



The Messenger

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“Simply Generous”

We pulled our 1970 Volvo off the road on an isolated stretch near Muncho Lake, British Columbia. We were driving from Fairbanks, Alaska to Oklahoma to visit family, when the irascible fuel pump finally gave out. My husband lifted the hood once more while I corralled my two young daughters and prayed, “Lord, please send us help.”

And, of course, he did. Several moments later, a car with a man and woman and three teenagers, pulled up next to ours. The man rolled down his window and asked if he could help. Frank explained the problem and after the man took a look, he walked back to his car and rummaged around in the trunk. Miracle of miracles, he had a spare electric fuel pump that fit our Volvo and he wanted to loan it to us. His wife assured me that if anyone knew cars it was her husband who was a sergeant in the Air Force motor pool. They were driving from Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, to Florida where he had been transferred.

Luck? Coincidence? No. The sergeant coming along that isolated road at just the right time with exactly what was needed, was God’s providing hand.

Since I gave my heart to the Lord as a young person, he has provided for my needs and the needs of my family. My mother raised five daughters on a small salary. Though she had little monetary possessions, she had a big, generous heart. She gave as much as she could to the church and to her family and friends. There was always room at our table for one more friend. Mom was a great example of generosity.

The church I attended in Tulsa taught us to give the first fruits of our time, talents and money to God. I learned that giving in all of these ways brings joy. I do not give to secure God’s provision—I do it because of God’s sacrificial love—the gift of his Son. And I give because God’s Word teaches us to give. “Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse...and test Me now in this” says the Lord of hosts, “if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until there is no more need.” Malachi 3:10

I give to God’s church because I have been given much. It is a privilege.

Clyta Coder



Simply Generous



Sunday Worship Services

Come and See...
 Worship Experience
 Sunday, 9:00-9:30 a.m.

October 16, 2022
 Reflection: Joseph Montano
 Stewardship Message: Rev. Wesley Craig

Fellowship Gathering

9:30am to 10am

Fellowship Hall

Coffee, Tea & Light Refreshments

Thank you to the Epworth class for providing snacks & refreshments for Fellowship Gathering on Oct. 16th

Nursery care is available from 8:45am to 12:30pm

Sunday School for all ages

10am to 10:45am

Look for signs to various classrooms

9:30am to 10:30am

Certain Adult Groups

Worship / 11am / Sanctuary

The 11 am service is live-streamed at:

<https://www.laurelheights.org/online-worship/>

and on our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/LaurelHeightsUMC>

Beginning at 11am.

**LAUREL HEIGHTS
 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS.

October 16, 2022
 Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 11am Worship/Sanctuary
 Rev. Lisa Straus
www.LaurelHeights.org

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Healing: Josh Beninger (*Susan Holloway*),

Lucien Manchester,

Daniel "Stump" Sowada and Nancy Jones,

Jerry Geerdes,

Spencer Fuller (*Kay Carter*),

Sonny Landers (*Landers Family*)

Nora L. Winkler (*Teresa Garces*)

Michael McEnery (*Anne Wheeler*)

Justine Davis & Children (*Irene & Bobby Ojeda*)

James Moss (*Pat Moss*)

Cristina Geist (*Teresa Garces*)

God's Presence: For those affected by the COVID-19 virus and their families, as well as for the caregivers and researchers working to treat those affected and combat the spread of the disease; homebound members; the incarcerated; and women and men in our military.

pray

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our PRAYER

You can offer a prayer of gratitude or concern by emailing prayers@mylhumc.org, through [Facebook Messenger](#), or calling the church office (210) 733-7156.

Wednesday

Weekly Prayer Gathering

Every Wednesday from 5:30PM to 6:00PM

To join the Weekly Prayer Gathering via Zoom simply click on the link to join

<https://zoom.us/j/130214408>

or call 346-248-7799
Meeting ID: 130-214-409

Sanctuary Offering



Online Giving

Please visit our website:
<http://www.laurelheights.org/give/>



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"LHUMC" 73256

Or use our QR code



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Church Happenings

Wednesday, October 12

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Gathering—*Zoom*

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir—*Music Room*

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - *Sanctuary*

7:00 p.m. AA Monte Vista Group—*Rm. 312*

Thursday, October 13

9:00 a.m. Church Mice - *Fellowship Hall*

6:00 p.m. Tai Chi - *Room 312*

Friday, October 14

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - *Room 312*

Sunday, October 16

9:00 a.m. Come and See Worship - *Sanctuary*

9:30 a.m. Sunday Fellowship—*Fellowship Hall*

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School Classes

11:00 a.m. Worship - *Sanctuary*

12:00 p.m. Worship Committee Mtg.—*Rm. 211*

1:00 p.m. Monte Vista Annual Mtg. Rm—*214*

Monday, October 17

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class—*Rm. 312*

10:00 a.m. Super Adults Book Talk *Zoom*

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Study - *Room 312*

Tuesday, October 18

6:00 p.m. Stewardship Mtg.—*Rm. 306*

6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Leaders Mtg- *Parlor*



**OCTOBER
YOUTH
EVENT**

**October 28:
Weekday School
Fall Festival Helpers
5-7 pm;
7-9 pm Youth
After Party!**



RSVP: Text
Wyndee
859-200-9880

Save the Date

Worship Committee

Sunday, Oct. 16 @ 1:00pm

Super Adults

Monday, Oct. 17th 10 a.m.

