



**FACILITIES REPORT:** In 2005 we completed The Family Life Center, which accommodates a chapel, classrooms, prayer and meditation rooms, an activity center and commercial kitchen. The Sanctuary Building was also completed and accommodates a choir rehearsal room, a handbell rehearsal room, music storage, classrooms and conference room. The former Fellowship Hall was remodeled by our youth to include worship, recreation and

lounge areas. The Child Development Center contains "My Friends House" Daycare. Our campus is a beehive of activity every day of the week so the Trustees work hard to make our Church an attractive, comfortable, safe and convenient place to participate in worship, study and play.

#### Proposed 2008 Budget

**Facilities: \$404,456\* & Staff: \$37,821.21**

*\*Includes debt repayment and utilities*

Diane Coleman



**THE CHURCH COUNCIL** serves as an administrative infrastructure to implement the mission and vision of Northwest Hills United Methodist Church. Administrative committees are composed of our Pastor Parish Relations Committee, Finance and Trustee Committees along with our Stewardship team. Missions and Ministries at Northwest Hills UMC are combined into our PURPOSE TEAM (led by Dick Lillie) and are individually represented by the chair of those committees as well as by the head of the Purpose Team. Together with our pastor and staff, this body makes the decisions required by our various responsibilities and works as a team to represent our church. The council acts as the administrative agency of the charge conference.

Dick Lillie



**THE PASTOR PARISH RELATION COMMITTEE (PPRC)** is the liaison between the staff and the congregation. Typically this is done in a monthly meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7:00 p.m.) with the Pastor and a diverse group of lay members. The committee consists of 9 lay members who each serve for 3 years. The lay members are purposefully selected because of their diverse backgrounds and work within the Church. This committee's job is to represent the congregation to the Pastors and Staff so the more diverse their involvement in the church the better.



Mei Beth Shepherd



**THE FINANCE COMMITTEE** identifies needs, and manages the finance system for the congregation. The finance system is the processes of raising, managing, and dispersing the finances so that the mission and vision of the congregation can be achieved. Les Broomall, 250-0177, lesbroom@swbell.net.

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** supervise and maintain all church property, utilities, equipment and investments belonging to our congregation so as to support the vision and mission of NWHUMC. Clyde Barre Trustees Chair 454-6578 clyde.barre@texmed.org



**THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE** strives to provide a user-friendly facility to ensure that members of the congregation of all ages have the resources needed to grow in Christian learning and faith. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please contact Dayna Jones.

**THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE** is dedicated to supporting, assisting and facilitating communications efforts for church events and projects, both within the church family and with the community. When requested, we will provide help and ideas to committees, ministries, staff and others in order to publicize projects efficiently and effectively. Committee chair is Jane Posten, 502.9273, janep@deltakappagamma.org



#### THE ADULT COUNCIL ON EDUCATION

Sherry Wilkison  
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#### FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Charley and Julie Gallia  
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**Projected 2008 Budget: \$3,727**



# Our Story to Tell

## Northwest Hills United Methodist Church

Fall 2007 Issue





# Welcome to Northwest Hills UMC!



Our church is a family of diverse friends hoping to worship and adore God, a people seeking to know more of Jesus Christ and disciples joined in the Spirit to serve our neighbors. We pray that you will discover here a community of faith, struggling to make sense of how to witness to God's love in this emerging time.



We have special group activities available for youth, adults, children, singles, families, and seniors. No matter what your age or interest, we have a program you'll enjoy. From our wide range of choirs to our Bible study classes to our outreach and mission projects, you're sure to find a place to participate!

We pray you will join us in growing and serving in all the ways that bring the abundant life offered in Christ. We hope that here you will feel as though you could join us in growing in understanding and love of God. Please let us know if we can help you.

Yours in Christ,  
Rev. Bill Henderson  
Rev. Madeline C. Henners

Your picture could be in this brochure. Maybe it actually is here. Maybe you will find a picture of a member of your family. Maybe some of your friends' pictures are here.

