



# FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The mission of First English Lutheran Church is to proclaim the Word of God and the love of Jesus Christ to all people through our ministry of preaching, teaching and caring.

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## FROM THE PASTOR

### 3900 Sundays and Counting



Pastor Mike Coffey

As we think about the history of FELC this year, it makes me wonder: 75 years of *what*? What is it we are celebrating? It's not our building. The sanctuary was built in 1939 and the rest of our facility in 1955. I don't think we are really celebrating the charter document being 75 years old, even though the date of that is our official "birthday." I don't think we're celebrating mere longevity (hey, we survived this long!). What is it, then? What do you celebrate? Here's the start of my list.

- God's grace in Christ given and shared
- Guiding children into a life of faith in the good news
- Potlucks
- Friendship
- Music and singing
- Sharing in each other's joys and sorrows
- Baptisms
- Weddings
- Confirmations
- Grieving together at funerals
- 3900 Sundays of worship
- Arguing over the little things of church life, and then getting over it
- Walking together through the ups and downs of historic events
- Picking each other up when we fall
- Bread and wine broken together with Christ
- Christmas plays
- Building and fixing and rebuilding
- 45 vicars
- 5 pastors
- Those who have come and gone, and those who have always been here
- Change and consistency
- Chicken BBQ's
- Generous stewardship to the church and the needs of others

75 years of many good and challenging things shared together in faith and friendship. What's on your list?

Visit Pastor Coffey's Web site at [www.michaelcoffey.org](http://www.michaelcoffey.org) for sermons, blog, and more.

## October is Stewardship Month

### Memory and Mission: Stewardship of Past, Present and Future

This year as we observe FELC's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, our stewardship emphasis will focus on the anniversary theme of Memory and Mission. How can we be good stewards of the past, the present, and the future of the church's mission? How do honor the memory and live out the mission with our time, unique abilities, financial resources, and faith? Look for more information to come from our stewardship committee as we seek to grow together in faithful lives and stewards of the memory and the mission of FELC.

#### FORMER VICAR RICK FRY GETTING MARRIED

Rick Fry (Vicar #43) is getting married October 8 in Madison, Wisconsin. His fiancé, Nicole Denow, is an attorney in Chicago. Pastor Coffey will be presiding at the wedding.

#### PAUL COLLINSON-STRENG VISITING FELC

Sunday, October 9 our guest presiding minister will be Paul Collinson-Streng, pastor of UT Lutheran Campus Ministry. During the Sunday School hour, Paul will share with us information about the campus ministry, which is celebrating 75 years of ministry in 2012.

#### PASTOR COFFEY AT UT CAMPUS MINISTRY

Pastor Coffey will be the guest preacher at UT Lutheran Campus Ministry on Sunday evening, October 16.



#### MALE SPIRITUALITY GROUP

October 16 at 12:30 P.M.

All men are invited to join Pastor Coffey for the next male spirituality meeting on October 16 at 12:30 in the church library. The meeting will include lunch and an introduction to the theme of the four male archetypes King, Warrior, Magician, Lover. Future meetings will explore these themes in greater detail. Men are encouraged but not required to buy and read the book of the same name by authors Robert Moore and Douglas Gillette.

## From the Faith Formation Coordinator



Henri Atkinson

By the time you read this our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration will be a memory. Which leads to my memories of Sunday School at First English. After I became an official member of First English in the spring of 1968, Merle Franke asked if I would be willing to teach Sunday School. Evelyn Walenta took me under her wing and introduced me to the five year olds. I almost forgot the energy that that age group emits, almost! That was the beginning that led to older classes including high school.

Along the way I became a parent and Emily and Jacob attended Sunday School from age 2 till 18. While in college Em started a college group. I also spent time on the Learning Ministry Team. Now I have come full circle. What helps me enjoy this job so much is I have seen it from those many perspectives. Memories from each help me focus on our young children so that we can help them become thoughtful, concerned and helpful young people.

**To see them in action put the date of November 13 on your calendar because once again we are going to cook up a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner for ourselves, our homebound and our homeless.** Our children and their families supplied the food and labor last year. But this year we want to include everyone. If you can prepare part of the dinner, deliver it to a church member or help put it together that Sunday, let me know at 913-2341. We will feed everyone that day including those not at church!

