

## **FALL FESTIVAL FOCUS GROUP LEADERS**

**“A Shield of Faith” – We will share ideas about getting ready to die. What we need to do to help our family and friends deal with the things we leave behind when we are gone from our earthly home. In preparation our faith in God is strengthened.**



**Sarah Tunnell Clark**

Sarah is a lifelong United Methodist being the first born of Methodist minister James Tunnell and Carolyn Tunnell Scrimshire. The last gift from her father's leadership was his preparation for death, he died suddenly in 1981 at the age of 48. Sarah is a lawyer and has been serving as County Court at Law Judge in Houston County (Crockett) for over 18 years.

One of her responsibilities is to preside over cases involving probates and guardianships. UMW has always been an important part of her life. Sarah is completing her term as Conference Chair of Nominations.

**“Exceedingly, Abundantly, More Than You Can ASK!”**

**We will pray together. The class will be Lecture and interactive. The hope is you will be encouraged. And grow in your prayer life. To God Be All the Glory! We will look at Mark 11:22-26.**



**Endrika M B West**

Endrika was born in Augsburg Germany. Parents served in the Military. Endrika is a member of First United Methodist Church attending the Westchase location. She has been a member for 13 years.

In 2004 under the leadership of Pastor Kenneth Levingston, she served as the Director of Prayer about 6 years. She was one of the leader's on the Healing Team with Pastor Susan Grittmann and Pastor Michelle Hall. She lead the prayer service with Pastor Grittmann and Pastor Hall, and after they left, She was ask to continue Leading, and she asked her family to serve with her. God prepared her to lead after they were reassigned to other positions. She also served in UMW FUMC as Spiritual Growth; also started her own UMW circle called Adira Batel serving in

both. Later she would go on to be District UMW Spiritual Growth- Central South, which she served two terms. Then District UMW Vice-President she served until she became, Texas Conference UMW Vice-President. She also served in her church in volunteer work and vacation Bible School every year until about 2011. She served in the choir and on the Praise Team until 2011. She served on the FUMC Administration Board as well. She attended Mission U and the Emmaus Walk #34.

Endrika West has served in the areas of prayer, teaching, speaking and more. From 2010-2014, she worked with the youth at the Krause Center and the COMET program with AISD. She has served in the community as well as Serving on the AISD Bond Committee and serving on the Pastoral Committee at AISD by invitation from the superintendent Mr. Chambers, She is not a Pastor, by invitation she sit on that committee for the community of Alief. She has served as Texas Conference UMW Vice President from fall of 2015-2016 finishing another's term, and 2016-2018 her own term. She graduated from the Prayer Academy in 2014. She attended College Of Biblical Studies.

Endrika is married to Keith L West. Both serving as Minister's for Our Lord. They both come from families of Minister's and Pastor's. They have been married 36 years. They have six children and two grandchildren and a niece they are raising. Endrika homeschooled all their children.

Endrika Brady West is answering God's call to bring truth to all through the Gospel. Encouraging them to stay on the path that leads to Jesus Christ. In this endeavor and for every moment of this journey she gives God all of the glory!

### **“Qualities of Christians Faith”**

**In my class we will focus on Qualities of Christians Faith.**



**Rev E. Lorraine Brown**

Rev Brown was born in Greenville, Texas, grew up in small community five miles east of Greenville. She attended public school in this small community and graduated from Commerce High School. Immediately after graduation, she went to Prairie View A&M University, where she received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Laboratory Medicine. She worked many years in Laboratory Medicine, and is a second career pastor/minister.

After answering her call to ministry, she attended Southern Methodist University's Perkins School of Theology, where she received a Masters of Divinity. She is an Ordained Elder in the Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. She is also a Certified Spiritual Director, a certification she also received through SMU'S Perkins School of Theology.

She has been active in various roles at both the Conference and District Levels of the Texas Annual Conference. She currently serves on the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, and hold the position of Chairperson of Clergy Mentors. Is also on the District Board of Ministry in the East District of the Texas Annual Conference and a member of the District Leadership Team.

She is the proud mother of three sons. The grandmother of seven granddaughters and one great-granddaughter. Her granddaughters are truly the love of her life. Rev E. Lorraine Brown is an avid lover of sports (baseball, football, basketball, and tennis). She loves spending time alone with God and in community through Prayer and Bible Study.

### **The Art of the Journal: Taking Time with God**

**This focus group will be about learning to take time with God by writing things down: gratitude, scripture, petitions and reflections. These will aid in guiding spiritual growth, even in the smallest of ways.**



**Ashley Johnson**

Ashley's class will be about learning to take time with God by writing things down: gratitude, scripture, prayers, petitions, and reflections.

She has been married to her husband and best friend, Michael, for 13 years. She has two spirited boys-- Lex, who is 11 years old, and Rigel, who is 6. She currently work's at Lufkin Middle School as a 7th grade science teacher and find ways to minister to her students through grace and love. She has a degree in Psychology from Stephen F. Austin State University; and is a graduate of UT Arlington with a Master's in Curriculum. In addition she also has taken up art journaling as a hobby, allowing her to share her gifts even more.

She is a member of First United Methodist Church in Nacogdoches. She currently serves as the UMW Unit Vice President for Nacogdoches First United Methodist Church and Communications Coordinator for the East District United Methodist Women.

**“The Message behind the Music”. The objectives for this focus group is to learn the origin of hymns, the inspiration in composing them and what they mean to us today.**



**Mattie Ordaz**

Mattie is a lifetime Methodist and a member of First United Methodist Church Navasota, TX. She is currently the Minister of Music at her home church, also the song leader at Anderson United Methodist Church, Anderson, TX. She is the Pianist for the early service on 2nd Sunday's. She's a retired nursing supervisor, past President of the Texas Conference United Methodist women. She is the mother of one daughter, grandmother of five boys and great grandmother of eight. In her spare time she enjoys crochet, plays Mexican train and Canasta pennies from Heaven. She loves outings with the Hockley Honies Red Hat Club, and does a little Christian Comedy.