



The Messenger

August/September 2019

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Dickie Muehr

The Pastor's Message ...

In June, I got to see “Mary Poppins Returns” for the first time. Since I loved the first Mary Poppins movie, I had wanted to see this and really enjoyed sharing the experience with some of you. It’s a wonderful story. As she arrives at the home to take care of a family who is going through times of change, Mary announces that she will be there “...until a door opens.”

Well, another door has opened for me. I have been called to serve as Interim Senior Pastor of University Christian Church in Austin. My last Sunday at Weimar United will be September 8th.

They are in a similar situation as you once were. Their last pastor just retired after being there over a dozen years. I will be arriving to help them in care, direction, and vision. Also, in my terms of call there is affirmation that I am to “... work with the church lay leadership and staff in developing a transitional plan for the newly adopted by-laws...” Change is happening all around us, and I continue my work of walking with congregations through their journey. The chapter of life is turning and the story continues.

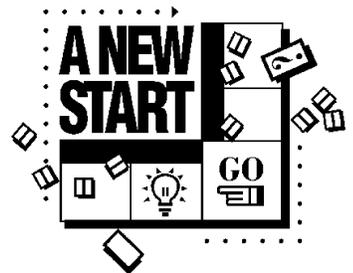
How do we tell our story? That has been something that you and I have worked on for a year and a half. I have listened as you have told your stories of faith, stories of history with this church, and stories of struggling with God and how that journey connects you to this place. We have also told and listened to stories of visions for the future.

We all have stories and it is important that we learn to frame them and speak of them in light of our relationship with God. It is good to see and understand how God shapes and molds our life. We may have the freedom to make our own decisions, but God is always there beckoning us forward into a deeper relationship if we will be bold enough to listen and follow.

God invites us into experiences of greater possibility than we could ever imagine. If we can seek God with the sense of awe that children often do, we may be amazed and surprised when God invites us to take a leap of faith and discover a whole new way of life.

As I get ready to pack up my office, I know that I will take not only the books and tools of trade, but now, also, the stories and the memories of good and

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important times we have shared together. We have walked together for over a year—a significant journey. We have sought to discern where God is leading Weimar UCC as we sought God's blessing upon us.

And, through it all, we have shaped and molded each other a bit. You have remembered the imprint of your history as you look toward a bright and exciting future. We are molded for purpose and promise. And, we are to always remember that we are the Easter people. We believe that an ending always points to a new beginning.

You have shaped me as well. I thank you for all the imprint and influence you have been in my life and ministry. Several of the prophets, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Paul in his letter to the Romans, speak of God molding us like a potter shapes clay into vessels. The historical (but non-canonical) book of Sirach says: *Like clay in the hand of the potter, to be molded as he pleases, so all are in the hand of their Maker, to be given whatever he decides.* (33:13_)

So, God is leading me on, on a path where I will not be close by, but you will remain close in my heart and in my prayers. I depart with this blessing from Paul: *"May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this."* (1 Thess. 5:23-23)

Peace and blessings,
Pastor Kristin



Preaching Schedule

Sunday Worship
— 9:30 a.m.

August Sermon Titles/Scriptures

- August 4 Sermon Title: Coming Together
Scriptures: Colossians 3: 1-11;
2 Corinthians 8: 23-24; Luke 12: 15
- August 11 Sermon Title: Promises that Shape Us
Scriptures: Genesis 15: 1-6;
Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16; Luke 12: 32-48
- August 18 Sermon Title: Faith From the Outside
Scriptures: II Kings 5: 1-14; Luke 7: 1-10
- August 25 Sermon Title: Travel Light,
but Travel Right
Scriptures: Hebrews 12: 1-3;
I Samuel 17: 38-49

