



NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

SIGNS OF NEW LIFE

June 2026



MARK YOUR CALENDAR :

Adult Sunday School: Studying the Book: *The Universal Christ*, at 11:00am after service.

WELCA Lunch: June 10th. *Thanh Phuong* Vietnamese/Chinese Restaurant in Pearland.

Youth Fundraiser: Sun. June 14th **Waffle Brunch.** Freewill offering. There will be a presentation about their Mission Trip to *Matagorda Bay*.

Mary Martha Bible Study: Wed. June 17th 9:15am. Join us for great learning.

Happy Father's Day: Sunday 6-21. We honor you.

Quilters: Tues. 9:30am, Come help us tie Quilts for the Lutheran World Relief

Fundraiser: Please bring Aluminum Cans and pull tops for the Youth who are raising funds for their ongoing projects.

Seafarers: Please bring your empty shoe boxes for their christmas gifts packed during Senior Lunch in Dec.

New Life Church 9:30AM worship livestream can be found at the [New Life in Pearland Facebook page](#), and bulletins are available on the website: [Worship Bulletins](#).

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CHURCH FUNCTIONS

2026 New Life Council



Left to Right: Lorraine Walls, Elna Ritter, Brenda Pritchett, Jenaro Castillo, Nancy Bryars, Laura Strickland, Ryan Strickland, and Cheryl Robinson.

President: Laura Strickland

Vice President: Nancy Bryars

Treasurer: Brenda Pritchett

Secretary: Elna Ritter

Council At Large: Jenaro Castillo, Cheryl Robinson, Lorraine Walls and **Student Representative:** Ryan Strickland

As a council, we welcome any and all feedback. Please feel free to reach out to the us with ideas, suggestions.



PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE

New Life *Pastor Call Committee* - Left to Right, Laura Strickland - Council President, and Call Committee Members : Merideth Oliver, Rebel Heasley, Edward Tatuaca, Susie Wellman, and Helen Beckman



EVENTS HALL FOR RENT

The *Juul Fellowship Hall* is available for Receptions and Other Events: The deposit for active members is \$100. The deposit for non-active or non-members is \$300 which includes a refundable \$100 holding fee after inspection of facilities.

Contact the office to reserve.

Giving Report to New Life:

May Funds Giving:	\$15,485.00
Needed for Month	\$18,628.00
Yearly General Funds Giving Thru May:	\$91,635.00
Needed for the Year Thru May Budget:	\$93,140.00
Thank you for your generosity, Stewardship Team, Church Council	

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<https://newlifelutheran.com/worship/bulletins/>

VOLUNTEERS

YOUTH FUNDRAISER FLOWER SALE

Mothers day flower sale. Thank you to all for helping our youth raise money for their summer camp.



THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS:

To *Donna, Helen, Cheryl* for substituting for Evelyn in Godly Play

To the Youth and sponsors for the beautiful floral arrangements for Mother's Day.

To *Brenda, Donna, Nolan and Elna* for their supply donations for the church.

To *Meredith* for leading the *Martin Luther Sunday school class*.

To *Helen, Cheryl, Terri, and Jenaro* and the Boy Scouts for trash pick-up on Orange Street.

To *Vince* for his continuing investigation on the AC and sink repair in the *Fellowship Hall*.

To *Michael* for his IT expertise and help.

To all those who participated in the *God's Work Our Hands* activities.

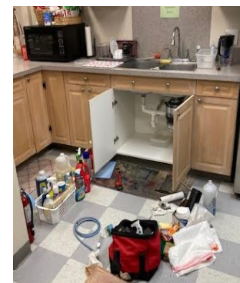
To *Bubba* for playing and singing for the Senior lunch.

To all who supported the Youth Mother's Day service project.

To Pastor for all the 'nuts and bolts' and keeping us 'bolted in Christ'.

To Tony for building a new bookcase for the Godly Play materials.

To Elna for all the Christmas cards that you left in the office for us.



Thank you to Helen Beckman, Linda Howell, Bob Leach, Tamsey Mims, Brenda Pritchett, Elna Ritter, Linda Stavinoha, Julie Watkins, and Carol Ann Zann for **Bingo gifts** for the Senior Luncheon.

A Spirit-Filled Sunday at New Life



We enjoyed a truly wonderful and uplifting day at New Life Lutheran Church this past Sunday.

We were blessed to welcome **Reverend Cassandra Nagle**, the newly ordained **Bishop's Associate for Community and Call Process of the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod**.

Pastor Cassandra shared an inspiring message during worship and spent time meeting with our Call Committee as we continue moving forward in the call process. Her presence, encouragement, and guidance were greatly appreciated by our congregation and leadership.

Following worship, our **WELCA group** hosted a fun and festive luau-themed luncheon. Members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal, meaningful fellowship, creative arts and crafts activities, and lively line dancing. The event provided a wonderful opportunity for members of all ages to connect, laugh, and enjoy time together.

Days like these remind us of the many blessings we share as a church family. We give thanks for the opportunity to gather in worship, grow together in faith, and strengthen the bonds of fellowship that make New Life such a special community.

