

3521 East Orange • Pearland, Texas 77581 281-485-1818 • Fax 281-485-2535 www.newlifelutheran.com NewLifeinPearland

Sunday's Cool @ 9:15 am • Worship @ 8:00 am & 10:30 am



An emerging ministry of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Hang On



Don't Let Go

Mark Your Calendars

Saturdays, May 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th
LYO - Lutheran Youth Organization
Mondays May 7th, 14th & 21st
Modified Yoga @ 6pm
Mondays, May 7th, 14th & 21st
Houseband Practice

Tuesdays, May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th Quilting Workshop

Wednesdays, May 2nd, 9th, 17th, 24th & 30th Choir Practice & Confirmation Class

Wednesday, May 2nd Seniors (55+) Lunch

Thursday, May 3rd

National Day of Prayer Property Team Meeting

Saturday, May 5th & 19th

Lydia Circle Bible Study

Sunday, May 6th

High School Senior Blessing

Bazaar Meeting

Wednesday, May 9th

WELCA Lunch Bunch @ Ellie's in Friendswood

Thursday, May 10th

Ascension of Our Lord

GLOW Meeting

Sunday, May 13th Mother's Day

Mother's Day Monday, May 14th

Church Council

Tuesday, May 14th-15th

Lawhon Testing

Tuesday, May 15th

Men's Night Out

Wednesday, May 16th

Mary Martha Bible Study

Thursday - Saturday, May 17th-19th

Synod Assembly

Friday, May 18th

WOW (Women of Worth) Mosaic Crosses

Sunday, May 20th

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 27th

Holy Trinity Sunday

Monday, May 28th

Memorial Day - Office Closed

May 2018

Table of Contents

Pastor's Ponderings	2-3
Youth & Family Ministry: - Sang Kim	4
Council President - Rudy Moreno	5
Young Adult Global Missionary - Annie Ba	tes 6
Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Fish Fry	
& Easter Sunday Pics	7
Go & Serve Sunday Pics and LWR Update	8
Student Recognition Sunday & Sunday's Co	•
Seniors' & Volunteer Opportunities, Men in	
Mission & Prayer Shawl Ministries	10
Women's News, Bible Study, WOW, Quilter	s 11
Thank You's!	12
Thank you from Pastor Regina Wilson & Wo	
Fellowship Center Church and the March	
EnviroNews	14
Directory Updates, Wedding, Sympathy	15
Sympathies, GLOW - God's Work, Our Hai	
Coffee Hour - 2018 Flower Chart – Altar Gu	
Christian Helping Hands/CHH	17
Property updates	18
URGENT NEEDS - 20x20x1 Air Filters	
Property Thank Yous	
	9-21
God Works Book by Pastor Gigee	19
5th Grade Bible Recipients	10
Project Graduation Announcement Ne	eds 21
Prayer Page	22
	23-24
Birthdays, Baptism & Weddings Anniversar	
Church Leader Contact Information	26
Monthly Calendar	27
Helping Hands in Worship	28



Sunday, June 3rd - BLOOD DRIVE

End of School/Beginning of Summer ALL Church picnic

<u>Thursday - Saturday, June 7th - 9th</u> Pictorial Directory On-Site Photography

> Sunday, June 10th Whole Life Sunday



PASTOR'S PONDERINGS... ...for people like us... ... in times like this...

'RESPONSIBLE LIVING —-JOYFUL GIVING"

(Part 3 of 3 messages)

Dear Friends and Followers @ New Life,

At the 2018 New Life Staff/Council/Leaders Retreat we prayed and sang and talked about the mission and ministry God's Spirit is calling us into... and for the past two months I have written 3) some thoughts about what it means for us, a 'church', to tend to a life-time commitment of 'responsible living' and 'joyful giving.' The two DO go hand in hand and up until now I have written some general thoughts about our 'stewarding of life' in terms of relationships, care of the creation, how we tend to our bodies in terms of our intake of food and drink and in this issue I do want to say some things about money and the financial implications to our over-all stewardship of life! Here are some thoughts from me to you to help you think...

- 1) Giving to the ministry of church is not new. The concept of ministry support goes way back to the Old Testament and the early days of the Israelites. Giving an 'offering to God' was personal and communal. "First fruits" or "best of the best" was the idea. Giving from end of life was good for the giver and was a visual proof of both one's trust in God and an acknowledgement of a relationship with God as a priority!
- 2) Making a financial offering is to a New Testament life-style. Jesus claimed... "render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's". He said this in reference to the paying of taxes with the implication that 'everything' belongs to God... including ourselves and our very own lives! St. Paul was a roving preacher. He went from

town to town. He asked people to set aside a portion of their income each week and bring it to Sunday worship. They did and for St. Paul, it was personal. The money he collected was sent to Jerusalem to assist the widows and orphans of the day... widows and orphans St. Paul was personally responsible for making as he rounded up early Christian men and had them killed when he was Saul of Tarsus in the employ of the Temple leaders. So, in the early church, offerings weren't about buildings or staff, or supplies... the offerings 'saved lives!'

Tithing is a wall against long-term debt! This is true but doesn't always fly in the wake of "the American Dream!" I actually say this to young couples getting married... like the couples that just finished college or trade school or just mustered out of military service... "hey, you know what? You are now in a place where you are making more money than you ever had and I have a way to help you stay out of debt and bring undue stress to your lives. Wanna know?" They say YES! —> They always say YES and then I tell them this... "Well let's just say you've been living frugally for the last 4-5 years... off Wolf Brand Chili and Kraft Macaroni & Cheese in a box. And now you have a real job compared to living hand to mouth and now that you are marrying everything changes." average starting salary for a college grad is \$50,550.00 (according to 2016 stats) and that means as a couple they are now making over \$100,000. In the 1960's it took my dad 10 years to do that!

(NOTE: In some cases it is less and in most cases it is more!). Then, I continue... "So use this the model—- the 10-10-80% factor to start out... 10% as a gift to God, a first-fruit response for this new place in your life... then place 10% in savings and live off the 80% as this amount is still far greater than the way you've been living the last 4-5 years." People like hearing this but I'm not sure how many are actually doing this. For more than I'd like to

P. 2 (Pastor's Ponderings Cont'd)

think are not remembering it took their parents decades to have the nice house and nice things these younger couples grew up with and that having all that in a first year of marriage that their parents have now will most likely be unrealistic and stressful.

4) And finally consider this... You and I may be puzzled or even disappointed that in the midst of so much hurt in our world, the self-improvement industry continues to grow while more people are concluding that the church isn't relevant to their lives. Did you know that in the United States our suicide rate is at a 30-year high (45,000 people per year), drug and alcohol addiction affects 1 in 10, more people die from drug overdoses (60,000 people per year) than gun violence or car accidents, and life expectancy has peaked for the first time in decades. Researcher Brené Brown puts it this way: "We are the most in-debt, obese, addicted and medicated adult cohort in U.S. history."

While this is happening, people in the U.S. are consuming books, attending events, groups, programs and testing techniques related to "self-help" to the tune of \$10 billion per year. It's astounding that this is roughly six times the amount of money collected by all ELCA congregations for regular member giving last year. Whoa!