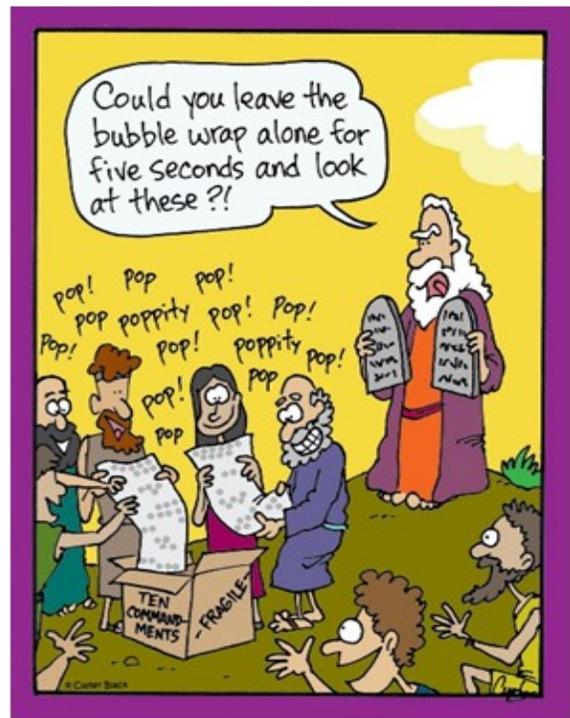
September Sermon Titles/Scriptures

- Sept. 1 Sermon Title: A New Point of View
Scriptures: Isaiah 58: 9b-14;
II Corinthians 5: 16-21; Luke 13: 10-17
- Sept. 8 Sermon Title: Writing a Letter
Scriptures: Micah 6: 1-8; 1 Cor 1: 1-9



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Weimar UCC has an informative website. If you haven't looked at it, you might do so.



*Thanks to our
Newsletter Workers!*

Editor

Loreen Rhodes

Assembly Team on Call

Linda Barrilleaux,
Julia Krizak, Kenneth Krizak,
Jo Lynn McDonald,
Ed Hilley, Lynelle Schwenke.



July Worship Attendance

7th 53
14th 49
21st 64
28th

July Average —
June Average — 82

August/September Volunteers

Council Members with Lock-Up Duty —

George Brandt (*August*)
Dora Vazquez (*September*)

He who will unlock the building
and adjust the air early each Sunday —
Ryan Brandt or Paul Hilley

Those who will care for the
Sirnic Cemetery Plot —
Marianne Muehr & Gretchen Maddux
(*August*)

Jenny & Clifford Grohmann (*September*)

Thanks to All of you!

Message from our Church Secretary ...

We have learned that Rev. Ernie Dean's Parkinson's is advancing and he has a new address: Westminster Retirement Center, 4100 Jackson Avenue, Austin TX 78731. He appreciates cards and letters from everyone and wants to keep in touch. Remember him in your prayers as well.



Changes to 2019 Members' Roster

Currently at The Regency: Lornette Schoeneberg, Joyce Terrell, Jackie Marak-Bartosh, Rosalie Latimer (*111 College Street, Schulenburg TX 78956*).

At Columbus Oaks Health Care: Elaine Schellberg (*300 North Street, Columbus TX 78934*).

At College Place: Faye Stech (*address is in Members' Roster*)

Until next time, Loreen

Please help keep our community food pantry stocked.

Suggestions: August—Flour/Sugar September—Hygiene Products
(*A collection box is in the church foyer.*) Thank you!

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

August/September Schedules

Men's Brotherhood (*usually 1st Tue.*)

August — No Meeting

September 3 @ 7:00 p.m.
Program—George Brandt
Hosts—Ryan Brandt & Mack Janak

Women's Activities

The ladies are studying "*Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews.*" The study explores major themes found in the New Testament book of Hebrews and relates these themes to other parts of our faith tradition. Pastor Kristin leads these discussions.

Evening Circle Meetings (*2nd Tue.*)

August 13 @ 5:00 p.m.
Hostesses: **All Members** (pot luck)

September 10 @ 5:00 p.m.
Hostesses: **Sandy Kainer & Jo Lynn McDonald**



Mike & Robin Shinn
(*Montgomery*);
Robert & Sue Clifton (*Conroe*);
Justin Helm (*Cypress*); Joyce Ohnheiser (*Houston*); Jalyn & Heubert Steradel

Weimar —
Many visitors for the Baptism of Lucas Knox Lopez.



Church Council News

The church council met on June 12 and on July 10, 2019. As of June 30, 2019, the balance of the General Fund Checking account was \$1,305.45 and the General Fund Savings Account was \$6,404.19. The Building Fund Now Checking Account balance was \$5,396.40.

Interim Pastor Kristin reported on her pastoral activities. As of the June 2019 council meeting, I have: Led five Sunday Worship services. Baptized William Brandt Wyatt on May 19, 2019. Baptized Lucas Knox Lopez on June 9, 2019. Led worship with Communion at Parkview Manor on June 9th. Participated in our Vacation Bible School. Made several pastoral calls and visits to congregants. Participated in the South Central Conference UCC Board meeting on May 30th as well as the Annual meeting of the SCC held in New Orleans May 31-June 1. Gave the Baccalaureate message for Weimar ISD graduating class on May 22nd. Met with our Council President to discuss preparation for the Council meeting, how to schedule continued work on the Parsonage, future plans, etc. I have asked that a window be installed in the pastor's office door for transparency purposes. The Pastor's Bible Study continues to meet on Tuesdays at 1:30pm as people are available. Pulpit supply has been arranged for 6/23 & 6/30 during my June vacation.