In this brochure, you will see people welcoming others with a smile, people praying for God's kingdom to come, musicians making a joyful noise, youth and adults doing projects on mission trips, children listening for the first time to old, old stories, teachers and preachers helping others find insights from God's Word, knitters making prayer shawls to provide comfort, and cooks serving food to the hungry and to the really hungry.

As you read the brochure, think about where you might find yourself in the next edition. Maybe it will be in a Sunday School class, maybe it will be in one of our choirs, maybe it will be in worship or in prayer.

I look forward to welcoming you myself. My family and I have found this church to be a place of warmth and comfort, as well as a place to serve Jesus—to be his hands and feet. I pray that you will find the same possibilities here for yourself. God bless you.

Lay Leader,  
Bill Cain



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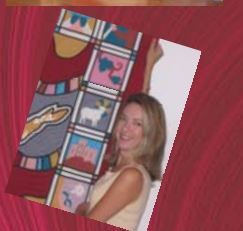
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## Narrative Budget

The church Leadership Team is proposing a budget for 2008 that will accommodate expected cost of living increases and changes to our debt repayment as we start paying principal and interest on our mortgage in March instead of the interest only loan we are currently supporting. Specifically we are targeting to support our Missions outreach with 10% of our total budget (including expected special offerings and benevolences portion of Apportionments); proposing a 4% increase in Administration; a 4% personnel cost of living increase plus \$50,000 for additional staff needs to be determined by PPRC; increasing other expenses by 5%; and planning for a 5% increase in most Facilities expenses with a doubling of our Fixed Asset Replacement budget. This will require a 10.9% increase in our overall budget.

		2007 Budget	2008 Proposed
Apportionments		\$129,176.00	\$135,634.80
Pastoral Support		\$191,005.88	\$198,646.12
Added Staff			\$50,000.00
Administration	Expenses	\$45,786.30	\$47,617.75
	Staff	\$89,653.34	\$93,239.47
	Total	\$135,439.64	\$140,857.23
Facilities	Expenses	\$366,221.36	\$404,455.72
	Staff	\$36,366.55	\$37,821.21
	Total	\$402,587.91	\$442,276.94
Adult Programs	Expenses	\$2,525.00	\$2,651.25
Children's Program	Expenses	\$7,720.32	\$8,106.34
	Staff	\$57,210.30	\$59,498.71
	Total	\$64,930.62	\$67,605.05
Evangelism	Expenses	\$4,151.04	\$4,358.59
Fellowship	Expenses	\$3,550.00	\$3,727.50
Missions	Expenses	\$4,925.00	\$5,200.00
Music	Expenses	\$4,090.15	\$4,294.66
	Staff	\$100,608.95	\$104,633.31
	Total	\$104,699.10	\$108,927.97
Worship	Expenses	\$1,790.00	\$1,879.50
Youth Program	Expenses	\$5,458.78	\$5,731.72
	Staff	\$46,399.50	\$48,255.48
	Total	\$51,858.28	\$53,987.20
Totals		\$1,096,638.47	\$1,215,754.56



THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE of Northwest Hills UMC is not some select group of individuals who gather to plan fund raising campaigns; each and every one of us is responsible for the stewardship of our individual gifts and the gifts given corporately to the church in support of the Missions and Ministries of NWHUMC. The leaders of your Stewardship Committee work to plan and promote the on-going giving programs within the life of the church as we all live out our pledge to support the church through "Our Prayers, Our Presence, Our Gifts, and Our Service". Anyone interested in more fully participating in this ministry area (yes, it is a ministry), may contact the Stewardship Chair, Michael Shepherd. 335-3313, [mshepherd@austin.rr.com](mailto:mshepherd@austin.rr.com).



# Dates You Should Know!

**October 6**, Saturday, 8:00 p.m. [The Austin Classical Guitar Society](#): One of the world's most beloved guitarists, Pepe Romero opens the ACGS International Concert Series like no other. For ticket information, call 300-ACGS or on the web at [www.AustinClassicalGuitar.org](http://www.AustinClassicalGuitar.org)

**October 11**, Thursday, 5:00 p.m. [North Hills Gallery](#) will hold a reception for the *29<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Juried Exhibit* of the Waterloo Water Color Society. The show will be open October 2-28, 2007.

