

# NEW LIFE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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 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

## The Lifeline

### Mark Your Calendars

December 1st

Orange St. CleanUp

Greening of the Church

Faith5 Advocate Training

Sundays, December 2nd, 9th, 16th & 30th

LYO - Lutheran Youth Organization - Lunch

Mondays December 3rd, 10th & 31st

Modified Yoga @ 6pm

Houseband Practice

Tuesdays, December 4th, 11th & 18th

Quilting Workshop

Wednesday, December 5th, 12th & 19th

Confirmation

Choir Practice

Advent Supper & Service

Sunday, December 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd

Advent Sundays

Wednesday, December 5th

Seniors (55+) Lunch

Saturday, December 8th

Little Library Dedication

Community Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 9th

Children's Christmas Program

Monday, December 10th

Church Council

Wednesday, December 12th

WELCA Lunch @ Hope Village

Thursday, December 13th

GLOW Meeting

Sunday, December 16th

WELCA Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 18th

Men in Mission Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 19th

Mary Martha Bible Study

Friday, December 21st

Caroling

Monday, December 24th

Christmas Eve

Pastor's Senior Reception

Services @ 4pm, 7pm & 11pm

Tuesday, December 25th

CHRISTMAS

# December 2018



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## PASTOR'S PONDERINGS...

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

### “Fixing Words On Our Hearts & Minds”

*Dear friends and followers @ New Life,*

It's December. The new time of Advent is nigh. Advent means “*coming*” and as Christians we live ‘**in between**’ Advents... in between Jesus’ entry into our world 2000 years ago revealing the love and grace of a Father God and the day he returns...

And at New Life... something new is on the horizon... so read carefully these words from Deuteronomy 11:18-20... as God spoke to his Hebrew nation...

*“Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates!”*

How's that for some words? “*These words?*” You know them... “Love God with all your heart and mind and strength!”... “*Symbols?*” Yes, those images we use to help think of the things that are spiritually and eternally critical for our life together... Yet, frankly, I've not seen many wearing their scapulars (*that pouch of leather with scripture tucked inside*) and yep... you've not seen me wear mine...

But, it is Advent and a new liturgical year has arrived and over the past weeks and months you have heard words about “FAITH5” and how we have conversations of faith with one another and especially those who live under our roof...

FAITH5? What is this? It is a way to “*fix God's Word on our hearts and minds...*” and everyone at New Life and everyone we know can participate in this practice... as we focus on a Bible passage each week sharing the highlights and low moments of the day, talking about what those WORDS mean to us and then pray with each other closing with a ‘blessing.’ So the 5 actions of FAITH5 are to **share, read, talk, pray and bless!**

And as I end each of my missives with the words... “**New Life; now!**” there is no time like NOW for all of us to engage in this practice. Your pastor, Director for Faith Formation, Sunday's Cool teachers and the Church Council are counting on you... and will be reaching out to everyone we know to tend to this ancient practice.

Yes. Ancient. And as it is a ‘new year’ and a ‘new time’ and if there is anything I've discovered in all these years worth saying it is this... “*the ancient things I cling to in life are the most trustworthy.*” Of course there is always the new and improved and better model of whatever but God put these words in the hearts and minds of the Hebrew people of each generation! So, let us fix them on ourselves and those we know... A blessed Advent to all and Merry Christmas at New Life and around the world!

New Life; now!



**The Advent & Christmas season is upon us.  
Services available to serve are:**

12/5/18 - Midweek Advent Service at 7pm  
12/12/18 - Midweek Advent Service at 7pm  
12/19/18 - Midweek Advent Service at 7pm

12/24/18 - Senior Reception at 3pm  
Christmas Eve Service at 4pm  
Christmas Eve Service at 7pm  
Christmas Eve Service at 11pm



If you or you're your family would like to serve in a helping hand position as a part of one of the Advent or Christmas services please email Tiffany Pineda at: [communitylife@newlifelutheran.com](mailto:communitylife@newlifelutheran.com)





Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this writing finds all of you well and full of the Christmas spirit.

With Thanksgiving still on my mind I must let you know what I am thankful for. I am thankful for having a church family that is so caring and loving. Anytime that I ask for help, you all respond in force. There are a lot of people here who work behind the scenes. Things get done around here even when the task seems impossible. This church is so welcoming and accepting. I am so very thankful for this church, congregation, and our shepherd.

