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Mark Your Calendars

Sunday, May 1st

High School Senior Recognition

Noisy Offering – Camp HOPE

Wednesday, May 4th

Senior (55+) Luncheon

Confirmation Class

LYO

Thursday, May 5th

Ascension of Our Lord

National Day of Prayer

Property Team Meeting

Saturday, May 7th

Lydia Circle Bible Study

Sunday, May 8th

Mothers Day

Monday, May 9th

Church Council

Monday, May 9th - 13th

Meals on Wheels

Wednesday, May 11th

WELCA Lunch Bunch @ Pizza Hut

Confirmation Class

LYO

Thursday, May 12th

Book Review - *Finding the Right Words*

GLOW

Friday, May 13th

WOW - Painting

Saturday, May 14th

Camp HOPE Volunteer Meet & Greet

Friendship Circle Game Night

Sunday, May 15th

Pentecost - New Members

Tuesday, May 17th

Men's Night Out

Wednesday, May 18th

Mary Martha Bible Study

Westside Seniors Lunch @ BJ's Brewhouse

Final Confirmation Class

LYO

Thursday, May 19th - Saturday May 21st

Synod Assembly

Saturday, May 21st

Lydia Circle Bible Study

Sunday, May 22nd

Holy Trinity

Last Spring Sunday's Cool Class

Teacher Appreciation & Attendance Awards

Wednesday, May 25th

LYO



May 2016



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Monday, May 30th

Memorial Day

Wednesday, June 1st

Senior (55+) Luncheon

Summer Kick-Off Party



The Lifeline



...Ponderings from the Pastor...

...for people like us... in times like this!"

"SACRAMENTS x STEWARDSHIP = COMMUNITY"

Dear Friends in Christ,

"What makes for a good church?" I get asked that question from time to time. I don't always give the same answer. Sometimes it just depends on who is doing the asking. Recently, this kind of question surfaced where the person was asking about 'recipes for a good church' and I knew they weren't talking about cook books!

Church is always about 'community!' God's people remains a plural reality. St. Paul said "everyone" is important and we all are essential parts to the same body! So, consider this equation and three realities when it comes to our "church life" these days...

SACRAMENTS (*Holy Baptism + Lord's Supper*) x STEWARDSHIP (*Time + Money*) = COMMUNITY
Church starts in 'baptism' and everyone who has joined New Life in the last almost 11 years has heard and responded to this promise... "Will you... **live** among God's faithful people; **hear** the word of God and **share** in the Lord's Supper; **proclaim** the good news of God in Christ through word and deed; **serve** all people following the example of Jesus; and **strive** for justice and peace in all the earth." And whether speaking for oneself or for a child at baptism, the reply is always... "I will and I ask God to help and guide me!"

And just as Holy Baptism joins us to Christ's body, the Lord's Supper sustains us... here is what Martin Luther wrote in his Large Catechism... it is awesome and challenging at the same time!

"Some pretend that it [partaking of the Sacrament of Holy Communion] is a matter of liberty, not of necessity, and that it is enough if they simply believe. Thus the majority go so far that they have become quite barbarous, and ultimately despise both the sacrament and the Word of God. Now it is true, we repeat, that no one should under any circumstances be coerced or compelled, lest we institute a new slaughter of souls. Nevertheless, let it be understood that people who abstain and absent themselves from the sacrament over a long period of time are not to be considered Christians. Christ did not institute it to be treated merely as a spectacle, but commanded his Christians to eat and drink and thereby remember him. Indeed, true Christians who cherish and honor the sacrament will of their own accord urge and impel themselves to come."

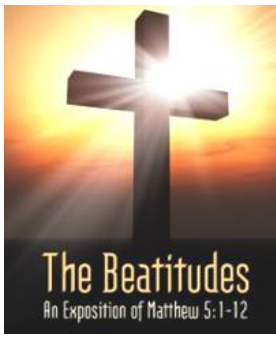
-From The Large Catechism: Holy Communion, p. 41-43 Tappert, T. G. (Ed.). (1959). The Book of Concord (The confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.) (p. 451. Philadelphia: Mühlenberg Press.

Awesome and challenging indeed! So, it is easy to see how tending to one's baptismal identity daily and finding one's way to the Lord's table often makes for an informed and well-fed disciple! Yet, there is more that is needed to strengthen our faith community...

You will hear more in the coming weeks as "stewardship" is needed, too! In every church I attended while on sabbatical last year there were comments and reminders and requests about the need to support the ministry with prayers, time and one's wallet or purse. Every one and with no apologies. It's been that way since the beginning. Churches are stronger when the giving is strong!

So, please be on the watch for more news in your mailbox and in your e-messages and don't be surprised when a phone call comes your way asking you to be a bold, faithful generous financial partner in New Life's ministry! The month of May will have 2 Sundays set aside for individuals and families to respond with a "promise" for the next 24 months. *Sacraments x Stewardship = Community!*

New Life; Now!



“LIVING LARGE”

*A series of messages on the
beatitudes of Jesus*

Mathew 5:1ff

“When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed, climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said:

“You’re blessed when...

- Sunday, April 10 - “What Does It Mean to Be BLESSED?”
(Realistic living in a hurting world)
- Sunday April 17 - “Self-Reliance and Self-Deception”
(Blessed the ones who rely on God!)
- Sunday April 24 - “The Necessity of Grief” (Blessed are the ones who mourn!)
- Sunday, May 1 - “O Lord, It’s Hard to Be Humble” (Blessed are the humble ones)
- Sunday, May 8 - “When Obedience Leads to Freedom”
(Blessed are the ones who listen to God)
- Sunday, May 15 - “On MERCY and COMPASSION” (Blessed are the merciful ones)
- Sunday, May 22 - “Being a Person of Peace” (Blessed are the Peacemakers)
- Sunday, May 29 - “God Never Liked the Bullies!” (Blessed are the persecuted ones)

“The Path 2 New Life”...

TUESDAY NIGHTS @ 7:00PM

A class for those who:

- want to refresh and renew their Christian faith; and/or
- are seeking a better understanding of the Christian message and/or
- desire a deeper more meaningful life as God's child; and/or
- want to know more about NEW LIFE Church & its ministry.

The course uses the "Life Shapes" model for seeing our lives and living our lives well. Booklets will be provided to those who attend.

Those desiring to become part of New Life in a deeper, more meaningful way, please speak to Pastor Giguee or check the box on the back of the yellow “count-me-in” card.

New Members will be welcomed on Sunday, May 15th.

Who should attend?

- + Those with faith questions
- + Those who are exploring the Lutheran faith
- + Those planning on getting married
- + Those who are preparing for a first child
- + Spouses of members
- + Those who are recovering from a life change (ie.. job, divorce, health issues, etc.)
- + Those who have a child in Confirmation Class---this class helps build the family faith network
- + Those who are seeking community and friendships based on faith, fun and service.

