



FUMC WEEKLY

THIS SUNDAY

WORSHIP

Sanctuary Worship | Dr. Jim Fleming
 "The Journey to Jerusalem"
 9:30 and 11:00 am | Sanctuary

Chapel Communion Service
 Dr. Len Delony
 10:30 – 11:00 am
 Leonard Memorial Chapel

DiscipleChurch
 Rev. Brooks Harrington
 8:30 am | Leonard Memorial Chapel

Radius Youth Worship
 Ms. Casey Langley
 "No Hurry, No Worry" | Matthew 6:25-34
 9:30 - 10:50 am | Justin Youth Building

Nontraditional Worship
 eleven:eleven celebration
 "Our Resistance to Receiving"
 Mr. Charles Gaby, MA, LPC
 11:11 am | Wesley Hall

Holy Week: The Passion of Christ

A Lecture Series Presented by Special Guest:

Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.

"The Journey to Jerusalem"



Friends,

In 1993 I was appointed as an associate pastor and Westchase Campus pastor at First United

Methodist Church in Houston. Dr. Jim Fleming was on our staff as Bible teacher, living in the United States and teaching half the year and in Israel doing research and teaching as a biblical archaeologist.

I had already had the experience of hearing Jim teach in the Disciple Bible Study videos and was excited about the opportunity to work with Jim and experience more of his teaching. What a privilege it was! Susan and I made our first trip to Israel with Jim as our guide and we will never forget that experience.

This past Sunday I held up a piece of pottery in my sermon that I got on that trip. When I found it, Jim immediately knew the period it came from and pointed out the potter's mark on the pottery. His knowledge is encyclopedic! Without a doubt, Jim is one of the best Bible teachers I have ever experienced.

From his years of experience and research he brings a unique perspective to his teaching. He always uses media in his teaching, showing pictures and maps to help his listeners make a kind of journey to many sites of biblical significance.

He shows artifacts and archaeological sites as he teaches in such a way that the stories of the Bible come to life.

He has a lively and entertaining style of delivery and thought-provoking style of weaving together old and recent discoveries.

You will not want to miss this Sunday morning as Jim begins his series, "Holy Week: The Passion of Christ." He will preach in both morning services in the sanctuary and will continue his series in presentations on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings at 6:30 and at studies on Monday and Tuesday at 11:30 am.

I assure you that his presentations will bring the Bible to life for you in a new and powerful way. As he walks us through the days of Jesus' final week of his earthly ministry, you will likely enjoy many "Aha!" moments of new understanding.

There really is nothing like the experience of being in his presentations and experiencing Dr. Fleming in person. You won't want to miss a minute of Dr. Fleming's teaching and you will want to share that experience with others.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Grace and Peace,

◆ LENT 2013 ◆

Holy Week: The Passion of Christ™

We are delighted to welcome Dr. James Fleming as our special guest speaker. As an extremely popular and informative scholar of Biblical archaeology, history, and interpretations, Dr. Fleming brings to our Lenten experience his unique ability to illustrate and bring Biblical texts to life. With a lively and entertaining style of delivery and thought-provoking style of weaving together old and recent discoveries, Dr. Fleming's presentations will provide a fascinating and meaningful frame of reference for our continuing faith journeys as he walks us through the days of Holy Week. Dr. Fleming's lecture is funded by the FUMC Goostree Lectures.



"The Journey to Jerusalem"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
9:30 and 11:00 am | Sanctuary

"Palm Sunday and Messianic Expectation"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
Sunday, March 17 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm Wesley Hall

"The Last Supper"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
Monday, March 18 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Wesley Hall

"The Death of Jesus and 'The Jews'"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
Monday, March 18 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm Wesley Hall

"The Crucifixion as Passover"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
Tuesday, March 19 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Wesley Hall

"Meaning from the Cross"

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Fleming, Ed.D.
Tuesday, March 19 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm Wesley Hall



Sunday, March 17

DiscipleChurch

Rev. Brooks Harrington
8:30 am | Leonard Memorial Chapel

Radius Youth Worship

"Let Go. Let God." | Jeremiah 18:1-6
Ms. Casey Langley

9:30 - 10:50 am | Justin Building

eleven:eleven celebration

"Giving from the Growing Place"

