

NEWSLETTER



First Church of Christ, Scientist

Austin, Texas

October 2017

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

CALENDAR

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

BOARD MEETING

Sunday, October 1 at 12:30 pm

ANNUAL MEETING - CHRISTIAN SCIENCE COMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONAL WORK IN TEXAS

Sat., Oct. 7 at 1 pm - at First Church in New Braunfels

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, October 8 after church service

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, October 12 at 7:30 pm

LECTURE at GEORGETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Sunday, October 22 at 3 pm

CHURCH VOLUNTEER DAYZ/HANDS ON HOUSING

Saturday, October 28 at 9 am

FOR THE DEEPENING METS CONFERENCE CALLS

See the Reading Room Column ►

LECTURE IN GEORGETOWN!

Sunday, October 22 at 3 pm
at the Georgetown Public Library
402 W. 8th Street Georgetown, TX

The Christian Science Societies of Georgetown and Lago Vista are hosting a Lecture by David Hohle, CSB titled, "TIME IS NOT A FACTOR"

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Join us Sunday, October 8 after church service

Come and meet the teachers and staff and discover the joys of being in Sunday School! All are welcome!

CHURCH VOLUNTEER DAYZ

Saturday, October 28 at 9 am

Our community is coming together for a painting party! Through the i-ACT Hands on Housing program, our church will team with 2 other churches to paint a local community member's house. All are welcome. Children (16 and under) are not necessarily encouraged, as we will be painting the outside of a house all day. Food and supplies will be provided. To sign up please do 2 things: 1. Sign up on the event Brite page, so we know who is coming. handsonhousing-oct28.eventbrite.com. 2. Fill out a waiver online found at <https://iact-registrations.com/forms/raisetherooft2017> (If you cannot fill it out online, there will be paper copies on site.) Then just arrive at the house ([2011 Holly Street](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2011+Holly+Street,+Georgetown,+TX)) anytime between 9-4 on October 28.

REPORT TEXAS COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION

On Sunday, September 24 after the church service Keith Wommack, Committee on Publication for Texas, gave a talk on how our roles in Committee on Publication work strengthen us as church members, and outlined ways to support church and church members. [See the Clerk for copies.] After a Box Lunch there was a break-out session on how to answer questions regarding Christian Science.

The Reading Room

In church lobby - 1309 Guadalupe 78701

512-472-8109 • csraustin@gmail.com

M-F 10-2, Sunday 12-12:30

2nd Wednesday of the month 6-7 pm

Closed for Columbus Day, Monday, October 9th

Join us for the NEXT DEEPENING METS CALLS

Friday, October 13 at noon

Monday, October 23 at 7:30 pm

Conducted by the Reading Room Metaphysical Committee

Our interactive conference calls, 'Deepening Mets', are doing just that. A wider viewpoint on familiar truths bring fresh insights for practical use. Join us to hear and share how prayers, inspiration and the resulting deeper dive are supporting the metaphysical practice of our church.

The basis of these calls will be: "Why Does the World Need Christian Science Reading Rooms?"

by Jenny Sinatra with contributions from Lynn Bingham (August 2017 Journal)

The call-in number is [1-641-552-9364](tel:1-641-552-9364)

and the access number is [373788#](tel:373788#).

Call or go online to join in:

<https://join.freeconferencecall/readingroom>

and follow the prompts.

Replays are available on the Member-only/Deepening Mets page on our website.

We still have some shifts to fill at the Reading Room and on the Reading Room Mets Committee. Please consider how you can support our church's gift of love to the community. Training now would prepare you for serving in our next location when it unfolds! Please contact the Librarian at [512-472-8109](tel:512-472-8109).

REPORT SUMMER CAMP ROUNDUP

Sunday School students who attended summer camps for Christian Scientists this year expressed their gratitude and shared what they learned at the annual Summer Camp Roundup held in the Sunday School after services on September 17. It was so inspiring to hear of their adventures and opportunities for growth!





The Gentle Beam

October Topic:

Weather =

THE BIBLE

I Kings 19:9 behold, 11, 12

⁹ behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah?

¹¹ And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: ¹² And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

CHRISTIAN HEALING 2: 1-7 to:

The genius of Christianity is works more than words; a calm and steadfast communion with God; a tumult on earth, — religious factions and prejudices arrayed against it, the synagogues as of old closed upon it, while it reasons with the storm, hurls the thunderbolt of truth, and stills the tempest of error;

HYMN 148 (first verse)

In heavenly Love abiding, No change my heart shall fear;
And safe is such confiding, For nothing changes here.
The storm may roar without me, My heart may low be laid;
But God is round about me, And can I be dismayed?

HYMN 136 (second verse)

Though storm or discord cross my path
Thy power is still my stay,
Though human will and woe would check
My upward-soaring way;
All unafraid I wait, the while Thy angels bring release,
For still Thy presence is with me,
And Thou dost give me peace.

CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday 9:30-noon • Wednesday 10:30-noon
Clerk's Cell Phone Number [512-593-2378](tel:512-593-2378)

A NEW HYMNAL IS COMING TO TOWN!

The Mother Church has issued a new hymnal that replaces our Supplement and complements our current hymnal with 174 new hymns or new settings of old hymns. The Board is considering the purchase of this new hymnal at a cost of \$17 per booklet. We invite our members to peruse the new hymnal displayed in our Reading Room. Anyone having questions or objections about the purchase of this hymnal should contact the Clerk or any board member before November 1st.

Considerations for purchasing the new hymnal:

1. The melodies are within a comfortable singing range for a congregation.
2. The hymns maintain metaphysical integrity and clarity.
3. The hymns represent a wider cultural and global inclusiveness.
4. The hymns contain updated language.
5. No page turning is required to complete any song.
6. Bible source references are included at the bottom of hymns having biblical origins.
7. A full-score appendix is included.

MATCHING GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Our church has encountered some recent issues that have been or will be costly to repair.

- HVAC compressor unit replaced at cost of \$6800
- Cothron's repair of door swings, anchors and weather sealing, over \$1500
- Roof leaks from Hurricane Harvey rains with a cost yet to be determined
- Probable purchase of new hymnal from The Mother Church, nearly \$2000
- Minor repairs of various items needing attention, \$400
- Broken windows repaired, nearly \$1500
- Possible new door and/or re-routing drainage to resolve the flooding at mid-east back door

We have secured a matching grant to bolster our negative (-\$2500) Major Repair Fund (MRF). Donations to our MRF up to \$5000 will be matched by this grant. The only request is that donations be made separate from regular Sunday donations. If you would like to give, please mail your contribution to the Clerk and indicate it is for the MRF Matching Grant.

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With gratitude,
The Board of Trustees

on the phone & web

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- **COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION for TEXAS**
www.ChristianScienceTexas.com
- **THE LEAVES**
www.TheLeaves.org
- **LECTURES**
<https://www.youtube.com/user/officialcslectures>
- **WEDNESDAY READING CITATIONS**
www.ChristianScienceAustin.com
in the post for church services at First Church, Austin

OCTOBER SENTINEL RADIO PROGRAM SCHEDULE

October 7-13 – Young people trust in God for healing
October 14-20 – God is real – tackling atheism
October 21-27 – Freedom from contagion
October 28 - November 3 – What's influencing me?