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Consecration Sunday Is Coming Sunday, February 27, 2022

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

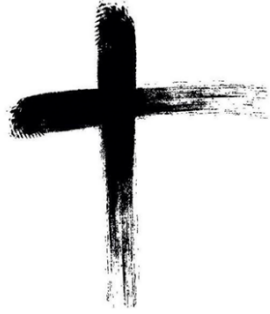
Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and governing board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Pastor Paul



Ash Wednesday

March 2nd

Service 6:30 p.m.

Columbia United Methodist Church

315 S. 16th Street

West Columbia, Texas

6:00 p.m. Community Meal in Fellowship Hall

Join us for a simple meal of soup, bread and Christian fellowship before the worship service.

6:30 p.m. Service in Sanctuary

This year CUMC will be participating in a joint worship service for Ash Wednesday with Bethel Presbyterian Church and St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Pastor Paul Kucera will be preaching and our choir will assist in leading worship. Children from the three congregations will also assist in leading worship.

Please make plans now to participate in this special time of worship.



February

BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Alexander	Sophia Lopez
Nelda Alford	Pat Newman
Melissa Autry	Cinco Phillips
Pat Castro	Kathy Pryor
Tony Castro	Rita Raney
David Deerman	Kash Robinson
Joe Doyle	Hector Solis
Brenda Hasson	Jane Shepherd
Anna Hay	Barbara Weems
Andrea Hays	
Clay Jenkins	All Service Personnel
April Kulbicki	& their Families
Ginger Laughlin	America's Police
Joyce Lester	
Ann Locke	

Roberta Kilsby	2/1
Anna Jo Neff	2/1
Wally Biever	2/3
Shirley Trahan	2/3
Kayson Jordan	2/6
Andrea Hays	2/6
Sharon Talasek	2/6
Erin Peterson	2/7
Adam Hulbert	2/8
Gracin Surgent	2/8
Quinten Culbreath	2/9
Olin Hebert	2/9
Izzy Isaacs	2/9
Kaili Avirett	2/10
Emmie Isaacs	2/12
Randy Cline	2/13
Kyle Kincannon	2/13
Bonnie Cole	2/16
John Carlson	2/18
Jack Baker	2/19
Cindy Saville	2/20
Caroline Clinch	2/22
Madelyn Lara	2/24
Clifford Russell	2/26
Macy Graham	2/27
Jessica Mizell	2/27
Judith Parker	2/27

Columbia United Methodist Church 2022 Lay Leadership

Church Council 2022

Lay Leader	Cyndi Barnett 2024
Delegate - Annual Conf.	Paula Raeke 2022
Council Chair	Janel McCallister 2023
Welcoming Ministries	Terri Surgent 2024
Altar Guild & Wedding/Funeral Coord.	Frances Baird
Acolyte Coordinator	Sharon Talasek
Nursery Coordinator	Kathy Frank
Scouting Coordinator	Jeb Ogburn
Hospitality/ Kitchen	Keith and Nancy Stephens
Mission and Outreach	Nancy Matlock 2022
Trustee Chair	Greg Graham
Endowment Chair	Susie Jenkins 2022
Finance Chair	Karen Mostyn 2022
SPRC Chair	Mary Brand 2022
President of UMW	Paula Raeke
Church Administrator	Patsy Avirett
Youth and Children Min.	Ashley Isaacs
Music Ministry	Grace Culbreath
	Kathy Hathway
Pastor	Rev. T. Paul Kethley

Finance Committee

2022	2023	2024
Janel McCallister	Susan Cunningham	Allan Sassin
Karen Mostyn, chair	Robert White	Sandy Weems

Ex-Officio Members serving with voice and vote.

Council Chairperson	Janel McCallister
Treasurer	Patsy Avirett
Auditor	Dee Ann Ogburn
Auditor	Jenna Ogburn-Coulter
Endowment Chairperson	Susie Jenkins
SPRC Chairperson	Mary Brand
Trustees Representative	Greg Graham
Lay Leader	Cyndi Barnett
Pastor	Rev. T. Paul Kethley

Lay Leadership Committee

2022
Greg Graham
Laurie Kincannon
Bubby Loggins

2023
Cyndi Barnett
Beverly Cline
Charlotte Day

2024
Joyce Rankin
Becky Surgent
Kaci Womack

Board of Trustees

2022
Linda Holt
Gene Pell
Mickey Weems

2023
Mike Leveridge
Buddy Mostyn
Dan Swords

2024
Kevin Coulter
Greg Graham
Nancy Stephens

Staff-Parish Relations Committee

2022
Mary Brand, chair
Jenna Coulter
Gloria Leveridge

2023
Jo Frances Chastain
Lynn Loggins
Henry Raeke

2024
Andy Barnett
Rainbo Johnson
Sharon Talasek

Welcoming Ministries

2022
Kerry Avirett
Linda Holt

2023
Judi Murray
Elizabeth White

2024
Mike Cudd
Terri Surgent, chair

Permanent Endowment Committee

At Large Members
Susie Jenkins 2022 chair
Patty Swords 2022
Meg Graham 2023
Beverly Cline 2023

Ex-Officio Members serving with voice and vote.
Chairperson of Church Council
Chairperson of Board of Trustees
Chairperson of Finance Committee
Chairperson of Staff-Parish Committee
Senior Pastor