If you have questions, contact Pastor Giguee @ 281.485.1818 or brian@newlifelutheran.com





Thursday May 5th @
7:30am

Pearland ISD
1928 North Main, Pearland
TX 77584

Pearland Prayer Breakfast

Reverend Greg Han from Interfaith Ministries has been invited to share a message of encouragement and the hope we have in Jesus

Pearland Prays and The Pearland Ministerial Alliance would like to cordially invite you to attend the first National Day of Prayer / Prayer Breakfast in Pearland.

Tickets are \$10.00 and will benefit the Christian Helping Hands of Pearland.

Kate in the church office - 281.485.1818 or kate@newlifelutheran.com

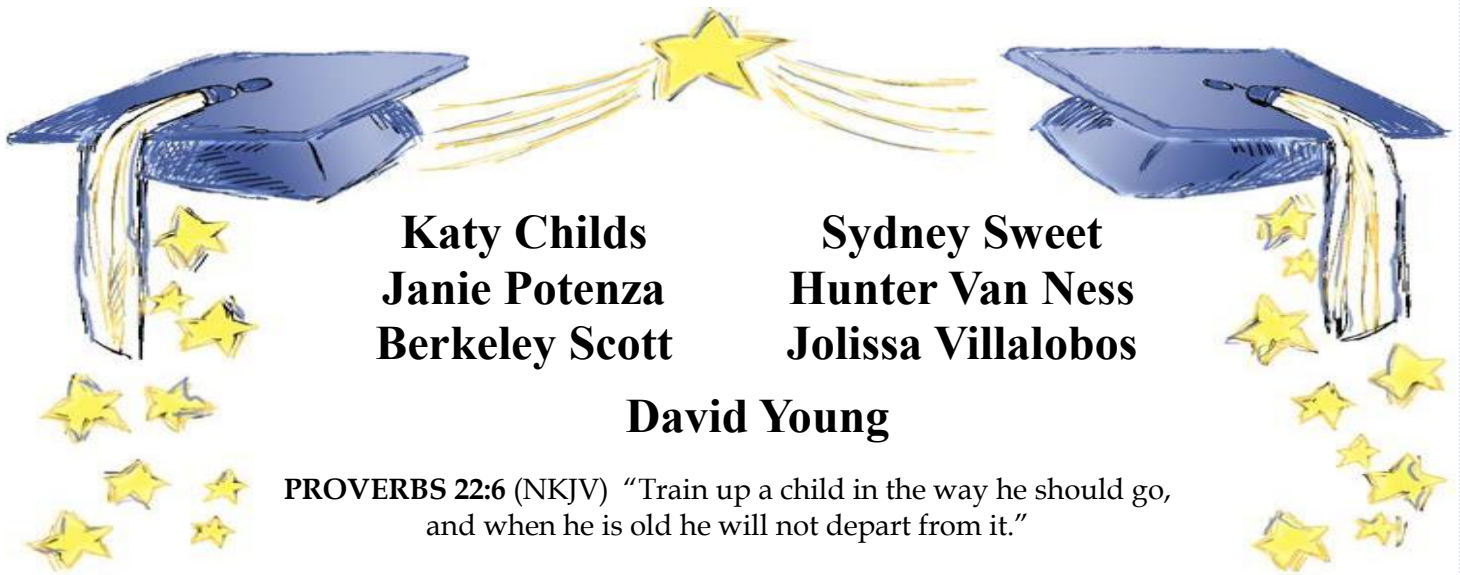
Congratulations 5th Grade Bible Recipients!

Bibles were being presented Sunday April 17th to 5th Grade students.

The following students received their Bibles:



Congratulations to our High School Seniors.
We hold them in our prayers as they step into this next chapter of their lives.

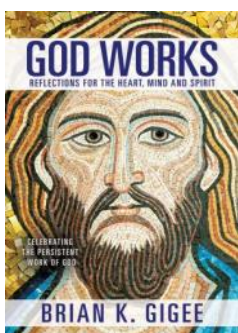


**Katy Childs
Janie Potenza
Berkeley Scott**

**Sydney Sweet
Hunter Van Ness
Jolissa Villalobos**

David Young

PROVERBS 22:6 (NKJV) "Train up a child in the way he should go,
and when he is old he will not depart from it."



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The New Life Prayer Shawl Ministry group would like to request donations of bright colored yarn. Currently the yarn “pantry” has only dark scratchy colors left. 4-Ply, Caron Simply Soft of other softer yarns are preferred.



WOMEN OF THE ELCA is the women's organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. As a partner in the total ministry of the church, the organization affirms, supports and challenges women in their daily ministries at home and around the world. **All women** of the congregation are included and **ALL** are invited to any of the opportunities listed below for fellowship and friendship. For more information, call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508 or Cheryl Robinson at 713.471.4128.

WELCA LUNCH BUNCH (all the women of the church) Women of New Life will enjoy lunch on Wednesday, May 11th at Casa Ole' on 518 at 11:30am with their spouses and friends. Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

THE MARY-MARTHA BIBLE STUDY continues

bible study from the Gather magazine on **Wednesday, May 18th with Helen Beckman leading. We meet in the education building at 9:30am for coffee and chatting and get our bibles open soon after to the book of Philippians Paul wrote while he was in prison..** Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

THE LYDIA BIBLE STUDY CIRCLE will meet on **Saturdays, May 7th, and May 21st at 10:30 am, in the conference room in the administration building. All women, all ages, are invited. This bible study is from the women's Gather magazine. This month's session in Luke 1:26-56 we meet Mary and Elizabeth. We will reflect on their relationship and how we as women today relate across the generations. Our support for each other helps us to hear and heed God's calling to bear Christ to the world. If you need more details or have questions call Barbara Brown at 281.798.2138 or Cheryl Robinson at 713.471.4128.**



WOW will meet on Friday, May 13th at 7pm for a game of LCR

All Women 16 and up are welcome! Please bring a friend, snack to share, and any beverage of choice. Set up snacks at 6:30pm. Questions? Contact Karen at office@newlifelutheran.com

SAVE THE DATES:

Annual WELCA Convention: Friday – Sunday, September 16-18 at Memorial Lutheran Church in Texas City TX. Keynote Speaker is Water 2 Thrive and the convention goal is to raise \$5,000 to build a water well! See convention paperwork for more details.

The Fall SE Cluster Meeting will be held Saturday, October 1st at House of Prayer Lutheran Church in Clear Lake, TX. More info as available.

Women of the ELCA 5th Saturday lunch will be on July 30th at 11:30am. Come join us. Place TBD. Questions? Call Barbara Brown at 281-798-2138.

Quilters keep building quilts (for LWR) and friendships on Tuesday mornings.

