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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

Monday, September 3rd
Labor Day - Office Closed

Wednesday, Stepember 5th Seniors (55+) Lunch

Confirmation Class Starts Back Up

Thursday, September 6th & 13th

Bazaar Meeting & other dates

Property Team Meeting

Saturdays, September 1st, 22nd & 29th

LYO - Lutheran Youth Organization

Mondays September 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th Modified Yoga @ 6pm

Modified Yoga @ 6pm Houseband Practice

Tuesdays, September 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

Quilting Workshop

Wednesdays, September 5th, 12th, 19 and 26th

Confirmation

Choir Practice



Saturday, September 8th Orange Street CleanUp

Sunday, September 9th 3 & 4 Year Old Blessing

Monday, September 10th

Church Council

Wednesday, September 12th

WELCA Lunch @ Baytown Seafood on 518

Thursday, September 13th

Bazaar Meeting

GLOW Meeting

Friday-Saturday, September 14th-15th WELCA Convention @ House of Prayer

Tuesday, September 18th

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Men's Night Out

Wednesday, September 19th Mary Martha Bible Study

Friday, September 21st

WOW (Women of Worth) Bazaar Crafts & LCR



Sunday, September 23rd

Men's Sunday

Blood Drive

Sunday, September 30th

Congregational Meeting

Friday-Saturday, October 5th-6th

27th Annual BBQ/Bazaar/Craft Show

September 2018

Announcing the 2018 27th Annual New Life Lutheran Church BBQ/Crafts/Bazaar Raffle October 5-6, 2018 3521 E. Orange St. Pearland TX 77551





Raffle held at 6pm Saturday



Items: Texans Basket, Beats Earbuds , & King Sized Quilt (Hand-quilted)



One ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 (Need NOT be present to win)

For tickets, please see: Linda Stavinoha or call the Church Office © 281-485-1818

The New Life BBQ team sells BBQ by the pound - Sheed/chopped/Whole

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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS...

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

"Will Our Children Have Faith?"

Dear friends and followers @ New Life,

Recently, I equated New Life like that of a 'teenager!" After all, we did turn 13 this past July! Do you remember when you were 13? What was that like? Would you do it over again? How many times have you said or heard someone else say... "Gee, if I knew back then what I know now..." what a difference that would make... But, think... do you believe we are the only congregation that has ever been 13 years old? Are we not like our parent churches and all the church experiences we've had leading us up to now? Aren't we like that teenager whose parents were raised with different traditions and blended them into the family unit they are now? Do you think they learned from their parents and other adults as well? We benefit from those who come before us! So, this is a good time to be the church... leaving our "childhood" behind and embracing a bit more of an adult posture...

To bring that home... over recent years about 1/5 of our congregation is made up of 18 year olds and under. One in five! This has been going on for quite some time...and that fact has implications... 1) there is a bright future for the church as those 100 or so youth grow up to create new families and then the number grows to 200 and then you can add in about 200 more with their children (if that couple has at least 2 children) and you get a bigger than average size (250 membership with 100 in worship) congregation in the ELCA. That's exciting.

- 2) But, remember 1/5 of the congregation can't "tote the note" as they say. Their parents do and someday they will have to or there will be no church for their children and grandchildren. Can we think that far out? We must!
- 3) That means the things we do now will impact on our great-grandchildren; and knowing the church is always (*since its beginning*) just one generation away from extinction if we do not share faith with THIS one, there will not be faith to share and carry on the work of ministry in the days to come.

But, let me be clear. Our children will have faith! They will believe in something. They will! The question is faith in whom? Faith in what? Trust in self? Trust in money? Trust in good looks and knowing all the lyrics to all the cool songs? Having an identity rooted in the kind of clothes they wear or type of car they drive? Look, this is my job to be prophetic... to caution... to remind everyone I know to not ignore this reality. In fact, I ask you to take this personally... for all children everywhere!

Worth it? Yep! A recent report suggests a disproportionately high number of prisoners were not in any way practicing any kind of religion prior to incarceration. That is, they exhibited none of the standard sociological measures of religiosity, such as regular prayer, scripture study, and attendance at worship services.

There is value in practicing our faith and sharing faith each day from generation to generation and if my memory is right... all of our children 16 and under need a ride to church on Sunday!



BEGINS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16

Answering the questions:

+ Will our children have faith? + Why is my family always in a hurry?

+ Do I really need to keep up with the Joneses? + What does the Lord require of me?

+ What does family life look like in Wittenberg, Wabo and Waco Kunga? + a lot more...

Sunday, September 16 - "IT TAKES A CHURCH"

Sunday, September 23 - "WHEN A MAN TAKES THE LEAD" (Men's Day!)

Sunday, September 30 - "TEACH YOUR CHILDREN" (What we want our children to know!)

Sunday, October 7 - "WHAT'S IN IN FOR ME?" (and the lingering smell of BBQ)
Sunday, October 14 - "PASSING the BATON" (Leaving a legacy that lasts)





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Here we are in September. Wow, where has this year gone? At the end of this month (September 30th - see next page) we will be voting on new Church Council members for next year. Please consider prayerfully and volunteer. You can ask someone that you would think good for the position if you can nominate them. It is a big responsibility which can at times require extra effort. Most of the time meetings last an hour and a half to 2 hours.

We just celebrated the one year Harvey anniversary and there are still people that are homeless. Please keep them in your prayers.

Please don't forget our mortgage fund. We are making small but steady strides to pay this debt off.

Financially we are in decent shape for this time of the year. Thank you for your good stewardship. Please keep up the good work!

We have not received back all of the stewardship packets that were handed out. Please make a conscious effort to return these. It will help us greatly in future planning.

Thank you very much for all your efforts great and small to make this a great place to worship and belong to.

In Christ,

Rudy Moreno2018 Church Council President
281-734-5019



Sunday, September 30th

After the 10:30 am Service

Whole Life Stewardship STEWAR



Stewardship Corners

Provides focused weekly thoughts and daily meditations for you to study and deliberate as we lead our congregation towards redefining stewardship.

Spiritual Gift Assessments

Gives you an opportunity to evaluate your own missional strengths and also helps our congregation develop a missional profile to better serve our community and fulfil God's purpose.

