

# NEWSLETTER



**First Church of Christ, Scientist**

**Austin, Texas**

**November 2010**

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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]

- **Sun., Nov. 7 after church** SUNDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
- **Sun., Nov. 7** DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
- **Tues., Nov. 9 7:00 pm** BOARD MEETING
- **Fri., Nov. 12, 7:00 pm at First Church** ASSISTANT COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION WORKSHOP
- **Sun., Nov. 14, 5:30 pm** CHURCH ALIVE!
- **Sun., Nov. 21, 3:30 pm** AAIM THANKSGIVING SERVICE
- **Thur., Nov. 25, 11:00 am** OUR THANKSGIVING SERVICE
- **Thurs., Nov., 4 & Tues., Nov 16 – 7:15 pm** BIBLE STUDY GROUP at First Church  
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### ASSISTANT COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION WORKSHOP IN AUSTIN

at First Church, Austin, on **Fri, Nov 12 at 7:00 pm**  
All are invited to this informative and interactive workshop. Keith Wommack, Committee on Publication for Texas, with special guest, Phil Davis, Manager of Committees on Publication, will be conducting the workshop. You will hear about current Committee activities, such as social media, healthcare reform, and a keynote address from the Manager of Committees on Publication, titled: "Lessons from the original Committee on Publication." Child care will be provided.

### COME EXPRESS, EXPERIENCE, AND CREATE...CHURCH ALIVE!

One of the ideas that came out of the *Church Unconfined: Exploring Our Concept of Church* meetings was holding interactive meetings to aid in spiritual awakening and growth. The Mother Church is also asking us to focus this year on the concept of Church Alive with essentially the same purpose.

**So let's get going!** The first meeting is open to all and will be held in our Sunday School on **Sunday, Nov 14 at 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

One of the main focuses will be reading and discussing the previous week's bible lesson, mixed with contemporary music, media from the "my Bible Lesson", and other material provided by the Publishing Society and The Mother Church. Please invite young adults in Sunday School and those that may not have made the transition from Sunday School to the Church Service, friends new to Christian Science, and everyone seeking spiritual insight and inspiration through fellowship and participation. Following the meeting there will be an opportunity for feedback and to volunteer to help organize the next meeting. A restaurant will also be selected for those who would like to have dinner together.



## The Reading Room

102 Trinity • 472-8109

M-F 10-2 • Saturday 11-3 • Sunday 12-3  
**CLOSED: Thur., Nov. 11 for Veterans Day and Thurs., Nov. 25 for Thanksgiving Day**

The Publishing Society no longer has *A Complete Concordance to the Writings of Mary Baker Eddy*, nor is it publishing the book anymore. There is only one copy at the Reading Room and it is for sale for \$60. If anyone has a copy of the book and is no longer using it, the Reading Room would welcome the donation.

There is an excellent CD out entitled, *Talking with Others about Christian Science*. This 47-minute CD can be purchased for \$10 or viewed at the Reading Room.

Remember to come by and check out the Estate Table. There are bound volumes on sale from the 1960's and 1970's.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Join us at the Sunday School Open House after church on **Sunday, November 7**. All are welcome to come and meet the teachers and staff and discover the joys of being in Sunday School.

### REPORT BOOK TALK ON

#### MARY BAKER EDDY: CHRISTIAN HEALER

Many thanks to the panel, the Lecture Committee and all who helped make this such an inspiring event.

### REPORT THE TEXAS BOOK FESTIVAL

#### Science & Health Booth

We had a very successful collaboration among central Texas Churches in staffing the booth and managing the logistics of getting, setting up and taking down the booth. Collectively we sold fourteen copies of *Science and Health*, two copies of *Christian Healer*, gave out dozens of Sentinels, and many invitations to the Book Talk on Sunday afternoon. There was a lot of interest in the Weekend version of the Christian Science Monitor, and we had many informal discussions with visitors to the booth.



Thanks to all the workers for a job well done!



## The Gentle Beam

November Topic:

# Thanksgiving =

"...God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God. For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;"

II Corinthians 9: 8 God, 11-12

"In divine Science, man is sustained by God, the divine Principle of being. The earth, at God's command, brings forth food for man's use."

S&H 530:5-7

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"Are we really grateful for the good already received? Then we shall avail ourselves of the blessings we have, and thus be fitted to receive more."

S&H 3:22-24

"Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name."

I Chronicles 29:13

*We invite you to share your unfoldments and to suggest future topics.*

### REPORT QUARTERLY MEETING

At the October 14 Quarterly Meeting the following motion was adopted, "That the windows in the church be repaired, recaulked and painted, or replaced, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000; from the Major Repair Fund and/or the Reserve Fund, with the understanding that the award may be made to a Board member's spouse as recommended by the House and Maintenance Committee."



Your purchases from Randalls grocery under their Good Neighbor Program resulted in our Church receiving \$49.08 for this quarter. Our number to list on your Randalls Card so that our Church may receive 1% of the amount spent by our friends is [#9212](#).

### OUR THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Come join us on Thanksgiving morning,  
**Thursday, November 25 at 11 am.**

Everyone is welcome to come  
and share in expressions of gratitude.

### AAIM INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

AAIM's premiere event is the **Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration**, bringing together over 1000 people to share gratitude for the gifts and blessings of our world. This is a longstanding tradition in Austin and has been going on for the past 25 years.

First Church, Austin, has participated for a number of years.

**Celebrating over two and a half decades!**  
AAIM's 26th Annual Interfaith Celebration will be held on **Sunday, November 21, 2010 at 3:30 pm at University Baptist Church**, followed by the reception at 5 pm. Participating congregations are encouraged to bring food dishes that can be shared by all and include an ingredients list.

### on the telephone

- **OUR SUNDAY SERVICE AT 11 AM AND WEDNESDAY NOON MEETING BY PHONE OR THROUGH THE INTERNET VIA SKYPE.**  
**To join by telephone** - dial (201) 793-9022.  
The conference room number is 4258728#. This is a long distance number and your regular phone carrier long distance toll charges may apply.  
**To join by Skype** - dial +9900827044258728.
- **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

### on the web

- **AUSTIN AREA WEBSITE**  
[www.ChristianScienceAustin.com](http://www.ChristianScienceAustin.com)
- **THE MOTHER CHURCH WEBSITES**  
[www.ChristianScience.com](http://www.ChristianScience.com)  
[www.spirituality.com](http://www.spirituality.com)  
[www.tmcYouth.com](http://www.tmcYouth.com)
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