Tuesday Morning Quilters meet each week to create quilts that are given to LWR to distribute around the world. Each Tuesday the Fellowship Hall is busy with sewing, tying, and layering quilts.

We are now making two pots of coffee now since there are more of us. People around two sets of long tables pin together the three layers of sheets, batting and tops to be sewn around the edges to hold the layers together. The sitters among us use crochet thread to tie the layers every eight inches.

For 2015-2016, New Life sent 181 Quilts, 137 School Kits, 16 Fabric Kits, and 52 Personal Care Kits (Baskets of Promise Donations) to the Ingathering on the day after Easter.

Thanks to the New Life Seniors and Quilters for packing, weighing, and tracking the boxes and Bubba Flowers and Vera White for delivering them to the Ingathering.

Last year, our 186 quilts went to the Philippines, Burkina Faso, Syria, Nepal, Dubai and Tanzania.

Scraps from the quilts are put into pillow cases to make dog beds for shelters. 105 have been delivered to date to Pearland, Alvin, South Houston, and Austin shelters.

For more information, call Vera White at 281.485.9713.





Thank you to all who served coffee and juice during our Fellowship Hour; especially the following groups for April: The Sunday's Cool Parents, the MaryAnn Marcha family, The Third Sunday Group, and the Men in Mission Please note future available dates on page 14.

Thank you to all who served as Worship helpers for the month of April.



Thank you to the following Meals on Wheels



volunteers: Jan & Becky Homerstad, JoAnn Morrison, Jane Maxwell, Janis McGinity, Lynn Cope, Donna Patschke, Vera White & Bobbie Cummings, Walt & Carole

Wright, Helen Beckman & Mary Anne Vance, Foster & Judy Foucheaux, Barbara, Berkeley, & Michael Scott, Jennifer Jurgens, and Charles & Sandra Foster.

Coordinator JoAnn Morrison has resigned yet continues to fill in until we find another coordinator. We appreciate her numerous efforts!

Thank you JoAnn.

The next time New Life delivers Meals on Wheels will be the week of May 9th - 13th.

Volunteer of the month for April:

Linda Stavinoha

Thank You!!!



Thank you: Barbara Brown, Katy Childs, Lynn Cope, Jennifer Jurgens, Mike & Terry Kiser, Linda Medellin, Barbara, Berkeley, and Michael Scott, and Linda Stavinoha for all the volunteer time they have contributed in the office this month. It is very much appreciated!

New Life Staff

Thank You! From Church Council & Staff

- Thanks to our people serving in the military and emergency services.
- To Helen Beckman, and JC & Jeremy Rincones for working on Saturday, April 2nd for the Spring Orange Street Cleanup.
- To Karen Sweet Cheney, Kate Bates, Linda Stavinoha, and all those that have volunteered to help with the Fall Bazaar for the great kickoff meeting that was held on Sunday, April 10th.
- To all those that stayed to clean up after the Bazaar kickoff meeting.
- To Julia Sweet's sons, Erik, Karl and Jon for installing a beautiful ADA compliant ramp, ramp railings, and concrete pad for the deck.
- To Mike Kiser for installing a condensation fix for the AC unit in the sanctuary.
- To Jessica Gestl for continuing to provide leadership and activities to New Life's LYO.
- To JoAnn Morrison for continuing to organize Meals on Wheels.
- Milt Cousins for providing a great trumpet accompaniment on Easter Sunday.
- To all those who brought food for the new member reception and other celebrations.
- To Vera & Elizabeth White for driving and sponsoring Elementary students for their Spring Retreat.
- To Kate Bates for organizing Thrivent member information.
- To all those who inquired after Pastor's health.
- To New Life for providing pizza to 200 University of Houston Interfaith students on April 6th.
- To the call committee interview team for interviewing the three candidate finalists for the Youth & Family Ministry position.
- To the New Life Seniors and Quilters for packing, weighing, and tracking the boxes of LWR kits.
- To Vera White and Bubba Flowers for delivering 40 boxes of LWR quilts, personal health kits, school kits, and fabric kits to the LWR ingathering on the Monday after Easter.
- To Liz Johnson & Debbie Adams for providing program at the WELCA Spring Luncheon on April 24th.

Volunteer of the month for May:

Foster Foucheaux

Thank You!!!





Women of the ELCA

WELCA and the SE Cluster would like to thank Bunny Meyer for being the keynote speaker at the Spring Cluster meeting on Saturday, April 9th at St. Paul Lutheran in Baytown, TX.

Bunny spoke on bullying, social anxiety and depression as well as discussing UTube and social media.

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION



We Went Camping!

Saturday April 30th, campers enjoyed camping and smore's under the stars.

Thank you to the Men in Mission for this wonderful event!



ELCA World Hunger Thanks New Life

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ELCA World Hunger's **40 DAYS** of Giving

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Thank you for participating in ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving! Your gifts support ELCA World Hunger's work to address hunger and poverty through education, advocacy, relief and development in the United States and around the world.

Together, with generous, loving hands, we work for a world in which all are fed.

Daniel Rift

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

Rev. Ronald T. Glusenkamp

The Rev. Ronald T. Glusenkamp
Director, The Campaign for the ELCA



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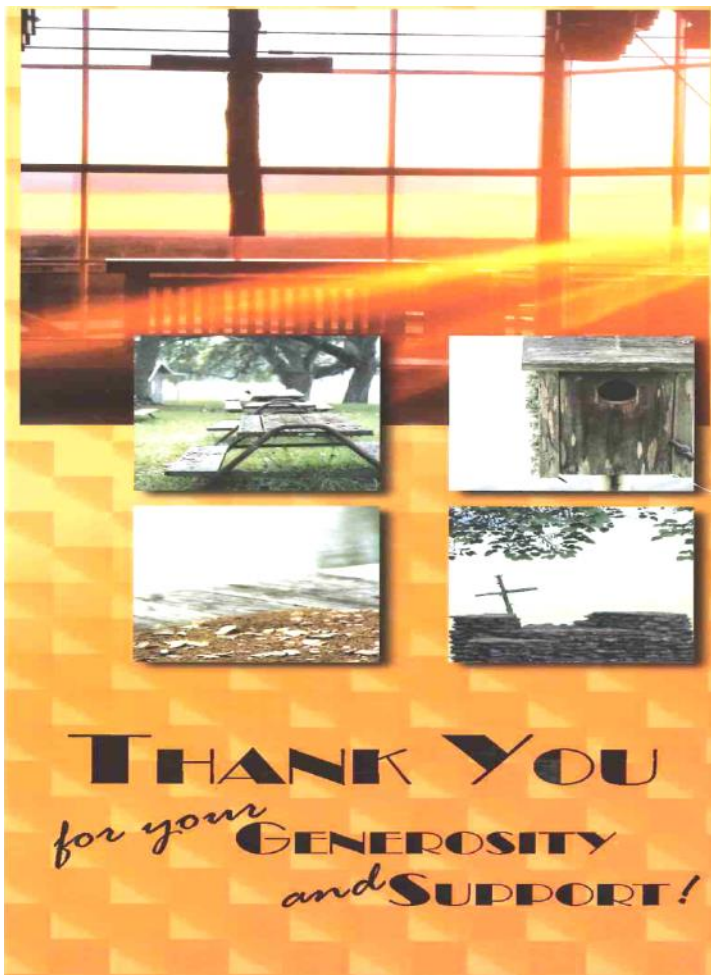