When we connect the dots, this paradox emerges: Significant numbers of people are profoundly hurting, people are spending money to find ideas to make life better, and larger percentages look at organized religion and conclude it doesn't have anything to offer, or isn't worth the effort. How can that be? Ask again... how can that be?

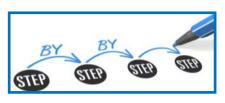
The average starting salary for a college grad in Texas is \$50,550.00 (according to 2016 stats)

As we continue to look for better ways to engage people in a life of faith, in the church, and specifically in becoming disciples and stewards, my prayer is that we can stay inspired. This mission of what we want <u>for</u> people (as opposed to what we want <u>from</u> them), not just life but abundant life, is critical for every one of us. As we celebrate more of the next 500 years of the Reformation, hopefully we can be open to the necessary changes that will unite more people to our Savior Jesus Christ, his good news, and the way of living that he taught and modeled.

To find out how wealthy you are... click here... http://www.globalrichlist.com/

We are a church that is energized by lively engagement in our faith and life. Thank you for doing God's work with faithful, generous hearts! And in June... everyone at New Life will be asked to be "ALL IN" as we seek to move more deeply into this season of "RESPONSIBLE LIVING" AND "JOYFUL GIVING!" Watch and pray for the things to come!

New Life; now!



A series of messages for New Life Church and her friends as we move into the season of "Responsible Living- Joyful Giving"

Sunday May 6 – "Stepping On" – acknowledging what is needed vs. what is wanted in life

Sunday May 13 – "Stepping Out" – making new decisions for the good of all! (Mother's Day)

Sunday May 20 – "Stepping For" – *investing in the future*! (UH Alumni/Student day)

Sunday May 27 – "Stepping Away" – seeing how rest and re-creation are key to stewarding life!

Sunday June 3 – "Stepping Through" – changing the world via faithful stewardship!

Sunday June 10 - "Stepping IN" – putting all of me in the circle of life!

Youth & Family

Hello, New Life Church family,

Well, 40 days of Lent is not what it used to be. I'm sure it would have seemed a lot longer if I were a child. Being not a child, 40 days has flown by because this season was filled with all sorts of memorable events and moments.

Like last year, the kids took the abundance of leftovers to the firemen on the last Wednesday night of Lent suppers. Thank you again for all your generosity and investment in the students for the Youth Gathering in June.

Though our Seder meal was smaller than last year, each attendee helped to create a happy, boisterous environment. As always, Kate Bates did a great job with the dining aesthetic.

My 2nd Seder, the familiarity made it easier for me to do the reading, and yet I look forward to having other volunteer readers next year.

The Maundy Thursday service was another highlight especially with 5 baptisms and 8 first communion recipients. The long service was worth every moment. You all are part of the family and Kingdom of God. We are very proud of you! The Good Friday fish fry was festive again. Thanks again to the men's group for doing all that you did. Sorry that none of the youth group could help out. The Good Friday service was moving, and I was glad to be there with my fellow brothers and sisters.

The Easter Egg Hunt Party on Saturday, March 31 was an obvious example of how abundantly the Lord provides. At one point, we had to make another 40 copies or so of a coloring sheet for the kids. I was shocked and very, very happy. We had, as usual, a great group of volunteers with years and years of experience. Having said that, I am hoping that next year we will have new volunteers so that we can keep investing in a younger generation (anyone who is younger than me). Lots of parents & kids were not from our church so that is another example of how our church reaches "into the community." It was a solid 2 hours of fun, music, games and pizza.

Due to various CITY restrictions in 2018, I have not been preaching at nearly as many schools this year. I have been invited to and preached at Alexander, Pearland West, Pearland South and Berry Miller. This is unfortunate since I like being outside my office as much as possible. Administration aside, ministry is about being outward as much as possible.

My RISE mentoring will end by 5/18. I hope you will consider being a mentor to one of the dozens of students who may be looking for someone like you. Pearland has had 100s of people step up to make a difference in the lives of young people, an investment that will have years of potentially positive consequences.

As the summer quickly approaches, the first week of Day Camp will be June 11-15. I sent a feeler email to various parents to see if Sunday through Thursday would work, but they preferred the regular Monday-Friday schedule.

I need a volunteer to cook / provide breakfast for our Day Camp counselors (I'd like to give Barbara a break this summer if possible) and a hospitable brother or sister to provide housing for them (thanks to Helen & the Perez families for last year). The ELCA Youth Gathering will quickly follow 2 weeks later. We will be sharing some of our rooms with other local churches like Lakeside and Christus Victor which will help to lower the overall cost. Thanks to all the volunteers over these several months, and of course, thanks to the youth who are attending.

Here are some important dates:

- 1) April 29: Student Recognition Day.
- 2) May 6: Senior Blessing Day.
- 3) May 13: Mother's Day. Another youth fundraiser opportunity.
- 4) June 3, Sunday: End of the School Year party.
- 5) June 17: Father's Day.
- 6) July 22-27: Probable date for our youth to attend Lutherhill summer camp (grades completed 2nd 8th); it would be great to get everyone to go at the same time!
- 7) June 27-July 1: Youth Gathering in Houston.

Sincerely, Sang Kim
Director for Youth and Family Faith Formation





Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are in a very exciting time of the year. How, you may ask. Our new direction of whole life stewardship seems to be catching on. Even our youth get it. Overall we have received positive feedback concerning our speakers. Our congregation is starting to experience a culture change. We are starting to realize that sharing our stories benefits everyone. All of us have faced challenges in our lives. It is because of these challenges that we are who we are. Sharing these stories makes us stronger and encourages others to realize that they are not alone.

We are also nearing the end of another school year. Have you noticed the change in your children. Have you changed? I have. I am speaking of spring fever. It just brings the sense of excitement.

Our drive to reduce our mortgage is headed in the right direction. We have made good strides and are slowly but surely paying it down. Don't forget our water jug in the narthex. It has been averaging 75.00 a week. That's 300.00 directly to the principal per month. The thought of becoming debt free is also exciting. Thank you for your contributions.

Sang Kim, Barbara Scott and Matt Scott will be attending the annual synod assembly this month. Keep them in your prayers.

On June third the BBQ team will be cooking for the end of school / beginning of summer party. There will be plenty of good food and other activities. Hope to see you there.

I am always open to comments or suggestions, so if you have anything to discuss please feel free to contact me.

In Christ,

Rudy Moreno2018 Church Council President
281-734-5019

Hello Fellow Lutherans!

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter, and that you're enjoying the spring time weather back home. The schools over here have two weeks off for Easter Break, so things have been pretty uneventful throughout the past few weeks. My allergies and Crohn's symptoms bothered me for most of the break, so I didn't really get to do much exploring. I did get to catch up on sleep though, which was nice.



New places that I've visited:

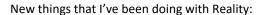
A few weeks ago, my friend Allison and I went to Oxford to visit our friend/fellow YAGM Molly. Unfortunately, I'd started to come down with a cold a couple of days before hand, so I wasn't feeling my best, But I really enjoyed getting the chance to see them and to finally visit Oxford. We walked around for a while, and were really left in wonder by the beauty of a lot of the architecture. We also visited and took a guided tour of Oxford Castle, which served as a prison from the mid 1200's to the late 1900's. We learned a lot about the prison as well as the people who were incarcerated there





throughout its almost 800 year history.

