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## NEW OHUMC BIBLE STUDIES

### NO HOMEWORK BIBLE STUDY OF MARK 1-6

#### JESUS: EXPERIENCING HIS TOUCH

**Teacher:** Anita Barton, [anitabchef@yahoo.com](mailto:anitabchef@yahoo.com)

**When:** Sundays evenings, April 10 – May 15, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

**Where:** Adult Ed Building, Room A201

**Cost:** \$8 for the book

**Class Description:** It is a "40 Minute" Bible study, broken down into six lessons that can be done with no homework. Each chapter is broken into segments and there are discussion questions throughout each weekly lesson. Along with instructions on how to "mark the text," there are occasional "Insight" boxes that offer additional information about the scripture. Each lesson ends with a "wrap-it-up" to close out the study. For more information and to register, contact Anita.

### INTRO TO THE APOCRYPHA

What is the Apocrypha? What does it teach? Why isn't it in the Protestant Bible? These and many more questions will be answered in this 5-week introductory class on the Apocrypha. Beginning on April 11th, the class will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Building, room 201. The study book is \$12. If you need assistance with the purchase of your book, would like more information, or would like to sign-up for the class, contact Pastor Katy at [katy@oakhillumc.org](mailto:katy@oakhillumc.org).

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**  
*The Cornerstone*

Issue	Submission Deadline
April 15	April 8
April 29	April 22

# THE CORNERSTONE

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## GO Day is Coming!

Our quarterly GO Day(s) are just around the corner. This time, we are planning events over two Saturdays; Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, and Saturday April 16. You can sign up for the following projects in the Narthex on Sunday!

**April 8:** Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH) – feed guests, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Keith Momii will serve as the team lead.

**April 9:** Habitat for Humanity – work on the home under construction in Bastrop County. Ernie Rebeck will serve as the team lead.

**April 9:** Keep Austin Beautiful – clean Williamson Creek. Jan Roberts and Kelley Cooper will serve as team leads.

**April 16:** Hands on Housing with Interfaith Action of Central Texas – paint and repair a home for someone who needs a little assistance. Wally Vog will serve as team lead.

**April 16:** Capital Area Food Bank – three opportunities to serve:

1. Mobile Food Distribution in Kyle
  2. Food sorting at food bank warehouse (ages 8 and older)
  3. Food packaging at Food Bank warehouse (ages 16 and older)
- Vicki Matustik will serve as team lead.

## CYBER SAFETY FOR PARENTS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH

On Monday, April 11 from 6:30-8:00 p.m., trained facilitators will help guide 4 separate groups: parents, children ages 4-8, tweens ages 9-12, and youth ages 13 and up, through age-appropriate sessions on how to stay safe and keep our children safe online. With new apps and social networking sites emerging every day, the threat to our children has never been greater. For more information, please contact Pastor Katy at [katy@oakhillumc.org](mailto:katy@oakhillumc.org). Childcare will be available upon request by emailing Suzanne Steves at [educationdir@oakhillumc.org](mailto:educationdir@oakhillumc.org).

## THE NEXT OAK HILL 101

April 17

If you're new to Oak Hill this "intro" class about our church is perfect for you! There are two classes, 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Jim in his office and 11:15 a.m. with Pastor Katy in the Adult Education Building, room A201. Learn about Oak Hill UMC, our mission opportunities and ministries, and how to connect and serve.

Sunday, April 3

8:45 & 11:15 Worship Services

Jon Nelson  
Stephen Ministry Sunday  
"The Call to Provide Caring  
Ministry"  
*Acts 6:1-6*

10:00 "Pathways" Service

Pastor Katy Fitzhugh  
Stephen Ministry Sunday  
"Chosen to Serve"  
*Acts 6:1-6*



Worship  
Schedule

Sunday, April 10

8:45 & 11:15 Worship Services

Pastor Jim Roberts  
*Revelation 1:4-8*

10:00 "Pathways" Service

Pastor Katy Fitzhugh  
"Alpha and Omega"  
*Revelation 1:4-8*

Oak Hill UMC Wednesday Night  
**RECHARGE**  
POWER UP!  
Lay-Led Worship & Communion - 6:15 p.m.

