

# THE CHRONICLES

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**I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?** -- Isaiah 43:19

When you think about this verse, where in your life do you see this verse coming alive? Is it a new friendship, a new family member, a new skill or hobby, a new or renewed sense of God's grace and love in your life? I would probably say yes to each of those in one way or another. I believe that God is always about bringing new into our lives but sometimes it is hard to see, perceive and welcome. We walk by faith and not by sight.

Our journey of redevelopment is an invitation to live into this promise. One of the key parts of this will be in deepening our relationship with God. We do this by spending time each day reading the Bible and praying. Spending time wondering what God is saying to you and inviting you to be the hands and feet of Christ. Our time of worship is about coming together to celebrate and give thanks for everything that God has given and done for us and be fed and nourished for the next steps in the journey.

While we deepen our relationship with God we are also called to continue to strengthen our relationships with one another and our community. Whether it is staying for coffee fellowship, joining our voices with the residents at Deer Creek Nursing Home, or getting together for a picnic, concert or to cheer on our youth at soccer or baseball. Over the summer we will be planning some congregation wide learning events and fellowship.

Again, we walk by faith and not by sight. We are part of the gospel promise of the Holy Spirit to lead us and awaken our faith. That is part of the Easter message. That Christ walks with us and promises us peace. At the same time calls us to move forward, try new things and live in faith.

God is always about doing new things. This may be new ideas springing forth, new folks joining us in worship, new places for us to connect into the community being the hands and feet of Christ. I also believe that God has a great sense of humor. God created everything including giraffes with their long necks and hippopotamus'. Maybe I'll write more about God's sense of humor down the road.

Peace,

Pastor Becky

## **REDEVELOPMENT TEAM**

The Redevelopment Team has begun their work! The members are Ron Weir, Lois Hickman, Corey Heidt and Pastor Becky. Our work is about leading the journey of deepening our relationship with God, each other and our community. We invite all of you to join us in prayer and conversation. Pray for one another and for our congregation that we be wise and courageous as we journey together as people of faith. Conversations will continue to take place in lots of different ways. We want to talk about where God is working in your life and how you see God at work in our community. These conversations will be informal as well as formal and be an ongoing part of our journey together.

## MAY'S MISSION OF THE MONTH: CRISIS BREAD BASKET

**The Crisis Bread Basket's** purpose is to supply food to Wimberley's families (on a temporary basis) that are experiencing financial difficulties. This is a volunteer run organization. All funds given are primarily used to purchase food. On an average week (open only two days) the CBB serves about 50 people and they are currently noticing the rise of those numbers.



Distribution Hours: Tuesday, 5:30-6:30p.m.  
Thursday, 3:00-4:00p.m.

**If you would like to give a monetary donation to the CBB, please indicate on your offering envelope or complete the section below and place it in the offering plate. We will also collect food items throughout the month for delivery to CBB.**

## Council Corner

### COUNCIL News at a Glance

We welcome Chris Weaver as our new Council Secretary. Chris will serve for the nine months remaining of the two year term vacated by Colleen Kaye. Welcome and thank you Chris!

LCR hosted Healthy Congregation Workshop #2 on April 11, which was facilitated by Pastor Lori Ruge-Jones. We had a good turnout of LCR members and are in the process of setting a date for HCW #3, the final workshop. Please stay tuned.

Our next meeting will be May 24.

President – Blaine Nelson  
Vice President – T Temoney  
Secretary – Chris Weaver  
Treasurer – Mary Rodgers  
Members at Large – Doris King,  
Billie Navarro and Autry Burns  
Pastor – Rebecca Sogge

### SYNOD ASSEMBLY MAY 1-3, 2015

Each year the synod meets on an annual basis. This weekend the annual meeting is in McAllen, TX. Pastor Becky and Billie Navarro will be representing our congregation. The theme this year is "Welcome the Stranger". *Matthew 25:35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.* Please pray for all of those attending!

### MOTHER'S DAY

**MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>** – How do you say thank the person who holds you when you cry, puts those funny bandages on your hurts, and loves you unconditionally? Mother's Day is the day you can explore all the possibilities – flowers, gifts, a big HUG, or some quiet time – whatever makes your Mom happy. Moms are even happy with just a "Thank You for being my Mom". So take some time and remember your Mom or that special person who fills those shoes.

