that comes from a book or other resource, it is absolutely necessary that you cite the resource and author. We will not be able to publish any material that is not cited.

It is helpful if the devotionals are typed and no longer than one page in length. You can email articles to Dawn at the church at dawn@tarrytownumc.org Art contributions are welcomed as well!

In preparing to contribute a devotional, we encourage you to reflect on your own spiritual life in this past year and contribute something that has spoken to you about God's work in your life and in the world. This year, we are encouraging our contributors to write on a Lenten theme. Below are some possible topics you might consider...

1. The life and death of Jesus-and his victory over death.
2. Our gift of everlasting life.
3. How Jesus' love and teachings affect your thoughts, feelings, and actions.
4. How Jesus' love and teachings provide hope, inner strength, and direction.

5. Renewing your commitment to God.
6. Acts of self-denial which help remind us of Jesus' love.
7. Simplifying life to allow more time for yourself, for others, or for developing your spirituality.
8. Sharing your gifts, time, or talents with others.
9. Overcoming temptation or obstacles-how your faith helps.
10. Ways to renew and enrich your spiritual lives.
11. Cleansing your spirit.
12. Sorrow turning into joy.
13. Forgiveness.
14. Any meaningful Lenten experiences or traditions you would like to share.
15. A favorite passage from the Bible.
16. A favorite inspirational hymn, story, prayer, or poem.
17. Artwork inspired by Lent.
18. A "closest to Christ" moment in your life.

This book has been very meaningful in the past to both those who have contributed the devotionals and those who have used the booklet during the Lenten season. We will accept devotionals NO LATER than JANUARY 25. For more information, call either Shirley Hamilton or Kathy Allen.

Help for the Honduras Mission Team

Forty excited pilgrims will be leaving January 26 for a week of work at Rancho Paraiso and the surrounding communities of the agalta Valey. It's our largest group yet! Funds are urgently needed to underwrite our educational, medical, and construction projects. This year we will be supporting and enriching the kindergarten programs which we helped to found with teacher workshops and additional supplies. Our four doctors and their helping hand team members will be visiting rural clinics, where as many as two hundred people stand patiently waiting for medical

care. Our construction group is known for working miracles, pulling dozens of chairs and tables out of rough lumber for those eager kindergarten children. We have the will, but we need help with "the way", and we are asking for the support of those of you who must remain here. Contributions may be mailed to the church or placed in the offering marked "Honduras". Over the years we have consistently been lifted by this congregation's generosity and supported by the prayers we felt from miles away.

Your opportunity to help in Honduras

Would you like to help the Honduras team and you are unable to go to Honduras? Here is how. Once again the team will be taking Morning Hygiene Packets to the children at the village kindergartens. The packets consist of:

- 1 large ziplock freezer bag (gallon size)
 - 1 small ziplock bag (sandwich or quart size)
 - 1 bath size bar of soap
 - 1 tube (8.5 oz.) tooth paste
 - 1 child's tooth brush
 - 1 5 to 8 ounce hard plastic cup (not solo cups)
 - 1 wooden clothes pin
 - 1 comb (without pointed ends)
- Place all items in large ziplock bag. Starter bags will be available in Perry Hall before and after the 11:00 a.m. service and after the 9:30 a.m. service. Please come by and take some packets home. Packets may be returned to the church office on or before January 24th.



Pancake Alert!

Lent falls early this year so please mark your calendars now on February 12th for the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.

My Job Workshop

The Austin District **My Job Workshop and Laity Celebration** with Bishop Joel Martinez will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2002, in the Schmidt-Jones Family Life Center of First UMC, Austin, at 13th and Lavaca, in downtown Austin. The training event will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude with a celebration luncheon from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Tickets for the luncheon will be available at the door for \$7.00 per person.

Child care is available by advance reservation only for children 12 and under by contacting: Kathy Fletcher at 280-6749 or kfletcher2@austin.rr.com. Child care deadline is January 25, 2002. Detailed flyers are available in the church office.

Our growing church family



Please welcome Cary and Heather Haynes, who became members of TUMC on January 13, 2002.

Crew Choir Musical

This Sunday, the 20th, the CREW Choir will be presenting the musical, "Why the Chimes Rang". This musical is a story about the true meaning of giving (set at Christmas time), but is appropriate for all times. The children have been working on this all fall, and hope you will enjoy the music and story.

We do our musical around Epiphany, after Christmas due to a busy church schedule during Advent, and to remind us all that the spirit we feel at Christmas should last all year long. The synopsis of the story is that it is Christmas time again and the townspeople are all busy getting ready for the celebration. Vendors are busy selling their wares in the town square as the people are shopping. A young boy and girl live in the country and are preparing to walk to the city for the church celebration they have heard about on Christmas eve. They bring a small coin for the offering. As they walk they meet some people from far lands who are also bringing gifts from the lands of the tall black mountains, the shining rivers and the flowering meadows. As they reach the gates of the city they discover and old woman lying in the snow. They know she will die if they don't help her. Sarah decides to stay with her and keep her warm. She sends little brother on alone to bring his small coin to the church and to find someone to help. He has heard that sometimes the chimes in the tall tower ring on Christmas eve, and he hopes they will do so this night.