**October 12-14**, Friday-Sunday, [Annual Men's Retreat](#) at Well Spring Conference Center. Mark your calendars for a wonderful time of fellowship, worship, singing, relaxation, reading, hiking, biking, golfing, exploring and good eating. The center is located between Wimberley and Blanco, about 1 1/2 hours drive from Austin. For more information or to register, contact Gary Johnson (797-6918) or Don Dudley (680-0498).

**October 19**, Friday, 5:00—8:00 p.m. [My Friend's House Fall Festival](#)  
Our Annual Fall Festival is for both the MFH and NWHUMC families and is a fun and safe way to celebrate the fall season. All proceeds benefit MFH.

**November 3**, Saturday, 9:00—12:00 p.m. [Rev. Sue White: Training in Faith Sharing](#)  
"Sue White is one of the best communicators of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that I know." - Rev. Jerry Jay Smith. By attending this training session, you can learn to tell your faith story so that it will inspire others. All are invited to the FLC. Please contact Bill Cain for more information, 345-4953.

**November 8**, Thursday, 6:00 p.m. The UMM will host a [Chili Supper](#) in the FLC Activity Center.

**November 18**, Sunday, 6:00 p.m. [Church-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner](#)  
FLC Activity Center Please plan to attend this wonderful event where turkey and dinner rolls will be provided. Dishes are assigned by the alphabet and you are asked to bring a dish that will serve at least 8 people. Watch for details in November so that you know what to bring to this great dinner!

**December 8**, Saturday, 4:00 p.m. [Gingerbread House Party](#)  
FLC Activity Center, \$15.00 per house  
We provide: undecorated gingerbread house, icing for glue, icing bags and tips, chili for dinner. You provide: 1 or 2 bags of candy to share for decorating and Christmas Cheer! Sign up to reserve a house for your family or group. For more information, or to register, watch for a table in the narthex.

**December 9**, Sunday, 4:00 p.m. [A Christmas Concert](#) featuring favorite carols of the seasons will be performed by the singing and ringing choirs of the church. The concert is free and visitors are encouraged to attend!

**December 11**, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. [Annual Church Conference](#) in the Sanctuary.

**December 15**, Saturday, 9:00—11:00 a.m. [Breakfast with Santa](#)  
FLC Activity Center. Followed by babysitting from 11:00-2:00 p.m. so parent's can go and shop for the holidays! Childcare is provided by Miss Jean, the nursery workers, and Youth volunteers.

**December 24**, Monday, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 p.m. [Christmas Eve Worship Services](#). Communion and candle lighting at all services. The 5:00 p.m. worship has scripture lessons adapted for children.



# Worship

The Worship Team seeks to enhance the worship experience through the sacraments, beauty, and by being a welcoming congregation. We desire that all feel comfortable in our church home and find that their worship experience is intensified by our efforts. The chair of the Committee is Lea Moody.



## COMMUNION

Communion serves as an integral part of the worship experience at Northwest Hills United Methodist Church. We offer communion each week at the 9:00 a.m. contemporary service and once a month at the 11:15 a.m. traditional service. We involve the members of our congregation in this process by including them as both communion servers and preparers. If you would be interested in participating, please contact Joy Robertson.



## FLOWER MINISTRY

The Flower Ministry seeks to beautify our sanctuary through weekly fresh flower arrangements on our chancel area. These arrangements can be dedicated as a memorial to someone or in celebration of a special event. All of our flower arrangers are volunteers and training is available if needed. This is a fun way to get to know others and create something beautiful at the same time! Please contact Chris Caver or Catherine Bailey to see how you might become a volunteer.