To our wonderful loving church family,

*Your kindness is
greatly appreciated*

*Love,
Bobbie and Carmen Lott
Thanks for your attendance and food for
our daughters, Christi Abaca, funeral and reception*

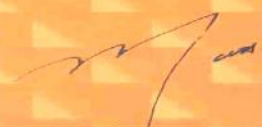


Gift Date: 4/20/2016
Gift Amount: \$162.55
Year to date gift amount: \$910.49
Society Member: Bluebonnet Gardener Society
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Lots of things going on behind the scenes...

Thank you to the New Life Property team for all their efforts to keep up with ongoing maintenance including:

Join the Property Team on Work Days or at the monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month.

Foster Foucheaux and Walt Wright for continually replacing air filters on a monthly basis and replacing light bulbs as needed throughout the 3 buildings. And for replacing the light fixtures in the Men's restroom in the sanctuary.

Walt Wright for replacing the motion light outside the choir room door.

Mike Kiser for continued work on the large AC unit over the Sanctuary kitchen. He has now installed a third drain pan and piping to the outside. Wow! Mike has also started working with audio upgrades in the sanctuary.

Ronnie Stavinoha for keeping up with monthly insect spraying.

All those that provide special offerings to help with Lawn Care. (\$550 per month)

Jamie Hilliard for planting the potted palms and creating beautiful flower beds by the Fellowship Hall.

If you see one of these guys, please shake their hand and let them know they are appreciated!

New Life is looking to replace the Coke machines with an commercial ice maker and an upright freezer for ice storage.

We are in the process of getting bids, but if you know of someone getting rid of one or know of an appliance outlet that we could get one from, please contact Karen in the office @ 281-485-1818.

Please continue donations of F12 and F8 florescent tubes, 20x20 and 24x24 ceiling tiles, and 20x20 and 24x24 air filters.



There are more ways to send in your tithe than placing it in the offering plate on Sunday. New ways to send in offering are coming - Stay tuned!

Have you been mailing it in? Sending it through your bank?

QR Code and Direct Deposit



May 2016



New Life's Spring **Orange Street cleanup** was Saturday, **April 2**.
Here is J.C. & Jeremy Rincones helping out!

Thanks to J.C. and Jeremy Rincones for picking up litter on our adopt-a-spot along Orange Street. We picked up 2 13-gallon bags. There seemed to be less litter this time, probably because of less traffic due to road construction and because we just picked up litter in February. Our next cleanup will be July 16.

Saturday, April 30, from 10 to 2 is **drug collection day** at the Stella Roberts Recycling Center. When possible turn in the medications in the original container. All pharmaceuticals will be disposed of in the proper manner by a medical waste disposal company. Please **do not** flush prescription drugs down the toilet, throw them in the trash, or give them to someone else. This is an annual event in Pearland. The Alvin Police Department collects prescription drugs year round at the Alvin Police Station.

If you live in Pearland, you can still put your glass in your curbside recycling cart. If you live in Houston or anywhere else where you do not have curbside glass pickup, you can take it to the Stella Roberts Recycling Center on Magnolia Blvd. Pearland has a glass crusher on site. The crushed glass is used in landscaping or in manufactured products such as tiles. Next time you go to the recycle center look at the path to the demonstration garden to see how the crushed glass was used. Also notice the water fountain which includes crushed glass.

Most people know that recycle means to take something out of the waste stream by giving it a new purpose or reprocessing it to be used for something new. So, what is upcycling? That's when you take something out of the waste stream to make it into something worth more than its original purpose.

According to Resource Recycling news, at the recent Institute of Scrap Recycling show in Las Vegas, a special area was set aside to showcase upcycling. One exhibitor, XS Project Indonesia, is a nonprofit group that sells handmade tote bags made from plastic drink pouches gleaned from trash by trash pickers in Jakarta, Indonesia. XS Project pays the trash pickers more for the dish soap, detergent, and fabric softener containers than they would get for more lucrative items, which helps them make a livable wage and keeps these plastics out of the landfills.



Another exhibitor, Escama Studio, sells high-end bags, clothing, and jewelry made in Brazil from post-consumer aluminum can tabs. The California and Brazil based company provides employment at fair wage for 65 craftspeople. These products are for sale at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, the Royal Academy of Modern Art in London, and Takashimaya department stores in Japan.

At the Earth Day celebration, there was a fashion show of clothing made from discarded items. A great deal of creativity was exhibited by the entrants, by using materials such as plastic bags, paper, drink pouches, and even an umbrella. There were also many educational and informative booths and activities. If you didn't get to go this year, be sure to include it in your schedule for next year. It's a fun family event.

Helen Beckman, KPB Coordinator

Changes for the church roster:



Change of Address and/or email:

Kenneth & Karissa (Reed) Peterson
5207 Spring Circle Dr.
Pearland TX 77584

Larry Magers
New phone 832.664.9427
New email: larry.magers@yahoo.com

Nathan Gige
1517 Adkins Rd
Houston TX 77055

Rachel Gige
1517 Adkins Rd
Houston TX 77055



Congratulations to Kenneth & Karissa (Reed) Peterson
on their marriage, Saturday, April 2nd, in Plantersville, TX.
Pastor Gige officiated their wedding.

Please keep Kenneth & Karissa in your prayers as they begin their new life together.

Welcome! Kelsi Sage Reynolds, born on Thursday, March 24th to Kristen & Jackson Reynolds. Kelsi was 6 lbs, 12 oz and 20 1/2 " long. Susan Reynolds is the proud grandparent! Congratulations to all!



On April 10th, New Life welcomed into God's Kingdom, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, Chase Michael Turner, son of Amy and Kenneth Turner.

May God increase their faith through the power of the Holy Spirit now and in the years to come.



We extend our Christian sympathy to Gerry Abarca, Aieliaria, Carmen and Bobbie Lott, family, and friends, for the loss of wife & mother, Christi Abarca, who died in Christ on Friday, April 8th. Services were held at New Life on Thursday, April 14th at 10am followed by interment and a reception at Forest Park on Lawndale.

May the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of Christ bring comfort and consolation to all who mourn.



GLOW is caring for New Life Members.

GLOW – God's Love, Our Work.

