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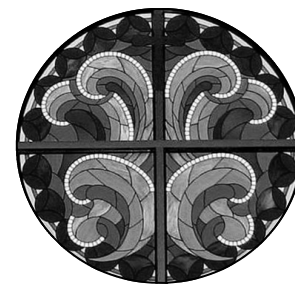
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*All are Welcome, All are Accepted*

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**Worship Times:**  
8:30 & 9:30am-Traditional Services  
11:00 am-Contemporary Service

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### Living Purposefully

Sometimes life can feel like a merry-go-round or a treadmill due to swift and constant movement. Often this is how I feel when Easter comes early, because it seems the rush of Christmas has just passed and I am looking to quieter times. However, this year I am eagerly anticipating my Lenten Journey. Lent is intended to be a season of soul-searching and repentance which is often trivialized by a focus on “giving up” things. However, Lent has a much greater meaning and purpose than simply choosing to give up something. It is a time for reflecting and taking stock. In the early days of the Church, Lent was the time that the faithful rededicated themselves and converts were taught about the faith and prepared for baptism. Lent is that time which refocuses us for purposeful living as we reconnect with God.



Our Lenten study will be *Mosaic: When God Uses All the Pieces*, by Shane Stanford. It is a seven-week study designed for small groups and individuals, and explores how God uses the broken pieces of our lives to reframe our purpose. Moses was a broken man running away from Egypt when God reframed his purpose; Naomi was broken by the pain of grief but God reframed her life and she found new meaning and purpose; Peter was broken by his denial of Jesus but God reframed his life and he became the leader of the church. Just as God used the brokenness of Moses, Naomi and Peter, God seeks to do the same with you and I.

Lent is that time which we seek to draw closer to God, so I hope you will join us in this study and rediscover what God has to say to you at this season in your life. Perhaps you may discover a reframed purpose.

In addition to our study the following events will be a part of our Lenten Season:

**Ash Wednesday Services**  
Wednesday, February 13th  
Meditative Service – Noon  
Combined Methodist Service – 7:00 p.m.

**Special Holy Week Events: March 28th - 30th**  
Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service – 7:00 p.m.  
Good Friday Special Service – 7:00 p.m.  
Holy Saturday Children’s Easter Festival – 9:00 a.m.

**Musical Celebration of AA History Month**  
Sunday, February 24th – 4:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, March 31st**  
Special Music, Confirmation, and Preaching  
8:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Palm Sunday ~ Sunday, March 24th**  
Inspiring Music and Preaching – 8:30 a.m.  
Easter Cantata – 9:30 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship – 11:00 a.m.

May our Lenten journey be one that blesses us, renews us, and reframe our purpose that we may bear fruit for Christ’s Kingdom.

Shalom,  
*Debra*



## Opportunities for Adults - Service, Mission and Prayer



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Thank you for giving me a red jacket for christmas.



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### A Different Kind of Christmas

These are two of the thank you notes we received from our Angel Tree recipients at Carver Elementary. (The others are on the bulletin board downstairs.)

Wellspring UMC participated in many wonderful missions and outreach projects in December! Here are some of the highlights:

- Angel Tree - 43 children
- Shoobox Ministry - 26 boxes
- Books for Carver - \$890 (about 180 books)
- Church Under the Bridge - \$490
- Coats for Kids/Caring Place - \$185
- Aldersgate - \$580
- Lydia Patterson Institute - \$600

What a wonderful way to share our gifts of time and treasure! Several groups are already planning ways to help serve others during the year. Stay tuned to learn more or contact the church office to get involved.

## From the Church Office

### Can You Give the Gift of Your Time?

Do you have a free morning or afternoon during the week? *We need YOU!* Volunteers are needed to help with answering phones, greeting church visitors, and other easy tasks as needed -- training provided! If you would like to join our office team, please contact Jennifer Kendrick, at [admin@wellumc.org](mailto:admin@wellumc.org) or 512-930-5959.

If you have an article you would like to publish in the newsletter, please submit it to [admin@wellumc.org](mailto:admin@wellumc.org).