Vice President, Paul Hilley let us know that the search committee has received 3 or 4 applications and that they will be meeting soon to go over them.

Under Old Business, it was noted that the parsonage is ready to be painted and that when that was finished, we could start on the flooring. The garage sale earned roughly \$2,180. Ten percent of our proceeds from the garage sale was changed to go to Our Church's Wider Mission instead of the United Church of Christ Evangelical Children's Home.

Under New Business: At the July 10th meeting, there was no quorum, but we did receive and accept Pastor Kristin's notice of resignation effective September 9, 2019.

Committee Reports: Hugo stated that the ADA ramp is in and that he will stripe it. The shrubs around the church were trimmed. Pam reported that VBS was amazing and that we had a total of 106 different kids and an average of 95 kids each night. A lot of volunteers from the community and our church came out to help during VBS. Dora stated that June 15th is the Fish Fry and June 30th will be our 5th Sunday Luncheon. Thanks for coming out and enjoying our Fish Fry and 5th Sunday Luncheon.

The Council will meet again on August 14, 2019.

Submitted by Emily Latimer,
Church Council Secretary



**Many Thanks
to our
Council
Members for
their time and
hard work in
overseeing
the needs of
Weimar UCC!**

Report from Annual Conference

Jim and Susan Miculka, along with Ross Jaster, attended the 2019 annual meeting of the South Central Conference in New Orleans on May 31 and June 1. Rev. Ron Buford preached at the opening worship on Friday. There were no breakout sessions as in previous years, but on Saturday afternoon we had the opportunity to hear Rev. Buford present on a Racists Anonymous initiative, which assumes that we all carry biases resulting in negative interactions and relationships. Then Dr. Dan DeLeon and Rev. Tom VandeStadt shared their experiences witnessing the legal and law enforcement processes related to immigration, detention and deportation on the Texas-Mexico border.

We attended the banquet on Friday evening, enjoying the opportunity to visit with people we met at our last three conferences. On Saturday, two worship services were led by Rev. Greehaw and Rev. Dr. Don Longbottom. Plenary sessions on both days included approval of minutes from last year's meeting, and reports on the South Central Conference financials and from the director of outdoor ministry at Slumber Falls Camp. Worship, fellowship and music were integral to the whole time together.

Over the last four years attending the annual meeting, Jim and I have learned so much more about our church and our denomination. We feel fortunate to have been trusted to represent Weimar UCC at these meetings – it seems not every church in our conference sends lay delegates – and we appreciate the support provided by this congregation. This was the first time for Ross to attend, and he, too, enjoyed it and learned more about the church as a whole.

If you would like to know more, please don't hesitate to reach out to Jim or to me when you see us! We'd love to share more of this experience.

Choir Practice Returns

After enjoying a relaxing break over the summer, our choir members will resume practice on Wednesday, August 28. Our first anthem will be on Sunday, September 1.

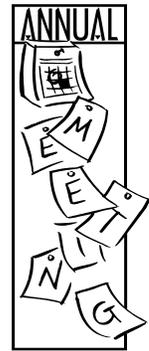
If you haven't joined us before, now is the time to come and enjoy an hour of camaraderie and song. Mark your calendar now – practice at 6:00 on Wednesday evenings; Special Music on the first and third Sundays – and we'll see you in the choir loft ☺

Singing Fifth Sunday on September 29

Our next Singing Sunday will be held on September 29. If you have suggestions for hymns that we should sing on that day, please write them on the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Hymns for that day will be chosen from that list.

After the service, we will have our 5th Sunday Luncheon with the church providing fried chicken and each of us bringing a dish to go with it.

Invite your family and friends to join us!



Heart Texas

The Heart of Texas Association will be holding its Fall Meeting on Saturday, November 16th, at 11am at Trinity Church of Austin, with Congregational Church of Austin taking the lead as the host church. We anticipate a possible Ecclesiastical Council and a short program to bring us together in the work of the wider church. As is our current way of meeting, we gather in a church from the Austin cluster in the fall, then we will go to a Brazos cluster church this coming spring. I hope many of you will be able to join us for a time of worship, fellowship, lunch, and business.