God's Work Our Hands

Identifies the needs of our congregation based on your and our congregation's missional strengths, and provides ways for service in God's Kingdom as faithful stewards.

Congregational Reading

Provokes thoughtful discussion about discipleship and redefined stewardship while fostering and strengthening small group communities within our congregation based on individual interests. Also, paves the way for more comfortable dialog about money matters and the importance of working together in community.

Whole-Life Giving

Encourages a step-by-step commitment of growth in consistent financial giving from where you are today to where you want to be in supporting the missions we share as stewards in God's Kingdom.

PROGRESS TO DATE:

- 355 Individuals called
- 24 Take One Step Up Forms
- 15 Individuals reading
- 15 God's Work Our Hands Forms
- 1 Spiritual Gifts Assessments

CONGREGATIONAL READING:



















Youth & Family



Hello, New Life Church family,

The last Sunday of August is over, and school has begun for the last of the ISDs (HISD). In the month of August, we had a terrific Back Pack Blessing and Rally Day. As always, nothing in churches gets done without the invaluable hearts and hands of our volunteers. So thank you so very much to our Sunday School teachers. You have provided decades of faithful and loving teaching and care to our students, your younger brothers and sisters in Christ. Yesterday was our first Sunday School class so it was great to have the old faithful JRG, MS, KO and even EW (all grown up). I look forward to having better attendance as the fall semester begins.

In an effort to spend more valuable time with the younger Sunday School students, I will be having group teaching / worshiping times with all of them (yes, as one big group!) on 9/2, 10/7 & 11/25. Obviously, the help of the youth group students will be crucial for crowd control, leadership and gentle caretaking.

On Saturday morning, September 15, 9am to noon, various youth have expressed interest in participating in Texas Adopt-A-Beach 2018 Coastwide Fall Cleanup. I am happy to drive to Surfside Beach if we can have at least 3 persons attend. For various reasons, we hardly had any LYO events this summer so this is a good way to get that restarted. Moving forward, Sunday after church may be a better time to consistently meet, but I am always open to youth kid suggestions and their interest.

Lutherhill has the following fall schedule and for fun I'm including the spring schedule because, why not? Notice that these include retreats for FAMILIES and not just your kiddos to enjoy themselves.

Oct. 12-14: FALL FAMILY RETREAT, Escape to the Hill for a fun-filled family weekend.

Nov. 9-11: <u>CONVERGE</u>, A Gathering for 6th – 8th grade youth to laugh and learn.

Dec. 7-8: <u>ADVENT RETREAT</u>, A gathering for 1st-6th grade youth to explore the joy of advent.

Jan. 25-27: <u>MOTHER DAUGHTER RETREAT</u>, Create incredible memories with your daughters, mothers and grandmothers, too! This fills up Fast!

Feb. 8-10: WORSHIP. LEAD. SERVE., A gathering for 9th – 12th grade youth to practice discipleship.

March 1-3: <u>UNWIND</u>, Renew your body and spirit with your favorite ladies.

March 22-24: <u>EXPLORE</u>, A gathering for 1st-6th grade youth to discover camp.

Unfortunately, the pool party for middle school students did not transpire which is the opposite of fortunate. I continue to hope that our middle school students will not only attend church but also come to Sunday School and of course be friends with one another outside the church walls. Pretty soon, our high school students will be graduating, and we have to start NOW with our middle school students. Otherwise, there will not be a high school group to speak of...

Sincerely, *Sang Kim*Director for Youth and Family Faith Formation

Announcing the 2018 27th Annual New Life Lutheran Church BBQ/Crafts/Bazaar Raffle October 5-6, 2018

3521 E. Orange St. Pearland TX 77581





Raffle held at 6pm Saturday



Items: Texans Basket, Beats Earbuds, & King Sized Quilt (Hand-quilted)



Astros Basket Tickets sold separately

One ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 (Need NOT be present to win)

For tickets, please see: Linda Stavinoha or call the Church Office @ 281-485-1818

The New Life BBQ team sells BBQ by the pound - Sliced/chopped/Whole

Come One, Come All

Booth sign up sheets are in the Narthex for: Baked goods, Baked Potatoes, Drinks, Parking, Security, Raffle, Vendor Welcome, Counting Room, Set-Up & Take-Down.

Everyone can help! There are many things that need to be done BEFORE the Bazaar as well!

Donate Drinks by taking a sticker of your choice and returning the soda/water by Sunday, September 30th.

Find out what is being done, who is doing what & how can you help.

Contact Karen in the church office office@newlifelutheran.com or 281-485-1818



Sunday, August 19th



BackPack Blessings August 19th









www.faith5.org &

www.faithink.com













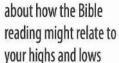














for one another's highs and lows





PRAY









First Responder/Civic Leader Appreciation Sunday

































New Life Seniors' Opportunities

(open to all persons age 55 and up)



New Life Seniors Luncheon

Wednesday, September 5th @ 12:00 pm

Seniors will be packing School Kits for Lutheran World Relief

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, September 18th

For information contact any participating member of Lutheran Men in Mission RSVP to Charlie Gaevert at c_gaevert@yahoo.com or the church office at 281.485.1818.







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.



Men's Sunday

BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

COME BE A PART OF **NEW LIFE LUTHERAN'S FALL BLOOD DRIVE**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

FROM 9:00AM TO 1:00PM

Donor Coach in Parking Lot 3521 E Orange St Pearland, TX 77581

Sign up today to save 3 lives!

Visit www.giveblood.org Click on the Digital Donor Link Use sponsor code C125

> **Contact Kate Bates** (281) 485-1818 for more information

Share your donation story using #commitforlife



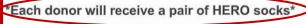


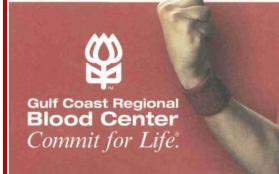














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WOMEN OF THE ELCA is the women's organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. As a partner in the total ministry of the church, the organization affirms, supports and challenges women in their daily ministries at home and around the 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 11:30 pm at BayTown Seafood (518 & Yost Rd) on Wednesday, September 12th. 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 Bible study is usually on the first and third Saturday at 10:30 am in the conference room in the administration building. At the moment, the "leader" position is OPEN so no studies are going on. All women are invited to attend. The study is taken from the WELCA "Gather" magazine. Copies will be provided. Questions or if you would like to help lead the group call the church office.



