



Dear friends,

Happy New Year! May the start of 2019 be filled with a renewed excitement for Lord God Almighty. Our church has lots of ways to make that happen! Hope you'll join us for one of our many fellowship events like Movie Mania or a service project. If you aren't already involved in a GroupLife community you are missing out on the very best way to connect and grow with others. Make 2019 the year you join a Sunday morning class or attend a Bible study. I'd be happy to help you find a group or you can click on the website links at the bottom of this newsletter.

May you have a blessed 2019 and I look forward to seeing you soon!



Grace and peace,
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Bible and Devotional Studies



Falling Upward Disciple Fast Track

The Life and Ministry of the Apostle Paul

Flawsome Women: The Me I Want to Be: Becoming God's Best Version of You

Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine

Growing Closer to God Every Day

These are just a few of the Bible studies and classes we are starting in January. Start your year off right by registering for a daytime or evening class at Life Resources.

<https://my.hpumc.org/default.aspx?page=4268#collapseEventType18566>

Serving Opportunities

Be The Light!

Meals on Wheels: Grab a friend and take a drive. Together, you can deliver meals to homebound clients on MLK Day, Monday, January 21st. To drive a route, pick-up from HPUMC between 10am and 11am. Deliveries will be done by noon. Sign-up for a route by contacting Kim Peters at petersk@vnatexas.org.

Another opportunity on MLK Day is to help welcome and hand out meals to our Meals on Wheels drivers at HPUMC; volunteer hours 8:30 am-11:00 am at HPUMC. Sign up by contacting Caroline Hazlett at hazlettc@hpumc.org or 214-523-2165.

Carpenters for Christ: Houses #113 and #114, Saturdays January 12 – March 2.

Start the New Year with a bang! Make it hammering with Carpenters for Christ as we build our next two houses with Habitat for Humanity. Two fortunate and deserving families will receive new homes in the Bonton area of Dallas when we are completed.

For more information, www.hpumc.org/carpenters.

Altar Guild: Prepare communion before any worship service in the sanctuary. First Sunday of the month. For more information and to sign up, please contact Susan Rogers at Rogerss@hpumc.org or call 214-523-2266.

Movie Mania!
Encore's January Movie Series



Thursdays in January | Room 329 | 11:30 AM

Explore the Performing Arts through the movies every Thursday in January! Our friend Jim Walters has chosen five movies that focus on different entertainment fields; musicals, television, live theater, music, and CGI (computer-generated imagery). Come for the entertainment, the discussion, and the fellowship. Don't forget to RSVP with Lauri for the \$10 lunch by the preceding Tuesday at warnerlauri@hpumc.org or 214.523.2246.

January 3

Broadway Musicals: *Beauty and the Beast* is the 10th longest running show of all time. This is the Disney LIVE version of the musical, NOT THE ANIMATED VERSION. It is one of the most beautiful adaptations of the story ever filmed...stunning!

January 10

Television: *The King of Comedy* is one of Martin Scorsese's most highly regarded movies. It showcases superb performances by Robert De Niro and Jerry Lewis.

January 17

Local Live Theater: *Waiting for Guffman*, with the same zany cast of the comedy favorite Best in Show, is the story of a small Missouri town deciding to celebrate the town's 150th Anniversary with a home-grown original musical. It is a comedy gem and one of Jim's all-time favorites!

January 24

Music Industry: *Muscle Shoals* is a fascinating look into one of the country's most revered locations for musicians to record and the gifted studio musicians known as The Stompers who made it all happen.

January 31

Computer-Generated Imagery: *Paddington* showcases the latest in digital technology. Critics labeled this family favorite 'a total delight' and a creative triumph. The story follows a young bear to London in search of a home. Finding himself lost and alone at Paddington Station, he meets the Brown family, who offer him temporary haven.

Monday Friends

First Monday of each month | Room 120 | 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm



Enjoy a light lunch and some of the highest American Film Institute rated movies. While this is a free program, donations are welcome. RSVP with Susan Rogers at 214-523-2266 or rogerss@hpumc.org.

January 7: *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again*

Five years after the events of *Mamma Mia!* (2008), Sophie prepares for the grand reopening of the Hotel Bella Donna as she learns more about her mother's past.

February 4: *Crazy Rich Asians*

This contemporary romantic comedy, based on a global bestseller, follows native New Yorker Rachel Chu to Singapore to meet her boyfriend's family.

A Way Forward

All Church Information Meeting

Tuesday, January 8 | Wesley Hall | 7 PM



In February, there will be a called General Conference of the United Methodist Church. General Conference is made up of clergy and lay representative from around the world and is the decision making body for the church. The purpose is to vote on proposed options regarding same gender marriages and the ordination of LGBTQ persons in the

United Methodist Church. Rev. Paul Rasmussen and Bishop Mike McKee will host the meeting to discuss the options being put forward and to give an overview of each proposed solution. We hope you will join us for this important gathering.

Encore Travel



Alaska

Where The Wild Things Are

August 19 – 30, 2019

Information Meetings

Sunday, January 6, 2019 - Room 385 - 12:15 PM

Monday, January 7, 2019 - Room 386 - 7:00 PM

EO is sponsoring 4 nights on land and 7 nights aboard the Celebrity Millennium with a series of lectures and discussions led by John and Diana Holbert. The adventure includes Denali National Park, Seward, the Hubbard Glacier, Ketchikan, Skagway, and the inside passage.

Click [here](#) to see the trip brochure.

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