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## MEMORIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Memorial Service Committee serves those who have suffered a loss in their family by providing a support system to organize the memorial service to ensure that it runs smoothly. Our goal is to relieve the bereaved of this burden. Please contact Lea Moody to see how you might be of assistance.



## USHERS

Ushers are an integral part of welcoming others into our church home. All our ushers wear a red stole to help others identify them as persons who may be of assistance. In addition, they wear an official "usher" name badge to identify themselves. Ushers assist with distributing service bulletins, collection of the offering, and assisting with traffic flow for communion. Those interested in serving may contact Richard Wilkison, our Usher Chair.



## SANCTUARY SERVANTS

Sanctuary Servants seek to beautify and keep our sanctuary tidy! They pay special attention to the altar and its dressings, candles and sanctuary banners. They decorate the sanctuary to enhance worship during each liturgical season. Also, they are responsible for organizing our sanctuary pews with hymnals and necessary supplies. Please consider joining this exciting ministry by contacting Cindy Martin.

**Proposed 2008 Budget  
Program: \$1,879**



# Music and Arts

The music ministry of Northwest Hills United Methodist Church provides significant opportunities for members to give thanks by singing, ringing handbells and playing instruments.



**THE SANCTUARY CHOR** is open to all interested adults. They lead worship each Sunday at 11:15 a.m., provide music for memorial services, and perform several concerts a year with instrumentalists.



Beth Watson,  
*Director of Music Ministries*



Darla Nicholson,  
*Chair of Music Committee*



Corey Candler,  
*Assistant Director of Music*

**THE RING OF FAITH** adult handbell ensemble leads in worship each month. The choir also participates in national and international ringing events throughout the United States.



**THE REDEMPTION RINGERS** is a ringing ensemble for youth, grades 6-12. In addition to ringing for worship, they perform several concerts a year and provide music for all-church events.



**JOYFUL PRAISE** provides music for the 9:00 a.m. contemporary worship service. Youth and adults are invited to be a part of

this group. Joyful Praise is made up of a praise team, praise choir and praise band and holds several fellowship events each year.

In **CELEBRATION** our children, grades K-5, experience singing, ringing, playing instruments, crafts and games designed to enhance their worship experience. The program is offered jointly by Music and Children's Ministries.



NW Hills UMC supports various, local community performing ensembles by providing a performance venue in our beautiful

and acoustically pleasing sanctuary. **'FRIENDS OF THE ARTS,'** our volunteer greeter program for these concerts, is organized by George Brown (491-0131). 'Friends' are available to welcome visitors and share information with them about our ministries.

Music and Arts Ministry is a vital part of the life of the church with over 150 volunteers participating in the varied programs. The budget helps to cover the cost of music for the choirs, maintenance of our beautiful Steinway and Kawai grand pianos, five upright and three digital pianos, our 5 octave sets of Malmark handbells and choir chimes and our electronic instruments, in addition to supplies, copyright licenses, and the cost of mailings. The North Hills Gallery is funded solely by commissions paid by artists who sell paintings displayed in the Gallery. A generous donation by Dr. Jeannette Faurot is used to fund projects not supported by the budget that enhance the musical and artistic life of the congregation. The design, below and to the right, was selected by the donor as the symbol for this gift, a Chinese character representing music, joy, and happiness.



**THE NORTH HILLS GALLERY** seeks to promote local and regional artists in a setting that enhances and inspires artistic appreciation. Curators for the gallery are church members, Betty Jameson and Carolyn Patterson.



**Proposed 2008 Budget**  
Program: \$4,295 & Staff: \$104,633



# Missions

## Mission Chair

Tami Anderson  
345-7731



## Food Pantry

The church food pantry serves our community by giving food to those who come to us for help. We stock non-perishable canned and boxed food, also baby formula, baby food, and diapers. For cleanliness we have small soaps, shampoo, lotion, etc. We serve all walks of life. Offering God's love, a need is filled.