Mr. Charles Gaby, MA LPC
11:11 am | Wesley Hall

"Jesus' Last Journey: From Capernaum to the Cross"

Dr. Lamar Smith
Sundays, 2.17 - 3.24
8:30 - 9:20 am | Room 350

COMING UP THIS WEEK:

Mosaic Mondays | Ms. Tina McIntire

Mondays, 2.18 - 3.25
6:30 - 8:30 pm | Wesley Hall

"Strength for the Broken Places"

Dr. Mike Marshall
Wednesdays, 2.20 - 3.27
11:00 am - 12:00 pm | Room 350

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays | Room 147
7:00 - 7:45 am | Dr. Mitzi Ellington
8:30 - 9:00 am | Dr. Len Delony

Lectio Divina or "Sacred Reading"

Wednesdays | 9:00 - 9:30 am
Room 147 | Dr. Len Delony

Intercessory Prayer

Wednesdays | 9:30 - 10:00 am
Room 147 | Dr. Len Delony

Noontime Reflections

Wednesdays through March 27
Noon to 1:00 pm
Join us in the Chapel for an oasis of quiet reflection each Wednesday of Lent in this come-and-go contemplative worship experience. Be sure to grab lunch before or after from the nearby food truck!

MAKE YOUR HOLY WEEK PLANS NOW!

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Experience communion in the style and manner Jesus did as he shared his Last Supper with his Disciples on the night before he died.

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Thursday, March 28 | 7:00 pm

Simultaneous Children's Service

"What Does Maundy Mean?"
Mr. Mark Burrows | Room 204

GOOD FRIDAY

Noon Chapel Service

12:00 - 1:00 pm | Leonard Memorial Chapel
A beautiful and moving worship experience especially for those who can take a mid-day break to be nourished with music, prayer, liturgy, and a message.

Deepen Your Connection with the debut performance of "Return to Me: Stations of the Cross," a specially-commissioned Good Friday choral piece composed by Taylor Davis, Director of Music and Worship Arts, with lyrics by Dr. Terry York, DMA, Associate Professor of Christian Ministry and Church Music at Baylor University.

Before the evening service

Enjoy a light supper and Q&A discussion with **Dr. Terry York**
6:00 - 6:45 pm | Wesley Hall
and learn how this piece connects scripture with social contexts.

Good Friday Service of Darkness
Friday, March 29 | 7:00 pm | Sanctuary

Simultaneous Children's Service

"Why Do We Call it Good?"
Mr. Mark Burrows | Rm 204

Easter Egg Hunt | Lyle Lodge

Saturday March 30 | 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Lyle Lodge | 7179 Peden Road, Azle, TX 76020

EASTER SUNDAY

Sanctuary Worship | Dr. Tim Bruster

"Raised With Christ" | Colossians 3:1-17
Full Orchestra at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am

DiscipleChurch

Rev. Page Hines/Rev. Brooks Harrington
8:30 am | Leonard Memorial Chapel

eleven:eleven easter celebration

10:00 am - 2:00 pm | Burnett Park

◆ PROGRAMS AND EVENTS ◆

ALMOST CHRISTIAN BOOK GROUP

Wednesdays April 3 – May 8
12:00-1:00 pm & 7:00-8:00 pm | 154
Casey Langley, Director of Youth Ministries, will lead a discussion group on *Almost Christian: What the Faith of our Teenagers is Telling the American Church*, by Kenda Creasy Dean, an ordained UMC pastor and Professor of Youth, Church and Culture at Princeton Theological Seminary. Her book responds to the National Study of Youth and Religion and considers what role the church and parents can play in teenagers beginning to live more authentically Christian lives. Register during the week in the Adult Education Office or by email at gammerman@myfumc.org. The book is \$18 and available in the Adult Education Office.

SAVE THE DATE: Kenda Creasy Dean will visit FUMC on June 9 to lead an event and preach in both sanctuary worship services before serving as speaker for the 2013 Central Texas Annual Conference.

