

# The Chronicles

*Lutheran Church of the Resurrection*

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## **LENTEN FELLOWSHIP AND WORSHIP**

Every Wednesday night beginning at 6:30pm and ending with the beautiful Holden Evening Prayer. We will focus our time on discussing the question: What is faith? We will work our way through Hebrews 11-12 as we learn from our ancestors in faith: Noah, Abraham, Moses, Israelites, and of course Jesus.

## **HOLY WEEK JOURNEY & OPPORTUNITIES**

Begins with **Palm/Passion Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am**. The Passion Story tells the powerful story of Christ's arrest, trail, abandonment, suffering and crucifixion as the Son of Man fulfills his mission of obedience to God. When Jesus enters Jerusalem, the people proclaim, "*Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.*" How could the same people comprehend that they would finally see the King in all his glory hanging on the cross? The service begins with shouts of joy; but ends in the somberness of the Passion, which is the focus of Holy Week. This is a great day that reminds us why we take extra time throughout Holy Week to come together to honor where our faith comes from and in whom we trust.

**Maundy Thursday Agape Meal, April 21<sup>st</sup>, @ 6:00pm**. We gather on the night our Lord was betrayed realizing our Lenten journey is nearly over. Maundy Thursday is a time of reconciliation between God and ourselves and those around us. As we seek forgiveness of sin we recount Jesus example of servant hood as the washing of the disciples' feet and the meal he once offered his disciples.

This will be a new style of worship this year. We will come together for a light meal – soup & bread as well as the Lord's Meal – as we honor Jesus' moments of servant hood with his disciples. Our worship will begin in the Fellowship Hall and end in the sanctuary. As his life was stripped from him, so we strip the altar of the signs of life to symbolize his purposeful, redemptive suffering and death for us. We leave in silence knowing his life is about to end. (*Please see posters and sign-up sheets in the church to help with this wonderful worship experience. We will need table hosts, break makers and set-up people.*)

**Community Good Friday Worship, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ Noon, Cypress Creek Church**. Join the community at the most holy of hours this week. The area pastors and churches will come together to journey through the stations of the cross through meditative words, scripture, music and movement.

**Good Friday Tenebrae, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:30pm**. We enter in the silence that we left the night before and join Jesus at the cross. A service of darkness is observed to impress upon the minds and hearts of the faithful the tragic consequences of sin and the greatness of the Savior's sacrifice on Calvary. Traditionally, the ceremony embodies the scriptural reading of Jesus' last hours on the cross, prayer, hymn, silence and the extinguishing of existing light, thus casting the entire sanctuary into total darkness. We hear and mediate on his last words from the cross. Then we depart and wait.....

**Easter Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** – Egg Hunt, Worship & Brunch will all be a part of our celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

### **LENTEN MEALS**

There are still two Wednesday evening Lenten meals left. We have had some really good soup and sandwiches and a big thank-you goes out to those that have provided them. The last two are not fully staffed. We are in need of hosts to set up tables, make drinks and clean up. There are also slots for soup and sandwiches makers available. Please sign up and help out in these areas. Your assistance will be appreciated and will count towards the 5-HOUR CHALLENGE.

### **EASTER BRUNCH**

Are you ready for another delicious LCR Easter Brunch? It is happening again only it will be at 11:00am following our 10:00am Easter service. The egg hunt for the children will be at 9:30am. There will be two sign-up sheets. One will be a headcount for your family and any guests you might be bringing. This is very important so we will know how many to prepare for foodwise and how many tables need to be set up for seating everyone. The other will be a list of food items we will be needing. There will be egg casseroles, fruit platters or salads, sweet breads and other items to sign up for. Please sign up for at least one item and if you are bringing guests, you might want to consider signing up for a second item to make sure we will have plenty for all, including any walk-in guests.



### **HAVE YOU HEARD --- WE ARE ON THE RADIO!**

You can listen to LCR's broadcast at 11:00am on Sunday mornings on KDRP – 103.1fm & 100.1fm. You can also go to [www.kdrplive.org](http://www.kdrplive.org) and hear us on the web. The following are excerpts from the Austin American Statesman about the radio station.