Allison and I also took a day trip to Nottingham over this past weekend. We visited several of the caves that exist underneath the city, and learned about some of the purposes that they've served throughout the past several hundred years. I was really surprised to learn that they stored several hundred plague bodies in one of the caves out of a misguided belief that they might spread the disease further by burying them in the ground. It was also really cool to learn that they used the caves as an air raid shelter during WWII.



I enjoyed having a few weeks off, but I'm very glad to have gotten back to work. We've just started a new session, and we were really surprised to see how many young people showed up the first week we were there. It was very exciting, and the young people who came really loved everything about the bus. We made mug cakes during our session yesterday, which they really loved. Mike also taught some of them how to play UNO. They don't have many other youth services offered to them in the area that they live in, so it's been really nice to provide a space for them to come to and to begin to build relationships with them.

I've also started to co-lead a weekly course on self-esteem with Luke, one of the long serving members of Reality's youth team. Luke and I lead a group of about eight young people whose teachers/pastor care workers thought might benefit from the course. The kids are really sweet, and it's nice to see how open they are in discussing their feelings with us. I look forward to seeing them again tomorrow.

Things I'm looking forward to in the near future:

My friend Heath is coming to visit me on Saturday so that we can go and watch Avengers Infinity War together. We are both really nerdy about comic book movies. Heath is from Arkansas and is doing his placement with a men's rehab center in Loughborough.

I've also been saving my money so that I can go and visit two of my friends at their placements in Manchester at the end of May, and so that I can go to York and nerd out over the Harry Potter stuff there (and also see many sites of actual historical significance).

I hope you all have a great month, and I'll hopefully have more interesting news for you next time.

Tons of love to you guys always,

-Annie

(P.S.) Also, if you are interested in seeing more photos, you can follow me by visiting: Instagram.com/bates3184 Or Facebook.com/annie.bates.71



Annie Bates is serving as a Young Adult Global Missionary in the UK.



Thank you to all who have or will participate and/or donated to Holy Week and Easter activities!

Maundy Thursday

8 had their 1st Communion 5 were Baptized 2 became members by Affirmation of Baptism













Fire Station visits Took Breakfast



Another group with the Jurgens, Lynn Cope and the Bickhams went to Christian Helping Hands to help organize the shelves

Way to Serve the Community New Life!



Aimee and Tally Keep Pearland Beautiful (4/07)



Orange Street Clean-Up

<u>Lutheran World Relief</u> - 40 boxes were loaded on Good Friday to be taken to the ingathering on Easter Monday.

The Boxes contained:

147 quilts

218 School Kits

71 Health Kits

Thank you Bubba, Barbara & Vera for making the delivery! And Thank You to all who donated items for the kits, helped pack kits, created the quilts and/or purchased a quilt!



Stı

8

Student Recognition Sunday

44 New Life Youth were represented in the booklet that was handed out! Way to go Sang and all the parents who submitted pictures and info.



Sunday's Cool
Students upstairs in
the Fellowship Hall
for songs with
Dianna and Tiffany
and a photo op.
Below they are being
silly and singing
songs.



New Life Seniors' Opportunities

(open to all persons age 55 and up)



New Life Seniors Luncheon

Wednesday, May 2nd @ 12:00 pm

Please bring your favorite entrée, side dish or dessert.

For questions, please contact Helen Beckman at 281-485-3159.



Other Senior (and younger adult) Opportunities:

Men in Mission
Women of the ELCA, Women of Worth
Quilters
Altar Guild
Prayer Shawl Ministries
Bereavement Team
Meals on Wheels
Christian Helping Hands
GLOW (God's Love, Our Work) Care Team
Property Team
Sunday's Cool Teaching
Bazaar Team

Gardening

MEN'MISSION

"Men's Night Out" Tuesday, May 15th 6:00 pm

For information contact any participating member of Lutheran Men in Mission RSVP to MenInMission@newlifelutheran.com or the church office at 281.485.1818.

The guys enjoyed Katie Von Luther's beer and Fish & Chips from Bobbie Jean's Fish & Wings Food Truck. Thank You Doug Barron, for applying for a Thrivent Action Card to offset the cost of food.

The guys at



in April







As of March 2018, 672 prayer shawls and 28 baby afghans have been made and distributed to those

in need. This ministry only has a few members and really needs more people who would like to help make shawls and afghans. Please contact Karen in the church office @ 281-485-1818 or Carole Wright @ 713-826-8749 if you are interested.







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) Lunch with New Life women and

friends! Arrive about 12:00 pm at Ellie's in Friendswood on 2351 on Wednesday, May 9th. (they don't open until Noon). Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

THE MARY-MARTHA BIBLE STUDY continues third Wednesday bible study from the national WELCA magazine named Gather, thanks to Helen Beckman who leads us at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.

The Lydia Circle Bible Study:

Our April bible study will be on the first and third Saturday, 5/5 & 5/19 at 10:30 am. We meet in the conference room in the administration building. All women are invited to attend. The study is from the WELCA "Gather" magazine. Copies will be provided. Questions? Call Barbara Brown at 281-798-2138.



WOW (Women of Worth) usually meets the 3rd Friday of the month at 7pm WOW will meet on May 18th to make Mosaic Crosses. The cost is \$25. Please rsvp and pre-pay to Karen in the office by May 13th (Mother's Day).

WOW is a part of the WELCA of New Life, so all women over the age of 16 are invited.

Questions? Contact Karen at office@newlifelutheran.com



Family Promise of Clear Creek

Ladies from New Life traveled to St Paul's in Baytown for the WELCA Spring Cluster meeting on April 14th. Family Promise of Clear Creek presented and a service project was completed by everyone present. Approximately 400 pounds of cleaning items, socks and toiletry items were collected.





Save the Date/s:

June 30th, Saturday: 5th Saturday Lunch Bunch—TBD

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

Join the quilters on Tuesday mornings to sew, tie, or put quilt tops together with backings. The quilters break about 10:30am for coffee and snacks.

The quilters completed another 170+ quilts for Palm Sunday display. Quilters packed 147 quilts to go with the 71 personal care kits (packed Palm Sunday) and 218 School Kits (packed by the Seniors in

September). Lots of people helped load the boxes of quilts and kits into a trailer during the Fish Friy on Good Friday. Vera, Bubba and Barbara took the quilts/kits to the in-gathering on Monday, April 2nd.

All are welcome to come and visit!

For more information, call Vera White at 281.485.9713.





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





Thank you to all who served coffee, juice and food during our Fellowship Hour; all who brought breakfast for Easter Sunday, the Third Sunday Group,

the Men in Mission and the Church Council.



