

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Monday	Jan. 9	Nothing currently scheduled
Tuesday	Jan. 10	Senior Exercise 9:00 AM CH Sew n Sews 9:00 AM MMR Chair Yoga 11:00 AM CH Hand Bell Practice 5:00 PM HR Board of Trustees 7:00 PM MMR
Wednesday	Jan. 11	Senior Exercise 9:00 AM CH Church Work Day--CH+
Thursday	Jan. 12	Senior Exercise 9:00 AM CH Bell Practice 5:00 PM CH Choir Practice 6:30 PM S
Friday	Jan. 13	Nothing currently scheduled
Saturday	Jan. 14	Gary Thompson Memorial--1:00 PM
Sunday	Jan. 15	Contemporary Service 8:30 AM S Traditional Service 10:30 AM S



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January 8, 2023

8:30 AM

ALL CHURCH SUNDAY HOSPITALITY TIME

ALL CHURCH HOSPITALITY TIME IS THE LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH--
Please mark your calendars and plan your snacks. Next is January 29th.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Bible Study Classes resume Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 1:00 PM, with two new studies (CH).	stop their lovestruck daughter from making the same mistake they once made. Free popcorn, sodas and other snacks hosted by Sandy Underwood.
The "Preparing for Life's Crises" series presented through Program Ministry begins the week of January 16. Sign Up with Program Ministry in the Narthex.	A Docent-led walk at Oso Flaco (no dogs) is scheduled for Friday, January 27; again sign up with Program Ministry.
Sun. Jan 23 Movie Night 4 PM CH, New Release "TICKET TO PARADISE" PG-13 Julia Roberts and George Clooney team up as exes who find themselves on a shared mission; to	With and/or without dogs is the Avila Dog Walk on Monday February 13 at 10 AM.

Abbreviation Legend: * Please sign up in advance at the welcome desk in the Narthex.
CH = Criswell Hall HR = Hand Bell Room #115 PS = Pastor's Study
MMR = McMillen Room #113 L = Library Room #123 S = Sanctuary



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Baptism of the Lord

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS/ELT SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

OPENING PRAISE

Revive Us Again

PRAISE SONGS

*Baptism
Let the Waters Rise
Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SONG OF ILLUMINATION

Down to the River to Pray

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 42:1-9
Matthew 3:13-17

SERMON

RAISING THE BAR

Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING

Wings of a Dove

(verse 3 and chorus)

COMMUNION

Arms of Love

FINAL BLESSING

Sanctuary

* CLOSING

This Little Light of Mine

* Please stand as able

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
 I have put my spirit upon him;
 he will bring forth justice to the nations.
 He will not cry or lift up his voice,
 or make it heard in the street; a bruised
 reed he will not break,
 and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will
 not grow faint or be crushed
 until he has established justice in the earth;
 and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,
 who created the heavens and stretched
 them out,
 who spread out the earth and what comes
 from it,
 who gives breath to the people upon it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:
 I am the LORD, I have called you in
 righteousness,
 I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
 I have given you as a covenant to the people,^a
 a light to the nations,
 to open the eyes that are blind,
 to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
 from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the LORD, that is my name;
 my glory I give to no other,
 nor my praise to idols.
 See, the former things have come to pass,
 and new things I now declare;
 before they spring forth,
 I tell you of them.

Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the
 Jordan, to be baptized by him.

John would have prevented him, saying, "I need
 to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"
 But Jesus answered him,

"Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way
 to fulfill all righteousness."

Then he consented.

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he
 came up from the water, suddenly the heavens
 were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God
 descending like a dove and alighting on him.

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son,
 the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.

Today's Liturgist: Joseph Brown

ATTENDANCE					STEWARDSHIP	
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
12/18	34	44	78	53	131	\$7,961
12/24 Eve			107	53	160	\$235
12/25 Day			47	blended		\$5,224
01/01	36	41	77	19	96	\$7,158
Weekly offering needed: \$6,160						

Fiscal Year To Date

Needed: \$166,320 **Received: \$169,248**
Christmas Offering Received: \$6,610

HOSPITALITY

Today's Hosts

**UWF--United
Women in Faith**

**Next Sunday
(August 15)**

**Hosted by
Program
Ministry**