

NEWSLETTER



First Church of Christ, Scientist

Austin, Texas

February 2012

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

CALENDAR

[Call 703-8010 - Press 4 for updates]

DISCOVERYBOUND Capitol Area Food Bank Warehouse
Sat., Jan 28, 9 AM - noon - followed by AU Camp show

**SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS INTO
CHURCH FOR THE LAST HYMN**

Sun., Jan. 29

BOARD MEETING

Sun., Feb. 5 at 1 PM

TECHNOLOGY FELLOWSHIP – after church

Sun., Feb. 12, in the Sunday School

BIBLE STUDY GROUP at First Church

Thurs., Feb. 2 & Tues., Feb. 21 - at 7:15 PM

For information & updates – SteveWarren@aol.com

TECHNOLOGY FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, February 12 after church

Join us after church on Sunday February 12 for a light lunch and fellowship where we'll learn about and explore various ways that technology is being used in the Christian Science movement. Bring your laptop in if you'd like (but not required), learn skype, itunes, ipods, ipads, smart phones.....you'll have an opportunity to ask questions and get help on simple techie stuff.

In preparation for this event, you may find this article from spirituality.com helpful:

<http://www.spirituality.com/article.jhtml?ElementId=/repositories/shcomarticle/Aug2010/1280866470.xml&ElementName=Keeping%20pace%20with%20today's%20technology>

INTERFAITH AMBASSADORS FOR iACT

There is a need for two members to serve as Interfaith Ambassadors to serve as liaisons between our church and the broader family of churches who are members of iACT. They will participate in iACT dialogue programs and help to further iACT's work of building interfaith understanding. As liaisons, they will also report back to our congregation on opportunities to engage with iACT's mission of cultivating peace and respect. See Don or Glennette Kuhs to volunteer.

SUMMER CAMP FUND

The fund for contributions to help send our Sunday School students to a summer camp for Christian Scientists helped 14 of our students go to camp in 2011. We would love to assist those who wish to attend 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.

The Reading Room

102 Trinity • 472-8109 • csraustin@gmail.com

M-F 10-2 • Saturday 11-3 • Sunday 12-1

Closed Presidents' Day, Monday, February 20

The Reading Room will be marking prices down on an **After-Inventory Sale**. We invite everyone to come and visit or shop or both.

The Concord 1.5 update is here! It is a download-only product available at no charge for all those who have purchased Concord 1.0. To access the download link for Concord 1.5, visit the Concord online community at

<https://community.christianscience.com/community/concord>.

Also, we still are wanting a few more volunteers to work on some Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays so the current assistant will not be serving alone.

THRIVE CELEBRATION WEEKEND

Friday & Saturday, February 17 & 18

At Third Church, Dallas – 4419 Oak Lawn 75219

- **Friday, Feb 17 – 7:30 PM** – Concert
- **Saturday, Feb 18 – 9:30-5** – Inspirational workshops, with fresh takes on the Bible and spirituality featuring Madelon Maupin and Dick Davenport.
- **Saturday, Feb 18 – 7:30 PM** – Contemporary Worship Gathering with members of the L.A. based Living Love Band

Bring your friends and explore together fresh lessons from Christ Jesus on how to thrive...how to lead a more consistently and deeply satisfying life, rich in spiritual meaning and purpose, with real relationships and authentic community. There is no charge for this Thrive Weekend.

For more information contact Brittany Bogott at brittanyubogott@gmail.com or visit www.biblestudyseminars.com.

Christian Science members of branch churches are blessed with the opportunity to make a difference in their church's activities and operations through prayerful gatherings, sharing ideas, and hands-on actions.

Please turn in your 2012 Committee Preference Sheet to share your love and support of your church.

See Page 2 for new Teleconference numbers to dial in to our Sunday and Wednesday Noon services!



The Gentle Beam

February Topic:

God's View =

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; Ps 100:3

Mind is the grand creator, and there can be no power except that which is derived from Mind. SH 143:26-27

...divine Mind is All and reproduces all — as Mind is the multiplier, and Mind's infinite idea, man and the universe, is the product. The only intelligence or substance of a thought, a seed, or a flower is God, the creator of it.

SH 508:2-6 divine

Creation is ever appearing, and must ever continue to appear from the nature of its inexhaustible source.

SH 507:28-29

Spirit, God, gathers unformed thoughts into their proper channels, and unfolds these thoughts, even as He opens the petals of a holy purpose in order that the purpose may appear. SH 506:18

As mortals gain more correct views of God and man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were invisible, will become visible. When we realize that Life is Spirit, never in nor of matter, this understanding will expand into self-completeness, finding all in God, good, and needing no other consciousness. SH 264:13

Through divine Science, Spirit, God, unites understanding to eternal harmony. The calm and exalted thought or spiritual apprehension is at peace. Thus the dawn of ideas goes on, forming each successive stage of progress.

SH 506:10

REPORT SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING:

At the January 12 Semi-annual Meeting the following motion was adopted:

“To replace the current Church sign with the new sign at a cost less than \$35,000. The funding will be by contributions to the established Signage Fund with a loan paid by continuing contributions.”

Contributions to the Signage Fund are welcome!

REPORT ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING:

The following were elected to office:

Board Member (3 year term): Kay Kirchner

Board Member (3 year term): Doug Watson

President (1 year term): Dennis McDaniel

A big thank you to Bob Rutishauser and BJ Forestell-Waites, Board Members, and Sammie Gray, President, for their service, care and love for our church.

Harvey Gray will serve as Chairman of the Board and Sheri Deibert will serve as Vice-Chairman of the Board this year.

on the phone & web

- **OUR SUNDAY SERVICE AT 11 AM AND WEDNESDAY NOON MEETING BY PHONE OR THROUGH THE INTERNET VIA SKYPE.**
TO JOIN BY PHONE - dial (530) 881-1400.

The conference room access number is 571758#.

Long distance toll charges may apply.

TO JOIN BY SKYPE – add contact: freeconferencecallhd.5308811400

and then after calling the contact, dial 571758#

- **SENTINEL • RADIO EDITION** • Press 2
 - **THE WEEKLY BIBLE LESSON** • Press 3
- Dial • 512-703-8010 • available anytime, anywhere
For church information • Press 4

- **DAILY LIFT** • two minute podcast by Christian Science Lecturers
Dial • 617-450-3430

- **ONLINE WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING**
1 PM (CST) broadcast live from The Mother Church studio in Boston (audio only), or listen to the replay and read the hymns, citations, and testimonies, posted for 24 hours after the service, until 2 PM (CST) on Thursday. Available by computer, phone, iPad™, iPhone®, or iPod Touch®.

TO JOIN ONLINE:

christianscience.com/church/Wednesday-meeting-broadcast

TO JOIN BY PHONE: 617-450-7841 or 617-450-7842.

Phone lines are available only during the service.

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