Many Thanks to Walt and Carol Wright, Joann and Dennis Morrison, Cindy Welch, Hap and Bobbi Cummings, Lynn Cope, Donna Patschke, Don and Margaret Purdum, Nancy Bryers,

Charles and Saundra Foster, Helen Beckman, Mary Ann Vance, Barbara and Ed Scott and Barbara Flowers for delivering meals during the week of March 12-16. Our next dates for delivering meals will be May 7-11 and July 2-6 (with no delivery on the 4th). VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please contact Barbara Flowers.

We are always looking for people to help deliver meals to about 25 clients. If you would like to be a part of this very important ministry or you have any questions, please contact Barbara Flowers at 713-817-1012.

Thanks to Barbara Flowers for Coordinating Meals on Wheels for New Life!



Thank you: Lynn Cope, Mike & Terry Kiser, Linda Stavinoha and Susie

Wellman 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 MANY MANY THANKS!!!

- To ALL who have helped New Life already pay down the mortgage by \$7,600 this year and send in the complete budgeted \$2,500 benevolence to the Synod.
- To all those who "served" on Go Out and Serve Sunday. Christian Helping Hands, 2 Firestations, Orange St Clean-up, electrical work, yard work in 3 places, general cleanup, carpet installation and singing at WindSong and Trinity Oaks. You ALL Rock! See pics on page 8.
- To Helen Beckman and Barbara Scott for their "Temple Talks" on Sunday mornings.
- To Walt Wright and Rich Newell for replacing incandescent light bulbs with LEDs that light up the Choir area like it is a brand new addition!
- To the youth and adults who helped pack 71 Baskets of Promise Kits for Lutheran World Relief.
- To the Seniors who packed 218 School Kits for Lutheran World Relief.
- To the Quilters who had 147 quilts ready to send to Lutheran World Relief (and about 50 more that were sold to help defray the cost of batting).
- To all who donated items for Baskets of Promise. The items collected made 71 health kits for LWR.
- To Linda Stavinoha and Lynn Cope for their continued help in the office to get Sunday Bulletins ready for Sunday mornings.
- To Nolan Patschke for providing a Thrivent Action Team card to help with the Easter Breakfast and the breakfast for Go Out & Serve Sunday.
- To Sang Kim for his leadership in the kitchen and for the youth during the Lenten Suppers.
- To Barbara Scott for organizing and keeping up with volunteers for the Lenten Suppers.
- To all who helped cook, serve and clean up for the Lenten Suppers.
- To Doug Barron for providing a Thrivent Action Team Card for the Men in Mission, Men's Night out in April to BaKfish Brewery. See page 9 for pic.
- To the Men in Mission for putting on a fabulous Fish Fry on Good Friday.
- To the guys who cooked the fish: Walt Wright, Rich Newell, Tony White, Charlie Gaevert, Doug Barron and Richard Jurgens.
- To Frank who ran the Fish Fry kitchen and made yummy hushpuppies, coleslaw and french-fries. (and made the tartar sauce!)
- To the Altar Guild ladies for their tireless work during a busy Lenten (and flu) season.
- To Linda Stavinoha and her committee that put on a HUGE Easter Party. More than 70 youth and 90 adults participated!
- To Coleen Gestl and the office staff for sending out first quarter statements on time.

Blessings in the Wonderful NAME of OUR LORD And Savior Jesus Christ!!

To Pastur Giges, his Lovely Wife, And the Congregation of New Life Lutheran Church

Just a few words to tell you how much over the span of y Rs. that I have known you, how you have grown to be a very important Part of my life. How much encourament and late I have received over the yrs. from all of you at New Life. I have flit genuine Love and compassion from many of you there. Your strength helped me to stand in the most difficult time I had ever faced in my life your support, generosity and concern has at times been over whelming. May you continue in the strength of the Lord Jesus, As we strive to win Souls unto The Kingdom!

How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God!

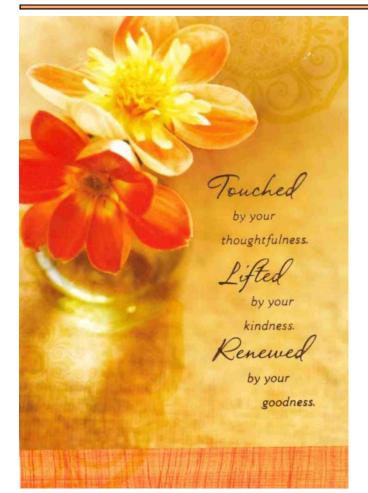
Psalm 36:7



Your kindness meant more than you know.

Yours in Christ!
Pastoe Regina Wilson
Word Fellowship Center Church

April 2018



Dear Church family,

And very, very thankful.

We are indeed Thankful for the \$200 gift! The money will go towards our living room floor.

Sincerely, Dary Lant Fernando











What a great cleanup we had on April 8. Thanks to everyone who came out and picked up litter on Orange Street. Duane Bickham, Karen Cheney, Becky Homerstad, Terri Kiser, Trent and Parker Perez, Robin Gottlieb, Deanna Barthelme, Deanna Moreno, and Helen Beckman spent about 1½ hours picking up 3 bags of trash, 2 bags of recyclables, and 182 cigarette butts. It was a beautiful day and it's so much easier to pick up litter with the

much improved Orange Street. We avoided the construction area and had sidewalks all the way. When the road project is complete, we will no longer have to deal with the deep ditches. Going from N. Main to Schleider will be a snap. We do this four times a year. Keep Pearland Beautiful (KPB) chooses the dates, but we are free to vary the dates for our convenience. The person in charge receives communication from KPB, goes by to pick up supplies before the event, recruits volunteers, and files a report with pictures via computer afterwards. This is a great way for a young family to participate in our congregation's ministries. I would really like to have someone replace me as our adopt-a-spot coordinator. I promise to be a faithful participant. Our fall cleanup is scheduled for September 8.

Thursday, May 10, the Garden Lecture topic will be "Deep Freeze 2018 Plant Survival" by Gil Livanec. The lecture will begin at 7 P.M. at the Pearland Recreation Center on Bailey Road.





Monday, May 21 is Open Garden Day by the Harris County Master Gardeners located at 1205 Genoa Red Bluff from 8:30 to 11 A.M.

Stella Roberts Recycling Center Update The recycling center will accept all batteries. The company that takes our batteries accepts all kinds of batteries. So, if you're not sure whether or not to recycle, just bring them all.



Paper Recycling Please do not put cardboard in the paper retriever dumpsters. You can put all cardboard in curbside or take it to the Stella Roberts Recycling Center. I collect all cardboard at church for recycling. We have paper collection bins all over church. They are emptied into the paper retriever dumpsters. Please refrain from putting paper into the recycling bin for plastic and glass by the kitchen. If the paper is contaminated by food or drink I have to throw it away and often someone mistakenly puts food or drink in with the recycling.

Earth Day was celebrated all over the world this past month, but Keep America tells us that every day is Earth Day. Give thanks each day for all the blessings of God's creation and remember to nurture and respect it by being mindful of what you do. Reduce your use of natural resources wherever you can. Reuse what you have and then when no longer needed give it to someone else to use. Recycle whatever can be reprocessed for other uses. Even donating clothing is recycling!