Book Talk

Rescheduled from Oct. 10th

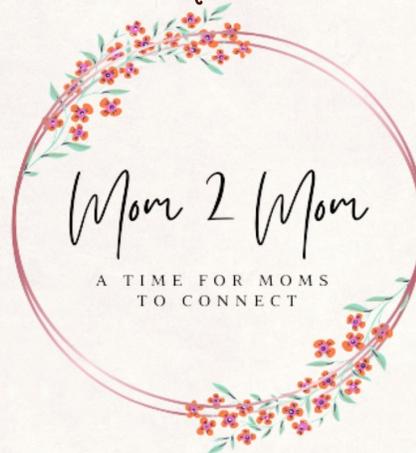
Stewardship

Tuesday, Oct. 18th @ 6:00 p.m.

Library

**Monday, Oct. 31st @ 5:00 p.m.
Tricks or Treats from the Trunk**

SAVE *the* DATE



NOVEMBER

SAT | **5** | 12 PM
2022

JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND TIPS ON HOW TO
STAY GROUNDED DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

SUPER ADULTS

OCT. 17TH | 10AM
BOOK TALK
RESCHEDULED FROM OCT. 10TH

25 OCT | 8:30AM-4:00PM
RAMBLE THROUGH THE HILL COUNTRY
\$94.00 PER PERSON

SUPER ADULT OKTOBERFEST DAY

OCT 27TH | 10:30AM BINGO
11:00 AM LUNCH \$7 PER PERSON
GERMAN POTATO SALAD, SAUSAGE, BAKED BEANS, RYE
BREAD & APPLE CAKE
FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL 210.872.8031



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NOV.
YOUTH FAMILY
EVENT



November 12:
4-6 pm
Black History
River Tour
RSVP by Oct. 17
for \$10 tickets

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BLACK
History
MATTERS



DECEMBER
YOUTH
EVENT

December 10:
4-7 pm
Christmas Cooking
Join Katie Myers and
Laura Glick to cook up
a delicious meal
together!

RSVP: Text
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OCTOBER

Mission of the Month



The Magdalena House is a neighborhood of transitional homes in San Antonio that serves mothers and their children who have fled dangerous and abusive lives. Utilizing a dual-generation approach, we provide safe shelter, basic needs, educational programming, and therapeutic services.

The Magdalena House is in need of brand **NEW twin and crib size mattress protectors, pillows, pillow protectors, pillow cases, twin bed sheets, towel sets, bath rugs.**

For anyone who would like to support Magdalena House's mission, you can do so by giving in-kind donations. The best and easiest in-kind donations are gift cards in low denominations (\$10) for Walmart and HEB. These gift cards allow us to meet specific resident needs and obtain items as we have need and space. **You can deliver your donated items to Heather Weidenbach, Administrative Manager** in the church office #207. We will deliver all donations received at the end of October.

You can also purchase items through the Magdalena's House Amazon Wishlist. **These items will be delivered directly to Magdalena House.** Amazon Wishlist https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/160RDRP035KEK?ref=wl_share

With Halloween right around the corner, the Magdalena will be holding a Trick or Treat event. We are also collecting candy and small trinkets like pencils, toy spiders, etc., for them.

Library Committee

We are still accepting donations of new and gently used children's books. Books will be distributed during the "Tricks or Treats from the Trunks" event on Monday, October 31st in the Belknap parking lot from 5pm-7pm.

If you have gently used children's books you no longer need, please drop them off in the alcove inside Fellowship Hall for the Committee to distribute.

Thank you,
Your LHUMC Library Committee



LHUMC LIBRARY COMMITTEE PRESENTS

TRICKS *or* TREATS

FROM THE TRUNKS

MONDAY, OCT. 31ST

5:00 - 7:00 PM

BELKNAP PARKING LOT



Happy Birthday

October 17th - 23rd

10/17

**Stephen Bailey
Elisse De La Vega
Oliver Gannon
Steven Marrone
Jo Mascorro
Traci Rush**

10/20

**Scotty Barrows
Mary Epstein**

10/21

Andrew Gannon

10/22

**Edward Adams
Laura Beuhler**

*Are we missing your name on the birthday list?
Please notify the church office
at 210-733-5156 so we can update our records.
We don't want to miss anyone!*

Church Office Hours

9:00am to 4:30pm
Monday through Friday

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