We will need two twenty pound turkeys with gravy (Anne Wiebe is fixing the 3<sup>rd</sup>), stuffing, mashed potatoes, cranberry relish, rolls, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole and any other dish you would like to prepare. We also need desserts mostly pies, Pumpkin, pecan, apple, sweet potato, or your favorite. The homeless loved the pies last year, ate them before the main course. This will start at home with you all preparing the food there and then during Sunday School hour we package up the food for the homebound and homeless. After church we all join in the feast, there may be some homeless there too. Finally those who can will deliver to the homebound and homeless that don't join us at the church.

So join the Sunday School bunch as our children help us feed our First English Family.

Yours in Christ,  
Henri Atkinson

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### FELC OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.  
Friday 9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

### DROP-OFF TIMES FOR STYROFOAM® MATERIALS



The next times for Styrofoam® drop-off are the weeks of **October 9 and October 16.**

Look for the two large containers in the hallway off the North Transept.

## FROM THE VICAR

### Memory and Mission: Expect the Unexpected



Vicar Peder Hinderlie

If the saying is true that “time flies when you’re having fun”, then I have to be honest and admit that I must be having a good time here at First English thus far. To think that I have already been here a month is hard for me to believe. So, I want to start my first newsletter article by giving thanks to all of you (ya’ll) for your hospitality, patience, prayers, and love. I look forward to all of the growing and learning we will share in this coming year.

In the sermon I gave this past month I quoted an author by the name of Kathleen Norris. Norris is a poet and author and perhaps best known for her non-fiction work, *Dakota: A Spiritual Biography*. Her books have received wide acclaim from a variety of Christian and non-Christian circles, and I definitely recommend her writings as they struggle with what it could mean to embrace or encounter the spiritual in the midst of our material world.

I quoted from Norris’ book, *Amazing Grace*, on her perspective that prayer is “not asking for what you think you want, but asking to be changed in ways you can’t imagine.” She goes on to say the following about what prayer can be, namely that in prayer we may find ourselves: “To be made more grateful, more able to see the good in what you have been given instead of always grieving for what might have been. People who are in the habit of praying—that includes the mystics of the Christian tradition—know that when a

prayer is answered, it is never in a way that you expect” (quotes from pp. 60-61).

It is a blessing to be here at First English as you celebrate your 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, a year in which you have chosen to be intentional about your “memory and mission.” For many, the institutional memory of First English will have moments both of gladness and grief. Perhaps there are times in your history where you wish that different choices were made, or that different roads had been taken. I know that in my life, I certainly have some!

Yet, as Norris reminds us, it is perhaps a more real experience of Christ and the Spirit, to recognize those ways in which we have been surprised by grace, and to let those moments be the dominant character in the story line of our life. That way, as we look forward to the future, we are open to the unexpected or unanticipated times where new and good things happen in ways that we have not yet imagined. Another aspect of why I have been so pleasantly surprised thus far in this community is that I too am in a process of “memory and mission.” Internship is a time for students to see how what we have learned meshes with life in a congregation. We pray about what we think we want, and hope that our experience will answer those prayers. Yet, after one month, I already see how limiting this is. I pray that as we journey together this year, we may grow together in receiving God’s unexpected grace.

## From the Church Council

**SUMMARY** — Submitted by Joe Cain, COUNCIL SECRETARY

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 19 COUNCIL MEETING:

The pastor reported that the congregation’s Octoberfest celebration is scheduled for October 30.

Joe Cain reported that the finance committee will meet October 4 to begin preparing the 2012 budget.

Nancy Neuse reported that 163 people have made reservations for the October 2 luncheon to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and reminded the council about the Missa Gaia concert on the evening of October 1.

## First English Book Club Book list 2011–2012

The first book club discussion is October 9, 6:30 P.M. at the Klumpps’. Please contact Nikki (nikncutt@yahoo.com) or Anne (wiebeanne@hotmail.com) for more information.

