

News at the Park

November 5, 2021



Hamilton Park United Methodist Church



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Every Sunday and

Wednesday

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Register For Sunday Service Here

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/168363448607?aff=efbneb>



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TOWN HALL MODERATOR

Mollie Belt

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1. VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021

7PM CST

PLEASE USE QR CODE OR LINK TO

REGISTER

<https://tinyurl.com/4ktak3th>



2. LET'S TALK INSTAGRAM LIVE

YOUNG ADULTS

@FAITHCOMPASSWU

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4,

2021 7PM CST

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR TOWN HALL AND LADIES WEBINAR

3. LADIES ONLY WEBINAR

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021

7PM CST



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BUILDING THE WALL DAILY PRAYER CALL

W/ PASTOR AARON (6:30AM)
&
MINISTER D. HARRY (12:30PM)

NOV. 1-5 & NOV. 8-12
6:30AM OR 12:30PM

DIAL: 716-427-1128
ACCESS CODE: 626898



OVER The YEARS



On this **Sunday, November 7, 2021**, we will observe All Saints Day in our worship service. All Saints Day is not only a United Methodist recognized holy day, but it is recognized Christianity-wide.

All Saints Day

All Saints Day is an opportunity to give thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith.

From the early days of Christianity, there is a sense that the Church consists of not only all living believers, but also all who have gone before us. For example, in Hebrews 12 the author encourages Christians to remember that a *great cloud of witnesses* 'surrounds us encouraging us, cheering us on.'

Have a Blessed & Productive Week!

Nominations 2022 now open until Jan. 24, 2022

Are you interested in serving on a leadership committee for the North Texas Conference? Now is the time to think about filling out a Profile Sheet stating your areas of interest, such as Standing Rules, Board of Trustees, Church Planting, and Camping and Retreat Ministries. These Profile Sheets are the primary resource used when filling leadership vacancies annually and throughout the year. Go to ntcumc.org for additional information.



Advent 2021: sign up now for daily devotionals

The Advent season begins Sunday, Nov. 28 and continues through Dec. 24. North Texas Conference laity are writing devotionals that you can have delivered straight to your inbox each day. Don't miss out on the opportunity to read, through their experiences, how the important themes of hope, love, joy and peace can guide us through this important season subscribe at www.ntcumc/daily-devotional-for-advent

Mobile Mammograms: Methodist Health System is offering mammograms from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 23 at Camp Wisdom UMC. Call 214-933-7200 to schedule an appointment



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PRAYER REQUEST

Dorothy Brown-LaSalle	Carolyn Laney	Marilyn Boyd	Minnie Jackson	Patrick Hasskell
Mrs. LaPetta Collier	Mit Lampkin	Brenda Land	The Sampson family	Windy Martin
Stephanie Gee	Ester Bean (H)	Ed and Debbie Dunn	Ashton Smith	Emma Turner
Claudia Claridy	Edrick Laney	Erma Chappell	Jackie Spann	Mrs. Bertha West
Shelia Dyson	Sharon Bunton	Candis DeVaughn	Pat West	Armant family
Marjorie Thomas	Linda Boyd	Ruth Robinson	Tyler Goins	Kathy Turner
Cynthia Lusk	Yvonne Boyd	The Rousseau family	Chris O'Riley	Kelsey Smith
Donna Hamilton	Celia Reece	Karen Harkey	Marcia Johnson	James Booker
Sharon Turnley	Mary Jefferson	Thomas Jefferson Jr	Shawn DeVaughn	Wilbur Wright
Connie Sharp	Mary Nickson		Melvin Tucker	Jackie McBride



A grandpa called his budget hotel room the 'Waldorf Astoria.' He finally stayed in a real one — in Rome.

When Ezell Holley and his family called their budget hotel 'the Waldorf Astoria' after winter storms forced them out of their homes earlier this year, it became an inside joke. Seven months later, it turned into the trip of a lifetime.



During the trip, the family visited the Trevi Fountain - where Ezell had once thrown coins and hoped to return - as well as the Colosseum, Pantheon and the Vatican. It was a trip Ezell never thought he'd get to take again after visiting decades ago, when he was in the Army and stationed in Germany. Ezell isn't ready to put his passport away yet, he has thoughts on maybe visiting Africa next!



Here are opportunities for our children and youth:

Children's Worship, Learning and Faith with Friends:

- ♦ Faith & Family Wednesdays 7:00pm - zoom 969 8426 3845. (code 11881)

Youth Worship and Devotions - Faith Over Fear:

- ♦ Sunday afternoons 4:00pm - zoom 976 8069 6867 (code 11881)
- ♦ Thursday evenings 8:30pm - zoom 976 8069 6867 (code 11881)

For questions, contact Kathy Griffith:
kgriffith@theparkumc.org



- **Tuesday Night GAP Young Adult Bible Study - 8:00-9:00pm (774-220-4000 / Code: 118 812 or see Facebook for the Zoom information)**

- **Senior Bible Study - Thursday @ 10:00 am in the church library.**
- **Thursday Prayer 4:00pm-5:00pm - Beverly Galimore (605-475-3200 / Code: 168 199)**
- **Worship Service - 9:00am (Facebook or Website)**

Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday

12pm-4pm

Emergency contact

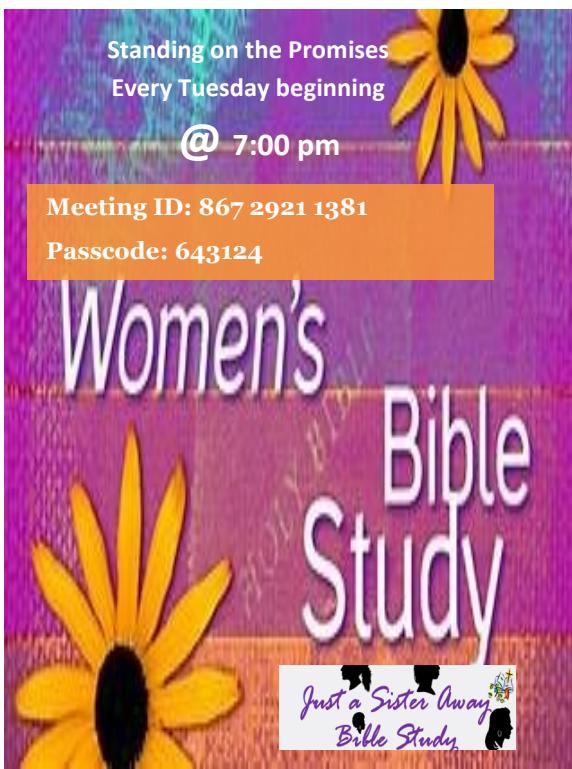
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Have **any news** for "The Park" newsletter?
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Setting The Bones For An Embracing

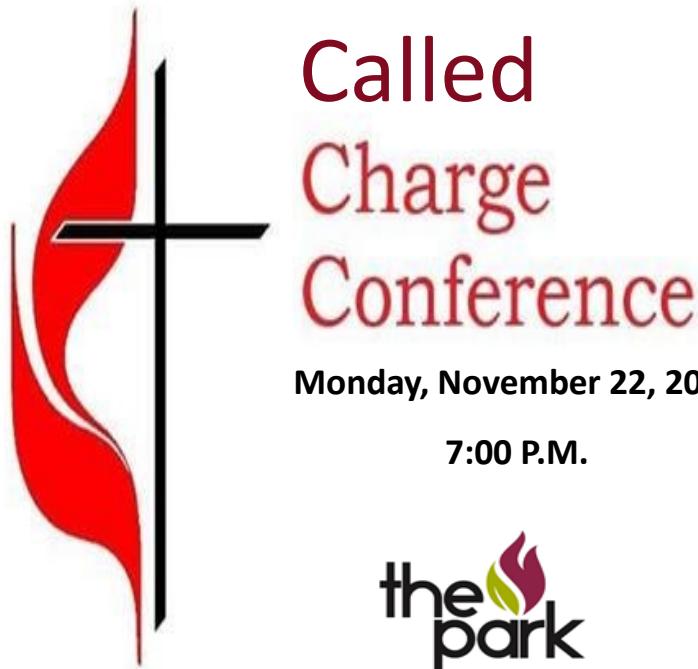
New director seeks to break down ‘all barriers, discrimination and intolerance’ throughout the North Texas Conference



Recently, I had cervical fusion surgery, which required the replacing and/or repair of multiple vertebrae in my neck. After a time of rehabilitation, I returned to work in my new role as Director of Racial Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the position I assumed on July 1.

After a thorough review of the work done prior to my procedure, I was shocked and disappointed at how the fruits of my labor did not measure up to my normal standard. Upon further analysis, I realized and accepted the fact that the pre-surgery pain I experienced had been both omnipresent and excruciating, which impacted and disrupted my professional and private life. After surgery, I was cognizant of and delighted with the reemergence of my normal energy, creativity and effectiveness, which returned minus the constant pain.

Racism, contempt for and intentional exclusion of people of color, has similar – if not more painful – effects as the disruption of a person’s quality of life due to physical ago-



ny. Structural racism devalues the worth, dignity and sacredness that one innately possesses at birth. God’s word is clear; all people are formed and born in the image of God (Genesis 1:26-27). quently, those of us in his Cabinet are equally committed to this important work. Collectively, our mission is to dismantle racism in all forms, wherever it is harbored; and to develop authentic communities of inclusion.

More painful for me than deteriorating vertebrae is the reality that systemic racism has destroyed the psyche or lives of people of color whose inclusion, perspective and experiences may have enriched the organizations or communities in which they were excluded. When we have true inclusion, we will have removed all barriers, discrimination and intolerance across all communities, systems and segments of society.

The beginning of a cultural change for an organization begins with an acknowledgment of past sins of racism, inequality and exclusion, which leads me to our present Journey Toward Racial Justice in the North Texas Conference. Although I am now living in this new and challenging position, I would like to make it clear that diversity is not the idea of Bishop McKee or myself; it is God’s idea. He created them, male and female (Genesis 1:27).

Bishop McKee has expressed a total commitment to a culture in the North Texas Conference and the broader society that reflects diversity, equity and inclusion. Conse-

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. reminds us that we are born with an indelible stamp of the Imago Dei – the image of God manifested in all humans. Therefore, all people are sacred and must be valued, treated with dignity and embraced as children of God.

As I conclude, I can share that my quality of life has improved because of a successful surgery and rehabilitation, which was a long, difficult and sometimes-painful process. In comparison, the change in thinking in our conference for a more diverse, equitable and inclusive reality will not take place overnight and may, at times, be an arduous undertaking. However, with diligence, commitment, persistence and consistence, this will be a new and better way of life for all of us.

To involve your church or further involve your church in our Journey Toward Racial Justice, [email Rev. Ronald D. Henderson](#).