Many of you know that our former Conference Minister, Douglas Anders, has been in treatment for cancer for the past several years at his home in the St. Louis area. Douglas has continued to serve the church and his community in many ways, even during his long period of chemotherapy. His course of treatment recently failed, and he was sent to an experimental treatment protocol through MD Anderson Cancer Center. I am grateful to report that this treatment is working; however, it is the lifeline for Douglas and will last at least two years, requiring travel to Houston every three weeks. I have asked Douglas how we can help. His big request is for our continued prayers, and he continues to be thankful for all we do to lift him up in that way. He has also said that donated Southwest Airline miles, vouchers, and Rapid Reward points would be most helpful from those who are able to give. Anyone who would like to donate can contact Stacey Silvey at the South Central Conference office, 830-625-2212 or office@scucc.org.

We rejoice with St. John's UCC, Burton as they welcomed Darrin Holub as their new Senior Minister on July 1st. Of course, Darrin and his wife, Kim, have been part of our Association for many years during Darrin's ministry at Evangelical UCC in Lyons and Friedens, Gay Hill. We also thank Charles Stark for his work in ministry at St. John's during their long interim, and lift up all of these churches as Lyons and Gay Hill begin a time of

transition and as St. John's embarks with Darrin on a new era in ministry.

The UCC 2019 Southern Regional Women's Retreat, "Strong Sisters' Stories," will be held on Friday - Sunday, October 18 - 20 at the beautiful Blowing Rock Conference Center, 1818 Goforth Rd., Blowing Rock, North Carolina. These retreats are always a wonderful time to join with our sisters in Christ from many different places. Those who have been to Blowing Rock have brought back great reports! To register, go to <http://www.brccenter.org>.

The 2020 UCC National Youth Event is coming next summer, July 22-24th, at Purdue University. This dynamic faith gathering for youth and young adults ages 12-22 (*plus chaperones*) is the largest gathering in the UCC. It is an unforgettable experience. We have sent large groups from the Heart of Texas Association the past several times, and we hope to send a large group once again. Our Association sets aside money each year to help, and our Association board will be bringing a budget item for a travel subsidy to our Fall Meeting for approval.

For more information, go to <http://www.uccpages.org/nye/>.

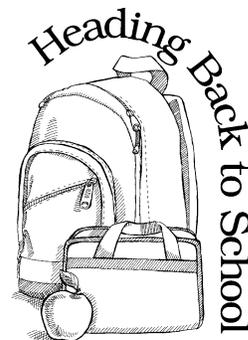
Blessings in Christ,
Liz Nash, Association Minister



Keeping in Touch and Asking for Your Prayers

We are meeting regularly and reviewing the Pastoral Profiles sent to us. It is exacting work and we seek God's guidance every step of the way. We pray that our work will bear fruit for our church and we take our charge seriously.

Please hold us and the candidates in your prayers that we may be wise in our work and blessed in the outcome. In Jesus' name. Amen.



Blessing of the Backpacks

The time has come when the children will be going back to school following the summer recess. This is a busy time making preparations.

As was done last year, we plan to have a “blessing of the backpacks” during our worship service on August 11th. Of course, all children need to bring their backpacks with them to church on that Sunday. Pastor Kristin will do the blessing.

School Supply Drive for Weimar Elementary School TEACHERS

by *Darlia Maxwell, Missions Chair*

As requested by the Weimar Elementary principal, Kristy (Pesak) Janecka, we are currently collecting classroom supplies for teachers. The most requested/needed supplies include the following items:

**AA Batteries, Colored Pens,
Crayola Crayons, Dividers,
Dry Erase Markers, Glue Sticks,
Highlighters, Kid Scissors (*Fiskars brand*),
Pencil Top Erasers, Pencils,
Permanent Markers,
Rolls of Clear Packing Tape,
Sticky Note Pads, Velcro Dots**

Please bring your donations to the church overflow and place them in the box marked “School Supply Drive.” You may bring them during business hours or on Sunday. We will collect the items through August 18. Please plan to stay for a few minutes after church on that day so we can put together a goody bag for each teacher and distribute them in time for the beginning of school. Each bag will be filled with some supplies and a note letting them know that our church will be praying for them and their students.



Requested Schedule for Volunteers to Assist Pastor Kristin with 2pm Communion Worship Services at Parkview Manor (*Sundays*)

February — None
March 24 — Young Adult Group
April — None
May 5 — Adult Sunday School (*Wed & Sun*)
June 9 — Sanctuary Choir
July 28 — Church Council
August — None
September 1 — Men's Brotherhood
October 13 — Evening Circle
November 17 — Adult Sunday School
December 22 — Sanctuary Choir

All are always invited to attend or participate in these services. Just come; no notice required. You will be appreciated, and the residents enjoy seeing your faces!



