



Dearest saints of FUMC Ennis,

It has been such a joy to get to know you all and worship with you the last couple weeks. My whole family extends our deepest gratitude for your warm welcome. On July 21st I will start my first sermon series at FUMC Ennis called The Beginning, a focus on the origin story of all creation, humanity, and our relationship with our creator God. Just like superheroes and comic book characters have back stories to make their remarkable narratives make sense, I believe creation has an origin story as well. We find this story in the book of Genesis, particularly in the first three chapters. Over the coming weeks we will explore creation, God's purpose for creating humans, the fall, and the separation of God and humanity. I think you will find these stories give vital information to help make sense of the rest of the biblical narrative.

I also want to remind you again to keep July 28th free in the afternoon so you can come by the parsonage at 2602 St Andrews Dr sometime between 2 and 6pm. Jiffy and I would like to open up our beautiful home to all the wonderful people who made it so great. Come visit with us and enjoy light refreshments. We also have a room dedicated to music, so if you have an instrument to bring or a gift to share please do!

May God bless our time together,

Pastor Matt Bailey

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