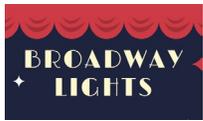




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BROADWAY LIGHTS
Mark your calendar, Broadway Lights will be on Saturday April

13 at 6:30 p.m. This one-night only Broadway review benefits the Emmaus Youth summer choir tour. This year we are headed to St. Louis! There will be performances by the Emmaus Singers, the Sanctuary Choir, Joyful Noise children's choir, congregation members, San Antonio music educators, and other community members. Tickets will be for sale starting in March and may be purchased in person and online. Please come and support our youth!

We will have a silent auction during Broadway Lights. If you have any items that you would like to donate to our silent auction, we would greatly appreciate it! We will accept items big and small, from tickets to sporting events and weekends away, to jewelry and gift baskets. Donated items can be given to Paula Stallcup or Caroline Collins.

Thank you for supporting our Emmaus Singers! For more information, please contact Caroline, caroline@travispark.org.

Hospitality TASKFORCE

On Jan. 16, a number of stakeholders met to discuss the instances of people sleeping and camping on church grounds. There had been a spike in activity in the recent several weeks. There were representatives from SAPD foot patrol, Corazón Ministries (CMI) leadership and employees, individuals who had been sleeping on the property, church employees, and church membership and leadership. Each cohort had the opportunity to air concerns, grievances, and suggestions for a path forward. Hospitality Task Force was leading the discussion, having recently read about and examined Christian hospitality in a Sunday School class. All in attendance were interested in continuing the important ministry of aid and support of our street dependent members, while maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for growth and transformation. The meeting produced immediate results and church leadership followed up on additional concerns.

* Sleeping and camping is not allowed at any time on the church grounds.

* Luggage and personal items are not to be stored in or around the church.

* CMI continues to serve and minister to street-dependent people as vigorously as ever.

* Gavin contacted the City to request more 24-hour toilet facilities be made available downtown.

Thank you all for thoughts and prayers as we continue the Path that God has set before us. May we continue to endeavor to care for the least among us. For



SPECIAL SERVICE OF SACRED IMAGINATION & PRAYER VIGIL AT TRAVIS PARK PLAZA

Today's special unified worship service at 9:45 a.m.

will be followed by a prayer vigil from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Travis Park Plaza. Rev. Billie Watts will deliver today's important message, and several clergy will lead us in worship.

Today marks an important date in the life of our Methodist denomination, and Travis Park UMC. Therefore, as the delegates to our General Conference in St. Louis continue deliberation on the future of the United Methodist Church in regard to human sexuality, we simultaneously devote ourselves to a worship service of SACRED IMAGINATION. How will we, as a reconciling church committed to full and equal LGBTQ inclusion, imagine our future together – and in whom will we place our trust?

Immediately following today's worship service, we will proceed to Travis Park for a public witness, voicing our prayers in song, lamentation, recitations, and celebration. We will conclude our public vigil at about 12:30 p.m.

As our faith community stands together on this day of remembering, former pastors and clergy members of Travis Park have been invited to participate in this special worship service. Travis Park UMC seeks your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness on this very important day in the future of our church. What better time to join hands and hearts and continue our journey toward God's inclusive kin-dom?

We cannot more strongly stress the importance of this stance of solidarity in the life of our church. NOW is the time to show up, speak up, and stand together as we bring into reality what we can only imagine!

A limited number of rainbow stoles will be available for today's worship. We encourage all to remain in prayer throughout the General Conference which ends Tuesday, Feb. 26. For information about this event, email info@travispark.org.

information, contact Kathleen Laborde at kathleen.laborde15@gmail.com.

GREETER AND USHER TRAINING

There will be a special training for those who are interested in serving as Greeters and Ushers before, during, and after Sunday worship. Associate Pastor Gavin Rogers will lead us in prayerful hospitality March 10 at 11:15 a.m. All are invited to attend. Room number is pending. If you are interested but not available, please contact Pastor Gavin, gavin@travispark.org, Pastor Eric, evogt@travispark.org, or Kathleen Laborde at kathleen.laborde15@gmail.com.



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NEW PRAY-GROUND

Children are an important part of our church

community 'welcomed as part of the worshipping throng'. Children are invited to participate in worship however works best for their families. As a church we provide some resources to give families options. The children's "Quiet Corner" has moved to the area under the balcony closest to the piano. This area is for children and their caregivers only to use during worship. If you have any suggestions for or donations of quiet toys please let Erika know, estiner@travispark.org.

