



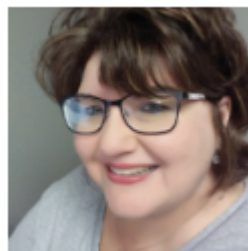
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Exciting News from CHUMC! What's New this Week, Sunday, Aug 9th?!

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My words this weekend take the form of “thank you” and “welcome.” Let me begin with the word of “thanks.”

We have been blessed with the addition of Jason Weaver on our CHUMC staff since February of 2019. He has served as our Director of Youth Ministries and built strong relationships with many of our young people and their parents. He has also spent significant time growing adult leaders within the area of youth ministry. As many of you know, Jason is also a realtor and as of late his business has been blossoming. Therefore, he has discerned the need for a transition from paid staff member to volunteer servant. So, we issue a heartfelt thank you to Jason for his leadership and staff support these last 18 months. To send a personal note of “thanks” to Jason please email jason@chumc.org.

And when we have a leadership transitions in the church there is always a “welcome” to be offered.

We are excited to welcome Isabella Lopez to the CHUMC Staff as Youth Director. Many of you know Isabella and have been an important part of her spiritual growth into the wonderful young woman she has become. She has been a vital part of our youth ministry at CHUMC for many years; first as an active youth member, and for the past several years as a faithful servant volunteer. You may offer words of warm “welcome” by sending emails to isabella@chumc.org. Check out Isabella’s pic and bio below!

As I write these words of thanksgiving and welcome, I find that my heart overflows and my mind is at peace. Smooth ministry transitions are a blessing for any congregation. I feel a bit like the Apostle Paul as he put forth these words to the growing community of faith in 1st century Philippi:

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus!" [Phil 1:3-6]

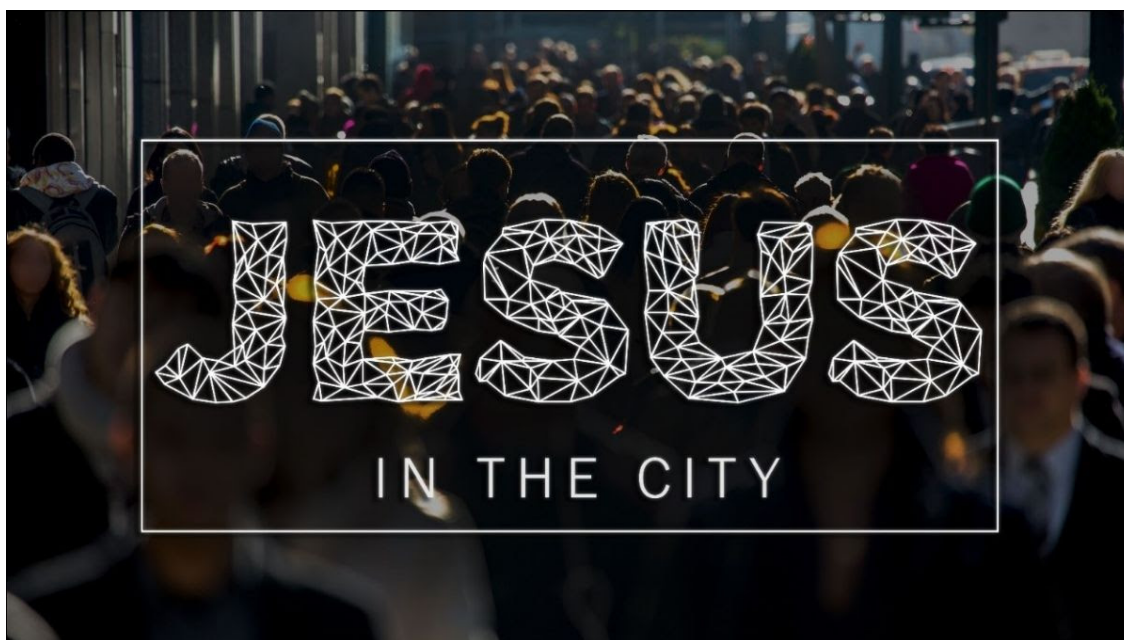
Thank you Jason and welcome Isabella,
Pastor Polly