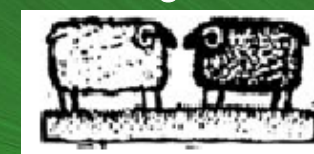
## Homeless Breakfast

With Matt Mitchell

NWHUMC provides food for the homeless once a month at the Homeless Breakfast. Every 3rd Thursday of the month, volunteers converge at 1st United Methodist Church downtown (13th and Guadalupe) at 5:00 a.m. We prepare and serve breakfast to more than 200 people over the course of the next two hours. At the breakfast the homeless can get clothes, haircuts, toiletries, and showers, as well as a nutritious, hearty breakfast. After preparing, serving and cleaning up the fellowship hall, the volunteers are usually finished by 7:00 a.m.

**Proposed 2008 Budget**  
Program: \$5,200

## Feeding the Flock



## Angel Food Ministries

Come share in the bounty of good food at great prices. This is an avenue for everyone in our congregation and community, regardless of denomination and income, to get inexpensive quality groceries. *All are welcome.* For this month's menu or more information check out the church's website or contact Krista Payne at 512-873-0609.

## Faith in Action Caregivers

West Austin

NW Hills UMC is part of a consortium of 17 religious congregations who sponsor Faith In Action Caregivers – West Austin. Their main activity is providing rides to appointments and other necessary local activities for those 60 years and older who are no longer able to drive, but who otherwise still live independently in their own homes or apartments. NW Hills UMC has supported this program for years with volunteers, clients and financial aid.



Support our  
Missions  
Ministry  
when you  
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Randalls.



## Emergency Fund

Funds are available for those in our community facing financial difficulties. Contact the Church office.

## School Supplies

With Claudia Biel leading the congregation and joined by the Vacation Bible School children, Northwest Hills was able to provide school supplies to many children associated with Comfort House.



## Bike and Build

The church provided financial and prayer support for June Choe, son of Given Lee. June spent his summer biking across the northern US. As part of this program, the teams involved stopped along the way to help provide affordable housing to families in need.



## Montopolis Friendship Community

As part of our 2007 Missions program, Northwest Hills is making a donation toward playground equipment to support the Montopolis neighborhood.



韓國語

## English as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Language

Hosted by Literacy Austin

A community outreach program to help those with Korean as a first language to learn English. Additional teachers are welcome; please contact Rev. Madeline C. Henners.



# Children's Ministry

*"Let the little children come unto me." Mark 10:14*

The children's ministry team mission is to provide a community of faith that will lead, nurture, and teach children about God's love, and ways of sharing that love.



Ms. Jean Marinus  
Director of Children's Ministries

Care is provided for children from birth through fifth grade at any church-sponsored function. Nursery is available on Sunday for children not yet attending school. New floors were recently installed in the rooms thanks to a generous donation & fixed asset.

Sunday mornings there are 8 children's Classes with at least 2 teachers in a class. Curriculum is Methodist based & age level appropriate. The average quarterly cost is \$800.

Third graders received their Bibles in August and will begin the 3 month study "Knowing My Bible."



The Children's Christmas Pageant is an annual event the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent that brings the children of the Church and our child development center together in the story of Christ's birth.



Worship enrichment for children happens in numerous ways: acolytes, greeters, children's time, Worship folders, Celebration, camp, & chapel.



One of the major events each year is Vacation Bible School. VBS is held for a week with lots of adult & youth volunteers working with our children. Then we have another VBS for MFH, our child development center. In the past we have also helped sponsor a small church.

**Proposed 2008 Budget**  
**Program: \$8,106 & Staff: \$59,499**

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14*

## MISSION STATEMENT:

My Friend's House Child Development Center aims to provide high quality child care at a reasonable cost in a safe and loving environment in which each child is accepted and has the freedom to develop socially, emotionally, physically, spiritually, and intellectually.



## PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY:

My Friend's House is an integral portion of the Children's Ministry of Northwest Hills United Methodist Church. Through this program, the church ministers to the community and makes responsible use of the education facility. The program openly acknowledges its Christian environment through programming, but does not attempt to instruct in church doctrine.



