

WELCOME to West University United Methodist. We're glad you're worshiping with us this morning! We'd love to have you worship with us every Sunday. If you're a guest we'd like the opportunity to get to know you. Please complete a "Connect" card in the pew pocket and place it in an offering plate or leave it with an usher or greeter.

9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Contemporary Worship Service

HOLY COMMUNION will be shared this morning. If you are unable to come forward, please inform an usher, and we will serve you in your pew. Gluten-free elements are available. All are welcome to come share in this holy meal.

CHILDREN of all ages are welcomed in our sanctuary! Child care is available throughout services for children birth through toddlers. Early drop off, Room 124; Nursery, Room 120; Toddlers, Room 118; Extended Care, Room 122. Parents, please follow your children to sign them in for their first visit.

Children's Bibles and worship activity folders are available for children in the back of the sanctuary.

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROUS GIFTS TO WEST U METHODIST...



When we became members of West U Methodist we did not yet have children, and as such gave little, if any, thought to the Children's Ministry. We could not have been more blessed with our fortuitous choice. Since their birth, our children have been swaddled in the kindness and love that encompasses the Children's Ministry at West U Methodist. As babies, the crib nursery helped me overcome my fears of leaving my infants with someone else so I could actually listen to a sermon. All throughout their pre-school years, they spent as much time at church as they did at home—enjoying the wonderful preschool, singing, and praising God with Mrs. Vicky at Chapel, singing with the Cherubs and playing with friends during Sunday School. Now in elementary school, I hear about how excited they are to sing with the Sonbeams and how thrilling it is that they can finally both go to Friday Fun Night! I cannot express what a huge and positive influence the Children's Ministry has had and continues to have on our lives. I even invoke Mrs. Vicky when I want the kids to behave better: too much fighting over which game we play- I say, "do you think Mrs. Vicky would be proud of you today?" That one sentence almost always leads to instant behavior change. But most of all, beyond all the fun and friends and joy and activity, we are grateful for the deep connection our kids are making with Christ and Christian culture and lifestyle due to the influences of our church. I wish everyone had an environment as wonderful as the West U Methodist Children's Ministry to help raise their children. And without a doubt, as is the case everywhere, our children are our future. The strong roots our kids grow today in loving God and living a God-centered life will be the foundation of the West U Methodist of the future.

—Mosley Family

This is one way your giving to West U Methodist is having an impact on the spiritual lives of our children. Thank you for giving so generously.

WORSHIP STAFF

DR. LINDA CHRISTIANS
Senior Pastor
REV. WILLIAM LUCAS
Associate Pastor
ELENOR COURSEY
Organist

BRIAN DAVIS
Contemporary Worship Leader
LYNNE JACKSON
Director of Music Ministries
ADAM STANLEY
Sound and Media Coordinator

UPCOMING EVENTS

Harvey Rebuilding Project

We are partnering with Southwest Houston United Responds (SHUR)—a coalition of other churches and synagogues in southwest Houston—to help rebuild our community after Hurricane Harvey. There are still many homes in our area that need to be repaired following the storm, so we want to help. On Saturday, November 9 from 8:30am-4:30pm, we will work on a nearby home to repair some of Harvey's damage. Work could include anything from landscaping to hanging drywall. Training, tools, and lunch will be provided. The house's address will be shared when it's available. This is open to everyone from high school aged and up. Childcare is available for nursery through 5th grade if you register by November 3. As we get closer to November 9, a background check will be required at a cost of \$12.50. The background check is good for 2 years. For more info wluucas@westumethodist.org.

Help for Those Affected by Tropical Storm Imelda

We are collecting financial donations in an effort to help those in the greater Beaumont area who were affected by Tropical Storm Imelda. To make a financial gift, go to westumethodist.org/give. You can also give through the mail or in the offering plate by writing a check and putting "Disaster Recovery" in the memo line. For more info wluucas@westumethodist.org.

Youth Fall Retreat

Registration for our annual Youth Fall Retreat is open! 6th through 12th grade students are invited to join in a weekend of worship and fun November 1-3. Cost: \$175 - includes 5 meals, lodging, a t-shirt, and transportation. Register online at westumethodist.org/registrations. For more info ssmolen@westumethodist.org.