YOUTH DIRECTOR BIO: *Isabella Lopez*



Isabella Lopez has loved youth ministry since the moment she began participating during her teen years. When she was 14, she attended a Mid-Winter Youth Retreat at Mt. Wesley and felt God calling her to make youth ministry a part of her life's work. She is currently working on a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies with an Emphasis in Youth Ministry through Grand Canyon University. When asked about her new opportunity to serve as Youth Director for Colonial Hills United Methodist Church, Isabella responded by saying:

- "I am looking forward to expanding the relationships I have created with the students over the past few years, as well as creating new relationship with future youth and adult leaders.
- "I am excited to find creative ways to continue offering fun and safe youth zoom hangouts and more during this crazy pandemic time – and I am awaiting the day we can come together and be in fellowship with each other in person!



Sermon Series Week 2: From Invisible to Affirmed

Scripture Luke 13:10-17

God calls us to see and respond to injustices and the marginalization of our brothers and sisters, even when they are invisible to others. When others refuse to acknowledge the reality of the community, Jesus always sees.

Join us online August 9th @ 8:30am

Available on Facebook or Website (Link sent by email Sundays)



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

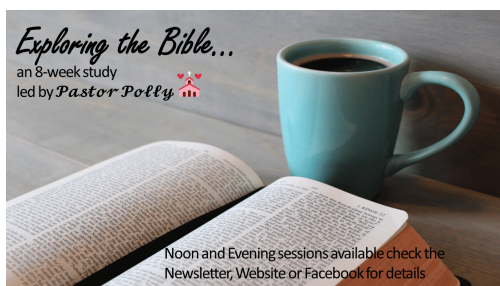
9AM – 2PM
(open during lunch hour also)

Monday - Thursday

All voicemails or emails left after hours or on weekends will be answered promptly.

Remember: Masks required
Doors locked: Please Knock for Assistance

Thank you and stay safe!



Join Pastor Polly each Wednesday through August 26th for a broad overview of the Bible, including chapters on how to select a Bible suitable for your needs, how the Bible is organized, how the collection of books that comprise the Bible were chosen, different ways that people approach the text, and what archaeology has to tell us about the text and its stories. Sessions are one

hour and 15 minutes in length via ZOOM online classroom setting. There will be 2 weekly study groups on Wednesdays at 12 Noon and at 7:00 p.m.

NOON EXPLORING THE BIBLE ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85715713192?pwd=VnFFMjRaUml2djZpNEE3QVV2VFVodz09>

Meeting ID: 867 6196 5353

Password: 193174

7 PM EXPLORING THE BIBLE ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85998814394?pwd=SkJqcW5McFRmWnVENjJaSUERZU9UQT09>

Meeting ID: 870 1609 4701

Password: 618965

*An email will be send every Monday with the links above and study guides. Remember, just click either the **Noon** link or the separate **7:00pm** link above at the meeting time and Pastor Polly will admit you to the meeting at that time!*

