

THE POINT

CITY POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

A Message from our Pastor

As we approach Thanksgiving, as the leaves change and fall, and as temperatures drop, I wanted to take a moment to write about apportionments. Apportionments, or connectional missional giving, is the money that every United Methodist church is obligated to give to the denomination. There is a formula that determines how much each church is asked to give. Our apportionments this year are \$40,775.00. So far, we have given \$9,758.27. The Leadership Team of this church has generously agreed to pledge up to \$15,000 and has

challenged the congregation to match this amount. This is a wonderful idea, but what has become clear to me is that we need to change the way we handle our apportionments because apportionments are important.

Our connectional giving is a vital part of who we are as United Methodists; it always has been. Our apportionments remind us that we are in ministry with over 10,000,000 other United Methodists worshipping in almost 40,000 churches across the world. Our connectional giving connects us with millions of other followers of Jesus who are seeking the loving, just and free world that God imagines for all people.

The United Methodist Church is a connectional church, because we know that we are stronger together! It is time that City Point UMC reprioritizes our connectional giving. Next year, we will have two churchwide fundraisers to raise money for our apportionments. As long as I serve this church, we will never again enter November owing three-quarters of our connectional obligation.

As for this year, you are invited to give to our apportionments every Communion Sunday through our Communion rail offering. Additionally, throughout December, we will have baskets set out in the sanctuary to receive special offerings which will go toward our apportionments. I thank you in advance for your generosity, and I look forward to entering a future with all of you where our apportionments are no longer an afterthought but are an integral part of who we are.

Upcoming Sundays

Sunday, November 10 -
Veterans Recognition Sunday

Sunday, November 17 -
Communion Sunday
Community Meal Information Meeting after Worship

Sunday, November 24 -
Jordan Cramer preaching

Sunday, December 1 -
First Sunday of Advent
Communion Sunday
Get Connected Gathering after Worship

Sunday, December 8 -
Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 15 -
Third Sunday of Advent
Communion Sunday
UWF Bake Sale in Reeves Hall
Angel Tree Delivery Day

Sunday, December 22 -
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 29 -
Jordan Cramer preaching

JOYS AND CONCERNS



To add someone to the prayer list please email Laurie at Laurie@citypointumc.org or call the church office at 817-284-9371.

CHURCH FAMILY

AMPA HINSON

FAMILY & FRIENDS

ANDREW, SARAH & STEVEN VINET

(friends of Lisa & Ramiro Rodriguez)

CHUCK MCMICHAEL *(friend of Heather Rudzik)*

JOE HENGST *(friend of Rosemary Huneycutt)*

EVE HAMILTON *(friend of Char Hudak)*

COREY CLARK & FAMILY *(friend of Kenny Gonzalez)*

MY SON *(son of Debra Childress)*

ARRIANA CARTER'S FAMILY *(friend of Camden Rudzik)*

LAREA PIPPEN *(Ronda Hantz's mom)*

TOMMY DUDLEY *(Deneen Davis' uncle)*

ROY WYNN *(David Wynn's brother)*

BECKIE JONES

(friend of Data Tate, Gayle Tate & Amy Tate-Almy)

Expressions of love and sympathy are extended to

The family of Wanda Miller,

who passed away on October 15.

Wanda joined this church October 20, 1957.

A Memorial Service will be held at the church

Wednesday, November 13 at 11:00 a.m.

*Debbie Seitter and family
in the passing of her grandfather.*



MEMORIAL GIFTS

In Memory of: Jackie Davison

Given by: Jim & Nancy Allen, Doris Elliott,
Wavah Fore, Joy Gallagher, Ron & Dixie Haynes,
Jim & Carol Sharp

ENDOWMENT FUND GIFTS

In Memory of: Jackie Davison

Given by: Jack & Ampa Hinson



November 2

Betty Scott

November 3

Robin Clement

November 6

Pat Lloyd

November 7

Richard Bates

Mike Umphress

November 11

T.J. Wilkins

November 15

Tyler Wilkins

November 18

Linda Harden

Cullen Turner

November 21

Amy Tate-Almy

November 22

John Witt

November 23

David Peters

November 24

Jeannie Treviño-Teddle

November 26

Ralph Houy

Cynthia Turner

November 28

Finley Miller

December 1

Joe Hackfeld

Mary Hackfeld

December 4

Pat Blackmon

December 5

Henry Hawkins

Linda Kirkdorffer

December 6

Della Cromeans

December 10

Craig Wilkins

December 11

Wavah Fore

December 15

Jack Henry

Richard Homer

December 26

Gary Patterson

December 28

Jordan Cramer

Noel Rudzik

December 30

Rick Grindley

*If your NOVEMBER/DECEMBER
birthday is not listed, please
contact the church office.*



Dear Staff and Members of City Point UMC,

Thank you all so much for allowing our Theta Theta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society to meet in your Duncan Family Life Center.

