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Please join us after worship

Sunday, January 21^{st,} 2018

for our church anniversary luncheon.



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Congregational Meeting/Town Hall



While enjoying our luncheon, we will have a congregational town hall meeting, when Session will present their plan for moving forward, including the 2018 budget.



NEW COVENANT

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2018 Stewardship

January 28th

GIVE FROM THE HEART STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

How Might You Give from the Heart?



This final Sunday in January, we will fill out Giving Cards during worship and dedicate ourselves to the service of God's kingdom, with all our heart and mind and strength and spirit.





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Installation

of Officers | Celebration

of Church Leaders





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PRAYER AND PRAISE



May we storm the gates of heaven with praises of thanksgiving for all that You've done that we acknowledge or that we take for granted. Hear our prayers:

- Praise for the December 28th birth of Nelia Mae Grisdale, born to Kathy & Doug Smith's daughter Erin/Matthew and big brother James, now 2.
- ⇒ Prayers of gratitude for the successful removal of bone cancer in Ellis's brother John.
- ⇒ Lift up Jimmy's family for healing—for Kimberly suffering for several weeks and just diagnosed last night with bronchitis and strep, and for Sofia recovering from a fever.
- ⇒ Prayers for Caly's cervical spine surgery on Thursday, that she may heal rapidly and find relief from her neck pain and numbness in her hands and arms.
- ⇒ Thanksgiving for Caly's opportunity to attend immigration training at Congregation Beth Israel with the Jewish community, where she connected with old and new friends and was filled with a lot of hope.
- ⇒ Lift up caregivers that in their selflessness they do not neglect their own health needs. Prayers especially for Dawn, who, having cared for Carol's mother nightly through 2017, has been unable to return to work since Cherry's death due to previously undiagnosed health issues.
- ⇒ Lift up 22 APTS students and Rev. Dr. Whit Bodman for safety and protection on their study tour of Israel for 10 days, and praise for their many learning opportunities.
- ⇒ Lift up NCF members and friends who have had to make heartbreaking decisions to leave our church family for various reasons. Prayers for Vi and our congregation as she makes this transition, that it may be a peaceful one; thanksgiving for all she has given in time and talents to this church these past several years.
- ⇒ Prayers for Nikkie's family—and for her realization that her "family" is defined by herself and her husband and son, not just by her mother and brothers. Lift up Dylan as he has the opportunity to lead a PIT Count Team (Point-in-Time Count—homeless census) downtown this Friday into predawn Saturday. Prayers for his team's safety, for connections made, and for hope for those they interact with.



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- Lift up Nikkie's friend Becky S. who is scheduled for a C-section for baby Lucas's arrival February 1st. Prayers for the health, safety, and financial well-being of her family.
- Praise for Becca's wonderful trip to Colorado last weekend to meet and snuggle her new niece Annabelle. Prayers that she stays healthy, and thanksgiving that Becca's brother is "rockin' the Dad thing"!
- ⇒ Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Traveling mercies for Aisha's son Richard who is leaving to go to the UK with his family. Praise that her nephew arrived safely in Belgium.
- ⇒ Praise for the joy that Genevieve and Robert can now sit together in church after he completed several years of AV and Session commitments.
- Thanksgiving for George W.'s birthday on Monday and praise for its falling near the weekend of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s celebration because George exhibits the values of MLK, Jr., and he and his whole family work for those values. Praise for George's care for the twins and being a good Daddy.
- ⇒ Praise for this coming Saturday being the 50th wedding anniversary of Trish and George. Thanksgiving for his life and for their 4 children. When Trish's favorite Seminary Professor Walter Johnson died of melanoma soon after George and Trish married, she harbored the fear that George would also die, as he was 12 years older than she....So she is thankful for the blessing of having had almost 50 years together.
- Thanksgiving for everything the church means to Vernon and his family; for Doris & Vernon's marriage; and for their grandkids, who are doing well—for Ochan's plans to attend TCU on a football scholarship, for T'Ahna's plans to attend A&M, and most recently for Lillie's recent #1 ranking at the UIL competition (in music)! Praise the Lord for Vernon's skills and talents as a massage therapist, and prayers that his business continues to grow.
- ⇒ Prayers for discernment for the Session going forward, that meetings may be peaceful, with the Holy Spirit active among us, so that God's will may be done in 2018.
 - Praise for our congregation's desire to share prayers and praises, to share personal challenges, and in so doing to reel in some of the clutter in our lives so that we may know the blessings God has for us. Lift up New Covenant in this new year.



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NCFA SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:15am

We would love to have you and your family come share in the CELEBRATION OF THE GOOD NEWS!

We are worshiping in the Fellowship Hall of Genesis Presbyterian Church on the Wilshire Campus starting at 10:15 a.m.

New Covenant Fellowship of Austin PC(U.S.A.) is a racially diverse community informed by the Bible, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and motivated to share God's love with all. In response to God's love, we are called to equip disciples to faithfully serve, to encourage seekers to joyfully commit, and to implore all to

worship our Lord, as we love our neighbors, grow in grace, and live by faith. JOIN US IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

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