

Join us in solidarity as we worship Feb 24, and for Prayer Vigil during Feb. 23-26 St. Louis Special General Conference... details forthcoming.



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**Online Giving:** On the church website find the GIVE tab and follow the instructions for **one-time or recurring giving**. Note the green Member cards in the pew racks ask if you are interested in doing this.

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- Jerry Hardy, Lay Leader



**DEBORAH'S HOUSE RE-OPENING**

**It is with much gratitude and excitement that the grand re-opening of Deborah's House has finally come!** On Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., we would love to have our friends and partners stop by to enjoy light snacks and great fellowship. At noon, Pastor Eric Vogt will bless the new facility!

Please call or text (210) 268-3314, or email [executivedirector@deborahshousesa.org](mailto:executivedirector@deborahshousesa.org) for the address.

We are filled with joy and looking forward to this new season of transition! - Jennifer Middleton, Interim Director.



**ENNEAGRAM**

Hello community. For all who were there to hear me, Pastor Valerie, preach about the Enneagram last Sunday, I wanted to provide some follow up information. Suzanne Stabile is my "go to" teacher. She has written two books about the Enneagram-*The Road Back To You* and *The Path Between Us*. She has a podcast and offers seminars (one is coming up in Austin in March). If you'd like to learn more, please visit her website: [lifeinthetrinityministry.com](http://lifeinthetrinityministry.com) And I'm always up for meeting to talk more about this tool and to recommend other resources. [vvogt@travispark.org](mailto:vvogt@travispark.org)



**COOKIE BRIGADE NEEDS YOU!**

Do you enjoy having a cookie and some conversation after church? Are you looking for a way to serve? We are down to less than four people to help do everything for the fellowship after church. We need people to set out the cookies, water, and cups just before service ends, people to put the trays,

pitchers, and cups back, and people to bake the cookies. We will be setting up a sign-up genius to fill out every two months and you can choose your time. If you are interested in helping out please contact Susan Snow at [fenskesnow@yahoo.com](mailto:fenskesnow@yahoo.com) to be added to the list.



**CMI STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE FUNDRAISER**

**Look for our display in the Foyer.** Three sizes are available: Personal \$8 ea, Sharing Size \$12 ea, giant two-layer Heart \$18 ea. All orders come in an elegant gift bag with tissue paper and may be picked up in the Foyer on Wednesday, Feb 13 between 3 and 7 p.m., unless special arrangements are made in advance with Juliet. For information contact [cmidirector@travispark.org](mailto:cmidirector@travispark.org).



**CMI FUNDRAISER: PAPER WOVEN HEARTS**

Corazon Ministries, Inc. (CMI) is selling beautiful "From the Heart" handcrafted woven paper hearts to celebrate Valentine's Day and support CMI's homeless ministries. On sale in the foyer this Sunday are small hearts for \$2, and large hearts for \$4. For information, contact Kate Campbell, [2katecampbell@gmail.com](mailto:2katecampbell@gmail.com).



**FOOD-HANDLING CLASS**

**Corazón Ministries (CMI) has coordinated with the Food Bank of San Antonio to provide a Safe Food Handling Class on Feb. 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Food Bank for only \$10.** The class is open to anyone that would like to obtain a Food Handlers certification and is particularly helpful for those that would like to volunteer and serve meals to our guests through CMI. Contact John Chadwell at [kitchen@cmi-loveandjustice.org](mailto:kitchen@cmi-loveandjustice.org) for more information and to sign up. Deadline is today. Scholarships are available.



**WAY FORWARD SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**

**The short-term adult Sunday school class, *Why Now, and What We Do Now: Human Sexuality and the United Methodist Church*, continues at 11:15 a.m. today in The Labyrinth Room.**

We begin today with a short video by Bishop Sally Dyck. John Patterson and Rachel Jennings will lead today's class. Contact Rachel Jennings at [rachel.sigismund@yahoo.com](mailto:rachel.sigismund@yahoo.com).

The class is designed to help us, as a congregation, better understand the landmark decisions likely to be voted on at the Called General Conference February 23-26 in St. Louis, Missouri regarding changes to the Book of Discipline and its current policies regarding LGBT persons. The class will meet weekly until March 3.



**DICKSIE BLUMBERG**

Dicksie Blumberg, long-time member and angel of the Travis Park UMC community went to meet her reward on Monday, Feb. 4. She was 103.