WOW (Women of Worth) meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 7pm

September 21st: WOW will meet for craft completions and a few games of LCR (bring your quarters!).

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



<u>Save the Date/s:</u> September 14-15 - WELCA Convention @ House of Prayer (see details on next page) September 29th, Saturday: 5th Saturday Lunch Bunch – TBD

October 5th-6th, Friday-Saturday: New Life Bazaar – WELCA Booth

(please sing up to help for a few hours on Friday or Saturday of the Bazaar)

October 20th, Saturday: WELCA Fall Cluster meeting @ New Life

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

The Bazaar quilt is out of the frame and being completed by Vera White. Kudos to Vera for the pattern, design work and assembly and hats off to the many quilters who put in hours of tiny stitching. Fall Bazaar auction tickets for the king size quilt are \$1 or 6 for \$5. The proceeds pay for rolls of batting to line the LWR quilts. Thank you Vera and the New Life Quilters!

All are welcome to come and visit on Tuesday at 9:30am! For more information, call Vera White at 713.775.6254.









2018 Synodical Women's Convention





ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE ANNUAL
WOMEN OF THE ELCA
CONVENTION WHERE

"GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING!"

Friday, September 14th & Saturday, September 15th
House of Prayer Lutheran Church
14045 Space Center Blvd., Houston, TX 77062

Special Guests Include

Keynote Speaker & Bible Study Facilitator, **Pastor Janelle Hooper**, Houston

Lutheran Campus Ministry

Linda Post Bushkofsky, Executive Director of the Women of the ELCA

Keala Simoes, CWO Rep

Convention Chaplain, Pastor Nancy Simpson, St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
Baytown, Texas

Check out registration info in emailed Scroll (WELCA Newsletter)



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





Thank you to all who served coffee, juice and food during our Fellowship Hour; Sunday's Cool Teachers& & Parents, the New Life Seniors, Men in Mission and the New Life Church Council.

Many Thanks to Walt and Carol
Wright, Joann Morrison, Barbara
Flowers, Lynn Cope, Donna
Patschke, Hap and Bobbi
Cummings, Raymond & Melissa
Rocha, Jason Lane, Frank Cullen,
Jeffrey Ramsey, Josh Sherwood, Donavan
Roesler, Helen Beckman, Mary Anna Vance, Jan
& Becky Homerstad, Don & Margaret Purdum,
Vera & Elizabeth White, Barbara Scott and
Nancy Bryars for volunteering to deliver meals
during the week of Aug. 27-31.

Our next dates for delivering meals will be October 22-26 and December 17-21. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! If you have never participated and would like to be a part of this very important ministry or you have any questions, please contact Barbara Flowers at 713-817-1012. You can also contact the church office at 281-485-1818.





Thank you: Lynn Cope, Mike & Terri Kiser, Elna Ritter, Linda Stavinoha and Korie Willams 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 Cindy Welch for donating fabric to the quilters.
- To Glenn Sponholtz for donating fabric to the quilters.
- To Glenn Sponholtz for Stewardship Team pep talks.
- To Vera White and Glenn Sponholtz for donating puzzles for the Port of Houston Seafarers.
- To Heidi Heineken for providing a Thrivent Action Team card to help defray costs for New Life's Rally Day and Backpack Blessing.
- To all who brought their Backpackers and/or food or who set-up or cleaned-up for Rally Day. What a great event!
- To Annie Bates for representing New Life as a Global Youth Minister in the UK for the past year. And for the monthly updates with pictures!
- To New Life's Church Council and Stewardship Committee for their dedication to the WHOLE church.
- To all those participating in Whole Life Stewardship by picking up their packet, doing the assessment, reading a book and getting ready for book discussions.
- To all who had pictures made or provided pictures for the 2018 Pictorial Directory.
- To Elna Ritter for playing the piano when Johnny was out.
- To the whole Weber family, who have jumped into the New Life "family" with both feet. (Assisting Minister, Lay Reader, Acolyte, bring food, setting up and cleaning up for events).
- To Mike Scott and Sang Kim for helping unload a semi trailer of VBS tools for a local church.
- To Walt Wright and Rich Newell for cleaning up and repairing the broken light fixture in the fellowship hall, for replacing lightbulbs and trimming the bushes.
- To everyone who is helping with the Bazaar (committee, donors, shoppers, ticket sellers, etc.)
- To the Altar Guild for their tireless work.
- To all those keeping up with repairs around the church as well as keeping up the grounds. (Gardening & Lawn Care)
- To New Life's Prayer Team—keeping us covered in prayers everyday.
- To the New Life Quilters who have completed the handstitching on the Bazaar quilt and removing it from the frame. Vera is now working on the binding.
- To all the ladies who brought items and/or came to WOW meetings to work on Bazaar crafts.
- To all who have donated items for Lutheran World Relief School Kits. The 220 kit goal is complete and Seniors will be packing them on Sept 5th after their luncheon!
- To Cheryl Robinson for making sure the Sanctuary, Narthex and/or the Fellowship Hall is decorated for the season/event.
- To Karen Sweet Cheney for providing a Thrivent Action Team card to help defray costs for Classroom Material for the 4th – 6th grade Sunday's Cool class.
- To Mike Kiser who donated Children's party bingo markers and Logan and Cheyenne for stickering them.
- To Mike Kiser for installing a cell phone booster in the Fellowship Hall.





Bereavement Committee

New Life Lutheran Church

We the family of Carylon Brown Burt would like to thank you for everything that you did for us during our difficult time; we truly appreciate you all and thank you for everything that was done in her honor. Sorry for the delay!

Regards, Shelly, Alfred, Ericlon, &Tahlaya,

Demetrius, Velvet, Mitchell

NEW LIFE CHURCH IS AND HTS BEEN
A BEACON OF LIGHT IN OUR
COMMUN ITY. THINK YOU FOL SETTING
THIS GREAT EXAMPLE!
MAY GOD BLESS YOU AS YOU HAVE
BLESSOD SO MANY OTHERS!
NOTHERS!

