

Plarn Mats

The team will prepare plastic bags for use as Plarn. The Plarn (plastic yarn) will then be crocheted into sleep mats to be distributed to Feed My Sheep in Temple. Participants will:

- * Flatten donated plastic bags
- * Cut the plastic bags into strips
- * Tie strips together and wrap into a ball for use when crocheting
- * Participants who can may be asked to crochet the plarn.

Donations of the following items are requested between now and August 31:

- * Plastic shopping bags
- * Sharp Scissors (if you sign up for Plarn, please bring your own)

Feed My Sheep

This team will prepare, serve and clean up after serving lunch to the clients of Feed My Sheep’s Café. Feed My Sheep is a Christ-centered, volunteer-driven, nonprofit organization formed to feed those who are hungry- physically, spiritually and emotionally. Believing all people matter and are worthy of our time, love and sacrifice, because God shows that is how he feels about people. He made the ultimate sacrifice by sending his son Jesus to pay the price for our sins so that all people have the ability to be reconciled to relationship with Him. The Cafe’s mission is to ensure that one of people’s most basic needs – nourishment – is met. By partnering with churches and other groups, we are able to provide a hot meal to more than 200 people every day. This time also allows us to share a meal together and build relationships with one another. As a volunteer in the cafe, you become a part of our family and a part of seeing true transformation in the lives of those we serve. Participants will go right to Feed My Sheep at 116 W. Ave G, Temple TX 76502 arriving before 9:00 am and remaining until released by the staff at FMS or 1:00pm.

Lunch

The Lunch team will plan, prepare and serve a lunch to all persons participating in the Worship Outside the Walls. The meal is provided by the church.

Choir “concert”

The choir will perform for residents at a nursery home. Based on guidance from the choir director, team members will meet at a specified location and perform preselected songs to boost morale, strengthen faith, and foster a sense of God's presence.

Maintenance / Repair / Grounds Cleaning Team
(SUMC will provide as many tools as possible.)

- * This team will divide into groups with one cleaning the church grounds.
- * Another team will complete parsonage fence repair and painting.
- * Another break off team will complete yard and house work for Salado Senior Center sign ups. This may include:
 - * Mowing
 - * Weedeating
 - * Light bulb replacements (light bulbs provided by homeowner)
 - * A/C filter changes (filters provided by homeowner)
- * And one team will weed and plant at the TAE School garden.

Litter Pick Up

This team will accompany the project leader to specified areas to pick up litter. Trash bags and nitrile gloves will be provided for each participant. A team member who owns a truck may be asked to haul filled trash bags to city office for disposal in the their trash can.

Donations:

Donated items may be left in the appropriately marked boxes in the atrium each Sunday and Wednesday. Items donated on other days may be dropped off at the office. We thank all who participate through your presence and/or donations as we work to take our ministry beyond the walls of this church. Please have donations to the church by Wednesday, August 27, 2025. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please mark your check for Worship Outside the Walls or WOW!

If you have any questions about any of the teams, please contact the office to discuss with the staff at 947-5482.



WOW SUNDAY

WORSHIP OUTSIDE THE WALLS

AUGUST 31



9:00–9:30 AM: Worship
SUMC Worship Center

9:30–11:00 AM:
Mission Projects
Outside the Walls
Various locations around Salado

11:00 AM: Lunch
SUMC

SCAN TO SIGN UP TO HELP WITH WOW SUNDAY!



What is Worship Outside the Walls?

John Wesley set some ground rules for Methodists to follow:

- Do No Harm.
- Do Good.
- Seek Out God.

Worship Outside the Walls Sunday is about **doing good** outside the physical walls of our church. It will begin with a short gathering at 9:00am followed by an hour and a half of **doing good**.

Our goal is to have several teams, some in, some outside church **doing good**. And, if you have any t-shirts with Salado UMC on them, we encourage you to wear one!!