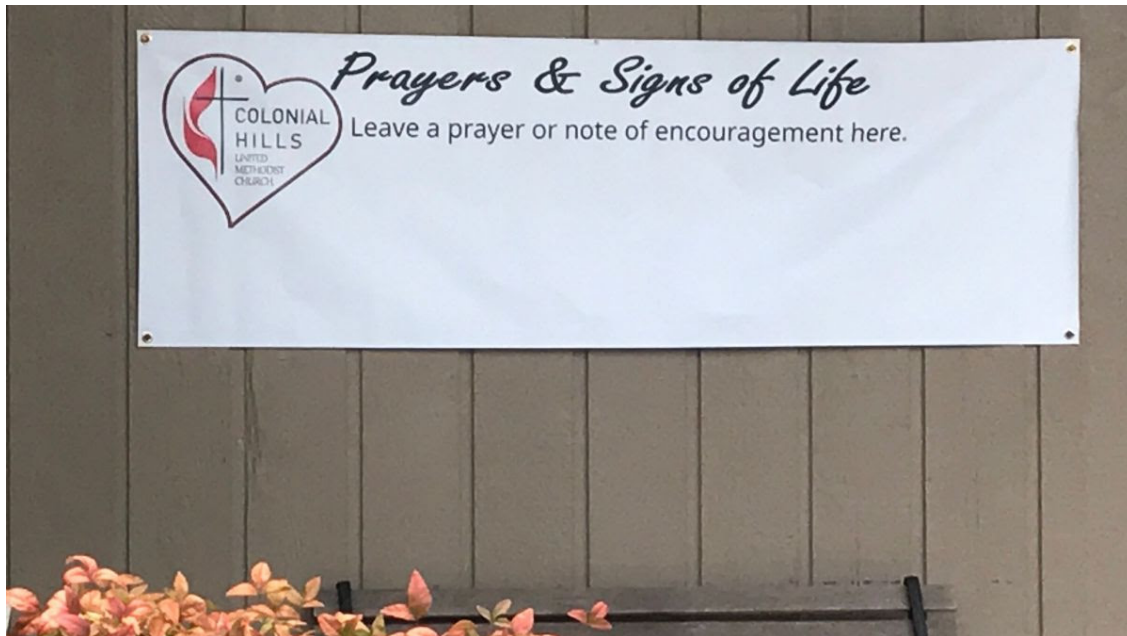
Everyone is able to help build the **Ecumenical Genesis Habitat house** for a family in need through prayers, gifts or service. One service is providing lunch for volunteers



constructing the house. The **United Methodist Men** will provide lunch for volunteers on Saturday, October 17th. There are still many open dates to provide lunch if your Sunday school class or relational group wishes to volunteer. Sign up online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/ecgen2020habitat>

Alternatively, contact Larry Barnes to volunteer. If you have questions, please text Charles Harrison at 844-5925 (C) or contact Larry D. Barnes at 831-1228 (C) or lbarnes15@satx.rr.com.



If you haven't had the opportunity yet, come on over to the beautiful 8+ acre CHUMC campus and participate in a guided prayer walk! A campus prayer walk is a great opportunity for each of us to stretch our faith and our legs. Three special banners have been placed in three locations. Our facilities coordinator and wonderful CHUMC member, Gus Lopez, has even put together a guide map to assist you with this prayer walk. Just go to our website at www.chumc.org and click the Campus Prayer Walk link to find both an interactive prayer map and a pdf to print for your convenience.

Direct link to the Interactive Map: [Direct Link to Map](#)

Let's pray together for God's blessing on the community, insights into the needs around us, and the kindling of our passion for our neighbors. **For something extra:** write your prayer thoughts and shared signs of life on the three banners

across campus – then take a quick selfie somewhere on campus and send it to chumc@chumc.org.

CHUMC OUTREACH PROJECT UPDATE!

The San Antonio Diaper Bank is in need of

- *All Sizes Infant through Toddler disposable diapers*
- *All Sizes Adult Incontinence Pads.*

Donations accepted in the two covered
containers by the gym doors.

Open all hours! Items checked and removed daily.