We appreciate having a safe place for our ladies to meet. If you are not familiar with Delta Kappa Gamma, we are an Honorary Society for women educators. We help provide scholarship for teachers, and we support projects that benefits Birdville ISD students.

May God bless you all.

Janet Scott and Janelle Rayfield

WORSHIP BLESSINGS



Sunday, September 29

Jordan Cramer led the Children's Moment

Lydia Taylor sang the offering music, "The Lord's Prayer" by A.H. Malott



Sunday, October 20

Cameron Clement and Jackson Snowden were the acolytes.

Katie Dupre, flutist, and Wendy Jenkins on piano played *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. by R. Bonam and *Second Minuet* from "L'Arlésienne" by G. Bizet.

Ethan McGregor sang *The Call* by Vaughn Williams for Offering.

The Chamber Singers led the hymns.



Sunday, November 3

Eduardo Guerrero sang *Ride On King Jesus* arr. by William Cutter.

Seth York provided trombone music for the Choir anthem, *Set Me As a Seal Upon Your Heart* by D. Childs and special music with Candiss Krug during communion time playing, *Great is Thy Faithfulness* and *Shall We Gather at the River*.



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY



City Point UMC celebrated and remembered our church members who have passed away since last All Saints Sunday during a beautiful service on November 3.

Gloria Binion (joined this church - September 10, 1967)
Gloria passed away September 6, 2024

Jackie Davison (joined this church - July 5, 1998)
Jackie passed away August 23, 2024

Bobbye French (joined this church - October 15, 2006)
Bobbye passed away March 10, 2023 - found out in 2024)

Doris Gillard (joined this church - February 18, 1956)
Doris passed away May 15, 2024

Alice Hancock (joined this church - April 14, 1974)
Alice passed away May 31, 2024

Terri Kidd (joined this church - March 12, 1989)
Terri passed away March 23, 2024

Wanda Miller (joined this church - October 20, 1957)
Wanda passed away October 15, 2024

Bette Nolen (joined this church - June 7, 1970)
Bette passed away March 26, 2024

Mary Norwood (joined this church - September 16, 2001)
Mary passed away February 24, 2024

Marianne Phillips (joined this church - March 19, 1967)
Marianne passed away September 16, 2024

B.J. Stigler (joined this church - March 22, 2015)
B.J. passed away June 7, 2024

Katie Stigler (joined this church - March 22, 2015)
Katie passed away January 23, 2024



SERVANT HEARTS



Sundays 10:45 a.m.

FACEBOOK
YOUTUBE
VIMEO



"Many of you have patiently waited for our church to start live-streaming. Well, the day has finally arrived! In fact, I am pleased to say that City Point has been live-streaming since Sunday, October 6. Not only have we embraced this new ministry, but we have championed it with great passion. I am proud to call City Point home as we continue to seek after the loving, just and free world God imagines for all people. This will continue to help City Point tell our story for years to come.

Of course, this wouldn't be possible without the help of various church members. A big thanks to Gary Tolbert, who volunteered countless hours to gather information, set up, train, and operate the equipment. A big thank you, as well, to the live-streaming team - Jake Allen, Amy Bridegam, Russell Houy and Gary Tolbert. City Point is grateful for your leadership and your commitment to outreach. Thank you for serving the church with your unique talents. Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Jordan Cramer
Ministry Coordinator



Our City Point UMC Care Team was Commissioned at the Sunday, November 3 Worship Service. These individuals are here to pray for you throughout the week, care for our home-centered members, and pray for you on Sunday mornings in person. If you have any questions about this ministry contact Duane Kirkdorffer (Co-Chair), Susan Scott (Co-Chair), Wavah Fore, Peggy Zeimen, Meg Feula, Leigh Ivey, Jim Allen, Jack Teddlie, Deneen Davis, Char Hudak, Jordan Cramer, or Pastor Ramiro Rodriguez.

MISSIONS INFORMATION



Presbyterian Night Shelter Sandwich Making

Reeves Hall Kitchen

2nd Tuesday, of the month,
November 12 &
December 10 at 1:00 p.m.

Presbyterian Night Shelter Lunch Bags Needed!!

Drop off in Reeves Hall during PNS
Sandwich Making on 2nd Tuesdays

Upcoming Drop off dates-

November 12 & December 10
Suggested Items for Lunch Bags
(Items need to be non-perishable)

PLACE ITEMS IN

GALLON BAG OR GROCERY BAG

Peanut butter crackers Granola bars
Chips Vienna Sausages Applesauce etc.