April 6: Speaker: Laura Sherman

April 13: Speaker: David Dunn

## Our Prayers

Keith Momii  
Jo Carleton  
Donna Broberg  
Nick Classen  
Evelyn Cloninger  
Holly Hamon  
Jerome McCombs  
Shirlene Shreckengast  
Joleen Tucker  
David Vernon

## Our Presence

March 20		March 27 - Holy Week	
Sunday School:	212	Legacy Oaks:	15
ReCharge:	30	ReCharge Labyrinth:	20
8:45:	185	Maundy Thursday:	137
10:00:	73	Good Friday:	208
11:15:	262	Sunrise Service:	89
Legacy Oaks:	28	8:45:	425
Total in Worship:	578	10:00:	184
		11:15:	451
		Total in Worship:	1,529

## Our Gifts

March 20		March 27	
General Fund:	33,265	General Fund:	16,632
Children's Building:	363	Children's Building:	120
Endowment Fund:	25	Children's Fund:	5
Deaf Ministry:	50	Deaf Ministry:	150
		Benevolence:	100

## YOUTH NEWS

### YOUTH FAMILY FEEDBACK: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Join us on April 24 from 5-7 p.m. for a family of youth aged children planning session. As we close up another school year, we want to take time to plan for the future together. We will eat a potluck dinner together in the fellowship hall at 5p.m. The church is providing lasagna and we are asking everyone to bring a side dish or dessert to share. For questions, contact Katie Coleman at youth@oakhillumc.org.



## UMW WEDNESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP

On Wednesday, April 6, the Wednesday Morning Study Group will begin a new series of 4 lessons from Adam Hamilton's latest study, "Foregiveness: Finding Peace Through Letting Go." All are welcome to join the group at 10 a.m. in rooms 201 and 202 in the Adult Education Building. Nellie Hartsell will be leading the study. If you would like to attend, and also to order a book, please contact Gail Jones at 512-906-0790 or gjones1342@aol.com. The cost of the book is \$10 and is also available as an e-book for the same price.

## NEXT MARY MARTHA MEETING

Mary Martha Circle will meet on April 11 at 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The hostesses will provide sandwiches and chips, tamales and beans, fruit and dessert. The program will be presented by Meg Erskine from the Multicultural Refugee Coalition. A donation of \$5.00 will be collected.



Sponsored by Oak Hill United Methodist Women

## ALL LADIES WELCOME

Saturday, May 7, 2016 Social Time 6:30 Bunko 7 pm

Oak Hill United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite snack to share

Tickets are \$5 - Proceeds to mission of winners' choice

Free Childcare provided with 48 hour notice to  
educationdir@oakhillumc.org

Any questions, contact marilyn.cannon18@gmail.com

Great fun - Great food - Great fellowship

Let the Good Times Roll

## 2016 GRADUATION CELEBRATION

We will be hosting our annual Graduation Celebration on May 22. If you are graduating from High School, College, trade school, certification program, or any higher education and would like to be recognized by the church, please contact Katie Coleman at youth@oakhillumc.org no later than May 1.

# Oak Hill UMC Calendar of Events

For the latest calendar info: [www.oakhillumc.org/events.html](http://www.oakhillumc.org/events.html)

## Saturday, April 2

- 9:30 AM Reunion Group, A102
- 1:00 PM Jean Reed Memorial

## Sunday, April 3

- 8:45 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM B.A.S.I.C. Sunday School Class, A201
- 10:00 AM Pathways Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
- 11:15 AM Seven Sunday School Class, A102
- 11:15 AM Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
- 12:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
Discussion Commission Meeting, A201-202
- 4:00 PM Youth Band Practice, Choir Room  
Student Leadership Team, Youth Room
- 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship and Worship, Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM Financial Peace, A204

## Monday, April 4

- 9:15 AM Mom2Mom Meeting, A102
- 6:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, A102
- 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary and Choir Room
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout #505 Meeting, Fellowship Hall  
Troop #505 Committee Meeting, A203
- 7:00 PM Disciple Bible Study I, A204  
Youth Council Meeting, A102
- 8:00 PM High School Bible Study, Starbucks on Slaughter Lane

## Tuesday, April 5

- 3:45 PM Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
- 5:30 PM Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
- 5:45 PM Yoga Class, A206
- 6:00 PM Confirmation Class, Youth Area
- 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting, A203 and A102
- 7:30 PM Mom2Mom Evening Group, A204

## Wednesday, April 6

- 8:50 AM Tai Chi Class, A101-102
- 10:00 AM UMW Bible Study, A201-202
- 4:00 PM Kids Acting Class, A201-202
- 4:30 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, A102
- 5:00 PM Chicken and Bible Study, Youth Rooms
- 5:30 PM Emmaus Group, A204  
Music Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 5:30 PM Wednesday Night Dinner, Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Kingdom Kids Choir, A206
- 6:15 PM Kingdom Cubs Choir, C107
- 6:15 PM ReCharge Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
SPRC Meeting, A104
- 8:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

