

Let Us Pray

This list is provided by the Living Water Caring Ministry. Let us know your prayer requests by calling the church office at 713-723-0175 or fill out a card in worship.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Millicent Banks
Dot Dickson
Ted Doerr
Carl and Wava Fick
Charlice Finck
John Kinzer
Deborah Liggan
Don and Louise Miller
Mukunzi Nkurikiyimana
Dottie Proper
Jon Reid
Juanita Sheppard
Charles Thomas
Kevin Vega

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Anne Bell
Marvin and Alta Hamilton
Evelyn Houghton
Dottie Proper

U. S. ARMED FORCES

Ibim Briggs, Jr., Navy
Caleb Crosby, Army
Toni Coleman, Air Force
Dale Dumo, Marine Corps
Benjamin Goodhart, Navy
Sean Neufeld, Navy
Richard Pennard, Navy
Ayodele Sokoya, Navy
Joshua M. Terry, Marine Corps
Joel E. Terry, Marine Corps

EXTENDED FAMILY CONCERNS

Roland Reyna, friend of
Kathlyn Fowler
Charles Thomas, friend of
Juanita Sheppard
Becky Roberson, niece-in-law of
Semmie Gibbs
Jamie Ward, friend of Laurie
Sturdevant
Eddie Martinez
Dorian Johnson, friend of
Brenda Coleman
Mark Born, former WUMC member
Rayva Harrell, friend of Semmie Gibbs
John Crain, brother of Betty Phelps
Joy Labez, friend of Joyce Akins
Cheri Heathcock, mother of
Daniel Heathcock
Dan Doerr, brother of Ted Doerr
Cherie Schobelock, daughter of
Naomi Schobelock
Traci Canida, niece of Yvonne Canida
Kara Leon, daughter of Ellie Hanson

Karen Gray Collins, cousin of
Loralva Lakey
Alan Gremmel, John Bruce Gilligan,
and Milton Baker, friends of
Loralva Lakey
David Bauer, son-in-law of Don and
Louise Miller
Stephanie Dunn, daughter of Don
and Louise Miller
Greg Dunn, grandson of Don and
Louise Miller
Don Walter, brother-in-law of
Jeannette Calhoun
Randy and Charlyne Davis,
parents of Centha Davis
Stanton Toler, cousin of Helen Smith
Jacqueline Terry, mother of
Jackie Armstrong
Mark and Emily Fenlon, son-in-law and
daughter of Susan Edge, Day School

LIVING IN A CARE FACILITY

Carmin Cleavenger, Treemont
Betty Davenport, Treemont
Velma Ferguson, Treemont
Beverly Garton
Meriana Gee, Oyster Creek Manor
Emmitt Griggs, The Hampton at Pinegate
Dow Harleston, Clarewood House
Bill Hazlett, Colonial Oaks at Braeswood
JoAnn Hazlett, Belmont at West U.
Richard Heetderks, Loving Care Cottages
Sibyl Henley, Bayou Manor
Billie Hollingshead
Monette Miller, Belmont at West U.
Gwynn Molzahn, Clarewood House
Dot Owen, Garden Terrace on Cambridge
Naomi Schobelock, Oakridge Cottages
Sallie Taggart, Seven Acres
Ardith Watson, Clarewood House
Dick Whanger, Clarewood House
Alta Lee Whitmore, Ainsley Courte



Welcome, New Members!

Felix Onwukwe (11/30/14)
with Kelechi and Ezenna

Upcoming Sundays in Advent

DECEMBER 14 (3RD SUNDAY IN ADVENT)

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD (cont)

9:30–10:30 am | Parlor

Explore Christmas traditions from Mexico; combined Sunday school for parents, children and youth.

VIVALDI'S GLORIA

10:45 am | Sanctuary

Young Adult Choir and orchestra will lead us in worship.

LA FIESTA DE LA POSADA

5–7 pm | Humphrey Hall

Christmas pageant by children and youth, fajitas and piñatas. Bring a dessert to share!

Pick up your poinsettias to take home.

