

THE CHRONICLES

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*O Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
Psalm 107:1*

A while back I read a brief article that something like: life is 10% things that happen to us and 90% how we choose to respond. With that in mind, we have plenty of choice to make in life. We can choose to be thankful or we can choose to be jealous. We can go about counting our blessings and giving thanks or we can count someone else's blessings and be jealous.

We have a lot of things for which we can say "thank you". For the gift of each new day "...this is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!" We have life and health. We all experience many kindnesses shown by our family and friends. We live with freedoms that others throughout world only dream of. We are free to worship.

As God's people we have much to be thankful for. God hasn't given up on the world but sees our brokenness and works for our healing and wholeness. God is steadfast in his love for us, bringing hope in difficult times. God 'get's it' that we need constant reminders of his love and through the bread and wine of Holy Communion says, "I love you, I forgive you."

I hope that as you gather with family and friends to celebrate the Day of Thanksgiving that you take time to give thanks with and for each other. But, also, take time each day to give thanks – to live as grateful and blessed people.

In Christ,
Pastor Becky

Council Corner

COUNCIL News at a Glance

Council met on Oct. 26 - highlights of items discussed:

Stewardship – The culmination of our Stewardship effort will be Nov. 15, when members bring their pledges forward. We will host a pot luck following services to celebrate LCR's anniversary.

Constitution – Council members reviewed our Constitution and the current Positions for Council members and recommend we continue with the existing Council structure moving forward. Autry will head the Nominating Committee to seek members for vacating Council positions.

Upcoming – Road Clean-up, Emily Ann Trail of Lights, Healthy Congregation Workshop

President – Blaine Nelson

Vice President – Autry Burns

Secretary – Chris Weaver

Treasurer – Mary Rodgers

Member at Large – Shirley Schliessmann

Jo Anne Miller – Advisor (non-voting)

Pastor – Rebecca Sogge

REMEMBER

to set your Clocks



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Remember to set your clocks back on Nov. 1st.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Sat. **Nov. 7th** at the church at 9:30am. New and seasoned knitters and crocheters are welcome. For questions, contact Pat Ehrhart at 512-964-0800.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY ROAD CLEAN UP

The next highway clean up date is **Sat. Nov. 14th** beginning at 9am at LCR. Frank Bauer will head up this project. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. Many hands make little work!

AMAZON DONATION

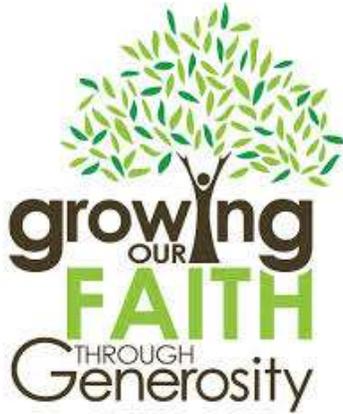
If you do your holiday shopping online at Amazon.com please consider using the [Amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/amazonsmile) website which allows you to select Lutheran Church of the Resurrection. The church receives a donation from Amazon on a quarterly basis of 5% of the amount spent by those who use this program.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The next church council meeting will be held on Mon. Nov. 23rd at 9:30 am.

DEER CREEK DEVOTIONS

The next Deer Creek Devotions will be held on Sunday, Nov. 29th at 3:30pm. Please join us if you're able.



LCR STEWARDSHIP EFFORT

October 4 - November 15

Over the past few weeks we have heard messages about Stewardship and have had time to reflect on what stewardship means for us individually and our lives at LCR.

On Sunday, November 15 we will culminate our Stewardship effort "Growing our Faith through Generosity" On that day members will bring their Partnership Promise sheets (pledges) forward to the altar to place on the Giving Tree.



Following church service there will be a church wide POTLUCK to celebrate LCR's anniversary and the culmination of our stewardship drive. Sign-up sheets for food items will be available.



Adult Education

Please join us at 9:30 on Sunday mornings for Christian Education. Corey Heidt is facilitating our study of the book "We Make the Road by Walking – A Year-Long Quest for Spiritual Formation, Reorientation and Activation" by Brian D. McLaren. Even if you have never come to Adult Ed or can't come every week – no problem. We will discuss one chapter each week and the chapters stand independently. Books are still available. Any questions, call Blaine Nelson 512-722-3148 or Corey Heidt 281-513-6200.

"...guard my teachings as the apple of your eye." – Proverbs 7:2

LCR'S WALL OF CROSSES

Many who visit LCR for the first time invariably comment on the beautiful array of crosses surrounding the fellowship hall windows. You might hear comments like, "Such a variety!" or "This is my favorite!" or "What an unusual cross this one is!" or "This one looks like it came from Mexico."