Come see how this Christmas story plays out from this point. The musical will be presented at both the 9:30 and 11:00 services.

Lenten Course

Gathered In the Word (led by Ann Beaty)

Using Norvene Vest's book by the same title as a guide, this 6 weeks Lenten course will offer *lectio divina* as a way to pray the scriptures. We will be using the lectionary scriptures passages for Lent from Matthew and John. *Lectio divina* (divine reading) is a powerful means of praying the Bible for spiritual growth. Each session will include:

- * Opening Remarks on the scripture by the leader.
- * Small group time using *lectio divina* as a guide for praying the scripture.
- * Reflections on the process/questions and comments.
- * Closing with Prayer & Holy Communion.

Classes begin the week of February 11 and end the week of March 27. We will not meet during Spring break. Regular attendance is an important part of this series. The course will be offered at 2 times:

- Monday's from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (Feb. 11-March 25)
- Wednesday's from 7:30-9:00 p.m. (Feb. 13-March 27)

There will be a \$5.00 fee to cover the cost of materials. Child care is available by reservation only. For more information, or to register, please call the church office at 472-3111 or email nancy@tarrytownumc.org

Discerning your gifts

Lent is a wonderful opportunity to grow spiritually in discerning your God-given gifts for ministry. Penny Sutton and Joyce Gill will again lead the class "Spirit Gifts" during the Lenten season.

This class will help you explore God's purpose for your life, what special gifts and abilities God has given you, and how God might be calling you to use these gifts. The class offers a biblical foundation for understanding spiritual gifts and helps you discover God's direction for your life as you name, claim and use your own spiritual gifts.

"Spirit Gifts" will meet on Sunday morning from 11:00 a.m. to noon on February 17 and 24, March 3 and 17. The manual is \$6.00 per person. Please consider joining us.

Annual Church Conference

Our Annual Church Conference will be Thursday, January 24 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All members of TUMC have voice and vote. The budget for 2002 will be adopted and officers will be elected. Copies of the proposed budget and the nominees are available in the Fellowship Hall.



TUMC BULLETIN BOARD

CHURCH CALENDAR

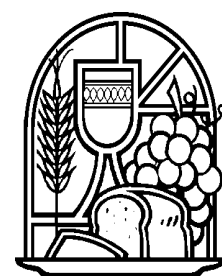
- Sunday, January 20**
- 8:30 a.m. **First Worship Service**
 - 8:30 a.m. New Member Class, Library
 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 - 9:30 a.m. **Second Worship Service**
 - 9:30 a.m. Extended Care, Rm 201B
 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time, Perry Hall
 - 11:00 a.m. Marriage Exploration Class, Rm 207
 - 11:00 a.m. **Third Worship Service**
 - 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
 - 11:20 a.m. Extended Care, Rm 201B
 - 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Time, front porch
 - 12:00 p.m. Spanish Class, Rm 204
 - 1:00 p.m. New Member Lunch
- No UMYF
- Monday, January 21**
- 9:00 a.m. Body Recall, Perry Hall
 - 12:00 p.m. Disciple II, Rm 203
 - 12:30 p.m. Women's Emmaus, Rm. 202
 - 1:00 p.m. Library Committee
 - 7 p.m. Mission Comm. mtg, Rm 208
 - 7 p.m. SPRC mtg., Rm 207
 - 7:30 p.m. Disciple I, Rm 204 w/Barry
 - 7:30 p.m. Disciple I, Rm 203 w/Barrett

- Tuesday, January 20**
- 12:00 p.m. Women's Emmaus Reunion, Rm 202
 - 12:00 p.m. Disciple I, Rm 204
 - 7:00 p.m. Christian Believer, Rm 209
 - 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Rm 208
 - 7:00 p.m. Evangelism Comm.mtg, Lib
 - 7:00 p.m. Naomi Circle, Diane White's house
 - 7:30 p.m. Disciple II, Rm 203

- Wednesday, January 21**
- 9:00 a.m. Body Recall, Perry Hall
 - 10:00 a.m. Spiritual Growth and Support Group, Rm 203
 - 11:00 a.m. District Youth Prof.
 - 11:45 p.m. Retired Pastors, Rm 1
 - 6:20 p.m. Bell Choir, Rm 201
 - 6:30 p.m. **Communion Service, Chapel**
 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Emmaus Reunion, Rm. 202
 - 6:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus Reunion, Library
 - 6:45 p.m. Youth Bible Study, FUMC
 - 7:30 p.m. Disciple III, Rm 204

- Thursday, January 22**
- 7:00 a.m. Women's Emmaus Reunion, Library
 - 10:00 a.m. CAF, PH
 - 12:00 p.m. Women's Emmaus Reunion
 - 7:00 p.m. Honduras Team mtg., Rm 208

- Annual Church Conference, PH
- Friday, January 18**
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Emmaus Reunion, Library
- Women's Retreat Jan. 25-27



Service of Holy Communion, Healing and Prayers

A healing service is offered each Wednesday in the chapel from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Babysitting is provided most Wednesdays. Please call 472-3111 for more information.