*A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines – October 9  
*Gap Creek* by Robert Morgan – November 13  
*Cry, the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton – January 8  
*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot – February 12  
*The Kitchen House: A Novel* by Kathleen Grissom – March 11  
*Sarah’s Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay – April 8  
*Heaven is for Real* by Todd Burpo – May 13  
*Ellen Foster* by Kaye Gibbons – June 10  
*Midwives* by Chris Bohjalian – July 8  
*Breath, Eyes, Memory* by Edwidge Danticat – August 12  
*The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* by Isabel Allende – September 9



# October 2011

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**SUNDAY**

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**LOCATION LEGEND**

- CE = CLASSROOM EAST
- FH = FELLOWSHIP HALL
- LB = LIBRARY
- PL = PARLOR
- SY = SANCTUARY
- TC = TRANSEPT CHAPEL



**Prayer Circle**  
**TUESDAYS AT NOON**

Take a break in your day for meaningful group prayer time, most Tuesdays at Noon in the church library. For information and special prayer requests, please call Barbara Schutz (328-0587) or Lois Holck (327-8501).

**Usher**

- 10/2 10:00
- 10/9 8:30 S  
11:00 J

<p><b>OCTOBER 2</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b> Celebration Eucharist Worship (SY) <b>NOON</b> Celebration Luncheon (FH)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 9</b> <b>8:30 A.M. &amp; 11:00 A.M.</b> Worship (SY) <b>9:45 A.M.</b> Children's Sunday School (FH) Adult Sunday School (PL) High School Group (CE) <b>6:30 P.M.</b> FELC Book Club (TBA)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 16</b> <b>8:30 A.M. &amp; 11:00 A.M.</b> Worship (SY) <b>9:30 A.M.</b> Green Team (LB) <b>9:45 A.M.</b> Children's Sunday School (FH) Adult Sunday School (PL) High School Group (CE) <b>12:30 A.M.</b> Male Spirituality meeting (LB)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 23</b> <b>8:30 A.M. &amp; 11:00 A.M.</b> Worship (SY) <b>9:45 A.M.</b> Children's Sunday School (FH) Adult Sunday School (PL) High School Group (CE)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 30 / REFORMATION SUNDAY</b> <b>8:30 A.M. &amp; 11:00 A.M.</b> Worship (SY) <b>9:45 A.M.</b> Children's Sunday School (FH) Adult Sunday School (PL) High School Group (CE) <b>5:00 P.M.</b> <b>Octoberfest</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 3</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Monday Ministry (SY)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 10</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Monday Ministry (SY) <b>6:30 P.M.</b> Spirituality in Movies (PL)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 17</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Monday Ministry (SY) <b>6:00 P.M.</b> CDC Staff meeting (FH) <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Congregation Council (PL)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 24</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Monday Ministry (SY)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 31</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Monday Ministry (SY)</p> <p><b>Heart to Drum</b>  Drum with a master hand drummer. <b>Every last Tuesday of the month, Oliver Rajamani is offering a one hour drumming session at 7:30 P.M. in the Transept Chapel.</b> No experience necessary. Just walk in. If you have a drum please bring it. All levels welcome.</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 4</b> <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Lutheran pastors text study (LB) <b>NOON</b> Prayer Circle (LB) <b>6:00 P.M.</b> CDC Board (PL) <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Finance Committee Meeting (LB)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 11</b> <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Lutheran pastors text study (LB) <b>NOON</b> Prayer Circle (LB)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 18</b> <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Lutheran pastors text study (PL) <b>NOON</b> Prayer Circle (LB)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 25</b> <b>8:00 A.M.</b> Lutheran pastors text study (LB) <b>9:30 A.M.</b> Women's Bible Study (PL) <b>NOON</b> Prayer Circle (LB) <b>7:30 P.M.</b> Drum with Rajamani (TC)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 5</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b> CDC Chapel (SY) <b>10:30 A.M.</b> Companions Group <b>12:30 P.M.</b> Prime Timers Potl <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Choir Rehearsal (S)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 12</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b> CDC Chapel (SY) <b>10:30 A.M.</b> Companions Group <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Choir Rehearsal (S)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 19</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b> CDC Chapel (SY) <b>10:30 A.M.</b> Companions Group <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Choir Rehearsal (S)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER 26</b> <b>10:00 A.M.</b> CDC Chapel (SY) <b>10:30 A.M.</b> Companions Group <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>
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**Thank You**

**Ashley, Ben and Jacob Jensen** for scanning photographs for our Anniversary display. **Pat Thomas** for going through the archives gathering information about the early years of FELC. **David Austin** for the creation of a new banner for the anniversary. **Members of the various committees** at work within the church in preparation for our anniversary weekend.