There's a tradition that explains why the crosses are there which those who are new to the congregation may not know.

For one thing, every member/memberfamily is invited to add a cross to the wall when they join LCR's family. If you've joined LCR recently and haven't added your cross, we hope you will do so!



Significant events, special occasions or milestones in a member's life might also be commemorated with a cross. Crosses have been contributed in honor of a child's baptism or in memory of a deceased loved one. The largest and probably most distinctive cross—the one made of copper—was the project of a summer Vacation Bible school class. One member added a cross she'd purchased on a trip to Israel. Sometimes members merely want to share a cross that they like with their church family.

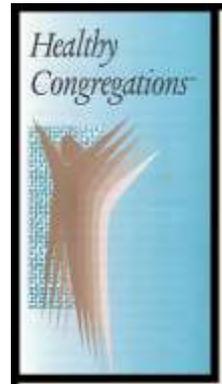
Each and every cross is special to someone. Together their effect is impressive and awe-inspiring for all. Please consider adding one that has special meaning for you.

Save the Date

New Date for Healthy Congregation Workshop #3

– Sat. January 30, 2016

Healthy Congregation Workshop #3 has been rescheduled for Sat. Jan. 30th, 2016. This workshop is for all members in a leadership position and is encouraged for everyone. This workshop will be free of charge and will promote a growing together as a congregation.



Read more about it in the attachment to this newsletter.

Yoga at LCR Ends

After 14 years, Raine St. Claire has decided to discontinue her Tuesday/Thursday yoga classes at LCR. She has extended her sincere thanks for the use of the fellowship hall for all this time.

Thank You

WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH!

Many thanks to Paula Johnson, Al Stroebel, Blaine Nelson, Mikki Sogge and Pastor Becky for their ongoing fellowship at Deer Creek.

Thank you to Mike Schliessmann and Brandon Merkord for doing the mowing and trimming around the church! We all appreciate it!

Thank you to the Kilpatrick's for the altar flowers and to the Kilpatrick's and Mary Rodgers for the snacks in October! The sign-ups for altar flowers and snack service is now located in the yellow binder in the narthex.

Prayer List

We continue to pray for all who are ill and recovering and receiving treatments or testing especially: Doris King, Beverly Ladzinski, Danny Hickman, Mitch and Estelle Hill, Tyler Proue, Ginny Bouzard, Kay Ann Stenson, Melinda Pace, Molly Trebus (friend of Sogge family), Dan Claremont (dad of Holly Hickman's friend) and all caregivers that devote their time for those they love.

Continue to pray for those who are hungry and for those who serve them.

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

December 24th – Christmas Eve Worship at 5:30 PM
December 25th - Christmas Day

				<i>Happy Anniversary</i>	
11-02	Jim Ellisor	11-20	Chris Weaver	11-15	Estelle & Mitch Hill
11-04	Tripp Temoney	11-27	Jenny Durkin	11-24	Jim & Melinda Ellisor
11-12	Jason Valentine	11-28	Ron Weir	11-30	Tamela Jarvais-Flores and Arturo Flores
11-17	Isabella Raska	11-30	Enid Isler		
			CONGRATULATIONS!	Note: If we missed your special day or printed it incorrectly, please notify the church office...	

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

November	1	8	15	22	29
Assistant Minister	Shirley S.	Lois Hickman	Chris Weaver	Rebecca Heidt	Blaine Nelson
Acolytes	Abigail Burttschell	Ben Raska	Claire Valentine	Vincent Gordin	Shirley S.
Readers	Autry Burns	Jo Anne Miller	Angie Rose	Joan Mohr	Mikki Sogge
Ushers	Travis/Colten Kilpatrick	Arturo Flores/Al Stroebel	Gayle & Ron Weir	Al Stroebel/Mikki Sogge	Merkord Family
Altar Guild	Shirley S.	Dianne Kilpatrick	Chris Weaver	Pat Ehrhart	Dianne Kilpatrick
Greeter	Joan Mohr	Lynn Raska	Angie Rose	Jo Anne Miller	Blaine Nelson
Counters	Shirley S./Jo Anne Miller	Tamela/Arturo Flores	Jason Valentine	Joan Mohr/Jo Anne Miller	Brandon Merkord

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

Nov. 4: Blaine Nelson

Nov. 11: Shirley Schliessmann

Nov. 18: Paula Johnson

Nov. 25: Pat Ehrhart