DECEMBER 21 (4TH SUNDAY IN ADVENT)

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD (cont)

9:30–10:30 am | Parlor

Explore Christmas traditions from Ethiopia; combined Sunday school for parents, children and youth.

TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

10:45 am and 4 pm | Sanctuary

Houston Ebony Opera Guild sings portions of Handel's Messiah, Christmas Oratorio by Camille Saëns and Ballad for the Brown King by Margaret Bonds.

SENIOR PASTOR Rev. Taylor Fuerst

ASSOCIATE PASTOR, PASTORAL CARE Rev. Homer Williams

ASSOCIATE PASTOR, MUSIC & WORSHIP Rev. R. DeAndre Johnson

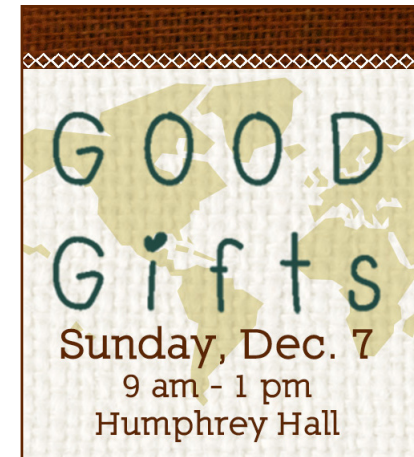
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, FAM Rev. Hannah Terry



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The Weekly WORD

DECEMBER 7–14, 2014



Come shop global fair trade and local hand- made at our Good Gifts Market on December 7.

By purchasing beautiful, handcrafted gifts, you'll support artisans here in our city and around the world by helping generate sustainable income. The market will be located in Humphrey Hall from 9 am to 1 pm.

With booths set up by organizations like SERRV, Community Cloth, She Has Hope, Noonday Collection and more, merchandise will include toys like piggy banks, drums, games; Christmas items like nativity sets and ornaments; chocolate, coffee and assorted teas; jewelry, purses and unique gifts; scarves and knitted apparel; home décor and accents and handwoven baskets. For more information, contact Ann Byrd at ann@mhehouston.com or Andrea Taylor at antaylor@gmail.com.



While you're at the Gift Market, pick up a Christmas wish list from a family in need. Let's bless these families that have been referred to us by our school partner, Anderson Elementary. Sunday school classes or church families and friends can go in together to buy gifts off these families' wish lists. Wrapped gifts are due back by **Sunday, December 14**. For more information, contact Hillary Peete, Director of Children's Ministry, at 713-723-0175 or hillary1@westburyumc.org.

Calling all volunteers for our partner school, Anderson Elementary’s Literacy Night on Tuesday, December 9, from 5:30–7 pm. Westbury UMC will have a booth set up with volunteers helping students make bookmarks. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Erin Oropeza, Anderson Liaison, at 713-416-8617 by Friday, December 5.

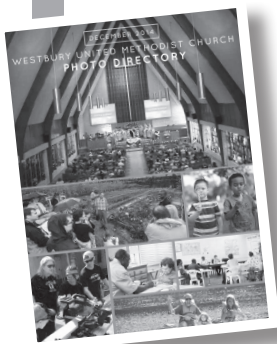
Need to finish up your Christmas shopping without spying eyes? On Saturday, December 13, from 9 am–1 pm, parents are invited to bring their children (babies–5th grade) to the church. Our youth will help lead us in games, create crafts and we’ll watch a kid-friendly movie together. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, December 8. Lunch is provided; \$10 for the first child and \$5 per sibling.

Enjoy conversation and refreshments in the Café at Coffee With the Pastors on Sunday, December 14, at noon. If you’ve been coming to worship and would like to know a little more about the people and ministries of Westbury UMC—all in a casual atmosphere—come join us!

On Sunday, December 14, at 5 pm, the children and youth of Westbury UMC will present an adaptation of Dave Brubeck’s musical masterpiece, *La Fiesta de la Posada*. Westbury UMC’s version will include a participatory Christmas pageant with costumes, staging, jazz music, piñatas and a fajita dinner. The event is free and open to all. Attendees can bring desserts to share.