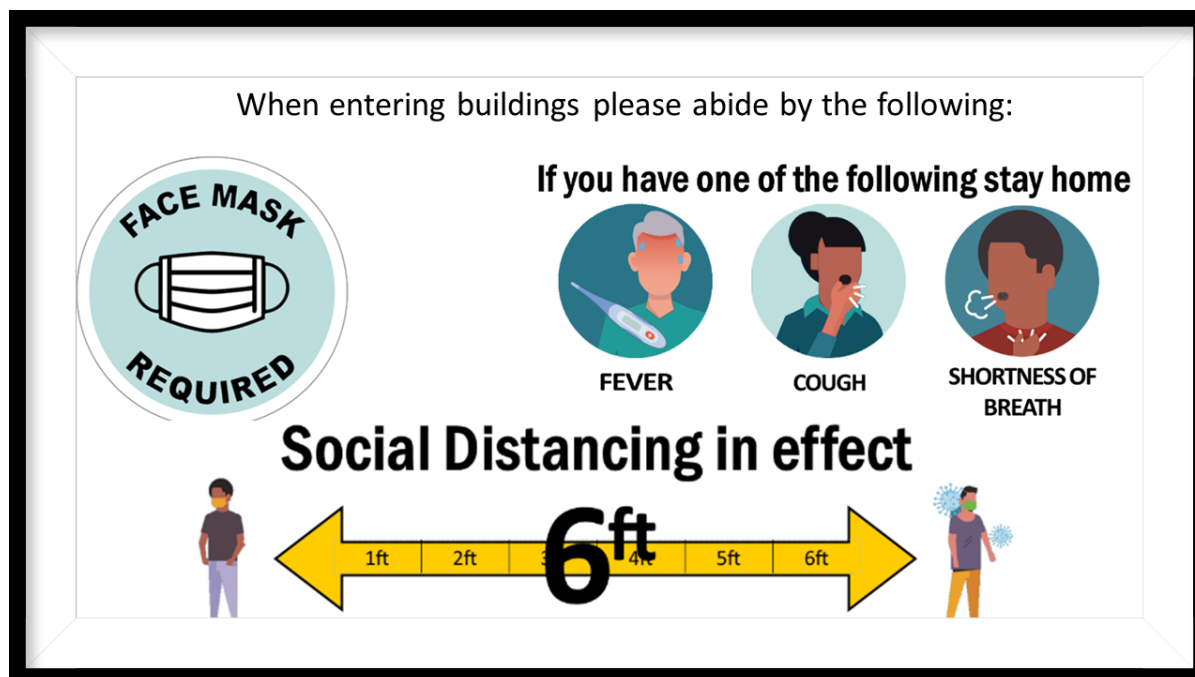


CHUMC History 1980 - 1990 - The Existing Sanctuary is Built!

We built the existing sanctuary and took occupancy in 1980. Building of the sanctuary required that the committee create ways to reduce the overall cost of the building to stay within the allowed budget. Problem to overcome was that our resident architects felt like we had to remove 30% of the normal cost. The committee of about 18 church members and staff took the challenge! They were able through the efforts of a seasoned architect to keep the building within budget. As I recall, we had about eight dollars and change left in the budget when completed. The remainder of this time was devoted primarily to building church growth and continuing our Spiritual Journey. At this point in our congregation we were having three worship services on Sunday morning, and our congregation approached the ultimate high of about 2500 people

on our church roll! CHUMC had a tremendous children, youth and adult Sunday school effort, and Sunday school classrooms became scarce.

Russ Farringer, ruthrussf8@sbcglobal.net



The Impact of Our Giving For the 5 ½ months ended June 17, 2020

Resources (including prepaid pledges): \$403,853

Disbursements: \$347,313

Resources in excess of Disbursements: \$56,540

This info (plus church directory & other links) is also available on the church website at www.chumc.org. Go to the green MY CHUMC link on the bottom right of page. Please contact chris@chumc.org for the member password.



The CHUMC Prayer Team is still praying! Continue sending any prayer requests to the church office, and the staff and prayer team will pray over them. You may send any praises for encouragement and updates also!

THRIVING CONGREGATIONS GRANT RECIPIENT

Six churches in the Rio Grande Conference have recently been chosen to participate in the Thriving Congregations Initiative and CHUMC is one of the six! The effort, funded by Lilly Endowment, Inc., is intended to help congregations thrive by strengthening ministries that deepen their relationships with God, enhance their connections with each other, and contribute to the flourishing of their communities and the world. A Leadership Team, coached by Dr. Tanya Campen from the Conference office, will guide the multi-year effort.

CHUMC Thriving Congregation Team Members

Judy Castleberry
Jacque Albrecht
Benjamin Farias
Scott Strawser
Rev. Polly Angle
Rev. Dawn Baird

Watch for ways you can be involved in the coming months!



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Rev. Dawn Baird: dawn@chumc.org

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