Thank

TO THE GREAT PEOPLE AT

THANK YOU, ON BEHALF OF
THUSANDS OF STUDENTS, STAFF, AND
PARENTS FOR YOUR GIFT GARD
DONATION TO LANHON ELEMENTARY.
THE SUPRIES + CLOTHES PURCHASED,
LIELD KIDS + FAMILIES FOCUS ON
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EDUCATION LAL PROGRESSTHIS YEAR ADDRES,

YOU CAN'T HELP IT ...

IT'S JUST YOUR NATURE TO BE
KIND AND GENEROUS
AND I AM JUST SO GRATEFUL!

THANK YOU

Mr. Kim and New Life Lustevan Congregorian.

Thank you so much for the gift Cards you donoted to Lowhun Elementern. We have already begun sharing them with our special families. Thanks for always takes care of us! Lowers States

New Life collected 50 for Uniforms at Lawhon.

THANK YOU

Sang presented the ISD 10 \$25 cards for them.





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I'm sure you have all heard about the <u>trash island in the Pacific Ocean.</u> It's actually not an island but a mass of trash mostly plastic and mostly minute pieces. They don't just float on the surface but are floating in the ocean to about 10 feet or more in depth. Once the plastic gets into the ocean, it doesn't go away. There is plastic in the ocean that has been there for as long as plastic has been made. Much of it is very large pieces but over time, sunlight causes it

to break up and it eventually becomes very small pieces, which is dangerous for sea animals. It is much easier to ingest, in fact, it's hard for them to avoid. Plastics also absorb PBTs (Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic chemicals). Most dead birds, fish, and sea mammals found washed up on the shore have plastics in their stomachs.

The Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Oceans have circulating currents called gyres. This is what causes the trash to drift into a particular area. The largest garbage patch is in the north Pacific between California and Hawaii. There are other garbage patches in the south Pacific and the north Atlantic.

Boyan Slat is a young man from The Netherlands who made it his mission to clean up the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. He formed an organization with crowd funding called The Ocean Cleanup. For a couple of years they studied the area to see what was there and how it got there. Now they have developed a way to collect the garbage and expect to collect half of it in five years. There are some interesting Utube



videos on the internet. There is still hope for our planet when so many people care enough to do something. What can we do? First of all, don't use any plastic that you don't have to. REDUCE what you purchase and use. Second, RECYCLE. All the plastic that The Ocean Cleanup recovers they will recycle and make into plastic pellets to be made into new items. Be very careful not to litter. At the

beach, it is so easy to lose something or for it to blow away. Be sure to take home everything

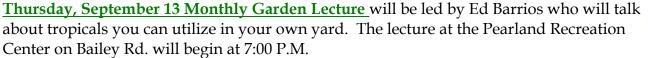


you brought and while you're at it, pick up whatever litter you find. Kudos to Karen Sweet-Cheney and her group of turtle watchers for volunteering their time each week to walk the beach looking for turtle nests and picking up litter.

<u>Crafting with plastic bags and bottles</u> Logan and Tiffany Pineda made this amazing turtle! Way to reuse!



Saturday, September 8 is Fall Cleanup Day. We will meet at the church at 8:30 A.M. to pick up litter on Orange Street. This is a good family service activity. Hurray! There is sidewalk all the way from N. Main to Schleider and no ditches.







Monday, September 17 is Open Garden Days by The Harris County Master Gardeners at 1205 Genoa Red Bluff from 8:30 ti 11 A.M.

<u>Friday October 19</u> is the <u>Keep Pearland Beautiful</u> annual Plant Thyme Luncheon and Plant Sale. Randy Lemon is the guest speaker.





<u>Saturday, October 27 is Drug Take-Back Day</u> at the Stella Roberts Recycle Center from 10 to 2.

Coast Guard chefs compete to see who can make the best burger

Food competitions highlight skills of on-board chefs Aug 24, 2018—Alex McCarthy—Juneau Empire

Culinary Specialist-3 Berkeley Scott crouched down like a golfer reading a green, his eyes just inches away from the sizzling burger.

Scott, a cook aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Hickory, carefully examined the burger for where to put the toothpick. He plunged it into the brioche bun, through the criss-crossed strips of bacon, the egg (without puncturing it), the onions, the bleu cheese fondue and the burger to hold it all together.

Precision was important. This burger was going to represent a crew of nearly 50 men in the Buoy Tender Roundup competition, where crews from all around Alaska came together to show off their talents.

"The thing I was mainly focusing on was not making it too messy," Scott said. "I don't want too much of the fondue, too much onion or for the eggs to be undercooked. It has to be just right."

Scott, along with CS-1 Matthew Koran and CS-3 Salvatore Lauria, then wrapped the burgers and the plates in tin foil and walked out of their galley, across the deck and onto the deck near Coast Guard Station Juneau. They then walked up to the Buoy Deck, the bar and restaurant reserved for Coast Guard members.

Five people sat around a table there, waiting with scoresheets in front of them. Senior Chief Jeremy Demello, Petty Officer First Class Jon-Paul Rios and Captain Steve White were there representing the Coast Guard. Jared Cure, the owner of the Narrows Bar in Juneau and Jacob Pickard, a sous-chef at SALT Alaska, were also there as special guests.

Cooking competitions are a vital part of the annual Buoy Tender Roundup competitions. The first day includes events such as a survival swim, a tug-of-war and other on-deck. The burger competition takes place the next day, and the biscuits and gravy competition takes place the day after that.

Culinary Specialist Rating Force Master Chief Justin Reed said that last year's overall competition actually came down to the cooking events. Last year's contest was a seafood cooking competition, but Reed decided to switch to burgers this year.

"With a fish dish, it's hard," Reed said. "You just eat fish all week, kind of, and everybody loves burgers. That's like a signature favorite in the Coast Guard. Sliders is a signature favorite. It's a morale thing for guys. When you say you have burgers, 'Thank god.'"

Reed, who is based in U.S. Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, D.C., said the Coast Guard has had a tough time recruiting and retaining cooks as of late. It's a shame, he said, because the cooks on board these vessels have full reign over their galley and the menus they make. Most of the cooking is done from scratch, Reed said, and allows for chefs to be very inventive.