—Nancy Neuse, 75th Anniversary

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**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

**Schedule for October**

Jackie Chuter, Joe Cain Randy Baden, David Neuse	<b>10/16</b>	8:30 David Neuse 11:00 Terry Porter	<b>10/30</b>	8:30 Angelo Ferrazzano 11:00 Randy Baden
Stan Kornfuehrer Jackie Chuter	<b>10/23</b>	8:30 Derek Bridges 11:00 Joe Cain		

**OCTOBER 1**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
Austin Central SDA  
(SY, PL, LB: 12:30 P.M. FH)  
**5:00 P.M.**  
Choir call for concert (SY)  
**7:00 P.M.**  
FELC Anniversary Concert (SY)

<p>o (LB) uck &amp; Program (FH) Y)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 6</b> <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Learning Ministry Team (PL) <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Companions Group (Off Campus)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 7</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 8</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Austin Central SDA (SY, PL, LB: 12:30 P.M. FH)</p>
<p>o (LB) Y)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 13</b> <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Companions Group (Off Campus)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 14</b></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 15</b> <b>SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER ECHOES</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Austin Central SDA (SY, PL, LB: 12:30 P.M. FH)</p>
<p>o (LB) Y)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 20</b> <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Companions Group (Off Campus)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 21</b> <b>9:15 A.M.</b> Church Women United Board (PL) <b>6:30 P.M.</b> 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Game &amp; Fellowship Night (LB)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 22</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Austin Central SDA (SY, PL, LB: 12:30 P.M. FH) <b>6:15 P.M.</b> First English Kickball Night (Brentwood Park)</p>
<p>o (LB) Y)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 27</b> <b>7:00 P.M.</b> Companions Group (Off Campus)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 28</b> <b>6:30 P.M.</b> Choir Rehearsal (SY)</p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 29</b> <b>9:00 A.M.</b> Austin Central SDA (SY, PL, LB: 12:30 P.M. FH)</p>

**4TH Saturday Kickball**

October 22, Brentwood Park

Kick off the fall! Meet at Brentwood Park (Santa Clara & Yates) for a 6:15 potluck and/or 7 P.M. kickball game. Players and spectators of all ages are welcome. Bring your tennis shoes or your cheering voice and, if your time permits, your picnic food of choice. No skill or speed necessary. Ball, bases and water provided. If you can't make the October gathering, put 4TH Saturday kickball on your calendar and join in when you can. Questions? Contact Gretchen at 419-7152 or gretchenrolson@yahoo.com

**Hope to see you at the game!**

**FELC Women's Walkabout**

Second Saturday mornings  
Beginning in November

**Sisters, let's walk!**

Go fast, go slow—and for the distance that's right for you. The idea is to start together with a gathering prayer, walk in fellowship, and end with smiles on our faces.

More information to follow, but set the dates: **Mornings, November 12 and December 10**  
Questions? Contact Renee Carlson, crsh@grandecom.net or 477-3489.

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## Austin City Lutherans Citywide Pulpit Exchange and Reception Sunday, October 23

Austin City Lutherans is a new group formed by all of the ELCA congregations in the city of Austin. Austin City Lutherans bring together ELCA faith communities to live out their gifts in shared ministry and mission, in neighborhoods, across the city, across borders:

- building on strengths;
  - accomplishing more together;
  - celebrating and living distinctly Lutheran expressions of the Gospel;
- ... for the well-being of humanity and all creation.

To mark the beginning of this new venture, participating congregations are holding a citywide pulpit exchange. FELC is joining with St. Martin's in exchanging preachers for the day. Pastor Coffey will join St. Martin's and Pastor Olin Knudsen, interim pastor of St. Martin's, will come here.

Then, members of all the churches in Austin will gather for a reception from 2 to 4 PM at the Seminary of the Southwest to learn about how our unique ministries in each congregation can complement each other. Come and visit and hear live music as we celebrate our shared ministry as ELCA Lutherans in Austin.

### FELC E-Mail Weekly

One great way to stay up-to-date with what is happening at FELC is to read the E-Mail Weekly that comes out by Wednesday for information on events happening in the coming week and important news for our community.