**Newsletter deadline is the second Monday of the month.**

*Please note: articles are subject to edits based on available space.*

## Wellspring Wednesdays

### Did YOU Sign Up Yet??

Our spring classes for children, youth and adults begin January 30th, but you can still sign up (if space is available). Please visit our website, [www.wellumc.org](http://www.wellumc.org) and fill out a registration form. Classes include: Abundant Simplicity; Celebrating our Culinary Diversity; Powerful Tools for Caregivers; Wellspring Choir 101; Parenting Tools; Fruits of the Spirit; Family, Faith and Fun (for children ages 3 yrs - fifth grade); and Boot Camp (for 6th-12th grade youth).

Volunteers are also needed to greet, serve and/or provide a meal, etc. Please contact Andy David to help at [davida@wellumc.org](mailto:davida@wellumc.org).

## Children & Family Ministries

**Family Faith & Fun Night** at Wellspring Wednesdays is a great way for kids ages 3 yrs - fifth grade to have fun while learning during our Bible Study, Music, and Spanish classes! The nursery is available for kids ages 2 and under. Sign up on-line at [www.wellumc.org](http://www.wellumc.org).

All kids are welcome to join our **Wellspring Offspring** children's choir each Sunday morning from 10:30-11:00!

Come check out the new **Noah's Ark wall mural** in the children's Sunday School room! Many thanks to Sue Karimi for sharing her artistic talents.

### Children's Missions

The children of Wellspring will be collecting money for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). All money collected during the Lesson For All Ages time will be used to purchase items for health kits. The children will also help assemble the kits that will be distributed to countries around the globe.

## Youth Ministries

### Souperbowl Sunday Returns Feb. 3rd!

*Help Wellspring's youth raise funds for summer mission trips.*

We all know that wintertime is the best time for homemade soup. On Sunday, February 3rd, Wellspring's youth group will have a variety of soups available before and after the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. These delicious soups will be packaged and ready for you to take home. **Take a day off from cooking!**

Funds raised will be used to underwrite this year's mission trips. Wellspring's youth will travel to the Oklahoma area and will also stay in the Texas area to help rebuild houses and churches in need. If you are interested in making soup please contact Rodney Williams at [youth@wellumc.org](mailto:youth@wellumc.org) or at 512-963-8705.

### Mid-Winter Retreat and Hire-A-Youth

The youth will be participating in a Mid-Winter retreat at the Waco Methodist Children's Home. While they are on that retreat they will do mission work throughout various places in the city and will also learn more about being better disciples. The youth group will also be surrendered by other churches as they experience what it means to be disciples.

The youth group will also be starting back up with the *Hire-A-Youth* program so if you need help with certain jobs please let Rodney Williams know at 512-930-5959.

## Calendar of Events

### SUNDAY SERVICES (Worship Center)

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:30 AM Traditional Worship
- 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES OFFERED

- 9:30 AM Chapel Dwellers (Rm 204)
- 9:45 AM Children's Sunday School (Rm 105)
- 9:45 AM Youth Sunday School (Rm 207)
- 9:45 AM The Journey Class (Admin Area)
- 10:45 AM Seasons of the Spirit Class (Rm 203)
- 10:45 AM Cornerstone Bible Study (Rm 204)
- 11:15 AM Children's Worship (Rm 106)

### SUNDAY EVENTS

- 4:00 PM Youth Band Reh. (Worship Center)
- 5:30 PM MYF - Youth (Rm 207)

### MONDAYS

- 1:00 PM Prayer Ministry (Chapel)

### TUESDAYS

- 3:30 PM Handbell Choir Reh. (Worship Center)

### WEDNESDAYS

- Noon Bible Study: Bk of Revelation (Rm 203)
- 4:30 PM Santa Rosa's Mass (Worship Center)
- 5:45 PM Wellspring Wednesdays meal & programs
- 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Reh. (Worship Center)
- 7:00 PM Youth Boot Camp (Rm 207)
- 7:45 PM Praise Band Reh. (Worship Center)

### FRIDAYS

- 10:00 AM Close Friends (Munch & Mingle)

### Coming Soon:

- Feb. 3: Souperbowl Sunday
- Feb. 9: UMM Valentine's Brunch
- Feb. 13: Ash Wednesday Services at Noon and 7:00 p.m.

### Scheduling Events and Meetings

Please fill out a calendar request form (located in the church office) or you may send an email to [admin@wellumc.org](mailto:admin@wellumc.org) if you have an event or meeting to schedule, or a change in date. All events will be posted on the church calendar and can be accessed through the church website at [www.wellumc.org](http://www.wellumc.org).