Preparing for Sunday

January 20, 2002
2nd Sunday
after Epiphany

Scriptures:
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42
Isaiah 49:1-7

Sermon: 8:30 a.m. by Rev. Jim Mayfield

Attendance

Sunday, January 13
8:30 a.m. 73
9:30 a.m. 257
11:00 a.m. 328

Thanks to Ushers

Roger Mulder, Jimmy Gage, John Land, Paula and David Duke, Peggy and John Maxwell, Preston Wolfe, Jackson Blake, Ron Sandburg, Curtis Page

Acolytes

Will Johnson, Will Gainer
Processional Cross Leader
Emily Garner

Memorials

Memorial Fund

In memory of Tom Brandfield from Hubert Dee Johnson, Marjorie W. Wilkes
In memory of Newlin Herndon from Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Waterman, Jr.

In memory of Dr. T. J. Archer from Chris and Farland Bundy, Dorothy and Harry Sandberg, The Fellowship Class, Dorothy and James McAlexander, Norma and Robert Pugh

Endowment Fund

In memory of Newlin Herndon from Lana and Chuck Cook
In memory of Dr. T. J. Archer from Dr. and Mrs. Al Vickers

Capital Building Campaign

In memory of Tom Bradfield from Margaret and Bob Winters

Visited Churches

Margaret and Bob Winters attended services at First United Methodist Church in West Plains, Missouri on December 23, 2001

Congratulations

Kristen and Moses Fisher had a baby girl, Trinity Leigh Fisher, born on January 8, 2002.

Condolences

Our sympathies are with the Aaron Webb and family on the death of his father, Ronnie Web on January 7.

Our prayers are with the family of Dr. Richard Geyer, who died on January 9.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of T.J. Archer, who died on January 9.

Our sympathies are with Allison Angell and her family on the death of her cousin, Becky Knight.

All around church and town

Adult Bible Class

This class uses a lectionary format. All who wish to come for in-depth Bible study are cordially invited to do so.

United Methodist Women

The Esther Circle Meeting will be at Joan Jone's house and the Susanna Circle will meet at Sally Lacy's house on January 22, at 10 a.m. Contact Priscilla at 346-3260 for more info.

Honduras Team Meetings

January 24, 7-9 pm, Rm 208. Packing Party!

United Methodist Men

February 7th, 7:00 a.m. Program will be "A Visit To Taize, A Retreat in France" by Rev. Ann Beaty. Other than members are always welcome should the program be of particular interest to you.

January is Blind Awareness Month!

The Austin Council of the Blind is asking for financial support in order to publish books in braille for their students. The cost to publish pre-kindergarten books is \$35 to \$50 per book, elementary age books are \$55 to \$75 per book and middle school through high school is \$80. The Austin Council of the Blind contact is Leo Murray at 407-8443 if you would like more information.

Children’s Sunday School to continue relationship with Sims Elementary

The Children’s Sunday School Committee and the Children’s Special Ministries committees have teamed up to find ways to continue to provide needed items for Sims Elementary School, a school riddled with children in poverty. Each month our Children’s Sunday School classes will collect an “item of the month”

for Sims. Adults are encouraged to participate by dropping needed items on the table on the first floor of the Education Wing. Sims “Item of the Month” for January is backpacks. They need not be the heavy duty kind. Just something for the older elementary children to get their schoolwork to and from home.

Children coping with traumatic events

A workshop for children coping with traumatic events will be held Monday, February 11, from noon to 12 p.m. in Perry Hall.

After September 11 we are experiencing an increased awareness of our vulnerability living in a broken world. This provides the motivation to plan and prepare in advance should our children need to cope with an unexpected traumatic event. Come listen to Meredith Cooper and Melissa Hicks, certified child life specialists, discuss how to help children impacted by trauma. Learn what caring adults can do, practice hands on activities to implement with your children, receive a child’s mental health checklist and discover valuable resources.

Meredith Cooper, MS, CCLS and Melissa Hicks, MS, CCLS, LPC, RPT are

two child life specialists who have attended to the psychosocial needs of children with cancer and blood disorders for several years. Meredith worked in the Austin community and Melissa relocated to Austin from Atlanta, GA.

Both began work with pediatric oncology patients and children affected by other chronic illness. This work expanded to work with children who have a parent with a chronic illness, primarily cancer. Jointly, they recognized the need for formalized psychosocial services for children and adolescents who have a parent diagnosed with a chronic illness. In August of 2001, they began Wonders and Worries, Inc., a non-profit dedicated to providing psychosocial support for children, youth and families coping with chronic or life threatening illness.