Dicksie was a child of God, so full of joy, peace, and Christ's love which she freely shared with all. Visitation is Friday, Feb. 8 from 5 to 9 p.m. at Mission Park South. Her Service of Celebration is Saturday, Feb. 9 at 1 p.m., also at Mission Park South, 1700 SE Military Dr. Dicksie and her husband, Armin, and their children were members of TPUMC for decades. Please remember Dicksie's family in your prayers and thoughts.



**YOUTH WINTER RETREAT**

**The youth group will be going on a retreat from Feb. 15 to 17 in Bandera, TX.** Come join us for a weekend of fun, adventure, and learning more about what it means to follow Christ! For questions or sign up contact youth director, Alex Cato: [alex@travispark.org](mailto:alex@travispark.org).

**Also, this summer our Youth will go on a mission trip to Oklahoma's native American reservation, Osage Nation.** The trip is June 30 to July 5, 2019. If you are in grades 6-12, know someone that age who would like to join us for the trip, or are interested in more information, contact our Youth Minister, Alex Cato. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity to grow closer to God! You can reach Alex by email at [alex@travispark.org](mailto:alex@travispark.org).



**RIO TEXAS CONFERENCE WEBINAR FEB. 20**

**Do you want to know more about what will be happening as delegates gather for General Conference 2019 in February?**

Join members of your Rio Texas delegation to General Conference 2019 as they review the plans presented by The Commission on a Way Forward. Each plan will be presented by a member of the delegation with time for question and answer. Registration is required. Participation is limited to the first 100 registrants. Click here to register for the Feb. 20 webinar. <https://bit.ly/2DZYeKF>



**PUB THEOLOGY**

**Join us at Pub Theology: San Antonio on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 7 p.m.** Pub Theology-San Antonio meets at The Friendly Spot, 943 S. Alamo St. For details contact Rev. Gavin Rogers, [gavin@travispark.org](mailto:gavin@travispark.org).



**CMI VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER**

Corazón Ministries, Inc. (CMI) will host an appreciation dinner on **Tuesday, Feb. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for its volunteers.**

### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BULLETINS

Throughout the winter season we will be using **Illustrated Children's Ministry bulletins on Sunday mornings for anyone who is interested.** These bulletins follow the lectionary, a list of Old and New Testament readings chosen to be read in church on a given Sunday, and provide ample space for creative and thoughtful contemplation on the theme each Sunday. You will find colored pencils in your pew racks, please return them to use next week. Pick up your children's bulletin with the traditional bulletin in the McNees Hall or Narthex.

### EMMAUS CHOIR TOUR JUNE 17-22

**This summer, the youth choir will go to St. Louis for Choir Tour. We will be on the trip from June 17 to 22.** Youth (grades 6-12) who are interested in going on the trip must participate consistently in the Emmaus youth choir as well as participate in the Emmaus choir tour fundraisers. For information, contact Caroline, [caroline@travispark.org](mailto:caroline@travispark.org).

### SANCTUARY CHOIR

If you are interested in being a part of the Sanctuary Choir, please join us for rehearsal on Sunday evenings. We meet from 6 to 7 p.m. on the second floor in the choir room. Contact Caroline at [caroline@travispark.org](mailto:caroline@travispark.org) for more information.

### EMMAUS YOUTH CHOIR

Emmaus sings monthly during worship and each summer we go on a week-long choir tour. We sing as well as play instruments such as the ukulele. (You must bring your own instrument). Emmaus (grades 6-12) rehearses from 5 to 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings on the second floor in the choir room. After Emmaus concludes, two TRUSTed adults walk with youth to youth group on the third floor. For information, contact Caroline at [caroline@travispark.org](mailto:caroline@travispark.org).

### JOYFUL NOISE! CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Come make a Joyful Noise! with the Children's Choir (K-5). Rehearsal is during part of the Sunday School hour. Two TRUSTed adults pick children up from the nursery to take them to the Children's Choir room on the second floor, room 206. Children are then taken back to nursery for pick-up at noon. For more information, contact Caroline at [caroline@travispark.org](mailto:caroline@travispark.org).