Our goal is to send as few congregation-wide e-mails as we can so we don't overload your inbox. The E-Mail Weekly is our way of keeping emails to a minimum, but getting information we need to share to you in a timely way.

If you have an event or information you need us to share with the congregation, let Ele Clay know ([office@felcaustin.org](mailto:office@felcaustin.org), or call the church office).

Please remember that we are keeping the E-Mail Weekly focused on what is happening in the coming week. Events further out can be promoted through the bulletin or the Echoes newsletter.

If you aren't currently receiving the FELC E-Mail Weekly, send us an e-mail to add your e-mail address to the list.

### From the CDC



Teresa Kapelle  
CDC Director

As I write this it is the anniversary of 9/11. Our family also just found out our house in Bastrop is still standing. Tragedy happens. As pragmatic as it may sound, it is life. And life happens even if you have young children in your home.

Dealing with tragedy is difficult. As adults we reel. We're confused. We want to understand. We want to talk about it. We want information. We grapple to figure out what is going on around us. All with our children close by.

No matter what the age, children pick up on the emotional state around them. However, there comes a point when children pick up on more than that. They hear snippets of information. They catch a glimpse of an image on TV. A friend tells them something at school. Then, we have a child who is responding much like us—with confusion and a desire to know more. What do parents do who just want to shield young children from the cruel world? You talk. You talk because even if you didn't talk children would still know that something is happening. You help them put words to what is going on around them. You give them the gift of understanding, even when you would rather pretend they don't know.

I'm often asked, what do I actually say to my child when talking about tragedy? Luckily, we have some pretty smart kids. They usually let us know what they're capable of understanding. I often start a conversation by simply asking, "Tell me a little bit about what you are noticing going on today." About the age of four, children might have questions that you can help answer in simple terms. Limit the words. Give basics in a manner that your child can understand. Read your child's cues. Most of the discussion should be your child talking and you listening.

Give your child outlets for expression other than words. Having art supplies around that a child can pick up is a wonderful means for a child to express emotions. Even while playing, a child might work through what is going on around them.

Children want to know that they are safe. Reassure your child that the adults in their lives are here to protect them and keep them safe.

Limit the amount of media to which your child is exposed. As tempting as it is to have the TV on as we try to figure out what is happening, turn it off.

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## Congregational Care Committee

### New Committee Forming to Coordinate Care for Members and Friends

— Submitted by Barbara Schutz

A new committee has been proposed to and approved by the Congregational Council. It has been named the Congregational Care Committee and is intended to provide outreach and care to support the family of faith at First English. At its inception, the committee will address four areas of congregational care: outreach to inactive members, integration of new members into congregational life, support for members who are undergoing crisis and have needs which can be addressed by the congregation, and coordination of small group ministries.

At this time, the membership is being divided into neighborhood areas. This will enable greater relationship building and care and support for one another. **There is a need** for a coordinator and a back-up to facilitate gatherings and coordinate communication between each neighborhood group and the committee. **There is a need** for one or two people who will commit to being a welcoming presence for new members and to helping them discover all the ways in which they can connect at First English to build relationships and a sense of belonging.

The committee will be gathering information from congregational members regarding their interests, skills, and availability in order to connect them with both small interest groups and with members-in-need. **There is a need** for one or two people to organize this information so that it may be available to the committee and one or two people to coordinate a response to members-in-need.

There are a number of small interest groups currently forming—Book Club, Yoga Group, Walkabout, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Kickball—which are adding to the rich opportunities of those already formed—Men’s Spirituality, Companions, Prime Timers, the Green Team. **There is a need** for someone to coordinate the sharing of information and to be a resource for new groups forming.

You will find the phrase “**there is a need**” highlighted several times in this article. In order to better care for our church family, we will need the help of a number of people. No one job is overwhelming, but it will take everyone working together to be successful. Please, if you feel even a little nudge from the Holy Spirit, contact one of the co-chairs of this new committee right away. These co-chairs are Teresa Tice-Boggs (512/339-4372 or [ttb@mail.utexas.edu](mailto:ttb@mail.utexas.edu)) and Barbara Schutz (512/328-0587 or [bschutz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bschutz@sbcglobal.net)).

We look forward to hearing from you!