If you would like to join the GLOW care team or are in need of a care ministry, please contact the church office at 281-485-1818 or GLOW@newlifelutheran.com or write your need on your yellow "Count-Me-In" card from your bulletin.

The GLOW team meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. GLOW welcomes new care ministers! The team sends cards, makes phone calls, provides communion, and sets up meal schedules for those in need.



Sunday's Cool Pics



Bunny Meyers
Speaks about
bullying at the
Spring WELCA SE
Cluster Meeting



TRENT A. PEREZ



Years lived in Pearland: 7
Occupation: business
owner, civil engineer
832-465-3561
www.perezforpearland.org
Top priorities: traffic,
debt, road maintenance,
safety and flooding

New Life in the Community



Susan Reynolds
A Pearland Librarian

William Sinacori (obtaining Star Scout rank
in Boy Scouts Troop 404, Berry Miller JHS
Robotics Club)

Catherine Sinacori (Top 10% PSAT score for
2nd year in a row, Secretary/Treasurer of
Dawson High School Science Club, Member
National English Honor Society, traveling to



Sydney Sweet receiving the Girl Scout
Emerald Award Merit Scholarship for
her essay on what getting her Girl



Susan Bickham in
the MS Bike Ride



John Russell Gestl in Jr. High East
production of Saturday Matinee.



Thank you to all who served coffee and juice during our Fellowship Hour; especially the following groups for April:

Sunday's Cool Parents
MaryAnn Marcha Family
Third Sunday Group
And the Men In Mission

Jesus and the Disciples did a lot of eating together. They fed huge groups of people. Jesus gave the Disciples (and us) the Eucharist at the end of a meal. We Lutherans have a very long tradition of eating together.

Coffee Hour at New Life Lutheran is a wonderful opportunity for visitors and members of our church to meet one another in an informal setting between Sunday services. Please start thinking who you would like to serve with in this important ministry.

Groups should consist of 5-7 people or 2-3 families who are willing to take a turn serving Coffee Hour during the year. The more groups that sign up, the fewer times each group will serve.

Dates Available



May 8
June 5
June 12
July 3

July 10
August 7
August 14

Please give this some serious prayerful consideration. Talk to your friends/groups and see what you come up with.

Contact Kate Bates at the church office (281-485-1818) or kate@newlifelutheran.com for more information.



Please bring items for CHH and place them in the grocery cart outside of the narthex or in the Fellowship Hall.

Pearland Postal Service is doing a Food Drive on May 14th - Donations can still be made in the basket at the church.

CHRISTIAN HELPING HANDS

DO YOU KNOW WHAT A DIFFERENCE YOU CAN MAKE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE BY BRINGING A CAN OF BEANS WITH YOU TO SUNDAY SCHOOL EACH SUNDAY? JUDY FOUICHEAUX RECENTLY TOLD ABOUT A FAMILY WHO VISITED CHH AND WAS UNABLE TO RECEIVE SUPPORT FROM THEM BECAUSE THERE SIMPLY WAS NOT ENOUGH FOOD TO GO AROUND TO ALL WHO NEEDED SAME.

THIS SPRING NEW LIFE'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE CHOOSING AN \$.99 OR LESS FOOD ITEM, MAINLY NEED PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLIES AS WELL AS TOILETRY ITEMS SUCH AS SHAMPOO, RAZORS, AND DEODORANT THE LIST GOES ON...TO DONATE TO CHH ON A WEEKLY BASIS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHH WAGON WILL MAKE THE ROUNDS TO THE COLLECT YOUR DONATIONS DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL EACH WEEK.

AS ALWAYS, YOU CAN PLACE YOUR CHH DONATIONS IN THE CHH BASKET WHENEVER YOU ARE HERE AT CHURCH.

FOOD DRIVE

Food items for Pop-Top Ministries are starting to fill up the large black bin in the Fellowship Hall. Please keep bringing items.

POP-TOP MOBILE MINISTRY DROPBOX



I T E M S N E E D E D :

Pop-top canned goods (*ready-to-eat* meals, healthy stews, soups, fruit packed in water or juice), bottled water, individually wrapped plastic eating utensils, and fabric draw-string or tie-able bags.

Pick up a filled bag in the narthex and deliver to someone in need. Kids at school, those on the corners with "hungry" signs, or an elderly neighbor that doesn't get out.



*There are Sunday's Cool classes for everyone
(youth & adults).*



*Sunday's Cool has classes for everyone (youth & adults).
Take time during Lent for Life-Long Learning!*

- * **Three year olds through high school classes** meet upstairs in the fellowship hall except for the 5th, 6th, & 7th grades who meet downstairs across from the DVD/VCR room.

Adult Sunday School



- **Adult Bible Class (ABC)** - Study the Book of Matthew (for the serious Bible student!). Meet in the Administration Building's library.
- **"A League of Men"** A class for men, 25 and over using "Will the Real Jesus Stand Up?" in the Gathering Area of the Administration Building
- **DVD Class** – Donna and Nolan Patschke lead a conversation on the Historical Perspectives of the New Testament... 30 min movie followed by discussion in the Juull Building.
- **"God Works"** - Meets for conversation about 40 Big Bible terms. Jessica Gestl, Tim Burns, and Pastor Gigea lead discussions in the Fellowship Hall.
- **"The Path to New Life"** a class for those with questions and those who desire a renewal of their faith will meet on Tuesdays in the Admin building at 7pm.

Check with Kate in the church office for more info. kate@newlifelutheran.com



**For more information on these
and other retreats, visit
Lutherhill.org**



**Disciple Project 2016 - TLU, Seguin, TX - June 20th-24th
Lutherhill Confirmation Camp • June 27th-July 1st 2016**

Forms for these retreats are outside of the youth office.



**Camp HOPE Volunteers
needed!**

**Week 1: July 25-29
Week 2: August 1-5**



**Lutherhill Staff is scheduled to help staff Camp HOPE, but we need more
volunteers to run the program, crafts, and games and prepare food.
(Adult mentors and High School students)**

Contact the church office for more information.

Let's Get Organized!

Meet other volunteers on Saturday, May 14 @ Noon

Upcoming Events

LYO Schedule for May (Wednesdays)

Wed May 4th- Movie night (cont.)

Wed May 11th- Invite a friend
night, pizza, games outside

Wed May 18th- gaga ball
tournament (for prize)

Wed May 25th- summer planning
and inside games



Youth & Family Ministry

April was a great month for New Life LYO! We got to spend a lot of time outside in God's creation enjoying fellowship with one another. We went off campus for a picnic on surfside beach and are making summer plans! There is a lot to look forward to in May! We can't wait for you to join us for all the fun!

