

Courier

First Jefferson
Unitarian
Universalist
Church

Hope  Joy  Awe  Connection

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*We are a liberal religious community of diverse individuals. We nurture **spiritual growth**, encourage **lifelong education**, work for **social justice**, serve the **larger community**, and celebrate **life's gifts** together through meaningful worship. We welcome and support others in their expression of religious freedom.*

Our Relational Covenant

Unitarian Universalist congregations, including our church, are founded on the mutual promises we make to one another about how we will live together. This covenant encourages us to bring our best selves to our relationships with one another. We commit to practice and promote these ideals intentionally so that we grow in spirit and deepen our connections with one another and all that is.

We promise:

- to promote kindness, love, and healthy relationships
- to give each other support, empathy and understanding
- to be mindful and considerate in all our interactions
- to clarify and respect personal boundaries and feelings
- to listen to one another and seek understanding
- to respect one another and appreciate the range of opinions among us
- to strengthen one another in our free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- to act in the knowledge that we are part of a large and diverse world community
- to work toward equity, justice, and compassion in all relations
- to practice forgiveness for ourselves and others so that when we fail to keep this covenant we can begin again in love



This covenant is a touchstone for nurturing ourselves, our church community, and supporting our work in the world. Through the covenant, we enrich our relationships with one another and serve others in accordance with our principles. We pledge to revisit and renew this covenant to sustain the vitality of our congregation in our ongoing quest for spiritual growth.

CONGREGATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Congregants,

I hope you have all found a way to deal with this Texas heat. I can't believe as a child I would run and play in the summer heat of Iran and Thailand. Now, I can't even bear the walk from my air conditioned car to my apartment. So, I am very grateful for air-conditioning in my car, home and church. Thank you everyone who helped make it possible for us to have a cool climate at church. I once went to a church in Louisiana that did not have air-conditioning. I must confess I did not hear a word of the sermon. My thoughts were solely on how miserable I was and how I could not believe anyone could do this weekly!

After a lunch with Rev. Annie and a few conversations I have had lately with my fellow church members, I have been thinking "What do we stand for?" I do not mean our principles but what do we, as a congregation stand for. We have many great people doing great things, standing up for human rights, literacy, equality etc. We also have many little project we do, but what does our church rally behind, what do people in our community see us standing up for?

We have great principles, great ideals. We all do great things, individually, connected to things outside of our church, but how do we as a congregation walk our walk? If service is our prayer what service are we providing our neighbors, our community, our world? We once were active in ACT, Allied Communities of Tarrant County. We stood up, stood out and made differences. I was once very proud to be a part of the rally at JPS, fighting to make healthcare accessible to all.

I would like us, as a congregation to ponder this. I would like us to find a focus, our service, our prayer. I know our church has some awesome assets in our congregants. I know we can make a huge impact upon our community, our world. So I am asking all of you to ponder, what should our service be, how can we use our principles, our mission our ideals to better our world. What should our prayer be? How should we be seen in our community. Please ponder, discuss, share your thoughts and ideas, and bring them forward. I look forward to this conversation!

*With dreams in my eyes,
hope in my heart and
faith in tomorrow,
Irene*



July 1

“Testament of Freedom”

Roy Redman & The First Jefferson Choir

With words by Thomas Jefferson and music by Randall Thompson, one of our pre-eminent American composers, how can we miss? I first heard the piece when I was a student at UNT, and was immediately drawn to the thoughts expressed, and the dynamic musical setting. It was written in 1943 to celebrate the bicentennial of the birth of Thomas Jefferson, and incorporates words from several of his important writings. It begins and ends with the words, powerfully expressed: “The God who gave us life gave us liberty.” **The choir will meet at 9:30 a.m. to rehearse prior to the service. All are welcome join us in singing this special music.**

July 8

“A Ritual for Rain”

Sacred Hearth CUUPs

Sacred Hearth CUUPs will be leading a Sunday service and ritual centered on rain. Bring drums, rainsticks, and other instruments if you have them, and join in the fun as we do a working to ward off the summer heat and drought.

