

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Honor and Praise* verse 1 TFWS #2018  
 Prayer/Lord's Prayer  
 Choral Response *Honor and Praise* verse 2 TFWS #2018

SPECIAL MUSIC *Song of Joyful Thanks* Ruth Elaine Schram

SCRIPTURE Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-17

HYMN (*please remain seated*) *We Are God's People* verses 1-3 TFWS #2200

SERMON "PLAY BY THE RULES" Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission  
 Offertory *Go Thou Into the World* Kevin G. Pace  
 Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Hymnal, No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Praise God, the Source of all our gifts!  
 Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!  
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

\*CLOSING HYMN *Jesus Shall Reign* No. 157

BENEDICTION

May the words of our mouths be acceptable to God  
**May the meditations of our hearts,  
 bring us closer to God and one another.**  
 May the beauty of God's creation inspire us  
 to go forth to be a blessing to the world.

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Praise the Lord* verse 2 TFWS #2020

*Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string,  
 Praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.  
 Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,  
 praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.  
 Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, praise the Lord in the time of joy,  
 praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.  
 Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,  
 praise the Lord in your work or play, praise the Lord everywhere in every way!*

POSTLUDE *Postludium* Chester Nordman

\*Please stand as able.

Music Director: Julia Burns Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler Organist: Brad Bettencourt

Today's Scripture

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-17

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Today's Liturgist: Judy Leonard



ALL CHURCH SUNDAY HOSPITALITY TIME is last Sunday of each month.

WEEK	ATTENDANCE					STEWARDSHIP
	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
09/10	32	58	90	37	127	\$7,282
09/17	34	62	96	67	151	\$2,217
09/24	36	58	94	32	113	\$2,147
10/01	28	48	76	n/a	n/a	\$6,092

Our Fiscal Year Started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038  
 STEWARDSHIP REPORT:  
 YTD Received \$74,365 YTD Budgeted \$80,133 World Communion Sunday \$196

HOSPITALITY TIME  
 Today's Hosts:  
 FELLOWSHIP  
 MINISTRY  
 Hosts next  
 Sunday, Oct 15  
 Christian Ed,  
 Worship,  
 Membership



# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



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October 8, 2023

10:30 AM

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Oct 09</b>	4:30 PM Communications Committee--Library, 6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class--McMillen Room.
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Oct 10</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 10 AM Sew n Sews--MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga CH 1:00 PM Bible Study--CH, 7:00 PM Board of Trustees--Criswell Hall.
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Oct 11</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 9AM Church Workday--CH, 10:00 AM Fellowship Ministry--L .
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Oct 12</b>	9 AM Senior Exercise-CH , 10 AM Craft Workshop--MMR, 10:30 AM SPRC--PS, 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal--S.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Oct 15</b>	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service--Sanctuary.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Oct 15</b>	10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service--Sanctuary.

Abbreviation  
Legend  
CH--Criswell Hall  
S--Sanctuary  
K--Kitchen  
L--Library  
Room #123  
MMR--McMillen  
Room #113  
PS--Pastor's  
Study

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*"...forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,  
I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly all of God in Christ."  
--Philippians 3:13b-14*

PRELUDE *Here I Am, Send Me* John Purifoy  
INTROIT *Praise the Lord* verse 1 TFWS #2020  
\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens are telling the glory of God.  
**Rejoice, God's mercy is sure!**  
The earth proclaims God's handiwork.  
**Rejoice, God's purposes are clear!**  
The day and the night reflect God's presence.  
**Rejoice, God is among us!**  
May the God of all wisdom speak to us now!

\*OPENING HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* No. 529

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove, inspire us  
with the wisdom of ancient words.  
Enlighten our minds,  
that we may perceive your presence.  
Strengthen our resolve,  
that we may press onward in faith.  
Help us grow into your likeness  
as the beauty of your love fills our souls.  
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell

## EVENTS Mark Your Calendar

### Thursday October 12

**Craft Workshop** 10 am-12 pm McMillen Room.  
Project Today: Cooking, Led by Mary Thronson.  
All Welcome!

**Friday, Saturday, Sunday,  
November 3, 4, & 5**  
**UWF Holiday Boutique**  
Criswell Hall



### Saturday, November 11

**Butterfly Reserve, Picnic.** Meet at church  
at 10:30 am or Reserve at 10:45 am. Fellowship  
Ministry. Sign up at Connections table.

**Sunday, November 12, Harvest Luncheon,  
Criswell Hall** More details to come!

**Saturday and Sunday,  
November 18 & 19**  
**Mark Hayes composer workshop**  
Workshop on Saturday.  
Concert on Sunday at 3:00 pm.



**Tuesday, November 28, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**  
**Zoom Charge Conference 2023**



**Sunday, October 29,  
3 pm - 5 pm. Trunk or Treat!**  
Church Parking Lot  
Fun and games for all ages!  
Trunk or Treating for the kids!

Costumes! Pumpkin Contests! Prizes!

**Sunday, October 29 4 pm-6pm Criswell Hall**  
**Movie Night---"Hotel Transylvania"**

*Hotel Transylvania* is a 2012 American computer-  
animated monster comedy film produced by  
Columbia Pictures and Sony Pictures Animation.  
Fellowship Ministry; Free Movie.