## CONTINUE IN PRAYER FOR

**Penelope Kay Escandell**, daughter of Katy and Jason Escandell, granddaughter of Teresa Tice-Boggs  
**Kathy Matson & family**, friends of Vicar Peder Hinderlie  
**David Wicks**, son of former FELC Vicars Kathy & Al Wicks  
**Mike Waters**, friend of Buddy Lundstedt, and LaRu & Fred Woody  
**Shirley Mollan**, sister-in-law of Ginna Franke  
**Linda Henderson**, friend of Emily Atkinson  
**Pat Wilkins**, aunt of Greg Meier  
**Richard Conkey**, uncle of Greg Meier  
**Bruce Collmann**, nephew of Larry Collmann  
**Carolyn Albert**  
**Ann Hinz**  
**Helen Rodriguez**, friend of Greg Meier  
**Christopher Jordan**, nephew of Barbara Ws’ friend, Gloria Jordan  
**LaWanda Bailey**, friend of Barbara Wiederaenders  
**Val**, friend of Charlotte Gilman  
**Bill Martin**, father of Barbara Wiederaenders’ classmate  
**OraNell Hassebrock**, grandmother of Katherine O.  
**Felix, Kristen & Lauren Bargas**, friends of Monica Lund  
**Don Larson & Family**, cousin of Monica Lund  
**Dennis Burroughs**, friend of Gratia Winship  
**Princetta MacLaren**, step-mother of Andy MacLaren  
**Michaelie Wiebe**, niece of Anne Wiebe  
**Gene Steinmeyer**, uncle of Jill Essbaum  
**Greg & Renee Heins & Family**, friends of Emily Atkinson  
**Mindy, Charlotte & James**, friends of Monica Lund  
**Mallie Coker**, friend of Katherine Houston  
**Jarett Werley**, friend of Chris Billig  
**Ki Norman**, friend of Monica Lund

## MICAH 6 UPDATE

**PANTRY SERVICES** In August, the pantry served 1,629 shoppers.

### NEW DROP-IN CENTER FOR STREET YOUTH

Beginning in November, Micah 6 will open a drop-in center for street-dependent youth in our area at University Baptist Church. It will open on Sundays from 2 to 6 P.M. and will offer food and a safe place to meet. The youth will have access to restroom facilities and computers. In the future, we hope to add showers and workshops for obtaining GEDs and taking college entrance exams, and other advisory services that would aid the youth in obtaining stability and self-sufficiency. Look out for a volunteer call in the near future!

**FACEBOOK PAGE** Did you know Micah 6 of Austin has a Facebook page? If you are a Facebook user, please take a moment to “like” the Micah 6 of Austin Facebook page to stay informed about happenings at the pantry.

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# 3RD ANNUAL OCTOBERFEST

Sunday, October 30  
5–8 P.M.

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#### PASTOR

Michael Coffey

#### VICAR/INTERN

Peder Hinderlie



### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30 A.M. Worship Service

9:45 A.M. Sunday School

11:00 A.M. Worship Service

Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday at both worship services.



It's time again to cook up some sausage, German potato salad, lots of things with cabbage, and enjoy some homebrewed beer as the FELC men's group hosts the Oktoberfest party.

You're invited to make a favorite German side dish (recipes available) and enjoy this fun event held in the parking lot of FELC. For more information, contact Randy Baden ([towbarcity@yahoo.com](mailto:towbarcity@yahoo.com)).

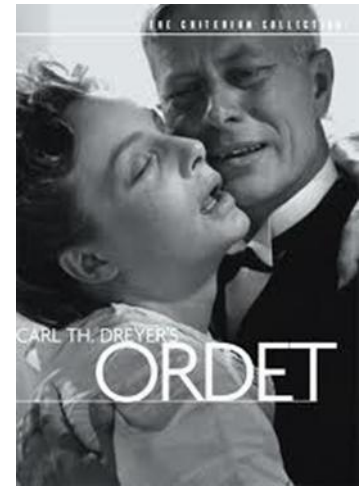


## Spirituality in Movies

Monday, October 10 at 6:30 P.M.

*Ordet* is a 1955 Danish film that explores the mystery, contradiction, and beauty of faith. It ranks near the top of the list of the Arts and Faith Top 100 films.

Join Pastor Coffey for the film and discussion that follows in the Parlor. Bring your dinner if you wish to enjoy during the film, invite a friend, and have some popcorn as we meet again for this ongoing series exploring faith and spirituality in film.