July 15

“Be Nobody’s Darling”

The Reverend Annie Foerster

Without a concept of evil, is it possible to be too good? When ‘Have a nice day’ became the social password, some people complained that ‘nice’ was too bland a word. Are Unitarian Universalists in danger of being nice?

July 22

**“Threads of Unitarian Universalism:
The Ancient Greeks”**

Annie Foerster

Most people assume our heritage comes directly out of the Judeo-Christian traditions. But a DNA test of our theology would elicit proof that there is a lot of ancient Greece in our religio-genetic makeup.

July 29

“Transactions: Don’t Panic!”

Betty Churchman

Douglas Adams wrote about a character named Authur Dent who was going through changes very quickly. Changes in our church community seem to be traveling at light speed. While we are searching for “the ultimate question of life, the universe and everything” Just Remember “Don’t Panic”

Our Sunday Schedule

9:15 AM Nursery: Infants thru Age 3

9:30 AM Adventures in Religion, John Adams Room

9:45 AM Adult Forum, Jagers Parlor

9:45 AM Child & Youth Religious Education, Religious Education Wing (August-May)

10:00 AM Choir Gathering, Choir Room

11 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary

■ CARING & SHARING

If you would like a pastoral note to be shared with the congregation during Sunday service, please write it in the **Book of Memory and Hope** in the vestibule.

Keep **Miranda Bruttell** in thoughts and concerns. She is close to parole release and rehab and will, hopefully, be returning home in a few months.

First Jefferson is a community of folks who gather for worship and/or other activities within the congregation. One of the functions of a healthy community is to care for one another during good times and bad. Therefore, we will be developing a Caring and Sharing ministry among the congregation. Some of the activities will include sending cards (get well, sympathy, thank you, congratulations, etc.), making telephone calls and visiting folks who are in the hospital or home-bound, and making casseroles that can be frozen and used when needed. If you are interested in doing some or all of this, you can contact Betty Churchman at bettychurchman@swingingbridgesministries.org or Sue Lowry at sue.lowry56@gmail.com.



■ POTLUCK SUNDAY

Sunday, July, 12:15pm, Coleman Hall

Bring a dish to share or just join in and help us share the food, fun and fellowship.

■ SMALL GROUP PROGRAMS

Book Discussion Group

Meets monthly on the fourth Tuesdays, 7pm, Jagers Parlor We read and discuss a variety of books: fiction, non-fiction, classics, mysteries, historical, etc. Suggestions encouraged. For information, contact Joan Carey 817-217-5905.

Upcoming Titles:

July 24—*The Blind Man's Garden* by Nadeem Aslam [Fiction]

August 28—*Eats, Shoots & Leaves: The Zero Tolerance Approach to Punctuation* by Lynne Truss [Nonfiction]

September 25—*American Kingpin: The Epic Hunt for the Criminal Mastermind Behind the Silk Road* by Lynne Truss [Nonfiction]

The Groove Shack is Back!

Free family and community drum circle

Saturday, July 14 5pm, Sanctuary
 Welcoming all drummers, dancers, spinners (no fire as we're indoors), music lovers—all people! Don't have a drum? No worries, we have something you can use to join in! We have plenty of room, with comfortable chairs and a great floor for dancing. Beverages provided. Come get into the groove!

Choir

Rehearses Sundays, 10:00-11:00am All voices are needed and welcomed. If you are unsure if you want to join, come and visit a rehearsal any Sunday with no obligation. We would be very glad to have you.

Gentle Yoga

Meets weekly, Saturdays, 10:30-11:30am, Sanctuary Gentle Yoga is a form of physical and spiritual practice designed for beginning students and anyone who continues to get older every year. It focuses on three aspects of the body-flexibility (reaching and bending), core strength (spine and tummy) and balance (to prevent falls). It also emphasizes relaxation and proper breathing. You'll need a yoga mat, clothes that will bend with you and a willingness to try. If you have trouble getting down on the floor (or up, once you're down), you can do many of the postures from a chair. If you aren't trim and buff like the pictures in the yoga magazines, Gentle Yoga is for you. If you can't stand on one foot without toppling, Gentle Yoga is for you. If you can't bend and touch the floor, Gentle Yoga is definitely for you.