**Contact Jack Teddlie or the church office
for information or questions about
CPUMC Homeless Ministries.**



Ways to help at Binion!

Teacher Appreciation Lunch - Thursday, December 5
Looking for volunteers to make a
crock pot of soup or a dessert.

Turkey Trot Fundraiser - Thursday, November 15
Help needed to hand out water, cheer runners, etc.
There are places indoors to help with if you prefer.

Saturday with Santa - Saturday, December 7
Help needed serving cocoa, help students shop in the
Santa Store, help with the Santa Photo Booth, etc.

Contact Sharon Wynn, our Binion Liaison
or the church office for more information.



ROOM IN THE INN Tuesday evenings through Wednesday mornings during December, January, February

City Point UMC hosts **Room in the Inn** providing hospitality to 10 homeless men in the form of a hot home cooked meal, a safe night's sleep, a hot breakfast, sack lunch, and transportation from and back to True Worth, a center for homeless services. This is our 13th year hosting some very appreciative men putting some normalcy in their lives. If you think you might be interested in showing some City Point hospitality to some men who have had and are still having a difficult time, consider volunteering. To volunteer, you can access the SignUp Genius link, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4DA9AC2EA2F49-52432944-room#/> or by going on the church website and click on the Homeless Ministries box. If you have questions or have difficulty with signing up, contact Jack Teddlie or the church office.

NOVEMBER / CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS / POINSETTIAS

NOVEMBER SPECIAL OFFERINGS

The Special Offering for November will go toward the below four special offerings. You can choose the one/s you wish to give to and label your giving as preferred or you can give just to November Special Offering and the funds will be divided equally among the four offerings. For more information about each see below.

THANKSLIVING OFFERING

The Central Texas Conference collects a special offering each November to help energize and equip people, ministries and emergency relief efforts, both local & global.

LYDIA PATTERSON INSTITUTE

Lydia Patterson Institute is a Methodist Christian college-preparatory school located in El Paso, Texas. Founded in 1913, it offers programs for Spanish-speaking children, primarily from Juarez, to attend high school in the United States and attend an American undergraduate university. All high school classes are taught in English.

METHODIST HOME WACO

Methodist Children's Home (MCH) mission is to offer hope to children, youth and families through a nurturing, Christian community. Founded in 1890, MCH is a nationally accredited, nonprofit childcare ministry. MCH serves children and youth through residential programs on the Waco campus and Boys Ranch, and through foster care, transition services and a variety of services in communities throughout Texas and New Mexico.

PROVIDENCE PLACE SAN ANTONIO

Providence Place has been in existence since 1895 and provides services to several different populations with specific challenges. These include adult survivors of human trafficking, adults with disabilities, women facing an unplanned pregnancy, families with children under the age of three and children and youth in foster care. We provide education, job search and therapeutic services to move individuals beyond day to day survival. We want everyone to have the opportunity to envision a different future and transform their story.



We encourage you to join us in giving an extra monetary gift to the yearly Christmas offering. This special offering goes to help our church reach its apportionment - connec-tional missional commitment to the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. Just make your check out to City Point UMC, and label it "Special Christmas Offering." You know that every penny will go to support the witness of Christ to a needy world.



POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia plants are available for **\$20.00 each** to decorate the sanctuary during this Christmas season. The poinsettias will be in the sanctuary Sunday, December 15, 22, and for the Christmas Eve

Service on Tuesday, December 24.

(Please fill out this form & submit it with your payment today.)

PLEASE PRINT

In memory of: Name(s): _____

In honor of: Name(s): _____

Given by: Name(s): _____

Amount Included _____ for

_____ Poinsettias.

UPCOMING



Sponsored by the United Women in Faith
Sunday, December 15 in Reeves Hall
9:00 a.m. - until sold out

Wednesdays, December 11 & 18
6:00 p.m. in Room 102

*You don't have to
grieve alone.*

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Watch for more information or contact
Rev. Amy Tate-Almy or the church office.

Christmas Eve

CANDLELIGHT & COMMUNION SERVICE

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Friday, December 20

6:00 p.m - Duncan FLC

*Blue Christmas
Service*

Watch for more information or contact
Rev. Amy Tate-Almy or the church office.

ADVENT TREES

Share the joy of giving, by giving
to these four local ministries during Advent.

1st Sunday of Advent: December 1

Angel Tree - gifts for children of incarcerated parents

Directions: Select an Angel from the tree located in the covered walkway.

Take the shopping information. Write your name on the post it note and place it in the basket
by the tree. Return gifts to the tree by December 15. Gifts will be picked up by the families.

