

# THE CHRONICLES

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## **Take hold of the life that really is life. 1 Timothy 6:18-19**

For the last few weeks it seems as though every time I would get in the car and the radio would come on I would hear the song, “Breathe” by Jonny Diaz. The song runs through a typical day for many people and centers on this refrain:

Breathe, just breathe  
Come and rest at My feet  
And be, just be  
Chaos calls but all you really need  
Is to just breathe

It is what I needed to hear and be reminded of. It is what I have often told my girls throughout their lives. Just take a deep breath. Breathe.

That goes along with a recent conversation I was a part of where I heard the phrase, “A simple life is an easy life.”

There are plenty of things that demand our attention, our time and can add to the frenzy that many of us feel. The messages we hear are more, more, more but I would like to invite you to breathe and live more simply.

Google can offer millions of suggestions. Here are the three that caught my attention on the first page of my search: 72 ideas to Simplify Your Life: Zen habits; 1000 ideas about Simple Living on Pinterest; and an actual Simple Living Institute.

Our Stewardship Theme is “Live Simply.” In the Giving Magazine, Lynn Miller writes: To start with, living simply has more to do with the “why” rather than the “what”. One of the most famous lines from the documentary *Affluenza* goes something like this: “We buy things we don’t need with money we don’t have to impress people we don’t know”. He finishes his article saying: Simple living is found in living in a way that brings contentment, regardless the cost, time, or effort. As the Apostle Paul said, “I have learned to be content with whatever I have” (Phil 4:11, NRSV).

Over the next weeks we will be invited to consider what it means for us to live simply as people of faith and as Lutheran Church of the Resurrection. In this time live in the refrain of Jonny Diaz’ song, come and rest at Jesus feet and breathe. Come and worship, catch your breath, find your peace and live simply and content.

Pastor Becky

### October Birthdays



- 6 Estelle Hill
- 7 Corey Heidt
- 8 Natalie Merkord
- 8 Greg Gibson
- 9 Susan Hohmann
- 18 Jill Ready
- 25 Beverly Ladzinski

### October Anniversaries



- 5 Dorothy & Jerry Tasian -

### Yard Clean-Up With New Life Lutheran

In conjunction with New Life Lutheran Church in Dripping Springs, there will be a yard clean-up on Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at the home of the daughter of a former parishioner. Both she and her husband have had medical issues that have prevented them from cleaning up the yard which is being utilized for income purposes.

The clean-up is on 10/22, from 8am-noon. Anyone in Middle School or older is welcome. Trucks with or without trailers will be needed, along with weed eaters, wire cutters, and tools. Wear closed-toed shoes, jeans, and gloves. The rain date is Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>.

A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. For more info, contact Mikki Sogge at 763-237-4465 or mikkisogge@gmail.com



**REFORMATION**  
Sunday

**Sunday, October 30** LCR will celebrate Reformation Day – Lutherans and other Protestants commemorate the posting of Martin Luther's 95 propositions in 1517.

Remember to wear **RED!** Red shirts, dresses, scarves, hair bows, or shoes, etc. Let's be festive for this important day in our church, and get us in the mood for what is coming - Sneak a Peek!



Did you hear that 2017 is the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation?

*Say, what? What is the Reformation?*

The Reformation is a special celebration in Lutheran and other Protestant churches to commemorate Martin Luther's bold action on October 31st, 1517. On that date Luther posted his statement of faith, known as the 95 Theses, on the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, thus beginning the Protestant Reformation.

*How will LCR celebrate?*

We at LCR have a lot of plans in the works, to celebrate all year long!

#### **Sunday, Nov. 13 – following service**

Come join in for the Kick-off of Luther 500 and also celebrate LCR's 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary. In 1985 the Lutheran Church of America granted LCR its Charter. And what could be more appropriate than going back to our very humble beginnings, when we met at the Pizza Hut building? We will have pizza, salad and a Luther cake.

**Stay Tuned!** Lots more to come!

October Worship Helpers  
Assistant Ministers

2 Blaine Nelson  
9 Shirley Schliessmann  
16 Lois Hickman  
23 Daryl Ready  
30 Autry Burns

Acolytes

2 Bella Raska  
9 Abigail Burttschell  
16 Benjamin Raska  
23 Aiden Boger  
30 Claire Valentine

Readers

2 Autry Burns  
9 Patti Gibson  
16 Whitney Cargill  
23 Mary Rodgers  
30 Danny Hickman

Ushers

2 Danny Hickman/Vincent Gordin  
9 Raska Family  
16 Jill and Daryl Ready  
23 Travis/Colten Kilpatrick  
30 Al Strobel/Vincent Gordin

Altar Guild

2 Pat Ehrhart  
9 Ann Fox  
16 Shirley Schliessmann  
23 Dianne Kilpatrick  
30 Shirley Schliessmann

Greeter

2 Lynn Raska  
9 Angie Rose  
16 Al Strobel  
23 Enid Isler  
30 Jill and Daryl Ready

Counters

2 Arturo and Tamela Flores  
9 Brandon Merkord  
16 Don Isler  
23 Shirley Schliessmann  
30 Jason Valentine

Bulletin Folders

2 Shirley Schliessmann  
9 Pat Ehrhart  
16 Enid Isler  
23  
30 Mary Rodgers



**COME & CHEER!**

The Bee-Attitudes, LCR's spelling team is gearing up for the library's Adult Spelling Bee fundraiser on Friday, October 28, at the Community Center. You can help our spellers, Pastor Becky, Blaine Nelson and Daryl Ready, bring home the championship trophy by coming to cheer them on.