While the chefs aboard the vessels have to cook in large quantities, they proved during the competition that they can also prepare special, gourmet items. CS-1 Steve Carson of the CGC Sycamore prepared a bison burger with candied bacon with a roasted garlic blue cheese sauce on a homemade bun.

CS-1 Travis Hickman from the CGC Kukui expected there to be another seafood competition this year, so he bought salmon from Sitka Sound Seafood recently. He decided to just stick with the salmon and prepared a salmon burger with seasoned breadcrumbs and aioli sauce.

The victorious entry, though, came from CS-1 Christopher McKinley from the CGC Anthony Petit. McKinley used three meats in his, combining a bison burger with some beef and topping it with crispy pork belly, tomato jam and cheese on a brioche bun.

"I'd been tossing it around for a couple days and last night I just started jotting down some things that I like on a burger," McKinley said. "This morning, I just started playing around with them and this is kind of what I ended up on."

The judges decided to grade the burgers on presentation, originality and taste, and were extremely talkative as they shared their thoughts. Each crew made multiple burgers, and the burgers were cut into fourths and handed out to the judges.

"No two were the same," Pickard said afterward. "I was very impressed."

Jimmy Buffet's "Cheeseburger in Paradise" played as they spoke afterward and reflected on the burgers they had just sampled. Demello leaned back in his chair and thought back to the Hickory's burger (which finished third), which was the first one the judges tried. It didn't have the flair of some of the other ones, Demello said, but the execution was excellent.

"The other ones overpowered it, yeah, but the first one was, 'This is what we like to see,'" Demello said. "A classic burger with an egg."

Read the whole article on line at http://juneauempire.com/2018-08-24/coast-guard-chefs-compete-see-who-can-make-best-burger

Updates for the Church Roster:

Change of Address and/or email:

MaryAnn Marcha Email Address Update: Pastor Brian & Margo Gigee Address Update:

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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.



Sunday, September 2nd, New Life welcomed into God's Kingdom, through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, Mika Taylor Reed, sister of Karissa Peterson and her niece Reagan Taylor Peterson, daughter of Karissa & Kenneth Peterson. Reagans sponsors are Nathan Gigee & Mika Reed.

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

In Sympathy - We extend our Christian sympathy to the Brumfield family and friends for the death of Pete Brumfield on Monday, July 23rd.



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



Kroger Community Awards

New Life Lutheran's Number changed to TX769

The old number is still associated with us but cannot be used when enrolling or accessing our account anymore.

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.



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.

November 11th & 25th and December 2nd & 9th





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





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



Summer is coming to a close and School will be back in session before we know it. Families are still in need of food for children's breakfasts & lunches as well as 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-and-cheese, 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 14 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. Lawn Care is \$380 per month for the front of the property. The teams who use the back field are under contract to keep it mowed.

Property updates, cleaning, and replacements are being done continuously. If you have a talent you are willing to share, and time to share it, please let Charlie Gaevert, Rudy Moreno or Karen Sweet-Cheney know. Even if you only have 15 minutes on a Sunday to help with something you would like to share! Suggestions are welcome as well.



New Life just replaced the large AC unit in the Sanctuary, THANKS to YOU!

3 more AC units had to be repaired as well in July.



We are still in need of air filters to make all the units run optimally.

They are changed every other month.

Please consider donating:

Air Filters: 20x18x1 (1) & 20x20x1 (10 are needed every other month)

Light Bulbs: T-12 and T-8 Fluorescent Tubes (we are OUT)



What to Put in your Hurricane Supply Kit

National Weather Service Houston/Galveston



HURRICANE SUPPLY KIT



- At least a 7-day supply of non-perishable food and a manual can opener
- At least a 7-day supply of water. One gallon per person per day is recommended
- Battery powered portable television or radio with extra batteries
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First Aid kit and manual
- Sanitation and hygiene items such as instant hand sanitizing gel, moist towelettes, toilet paper, and feminine hygiene products
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Whistle
- Kitchen accessories and cooking utensils
- - Extra clothing, blankets, and sleeping bags

- Photocopies of identification, insurance prescriptions, household inventory, credit cards, and your latest utility bill
- CD or photocopies of important documents such as birth/marriage certificates and titles
- Prescription medications, eyeglasses, contact lens solution, and hearing aid batteries
- Formula, baby food, diapers, and pacifiers
- Pet carriers, leashes, shot records, and food for each animal evacuating with you
- A good map showing county roads and highways
- Tirerepairkit, boostercables, pump, and flares
- White distress flag
- Toys and games for children
- List of family phone numbers and addresses outside the area

Do not wait until a warning is issued and when the stores are empty or closed!! @NWSHouston weather.gov/houston Pillows, blankets & sleeping bags Personal hygiene items: toothbrush, or air mattress: shelters do not washcloth, deodorant provide these items Food, water and ice Books Folding chairs or cots Extra clothing and shoes Handheld games Prescription medications Toys Miscellaneous Full gas tank Cleanup supplies: mop, buckets, towels, disinfectant, bleach Appropriate clothes for poststorm: hat, closed-toe shoes, dry Camera/camcorder: record property before storm & socks, rain gear Animal care: ensure that proper document damage afterwards Extra batteries food and water are stocked Cash. Flat fixer for tires Work gloves Health and Safety 2-week supply of prescription

Flashlight and batteries: 1 per Fire extinguisher Liquid soap and hand sanitizer Extra eyeglasses and sunglasses Tooth-brushing pads Insect repellent Water purification kit Sunscreen

Food and Drink

- Drinking water: one gal. per person per day Non-potable water: for hygienic use only
- Propane gas for barbeque grill
 - 2 coolers for food and ice Manual can opener

Two weeks' supply of the following:

Toilet paper and paper towels Nonperishable foods Wet wipes Plastic tableware and cups Fuel for folding stoves Plastic wrap and plastic trash bags

Infant Necessities:

Baby formula Infant Medicine Bottles Diapers

First-aid kit including the following:

- Bandages Pain Relievers Antiseptic Anti-diarrhea medication ■ Tape Antacids
- Medication for common illness Compresses







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

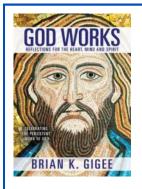
Sunday's Cool has classes for everyone (youth & adults). Take time for Life-Long Learning!