Contact: Annie Foerster at redseamripper@gmail.com. Annie has been a yoga student for forty-two years and an instructor for thirty-seven years. She specializes in helping older students, young people and just about everyone in between.

Knitting Group

Meets 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 12:30pm, Jagers Parlor Whether you are an experienced knitter or want to learn how to knit, you are welcome! Bring your needles and yarn and join us. For more information, contact Charlotte Bailey at charlibailey@gmail.com.



First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Quilters

Meets weekly, Tuesdays, 1-3pm, Jagers Parlor or Library We have a long history of producing quilts for fundraising, outside charities, and keeping people and buildings warm. Please consider joining us, regardless of your skills or experience. Contact Mary Kirwin, 817-714- 1796 for more information.

Interweave

Meets monthly, 3rd Friday, 6 :30 pm, No Frills Grill, 1550 Eastchase Pkwy., Arlington Fun and fellowship. Nationally the group advocates on behalf of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and their allies. This group is for everyone regardless of sexual orientation. For information, contact Michael Zepeda at 817-706-3614 mrzep@charter.net.

Women's Alliance

Meets monthly, second Tuesday during the school year. All women welcome!

UU Metaphysical Research Group

Meets monthly, third Sundays, 12:30pm, Library An open forum created to reflect, discuss, investigate and research topics vary from mysteries of our existence, paradoxes in reality, puzzling questions of origin and first principles to studying individual philosophers and famous Unitarian Universalists. Contact: Joel Bailey

Galdr Kindred

Meets monthly, first Sunday, from 1-3pm in the John Adams Room. Business meetings held third Saturdays from 12-2pm in the Library. If the Galdr Kindred has a central principle that defines this group, it would be that we seek to understand and apply our shamanic heathenry to commune with the World Tree, Yggdrasil, in order to root ourselves into the dreaming intelligence of the Earth. We do not discriminate based on race, gender, sexual orientation, etc. We operate within the guidelines of the 7 Unitarian Universalist principles. We will not tolerate hate or abuse of any kind. We openly refute and will not congregate with groups that use hate in the name of the Gods. We support declaration 127. Contacts: Mathieu Thiem and Christian Torres.



Do You Know *THE POINT*?

The Point is a customizable Unitarian Universalist retreat for all ages.

Imagine five days of UU covenant and community in a resort-like setting on the shores of Lake Murray in Oklahoma. The Point offers personal growth, faith renewal, learning opportunities, spiritual practices, community worship, music, excellent cuisine, sustainable practices, social gatherings (trivia, bingo, talent show, game night, star-gazing, s'mores and sing-alongs), outdoor activities, programming for all ages and interests, and an engaging theme speaker. Each day begins with worship and ends with a sunset talk, but how you spend your day is completely up to you!

We hope you can join us at Lake Murray, July 22-27, 2018!

For more information and registration visit <http://www.thepointuu.org/>



Find Out About Covenant Circles!

You Are Invited to Join Our Covenant Circles

Covenant Circles are open to all who are interested in connecting more deeply with the folks at the church. These groups give participants opportunity to deepen in their own self-understanding and foster closeness and connectedness. Please feel free to visit to see if you would like to be part of the group; if you choose to join the group after that, we ask that you commit to attend regularly.

Friends Covenant Group, a women's group

Meets monthly, the third Friday, 4 pm, Jagers Parlor (Group will not meet in July and August—Have a great Summer!) Contact: Connie Nolen

Men's Covenant Group

Meets monthly, the first Wednesday, 7pm, Jagers Parlor The men's Group will meet Wednesday, May 2nd at 7pm in the Jagers Parlor. We will have our yearly spring dinner and open discussion conversations. I will bring BBQ ribs from David's BBQ. Bring whatever you want (salad, cold slaw, beer, dessert, etc.). I will bring some dominoes and card in case we want to re-remember how to play. Contact: Bob Portman

Evensong, a covenant group for women.