2nd Sunday of Advent: December 8

Presbyterian Night Shelter

Caps-scarves-gloves for the homeless

3rd Sunday of Advent: December 15

Clothes Connection

New children's underwear and socks for kids in Birdville ISD

4th Sunday of Advent: December 22

N.E.E.D. - Northeast Emergency Distribution Center

Cereal, peanut butter and jelly

For more information contact Jack Teddlie or the church office.



GET PLUGGED IN

BIBLE STUDIES



MONDAY MORNING

BIBLE STUDY

9:30 a.m. - Duncan FLC

(not meeting 11/24)

Monday Morning Bible Study invites you to join us for study, discussion, and fellowship! This group meets weekly on Mondays from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. There will be a time of reconnecting, planning, and centering. We will continue our study of *Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks*, by Diana Butler Bass. This book challenges us to live lives of gratitude in our community. Each chapter is discussed independently. Everyone is responsible for ordering his/her own copy of the book. **Newcomers are welcome!** If you would like to be added to the email group, please contact Mary Knowles.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 p.m. - Duncan FLC
(not meeting 11/20, 11/27)

All men are invited to join us
in our current study:

"Short Stories by Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine

The study which is sponsored by the United Methodist Men is open to all men who are interested. Questions can be directed to Jim Allen or the church office.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDIES ON THURSDAYS

Room 104 (not meeting 11/28)

Morning Study - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Evening Study - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Bring your Bibles. If you need a Bible, please contact the church office.



CPUMMen Breakfast & Fellowship December 7 - Reeves Hall

The UMMen meet monthly on the first Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast, fellowship, short meeting/planning, and then some work around the church. All men of the church are invited to attend. For more information contact CPUMMen President, Jim Allen.

2025 UMMen Leadership

Ralph Houy, President

Ron Haynes, Secretary

Duane Kirkdorffer, Treasurer



The Lunch Bunch meets
the third Monday of each month
at 11:45 a.m.

Monday, November 18

Italianni's

1601 Precinct Line Rd, Hurst

Everyone is invited!

Contact Wavah Fore for more information!



JOIN THE CHOIR AT CPUMC

They meet at
8:30 a.m.
Sunday mornings!

Contact Debbie if
you would
like more
information.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH



Tuesday, December 10
10:00 a.m. Duncan FLC

Contact Wavah Fore



Thursday, December 5
10:30 a.m. Duncan FLC

Contact Linda Harden



Wednesday, November 13
10:00 a.m. Room 104

Wednesday, December 11
Reeves Hall

Contact Karen Murray

Saturday, November 16
Saturday, December 21
2:30 p.m. Duncan FLC

Contact Rosemary Huneycutt



BAKE SALE

Sunday, December 15

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSINGS YEAR END GIVING



Although the church office will be closed at the end and beginning of the year, deposits will still take place and all giving dated for December 2024 will be coded as 2024 Giving. This includes online and giving mailed in.

CHURCH FAMILY



The City Point United Methodist Men presented Craig Wilkins this year's Barnabas Award for his many types of service to the church. Congratulations Craig and thank you for all you do for City Point UMC and the community.



UWF Craft Group took part in a local Craft Fair!



TRICKY TREAT IN RICHLAND HILLS

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to man the City Point UMC booth at this years event and passed out candy and Community Meal invites and church brochures!



Thank you to everyone who donated candy or funds for candy to be purchased!

Lots of candy was passed out and lots of fun was had by all

For more Information on How you can help with next years event, contact Leigh Ivey, David Stein, or the church office.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Connectional/Missional Giving also known as Apportionments

We have been highlighting each of the funds that make up the Connectional/Missional Giving since April. We have covered World Service Fund, the General Administration Fund, Africa University Fund, Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, Ministerial Education Fund, Black College Fund and this month we will cover

the last of the different funds that make up the apportionments with the **Episcopal Fund**. Bishops are an integral part of the spiritual and administrative leadership of the church. The Episcopal Fund pays for bishops' salaries, office and travel expenses, and pension and health-benefit coverage.

Communion Rail Offerings in October through December and the Christmas Offering will go to our Connectional/Missional Giving in the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. We plan to pay out 100% of our responsible amount for 2024.

This year the amount we are to pay for Connectional/Missional Giving is \$40,775.00. As of October 31, 2024, we have paid \$9,758.27 and the amount remaining to pay out is \$31,016.73. If you have any questions on this, please get with Laurie in the church office.



Rev. Amy Tate-Almy and Rev. Jeannie Treviño-Teddle consecrating the communion elements for the first time as Deacons on Sunday, October 6.

The Directory Team met for the first time last week! Look for signup opportunities to have your church directory picture taken starting in December. Gary Tolbert will be taking the pictures in Room 109, which is a classroom near Reeves Hall.



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