Jessica Gestl

Pet Food Drive for SE Area Ministries

Kallie, a scout in Stacia and Syndey Sweet's Girl Scout Troop asked the New Life confirmation class if they would collect pet food for SeAM for the month of April. The food will be collected, bagged in gallon ziplocs, and delivered to Seam on Old Galveston Rd throughout the month. Please consider donating to families in need.

Look for the donation boxes in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall for food and baggies.



Youth & Family Ministry



The 5th month of the year brings us Memorial Day, Mother's Day, and the last full month of Spring.

Below are some fun facts about May:

According to the early Roman calendar, May was the third month. Later, the ancient Romans used January as the first month and therefore, became the fifth month and it always had 31 days. May was first named for Maia, the Roman goddess of spring and growth. In the North Temperate Zone, May is one of the most beautiful months of the year. Usually, the snow and ice are gone by this time but the hot temperature hasn't arrived yet. In May, the first garden begins to sprout and the wild flowers start to bloom and the trees and grasses turn green. Wild flowers such as forsythia, dogwood, violets, and jack-in-the-box bloom and many birds build their nests to sit on the eggs that will soon hatch.

1. The birthstone for May is the emerald which represents success or love.
2. The zodiac sign for May are Taurus (April 20 - May 20) and Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
3. The birth flower for May is the Crataegus monogyna and the Lily of the Valley.
4. On May 1, 1931, the Empire State Building was officially opened.
5. Armed Forces Day - celebrated the third Saturday of May
6. Mother's Day - celebrated on the second Sunday of May
7. Memorial Day - celebrated on the last Monday in May.
8. May 5 - Cinco De Mayo
9. On the first Saturday in May, the Kentucky Derby takes place.
10. On May 11, 1858, Minnesota was admitted to the Union.
11. On May 14, 1804, Lewis and Clark, the great explorers began their trip up the Missouri River.
12. On May 14, 1948, the last British troops left Palestine which led to Israel becoming an independent country.
13. On May 15, 1918, the first regular airmail service began in the United States.
14. On May 20, 1862, Abraham Lincoln signed the Homestead Act.
15. On May 20, 1932, the first solo flight by a woman across the Atlantic Ocean was made by Amelia Earhart.
16. On May 23, 1788, South Carolina became the eighth state.
17. On May 24, 1607, the first permanent English settlement in America was established in Jamestown, VA.
18. On May 27, 1937, the Golden Gate Bridge was opened in San Francisco.
19. On May 29, 1790, Rhode Island became the 13th state.
20. On May 29, 1848, Wisconsin became the 30th state.

Ten Facts about Lutherans as a 500th year anniversary celebration is coming!

- The Lutheran church is one of the major Christian churches. It is the largest Protestant church. There are more than sixty million Lutherans in the world.
- The greatest number of Lutherans is in northern Europe and the USA. In Australia and New Zealand almost 255,000 people call themselves Lutherans.
- The Lutheran church is the oldest Protestant church. It dates back to the Reformation in the sixteenth century when Martin Luther challenged some of the teachings and practices of the church of his day. Luther insisted that the Bible is the authority that decides what the church should teach and do.
- The name 'Lutheran' was given to people who believed that Martin Luther was right in his interpretation of the Bible.
- Lutherans believe the Bible is the one true book of faith.
- Lutherans believe in the Fall, that is, the sin of Adam and Eve
- Lutherans believe that prayers to Saints is a form of idolatry and unnecessary.
- Lutherans only celebrate two sacraments, Baptism and the Lord's Supper
- Lutherans believe every individual has the right to read the Bible in their own language.
- Lutherans believe in Salvation by Grace through Faith - Martin Luther taught that salvation comes by grace through faith alone; not by works and sacraments.

Lutherans teach that "Salvation is for All" - Martin Luther believed that salvation is available to all humans through the redeeming work of Christ. Here, he departed from the Church of Rome, which, at that time, taught that outside the Roman Church, there can be no salvation.



ELCA SPIRITUAL CENTER DAILY BIBLE READINGS

As we continue to share in the emerging 21st century ministry, please take time as you are able to visit the Spiritual Center at the ELCA website:

www.elca.org/spiritual.html

"Grant that I may not pray alone with the mouth, help me that I may pray from the depths of my heart."

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY!

Thank you for taking time to pray for...

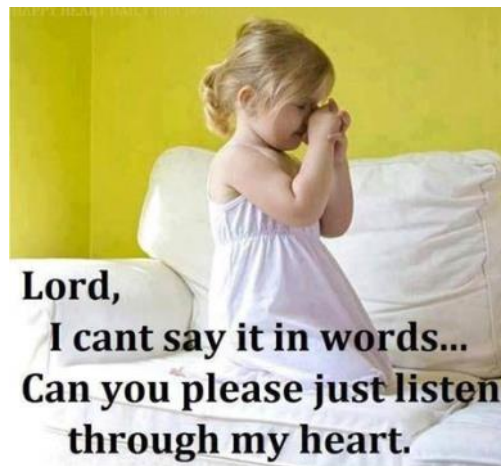
Pray for renewing health: Marge & Sam Angelo, Gretchen Barnes, Brian Bates, Susan Bickham, Bryan Bradford, Ed Bradford, Robyn Bradford, Theresa Breuer (Barbara Scott's mother), Rick Broughton, Barbara Brown, Terry Brown, Louisa Brown, Pete Brumfield, Patrick Burkard, Diane Carver, Carl & Shirley Ericsson, Brian Foster, Nancy Fuller, Marie Gabaldon, Regina Gestl, Margo Giguee, Maudie Halbardier, Becky Homerstad, Dianne Leach, Bobbie Lott, Larry Magers, Jane McBride, Phyllis Mistrot, Rudy Moreno, Erin Newell, Hubert Pardue, Allen Patschke, Allison Patschke, Jan Porter, Matt Scott, Julia Sweet, Karen Sweet Cheney, Karl Sweet, Patrick Sweet, Claudia Thomas, Henry Viccellio, Vera White, David Young, Joe Young, and the Chris Young Family.

Special prayer needs: Abarca & Lott families, Anderson family, Barrett family, Bates family, Bradford & Miller families, Brown & Grieger families, Brumfield family, Buckels family, Burkard family, Butler family, Childs family, Cole & Ullrich families, Columbus family, Cummings & Campbell families, Flowers family, Fuller family, Gerig family, Giguee & Campbell families, family of Yvonne Hamilton, Hilliard family, Hynek family, Jurgens family, Keilers and McDonald families, Kyle Lawson, Lemke family, Lott family, Lowery & Ullman families, Marcha & Salazar families, Martain family, Morgan family, Morrison & Doyle families, Newell and Starr families, O'Banion family, Patschke & DeWeese families, Peterson family, Porter family, Purdum & Hayes families, Putman family, Ritter & Ffrench families, Schroder & Wierick families, Scott family, Sponholtz family, Sweet family, Thomas family, Thompson family, Villalobos family, Wellman family, White family, and the Young family.