## Thursday, April 7

- 10:00 AM HUGS Project
- 7:00 PM Crafty Christians, Fellowship Hall

## Friday, April 8

- 7:00 AM Emmaus Reunion Group, A102
- 10:00 AM Knitting Class, A102

## Saturday, April 9

- 9:00 AM Sabbath Saturday, A206
- 9:30 AM Reunion Group, A102
- 3:00 PM District Confirmation Celebration, St. John's UMC

## Sunday, April 10

- LAST DAY FOR CROSS PROJECT
- 8:45 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM B.A.S.I.C. Sunday School Class, A201
- 10:00 AM Pathways Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
- 11:15 AM Seven Sunday School Class, A102
- 11:15 AM Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Sunday School, Adult Ed. Bldg, Children's Bldg, FSH
- 12:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 1:30 PM Daisy Troop 1030, Great Room
- 3:30 PM Glow Kids, CB105  
Mission Possible Kids, Great Room
- 4:00 PM A Study of Mark, A201  
Youth Band Practice, Choir Room
- 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship and Worship, Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 PM Financial Peace

## Monday, April 11

- 9:15 AM Mom2Mom Meeting, A102
- 11:15 AM Mary Martha Circle, Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Emmaus Reunion Group, A102
- 6:30 PM Apocrypha Study, A20  
Cyber Safety Seminar, Great Room
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #505 Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 PM High School Bible Study, Starbucks on Slaughter Lane

## Tuesday, April 12

- 9:00 AM Disaster Relief Team Meeting, A201-202
- 3:45 PM Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
- 5:30 PM Kids Acting Studio, Choir Room
- 5:45 PM Yoga Class, A206
- 6:00 PM Confirmation Class, Youth Area  
Girl Scout Troop 1580 Meeting, Great Room
- 7:00 PM Trustees Meeting, A104

## EASTER FUN FARM

A LOOK BACK:



## SHEPHERDS CLASS LAUNCHES IN APRIL



Our new Sunday School Class for parents of young children begins Sunday, April 10. The name of the class is "Shepherds" and will focus on parents strengthening their own faith walk and providing guidance and direction for their children's walk in faith. Raising Christian children is an important task and through Bible study, book study, and conversation, we hope to give parents some tools that will help.

This class will meet each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in room 203 in the Children's Building. Nursery and Sunday School classes for children meet at the same hour in the Children's Building. Our first study will be a book and video series called "Shepherding a Child's Heart". It will be led by Rev. Suzanne Steves. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Pastor Suzanne at [suzanne@oakhillumc.org](mailto:suzanne@oakhillumc.org).

### FAITH FRIENDS

Faith Friends will meet Friday, April 15, 6:30-8:00 p.m., in the Great Room. All 3rd-5th graders are invited to join us for food (pizza), fun and fellowship!

### VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you remember attending Vacation Bible School when you were a kid? Or maybe you remember sending your children. Vacation Bible School is an awesome ministry that touches the hearts of children, brings families through our doors, and introduces or strengthens a relationship with Jesus and the church in a child's life. But it can only be done if we have loving and caring adults and youth here that work to be the hands, feet and heart of Christ to all the children God will send us. We need you! Yes, you! We need folks to lead sessions like music, art, missions, science, snacks, recreation, and storytime. We need people to lead the groups of children from station to station. We need you whether you can volunteer one morning, all five, or somewhere in between. If we all pull together and each do what we can, VBS will be a wonderful week of ministry to, for and with our children.

This year's VBS is June 13-17, 9:00 a.m.-noon. The theme is "Surf Shack - Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love". Won't you join us in making this an awesome week for our children? Volunteer forms are in the Narthex, the church office, and the Children's Building. Or email Jenny Holm today to let her know what you will do to help: [kidmin@oakhillumc.org](mailto:kidmin@oakhillumc.org).

The children are counting on us. I know we will respond with an emphatic "yes!" Let us hear from you today!!

*-Pastor Suzanne and Ms. Jenny*

# Welcome

to the Family  
of Christ at Oak Hill!



On Sunday, March 20, Montez Coyle transferred her membership from Highland Park Baptist.



### BUFFALOGRASS IN CONCERT!

You've heard them in church, now enjoy them for a full concert! Suzanne and Rusty Pence are hosting a backyard concert featuring BuffaloGrass on April 15 from 7-10 p.m. at 13501 Copper Hills Drive Manchaca, TX 78652

ALL ARE WELCOME! Please bring a picnic dinner, drinks, lawn chairs and a blanket to sit on. Donations to cover band expenses will be appreciated and any extra donations will go to support Oak Hill's Music Program.

Please RSVP with name and number of guests attending to Suzanne at [drpence2009@gmail.com](mailto:drpence2009@gmail.com).



