

**Town Hall Educational Gathering**  
**October 9, 2022**  
**4:00 - 6:00 pm**  
**Christ Church, in Sanctuary & on christchurchsl.org**

**\*\*This gathering is being recorded and will be posted on the Jeremiah 29 webpage.**

Welcome, Introduction of Moderators, and Opening Prayer

Opening Song - Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (UMH No. 133)

Scripture - James 1:2-5

Setting the Stage

Bishop Jones's District Meeting video

A witness to remaining UMC, Rev. Brad Morgan, senior pastor, Memorial Drive UMC

A witness to affiliating GMC, Rev. Jim Bass, senior pastor, Friendswood UMC

Witness from ordained Christ Church pastors

Q & A via cards and texting

Closing Remarks

Closing Song - Spirit Song (UMH No. 347)

Sending Forth

## Meet Our Guest Pastors



Brad Morgan was a charter member of Christ United Methodist Church in Sugar Land and actively involved in leadership positions as a youth in the 1980s. The Christ UMC family taught Brad about grace and coming together across differences to follow Jesus.

Today, Brad is blessed to serve as the Senior Pastor of Memorial Drive United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas as an ordained elder in the Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. Currently, Brad serves in leadership roles beyond the local church on the Board of Trustees for Houston Methodist West Hospital, Executive Board for Perkins School of Theology (SMU), Alumni Council of Perkins School of Theology, Testimony HQ Advisory Board (Lilly Foundation), and as an Adjunct Faculty for the doctoral program of Truett Seminary of Baylor University.

Brad is married to his best friend Laura, and they are blessed with two children: John (21) and Kate (18). Laura is an Emergency Nurse at Houston Methodist West, John is a Senior at Southern Methodist University, and Kate is a Sophomore at the University of Texas in Austin.



Jim Bass is the senior pastor of Friendswood United Methodist Church, having also pastored congregations in Alvin, East Texas, West Houston, and Beaumont. He serves as the President of the Texas Conference chapter of the Wesleyan Covenant Association, as well as a member of the WCA Global Legislative Assembly. His greatest passion in ministry is to take the truths of God's Word and show how they apply to daily life today.

Jim graduated from Southwestern University with a degree in history and a minor in Greek and received his Master of Divinity degree from Perkins School of Theology at SMU.

He and his wife Debbie are the parents of two sons, Jeremy and Jason, both of whom have served in ministry as well.