### PRRI REPORTS MAJORITY OF TEXANS SUPPORT LGBTQ PROTECTIONS

Equality Texas, the largest statewide organization working to secure full equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Texans, released new data that shows most Texans now favor laws to protect LGBTQ Texans from discrimination. Texas turned the corner. The majority of Texans of every region, religion and major ethnic group, including white evangelical Protestants, support legal protections against discrimination of the LGBTQ community of people. The new, in-depth analysis comes from nationally recognized polling firm PRRI, a non-profit, non-partisan organization that conducts independent research at the intersection of religion, culture, and public policy. Link to this study: <https://www.prri.org/spotlight/spotlight-on-texas-broad-support-for-lgbt-issues/>

### THE NEW STORY FESTIVAL MAR. 29-31

The New Story Festival returns to Austin March 29-31, at Huston-Tillotson University. The event is a "...bold experiment for a better world, embodying imagination, spirituality, social action, and playful connection - defined above all by the practice of love."

The standard registration for a weekend pass is \$249 per person, but there are passes available as low as \$99. For tickets, visit this link: <https://www.newstoryfestival.com/festivaltickets>. For more information, contact Rev. Eric Vogt, [evogt@travispark.org](mailto:evogt@travispark.org).

### SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

**Children** — Meets in Nursery on first floor. Stories and crafts. (Age 2 to 2nd grade) Contact Cydni, [cbravenec@travispark.org](mailto:cbravenec@travispark.org).  
**Upper Elementary—Room 307.** Learn how to use your Bible. (grades 3-5) Led by Ms. Susan Snow, and Ms. Analisa Vitola. Utilizes various curriculum that use Bible stories, games, puzzles, and activities to grow in our spirituality and how we can develop a relationship with Jesus.

### Youth—Room 315, 11:15 a.m.

Energetic junior and senior high school kids exploring their faith, working on mission projects and snacking. Contact [alex@travispark.org](mailto:alex@travispark.org).

### Café Bible Study—Room 220, 9 a.m.

Questions and discussion using the Sunday lectionary (the pre-selected readings from the Bible for each specific Sunday in the Christian year)

### Seekers — 11 a.m.

This class has joined the short-term class, *The Way Forward*, that meets in the Labyrinth Room. For details contact Phil Watkins, [phil@philwatkins.com](mailto:phil@philwatkins.com).

### Sine Nomine—Room 217, 11:15 a.m.

The class continues discussion of the book, *The Meaning of Mary Magdalene: Discovering the Woman at the Heart of Christianity* by Cynthia Bourgeault. This Sunday we cover chapters 9 and 10. Contact Alan Crowther, [apcrowther@hotmail.com](mailto:apcrowther@hotmail.com).

### Way Forward—Labyrinth Room, 11:15am.

For information email: [rachel.sigismund@yahoo.com](mailto:rachel.sigismund@yahoo.com).

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

#### SUNDAY, Feb. 10

Café Corazón	8am	Fellowship Hall
Worship Service	9:45am	Sanctuary
Sunday School	11:15am	
Joyful Noise! rehearsal	11:35am	
Communications Committee	11:15am	Pastor's Meeting Room
MFSA/RMN Committee	12:15pm	Conference Room
Emmaus Singers	5pm	2nd Floor
Travis Park Ringers	5pm	2nd Floor
Sanctuary Choir	6pm	2nd Floor
Youth Gathering	6pm	Room 315

#### MONDAY, Feb. 11

AA	12pm	Room 210
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#### TUESDAY, Feb. 12

CMI Food Handling Class	9am-2pm	San Antonio Food Bank
AA	12pm	Room 210

#### WEDNESDAY, Feb. 13

AA	12pm	Room 210
Sponsorship Committee Meeting	5pm	Conference Room
Prayer Circle	6pm	Fellowship Hall
TCADP	6:30pm	Oblate Renewal Center
Pub Theology	7pm	The Friendly Spot

#### THURSDAY, Feb. 14

Interfaith Welcome Coalition	10am	First Presbyterian Church
Bible Study	11:45am	Fellowship Hall
AA	12pm	Room 210

#### FRIDAY, Feb. 15

Youth Winter Retreat		Bandera, TX
Bible Study	11:45 am	Fellowship Hall
AA	12pm	Room 210

#### SATURDAY, Feb. 16

Youth Winter Retreat		Bandera, TX
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#### SUNDAY, Feb. 17

Youth Winter Retreat		Bandera TX
Café Corazón	8am	Fellowship Hall
Worship Service	9:45am	Sanctuary
Sunday School	11:15am	
Joyful Noise! rehearsal	11:35am	
Travis Park Ringers	5pm	2nd Floor
Sanctuary Choir	6pm	2nd Floor

### STAFF DIRECTORY

Rev. Eric Vogt, Senior Pastor  
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