Laura Strickland, Council President



WOMEN OF THE ELCA



June 2026 Environews by *Helen Beckman*

Thursday, June 11 is the Monthly Garden Lecture at 7 P.M. on *Keep Pearland Beautiful (KPB)* Facebook page.

Saturday, June 13 is the monthly Paper Shredding Event at the *Stella Roberts Recycling Center* (SRRC) from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. KPB members are free up to 4 boxes. Non-members are charged \$5 minimum or, \$.39/lb. whichever is highest. Business members' free shredding varies according to membership level.

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A lot has been written lately about *microplastics* and to what extent they are now a ubiquitous part of our environment, our food chain, and throughout our planet including our own bodies. Because plastics are not biotic or come from living things, but are synthetic polymers from chemical compounds, they do not biodegrade. Rather, they just continually break into smaller and smaller pieces until they become invisible to the naked eye as microplastics, even nanoparticles.

When we pick up litter, we become very aware of how much plastic accumulates along the street, in ditches, trapped in bushes and fences. We try to recycle what we can. We see it at the beaches, in parks, lakes, rivers and oceans. The oceans have been collecting it for the past 75 years. Much of it floats, but depending on its density it can be floating all the way to the sea bottom. Wherever it is, it continues to exist or is consumed by sea life. On land it may be consumed by wildlife or continues to break down and disappears into the soil where it is consumed by life in the soil, animals and plants through the roots.

Nanoparticles are also in the air we breathe. Bees get it on their wings from the flowers and take it back to the hive. Microplastics have been found in honey, seafood, table salt, bottled and tap water, and beer.



We were so happy to have new textiles, such as nylon, polyester, and spandex, plastic containers, saran wrap, plastic toys, and light weight flower pots. They are still with us somewhere. Some plastics can be broken down enough to be reformed into other plastics, such as plastic coke bottles to polyester fabric. In the present we are experiencing plastic proliferation. It is a universal concern and many countries around the world, including our own U.S.A., are looking for ways to reduce the problem. Hopefully, we as individuals can continue to do what we can.

First, **Reduce** the use of single use plastics, already banned by France.

Reuse plastics in other ways, when we can no longer use them as originally intended.

Rebuy used and recycled products. Heaven knows Forgotten Angels Resale Shop helps with that.

Recycle all that we can. Here at New Life Lutheran, all plastics that can be recycled are. We are still working on avoiding all use of polystyrene.

Helen Beckman

YOUTH CAR WASH



Our youth and parents worked incredibly hard raising funds for our *Youth Mission Trip* this July. From washing and drying cars to holding signs and greeting everyone with smiles, it was truly a team effort!

We are so thankful for everyone who came out to support us, brought their cars to be washed, donated, encouraged our youth, and helped make today such a success. Your generosity means so much and helps make this mission trip possible for our students.

Thank you for supporting the New Life youth ministry and investing in these wonderful kids!



Our next (and hopefully final fundraiser for the mission trip) will be Sunday, June 14th from 11 am - 1 pm. We will be having a brunch prepared by the youth as well as some fun raffles and a presentation about the trip. Hope to see you there!



NEW LIFE SIGN

A Reflection of Faith in Action

We are pleased to share that New Life Lutheran Church recently celebrated the dedication of our new church sign—an exciting and meaningful milestone for our congregation.



Thank you to *Diane Tanksley* and *Meredith Oliver* for their time keeping us informed and entertained on our events. The added flowers around the sign really cheer up our front lawn.

Keep watching for the fun notices !!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Crocheters and Knitters Needed:

Please help us knit or crochet Prayer Shawls for our ministry. We have a good supply of yarn, crochet hooks and knitting needles.

Recently I had the opportunity to hand deliver one of our beautiful prayer shawls. The recipient was surprised to receive this "labor of love" from our church. I told her that she was on our *Prayer List*, and we were advised that she had just started Chemo treatments. We hoped that this prayer shawl would give her warmth, comfort and peace during her treatments. She was very thankful that people she did not know were praying for her. I had selected a purple prayer shawl for her and it turned out that this is her favorite color! When she attended one of our church services, I introduced her to the lady that crocheted that shawl, who happens to be a cancer survivor. Lots of hugs, a few tears and encouraging words were exchanged. This is one example of why this ministry is so important.

Thank you for the huge donation of yarn and accessories from Marjorie Schooley's family and delivered to us by Roger Schooley.

Please contact **Julie Watkins** for more information. auntjuliesings@yahoo.com



PRAYER TEAM



We have a caring group of people who pray for those listed on our *Prayer List*.

We receive prayer requests by the yellow cards submitted on Sundays, information submitted via the QR codes, emails sent to the church office or phone calls to the church office. Please let us know if you have any prayer requests.

If you have submitted a prayer request, and you have an update you would like to share with the Prayer Team, please let us know. We like to know that our prayers have been answered.

Thank you!
Blessings, Julie , auntjuliesings@yahoo.com

QUILTERS



We make quilts for ***Lutheran World Relief***. We gave quilts to 15 countries and victims of USA Hurricanes, California wildfires, severe weather and flooding.

