

# NEWSLETTER



**First Church of Christ, Scientist**

**Austin, Texas**

**February 2021**

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

## CALENDAR

See [firstchurchcsaustin.org](http://firstchurchcsaustin.org) for details.

- **JANUARY BOARD MEETING**  
Sunday, February 7 @ 12:30 pm
- **BIBLE STUDY – On-line via zoom**  
Monday, February 8 @ 7:30 – 8:30 pm

## OUR CHURCH SERVICES REMAIN ON-LINE ONLY

As Austin has moved to [Stage Five](#) of Covid-19 Guidelines, the Board has determined we should hold our services by remote, only. Beginning Sunday, December 27, services will only be available by Zoom. Our services take place on Sundays at 11:00 am and Wednesdays at 12:00 pm and 7:30 pm.

*Dial 346-248-7799, ID: 304-412-1309 ##*

See our website for direct access to the zoom meeting  
Sunday School classes are being held remotely.  
Contact the Clerk for information.

## SUMMER CAMP FUND

This fund is open for contributions to help our Sunday School students attend a summer camp for Christian Scientists again this summer. This is our way of giving tangible support to our students for their continued growth in and application of Christian Science to their daily lives. As camp applications are now being sent out for the coming summer, we ask that you make your contributions over the next two months so we'll know how we'll be able to support our kids.

## on the phone & web

- **OUR SUNDAY SERVICE AT 11 AM AND WEDNESDAY NOON & 7:30 pm MEETINGS**  
**ON-LINE ONLY**  
*Dial 346-248-7799, ID: 304-412-1309 ##*  
*Dial 512-703-8010 • AVAILABLE ANYTIME, ANYWHERE*
- **SENTINEL WATCH** • [Press 2](#)
- **THE WEEKLY BIBLE LESSON** • [Press 3](#)  
For church information • [Press 4](#)
- **DAILY LIFT**  
Two minute podcast about Christian Science healing  
Dial 617-450-3430
- **AUSTIN AREA WEBSITE**  
[www.ChristianScienceAustin.org](http://www.ChristianScienceAustin.org)  
Includes INTERNET RADIO – 4 audio programs
- **THE MOTHER CHURCH WEBSITES**  
[www.ChristianScience.com](http://www.ChristianScience.com)  
[www.jsh-online.com](http://www.jsh-online.com)  
[www.christianscience.com/youth](http://www.christianscience.com/youth)
- **THE LEAVES**  
[www.TheLeaves.org](http://www.TheLeaves.org)
- **LECTURES**  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/officialcslectures>

## The Reading Room

In the church - 1309 Guadalupe 78701  
512-472-8109 • [readingroom@firstcsaustin.org](mailto:readingroom@firstcsaustin.org)  
M-F 10-2, Sunday 12-12:30  
Closed February 15<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day

Join us for the next Bible study February 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm. We are diving into Chapters 2 & 3 of the Book of Mark. Check our website for access and for the workbook questions from Bible Roads by Bible scholar Madelin Maupin.

## Monthly Bible Study

A free Bible Study featuring Bible Roads CDs

Monday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 – 8:30 PM CST

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 931 1395 8416



The second Monday of each month we will enjoy digging deeper into books of the Bible that will give us insights that can be applied in our daily experience.

This session covers Mark Chapters 2 & 3. See the newsletter or our website for a link to the workbook questions.

Offered by: Christian Science Reading Room  
Austin, TX 512-472-8109

## Give a gift from the heart this Valentine's Day!

Check out some ideas from the Reading Room: a book of poetry, a biography, music, a new set of books!

## Looking for a deal on a Bible and Science and Health?

Offering these items through the Reading Room:

- New Reader's black Leather Bible \$100
- Used Reader's black Leather set w/ markers \$120
- Used Reader's black Hardcover set w/markers \$100
- Used NewType blue Hardcover set w/markers \$70



## The Gentle Beam

February Topic:

*His kingdom is forever =*

All power is given unto our Lord,  
On Him we place reliance;  
With truth from out His sacred word  
We bid our foes defiance.  
With Him we shall prevail,  
Whatever may assail;  
He is our shield and tower,  
Almighty is His power;  
His kingdom is forever.

Rejoice, ye people, praise His name,  
His care doth e'er surround us.  
His love to error's thralldom came,  
And from its chains unbound us.  
Our Lord is God alone,  
No other power we own;  
No other voice we heed,  
No other help we need;  
His kingdom is forever.

O then give thanks to God on high,  
Who life to all is giving;  
The hosts of death before Him fly,  
In Him we all are living.  
Then let us know no fear,  
Our King is ever near;  
Our stay and fortress strong,  
Our strength, our hope, our song;  
His kingdom is forever.

(Christian Science Hymnal, No. 10:1-3)

### CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

*Tuesday 11 am – 2 pm*

Clerk's Phone Number - 512-917-7282 (mobile)

## REPORT FROM THE BOARD

The following Bylaw and Standing Rules amendments were adopted at the January 8, 2021 Semi-annual Meeting:

Amend Bylaw 1.5 Pastor to strike out "King James Version of", so that the amended Bylaw would read:

1.5 Pastor. The Bible and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, together comprise the Pastor of this Church. (Article XIV, Section 1, p.58, Manual of the Mother Church).

To insert in Standing Rule C Church Services:  
C.7 Bible Translations

- C.7.1 The Bible Translations used for reading the Lesson Sermon during the Sunday Service shall be those intended by the Bible Lesson Committee as indicated through the Christian Science Quarterly.

- C.7.2 The King James Version will be the primary translation to be used for Wednesday meetings, Sunday Scriptural Selections and Benedictions.

- C.7.3 Bible Translations whose central goal is to support a particular denomination, such as Catholic Bibles, shall not be used.

### At the January 21, 2021 Annual Meeting

the following officers were elected:

Board Member – Brian Biggs (3 year term)

Board Member – Melanie Miller (3 year term)

Board Member – Peg Wommack (2 year term)

President – Kristen Biggs (1 year term)

A big **THANK YOU** to the retiring officers: Board Members Barb Mende, Bob Rutishauser and Jessica Whitney; and President Melanie Miller; for their service, care and love for our church.

Our new Board Chairman is Doug Watson and Bill Klenzendorf is Vice-Chairman.

The membership roster in the members-only section of our website has been updated.

### IN MEMORIAM

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