The competition begins at approximately 12:15 and is free and open to the public. It'd be great to have an enthusiastic group of LCR fans and cheerleaders in the audience backing our team! The public is also invited to join the teams at 11:30 for a catered lunch at \$12 per person. If you'd like to come for lunch, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or notify Shirley Schliessmann no later than Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. You can expect an afternoon of old-fashioned fun!



**BEST BUDS PROGRAM**

The Best Buds reading program at Scudder Primary School is still looking for volunteers who want to spend an hour or two a week with Kindergarteners and 1st grade students to assist them with reading and math.

Volunteers/questions should be addressed to [director@barnabasconnects.org](mailto:director@barnabasconnects.org).

Trash & Treasure Sale

On Sat., Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, LCR will hold a "Trash & Treasure Sale" from 8am-2pm. Besides the sale, there will also be kid's activities, i.e. bouncy house, face painting, ...



Please start collecting your donations for the sale, however no clothing or shoes will be collected. Donations can be brought to the church and dropped off in the Adult Sunday School room.



**Wimberley Fig Tree**

The Wimberley Fig Tree Outreach Program supports children in the Wimberley area who struggle with a consistent source of food. The program provides children who rely on the free or reduced meal program

with food for the weekends and holidays. Volunteers are needed to unpack and repack the food. The volunteer schedule for Oct. and Nov. is:

Mon. Oct. 3 - 8:15am - Unpack HEB order

Tues. Nov. 1 - 1:15am - Unpack HEB order

Thurs. Oct. 6 - 11:30am - Pack orders

Thurs. Nov. 3 - 11:30am - Pack orders

Volunteers will be reporting to the Wimberley Presbyterian Church. Questions can be directed to Christy Youens at [Christy@youens.com](mailto:Christy@youens.com)

### Diabetes Type 2 Classes

Carrie Standlee and Kate Blankenship are hosting a free 5-session class for Type 2 diabetics. The class will address how to better manage this disease through: nutrition, exercise, medications, and how to manage complications. The classes will be taught on Tues. evenings from 6-8 on Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, and 15 at the Texas A&M Extension in San Marcos at 1253 Civic Center Loop. To sign up for the classes or to get more information, contact Carrie Standlee at 512-392-6001 ext. 308 or [CStandlee@mhm.org](mailto:CStandlee@mhm.org).



### Hospice Volunteers Needed

Hope Hospice of New Braunfels is looking for companionship volunteers for hospice patients. They are seeking caring dependable people to keep hospice patients company. You will be given training in: communication skills, spiritual needs, psychosocial aspects, ... Training will begin soon so if you are interested, call 830-625-7500 or go to [www.hopehospice.net/volunteer](http://www.hopehospice.net/volunteer).

### ANSEL ADAMS PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Now through Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, an exhibit of 21 of Ansel Adams' photographs are being displayed at Texas State Univ in San Marcos. The exhibit has landscapes from Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona as well as portraits. The exhibit is open M-F from 8-5, Sat. from 11-5, and Sun. from 12-5. The exhibit is part of The Wittliff Collection housed at Alkek Library on the campus.



### Prayer List

Billie Navarro  
William Grear  
Doris King  
Estelle Hill  
Eric Strobel  
Tyler Proue  
Melinda Pace  
Robert Sherwood  
Wanda Harman  
Shane Whitaker  
Teddy Ketchell  
Michael Thurman  
Dub Pool  
Patricia Melton

MORE CROSSES ADORN THE WALL, AND THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM FOR YOURS!



Thank you, Emily Merkord, the Raska family, Blaine Nelson, Al Strobel & Shirley S. for getting the job done!

Next time you're in Fellowship Hall you'll notice many more crosses—35 of them, to be exact! There are 31 new crosses mounted on the walls, two cross chimes hanging in a window, and two crosses atop the piano. They're all interesting and beautiful, and they're there because Pastor Fox wanted to share the many crosses he's received over the years with his LCR family. Thank you, Pastor Fox! (Be sure to have him tell you about the fascinating provenance of many of them!)

Another special addition is a colorful quilted hanging given by Pastor Fox to LCR's children on August 14th during the children's sermon as a reminder of the comfort we receive from the 'cloud of witnesses' that surrounds us in words, deeds, art, symbols, music and more. Mardella Laskowski, a member of Pastor Fox's church in Alice, made all his clergy shirts and albs. She kept the scraps from those items; and for the 25th anniversary of his ordination, she gifted him with a banner designed and quilted from those scraps. Mardella was thrilled when Pastor Fox told her it now hangs at LCR. We are thrilled and grateful to have it!