Turtle Patrol has restarted (April 1st – July 15th). Please pray for Karen Sweet Cheney, Terri Kiser and Mary Ann Marcha as we walk the beach from 61st Street to the Pleasure Pier in Galveston each Friday morning at 7am. We are looking for turtle tracks to find nests and help increase hatching rates. We will give updates as they come, but so far only 9 nests have been found in Texas and they were near South Padre.



Updates for the Church Roster:

Change of Address and/or email:

Barbara Brown Address Update:

13010 Golden Water Ct. Houston, TX 77044

Tiffany & Molly Gunter Address Update:

6526 Stoney Creek Dr Pasadena, TX 77503-113 281-628-6851 ttgunter@outlook.com **Larry Magers Address Update:**

Watercrest at Shadow Creek 11745 Broadway # 4405

Pearland TX 77584 281-684-3384

Joey & Christine Morrison Address Update:

2704 Spring Canyon Dr League City, TX 77573

The Church Staff Thanks everyone for helping us keep the database up-to-date with addresses, phone numbers and emails. for each of your family members.

Also: Birthdays, Baptisms, Confirmations, and Wedding dates with the year.

If you and/or your family have not submitted profiles to the office, please see Karen for a Member form. We would like to recognize your Birthday, Baptism date and Wedding anniversary in the Lifeline, and provide updated address, phone numbers and emails, but do not have everyone's complete data.



Congratulations to Berkeley and Jennifer (nee Jurgens) Scott on their marriage celebration Saturday, April 21st, at New Life!

Pastor Gigee officiated their wedding celebration.





我我我我我我我我我就就



Save the date: on June 7th, 8th & 9th Re: Member Pictorial Directories will be on site taking pictures of our families for a new Directory.

A pictorial directory is a powerful tool in our church to help each of us know each other better. Our last directory is now out-dated and it is time for a new one. Please make an appointment to have your picture taken at one of the sign-up locations at the church on one of the sign-up Sundays, OR YOU CAN SIGN-UP ON OUR CHURCH'S WEBSITE newlifelutheran.com under Useful Links or by the link Pastor Gigee sent out in his email. Your participation will help the church and yourself. Every family photographed for the directory will receive a copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait at no cost. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits at the time of photography. So please, sign-up today!



Thank you to all Thrivent members who chose New Life as the recipient of their 2017-2018 Choice Dollars!

Choice Dollars are a benefit to Thrivent members and \$2,578 has been received by New Life so far in 2018.



In Sympathy – We extend our Christian sympathy to Donna Patschke and her sister Vivian, family and friends for the loss of Donna's brother-in-law, Garry Yancey, who died in Christ on Friday, April 13th in Terrell, TX.





In Sympathy - We extend our Christian sympathy to Jerry Migl, family and friends for the loss of his father, Jerry Paul Migl (85), who died in Christ on Sunday, April 8th. Services were on Friday, April 13th, in Schulenburg, TX.

In Sympathy - We extend our Christian sympathy to Charles & Virginia Vavrecka, family and friends for the loss of their son, Jeff, of Tyler TX who died in Christ last week. A celebration of Jeff's life was held on Saturday, April 14th.



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

Gifts to New Life in memory of or in honor of are both appropriate and welcome always.

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 7:00pm 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.





Thank you to all who served coffee and juice (and more) and/or cleaned up during our Fellowship Hour!



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. Dates Available

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

Most 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month.



Sign up for 2018 on the chart in the **Narthex**

Weekly Altar Flowers are \$40 and can be taken home after the 10:30 service or if indicated will be taken to a Nursing Home. (Place fee in offering plate and indicate that it is for altar flowers.) *Please mark your dedication on the chart if possible. (in honor of, in celebration of, etc.)

> Let the office know a week ahead of time for special flowers or colors.



Communion Elements are \$40 per month - Please let the office know if you would like to sponsor a month in 2018. 281-485-1818 (June – December Available)



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



Christmas is past, but families are still in need of food for children's lunches and food in the home.

CHH is also in need of "cream" soup to hand out to families to cook with. They also need jellies, peanut butter, mac-andcheese, diced tomatoes, tuna, canned chicken, diapers, pullups (don't have to be a full package), baby food and toiletries (toothbrushes, tooth paste, shampoo, soap, etc.)

As always, you can place your CHH donations in the CHH basket whenever you are at church.



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:

Foster Foucheaux, Walt Wright, Rudy Moreno, Ronnie Stavinoha, Rich Newell, Charlie Gaevert, Richard Lowery, Will Sinacori, Karen Sweet Cheney, Cheryl Robinson and many more are working the property to keep it safe and running smoothly. If you see one of these guys, please shake their hand and let them know they are appreciated! See page 17 for individual job thanks.



Thank you to all those who provide special offerings to help with Lawn Care. If you are not giving and would like to be added to the reminder list, please contact Karen.

New Life is OUT of air filters

They are changed each month to make sure the AC units can work optimally.



Air Filters:

20x20x1 (10 are needed every other month)



Thank you to Vera White who supplied a whole box of another size of Air Filters that are needed!

Thank you to Kate Bates for purchasing some 20x20x1 filters.

Thank you to Rich Newell who purchased 12 20x20x1 filters!

Thank you to Charlie Gaevert for installing some of the Air Filters throughout the campus.

Thank you to Walt Wright and Rich Newell who completed the switch from incandescent to LED lightbulbs in the choir area in April. The area looks like a brand new addition. AND the Choir can now see their music!







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

Sunday's Cool has classes for everyone (youth & adults).

Take time for Life-Long Learning!

- This Spring, the youth from three year olds through 6th grade will meet in the Fellowship Hall classrooms for Sunday's Cool.
- 7th Grade thru high school will be meeting in Sang's office in the admin building.
- The youth will gather at 10:00am for songs in the Fellowship Hall.
- Ø The ABC class... Adult Bible Class will be returning to the Old Testament Book of Joshua. A great story!
- Ø The DVD class... Daring Video Disciples will be watching and discussing the "Dead Sea Scrolls"

Come Join in the Fun While Learning about God's Love

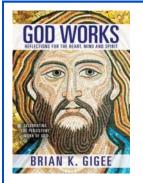
5th Grade Bibles were presented to Cate Cummings and Bryanna Perez on Sunday, April 15th.



These Bibles will be used in confirmation classes.



"We're trying to learn the difference between a 'thou shalt' and a 'thou shalt not'."



GOD WORKS

By Pastor Brian Gigee reflections for the heart, mind and spirit

\$15.00 (softcover)

Also available on Nook and Kindle

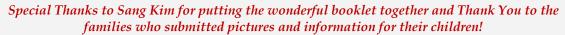
Get ready to acquire a copy today for some reflective reading as you journey through the 50 days of Easter!

http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/god-works-brian-kgigee/1117780985?ean=2940149008445



Student Recognition Sunday was Sunday, April 29th

Please take time to see New Life's youth in the Student Recognition Booklet. Browse the questions in the back and learn more about our youth.









LYO Schedule for May

Saturdays @ 9:30am

May 5th May 12th May 19th May 26th

Youth in Action JR Reading at 8am Service









Thank you for your participation in the t-shirt and Mother's Day

Fundraisers.