Meets monthly on the third Tuesday, usually in a member's home Group is on Summer hiatus. See you in the Fall! Contact Mary Alice Williams at 817-683-3062 or on Facebook if you are interested in attending.

Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans (CUUPS)

Meets monthly on the 2nd Sunday, 1pm, John Adams Room Contact Rosalind Dugan 817-447- 9240/rosalind.dugan@yahoo.com or Charlotte Bailey, charlibailey@gmail.com.



■ ANDREW FIELDS

Andrew was born at Carswell Air Force Base. He has three siblings and has lived in Haltom City for most of his life. He has taken college courses in various subjects. He is a certified EKG technician and has an EMT license with some hands on experience. He lived for one year in Austin where he worked in a Memory Care facility. He is now back living in Haltom City going to TCC for basic courses to find a final course of study and employment. Andrew is a member of our CUPPS group and likes to be helpful and useful which is evident and welcome at First Jefferson as he helps with coffee preparation and serving on Sunday mornings. He found out about First Jefferson from Jo Burham at the Enchanted Forrest.

■ PETE SEGCELINK

Pete was born and grew up in Cleveland, Ohio in a Catholic family with four siblings, a brother and three sisters. He graduated from Cleveland State University with a Bachelor's Degree in English. In Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania he became a reporter in construction research for McGraw Hill Publishing Company, the parent company. Now he data mines volumes of construction blueprints a year to evaluate trends, patterns, products and brand names. He has worked for the same organization for 40 years. Pete received his MBA in Information Technology at UTA. His work took him to India twice where while touring the Taj Mahal he and his native Indian guide conversed half in English and half in Spanish.

Pete has two daughters. Hope, the oldest, is a hospital dietitian in Albany NY working with post surgical psychiatric patients. Molly, his youngest, is a student at LSU with a major in zoology. While working as an EMT she was also certified as a fire fighter by the US Dept of Agriculture. In his spare time Pete loves hiking and taking photos especially of wildflowers. His favorite hiking areas are the Guadalupe Mountains, Big Bend and Mineral Wells State Park.

Pete attended First Jefferson thirty years ago but dropped out and raised his family in the Presbyterian Church. He recently came back to First Jefferson looking for a Forum for Political Protest, and he admits being hooked by Annie's Hero Series. After his divorce a year ago Pete is taking what he calls the easy way out by living in an apartment at the Highlands in Arlington.



EASTSIDE MINISTRIES

Support Eastside Ministries

Summer is a challenging time for families experiencing food insecurity. If you're able, please help us offset the cost of our recent refrigeration maintenance so we can focus those resources back on our neighbors who need us. Thanks!

Eastside Client Needs

- Men's clothing & shoes
- Towels & linens
- Sunscreen
- Backpacks

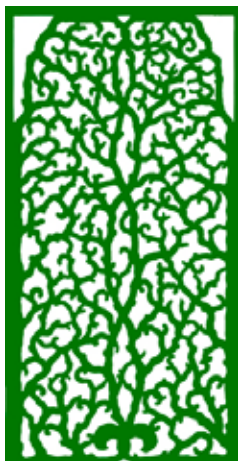
Operation Needs

All four refrigeration units needed emergency service at a cost of \$1757.26. Any donations to that cost are greatly appreciated!



OFFERING DONATION

On Sundays, if an offering is not designated to one's budgeted drive pledge, half is passed on to a recipient organization chosen quarterly. Suggestions for recipient organizations to Irene Forrester, Board president.



COMMUNITY GARDEN

Prime East Fort Worth sandy loam plots = \$35/yr. Contact: Connie Nolen or Karl Thibodeaux.

Support the community garden when purchasing free trade coffee or chocolate! Next sales day is Sunday, May 6.

CHILD & YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Council Chairs: Mary West and Julia Sexton

Summer Maker Space!