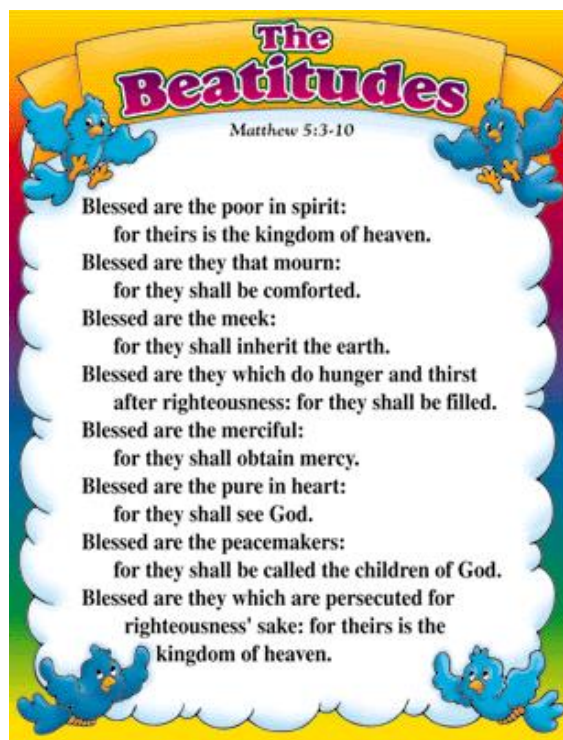
New Life members serving in the military: Jeremy Foster, Jeff Gunter, Eric Metzger, Ryan Newell, Shanon Peterson, and Michael Porter Jr.



PRAYER CORNER



Lord,
I cant say it in words...
Can you please just listen
through my heart.



You may wish to cut out this section and place it where you will see it and remember to pray.

A praying congregation prays for the wider church!

PRAYER VENTURES

May 2016

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.



These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the church. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.

1 There are more than 100 Asian congregations and ministries in the ELCA. We give thanks to God for the diverse cultures, languages and heritages of our Asian and Pacific Islander brothers and sisters in Christ and pray for the growth and vitality of their ministries.

2 We give thanks to God for the days growing longer and for the warmth and light of the sun that stir the growth of food crops, plants and trees and draw us outdoors for the enjoyment of nature—the handiwork of our Creator.

3 We pray that people living with mental illness find understanding, care and affordable treatment and that our congregations serve as welcoming faith communities of hope and healing—in the name of Jesus Christ.

4 “Called Forward Together in Christ” is the process of involving our church—both clergy and lay—in discerning our future directions and priorities. We pray that we will be attentive to one another and guided by God’s Word and purpose in our deliberations and decisions.

5 *Ascension of Our Lord* Our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, demonstrates God’s power and glory over the universe. We give thanks and praise for Jesus’ clear witness of love and redemption and pray that we serve as living, faithful witnesses of God’s love for all people, everywhere.

6 We remember in our prayers the Southeastern Iowa, Pacifica and Minneapolis Area synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide their leaders and members in God’s work and witness in the world.

7 We remember in our prayers the New Jersey, Southeastern Minnesota and Southeastern Pennsylvania synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide their leaders and members in God’s work and witness in the world.

8 In our unity with God through Jesus Christ, we ask the Spirit to heal our divisions and stir us as Christians to encourage one another in our faith, service and witness.

9 We give thanks to God for musicians who write and compose music and hymns, and for the creative ways in which they enliven us and help us worship and praise God.

10 We remember in our prayers Savannah Schneider and Pastor Sarah and Adam Erickson, ELCA missionaries serving in Cambodia, and ask God to bless their work and sustain their energy and enthusiasm for sharing the gospel.

11 In our prayers we recognize and praise God’s majesty, creative power, eternal presence and immeasurable mercy.

12 We pray for God’s presence, healing and hope to be known and felt in communities affected by severe weather, flooding and drought.

13 We remember in our prayers the Southeast Michigan, Northern Great Lakes and Northeastern Ohio synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide their leaders and members in God’s work and witness in the world.



14 May our understanding of justice be guided and informed by God's Word and by Jesus' examples of compassion, fairness, concern for the poor and humble service.

15 *Day of Pentecost* In a world of diverse languages, cultures and traditions, we give thanks to God that we are drawn together by the Holy Spirit as one community in Jesus Christ, called to live in one faith and one baptism.

16 We remember in our prayers the North/West Lower Michigan Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide its leaders and members in God's work and witness in the world.

17 Eight young adults are working in ministries of education, women's ministry, farming, nursing and a school for the blind in Madagascar through the Young Adults in Global Mission program. We give thanks for their work and ask God to bless the communities in which they serve.

18 We remember Jesus' steadfast concern for the poor, sick and suffering and ask God to stir in us the same commitment to be agents of healing and wholeness in our local communities and the world.

19 We remember in our prayers the Metropolitan New York Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide its leaders and members in God's work and witness in the world.

20 We remember in our prayers the Northwest Washington, Northwestern Ohio, Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast and Northwestern Minnesota synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide their leaders and members in God's work and witness in the world.

21 We remember in our prayers the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, Saint Paul Area and East-Central Synod of Wisconsin assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide their leaders and members in God's work and witness in the world.

22 *Trinity Sunday* In our wondering about the mystery of our triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—we pray for God's patience, mercy and forgiveness and ask that we continue to grow in faith that is certain of God's love through Jesus Christ.

23 We remember in our prayers ELCA missionaries serving in Mexico, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Suriname, Argentina and Uruguay and ask God to bless their work and witness with our partner churches and ministries in Latin America.

24 Scientists and researchers explore the mysteries of the universe and daily expand our knowledge and wisdom. We pray their contributions and curiosity will deepen our appreciation for God, our boundless Creator.

25 We ask God to bless the plans of parents, step parents and foster parents with their children for meaningful summer experiences, safe daily care, healthy recreation and the simple joys of playing with friends.

26 The destructive turmoil in regions of the Middle East is a persistent problem. We earnestly pray for peace in these areas and that communities will rebuild and heal for the sake of the people who yearn for the calm and sanctuary of safe homes a return to thriving neighborhoods.

27 We remember in our prayers the Southeastern Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen and guide its leaders and members in God's work and witness in the world.

28 We pray for the Presbyterian Church (USA), a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997 and for the continuing growth of our relationship as we share the gospel and do God's work in the world—together.

29 We remember before God the needs and infirmities of all people, especially people we have ignored, rejected, passed by or treated as outsiders.

30 On this Memorial Day we remember, recognize and give thanks for the men and women who have served in the armed forces and have lost their lives in the pursuit of justice, peace and freedom for our country and all nations.