*KDRP Radio in Dripping Springs does its own thing - and that's the way its operators and listeners like it. Since the fall of 2009, the nonprofit, community-supported station has grown to encompass an area of more than 100,000 listeners in Hays, Blanco and Travis counties. Its managers say they've worked to make the station the voice of the Dripping Springs area.*

*"Our main purpose is to serve the community," said Ryan Schuh, the station's general manager.*

*The station is licensed by the FCC as a "low power" station. It streams its content via the Internet to its two towers, which allows listeners to tune in online or on smartphones, Schuh said. They've had listeners in California and Afghanistan, and their site gets about 1,300 visitors a day.*

*"We see the future of radio as Internet-based," Schuh said.*

*"We're trying to create some real radio out here in the Hill Country," Daryl O'Neal (title "volunteer") said. "And it's working."*

## WHAT IS THIS 5-HOUR CHALLENGE?

As you may have heard in church or read in previous newsletters or will read several times in this newsletter --- the LCR Council has put forth a 5-Hour Challenge to the congregation. So what is this all about?

Did you know that according to a recent survey of people who volunteer [conducted by Success Magazine (9/10)]...

**68%** say it makes them feel physically healthier,

**73%** say it lowers their stress level,

**92%** say it enriches their sense of purpose in life!

Wow --- those are amazing numbers. So why not volunteer? Why not put forth yourself, outside of your own needs, to help someone else?!?! So to help us all be healthier, lower our stress level and feel a greater sense of purpose --- we are challenged to serve with our hands and feet, hearts and minds to help our neighbor.

How might you serve? Where might you serve? Be watching for stories of how people have filled this challenge and are beginning to challenge themselves with even more servant hood. We can't wait to hear your story!

## COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP TIME

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all those in March and April that have taken a turn at making the coffee, bringing snacks, and cleaning up after our fellowship time. There have been lots of goodies for anyone who has stayed to visit after the service. There will be new sheets out for May and June. Please help out the fellowship team by signing up to help cover these jobs each Sunday. Remember the 5 HOUR CHALLENGE, this could be a great way to help achieve you goal to give LCR 5 hours of your time OR more in the coming year.



## CHURCH PROPERTY

The annual **SPRING CLEANING** will be on **April 9<sup>th</sup>** starting at **9:00am**. Lunch will be provided around noon. We will be cleaning the inside of the building and doing as much work outside as we have people for. Several things that need to be done are cleaning of fans in the fellowship hall, clean the pews, wash the light globes and change light bulbs as needed in the Sanctuary, clean the windows, trim bushes, clean A/C grates and inspect filters, repair the lights on the sign, wash out A/C condenser coils, clean out entrance garden and put in new mulch, clean fans on porch.

There is a lot to do but with participation from all we can get it done. A sign-up sheet will be passed around on April 3<sup>rd</sup> so everyone can sign-up for something they feel like they can do. If anyone has a 10ft. ladder that they can bring that would allow us to work in two places. The church has a 10ft. ladder but two would help.

The hot water has been fixed so you will find plenty of hot water at the all the sinks and the dishwashers.

## Prayer List

We continue to pray for all who are ill and recovering and receiving treatments or testing and for Tammy Nelms, Betty Spickler, Pam Longoria, Hugh Ellington, Jim Valentine (father of Jason Valentine), Kelly King LeBouef (daughter of Doris King), Dot Currie (sister of Dirk Dierking), Jill Vantine (daughter of Bobbi & Jim Vantine), Aiden Pederson (friend of Lois Hickman), Chase Hutchinson (grand-nephew of Brenda Moore), Chelsea Livingston (granddaughter of Dorcy Rhea), Samatha Stotland (friend of Brenda Moore), Colleen Toppett and all care givers that devote their time to care for those they love.

Please be in prayer for our family and friends who are serving our country either stateside or overseas. Pray daily for peace in our world, particularly in Libya and the Middle East, and for all who suffer the consequences of war. We continue to pray for those who are hungry and for those who serve them. Please be in prayer for the Lord to replenish the earth as He sees fit. We also lift in prayer the families that are struggling with separation and divorce.

### **WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH!**

#### **THANK YOU TO.....**

All who volunteered and/or prayed for the efforts of the Big Serve on the Wimberley ISD and Katherine Anne Porter School campuses. The grounds look wonderful and your work did not go unappreciated.

The road clean-up on RR 12 on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to: Judy & Chad Kracht; Dirk Dierking; Melinda & Sam Ellisor; Dianne & Colten Kilpatrick; Brandon, Natalie & Nicolas Merkord; Ben, Lynn, Madelyn, Hannah, Bella, & Benjamin Raska; Mike Schliessmann; Al Strobel; Pastor Jennifer and Angie Rose. Maybe you saw the trash sacks piled at the sign on RR 12! It's great to see LCR on that sign!

To Ben Raska and Brandon Merkord for their continued guidance on Taco Sunday for the LCR youth. Also thanks to Mike & Shirley Schliessmann, Harriet Powell and Angie Rose for doing the shopping and contributing the "fixings" for the past months.