- This Fall, the youth from three year olds through 3rd grade will meet upstairs in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday's Cool. 4th 6th Grade will meet downstairs across from the DVD classroom.
- 7th Grade thru high school will be meeting in Sang's office in the admin building.
- Ø The ABC class... Adult Bible Class will be returning to the Old Testament Book of Judges.
- Ø The DVD class... Daring Video Disciples will continue to watch and discuss "Reading Biblical Literature Genesis to Revelation" by Craig Koester.

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



GOD WORKS

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

\$15.00 (softcover)

Also available on Nook and Kindle

Go online to get a copy for some reflective reading as you embolden your faith this Fall!

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



Read a BOOK!

Check out Whole Life Stewardship Reading suggestions. See previous Lifelines, the website & bulletins.

















SURPRISING BOOK FACTS

33% of High School Graduates never read another book the rest of their lives

42% of college grads never read another book after college

57% of new books

are not read to completion

70% of US adults have not been in a bookstore the last five years

80% of US families did not buy or read a book last year

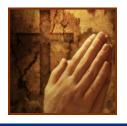
The more a child reads, the likelier they are able to understand the emotions of others

Reading one hour per day in your chosen field will make you an international expert in 7 years.

RobertBrewer.org





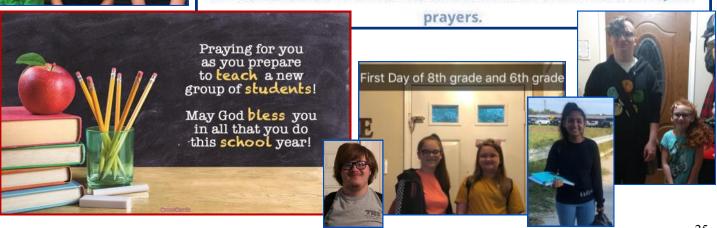


How to pray for the new teacher in your child's life



- Pray for the teacher as she looks at her summer to do list; she might not've had a vacation or success in taking care of needs.
- Pray for the teacher as she needs to be refreshed and healthy; her summer may've included loss, grief, disappointment, or trial.
- Pray for the teacher as she has concerns about how her relationships will change with the school year starting: daycare, marriage, family, needy children.
- Pray for the teacher as she gets her classroom ready; she may have to move rooms, may not have supplies yet, or might have issues to address.
- Pray for the teacher as she attends staff development and meetings;she may have requirements to meet or assignments to finish.
- Pray for the teacher as she re-connects with fellow staff & faculty;some working relationships might be challenging.
- Pray for the teacher as she sorts through curriculum; a change in grade level, publisher, or requirements can be difficult.
- Pray for the teacher as she begins to do her planning; teachers have so much to pack in, and the unexpected will enter in.
- Pray for the teacher as she receives information about her students;
 she needs openness, insight, wisdom, and compassion.
- Pray for the teacher as she meets a whole new group of parents;parent relationships are crucial to the success of students & teachers.

Every teacher is a real person who goes to the grocery store, does laundry, has dinner with friends, cries, hurts, and worries. She needs the Kleenex and the hand sanitizer, but most of all, she needs your





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, Susan Bickham, Bryan Bradford, Robyn Bradford, Theresa Breuer (Barbara Scott's mother), Barbara Brown, Terry Brown, Wendy Conners, Carl Ericsson, Margo Gigee, Kelli Grage, Greg Grayson, Taylor Walter Hayes, Becky Homerstad, the Kisers, Michael Lassiter, Larry Magers, Tina Meyer, Phyllis Mistrot, Cheryl Newell, Hubert Pardue, Allen Patschke, Allison Patschke, Viola Patschke, Tyler Peterson, Janet, Frannie & Mike Porter, Scott Sanger, Gary Siegworth, Glenn Sponholtz, Julia Sweet, Karen Sweet, Patrick Sweet, Claudia Thomas, Ben Viccellio and Vera White.

Special prayer needs: Abarca & Lott families, Adams, Robinson & Cambel families, Barrett and Ruddock families, Bradford & Miller families, Brown and Tumlinson families, Buckels family, Burt family, Butler family, Childs family, Zachary Cope, Fraker family, Hilliard family, Jurgens family, Kaiser family, Kiser family, Kyle Lawson, Lawson family, Lott family, Marcha & Castillo families, Marcha & Salazar families, Martain family, Migl family, Palmer family, Patschke, DeWeese, Schneider & Yancey families, Peterson family, Porter family, Purdum & Haves 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.

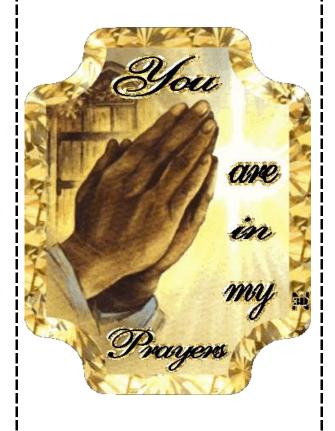
New Life prays for those serving in the military: Keagan Barthelme, Jeremy Foster, Zach Gottlieb, Eric Metzger, Mason Moore (reserves), Ryan Newell, Michael Porter Jr., Berkeley Scott, Joe Wishart & Christopher Young.

PRAYER CORNER





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 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.

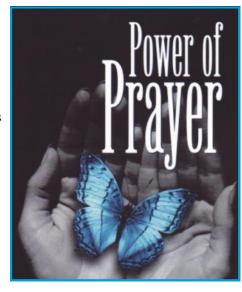


- 1 Give thanks that we are a church that values, seeks and works to build connections and partnerships in our communities and globally for doing God's work together using the abundance of assets, skills and diverse perspectives we have as the body of Christ.
- 2 Traditions in the church can help guide and enrich our faith and worship, and they can sometimes present boundaries and stumbling blocks. Pray our traditions and religious practices are dynamic, meaningful and reflect our theology, Scripture, ministry contexts and prayerful discernment of what God is revealing to us today.
- **3** Labor Day On this day we pray for and recognize the work people do for the benefit of society and the sustenance of their families. Pray all have fair, safe work, are renewed through times of sabbath, and

find joy and fulfillment in their labor; pray for all those who seek employment and for the well-being and care for people who are unable to work.