On Monday, December 15, the PrimeTimers will meet at 9:30 am in Humphrey Hall for games, followed by a meeting. The children from Westbury’s Day School will sing Christmas songs and Santa will visit at 11:00 am. A covered dish lunch will be served at 11:15 am. At noon, Parker Elementary School students will entertain us on the violins.

On the hunt for addresses for your Christmas cards? If you haven’t received your copy yet, pick up a photo directory in the church office. Get to know the faces and contact details of church members and regular attenders. A digital copy (PDF) is available upon request.



Sunday, December 7, 2014 (2 nd Sunday in Advent)		
9 am–1 pm	Good Gifts Market	Humphrey Hall
9:15–10:30 am	Confirmation Class	Youth Wing
9:30–10:30 am	Sunday School (<i>adults</i>)	Classrooms
9:30–10:30 am	Christmas Around the World (<i>parents, children, youth</i>)	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11 am	Adoración en Español	Chapel
2 pm	Charge Conference	Parlor
3–3:45 pm	Children’s Choir Rehearsal	C-1
4–5 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal	200 (Choir Suite)
5–7 pm	Youth Group	Youth Wing
6–8:30 pm	Disciple II Bible Study	W203
Monday, December 8, 2014		
7:30–9a & 1–6p	Day School Extended Care (M–F)	Children’s Wing
9 am–1 pm	Day School (M–F)	Children’s Wing
9 am	Exercise Class (M & W)	106
9:30 am–2 pm	Mother’s Day Out (M, F)	Children’s Wing
4:30 pm	Yes Prep Practice*	Humphrey Hall
7–9 pm	Ebony Opera Guild Rehearsal*	200 (Choir Suite)
Tuesday, December 9, 2014		
8:30 am–noon	Staff Meeting and Calendaring	102
9 am–1 pm	Day School (M–F)	Children’s Wing
9 am	Handymen	103
9:15 am	Day School Chapel	Sanctuary
4:30 pm	Yes Prep Practice*	Humphrey Hall
5:30–7 pm	Anderson Literacy Night	Anderson Elem.
6:30 pm	Pack 705	105
7 pm	Endowment Committee	103
7 pm	Community and Global Ministries Team Meeting	102
Wednesday, December 10, 2014		
7–7:45 am	Men’s Breakfast Bible Study	Servery
9 am–1 pm	Day School (M–F)	Children’s Wing

9 am	Exercise Class (M & W)	106
9:30 am	Painting Class	105
1–2 pm	Day School Dance	C-1
6–7:30 pm	Youth Bible Study	Youth Wing
7 pm	Yoga Exercise Group	106
7 pm	Al-Anon	105
7 pm	Piecemaker Quilters	W-201
7:30 pm	Zumba Gold (<i>dance exercise</i>)	Humphrey Hall

Thursday, December 11, 2014		
9 am–1 pm	Day School (M–F)	Children’s Wing
9:15 am	Community Bible Study (CBS)	Parlor
1–2 pm	Last Day School Gymnastics	Humphrey Hall
4:30 pm	Yes Prep Practice*	Humphrey Hall
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir Rehearsal	200 (Choir Suite)

Friday, December 12, 2014 (Church offices closed)		
9 am–1 pm	Day School (M–F)	Children’s Wing
9:30 am–2 pm	Mother’s Day Out (M, F)	Children’s Wing

Saturday, December 13, 2014		
9 am–1 pm	Parents’ Shopping Day	Children’s Wing
10–11 am	Dress Rehearsal for Children and Youth Choirs	Humphrey Hall
11 am–Noon	Young Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Sunday, December 14, 2014 (3 rd Sunday in Advent)		
9:15–10:30 am	Confirmation Class	Youth Wing
9:30–10:30 am	Sunday School (<i>adults</i>)	Classrooms
9:30–10:30 am	Christmas Around the World (<i>parents, children, youth</i>)	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11 am	Adoración en Español	Chapel
Noon	Coffee With the Pastors	Café
4:30 pm	Pack 455 Parent Meeting	105
5 pm	La Fiesta de la Posada	Humphrey Hall
6–8:30 pm	Disciple II Bible Study	W203

* private event