To all who participated in worship and dinner with the Texas State students in Dr. Jaime's Higher Ground night. Dinner was provided and LCR participated in worship at Christ Chapel. Thanks to: Madelyn, Hannah and Ben Raska; Brandon and Nicolas Merkord; Samuel, Ethan and Melinda Ellisor; Amy Westphal, Harriet Powell and Angie Rose. For our youth to visit a college campus and participate in worship there, we feel, is a good experience.

To everyone who prays for our youth on a daily basis. LCR youth are important participants in all we do at LCR. In addition, some special events and activities are planned with and for youth only. Pray for LCR youth as they face the challenges and opportunities of everyday!

Dear Pastor Jennifer and LCR,

We want to thank you for all your support of the Friends of the Wimberley Village Library. We applaud you for always supporting all the organizations in Wimberley and their special projects. Your beautiful church is the perfect place for our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

God bless you always.

Friends of the Wimberley Village Library

### **LISTEN TO THE SOUND TOUR**

Building 429 with Revive and Anthem Lights on Monday, April 11th @ 7:00pm at Cypress Creek Church (211 Stillwater). For tickets and info go to [www.cypresscreekchurch.com](http://www.cypresscreekchurch.com)

## **ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE DIRECTORY**

We welcome Scott & Linda Snyder and Amy Westphal who joined the church on Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>. The Snyder's are already listed in your directory, so please be sure to add Amy.

Amy Westphal  
1441 Leah Avenue, #106  
San Marcos, TX 78666  
Tel: 512-618-2793  
E-mail: [ditzyjogirlio@yahoo.com](mailto:ditzyjogirlio@yahoo.com)

Please make a correction in the directory: Harriet Powell's phone number is 847-5383.

## **MISSION OF THE MONTH: LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

We are still taking collections for LWR. Layettes, health kits, soap, school kits are all available for donation. If you would rather give a monetary donation please indicate on your offering envelope that the funds are for LWR.

## **GOT IDEAS???????**

As Council and individual committees continue planning the year's calendar of events, fellowship would like to include any ideas you might have for fellowship activities. This can be a family event, adult time or something just for the women or the men. You can e-mail me at [gayleweir@msn.com](mailto:gayleweir@msn.com), put a note in my box, or give me a call anytime. We would like to include activities for everyone and welcome any ideas, even a thumbs up on a past activity you would like to see repeated, such as game night, Punch on the Porch, movie, whatever you would enjoy doing at LCR with your church family. Let me know soon so we can get it on the calendar.

Fellowship Chair, Gayle Weir

## **PLAN AHEAD - MOTHER'S DAY MEAL**

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm** in LCR's Fellowship Hall for a Mother's Day Dinner. This is a fundraiser hosted by the 10 participants that are either attending summer camp or the summer mission experience. The cost for the meal is \$15 (\$10 for children under 10) and includes steak/grilled chicken breast/vegetarian option with zucchini and a baked potato, salad, dessert, wine and other beverages. Be watching for youth selling tickets or call the church office for a ticket.



## **MEXICAN TRAIN**

An event that takes place each month at the church – and is open to all who wish to come and join the fun. In case you aren't aware – this is a dominoes game. If you've never heard of it and wish to learn – come and join us. Whether you are an expert or a beginner – you will fit right in with this crowd of LCR folks. We play on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, beginning at 12:30pm. The next play date is **April 21<sup>st</sup>**. If you would like to be on the e-mail list of dates, please contact Shirley Schliessmann.

## **HAND & FOOT**

We have started another game day here at church: Hand and Foot. It's a card game similar to Canasta and fun to play. The second and fourth Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. is when the group meets. If you want to be on the email reminder list, contact Colleen at 847-3386.

## **LIFE LINE SCREENING**

LCR will be hosting another Life Line Screening day on **Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** in the fellowship hall. Life Line Screening's goal is to save lives through preventive stroke/vascular screening efforts. If you'd like the first opportunity to sign up for this service, please contact Dorcy Rhea.

## **CREATING PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY**

Barnabas Connection (our local helping agency) is sponsoring "A Dialogue About Needs in the Wimberley Community." It will be held on **Thursday evenings in May from 6:30 to 8:00pm**. Weekly focuses include:

May 5: What is poverty?

May 12: How do we help people living in poverty?

May 19: What are our community needs and resources?

May 26: What are our next steps?

The goals of the discussion are to bring together leaders and interested parties in the community to better understand and create an awareness of the circumstances of poverty & to dialogue about sustainable solutions that will create pathways out of poverty for our Wimberley neighbors. Please see the posters and flyers in the church for more information. An RSVP to participate is requested. The discussion will be located at the Wimberley United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall.