With Christmas soon approaching I wish to remind you to keep Christ in Christmas. As Christians we don't need to be politically correct as not to offend non-Christians. Christ is the reason we celebrate this time of year.

Financially we are stable and projecting to meet all of our obligations. I urge all of you who give big offerings at this time of year, to get your offerings in early, before Christmas, if possible. Thank you so much for your financial support. This church cannot thrive without you.

Have a safe and Merry Christmas

Yours in Christ,

*Rudy Moreno*

2018 Church Council President  
281-734-5019





## Youth & Family



Hello, New Life Church family,

And like that, we are in the last month of 2018. Wow, it feels like just yesterday (or forever ago) that I was talking about driving the Tesla to Florida (which I will never do again). So far, November has been a very pleasant month: I took a vacation from 11/1-11/19. What did I do? Pretty much nothing, which was great. That being said, work is on the horizon. I will be teaching, guiding, leading the new Faith Five series in December and throughout the spring. You will be called upon to sacrifice and attend: for your family and your overall spirituality.

Our Christmas Program this year is on 12/9. While it is the 2018 Youth Christmas Program, we are casting a wide net: this program is for EVERYONE meaning everyone is encouraged to participate. This year will be a creative extravaganza of worship with the following bullet points:



- \* Inviting all children and adults dress up as their favorite nativity character – make a costume of your own or wear one of ours.
- \* Looking for performing or visual artists to contribute to worship: esp. youth and young adults.
- \* We need instrumentalists, dancers and singers to perform special music;
- \* Of course, we need adults who can setup, organize props or hand out props during the program.

We are working on our annual Christmas caroling (12/21, Friday night?) and possible volunteering at Houston Food Bank over the December holidays so stay tuned for those dates. The students are also interested in taking a day trip to Galveston (ferry, dolphins and cold water). I have also sent out a preliminary text to some students grades 7-12 about Collide Retreat, January 18-20, which will be various churches throughout the greater Pearland area:

<http://www.fbcpearland.org/student-ministry/>.

Our last Faith 5 group lesson for the fall is on / will have been on 11/25. The attendance may or may not be good so thanks to your kids who show up. They make it loud and interesting and godly! I truly hope that you have been at least trying to do a daily / regular devotional with your kids. For Faith 5, a simple sentence is "Some Really Terrific People Barbeque": Share, Read, Talk, Pray and Bless. Again, this is a great way to spend more time with the younger Sunday School students.

Our LYO lunches after church on Sundays continue to go great: recently, Clayton joined us for the first time. There is a great (cheap) Chinese buffet near Hobby that the students are eager to eat out of house and home. We do this because it's a fun, simple way of spending time with the students and building up rapport and overall camaraderie.

Lutherhill has the spring schedule because, why not? Notice that these include retreats for FAMILIES and not just your kiddos to enjoy themselves.

Jan. 25-27: MOTHER DAUGHTER RETREAT, Create incredible memories with your daughters, mothers and grandmothers, too!

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

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

Sincerely,

Sang Kim

Director for Youth and Family Faith Formation



❄️ \* O Little Town of Bethlehem ❄️ Away in a Manger \* The First Noel ❄️



# Christmas Program

10:30 Worship  
December 9th



Rated  For Everyone!

**A**ll, both children and adults, are invited to dress up as their favorite nativity character or animal that **S**unday – make a costume of your own or wear one of ours.

**C**ostume fittings **S**aturday morning, **D**ecember 8th.

❄️ Hark! The Herald Angels Sing ❄️ O Christmas Tree \* JOY TO THE WORLD ❄️

What Child is This \* We Three Kings

Silent Night

Infant Holy, Infant Holy \* O Holy Night \* We Have No Need of Silver Bells or





# Children's Christmas Party!

December 8th  
10am

Bingo   Crafts   Games   Pizza   Special Guests

For entrance:  
Bring a canned good for Christian Helping Hands.





Caroling the neighborhood!  
Friday, December 21st







## New Life Seniors' Opportunities

(open to all persons age 55 and up)



SENIORS

## New Life Seniors Luncheon

**Wednesday,  
December 5th  
@ 12:00 pm**

**Please bring your favorite entrée,  
side dish or dessert.**

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

**Seniors will be packing SeaFarer Boxes.  
See next page for items needed.  
The goal is to pack 100 boxes.**



### 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

## LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

## "Men's Night Out" Monday, December 18th

**6:00 pm  
Christmas Party**

For information contact any participating  
member of Lutheran Men in Mission RSVP to  
Charlie Gaevert at [c\\_gaevert@yahoo.com](mailto:c_gaevert@yahoo.com)  
or the church office at 281.485.1818.