ADULTS

4.2 UMW DINNER AND SPEAKER 6:00 pm | Wesley Hall

All are welcome at the UMW dinner and lecture with Dr. Alyce McKenzie, professor of Preaching and Worship, SMU Perkins School of Theology. Cost of dinner is \$10; reservations required. Contact johnyeb1220@yahoo.com.

4.23 UMW TEA & STYLE SHOW
4:00 - 6:00 pm | Ridglea Country Club
Individual tickets are available for \$40 in the Welcome Center every Sunday through the end of March.

4.18 VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION
6:00-7:30 p.m. | Wesley Hall
All Ushers, Greeters (Blue Shirt Team, Welcome Center, and special events), Television Ministry, First Friends, Docents, Congregational Care, Donation Counters, Parish Nurses, Library and Archive, Front Desk and Office volunteers (and spouse) are invited; dress is business casual. RSVP Elaine Johnson at ejohnson@myfumc.org or Reverend Chuck Graff (cgraff@myfumc.org) at 817-339/5065 **by 4.15.**

OUTDOOR MINISTRY MEETING

Join us Sunday, March 17, from 10:30-10:55 am in Room 154 to learn more about: **Mineral Wells State Park Retreat 4.5 – 4.7, Daingerfield State Park Retreat 5.3 – 5.5** and more! Contact Reverend Chuck Graff (cgraff@myfumc.org) at 817/339-5065)

MISSION

MARCH MEANS DIAPERS!

Throughout March bring diapers — any size — to the Mission during regular donation hours or to the Welcome Center on Sundays.

COFFE POVERTY & JESUS BOOK CLUB

Our May 6 CPJ Book Club selection is *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* by Ben Fountain. This 2012 National Book Award finalist for fiction is slated for adaptation to screenplay; available for \$10 in adult education office.

CENTER FOR CREATIVE TRANSFORMATION

3.31.13 eleven:eleven easter festival

10:00 am - 2:00 pm | burnett park
Musical guests Elizabeth Wills, Sara Hickman and special guests surround this special time of worship, entertainment and family-style fun!

4.21 LISTENING TO DIVORCE

This three-week series focuses on understanding, healing, and learning from the past to move into the future. Sunday mornings, April 21, 28, and May 5, 9:00 – 10:30 am in Room 370 of the Foundation Building.

HIGHER LOVE WEEKEND: BASIC TRAINING FOR THE HEART

Sign up by April 14 for this June 7-9 relationship-changing experience at Stillwater Lodge in Glenrose Texas led by Charles Gaby, MA, LPC. All inclusive cost is \$245 per person; registration limited to 20. Contact Marianne Wilson (mwilson@myfumc.org) at 817 339-5071.

YOUTH

3.17 – 4.14 FIGHTING PENGUINS BASKETBALL

Sunday Afternoons | Justin Bldg.
Come and cheer on the Penguin Madness:

March 17 | 12:30 & 2:30

March 24 | 1:30 & 2:30

April 7 | 3:30

4.26 – 4.27 | LOCK IN-N-OUT

Open to all current 6th-12th graders, the Youth Lock in/out is designed to have tons of fun! Meet at the Justin at 8:00 pm, depart for activities around town (like broomball, bowling, Urban Air and eating), and return to the Justin for movies, free time, games, and worship. Pick-up at 8:00 am the next morning. Cost is \$50; sign up by April 14. Contact Brenda Kegans (bkegans@myfumc.org) 817/339-3888.

CHILDREN

3.27 MARCH GOOD BOOK CLUB 6:15 – 7:15 pm | Children's Wing

The theme for this month's Book Club is "Reach In" with a special emphasis on identity and self-concept/self-improvement. Selected books:

Kindergarten and Younger: *Giraffes Can't Dance* by Giles Andreae, illustrated by Guy Parker-Rees.

Grade 1-3: *Bad Kitty Meets the Baby* by Nick Bruel

3rd grade and older: *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio

Parents: School Counselor Shelia Lashley will be back to explore how parents can raise children to have a healthy self-concept that doesn't cross over into self-absorption.