### LCR DIRECTORY SUPPLEMENTS

Supplements to the 2015 directories will be in your mailbox! Welcome to our new members: Pat Ehrhart, John and Ann Fox, Corey and Rebecca Heidt!

## **CHURCH PICNIC IS COMING!**



Save the date of **June 14** right after church. A picnic is being planned at Blue Hole for a little Food, Fun, Singing and Games. More information will be coming soon but please block the date and plan to come.

## **SIGN-UP for INTEREST GROUPS**

In an effort to continue on with the small group concept that was started last year but have bogged down we are trying to develop smaller groups centered on interest. There is no limit to what the group can do. A sign-up sheet is provided in the Narthex that allows you to put your name and what interest group you might want to be in. Once the list is complete the names will be paired up and a group established for that purpose. We already have interest groups functioning in the form of quilting. There is no limit to how many groups you can be a part of or how often the groups will get together, that will be up to the group. Please take this opportunity to become involved with other members of LCR.



## **AUTOMATED DONATIONS – SIMPLY GIVING**

There is a program in place here at LCR where your offering can be deducted from your checking account each month automatically. It is called Simply Giving. For more information or to sign up please talk to our financial secretary, JoAnne Miller.

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF TOTALS**

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mike Schliessmann delivered our kits to the collection site at TLU. Doris King and Colleen Kaye packed up the following kits: Quilts – 95, Personal Care Kits – 5, Baby Kits – 3, and 51 pounds of soap. Thanks to all of you who contributed to these kits and to all who work on quilts throughout the year.

## **HIGHWAY CLEAN UP**

Don't Mess with LCR when it comes to cleaning up the roadway on Highway 12! Harlan Mettenbrink is organizing the next clean up for Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. The clean up team will meet in the church parking lot! Please bring along your teenagers and some gloves! Be prepared to make a difference in Wimberley!

## **HAND & FOOT**

It's a card game similar to Canasta and fun to play. We play every Monday at 1:00 p.m except Memorial Day, May 25th. We will no longer be sending an email reminder since this will be occurring weekly!

## **MEXICAN TRAIN**

This is open to all who wish to come and join the fun. In case you aren't aware – this is a dominoes game. 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 1:00 PM. The next play date is **May 16<sup>th</sup>**. Billie Navarro is our hostess that day. If you would like to be on the e-mail reminder list, please contact Shirley Schliessmann.



We continue to pray for all who are ill and recovering and receiving treatments or testing and for the Roger Wolfgram (Joan Mohr's brother), Kerry Johnson (friend of Beverly Ladzinski), Mitch Hill, Estelle Hill, Mitch Hill, Beverly Ladzinski, Jon Miller (Jo Anne's son), Debi Moore (Sister-in-law of Patti Gibson), Bob Karpola, Grace Lesak, (Ben's cousin), Kaylee Carew, Tyler Proue, Gini Bouzard, Mary Ann, Aunt Mary (Felicia Neigut's Aunt), Melinda Pace (Pastor Becky's cousin), Ron Detling, Carol Dierking, Michelle Getty (Daughter of Mary Rodgers), Kesha Rodgers (Daughter-in-law of Mary Rodgers), for the people of Nepal 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 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 God sees fit. We also lift in prayer the families that are struggling with separation and divorce.



## **LOOKING AHEAD: LIFE LINE SCREENING**

On Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, LCR will again host the Seton Healthcare Family Life Line Screening. Early detection can prevent 80% of strokes, 1 in 3 have diabetes but don't know it, heart disease is preventable and controllable. This screening can help detect your risk for serious disease. Pre-registration is required. You can call 1-888-653-6450 or go online to [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners) and receive a \$10.00 discount. You can also pick up a flier on the welcome table.

## **PRINT CARTRIDGE AND CELL PHONE RECYCLE - GO GREEN!**

Remember to save your print cartridges and recycle them at church. Place the used cartridge in a plastic bag and put it in the box displayed by the sanctuary. The church receives monies from this free-to-us program. Laser/toner cartridges are NOT recycled with this program. We're also participating in the cell phone recycle program as well. Just the cell phone is required – no accessories. The box for cell phones is right next to the cartridge box.