Our summer program this year is Maker Space. The goals include exploring our creative sides, inventive reuse of materials, and the joy of making things. We could use any old craft supplies you have been meaning to re-home as well as cardboard, plastic, or fabrics. We are also accepting volunteers to come help lead the youth and maybe share new techniques with them. Adults are encouraged to come and get creative with us!

We need folks willing to help demonstrate arts and crafts projects to the youth for Maker Space Summer. Contact Thomas Earthman at RE@firstjefferson.org to talk about what weekends would be good!

Nursery

The Nursery provides care for children through age 3 during the 9:30am-10:45 education time.

At this point the Nursery also includes the younger elementary children, our Chalice Children, for free play after they attend the beginning of worship.

Our Current Curriculum

The curriculum for 2017-2018 focuses on world religions and the six sources of Unitarian Universalism. Some classes will explore stories from other faiths. Some classes will learn about different beliefs and even have a chance to visit houses of worship.

PK-1

Spirit Play is a way of introducing children to sacred stories and providing a safe community for exploring those stories and their own big questions. Using the Montessori method, Spirit Play students hear stories and then choose how to respond to that experience using craft and other

materials or work directly with the stories. The spiritual environment of the classroom includes a range of ages and developmental levels. *Lead Teacher: Jackie Freeman*

Grades 2-8

Holidays and Holy Days is based on the very popular curriculum by Charlene Brotman, a Unitarian Universalist religious educator. She says, "Holidays are the natural, age-old vehicle of religious socialization, setting time aside to remember a great person or event, give thanks for life's bounty: harvest, safety, freedom, warmth, or invoke light and gladness for overcoming darkness and danger, death and drought. Festivities tell a story which children absorb through experiences far more than through words." *Lead Teacher: Mary West*

High School

Neighboring Faiths offers a thoughtful way to become familiar with world religions and visit houses of worship. The youth and advisors will learn the basic tenets of a particular faith before attending a service at a local congregation. This program was created by Unitarian Universalist educators Christine Reed and Patricia Hoertdoerfer. A preview of the book can be found on Google books. *Lead Teacher: Dan Sexton*

Become Part of Our Program

If you are interested in teaching, or have any questions, comments, concerns, etc. about the religious education program for children and youth, please see Mary West or Julia Sexton.



ADULT SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION

Adult Forum

Sundays, 9:45 am, Jagers Parlor

July 1st: Lorraine Levine will facilitate a discussion of current events.

July 8th: Thomas Earthman will report on General Assembly.

July 15th: Two attorneys from law firms practicing in Juvenile and CPS court will talk about what that court does and what happens there.

July 22nd: TBA

July 29th: TBA

Coordinator: Lorraine Levine. Got something interesting to say? Let Lorraine Levine know. We have openings in the months to come.

Adventures in Religion—

The Hero with a Thousand Faces—

John Adams Room, Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

Adventures in Religion is a round-table discussion group about world religions. We are currently discussing Joseph Campbell's *The Hero with a Thousand Faces*, Princeton University Press; 2nd edition; (March 1, 1972). ISBN-10: 0691017840. ISBN-13: 978-0691017846. (Paperback).

This Month's Estimated Preview

Part Two: The Cosmogonic Cycle

Chapter IV: Dissolutions

2. End of the Macrocosm

Epilogue

1. The Shapeshifter

2. The Function of Myth, Cult, and Meditation

3. The Hero Today

Beginning This Month

Adventures in Religion—July 8, 2018, through January 20, 2019

The Thirteen Principal Upanishads

Adventures in Religion, John Adams Room, 9:30 am. Adventures in Religion is a round-table discussion group about world religions. We discuss *The Thirteen Principal Upanishads*, Translation by F. Max-Müller, revised by Suren Navlakha, with an introduction and notes by Suren Navlakha. Hertfordshire: Wordsworth Editions Limited; 2000. ISBN-10: 1-84022102X. ISBN-13: 978-1840221022. Paperback. (Please be sure to get either of the ISBNs cited here, so that we will all have the same edition.)