Pearland Project Graduation

Sponsor: Pearland Community Drug & Positive Attitude Program, Inc.

This is the 29th year for Project Graduation for graduating seniors of Pearland. The group provides a drug and alcohol free party honoring graduating senior classes from Dawson, Pearland and Turner High Schools. Help is needed! No funds are received from PISD, so Project Graduation is running a raffle ticket fundraiser. There are many needs including volunteering, making monetary gifts, donating prizes and/or food or purchasing raffle tickets for 4 different prizes.

Please visit www.pearlandprojectgrad.com or call Trent Henley at 281-412-1642 or henleyt@pearlandisd.org or call Chris or Julie Cowart at 832-526-8844 or cowart-family@sbcglobal.net

Thank You!



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

"To be Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing." - Martin Luther

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY!

Pray for renewing health: Marge Angelo, Gretchen Barnes, Brian Bates, Kate Bates, Susan Bickham, Bryan Bradford, Robyn Bradford, Theresa Breuer (Barbara Scott's mother), Barbara Brown, Terry Brown, Pete Brumfield, Wendy Conners, Bobbi Cummings, Carl Ericsson, Margo Gigee, Kelli Grage, Greg Grayson, Taylor Walter Hayes, Becky Homerstad, Janet Johnston, the Kisers, Michael Lassiter, Larry Magers, Tina Meyer, Phyllis Mistrot, Cheryl Newell, Hubert Pardue, Allen Patschke, Allison Patschke, Viola Patschke, Janet, Frannie & Mike Porter, Scott Sanger, Matt Scott, Gary Siegworth, Will Sinacori, Glenn Sponholtz, Julia Sweet, Karen Sweet, Patrick Sweet, Claudia Thomas, Ben Viccellio and Vera White.

Special prayer needs: Abarca & Lott families, Barrett and Ruddock families, Bradford & Miller families, Brown and Tumlinson families, Buckels family, Butler family, Childs family, Zachary Cope, Fraker family, Hilliard family, Jurgens family, Kaiser family, Kiser family, Kyle Lawson, Lawson family, Lott family, Malina & Moreno families, Marcha & Castillo families, Marcha & Salazar families, Martain family, Migl family, Palmer family, Patschke, DeWeese, Schneider & Yancey families, Peterson family, Porter family, Purdum & Hayes families, Putman family, Reynolds & Galloway families, Ritter & Ffrench families, Schroder & Wierick families, Scott family, Sponholtz family, Sweet family, Tatuaca family, Thomas family, Vavrecka family, Welch family and the Wellman family.

New Life members serving in the military: Keagan Barthelme, Jeremy Foster, Zach Gottlieb, Eric Metzger, Mason Moore (reserves), Ryan Newell, Michael Porter Jr., Berkeley Scott & Christopher Young.

PRAYER CORNER





A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord we pray for all

MOTHERS

Beautiful and wonderful
they fill the earth
Gracious in Your call they
carry life
In a bond of love they bring

forth a child.

We ask You to bless all

MOTHERS today

May they feel the joys of motherhood

everyday

In all their struggles giving us a livelihood

May Your LOVE and COMPASSION

be with them for good.

May every MOTHER feel today
The pride and beauty of a family they bear
Through all pain and sorrow Lord
deliver them
In Your STRENGTH and GRACE
may they always stay.
AMEN!

Read full Prayer at christianstt.com

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 March 2018

Evangelical Lutheran Church in AmericaGod'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 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 leaders, growth and vibrancy of Asian congregations, ministries and multicultural congregations throughout the ELCA.
- 2 Continue to pray for the people and communities in Puerto Rico and other areas of the Caribbean involved in long-term hurricane recovery work, especially restoring safe housing, power and clean water; give thanks for the work of

Lutheran Disaster Response and its partners to bring God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world.

- **3** Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Rocky Mountain and Southeastern Pennsylvania synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- 4 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Northeastern Minnesota, Minneapolis Area and Southeastern Minnesota synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- **5** Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Arkansas-Oklahoma, Southwestern Texas and South-Central Synod of Wisconsin synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- **6** Pray for God's forgiveness and patience for ourselves, our church and society in these times when, too often and easily, we allow differences of opinion and life experience, hostility and vengeance to create rifts in our relationships and communities, that the Spirit will help recenter our lives in Jesus' commandment to love each other as God has loved us.
- 7 Pray for the service and witness of the 11 young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program; the Rev. Rachel Eskesen and Zachary Courter, YAGM country coordinators for Central Europe; and the Rev. Anne Morawski serving with our companions in Hungary and Serbia.
- **8** Give thanks for the rich partnership and relationship we have with the United Church of Christ, a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997. Pray for their church and ask God to further our respect for one another and work together sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.
- **9** The call to believe and be baptized is for all people, without exception or favoritism. We ask God to help us see the Spirit at work in the people around us and to be welcoming, encouraging, bold witnesses to the gospel.
- **10** Ascension of Our Lord We were not left alone and helpless when Jesus ascended into heaven; we are assured of God's blessings and the power of the Holy Spirit stirring and equipping us to share the good news of the gospel, grow the church and care for our neighbors in need.
- 11 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Southeast Michigan, New Jersey and Metropolitan New York synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- 12 The ELCA Guardian Angels program, with its welcoming congregations, synods and volunteers, physically and spiritually accompanies migrant children, single-parent families and adults through their immigration court processes. Pray for migrants who often navigate confusing and complex situations, that they find hope, confidence and companionship for moving forward, resettling and discovering welcoming faith communities.
- 13 Pray we grow throughout life in faith and understanding of that to which we give witness and testimony: God's love for us and the eternal life we have received through Jesus Christ.
- 14 Pray the Spirit is with us and in us as we live our faith together and embrace our church's values of forgiveness and reconciliation; dignity, compassion and justice; inclusion and diversity; courage and openness to change; and faithful stewardship of God's creation and gifts values grounded in faith, our biblical and Lutheran confessional sources and our love of God and neighbor.

