



First United Methodist Church - Elgin, Texas

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Your weekly news & updates

October 16, 2020

Church Services Update



This **Sunday, October 18th**, we will continue our in-person Worship Service at 11 a.m. Please keep to the 6ft. social distancing requirement. Masks are strongly recommended. This Sunday the Gideons International will be giving a presentation. Please click here for more information on the Gideons <https://www.gideons.org/>.

We will continue to provide online church services, announcements and updates through our website and Youtube channel. You can now find the words to all the Psalms, hymns, and songs on our website under [This Sunday](#). Make sure you subscribe to our Youtube channel so you will get notified when there is a new video.

If you watch the Sunday service on facebook, please like, comment, or share to be counted as an engagement. This is how we are reporting our attendance for each service.

Check our website, facebook page and your email for more updates!

Stay safe and remember.... Put on your mask -LIVE BOLDLY!

Visit our website

Visit our YouTube
channel

Visit our Facebook
page

Youth

Youth Group is starting back up, virtually. Join Mr. Keith on Zoom on **Sunday, October 18th** at 5:00 p.m. We will meet to catch up with everyone after being out for so long. Hope to see all of the Youth there!



October 18th - Virtual Scavenger Hunt
November 15th - Online Game



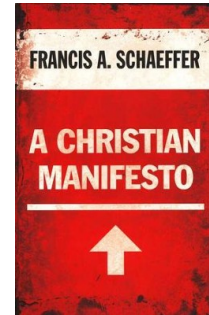
Hawgeye Bingo Event

Join us for a good ol' time on **Saturday, October 24th**, from 5-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Bingo games with prizes, Praise band, sausage wraps, and more!

Wednesday Bible Study

Our next study will use a book by Francis Schaeffer entitled *A Christian Manifesto*.

Though written in 1981 at the beginning of the Reagan era by a Reformed theologian, we will use it to dialogue about how we as Christians ought to engage in society, politics and government. WBS will meet in-person and via Zoom.



Elgin Open Door Missions

The Elgin Open Door Missions welcomes you to come by and learn about their community outreach on **Friday, October 16th** from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. They will be allowing 10-12 people in every 30 minutes. Temps will be taken and you will need to wear a mask.

Elgin Open Door Missions
108 Depot St. (next to Lucy's)

Financial Support

Thank you, Church for your response to our financial needs. Please continue to use online giving or come by Sunday worship with your tithes and offerings.

You can give online at our website (fumcelgin.com/online-giving/) or mail a check to the office.

Weekly Offerings

(Need per week: \$6,787)

September

9/20 \$4934.23

9/27 \$3019.59

October

10/4 \$6728.76

10/11 \$7599.59

2020 Year-To-Date Offerings

\$209,011.87

Prayer list

Please keep these families in your prayers.

America

FUMC Congregation

Elgin Community

Wilma, Susan Bledsoe's mom

Sherri, Ella Carter's friend

Riley Family, friend of Blanco's, Elizabeth passed away

Bruce Menke, friend of the Henslee's, diagnosed with multiple myeloma

Pat Teague, multiple health concerns

Debbie, Maggie's daughter, surgery

Shelley Klein, friend of the Vogt's, testing for cancer

Family friend of Mary, Maggie & Ella, prayers

Bethany Neidig, Mark's niece, cancer

Robert Sharp, John's brother, prayers

Graves Family, Leslie's brother passed away

Staton Family, Brinda's dad passed away

Dorothy Douglas, Cody's mom, hip replacement

Randy Robertson, stepson of Betty Robertson, surgery on 9/24

Ruth & Sonny Beck, Donna Keeling's sister, lost their son Skeeter

Sheldon Johnson, infection in leg

Jim Looney, Sandifer Family Friend, moved to rehab

Jeanne Cole, fell and broke arm

Samuel, Nash Family Friend, addiction

Robbie, Brinda Staton's brother, health

Martha Neidig

Ronald & Phyllis Neidig, cancer

Lisa, Fran Smith's neighbor, cancer returned

TK Orsak, sister-in-law of Sheldon Johnson, chemo

Jim McCutcheon, chemo

If you have any prayers you would like to add, please call or email the office.

Online Attendance

Every week we record attendance for our in-person services and online. Online attendance is counted by engagements on Facebook and viewings on Youtube. These numbers represent the online attendance for both Facebook and Youtube for September.

September 6 - 87

September 13 - 87

September 20 - 45

September 27 - 44



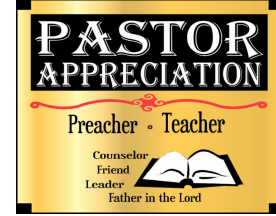
Call for Prayer

We invite everyone to stop and pray for America and the November elections at noon everyday.

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Be sure to

encourage, thank, and pray for Pastor Blanco! Here is a letter from our Crossroads District Co-Lay Leaders with some appreciation ideas.



https://s3.amazonaws.com/mychurchwebsite/c4125/pastors_appreciation.pdf



Bible Month

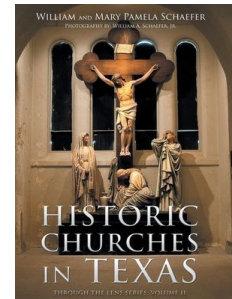
November is Bible month! Bring your own Bible to church. The Scripture readings will NOT be on the screens all of November.

Christmas Country Store

We will have a Country Store on **Saturday, November 21st**, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! Start thinking how you can **Make, Bake or Donate** items for our store!

Historic Churches Book Feature

Historic Churches in Texas Through the Lens Series, Volume II was published in August by Covenant Books, Inc. Volume II is the second in a series of books designed to document and preserve the amazing history of historic churches in Texas. First United Methodist Church, Elgin is one of the 172 historic churches featured in Volume II.



If you would like to purchase this book or donate one to the church, you can find it on several different websites, including [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and [barnes&noble.com](https://www.barnesandnoble.com).

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COVID-19 HOTLINES

BASTROP COUNTY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
COVID-19 INFORMATION HOTLINE

512-303-4300

OPEN: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8am - 8pm
SATURDAY 8am-12pm SUNDAY 9am-1pm

ASCENSION
COVID-19 MEDICAL HOTLINE

833-978-0649

Bastrop County COVID-19 Hotlines

For Information regarding COVID-19 for Bastrop County citizens:

Bastrop County Local Governments

COVID-19 Hotline: 512-303-4300

Open Monday thru Friday 8am – 8pm; Saturday 8am – 12 pm; and Sunday 9am-1pm.

If you have symptoms or medical questions:

Ascension COVID-19 Medical Hotline:

1-833-978-0649.

If you have symptoms that place you in the medium to high risk category they will try to return your call within the hour. If you are a low risk caller they will return your call within 24 hours.

Please [click here](#) for more information on the new testing site in Bastrop.

A testing site in Elgin is now open! This new testing site at Ascension Seton Elgin Health Center (200 Roy Rivers) will be providing free COVID-19 tests to Bastrop County residents who qualify and register through bastropcountycovid19.org or call 512-972-5560. **Appointments are required before you arrive.** The Elgin location will be open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM. The Bastrop location continues to be open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

They are also looking for volunteers to help answer the hotlines. You can sign up by visiting bastropcares.org.

[Visit our Website](#)

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