Lynn Z. Wiggins  
Director



Mandy Jackson  
Assistant Director  
346-4151

# My Friend's House

# Adult Ministries



The mission of Northwest Hills UMC's Adult Ministries is to involve our members and visitors in fellowship and ministry. The spiritual growth of the congregation is strengthened through study opportunities, fellowship gatherings, and prayer ministry. Below you will find groups that are in fellowship and offer support, as well as a few of many opportunities to participate in prayer ministry and study.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** knits and crochets shawls by request for those who need comfort or for those whom we honor. Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the Prayer Room, Room 100 in the FLC. Contact Carol Fullerton at 458-1144.

## THIRD THURSDAY PRAYER

**SERVICE** is a regular time to get together for prayer at 7:00 p.m. in the FLC chapel. All levels of prayer experience are most welcome. We end with Communion. Come join us!



## THE UNITED METHODIST MEN

(UMM) embrace the desire to strengthen a man's spiritual walk with God. They declare Christ as the center of their lives and are in ministry together. Men of all ages are welcome to participate in the many activities of the NW Hills UMM. We gather each Wed. morning, 7:00-8:00 a.m. for a hearty breakfast, robust fellowship, a brief devotional and a sincere time of prayer for those in need. There is also a "First Saturday" breakfast group that meets monthly, 8:00-9:00 a.m. in the FLC.



**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** work to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

The UMW are hosting a discussion on Israel- Palestine. All women are welcome to come for fellowship in the morning followed by a two hour session. October 9<sup>th</sup> & Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> with Rev. Madeline C. Henners on Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in room 109.



**Proposed 2008 Budget**  
**Program: \$2.651**

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** is supported by our pastors and is based on Jesus' command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring and confidential relationships, those who are hurting receive support, love, and care from people trained in this distinctively Christian care-giving. Anyone who is going through difficult times and needs someone to care, to listen, and to share God's love on a one-on-one confidential basis, may call the church (512-345-1743) and request information on this ministry.



**SINGLES MINISTRY** The NWH Singles Ministry's vision is to facilitate the welcoming and integration of adult single people of all ages to our church community through activities focused on spiritual growth, service to the church, outreach, and social interaction in the community of believers.

We do this through weekly lunches after church, social events, study, Sunday School classes for all ages, dinner and movie nights, participation in district singles events, game nights, parties, Habitat for Humanity, and fellowship. Please contact Lynn Altemeyer (lynn.altemeyer@earthlink.net) or Jeff Lofley (jlofley@yahoo.com) for more information about Singles Ministry events and how to join our Singles Yahoo group.

## Companions in Christ: Way of Forgiveness

October 7 – December 2, 2007  
W/ Rev. Bill Henderson & John Robertson  
Time: Sundays 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Rm 111

## Grief Recovery: Moving On

October 4 – November 8, 2007  
W/ Diane Coleman & Kathy Ridout  
Time: Thursdays 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Rm 110  
Advent: Hail the Heaven Born

November 25 – December 23, 2007  
W/ Rev. Bill Henderson, \$10 fee  
Time: Sundays 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., FLC 102  
Living the Good Life Together – Hospitality

October 11 – December 6<sup>th</sup>  
W/ Terri and Joel Shapiro,  
Fee: \$25, 10 person minimum  
Time: Thursdays 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Rm 109





# Youth Ministry



*Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, & strength; and your neighbor as yourself.  
Luke 10:27 & Mark 12:30-31*

The Purpose of our Youth Ministry is to provide a safe place for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth to gather with their friends to play, study, and worship. We seek to challenge youth to think for themselves, form their own ideas, and claim faith as their own. We aim to give youth the tools they need to stay connected with God for the rest of their lives. We love to hang out together and have fun!

## SUNDAYS WEEKLY

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
9:45-10:15 a.m. Graffiti Lounge \*  
10:15-11:15 a.m. Youth Sunday School \*\*  
11:15 a.m. Traditional Worship  
4:00-5:30 p.m. UMYF aka Youth Group  
5:30-6:30 p.m. Youth Handbells

\* The Graffiti Lounge in the Youth Center serves breakfast tacos, fair-trade coffee, donuts, and more to youth and the congregation weekly!