## **AN INVITATION TO LUNCH**

Austin Conference 2011 Spring Assembly (Pre-Synod Assembly meeting), complete with a light lunch, will take place on **Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** @ Lord of Life Lutheran Church (9700 Neenah Ave., Austin). Lunch is at 1:30pm and the meeting will begin at 2:15pm. Up to six members of our congregation may attend. Lori & T Temoney will be attending as our delegates to Synod Assembly. Please talk to Pastor Jennifer if you would like to attend.

## **ACT QUICKLY – TODAY IS THE CUTOFF FOR RESERVATIONS!!**

### **LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY SPRING GATHERING**

*Featuring a performance by*

*Austin singer **Erin Ivey***

[www.erinivey.com](http://www.erinivey.com)

**Saturday, April 9, 2011, 6-8pm**

*\$30 per person*

**University Lutheran Student Center**

2100 San Antonio Street

Austin, TX 78705

*Wine, cheese and chocolate provided*

*Reservations required by March 31<sup>st</sup> at*

[lcmut@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lcmut@sbcglobal.net) or 512-472-5461

***Please join us and celebrate with friends.***

**BEING STEWARDS OF GOD'S MONEY....**

**February**

**General Fund –**

Total Giving \$7521

Expenditures \$11854

Mission Plan \$8,000

**Building Fund -**

Total Giving \$1,750

Mission Plan \$1,821

*Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all you produce. (Proverbs 3:9)*

**May - Mark Your Calendars! – Watch for more details later.**

1 – Confirmation, 2-5pm @ New Hope, Blanco

1 – Pre-Assembly Meeting in Austin

7 – Mother's Day Dinner (fundraiser), 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

14-15 – Synod Assembly in Victoria, TX

15 – Deer Creek Devotions, 3:30pm

# HOLY WEEK

## Worship Services

**April 17<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 10:00 a.m.**  
**Palm/Passion Sunday Worship**

**April 21<sup>st</sup>, Thursday 6:00 p.m.**  
**Maundy Thursday Agape Meal**

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Friday 7:30 p.m.**  
**Good Friday Tenebrae or Service of Darkness**

## Easter Sunday

April 24<sup>th</sup>

**Egg Hunt 9:30 a.m.**

**Worship Service 10:00 a.m.**

**Easter Brunch 11:15 a.m.**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

					<i>Happy Anniversary</i>
04-02	Mike Schliessmann	04-15	Paula Johnson	04-20	Al & Jan Erlandson
04-04	Hannah Raska	04-22	Joyce Bradshaw	04-21	Brian & Lynn Alderman
04-06	Travis Kilpatrick	04-24	Emily Merkord	04-21	Steve & Sherry Thompson
04-07	James Hollinger	04-25	Kevin Kaye		
04-08	Tammy Nelms	04-28	Lynn Alderman		
04-13	Stephen Hohmann	04-28	Sally Sherwood		
			<b>CONGRATULATIONS!</b>	<b>Note: If we missed your special day or printed it incorrectly, please notify the church office...</b>	

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

		3	10	17	24	
Readers	10:00	Melinda Ellisor	JoAnne Miller	Beverly Ladzinski	Dianne Kilpatrick	
Worship Assistant	10:00	Mike Schliessmann	Dorcy Rhea	Harriet Powell	Colleen Kaye	
Acolytes	10:00	Sam Ellisor	Bella Raska	Natalie Merkord	Colten Kilpatrick	
Ushers	10:00	Ellisor/Kilpatrick	Raskas/Merkords	Dierkings	M.Schliessmann/ J.Valentine	
Child Care	10:00	Melanie Garrett	Natalie & Emily Merkord	Madelyn Raska	Holley Hickman	
Hospitality	10:00	Angie Rose	Lynn Raska	Beverly Ladzinski	Brenda Moore	
Altar Guild	10:00	Beverly Ladzinski	Shirley Schliessmann	Carol Dierking	Brenda Moore	
Counters		Colleen Kaye	James Hollinger	Brandon Merkord	H.Mettenbrink & J. Valentine	

**NOTE TO READERS:** The **Scripture readings** for the week you serve **will be in your box** at the beginning of the month. **We encourage you to take them home and read through them prior to your Sunday to share your gift** with the congregation. **Pronunciation Guides are available** – one under the Lectern (where you read) and the other in the Church office. **IMPORTANT MESSAGE: If you can't**

**be present** on the Sunday you are signed up to serve, please remember to **find your own replacement!!**  
**This is vital** to making sure all leadership roles are filled each week. Thanks! 😊

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