Blood Drive = August 1, 2019 11:00am—5:30pm
Fellowship Hall

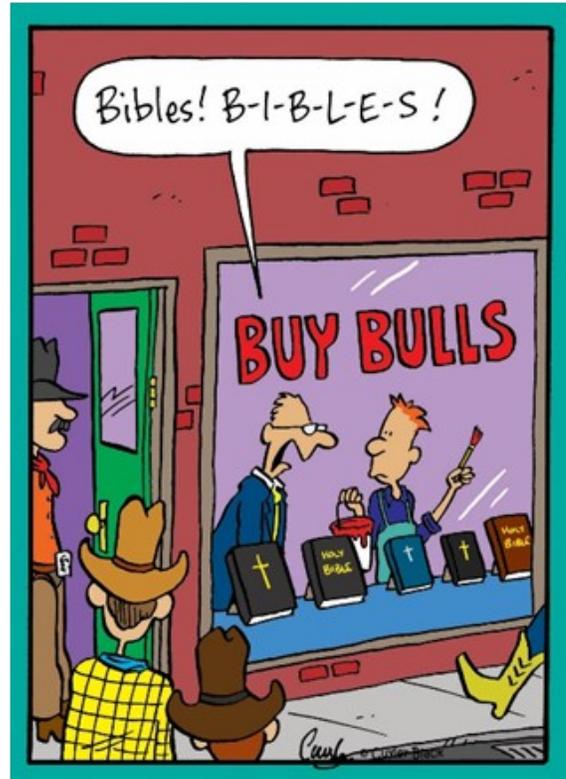
Sponsored by Weimar Encore Lions

It's time to dust off your Bible after a summer break and get ready for Sunday School to resume!

We will start the weekly Sunday School for adults and children on August 25th at 9:00am. The adults will finish the video series that we were working on before the summer recess, and then transition to another exciting series. The children will also be continuing their exciting curriculum on the Bible stories.

Here is how you can help!! Both the adult classes and the children's classes are in need of teachers. No experience is needed; just someone to guide. Please see the sign up sheet in the foyer for openings.

If you have any questions or need more information before volunteering, please call Pam Schoeneberg at 512-332-6439.



The Bulletin Board

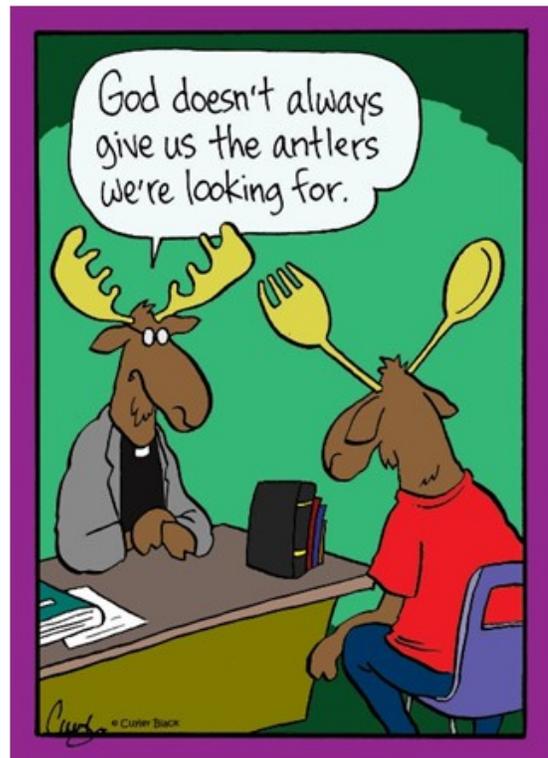
*It's time for our
Annual Ice Cream Social!!!
It will be on Sunday, August 11th,
beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the
Fellowship Hall.*

*Our Church is fortunate to have
many folks who know how to make
Delicious Homemade Ice Cream!
So, each year, we look forward to
enjoying several different flavors.*

*There is a sign-up sheet in the church foyer and we
ask that you indicate what you will provide.*

*In addition to ice cream, we like to have sand-
wiches, chips, fruit, roll ups, cookies and other desserts,
or anything you choose to bring.*

***Bring your family! Bring your friends!
All are invited, so mark those calendars!***





In Honor of the Women of the Evening Circle, from:

Marianne & Dickie Muehr (*Stained Glass Window*)