- 15 Pray for those who are doing God's work in the world in partnership with the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina and Uruguay: the seven young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program; Krystle Moraska and Ignacio Madrussan, YAGM country coordinators; and Alberto (Gustavo) Driau, regional representative for South America.
- 16 Pray our church takes to heart the invitation to discuss and share input to the draft of the women and justice social statement to create a statement that reflects the word of God, our theology, the values of our church and concern for gender-based equality and equity in the world.
- 17 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast, Northern Great Lakes, Pacifica and Saint Paul Area synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- 18 We ask God to help us support and reassure students who are experiencing anxiety, weariness or self-doubt while preparing for and taking exams and finals, that they will know they are not alone in life and that our true identity and value is wrapped up in God's unconditional love.
- 19 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Southeastern Iowa, East-Central Synod of Wisconsin and Oregon synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- **20** Day of Pentecost Pray we are all filled with the Holy Spirit to speak and act boldly in the world giving witness to God's love and the good news of Jesus Christ a gift to people of every nation, culture and circumstance.
- 21 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the North/West Lower Michigan Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.
- 22 Lift up in prayer ELCA rostered women of color, women who serve faithfully throughout the church; give thanks for the families, mentors and supporters who journeyed with them, and pray other women of color of all ages are also surrounded by people who invite, inspire, encourage and equip them for lives of service and ministry.
- 23 Give thanks for the thousands of young adults beginning their training and service at ELCA camps and retreat centers across the country; pray their faith, enthusiasm and care inspire the lives and stir the faith of children, youth, adults and families.
- 24 Ask God to grant us wisdom, curiosity and discernment in our conversations about science and technology issues in our society and world and to further the work of the Lutheran Alliance for Faith, Science and Technology to expand awareness and promote conversation about the implications of science and technology for Christian faith and life.
- 25 Pray for young adults who are finishing their formal education and discerning their vocation and future, that the Spirit will inspire them to use their faith, gifts and passions for the well-being and benefit of our neighbors, communities and world.
- **26** Give thanks for the gift of the Spirit present and at work in the world and our lives helping, renewing, energizing and guiding us revealing God's truth, will and wisdom.
- 27 *The Holy Trinity* We profess through our creeds and teachings our belief in the triune God Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever; at the same time, we confess we have questions about the mystery of the Trinity. Pray our wondering, curiosity and even uncertainty drive us to prayer, studying Scripture and conversation with one another while still trusting that we are children of God loved just as we are, questions and all.
- **28** *Memorial Day* Remember and give thanks for women and men who have served in the military and sacrificed their lives for the sake of justice, peace, freedom and the well-being of our country, other nations and people who suffer oppression and injustice in the world.
- 29 We are a church active with doing God's work in the world. Pray that congregations, youth and adults involved in summer service-learning experiences, volunteerism and community projects are guided by God's vision of peace, justice and compassion in the world, a spirit of accompaniment and long-term partnership, mutual respect and hope.
- **30** Pray for the service and witness of ELCA missionary Jeffrey Martin working in partnership with the Lutheran Church in Great Britain and the 12 young adults in the Young Adults in Global Mission program serving in Scotland and England with the ecumenical program Time for God.
- 31 Remember in prayer leaders and delegates gathered for the Western North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Greater Milwaukee and Indiana-Kentucky synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them for God's work in the world and growing the church.



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
Johnny Peterson	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
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
Andrew OBanion	05/21
Mindy Wheeler	05/21

Hadley Morrison 05/22 05/22 J.C. Rincones Nan Weimer 05/23 Jacob Campbell 05/24 Lana Royal 05/24 Ashley Camarena 05/25 Jocelyn Lassiter 05/27 Hannah Anderson 05/28 Michael Manrique 05/28 Aubrey Palmer 05/28Zachary Voorhees 05/28Natalia Flores 05/29 Keith Lawson 05/30 Billy Roesler 05/30

Wedding Anniversaries

Liz & Tom Childs	05/06
Gina & James Potenza	05/06
Melanie & Steven Walker	05/06
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 Gigee	05/28
Danica & Clay Weimer	05/28
Stacy Drake & Dwayne Wolf	05/28
Mina & William Sinacori	05/30
Jason & Kerry Gerstner	05/31

Baptismal Anniversaries

05/01
05/01
05/01
05/01
05/01
05/01
05/05
05/05
05/09
05/10
05/11
05/13
05/14
05/15
05/15
05/15
05/17
05/17
05/17
05/20
05/21
05/21
05/21
05/28
05/28
05/29
05/29
05/29
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.

PASTORAL STAFF LEAD PASTOR

Rev. Dr. Brian K. Gigee, D. Min.

Office Hours: Mon. 1:00-4:00 pm, Tues. 1:30-5:00 pm, Wed. 1:30-5:00 pm and by appt.
Office 281.485.1818 [24-Hour Voice Mail]
Email: brian@newlifelutheran.com

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Sang Kim – 281.485.1818 or 281.818.6833 Email: sang@newlifelutheran.com

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Johnny Salvesen - 281.485.1818

254.733.7668 cell

Email: johnnysalvesenbass@gmail.com

Website newlifelutheran.com

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Coleen Gestl 281.948.2424 Email: coleen@newlifelutheran.com

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT OFFICE MANAGER

Karen Sweet Cheney 972.841.2600 Email: <u>office@newlifelutheran.com</u>

DIRECTOR FOR COMMUNITY LIFE & MINISTRY

Kate Bates 832.474.2941 Email: <u>kate@newlifelutheran.com</u>

Office 281.485.1818 Fax 281.485.2535

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Fri. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

WORSHIP: Sundays 8:00 am & 10:30 am

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

COUNCIL EXECUTIVE TEAM		Home	Cell
Council President	Rudy Moreno		281-734-5019
Council Vice-President	Barbara Scott		832-857-3830
Council Secretary	Elna Ritter		832-865-5176
Church Treasurer	Frank Jurgens	281-482-2160	827-744-9931