Please **come and join us** on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am to help us make

INSIDE OUR QUILT ROOM



Meals on Wheels



I hope everyone has been enjoying this Spring/Summer/Spring weather! Summer is right around the corner and some of you might be looking for an adventure.

Well, I have a great opportunity for you! Our next MOW delivery will be June 22-26. This is a great chance to spend a day with a spouse, a friend, or a kiddo delivering meals to some of our Pearland shut-ins.

These people look forward to seeing a smiling face at their door every day. Many have told me how much they appreciate the people who bring them food, and a friendly greeting (even an extra snack at times).

If you or someone you know would like to try your hand at this awesome ministry, reach out to me (see below). I can add your name to my email list. I usually send out a message one week (or two) before the next delivery date. Everyone (on the list) has an opportunity to look at the dates and decide if one of the days will work for them.

Remember, you are only asked to deliver ONE day. Future dates to keep in mind are: Aug 17-21; Oct 12-16; Dec 7-11.

If you find you have a “burning” desire to help with any of these dates, you can let me know at any time. Also, if you know someone who might benefit from this program, you can call Pearland Meals on Wheels @ 281-485-5081 for information.

Barbara Flowers

713-817-1012

barbaraflowers_55@yahoo.com

Recycling



Helen Beckman has been organizing our recycle projects. Thank you to her for all her efforts of organizing and collecting from all who have donated aluminum cans and tabs.

She also volunteers to take them to recycling centers to be processed.



OUR MEMBERS: MINISTRY

Prayer Shawl Ministry 2026

We make Shawls, Baby Afghans, and Baptismal Cloths for comfort and worship. We are **looking for generous people** to help us keep this ministry going. Thank you to all who have helped us by crocheting, knitting, donating or giving us supplies, so we can continue to do this caring ministry. Please contact **Julie Watkins** for more information at 832-289-4298 or auntjuliesings@yahoo.com.



GAME NIGHT

Watch our Emails and Calendar for our **Game Night** to be announced.



Adults and Children are welcome to join us for a fun evening! We enjoy multiple games, free pizza and fun!

Pearland Meals on Wheels:



THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered to deliver food to those who need us. Future dates to keep in mind are: **June 22-26; Aug 17-21; Oct 12-16; Dec 7-11**. If you find you would like to help on any of these dates, call anytime. If you know someone who might *benefit* from this program, you can call Pearland Meals on Wheels @ 281-485-5081 for information.

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BIBLE STUDY:

Mary Martha Bible Study Group



Wednesday June 24th at 9:30am.

All Women are welcome!

Please join us!

Snacks provided.



Senior Luncheon

Thank you so much to **Bubba Flowers** for entertaining us in May at the luncheon. We enjoyed your "Name This Tune" game! :-)



CHRISTIAN HELPING HANDS



Please donate food for the Pearland Food Pantry.

Our members volunteer at **Christian Helping Hands** weekly by bagging food into carts for families in need. Donate by bringing us *cans, boxes of food, egg cartons* and used *grocery bags*. Check your pantry to see if you have items you do not need. Our donation Basket is OUTSIDE BY THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. Thank you so much for your donations !!!

In 2025 New life Lutheran Church gave over 3,588lbs of food of a value of \$6,422.00 to Christian Helping Hands! Keep it up!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30pm Girl Scouts 8pm - AA Meeting - Fellowship Hall 8pm - AI-Anon Meeting	2 9:30 am - Quilters Workshop 7pm - Word Fellowship	3 SENIOR LUNCH 12:00 pm - Pot Luck Lunch & Bingo .	4	5 6pm (WOW)- Women of Worth - Potluck & LCR, Fellowship Hall	6 10:30am - Phoenix Group (Women's AA) 4pm- Word Fellowship
7 9:30-Trad. Worship 11:00-Book-The Universal Christ 12 Word Fellowship	8 :30pm Girl Scouts 8pm - AA Meeting - Fellowship Hall 8pm - AI-Anon Meeting	9 9:30 am - Quilters Workshop 7pm - Word Fellowship	10 WELCA LUNCH 10:00am Worship Committee Mtg. 11:30am Welca Lunch, Thong Phuong Restaurant	11	12 6pm (WOW)- Women of Worth - Potluck & LCR, Fellowship Hall	13 10:30am - Phoenix Group (Women's AA) 4pm- Word Fellowship
14 WAFFLE BRUNCH 9:30-Cont. Worship 10:30-Youth Waffle Fundraiser Brunch 12 Word Fellowship Worship	15 6:30pm Girl Scouts 8pm - AA Meeting - Fellowship Hall 8pm - AI-Anon Meeting	16 9:30 am - Quilters Workshop 7pm - Word Fellowship	17 BIBLE STUDY 9:15am Mary Martha Bible Study	18	19 6pm (WOW)- Women of Worth - Potluck & LCR, Fellowship Hall	20 10:30am - Phoenix Group (Women's AA) 4pm- Word Fellowship
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