In Honor of Our Church Leaders, from:

Marianne & Dickie Muehr (*Stained Glass Window*)

In Memory of Mr. Lawrence John Tillman, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of All Those Who Came Before Us, from:

Marianne & Dickie Muehr (*Stained Glass Window*)

In Memory of Mrs. Teresa Schwertner, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Berry S. Harrison, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Kelvin "Tookie" Johnson, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Clay Joines, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Clyde Bexley, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Jim Ed Davis, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Maurice Bennight, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mrs. Gladys Dittrich, from:

David & Shirlene Smith (*Funeral Reception Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Clayton "Cooter" Kenney, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Case Bradly Beken, from:

Jean J. Heger (*Stained Glass Window*)

In Memory of Her Parents, Joe & Lillie Freis, from:

Jean J. Heger (*Stained Glass Window*)

In Memory of Dr. Wilfred O. Dietrich, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

In Memory of Mr. Fred Coles Kettrick, from:

Ross A. Jaster (*Parsonage Fund*)

(Donations made after July 23rd will be listed in the next newsletter.)

Memorial Gift Options

Thank you for your consideration of a memorial gift to Weimar UCC. Below are several choices of special gifts you are welcome to pick from; or, feel free to designate your own. Simply write on the envelope where you would like your memorial placed.

- Building Fund
- Stained Glass Window Fund
- Children's Ministry Fund
- Sirnic Memorial Endowment
- Parsonage Fund
- Ratliff Memorial Music Fund
- Church Landscaping Fund
- Mission Fund
- New Church Start Fund
- Outside Storage Building Fund
- General Operating Fund

If you have questions about specific funds please ask any church council member.

ElderFest — Luncheon & Games for all!



ElderFest at Weimar UCC is not just for folks “of a certain age!” It’s a fun time for everyone! We invite you to join us and bring a friend or two!! Being a Weimar UCC member is not a requirement! All who attend enjoy food, fun, fellowship, domino and card games. **All can look forward to gathering in the fellowship hall on the third Thursday of August (the 15th), and on the third Thursday of September (the 19th).** Come around 11:15am and plan to stay a while. Volunteers generously provide “everything we hoped for at a church luncheon,” and there is always more than enough food for all. “See you there!” **Thanks to all who make this event possible, and to those who attend!**

\$1 for 1 Mission Offering Report by Darlia Maxwell, Missions Chair

It’s hard to believe that our **\$1 for 1 Mission Offering** began almost a year ago, on August 5, 2018. For those who may not be familiar with this project, the name represents exactly what we are asking each person to do – give \$1 (*more if you desire*) each Sunday during the offertory. A local non-profit organization will be chosen each month and the offerings collected for that particular month will be donated to the chosen organization. Remember, this is in addition to your regular giving.

Please place your **\$1 for 1** offering in the special envelope marked **\$1 for 1 Mission Offering** and put it in the offering plate each week. Children are also encouraged to participate, as this will help them develop a habit of giving as part of their worship experience as well. A penny, nickel, dime, quarter, or dollar bill, really any amount will help your child develop a giving heart! And, of course, any amount, large or small by anyone is welcomed.

The purpose of this ministry is to demonstrate that something as small as one dollar can be used to make a difference in the lives of others. To date, we have donated over \$2,100 to eleven very deserving organizations in the surrounding area, including Weimar. If you would like to suggest a charity or non-profit organization for future donations, please call or text Darlia at 979-966-9046 or email darliam@cvctx.com.

“God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.” – Hebrews 6 :10.

\$1 for 1 Mission Offering—2019 Donations List

January	Boys & Girls Club of Champion Valley, 1100 Bohlmann Ave, Schulenburg 78956
February	Turtle Wing Foundation, PO Box 621, Schulenburg 78956
March	Hooves and Hounds Rescue & Rehab Sanctuary, PO Box 336, Sheridan 77475
April	Colorado County Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 1448, Columbus 78934
May	Friends of the Weimar Library
June	Mini Horse Helpers, PO Box 642, La Grange 78945
July	Weimar Lions Club, PO Box 170, Weimar 78962
August	The Heritage Society Museum of Weimar, 125 E Main St., Weimar 78962
September	Parents As Teachers, 105 N. Grohmann St., Weimar 78962
October	Family Crisis Center, PO Box 736, Bastrop 78602
November	Weimar Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 792, Weimar 78962
December	ARTS for Rural Texas, 201 W. Fayette St., Fayetteville 78940