## WEDNESDAYS WEEKLY

Dinner in Graffiti Lounge 6:00-6:30 p.m.  
Bible Study in "The Lodge" 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
September—finish Revelation  
October—start Synago led by Youth  
Youth Praise Band Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.

\*\* Youth Sunday School  
Confirmation "Claim the Name" Class this Fall  
6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> in "the Beach"  
New "Claim the Life" Curriculum for Sr. High  
Meet together in The Gathering then discuss:  
★ 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> in "Outer Space"  
★ 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> in "The Castle"



## SPECIAL EVENTS THIS FALL

9/3 Dodge ball Tournament (Austin District) 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
9/30 Worship with The Brown Band 4:00-5:30 p.m. & Youth Ministry Dinner 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
All Year – Extreme Church Makeover: Asbury UMC  
10/26-27 Jr. High San Antonio Trip to Sea World  
11/10 Discovery Zone (Southwest Texas Conference) in Bulverde  
11/16-18 Sr. High Campout at Inks Lake State Park  
12/8 Church-wide Gingerbread House Party 4:00-6:00 p.m.  
12/21-22 Fa La La Lock-In (Austin District)

Scholarships are provided in full or part for any youth ministry event and are kept confidential. Fundraisers are also offered to give youth the opportunity to raise their own money for special trips.

In 2008 we look forward to Confirmation Sunday, Midwinter Retreats, Spring Break Trip, Youth led Sunrise Service, Human Sexuality Training, Fiesta Texas, Summer Mission Trips & Camp, Vacation Bible School, Zilker Summer Musical, Schlitterbahn, and MORE!

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Youth Council Co-chair  
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Youth Council Co-chair  
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**ADULTS** – The most important thing you can do is model the faith and commitment that you'd like to see in our youth by regularly coming to Worship, Sunday School, and seeking to grow spiritually yourself.

**VOLUNTEERS** – Whether your gifts are hospitality, technology, administration, or relating, we have a place for volunteers of all ages to help us with youth ministry.

**PARENTS** – Let us know how we can better empower you to continue parenting your youth through their teenage years and into adulthood.

Proposed 2008 Budget  
Program: \$5,732 & Staff: \$48,255

# Evangelism

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The mission of the Evangelism Committee is to empower and equip members to share their faith and to invite others to worship, so that all can encounter Jesus and experience the grace and mercy of God. Evangelism is a ministry of hospitality which involves making NWHills a welcoming congregation by contacting first time visitors, delivering

bread to second time visitors, and reaching out to inactive members through Guardian Angels.

## HEB Flu Shot Clinics

The clinics will be held in the Family Life Center. Call HEB @ 1-877-432-9355 to register 2 weeks prior to desired date. Shots are \$25.00 this year.

Wednesday, October 10, 1:00 p.m.  
Friday, October 12, 2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, October 17, 1:00 p.m.  
Saturday, October 20, 10:00 a.m.  
Friday, October 26, 2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, November 7, 1:00 p.m.  
Friday, November 16, 2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 12, 1:00 p.m.

**GUARDIAN ANGELS:** One aspect of Evangelism is being aware if someone stops coming to worship. If that happens, we want to make sure the person knows somebody cares. These somebodies are our Guardian Angels who call and send notes to those who have been missing church. The purpose of the calls is to show that someone does care. These calls give us a chance to provide needed ministering. They also give us a chance to welcome back those who return to church after a period of absence.

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE** is a ministry that supports those members who have lost loved ones, have serious illness, or who find themselves in care facilities. When there is a death in the family this committee provides receptions following funerals as well as house-sitting during the service. They also coordinate meal delivery to those recently released from the hospital. If you are aware of a need, please let the pastors or a member of the committee know.

**THE GREETERS** of NWHills welcome you to worship! If you would like to help provide a welcoming and warm environment for newcomers and members please contact Bob Bowker, 272-5181.



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