- 4 ELCA campus ministry has a presence at more than 180 state and private colleges and universities with cooperating congregations in campus ministry at an additional 400 campuses nationwide. Pray for leaders and congregations serving students, faculty and staff, and for Lutheran Campus Ministry Network's work of strengthening and sustaining ELCA campus ministries.
- 5 Give thanks for the rich partnership and relationship we have with The Episcopal Church, a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997. Pray for the church and ask God to further our respect for one another and work together sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.
- **6** Pray, as followers of Christ, that we are bold examples and practioners of civility, respect, truth, justice and empathy for our neighbor in everything we do and say, in every place and circumstance.
- 7 Remember in prayer young adults beginning a year of service with the Young Adults in Global Mission program; pray the Spirit will equip, sustain and encourage them as they work alongside companion churches and organizations in communities around the world.
- **8** Pray for seasonal workers who are seeking new employment and places to live, that they are affirmed for their gifts and service and find employment with fair wages, affordable housing and welcoming, supportive communities and congregations.
- 9 Ask God to sharpen our awareness of when we demonstrate favoritism in our relationships, ministry and daily life, and reassure us of the grace and forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ freeing us to confess our prejudices and strive to change for the sake of doing God's work in the world without bias.
- 10 Give thanks to God for the season of fall with its new beginnings, abundant harvests that feed the hungry and rhythms of change in nature that move us to reflect on God with awe and praise.
- 11 Sing, shout and whisper praises to God, our creator, hope, help and advocate for the poor, hungry, ill, imprisoned, forgotten and oppressed; our inspiration, guide and example.
- 12 Give thanks for people who work the land and oceans to feed themselves and the world; pray for people living in regions suffering from draught, soil unable to sustain agriculture and changing climate, and ask God to help us find ways to exercise generosity with our resources and food while working together for appropriate and lasting solutions to agricultural problems and hunger.
- 13 Pray we never lose sight of people our neighbors and brothers and sisters in Christ who live in poverty and that we serve as trustworthy advocates and friends who are generous with our resources and care, respectful, value the gifts of all people and are committed to ending poverty and hunger everywhere.
- 14 Give thanks for the service and leadership of our retired rostered ministers, and pray they continue to respond to God's call to new opportunities even in retirement for sharing their gifts, wisdom and experience in their communities, the church and world.
- 15 National Hispanic Heritage Month Give thanks to God for the gifts, contributions and rich cultural diversity of our Latino brothers and sisters, and pray for the growth and vitality of the 147 Latino ministries of the ELCA as they share the gospel, equip leaders and serve their neighbors.

- 16 How do we describe Jesus? We pray that through our baptism and the work of the Spirit we are imprinted with a deep understanding and faith in Jesus as the son of God, the one true messiah our salvation, hope and light.
- 17 Remember in prayer the Rev. David and Alecia Brondos, ELCA missionaries working with theological education in Mexico; the Rev. Meghan Brown Saavedra, YAGM country coordinator for Mexico; and the young adults serving alongside our companions in Mexico as part of the Young Adults in Global Mission program.
- 18 In the midst of the hurricane season and increasingly unpredictable weather, pray for regions of our nation and world susceptible to severe weather and natural disasters; pray for those who are recovering and rebuilding in the wake of disasters, especially where resources and long-term assistance are sparse.
- 19 Ask God to help guide and temper our words and the manner in which we speak to others so that our speech and tone serve to bless, demonstrate concern and encourage rather than injure, condemn, belittle or divide.
- **20** Pray for refugees and immigrants everywhere, asking God to grant them safe passage and the diligent support of advocates, caring companions and welcoming congregations and communities.
- **21** The ELCA and The Episcopal Church are committed to prayer, fasting and advocacy addressing cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty. Remember to pray for these concerns, our leaders and people in need on the 21st of each month through December 2018.
- 22 Pause what you are doing, look around and listen to the concerns and joys of your heart; talk with God about what catches your attention or weighs on you.
- 23 In this time when power, position and wealth seem to wield more influence and attract more attention than humility, service and generosity, we ask the Holy Spirit to keep us centered in the heart and mind of Jesus, remind us of what God values and direct our attention to people today and throughout history who exemplify Jesus' compassion and concern for humanity.
- **24** Pray the Holy Spirit continues to reveal to us the value and meaning of accompaniment walking together with Lutheran, ecumenical and interfaith sisters and brothers around the world.
- 25 Give thanks for God's attentiveness to our prayers spoken in every language, whispered or silent.
- **26** Pray for ministry candidates and their families as they await assignment and for those who are involved in the assignment process of helping leaders move forward in their response to God's call to ministry and service wherever it may lead them.
- 27 We hold in prayer our leaders gathered for the Conference of Bishops, that they be inspired and sustained by the Holy Spirit for the work of guiding our church in its mission in a complex and changing world that continues to yearn for hope, reconciliation, purpose and good news the very things we know and experience through Jesus Christ.
- 28 Pray for faith in God's ways and wisdom, a wisdom that is pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and compassionate acts, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.
- **29** *Michael and All Angels* The mystery of angels God's messengers is alive in Scripture and experienced in the world throughout history. Give thanks for all spiritual beings created by God to worship and praise God, fight against evil, protect and help us, and convey to us God's word and will.
- **30** Give thanks for the diverse and sometimes surprising ways in which members of the body of Christ do God's work in the world and for how the Spirit equips us uniquely for serving our neighbor in unexpected situations and places.