Wit & Wisdom

*(As was printed in the
Parkview Manor Newsletter)*

*“Every day is a great
day to give love, spread
joy and sparkle!”*

—Sheri Fink

*“Charisma is a
sparkle in people that
money can’t buy. It’s
an invisible energy with
visible effects.”*

—Marianne Williamson

*“Use each moment to
make another’s eyes
sparkle and to warm a
heart.”*

—Doreen Virtue

*“Enthusiasm is the
sparkle in your eyes,
the swing in your gait,
the grip of your hand,
the irresistible surge of
will and energy to
execute your ideas.”*

—Henry Ford

*“Stay close to those
who sing, tell stories,
and enjoy life, and
whose eyes sparkle
with happiness.”*

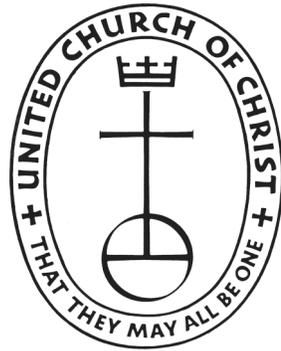
—Paulo Coelho

*“Don’t let the
insecurities of others
dull your sparkle.
Shine like the star you
are born to be.”*

—Karen Civil

*“Any woman can look
her best if she feels good
in her skin. It’s not a
question of clothes or
makeup. It’s how she
sparkles.”*

—Sophia Loren



THE WEIMAR UCC FLOCK

Please Pray for ...

... All in the Military, and their families.
... those struggling and/or suffering.
... our world leaders.
... World Peace.
... our church as we seek a new pastor.

We Continue to Pray for ...

... **Margie Hoffman, Erna Mae Rose, Louis Barrilleaux, Rosalie Latimer, Lornette Schoeneberg, Berry Lou Stech, Faye Stech, Rose Hairell, Grace Yoder, Milton Kansteiner, Raymond Koller, Elaine Schellberg, Jerry Vachala, Joyce Terrell, Jackie Marak-Bartosh, and Rosie Shumbera.**

We Also Pray for ...

... **our Students and Teachers** as they make plans to return to their respective schools.
... **Members of our Pastoral Search Committee** (*Benita Hnette, Susan Miculka, Alan Koehn, Marianne Muehr, Ryan Schoeneberg, and Paul Hilley*) as they continue the process of finding a suitable pastor for us.
... **Pastor Kristin Galle**, who will leave us on September 9 as another door opens for her. She will serve as Interim Senior Pastor of

University Christian Church in Austin. We bid her farewell and wish her well.

We Rejoice With ...

... **Robert Lopez and Stephanie Garza** on the baptism of their young son, **Lucas Knox Lopez**, on Sunday, June 9. Big brother **Rylen Lopez** is very proud of the new baby in the family!! We promise them our love, support and care as they live and grow in Christ.

We give Thanks ...

... Many of our members (*and friends*) worked very hard to make our recent church garage sale at the parsonage so successful. Many donated items. Many sorted the items, priced them, and displayed them for the sale. Others helped customers with their purchases and worked the cashier's table. All in all, the garage sale earned around \$2,200!!! Ten percent of the profits was directed to our Church's Wider Mission.
... VBS in June was also very successful. We had a total of 106 different kids enrolled and an average of 95 kids per day! Thanks to a lot of volunteers from our church as well as from the local community, all turned out even better than was anticipated.

Laugh Lines left from the Fourth of July Fun ...

Q: What is Uncle Sam's favorite snack?

A: Fire crackers.

Q: Why does the Statue of Liberty stand in New York Harbor?

A: Because she can't sit down.

Q: Did you hear the riddle about the Liberty Bell?

A. Yes, it cracked me up!

Q: What do you call a duck who likes watching fireworks?

A: A firequacker.

A battery and a firework were arrested. One was charged; the other was let off.

A preschool teacher was talking to her class about America. She began, "One of the best things about our country is that we are all free." Before she could finish, a boy marched up to her, put his hands on his hips and protested, "I'm not free; I'm four."