31 *Visit of Mary to Elizabeth* The pregnancies of Mary and Elizabeth remind us that with God all things are possible. We give thanks and praise to God for bringing good news and redemption to the world through Elizabeth and Mary, and we pray for the wellbeing and health of all expectant mothers as well as those who are trying to conceive.



Birthdays

Deanna Barthelme	05/01
Faith Wood	05/01
Christina Payette	05/02
Suzy Bradford	05/04
Coleen Gestl	05/04
Shirley Griffith	05/06
Beverly Bishop	05/07
Glenn Sponholtz	05/08
Hannah Bickham	05/09
Clay Weimer	05/09
Leigh Mark	05/10
Jose Villalobos	05/12
Erin Bates	05/13
Kyle Flick	05/13
Madison Johnson	05/13
Leslie Velasquez	05/13
William Sinacori	05/14
Mike Hoehne	05/15
Kaci Pereyra	05/15
Nina Wolf	05/17
Kayla Gerstner	05/18
Heidi Heinicken	05/19
Larry Magers	05/19
Amelia Martinez	05/19
Austin Tatuaca	05/20
Milton Thomas	05/20
Mindy Wheeler	05/21
J.C. Rincones	05/22
Nan Weimer	05/23
Jacob Campbell	05/24
Lana Royal	05/24
Matthew Balthaser	05/25
Ashley Camarena	05/25
Jocelyn Lassiter	05/27
Hannah Anderson	05/28
Susan Lowery	05/28
Aubrey Palmer	05/28
Zachary Voorhees	05/28
Natalia Flores	05/29
Keith Lawson	05/30
Billy Roesler	05/30

May



Wedding Anniversaries

Liz & Tom Childs	05/06
Gina & James Potenza	05/06
Robin & Brook Hall	05/12
Rhonda & Richard Lowery	05/15
Vicki & Billy Roesler	05/15
Christine & Joseph Morrison	05/19
Susan & Duane Bickham	05/21
Christal & Guy Thompson	05/23
Cheryl & Rich Newell	05/24
Margo & Brian Gige	05/28
Danica & Clay Weimer	05/28
Stacy Drake & Dwayne Wolf	05/28
Mina & William Sinacori	05/30
Jason & Kerry Gerstner	05/31
Bill & Cindy Welch	05/31

Baptismal Anniversaries

Nancy Bryars	05/01
Joanne Cummings	05/01
Beth Moore	05/01
Josh Reed	05/01
Guy Thompson	05/01
Walt Wright	05/01
Logan Stewart	05/02
Cody Broughton	05/05
Fred Buckles	05/05
Amanda Patschke	05/09
Carlos Cruz	05/10
Rebecca Reed	05/11
Clay Weimer	05/13
Suzy Bradford	05/14
Jan Homerstad	05/15
Aimee Martinez	05/15
Amid Martinez	05/15
Jade Lawrence McCullough	05/15
Marion Schroder	05/15
Derek Anderson	05/17
Andrew Cummings	05/17
Lucas Cummings	05/17
Gordon Meyer	05/20
Andrew Thompson	05/28
Abbey Grage	05/31

If your name or date needs updating, please contact the New Life office to have your name included in next year's posting.

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May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Senior Recognition  8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	2 6:45 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	3 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Path to New Life Class 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	4 12:00 PM Seniors (55+) Luncheon 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice	 Ascension of Our Lord National Day of Prayer 6:00 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Property Team	6	7 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
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15   Pentecost - New Members 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	16 6:45 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	17 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:00 PM Men's Night Out 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Path to New Life Class 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	18 9:30 AM Mary Martha Bible Study 11:45 AM Westside Senior' (55+) Lunch 5:45 PM Final Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM LYO Lutheran Youth Org	19 Synod Assembly 6:00 PM Phoenix Women's Group 	20 Synod Assembly 	21 Synod Assembly 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
22 Holy Trinity  8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Last Spring Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	23 6:45 PM House Band Practice 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	24 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	25 6:00 PM Choir Practice 6:30 PM LYO Lutheran Youth Org	26 6:00 PM Phoenix Women's Group	27	28 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
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Helping Hands in Worship - May 2016

Altar Guild: Barbara Flowers, Tina Meyer and Catie & Sandy Tillis ♥ Communion Elements: Lorraine Walls

8:00am Announcements: Julia Sweet ♥ 10:30am Announcements: Hap Cummings/Jim Burkard

SERVICE	May 1 – 6 Easter Senior Recognition	May 8- 7 Easter Mother's Day	May 15 – Day of Pentecost	May 22- The Holy Trinity	May 30-2 Pentecost
Acolyte 8:00 10:30	John Russell Gestl Zeke Bickham	Michael Scott Madison Lassiter	Kyle Flick Sophia Castillo	Clayton Migl Gabe Napoleon	Ryan Flick William Schroder
Assisting 8:00 10:30	Robert Broussard Nancy Bryars	Matt Scott Jamie Hilliard	Nancy Bryars Aimee Sandoval	Denise Jurgens Michael Porter	Matt Scott Jamie Hillard
Communion 8:00	Jessica Gestl Coleen Gestl	Lynn Barron Doug Barron	Susie Wellman Tamsey Mims	Brenda Migl Jerry Migl	Cheryl Robinson John Gestl
Communion 10:30	Carole Wright Mary Ann Marcha	Cheryl Robinson Jim Burkard	Jan Zuerner Kristi Glowka	Robin Gottlieb Christal Thompson	Ed Bradford Tiffany Pineda
Altar Flowers		Allen and Viola Patschke	The Flick Family celebrating Kyle's Birthday		
Lay Reader 8:00 10:30	John Gestl Jan Homerstad	Beth Moore Christal Thompson	Norm Griffith Katie Fraker	Helen Beckman Robert Broussard	Tamsey Mims Jan Zuerner
Nursery 10:30	Katie Fraker	Jackie Crawford	Kate Bates	Trent Perez	Aimee Sandoval
Greeters 8:00	DeAnna Gerber	Brenda Migl	Charlie Gaevert	Coleen Gestl	Susie Wellman
Greeters 10:30	Saundra Foster Charles Foster	Carole Wright Walt Wright	Abby Roszak Josh Roszak	Nolan Patschke Donna Patschke	Joann Morrison Dennis Morrison
Ushers 8:00	Matt Scott Berkeley Scott	Jerry Migl Karen Sweet Cheney	Shirley Griffith Norm Griffith	Frank Jurgens Karen Sweet Cheney	Charlie Gaevert DeAnna Gerber
Ushers 10:30	Milton Thomas Jay Tillis	Nolan Patschke Tony White	Jenaro Castillo Ed Bradford	Milton Thomas Jay Tillis	Jim Burkard Christal Thompson
Hosting Fellowship Hour	Sunday's Cool SS Teachers/Parents	OPEN	Seniors	MIM	Council

* Worship Assistants needed. Please contact the church office if you would like to serve.