BREAKING THE CHAINS: Lent at Home



Lent is a journey from captivity into freedom. From Ash Wednesday, March 6, to Holy Saturday, April 20 (not including Sundays, "mini

Easters" anticipating the big day!), the 40 days of Lent are set aside to help us increase the freedom in our lives. To tell the truth about ourselves and our world, to change our hearts and our ways, and to participate in God's work of breaking chains of injustice, apathy, violence, despair—even the chains of death itself! Take home a packet and create a paper chain with your family. Set aside time in your day to break one link in the chain each day between Ash Wednesday and Easter and do the chain breaking work prompted by that link.



WAYS YOU CAN DONATE TO TPUMC

Every Sunday, and especially during this Gifted sermon series, we celebrate how everyone has something to offer.

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.

Create recurring payments with your checking account or credit card provider.

Donate common stock: The church has a no-fee account with a local brokerage firm where our donors electronically send their stock, which is immediately sold and the proceeds come to the church and are credited to the donor's giving record.

The ministries of the church are possible only through your generosity. Please contact the Business Office, cbravenec@travispark.org, for details. - Jerry Hardy, Lay Leader



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.



CAMPUS MINISTRY FUNDRAISER

Would you like to support the work Pastor Valerie is doing with students at San Antonio College? If you make a donation by Feb. 28, The Valero Texas Open will include a 7% match so every donation goes further. Visit this website: ValeroTexasOpen.com/birdies. Click on the donate now box and direct your donation to United Methodist Campus Ministries of San Antonio (The Wesley). Questions? Email Pastor Valerie vvogt@travispark.org.



3RD ANNUAL LOVE & JUSTICE IN ACTION DINNER

Save the date: May 5, 2019, and join us for the third annual Love and Justice in Action Dinner at the San Francisco Steakhouse. This year, Corazón Ministries, Inc. celebrates 20 years of service to the homeless and marginalized people of San Antonio. Keynote speaker is Charlie Gonzalez, who represented Texas's 20th congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1999 to 2013. Also, he served as Chairman of Latinos for Obama, and was the National Co-Chair of President Obama's 2012 re-election campaign. For information on tickets, contact Carol Gamble, cmidirector@travispark.org.



METHODISM 101 LENTEN STUDY

What does it mean to be United Methodist? How is our church organized? What do United Methodists believe? If you would like to learn more about Methodism, its history, its essential tenants, and how we practice our faith, please join us for this four-week short term Lenten Study – March 24, 31, April 7 and 14. The room in which this class will meet is yet to be determined. Questions? Please email Pastor Valerie vvogt@travispark.org.

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.

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 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.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday school classes will join in today's 11:15 a.m. Vigil at Travis Park Plaza. For a listing of our classes visit travispark.org/adult-ministry, travispark.org/children-ministry, or travispark.org/youth-ministry.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, Feb. 24

Café Corazón	8am	Fellowship Hall
Service of Sacred Imagination	9:45am	Sanctuary
Vigil	11am	Travis Park Plaza
Sunday school joins in Vigil	11:15am	Travis Park Plaza
Emmaus Singers	5pm	2nd Floor
Travis Park Ringers	5pm	2nd Floor
Sanctuary Choir	6pm	2nd Floor
Youth Gathering	6pm	Room 315

MONDAY, Feb. 25

AA	12pm	Room 210
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TUESDAY, Feb. 26

AA	12pm	Room 210
CMI Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	6pm	Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27

AA	12pm	Room 210
MELD Parenting Class	3:30pm	Labyrinth Room
Prayer Circle	6pm	Fellowship Hall
Women of Wisdom (WOW)	6pm	La Madeleine

THURSDAY, Feb. 28

Bible Study	11:45am	Fellowship Hall
AA	12pm	Room 210

FRIDAY, Mar. 1

Bible Study	11:45 am	Fellowship Hall
AA	12pm	Room 210

SUNDAY, Mar. 3

Café Corazón	8am	Fellowship Hall
Worship Service	9:45am	Sanctuary
Vigil	11am	Travis Park
Sunday School	11:15am	
Joyful Noise! rehearsal	11:35am	
Emmaus Singers	5pm	2nd Floor
Travis Park Ringers	5pm	2nd Floor
Sanctuary Choir	6pm	2nd Floor
Youth Gathering	6pm	Room 315

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