



# The Messenger

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# Thank You!

**The 2023 Reverse Advent food drive was a great success!  
We collected 1,064 pounds of food that was donated to the  
San Antonio Food Bank to distribute to families in need.**



Laurel Heights UMC Mission Committee

# CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE MINISTRY (CAM)

110 MCCULLOUGH, 78215

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY  
**SAT. JANUARY 13, 2024**

**9:00 A.M.**

Park between CAM & Grace Lutheran Church

Volunteers will gather at warehouse

For more information, please contact the  
church at 210-733-7156.

Sign-up to volunteer

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COA49ABAC2AAA8-camsaturdays/117670810#/>



**Mary Blackford  
Academic Award  
Recipients**

**Please make sure to email  
your current  
transcript to us by  
1/15/2024.**

**maryblackford-  
fund@gmail.com**

Thank you LHUMC for being a sponsori



**SAN ANTONIO**

**January 21, 2024  
1 P.M. Opening Celebration with  
Mayor Nirenberg  
Non-Stop events until 6 P.M.  
Bennack Music Center @ UIW  
[www.festivalsoffaitnessa.org](http://www.festivalsoffaitnessa.org)**

# Newcomer Gathering

**Who:** All guests and visitors of LHUMC

**What:** An information session & tour of LHUMC

**Where:** Meet in the parlor

**When:** Sunday, January 14 at 12:15

**Come and meet Pastors Lisa and Laura and members of our Welcome Team.**

**\*RSVP's helpful: 210-733-7156**

**\*\*Childcare will be available.**



## **37<sup>th</sup> Annual City-wide Interfaith Worship Service**

**Sunday, Jan. 14, 2024  
at 4:30 PM**

**St. Paul United Methodist Church  
508 Center Street**

Hosted by:  
The MLK Commission of San Antonio

# Sunday Worship Services

January 14, 2024



Second Sunday after Epiphany

9:00a.m. Worship

Song Leader/Liturgist:

Byrd Bonner

## Scripture Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Mark 2:1-5

11:00 a.m. Worship

Sermon: Rev. Lisa Straus

## Fellowship Gathering

Sunday, January 7, 2004  
at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

## Sunday School

10:00 a.m. to 10:45 am.

## Worship / 11am / Sanctuary

The 11 am service is live-streamed at:  
[www.laurelheights.org/online-worship/](http://www.laurelheights.org/online-worship/)  
and on our Facebook page

[www.facebook.comLaurelHeightsUMC](http://www.facebook.comLaurelHeightsUMC)

## Church Calendar

### Wednesday, January 10

5:30 p.m. Feast of Three Kings Dinner

### Thursday, January 11

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

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

### Friday, January 12

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

### Saturday January 13

9:00 a.m. Volunteer Opportunity @ C.A.M.

[Laurel Heights UMC: CAM Saturdays](#)  
([signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com))

### Sunday, January 14

9:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary

12:15 p.m. Newcomer Gathering - Parlor

### Monday, January 15 - MLK, JR.

**Church Office Closed**

### Tuesday, January 16

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

### Wednesday, January 17

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

### Thursday, January 18

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

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

### Friday, January 19

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

### Saturday, January 20

9:00 a.m. D1 Neighborhood Alliance Meeting

### Sunday, January 21

9:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary

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JANUARY

2024

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- 10 Epiphany Dinner 5:30 PM
- 27 Valentine Making 10 AM
- 28 Lunch at The Cove

Laurel Heights Young Family  
Calendar of Events

# Church Offices will be closed

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

IN OBSERVANCE OF

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

# Prayer Requests

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### *Healing:*

Lucien Manchester  
Sonny Landers  
Richard Parrigan  
Natasha Garza  
Kaylyn LeFevre  
Gracie Huron  
Elizabeth Jackson  
Juan Arturo Gonzalez  
Annalynn Jackson  
Alice Gannon

### *God's Presence:*

For those affected by the COVID-19 virus and homebound members;  
the incarcerated; and women and men in our military.



**Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our PRAYER**

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

## Happy Birthday

1/11	1/16
Christian Campbell	Logan Deras
Jacob Jones	1/17
	Mikayla Mendez
1/12	<i>Are we missing your name on the birthday list?</i>
Jane Jacobs	
1/13	<i>Please notify the church office at 210-733-7156 so we can update our records.</i>
Paul Beuhler	
Mark Doty	
Christopher Furber	
1/15	<i>We don't want to miss anyone!</i>
Jedi Morton	
Mixson Oleson	
Marisa Parker	



## Follow Us On Social Media



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

**Sanctuary Offering**

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

**MANY WAYS TO GIVE AT LAUREL HEIGHTS UMC**

**Text to give:**  
"LHUMC" 73256

**Or use our QR code**

<http://www.laurelheights.org/give/>

## Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Contact Us at 210-733-7156

## Laurel Heights Staff

Rev. Lisa Straus, Senior Pastor

Rev. Laura Healy, Associate Pastor

Laura Marty, Music Director

Dr. Melanie Randall, Organist

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