The Passion Play—Trip to Oberammergau, Germany and Northern Italy

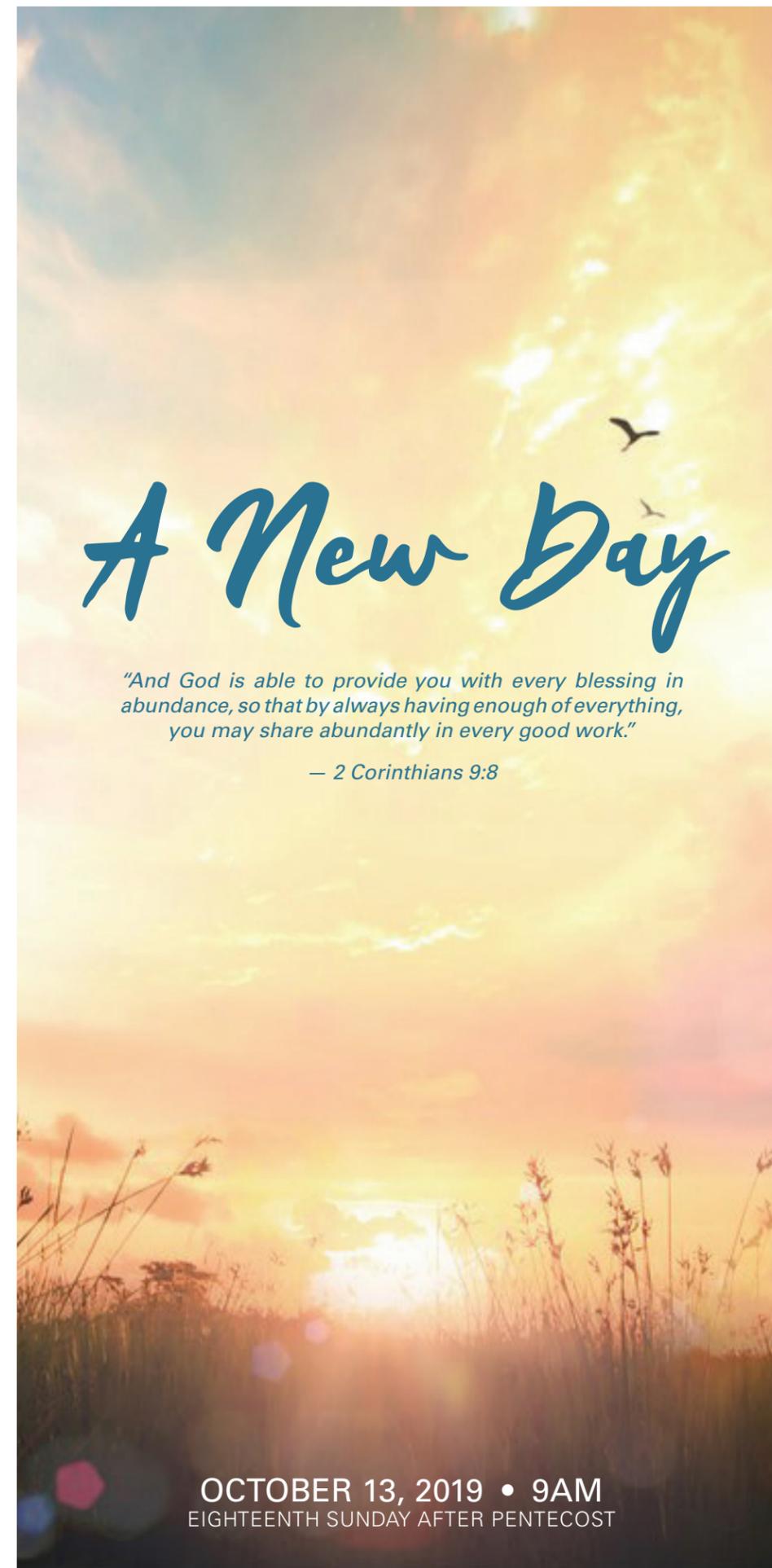
Brochures are available in the back of the Sanctuary or you can contact Moria Bell at mbell@westumethodist.org for more details. August 2-12, 2020: \$5,800 (double occupancy, round trip from Houston) Rome Extension: August 12-15, 2020: \$1,200

Find a full calendar and ministry opportunities at westumethodist.org.

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A New Day

"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

— 2 Corinthians 9:8

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