COUNCIL AT LARGE

Gary Siegworth 713-306-7187

Glenn Sponholtz 832-328-5785

SUPPORT STAFF

Bazaar/Fall Festival Team ChairpersonKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Bereavement Team LeaderHelen Beckman281.485.3159Christian Helping HandsJudy & Foster Foucheaux281.997.0022CustodianAllison Patschke281.489.1219GLOW CoordinatorKaren Sweet Cheney281-485-1818Lawhon Volunteer CoordinatorCarole & Walt Wright713.826.8749Meals on Wheels Co-CoordinatorBarbara Flowers713.817.1012Co-CoordinatorJane Maxwell713.249.8550Men's Ministry Team LeaderGary Siegworth713-306-7187Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Altar Guild Chairperson	Cheryl Robinson	713.471.4128
Christian Helping Hands Custodian Allison Patschke 281.489.1219 GLOW Coordinator Karen Sweet Cheney 281-485-1818 Lawhon Volunteer Coordinator Carole & Walt Wright 713.826.8749 Meals on Wheels Co-Coordinator Barbara Flowers 713.817.1012 Co-Coordinator Jane Maxwell 713.249.8550 Men's Ministry Team Leader Gary Siegworth 713-306-7187 Prayer Chain Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600 Prayer Shawl Ministry Carole Wright 281.489.1101 Property Team Coordinator Charlie Gaevert 281.224.4065 Seniors Ministry Helen Beckman 281.485.3159 Sunday School Superintendent Aimee Castillo 281.919.7158 Thrivent Congregation Advocate Kate Bates Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600	Bazaar/Fall Festival Team Chairperson	Karen Sweet Cheney	972-841-2600
Custodian Allison Patschke 281.489.1219 GLOW Coordinator Karen Sweet Cheney 281-485-1818 Lawhon Volunteer Coordinator Carole & Walt Wright 713.826.8749 Meals on Wheels Co-Coordinator Barbara Flowers 713.817.1012 Co-Coordinator Jane Maxwell 713.249.8550 Men's Ministry Team Leader Gary Siegworth 713-306-7187 Prayer Chain Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600 Prayer Shawl Ministry Carole Wright 281.489.1101 Property Team Coordinator Charlie Gaevert 281.224.4065 Seniors Ministry Helen Beckman 281.485.3159 Sunday School Superintendent Aimee Castillo 281.919.7158 Thrivent Congregation Advocate Kate Bates 281.485.1818 Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600	Bereavement Team Leader	Helen Beckman	281.485.3159
GLOW Coordinator Lawhon Volunteer Coordinator Carole & Walt Wright T13.826.8749 Meals on Wheels Co-Coordinator Barbara Flowers T13.817.1012 Co-Coordinator Jane Maxwell T13.249.8550 Men's Ministry Team Leader Gary Siegworth T13-306-7187 Prayer Chain Karen Sweet Cheney Prayer Shawl Ministry Carole Wright Property Team Coordinator Charlie Gaevert Seniors Ministry Helen Beckman Sunday School Superintendent Aimee Castillo Thrivent Congregation Advocate Karen Sweet Cheney F72-841-2600 Rate Bates Seniors Ministry Sunday School Superintendent Aimee Castillo Seniors Ministry Sunday School Superintendent Kate Bates Karen Sweet Cheney F72-841-2600	Christian Helping Hands	Judy & Foster Foucheaux	281.997.0022
Lawhon Volunteer CoordinatorCarole & Walt Wright713.826.8749Meals on Wheels Co-CoordinatorBarbara Flowers713.817.1012Co-CoordinatorJane Maxwell713.249.8550Men's Ministry Team LeaderGary Siegworth713-306-7187Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Custodian	Allison Patschke	281.489.1219
Meals on Wheels Co-CoordinatorBarbara Flowers713.817.1012Co-CoordinatorJane Maxwell713.249.8550Men's Ministry Team LeaderGary Siegworth713-306-7187Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	GLOW Coordinator	Karen Sweet Cheney	281-485-1818
Co-CoordinatorJane Maxwell713.249.8550Men's Ministry Team LeaderGary Siegworth713-306-7187Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Lawhon Volunteer Coordinator	Carole & Walt Wright	713.826.8749
Men's Ministry Team LeaderGary Siegworth713-306-7187Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Meals on Wheels Co-Coordinator	Barbara Flowers	713.817.1012
Prayer ChainKaren Sweet Cheney972-841-2600Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Co-Coordinator	Jane Maxwell	713.249.8550
Prayer Shawl MinistryCarole Wright281.489.1101Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Men's Ministry Team Leader	Gary Siegworth	713-306-7187
Property Team CoordinatorCharlie Gaevert281.224.4065Seniors MinistryHelen Beckman281.485.3159Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Prayer Chain	Karen Sweet Cheney	972-841-2600
Seniors Ministry Helen Beckman 281.485.3159 Sunday School Superintendent Aimee Castillo 281.919.7158 Thrivent Congregation Advocate Kate Bates Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Carole Wright	281.489.1101
Sunday School SuperintendentAimee Castillo281.919.7158Thrivent Congregation AdvocateKate Bates281.485.1818Karen Sweet Cheney972-841-2600	Property Team Coordinator	Charlie Gaevert	281.224.4065
Thrivent Congregation Advocate Kate Bates 281.485.1818 Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600	Seniors Ministry	Helen Beckman	281.485.3159
Karen Sweet Cheney 972-841-2600	Sunday School Superintendent	Aimee Castillo	281.919.7158
y	Thrivent Congregation Advocate	Kate Bates	281.485.1818
TI 1 16 1 0 11.		Karen Sweet Cheney	972-841-2600
Tuesday Morning Quilters Vera White 281.485.9713	Tuesday Morning Quilters	Vera White	281.485.9713
Women of the ELCA Julia Sweet 281.481.2508	Women of the ELCA	Julia Sweet	281.481.2508
WELCA - Lydia Circle OPEN	WELCA - Lydia Circle	OPEN	
WELCA – Mary Martha Circle Helen Beckman 281-485-3159	WELCA - Mary Martha Circle	Helen Beckman	281-485-3159
WOW [Women of Worth] Karen Sweet Cheney 972.841.2600	WOW [Women of Worth]	Karen Sweet Cheney	972.841.2600



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Student Recognition 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	30 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	1 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	(55+) Luncheon 5:45 PM Confirmation	3 National Day of Prayer 7:00 PM Property Team 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	4	5 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
6 Senior Blessing 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 11:45 AM Bazaar Meeting 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	7 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	Lunch @ Ellie's 5:45 PM Confirmation	10 Ascension of Our Lord 7:00 PM GLOW 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	11	9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
Mother's Day 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM No Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	14 Lawhon Testing Snacks 6:00 PM Church Council 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:00 PM Men's Night Out 6:30 PM Phoenix	Study 5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir	17 Synod Assembly 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	7:00 PM WOW	19 Synod Assembly 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
20 Pentecost 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	21 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir Practice	24 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	25	9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
 27 Holy Trinity 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool - Last for School Year 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship 	Office Closed 6:00 PM House Band Practice	29 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	5:45 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM Choir	31 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	1	2 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Lydia Circle Bible Study 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group

Helping Hands in Worship - May 2018

Altar Guild: Denise Jurgens ♥ Communion Elements: Lorraine Walls

Services		May 6 – 6 Easter	May 13 – 7 Easter (Mother's Day)	May 20 – Day of Pentecost	May 27 – The Holy Trinity
Acolyte	8:00 10:30	Clayton Migl Ryan Jones	Harleigh Gosch Cate Cummings	Bryce Flick Casey Crawford	Clayton Migl Jocelyn Weber
Assisting Minister	8:00 10:30	Robert Broussard Michael Porter	Barbara Scott Aimee Castillo	Denise Jurgens Cindy Welch	Ed Scott Bryan Bradford
Communion Assistant	8:00	Denise Jurgens Frank Jurgens	John Gestl Coleen Gestl	Doug Barron Lynn Barron	Coleen Gestl Cheryl Robinson
Communion Assistants	10:30	Carole Wright Kristi Glowka	Barbara Flowers Tiffany Pineda	Carole Wright Deanna Barthelme	Ed Bradford Christal Thompson
Altar Flowers		Coleen and John Gestl	Jamie and Derrick Flick	Elaine and Larry Damewood	OPEN
Lay Reader	8:00 10:30	Beth Moore Holly Tatuaca	Nancy Bryars Katie Fraker	Rebecca Reed Mike Lassiter	Elna Ritter Lisa Weber
Nursery	10:30	Kate Bates	Mandy Schroder	Jackie Crawford	Katie Fraker
Greeters	8:00	Brenda Migl	Judy Foucheaux Foster Foucheaux	Helen Beckman	Brenda Migl
Greeters	10:30	Bob Hansen Lan Hansen	Lynn Cope Merideth Oliver	Charles Foster Saundra Foster	JoAnn Morrison Dennis Morrison
Ushers	8:00	Robin Gottlieb Vincent Gottlieb	Norm Griffith Shirley Griffith	Frank Jurgens Vincent Gottlieb	Matt Scott Charlie Gaevert
Ushers	10:30	Jan Homerstad Ed Bradford	Nolan Patschke Jenaro Castillo	Kate Bates Greg Grayson	Milton Thomas Tony White
Coffee Hour		Sunday's Cool Adults Classes	МІМ	Seniors	OPEN
Opening Closing		Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott

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