PRE-SCHOOL DATES FOR EASTER:
3.27 & 28 | Easter Egg Hunts & Parties
3.29 & 4.1 | No School

3.30 EASTER EGG HUNT

10:00 am – 1:00 pm | Lyle Lodge
7179 Peden Road, Azle, Texas 76020
Join your church family for Easter fun — and be sure to bring your Easter basket! EasySlider Food Truck serving up complimentary sliders. Questions? Contact Nikki McInnis (nmcinnis@myfumc.org) at 817/339-5086.

4.8 PRESCHOOL AND PARENTS' DAY OUT ANNUAL AUCTION

Joe T. Garcia's | 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

TEACHERS & TOPICS - MARCH 2013

Aldersgate Couples I Room 333 at 9:30 am

Cana Disciples I Room 332 at 9:30 am

Covenant I Room 331 at 9:30 am

Creative Couples I Room 321 at 9:45 am

17. Lenten Studies, Class Discussion

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31. Not Meeting

Downtown Singles I Room 340-341 at 10:50 am

17. Rev. Phyllis McDougal

24. Anxiety, Mike Stedman

31. Not Meeting, Attending worship together in the Sanctuary.

Genesis Couples I Room 351 at 9:45 am

Good Neighbors I Room 334 at 11:00 am

8:30 a.m. In-Depth Bible Study I Room 350

(Dr. Lamar Smith, Teacher)

2.17 – 3.24 "Jesus' Last Journey: From Capernaum to the Cross"

Inquirers I Room 352 at 9:30 am

17. Looking at Poverty Through Scriptures, Rev. Phyllis McDougal

24. Gaye Fuller

31. Not meeting

Journey I Room 230 at 10:00 am

17. Radical Renovation – Reconciliation, Matthew Roth

24. Radical Renovation – Sacrifice, Dr. Jim Riddlesperger

31. Radical Renovation – Hope (and Class Easter Brunch)

Koinonia I Room 224 at 9:30 a.m.

Carrie & Ken Hinze, leading the class in March

Loyalty I Room 334 at 9:30 a.m.

17. Kimbell Museum

24. Melinda Smoot, FUMC Director of Communications

31. "The Patience and Perseverance of God", Larry Eason

New Horizon Singles I Room 231 at 9:30 a.m.

17. What Do United Methodists Believe?, Dr. Lamar Smith

24. San Miguel and Living in Mexico, Bill Fisher

31. The ABCs of FUMC, Barry Hudson

New Passages I Room 352 at 11:00 am

Partners I Room 320 at 9:45 a.m.

17. & 24 "How the Bible Came to Be", Mike Malloy

31. Not Meeting

Sojourners I Room 335 at 9:30 a.m. – Jane and Brendan Furnish

17. Carl Stenger

24. New Book, Laurie Cockrell

31. TBA

Trinity Fellowship I Room 340-341 at 9:30 am

2.17 – 3.24 Book Study "The Way" by Rev. Adam Hamilton

31. Class Brunch

Twosome I Room 154 at 9:30 am

17. Karl Alexander

24. Karl Alexander

31. Not Meeting

Veriditas I Room 272F (Foundation Building) 9:30 a.m.

"Wisdom of the NATIVE AMERICANS" by Kent Nerburn,

Beverly Fletcher and Ann Dunkin (All Month Study)

17. Chapter 20 – Chief Seattle

Wesley Bible I Room 350 at 9:30 am - Dr. Ron Ballard, Teacher

*NOTE: If the class you are interested in does not list topics or teachers for this month, we did not receive the information prior to deadline.
ADULT CLASSES: Please contact Gayle Ammerman (Gammerman@MyFUMC.org.) at 817/339-5091 with your **April** study topics by **March 4**.*

HOSPITALIZED

Marsha Williams

Jean Webb

DEATHS

Jack McWhirter

Ed Baker

BAPTISM



Davis Kyle, daughter of Cyé and Jon Wagner

NEW MEMBERS



Katherine Thomas and Travis Hopkins



*Saori and Curtis Matthews Paxton (age 8),
and Grayson (age 7).*

NOT PICTURED:

Jeffrey Siewert

Jeanie and Paul Bielicke

**Pick up a copy of the 2013 Lent Brochure
in the Welcome Center, the Narthex,
the Chapel or Wesley Hall for a full description and calendar of all the
Lenten activities at FUMC.**