# stephen MINISTRY

## God's Love in ACTION

There are times when every one of us experiences difficulties—

- loss of a loved one
- spiritual crisis
- cancer
- hospitalization
- imprisonment
- disability
- discouragement
- divorce
- rehabilitation
- job loss
- loneliness
- many other challenges

God never intended for us to go through these experiences alone. That's why God has brought us together as a congregation—and why we have Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who have received 50 hours of caregiving training to minister to people experiencing a crisis, facing a challenge, or simply going through a tough time.

A Stephen Minister will meet with you—privately and confidentially—on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage, support, and remind you of Christ's presence in your life.

If you'd like to learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself, a family member, or a friend, neighbor, coworker, or someone else you know—inside or outside our congregation—talk with one of our pastors or Stephen Leaders.

## STEPHEN MINISTRY: DISCUSS IT WITH GOD

Nothing is too large or too small to take to our Lord in prayer. Our congregation's Stephen Ministry team is recruiting ministers for a new training class. Take this opportunity to pray to the Lord and seek His guidance. This may be just the ministry he has prepared for you. There will be an information session on April 17 at 10 a.m. in Pastor Katy's office. For more information, contact one of our leaders: Cheryl Althaus (512) 796-6305, Rae Barho (512) 589-5871, Barbara Browne (512) 796-7434, Sandra Fudge (512) 653-0786 or Kay Kooker (512) 750-2836.



Young at  
**HEART**

The Oak Hill UMC Young at Heart Dinner group will be meeting on April 14 6:30 p.m. at the Flores Mexican Restaurant 2440 E. Hwy. 290 West. Come join us for good food, fun and fellowship. Please notify Gary and Melva Brinkmeyer at 512-829-5536 for more information & reservations, or email us at [brinkmeyergl@aol.com](mailto:brinkmeyergl@aol.com). Please place "Young At Heart" in the subject line of your email.

## NEWS FROM PASTOR KATY

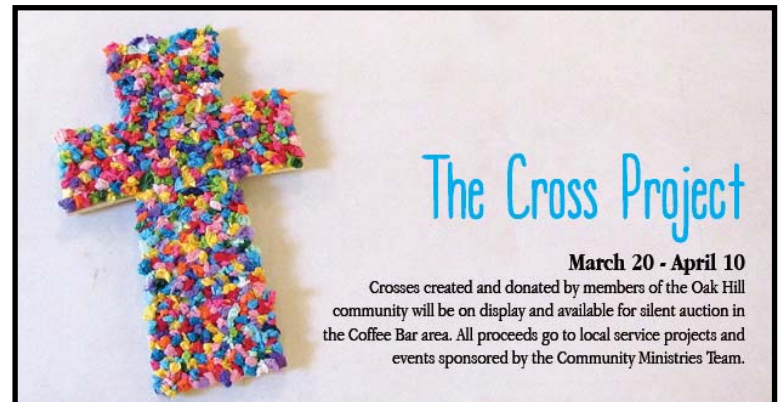
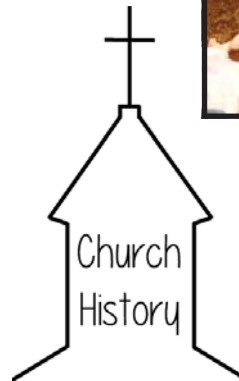
As many of you are aware, the coming months hold some exciting events for me on both personal and professional levels. The United Methodist Book of Discipline (our rule book) permits clergy to take a three-month sabbatical for rest, renewal, and study every 7 years. I have passed this 7 year mark of service, and in early 2015 was approved by the SPRC to take a sabbatical from May 23, 2016 through August 21, 2016. I am incredibly grateful for this gift of renewal, and assure you that Pastors Jim and Pam are already planning to ensure all will be covered in my absence.

The second event actually came after the sabbatical plans, but has worked out beautifully! On June 4, 2016 at 2:00 in the afternoon I will marry my fiancé, Travis Gould right here in the Oak Hill UMC sanctuary. The wedding is an open invitation with a potluck reception to follow, and we would be honored by your presence. No gifts are necessary, but if you would be willing to share a dish at the reception after the ceremony, it would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please visit our website at [www.travisandkaty.com](http://www.travisandkaty.com).



Do you know what church event this was and who some of the people in the picture are?

Contact Rae Barho and the Church History Committee at [raebarho@gmail.com](mailto:raebarho@gmail.com).



## The Cross Project

March 20 - April 10

Crosses created and donated by members of the Oak Hill community will be on display and available for silent auction in the Coffee Bar area. All proceeds go to local service projects and events sponsored by the Community Ministries Team.