Hindu scripture. Composed in Sanskrit between 900 and 600 BC, the Upanishads presented here are by far the oldest and most important of those that exist. Remarkable for their meditative depth, spirit of doubt and intellectual honesty, the Upanishads are concerned with the knowledge of the Brahman, the Ultimate Reality, and Man's relationship with it. (Wordsworth Editions Limited)

This Month's Estimated Preview

Transliteration of Sanskrit Words

Introduction

■ JULY 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN JUL 1, 2018

12:15pm Potluck Sunday, Coleman Hall
12:30pm HUUDLE/Voices in Action, Library

TUE JUL 3, 2018

1pm First Jefferson Quilters , Jagers Parlor
7pm Trans-cendence Meeting, Coleman Hall

WED JUL 4, 2018

7pm Men's Covenant Group, Jagers Parlor

THU JUL 5, 2018

6pm LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S Board Meeting, Jagers Parlor
6pm Worship Arts Committee, John Adams Room
7pm PFLAG , Coleman Hall
7pm PFLAG/LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S Youth Group, Jagers Parlor

SAT JUL 7, 2018

10:30am Gentle Yoga, Sanctuary

SUN JUL 8, 2018

12:30pm Religious Education Council, Religious Education Office
1pm Covenant of UU Pagans (CUUPs) Meeting, John Adams Room
1:30pm Astrological Society of North Texas, Jagers Parlor

MON JUL 9, 2018

6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting, Church Office

TUE JUL 10, 2018

1pm First Jefferson Quilters, Jagers Parlor

SAT JUL 14, 2018

10:30am Gentle Yoga, Sanctuary
12:30pm Knitting Group, Jagers Parlor
12:30pm The Galdr Kindred, John Adams Room
4pm Drum Circle, Sanctuary

SUN JUL 15, 2018

12:30pm Metaphysical Research Group, Library
1pm Board Meeting, Jagers Parlor

TUE JUL 17, 2018

10am Courier Deadline, Email: administrator@irstjefferson.org
1pm First Jefferson Quilters, Jagers Parlor
7pm Trans-cendence Meeting, Coleman Hall

WED JUL 18, 2018

7pm PFLAG Board Meeting, Library

THU JUL 19, 2018

7pm LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S., Library

FRI JUL 20, 2018

4pm Friends Covenant Group, A Women's Group, Jagers Parlor
6:30pm Interweave Get Together, No Frills Grill, 1550 Eastchase Pkwy., Suite 1200, Arlington 76017

SAT JUL 21, 2018

10:30am Gentle Yoga, Sanctuary
12pm The Galdr Kindred, John Adams Room/Library

TUE JUL 24, 2018

1pm First Jefferson Quilters , Jagers Parlor
7pm Book Discussion Group, Jagers Parlor

SAT JUL 28, 2018

10:30am Gentle Yoga, Sanctuary
12:30pm Knitting Group, Jagers Parlor

TUE JUL 31, 2018

1pm First Jefferson Quilters, Jagers Parlor



■ HOSTED AT FIRST JEFFERSON

PFLAG

1st Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm
PFLAG provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity. More info at www.pflagfortworth.org or contact Mark & Lisa Daly mark.daly@tx.rr.com.

LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S.

Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, 7pm Jagers Parlor/Library

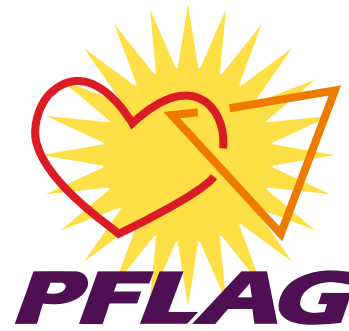
Vision: A community where ALL youth are safe.

Mission: LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S. fosters the well-being of LGBTQ youth and allies.

- provide safe spaces for social and personal development;
- promote supportive learning environments; and
- provide resources to youth and their families.

Trans-cendence

First & Third Tuesdays of each month, 7pm, Coleman Hall Trans-Cendence works to support transgender and gender diverse people of all ages and sexual orientations. They also support the spouses, partners, parents, friends and allies of gender diverse people and are a resource for those who work closely with transgender people like counselors, educators, law enforcement, etc.



