

NEWSLETTER



First Church of Christ, Scientist

Austin, Texas

April 2018

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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.

- **STUDY GROUP ON BOOK OF JOB**
[See below]
- **SECOND SUNDAYS HYMN SING**
Sunday, April 8, after church
- **QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**
Thur., April 12 - 7:30 pm
- **SPRING CLEAN UP DAY**
Sat., April 14 – 9 am to noon @ First Church
- **BOARD MEETING** - *Sunday, April 15 at 12:30 pm*
- **APRIL BIBLE STUDY** - *Saturday, April 21, 1-3 pm at First Church Sunday School*

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, April 14 – 9 am - noon

Come and lend a hand to beautify our church. Please join us for the Spring Clean Up Day. A light Pizza lunch and fellowship will be enjoyed by all. Suggested materials you could bring to use: gloves, rakes, 409 cleaner or soap, scrub brushes, rags or sponges, vacuum cleaner, plastic trash bags, mop.

SUMMER CAMP FUND APPLICATION

DEADLINE - Sunday, April 23!

Sunday School students who wish to apply for financial help from our Summer Camp Fund need to apply by Sunday, April 22.

See the Clerk or Sunday School Superintendent for applications.

Contributions to the Fund may be made through Sunday, May 27.

STUDY GROUP ON BOOK OF JOB

Some ten members of our church and Third Church have begun an in-depth look at the Book of Job. Victor Hugo (1802-1885; author of *Les Misérables* and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*) called the Book of Job, "perhaps the greatest masterpiece of the human mind." The theme of Job deals with the darkest mystery of human life - why is there suffering which afflicts the innocent as well as the guilty?" So far in our study, we have watched Job lose everything dear to him and we have met his three friends who come to assure him that his suffering is due to some undiscovered sin despite Job's protests that he is innocent. Thus the debate begins between Job and his friends about the nature of suffering, of sin, of innocence, of guilt and of God.

Email Steve Warren if you are interested in joining the group - stevewarren@aol.com

The Reading Room

*In church lobby - 1309 Guadalupe 78701
512-472-8109 • csrraustin@gmail.com
M-F 10-2, Sunday 12-12:30
2nd Wednesday of the month 6-7 pm*

The Reading Room's Bible study on Genesis started with "Overview of the Old Testament" CD by Bible scholar Madelon Maupin. There was lively discussion of the illuminating information from Bible resources including current scholars and Mary Baker Eddy.

Join the group for the next session in April!

APRIL BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to join our free monthly Bible Study.

We will be reading the Bible

Genesis Chapters 4-9

focusing on the theme of

God and Man's Relationship

Saturday, April 21, 1-3 pm

**Christian Science Reading Room
in the Sunday School**

1309 Guadalupe, Austin, TX 78701

Parking in the lot south of the church.

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STUDY QUESTIONS:

Chapter 4 –

Why did people find it important to tell this story?

How does this story depict the relationship of men?

How does it depict the relationship of man with God?

Chapter 5 –

What is God's relationship to man at this point?

Chapter 6-9 –

*Why was this particular story told?
Why did this story matter?*

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES:

You can search Mrs. Eddy's personal correspondence, photos of artifacts, and organizational records on the MBE Library website as well as ask questions of the researcher.

The Mary Baker Eddy Library and its resources - https://media.christianscience.com/player/http/?src=https://dl.cdn.csps.com/journal/tutorial/2018/jsh-rr_webinar-180315b.mp4



The Gentle Beam

April Topic:

= **EASTER GLADNESS** =

Let us sing of Easter gladness
That rejoices every day,
Sing of hope and faith uplifted;
Love has rolled the stone away.
Lo, the promise and fulfillment,
Lo, the man whom God hath made,
Seen in glory of an Easter
Crowned with light that cannot fade.

When we touch Truth's healing garment
And behold Life's purity,
When we find in Love the refuge
That is man's security,
When we turn from earth to Spirit,
And from self have won release,
Then we see the risen Saviour;
Then we know his promised peace.

Living meekly as the Master,
Who of God was glorified,
Looking ever to the radiance
Of his wondrous Eastertide;
Freed of fear, of pain, and sorrow,
Giving God the honor due,
Every day will be an Easter
Filled with benedictions new.

Hymn 413

CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday 9:30-noon • Wednesday 10:30-noon
Clerk's Cell Phone Number - **512-593-2378**

In Memorium
Jana Anderson

FROM THE BOARD

Returning from the Adventure Unlimited Ranches this weekend, I am inspired by the many opportunities within the Christian Science community. As an adult, teen, or child, there are programs for everyone.

Did you know there are two different programs for Christian Science teens to join which allows them to develop as leaders while building a strong foundation in Science? The lodge at A/U was packed to capacity this weekend with those teens -- and we had to eat in 3 shifts as we could not all sit in a single sitting. Each of these teens need a mentor. Each of these classes need a leader. Perhaps you have been looking for a way to engage with young people and Christian Science?

We heard talks by the Albert Baker Fund, Career Alliance, The CS Monitor, Principia, and a keynote speaker who was inspiring.

To find more ways for you to engage, see www.DiscoveryBound.org or talk to Becky Carter.

on the phone & web

- **OUR SUNDAY SERVICE AT 11 AM AND WEDNESDAY NOON MEETING BY PHONE**
Dial 512-225-3443
- Dial 512-703-8010 • AVAILABLE ANYTIME, ANYWHERE
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For church information • Press 4
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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

APRIL SENTINEL WATCH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

March 31-April 6 – Womanhood and the risen Christ
April 7-13 – The Benefits of daily prayer
April 14-20 – The opportunity to forgive
April 21-27 – Only patterns of good
April 28-May 4 – Gain a victory over disappointment