August 4 & 11

Liturgists: 4th -- Brandon Anders 11th – Zane Wanjura
Song Leaders: 4th – Marianne Muehr 11th – Dickie Muehr
Special Music: 4th—Trio: Julia Krizak, Marianne Muehr, 11th—Men’s Quartet, *Bob Parish organizes*
& Peggy Hiatt
Acolytes: 4th -- Chloe Brandt & Emily Wied 11th - Callie Janak & Brooke Wanjura
Ushers: Kenneth & Julia Krizak*, Emilie Kunschick, Anton Vazquez
Kids’ Usher: 4th — Hadley Brandt 11th — Rylen Lopez
Greeters: Peggy Hiatt & Emily Latimer
Communion Stewards: 4th – Harvey & Linda Vornsand

Altar Flowers:

4th – **Bob & Bonnie Parish (In Loving Memory of their Mothers, Zell Parish & Kim Briggs)
11th – Brandon & Amarae Anders (In Memory of Grandma & Grandpa Banse,
Grandma & Grandpa Anders, and Grandpa Vasquez)



August 18 & 25

Liturgists: 18th – Edward Davila 25th – Sarah Summers
Song Leaders: 18th – Marianne Muehr 25th – Dickie Muehr
Special Music: 18th—Mixed Choir, *Marianne organizes* 25th—TBA
Acolytes: 18th —Alex Vazquez & Caroline Koehn 25th —Rylen Lopez & Lauren Summers
Ushers: 18th & 25th—Dawn Davila*, Lizetta Vanicek, Travis & Bianka Vanicek
Kids’ Usher: 18th – Zoe Schoeneberg 25th – Caroline Koehn
Greeters: 18th & 25th—Sue Vornsand & Amy Koehn (*replacing Joyce Terrell*)

Altar Flowers:

18th**Bill & Gayle Barnett and Gloria Scott (In Memory of Courtney Scott Massey and Ernest & Mabel Ruth Scott)
25th - **Jackie Marak-Bartosh (In Honor of her Family)

***Altar Flowers* — You will be assigned each year, hopefully around this same date.

**Head Usher* — It is your responsibility to remind the others who are assigned with you, and tell them their duties.

September 1 & 8

- Liturgists:** 1st – Anton Vazquez 8th – Mack Janak
- Song Leaders:** 1st – Marianne Muehr 8th – Dickie Muehr
- Special Music:** 1st — Sanctuary Choir 8th — TBA
- Acolytes:** 1st — Alex Vazquez & Kadi Dees
8th — Dalton Turlington & Delaney Turlington
- Ushers:** 1st & 8th — James & Carolyn Dahse*, Dawn Dahse, Blake Dahse
- Kids' Usher:** 1st — Gavin Schoeneberg 8th — Brinson Huette
- Greeters:** 1st & 8th — Ava June Vachala & Patsy Schmitt
- Communion Stewards:** 1st – Vicki & Jason Busa

Altar Flowers:

- 1st – **Gary Heger and The Friedrich Family
(In Memory of Sandra Heger, Ewald Sr & Marguerite Friedrich)
- 8th --**Alan & Amy Koehn (In Memory of Arlene; Lester & Adela Koehn; and Wilton & Sylvia Leppin)
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September 15, 22 & 29

- Liturgists:** 15th – Valerie Harmon 22nd – Deanna Niesner 29th – Lauren Summers
- Song Leaders:** 15th – Marianne Muehr 22nd – Dickie Muehr 29th – Marianne Muehr
- Special Music:** 15th — Sanctuary Choir 22nd — TBA 29th—Singing Sunday/Luncheon
- Acolytes:** 15th & 22nd — Gavin Schoeneberg & Caroline Koehn
29th -- Anton Vazquez & Kylie Helmcamp
- Ushers:** 15th & 22nd -- Ava June Vachala*, Sarah Wanjura, Jane Armontrout, Kylie Helmcamp
29th – David & Deanna Niesner, Danielle Hilley, Abigail Hilley
- Kids' Usher:** 15th -- Brisyn Dixon 22nd – Callie Janak 29th – Bailey Dees
- Greeters:** 15th -- Donna Kosler & Stephanie Garza
22nd & 29th – David & Shirlene Smith

Altar Flowers:

- 15th --**Louis & Linda Barrilleaux (In Memory of her Parents, Otto & Alice Rahlwes)
- 22nd --**Jim & Susan Miculka (In Honor of their Children)
- 29th -- Vicki & Jason Busa (In Memory of Charles & Mamie Davidson, Hugo & Alena Richter)

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Please Remember —

Calendar your assignments. It is up to you to arrange coverage if you are unable to serve as scheduled.

For more information on scheduling, please see the current Weimar UCC Yearbook.

From time to time, schedule changes are made to fill in for those no longer with us.



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"Greetings to ..."

Sunday Schedule

Worship: 9:30 a.m.

(Communion every first Sunday)

(nursery provided — cry room available)

Coffee/Fellowship: 10:45 a.m.

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Tuesday Bible Study at 1:30 p.m.



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