

NEWSLETTER



First Church of Christ, Scientist

Austin, Texas

June 2020

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Sunday Service at 11 am • Wednesday Testimony Meetings at Noon and 7:30 pm

CALENDAR

See ChristianScienceAustin.org for details.
Call 512-703-8010 – Press 4 for updates.

- **JUNE BOARD MEETING**
Sunday, June 7 @ 12:30 pm
- **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MOTHER CHURCH**
Monday, June 8 @ Noon CDT – On line only
View at home or view in our Sunday School
- **BIBLE STUDY**
Monday, June 8 @ 7:30 – 8:30 pm CDT

CHURCH SERVICES RE-OPENED

Current governmental restrictions are being reduced to the point that the Board believes that it is time to re-open services at the church. We have resumed our Wednesday noon and evening testimonial meetings and our Sunday services. **We will continue to provide Zoom participation for those who are unable to attend in person.** Since we are currently still under some governmental restrictions, we will need to observe seating arrangements so as to conform with “social distancing.” We will not require facial masks, but ask each member to do as he or she believes is appropriate for the protection of your fellow members and our visitors.

The Children’s Room will be available if needed, but **the Sunday School will not reopen immediately.** The Sunday School superintendents will continue assessing the situation in reference to the guidelines and will keep us apprised each week.

The Board would like to thank the many individuals, committee chairmen and committees, Readers, musicians, the soloist, and others who have been working diligently over the past several weeks to provide a “public” service for our church in the form of an on-line presentation. We are so grateful for their work and dedication. This has given us the opportunity to expand what we offer as a service to the community, which will be refined and continue going forward.

REPORT

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SUMMER CAMP FUND

Eight Sunday School students received help from our church to attend Summer Camps for Christian Scientists this summer!

Thank you for supporting our young people!

The Reading Room

In church lobby - 1309 Guadalupe 78701
512-472-8109 • readingroom@firstcsaustin.org

The Reading Room is Back Open!
As of June 1st: M-F 10-2 pm, Sun 12 - 12:30 pm

Monday, June 8th at noon

we are hosting a live viewing of

The Annual Meeting of The Mother Church

in the Sunday School. No food will be served.

Monday, June 8th Bible Study

Intro to Genesis

7:30 – 8:30 PM CDT

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93113958416>

Meeting ID: 931 1395 8416

Here are some helpful ideas to prepare for a Bible study:

From Abingdon Bible Handbook by Edward P. Blair -

Some helpful tools for Bible study include:

- modern translation of the Bible
- concordance for that translation
- one-volume commentary
- theological wordbook or Bible Dictionary
- atlas of Bible lands

In-depth study has four steps:

Observation – what is in the text?

Interpret – what does the text mean?

Verification – what does it mean to you?

Application – apply it in your life.

Read every detail and the meaning of every word with a sense of discovery. Read when you are most alert and have time to ponder the deeper meanings for yourself, family, and the world. Read each book as a whole in one sitting if possible, then study the chapters. Be open to inspiration.



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**THE 2020
ANNUAL MEETING of
THE MOTHER CHURCH
WILL BE ON LINE ONLY**

**Monday, June 8,
at Noon CDT**

This year’s Annual Meeting Theme is:

Our duty to God, to our Leader, and to mankind.

For details about the Annual Meeting visit
christianscience.com/annualmeeting



The Gentle Beam

June Topic:

Be at One =

One by one, pure thoughts and holy
 Lift us out of self and sin;
 One by one, bright gleams of glory
 Show the goal we all will win.
 One by one, our trusts are strengthened,
 As our lives to God we give;
 One by one, our days are lengthened,
 While in Love we move and live.

One by one, our aims grow purer,
 As our deeds reflect our God;
 One by one, our path grows clearer,
 Guided by Love's staff and rod.
 One by one, our thoughts move forward
 To the time by prophets told;
 One by one, our lives move homeward
 Singing of one Lord, one fold.

Then within Love's ever-presence
 We shall live amid its light,
 Knowing well that holy brilliance
 Which is called the Infinite.
 Know the glories of God's kingdom,
 Hear the music Spirit sings,
 Be at one with that great Wisdom
 From which all creation springs.

Hymn 554:1-3

The struggle for Truth makes one strong instead of weak, resting instead of wearying one. S&H 426:9-11

JUNE SENTINEL WATCH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

June 1-7 – *Do numbers have power over you?*
 June 8-14 – *Seeking and serving God first*
 June 15-21 – *The healing power of the Bible*
 June 22-28 – *Righteous judgment*
 June 29-July 5 – *Forgiveness and its healing effect*

FROM THE BOARD

The Board will be sending a questionnaire to members about church services. Please check your email.

COMMITTEE PREFERENCES 2020!

MEMBERS:

Be sure to submit your preference form for the 2020-2021 committee year. Let the Board know where you would like to be serving our church this year.

CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday 11am - 2pm • Wednesday 11am - 2pm
Clerk's Phone Number - [512-472-2356](tel:512-472-2356)

on the phone & web

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