# Thank You

## WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH!

A huge Thanks goes out to all who contributed food, served and organized the Easter Sunday brunch and Easter Egg Hunt-Lori Temoney indicated we had about 50 people attend and everything went quite well. Special thanks to Shirley and Mike Schliessmann for setting up the tables and putting the tablecloths on. Everyone brought food, helped set it up and helped with the clean up. Jerry and Dorothy Tasian and Dianne Kilpatrick helped load up the dishwashers.

The Merkord's and Isler's are to be thanked for the excellent job they did in decorating the church for the Easter celebration!

Many thanks to all who contributed candy for the Easter Egg Hunt and to the Adult Education class for stuffing the eggs!

During Lent and Easter week many people stepped up as worship helpers. Thanks to all whom many have contributed their time and talents!

The Healthy Congregation workshop #2 was held on April 11<sup>th</sup>. We had 13 members participate. Lori Temoney did a wonderful job preparing a delicious lunch for all the participants! Thanks, Lori and for all who attended.

Thanks to the folks who came to the New Member potluck lunch and gave the new members a wonderful welcome! Special thanks go to Ron & Gayle Weir, Dianne Kilpatrick, Shirley Schliessmann, Lois Hickman and Lynn Raska who organized and contributed food and time to ensure the success!

Devotions at Deer Creek were well attended on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Becky played her guitar and was joined by Blaine Nelson, Lois Hickman, Angie Rose, Jo Anne Miller, Paula Johnson, Dianne and Colten Kilpatrick, and Pat Ehrhart. Thanks to everyone for showing up and showing compassion to our Senior citizens.

Shirley Schliessmann is always helping in one way or another! Special thanks goes to her for helping to train the many new worship helpers to learn their roles, for keeping the slideshow up to date and for the latest supplement to the LCR Directory!

The Wimberley Ministerial Alliance enjoyed a nice lunch on Wed. April 22<sup>nd</sup> here at LCR. Thanks goes out to Blaine Nelson, Shirley Schliessmann and Linda Snyder for preparing and serving this to the Wimberley pastors.



# HAPPY GRADUATION DAY

## MILESTONE MINISTRY – GRADUATION

We have two graduates among our members this year – Nicolas Merkord and Annika Sogge! Nicolas is graduating from Wimberley High School and Annika will graduate from Buffalo High School, Buffalo, MN. Congratulations on this achievement!!

### June- Mark Your Calendars! – Watch for more details later.

12<sup>th</sup> – Lifeline Screening

14<sup>th</sup> – Church Picnic

14<sup>th</sup>- Deer Creek Devotions

21st – Father’s Day

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

					<i>Happy Anniversary</i>
05-06	Blaine Nelson	05-24	Colten Kilpatrick	05-24	Corey and Rebecca Heidt
05-08	Mikaela Sogge	05-29	Sam Ellisor		
05-11	Danny Hickman	05-30	T Temoney		
05-24	Al Strobel				
			<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	31
Readers	10:30	Natalie Merkord	Vincent Gordin	Dianne Kilpatrick	Lori Temoney	Billie Navarro
Worship Assistant	10:30	Lois Hickman	Blaine Nelson	Corey Heidt	Chris Weaver	Doris King
Acolytes	10:30	Abigail Burtschell	Benjamin Raska	Claire Valentine	Abigail Burtschell	Isabella Raska
Ushers	10:30	Merkord's	Raska's	Travis/Colten Kilpatrick	T. Temoney/H. Mettenbrink	Weir's
Greeter	10:30	Linda Snyder	Lynn Raska	Jo Anne Miller	Angie Rose	Joan Mohr
Altar Guild	10:30	Shirley Schliessmann	Beverly Ladzinski	Dianne Kilpatrick	Judy Dunn	Doris King
Counters		Tamela/Arturo Flores	Mettenbrink/Valentine	Schliessmann/Miller	Brandon Merkord	Mettenbrink/Valentine
Snacks		Dorothy Tasian	TBD	TBD	Londa Burns	Snyder's

**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. Feel free to take and use them whenever needed.

**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! ☺

**Bulletin Folders**

May 6: Blaine Nelson

May 13: Shirley Schliessmann

May 20: Paula Johnson

May 27: Pat Ehrhart