## Plan now for 75<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary All Saints Observance

Sunday, November 6

Each year on All Saints Sunday, we remember and give thanks for all our loved ones and all the saints of the church who have died. This year, as part of our 75<sup>TH</sup> anniversary year, we will remember all the past members who have been a part of the First English story. As in the past, worshipers will be invited to bring pictures, mementos, and names of their own loved ones who have died recently or long ago, and create a prayer station to honor and give thanks for them.

## Help Us Keep the Parlor and Other Facilities in Great Shape!

Our building gets used by many groups in the congregation and in the community. It's one of the ways we are good stewards of our resources. Everyone who uses the parlor, library, fellowship hall, kitchen, or other spaces in the building needs to do their part to keep our facilities clean, orderly, and usable by others.

The parlor in particular gets heavy use and can quickly show it. If you use the parlor for church, community, or personal use, please help us keep it clean and orderly. We ask everyone to observe the following guidelines:

**1. NO FOOD OR DRINK (WATER ONLY).** Only meetings (FELC, CDC, or outside groups) with approval from the church office may have food or drink in the parlor. Adult Sunday School, Church Council, other regular church events are OK for food and drinks, but every individual must clean up after each meeting. Any spills must be cleaned

immediately. Please don't leave any food or drink garbage in the parlor—remove to the kitchen. If you are part of a community group that meets here, please take full responsibility for keeping these guidelines.

**2. RETURN ALL CHAIRS AND TABLES TO THE ORIGINAL SET-UP BEFORE YOU LEAVE.** See diagram posted by the doors for room set-up.

**3. REMOVE ALL ITEMS YOU BROUGHT IN.**

**4. BE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN CHILDREN.** All games, toys, personal items should be put away or removed before you leave. There simply isn't anyone else responsible for picking up after your children other than you!

Thanks for your help in keeping all of our facilities in great shape for the many activities that happen at FELC.



Visit First English Lutheran on the Web at [www.felcaustin.org](http://www.felcaustin.org) for more information and the current activity schedule.



“St. Francis” by Kelly Fearing, FELC Collection

## CALL FOR ENTRIES: A Journey of Faith

- WHAT:** A juried exhibition of 2D works that address the exhibition theme “A Journey of Faith”
- WHEN:** Entries due by November 1, 2011  
Exhibition opens February 12, 2012 and closes April 29, 2012
- WHERE:** First English Lutheran Church  
3001 Whitis Avenue  
Austin, TX 78705
- AWARDS:** The jury will award \$300 for “Best of Show”, \$100 for “First Place”  
\$75 for “Second Place”, and \$50 for “Third Place”.
- SALES:** First English Lutheran Church (FELC) will make the exhibiting artists’ contact information available to patrons but will not engage in sales or negotiations.

**ENTRY FEES:** An artist may enter up to two works by submitting an entry form, digital image of the work(s), and the entry fee (\$10 for 1 work, \$15 for 2) to First English Lutheran Church by November 1, 2011. Fees may be submitted in person or by mail to the Church address above. Forms and digital images may be emailed to: [art@felcaustin.org](mailto:art@felcaustin.org)

**ENTRY RULES:** Open to all Central Texas artists ages 18 or older; 2D works framed, ready to hang, and weighing no more than 30 lbs.; all works, including non-denominational and non-sectarian, that address the exhibition theme of “A Journey of Faith” will be considered. All entry forms, fees, and digital images must be received by November 1, 2011 to be considered in adjudication. Artists will be notified by December 1, 2011 of the Juror’s selections. All works selected for the exhibition are to be hand-delivered on Saturday, January 28, 2012. Works exhibited must be collected on Saturday May 5, 2012. First English Lutheran Church will not accept shipped works. First English Lutheran Church reserves the right to publish digital images of exhibited works in FELC documents and on FELC websites through February 12, 2013. Insurance will not be provided on work exhibited. Every reasonable precaution will be taken in the handling, exhibition, and security of the works. Artists may want to obtain their own insurance coverage.

**Exhibition Curator:** Fred Woody  
University of Texas Department of Art and Art History (retired)

**QUESTIONS?** Contact the Exhibition Curator at [art@felcaustin.org](mailto:art@felcaustin.org)



“Study for St. Francis” by Kelly Fearing  
FELC Collection