Astrological Society of North Texas

Second Sundays, 12:30 pm, Jagers Parlor The Astrological Society of North Texas is a non-profit whose purpose is to share astrological information and to offer education in the science/art of astrology.

Spectrum Concert Series

Spectrum Chamber Music Society is devoted to sharing diverse and exciting chamber music performances with the local community of Fort Worth, as well as neighboring communities. Our annual series of six unique concert programs take place at two local churches, First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth (downtown) and First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Church (eastside). The group features musicians of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, joined by musicians from all over North Texas and beyond.

For questions concerning Spectrum concerts, please contact Dan Sigale by phone at (817) 938-5492 or via email at spectrumchambermusic@gmail.com, or visit our website at spectrumchambermusic.com.



THIS MONTH & BEYOND

Piano Recital

Featuring Sunday Pianist Mikhail Berestnev

July 30, 2018, 7:30pm, Sanctuary

Mikhail Berestnev is a pianist from Russia based in the United States for the last few years. Geography of his concert appearances includes countries such as Spain, Belgium, Italy, Morocco, China, Australia, Brazil, Canada, United States, Belarus and Russia.

He was a soloist with the Fort Worth, San Angelo and Meadows Symphony Orchestras in the U.S. Besides these orchestras he played with the Sydney and Brazilian Symphonies as well as with Royal Chamber Orchestra of Wallonia.

In chamber music he collaborated with violinists Emanuel Borok, Aaron Boyd, Matt Albert, Curt Thompson, pianist Andrey Ponochevny and principal French Horn of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra David Cooper.

His recordings have been broadcast on WQXP New York radio, ABC Classic FM in Australia and WRR Classical in DFW.

Program

Johann Sebastian Bach

Partita in E Minor BWV 830

Johann Sebastian Bach/Feruccio Busoni

Chacone in D Minor

Benjamin Britten

"Night Piece"

Robert Schumann

"Faschingswank aus Wien"

Nikolai Medtner

First Improvisation op. 31 #1

Sonata in G Minor op. 22

Teen Pride Event

4th Annual Fort Worth Youth Pride Presented by LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S

September 22, 2018, 1pm to 4pm, Sanctuary

We will have food, music, door prizes and fun!

We invite all that responded to previous invite to set up a table at the event and share your organization with our youth and families.

Cost to be a vendor: provide a door prize for youth giveaways. For more info contactus@lgbtqsaves.org.

MEMBERSHIP

We are all connectors. But we need super-connectors to welcome visitors to our church home. Like meeting new folks? Be a greeter at the front door on Sunday morning. Like greeting others? Help in 'hosting' these visitors over coffee in the Library—before or after service. Like networking with others? Help newcomers find a 'match' with individuals and small groups, to make a personal connection. Please contact Jude Olson, Mary Alice or Peggy Portman, Membership Committee co-leads, at membership@firstjefferson.org—or see us on Sunday morning! We will provide you with an orientation and information.



A Message From Your Finance Committee

June 30 marks the end of our fiscal year for accounting purposes. We thank you and appreciate the many pledge payments and other donations that you have made to First Jefferson during 2017-2018. We would not be able to sustain it all without your generous financial support!

There have been a number of unforeseen/unbudgeted expenses recently for air conditioning repairs and other building and grounds maintenance. At the same time, we have also experienced a decline in projected pledge income. We gently remind you to remit any outstanding balances due toward your current pledge. At our congregational meeting on May 20, we gratefully accepted the additional contributions from a number of our members to be applied to this deficit. If you were not aware and might be able to contribute more, we will continue to accept your donations for this effort through the end of the month.

And, we would also like to thank the Religious Education Council for providing monthly breakfast and/or lunch meals for the congregation. This regular fundraiser has made a difference to help support the regular programs and activities for our children, youth, and teachers. The congregation appreciates it very much!

With gratitude,
Mary Kirwin
Connie Nolen
Dan Sexton
Eric Wennersten

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POSTMASTER: PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY

TIME-SENSITIVE MATERIAL ENCLOSED