Birthdays

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Susan & Jim Burkard	09/06
Guadalupe & Austin Caballero	09/07
Shirley & Norm Griffith	09/08
Tally & Trent Perez	09/08
Saundra & Charles Foster	09/09
Terry & Floyd Brown	09/11
Maria & Roland Moreno	09/12
Elaine & Larry Damewood	09/05
Terri & Mike Kiser	09/21
Vera & Tony White	09/22
Judy & Foster Foucheaux	09/27
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Baptismal Anniversaries

Miroslava Jerez	09/03
Joseph Glenn	09/04
Mathew Glenn	09/04
Brandt Barrett	09/09
Monica Marcha	09/09
Joyce Willeford	09/13
Nicole Martinez	09/14
Stacy Drake	09/15
Clayton Migl	09/16
Casey Crawford	09/18
Kyle Crawford	09/18
Laura Krajca	09/18
Vanessa Rincones	09/19
Kenneth Peterson	09/22
Kim Koepke/Johnson	09/23
Brianna Payette	09/24
David Porter	09/25
Louis Marcha	09/27
Phyllis Mistrot	09/28
Risa Cates	09/29
Brittany Hissa	09/29
Keith Lawson	09/29
Kelly Lawson	09/29
Nathan Gigee	09/30

Wendy Conners	09/01
Juliet O'Banion	09/03
Blanca Jerez/Rodriquez	09/03
Kate Bates	09/05
Leah Castillo	09/05
Scott Sanger	09/07
Jim Burkard	09/08
Justin Burt	09/09
Marcos Salazar	09/09
Cathy Lee	09/10
Reagan Peterson	09/10
Isabel Moreno	09/11
Quinn Velasquez	09/11
David Wishart	09/11
Barbara Flowers	09/13
Laura Gaevert	09/13
Stacia Sweet	09/13
Chris Young	09/13
Bob Conners	09/15
Katherine Browdy-Paul	09/16
Gary Bishop	09/17
Abbey Grage	09/18
Rachel (Krajca) Fosdick	09/19
Carole Wright	09/19
Doug Barron	09/20
Eric Metzger	09/20
Terri Kiser	09/21
Sheila Schmidt	09/21
Josiah Gwendon	09/22
Parker Perez	09/22
Joyce Willeford	09/22
Lynn Cope	09/23
Norm Griffith	09/23
Victoria Manrique	09/23
Don Purdum	09/23
Felicity Campbell	09/24
David Porter	09/25
Cheryl Robinson	09/25
Christie Young	09/25
Benita Kovar	09/26
Rosa Wolf	09/26
Mike Lassiter	09/27
MacKenzie Wise	09/28
Vivienne Reed	09/29
Kyle Lord	09/30
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Pam McDonald

If your name or date needs updating, please contact the New Life office to have your name included in 09/30

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September 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Appreciation 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool	27 Houston ISD Starts Meals on Wheels 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	28 Meals on Wheels 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	Meals on Wheels		Wheels	1 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	3 Labor Day—OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's Group 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	Luncheon 5:45 PM Confirmation Class Starts Back	6 5:30 pm Bazaar Meeting 7:00 PM Property Team 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice		8 8:30 AM Orange St Clean-Up 9:30 AM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
9 3 & 4 Year Old Blessing 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	10 6:00 PM Church Council 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	11 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	11:30 AM WELCA <u>Lunch</u> 5:45 PM Confirmation	13 5:30 PM Bazaar Meeting 7:00 PM GLOW 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	6:00 PM WELCA Convent ion @ House of	15 8:00 AM LYO @ Beach Cleanup 8:00 AM WELCA Convention @ House of Prayer 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
16 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	17 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	18 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:00 PM Men's Night Out 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	9:30 AM Mary Martha Bible Study	20 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	7:00 PM WOW	22 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
	24 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	25 9:30 AM Quilt Workshop 6:30 PM Phoenix Women's 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study		27 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice		29 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group
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Helping Hands in Worship - September 2018 Altar Guild: Cheryl Robinson, Tamsey Mims & Susie Wellman Communion Elements: Lorraine Walls

Services		September 2 Pentecost 15	September 9 - Pentecost 16 3 & 4 Year Old Blessing	September 16 Pentecost 17	September 23 - Pent 18 Men's Sunday - Blood Drive	September 30 Pentecost 19 Congregational Meeting
Acolyte	8:00 10:30	Harleigh Gosch Cate Cummings	Ryan Flick Avery Welch	Clayton Migl Lana Royal	Bryce Flick Ryan Jones	Harleigh Gosch Bryanna Perez
Assisting Minister	8:00 10:30	Nancy Bryars Michael Porter	Robert Broussard Lisa Weber	Sang Kim Jamie Hilliard	John Russell Gestl Bryan Bradford	Sang Kim Michael Porter
Communion Assist	ant 8:00	Lynn Barron Doug Barron	Susie Wellman Cheryl Robinson	Lynn Barron Coleen Gestl	John Gestl Doug Barron	Cheryl Robinson Denise Jurgens
Communion Assist	tant 10:30	Carole Wright Tiffany Pineda	Aimee Castillo Kate Bates	Tiffany Pineda Deanna Barthelme	Ed Bradford Gary Siegworth	Mary Ann Marcha Barbara Flowers
Altar Flowers		Mary Ann Marcha – In Memory of John Castillo	Norm & Shirley Griffith 62 nd Wedding Anniversary	In Memory of Erna and Fred Buckels	Mike & Terri Kiser	Judy & Foster Foucheaux 60 th Wedding Anniversary
Lay Reader	8:00 1 0:30	Elna Ritter Hap Cummings	Norm Griffith Abby Roszak	Denise Jurgens Carole Wright	Kyle Flick Peter Weber	Helen Beckman Mike Lassiter
Nursery	10:30	Trent Perez	Jackie Crawford	Mandy Schroder	Trent Perez	Jackie Crawford
Greeters	8:00	Coleen Gestl	Foster Foucheaux Judy Foucheaux	Brenda Migl	Josh Reed	Nancy Bryars
Greeters	10:30	Bob Hansen Lan Hansen	Linda Stavinoha Lynn Cope	JoAnn Morrison Dennis Morrison	Jenaro Castillo Andy Crawford	Donna Patschke Nolan Patschke
Ushers	8:00	Charlie Gaevert	Norm Griffith Shirley Griffith	OPEN OPEN	Frank Jurgens Charlie Gaevert	Susie Wellman
Ushers	10:30	Nolan Patschke Tony White	Christal Thompson Jenaro Castillo	Nolan Patschke Tony White	Greg Grayson Jan Homerstad	Milton Thomas Christal Thompson
Coffee Hour		OPEN (will send out emails to various groups)	OPEN (will send out emails to various groups)	Seniors	MIM	Church Council
Opening Closing		Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scot	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott	Frank Jurgens Barbara Scott
Sound System	8:00 10:00	John F. Gestl Mike Kiser	John F. Gestl Mike Kiser	Charlie Gaevert Mike Kiser	John F. Gestl Mike Kiser	Charlie Gaevert Mike Kiser

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