There are signups for each team. Because of space and logistics, some teams will have a limit. The teams will work on their projects from 9:30am - 11:00 am. Teams will meet up back at the church for lunch and to report on what was accomplished.

Below are the Projects. Please read through the details of each project and pick one that fits you the best!

Indoors:

- * Slide Show
- * Heart and Hands Ministries Food Pantry (Brookshire Plaza)
- * Grace Bags (Room 117)
- * Flood Buckets (Youth Activities Center)
- * Lunch (kitchen/Worship Center)
- * “You are Loved” cards (Room 117)
- * Plarn for Mats
- * Feed My Sheep
- * Choir “concert”
- * Lunch Preparation

Outdoors:

- * Landscape/paint nearby campus ministry (SUMC/Parsonage)
- * Litter pick up (Various locations in Salado)
- * Campus Clean-up

The nursery will be available for small children. We encourage parents and children to participate in mission work together if at all possible.

Slide Show:

This one man show will collect pictures as they come in from the teams and make them into a slide show (by team) to be shown during the teams report. Knowledge of computers and windows slide show or powerpoint necessary. A laptop computer and assistance from the church’s AV director will be provided.

Food Pantry:

The team will accompany the project leader to the Heart & Hands Ministries (HHM) Food Pantry in the Brookshire Brothers Plaza. We encourage those who have **not** volunteered at the pantry before to sign up for this team. Team members will:

- * take any donated food from the church to the pantry
- * be educated on the Food Pantry’s Mission, Operations, and History
- * check the expiration date of all food donations
- * shelve all food in accordance with current system at HHM Food Pantry
- * Fill bags three bags per client family for distribution on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month

Donations of the following food items are requested between now and August 27:

- * Breakfast Items (Bars, Pop Tarts, Cereals)
- * Snacks (Pretzels, Chips, etc.)
- * Peanut Butter and Jelly (Grape / Strawberry)
- * Cookies and Crackers
- * Meaty Soups (Progresso, Campbell’s)
- * Pork & Beans / Ranch Style / Refried Beans
- * Cans of Fruit (Pineapple, Mandarin Oranges, Peaches)
- * Ramen Noodles
- * Individual Serving Meal
- * Personal Hygiene Items

Grace Bags / “You Are Loved” Cards:

- * The team will fill approximately 80 grace bags to be donated to “Feed My Sheep” to be handed out to clients. One

gallon bags– provided by the church– will be filled with the following items: water, gum, peanut butter or cheese crackers, a “you are loved” card from the church, granola bars, tissues (provided by the church), nuts, drink mix and pocket combs.

- * Donations of the following items are requested between now and August 31:
- * 16 oz water
- * Packs of chewing gum
- * Peanut butter or cheese crackers
- * a “you are loved” card from the church
- * granola bars
- * pocket combs
- * Crystal Light
- * Planters Salted Nuts

Flood Buckets

The team will work with the project leader to build flood buckets to replenish buckets from the UMCOR Depot in Baldwin, Louisiana used in recent disasters to include the Texas floods in July 2025. Salado UMC will provide the buckets.

- * Donations of the following are requested between now and August 27:
- * One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- * One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner (**no spray cleaners**)
- * One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- * One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (liquid, not gel)
- * One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10 - 20 wipes also acceptable) Pump spray bottles must have protective covers
- * One scrub brush with or without handle
- * 18 re-useable cleaning wipes; **No terrycloth, micro-fiber or paper towels**; Remove from packaging
- * Five scouring pads (**No stainless steel pads with soap in them**); Remove from packaging
- * 36-50 clothespins
- * One 50-100 ft. clothes line (cotton or plastic line)
- * Trash bags (33-45-gallon sizes); Remove from packaging
- * Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness); **No surgical masks**
- * 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags
- * Two pairs kitchen gloves; Durable for multiple uses; Remove from packaging
- * One pair work gloves; Cotton with leather palm or all leather