See the New Life Calendar for Date of  
Home Games that the Men in Mission  
are meeting for.

**Saturday, December 15th @ 3:30pm**



As of November 2018, **677** 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.





**PORT HOUSTON**<sup>SM</sup>  
THE INTERNATIONAL PORT OF TEXAS



**New Life's goal is to pack 100 shoeboxes.  
These are the items we still need.**

<b>SHOE BOXES!</b> (plastic or cardboard with a lid)	<b>Baseball Caps</b>	<b>Dental Floss</b>	<b>Texas Souvenirs</b>	<b>Individually</b>
<b>Shaving Cream</b>	<b>Ski Caps</b>	<b>Small Flashlight w/Batteries</b>	<b>Crossword Books</b>	<b>Wrapped Candy</b> (tootsie rolls, mints, etc.)
<b>Deodorant</b>	<b>Small Paper Pads</b>	<b>Kleenex</b>	<b>Word Search Books</b>	<b>Hotel Items</b> (soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion)
<b>Razors (3 each kit)</b>	<b>Socks</b>	<b>Lip Balm</b>	<b>Tooth Paste</b>	
<b>Nail Clippers</b>	<b>Key Chains,</b>	<b>Gold Bond items</b>	<b>Aspirin</b>	
<b>Soap</b>	<b>Pencils</b>	<b>Hot Chocolate</b>	<b>Small Toys</b>	
<b>Wash Cloths</b>	<b>Pens</b>	<b>Sewing Kits</b>	<b>Playing Cards</b>	
<b>Bandanas</b>	<b>Erasers</b>	<b>Small Toiletries</b>	<b>Small Games</b>	<b>Books</b>
	<b>Pencil Sharpeners</b>	<b>Popcorn</b>	<b>Packaged Snacks</b> (cookies, pretzels)	<b>Puzzles</b>
	<b>Bandaids (5 per)</b>			<b>Magazines</b>

**If you purchase or have supplies, please bring them and put in donations box so we can add them to inventory. If you have monetary donations, please give them to Karen so they can be added to the monies we are using to purchase items.**

**Questions: contact Karen Sweet Cheney at 281-485-1818.**







**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.

**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:**  
No meeting at this time



**WELCA LUNCH BUNCH** (all the women of the church) Lunch with New Life women and friends! Arrive about 11:30 pm at Hope Village Café' (2351) on Wednesday, December 12th. Questions? Call Julia Sweet at 281.481.2508.



**Friends Giving Masks**

## WELCA is having a Winter Wonderland Christmas Party

**Sunday, December 16th  
at Noon.**

Bring a \$20 gift card (your choice)  
wrapped in a scarf or hat  
for a gift exchange.

ALL women over the age of 16 are invited.

Questions?

Contact Karen at

office@newlifelutheran.com



### Save the Date/s:

December 16th: Sunday WELCA Christmas Party @ noon.

December 29th: 5th Saturday Lunch – Place TBD

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

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



If you are looking for a unique gift for Christmas, consider giving a New Life Quilt. See Vera to open the quilt room to browse the finished quilts. Purchase one for \$45. Proceeds go to purchase batting and thread for these amazing Lutheran World Relief quilts.



Donations were collected at the WELCA SE Area Cluster Fall Meeting  
(See pictures and info in the November Lifeline)

Sang delivered the items while on Jury Duty in Angleton



November 05, 2018

New Life Lutheran Church  
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
3521 E. Orange St.  
Pearland, Tx 77581-3405

Dear Karen,

The staff and board members of the Brazoria County Alliance for Children (BCAC), along with the children we serve, would like to thank you for your generous donations of snacks and juices on November 05, 2018. Your donation will directly benefit the children and families of the BCAC.

Brazoria County Alliance for Children (BCAC) is a non-profit 501c3 organization, developed to provide free services to children in Brazoria County whose lives have been impacted by abuse and neglect. The focus of BCAC is to provide support services to these kids allowing them to focus on the future, move beyond the trauma they have experienced, and start the journey of healing.

We know that you have many choices when it comes to your philanthropic support and we are honored and humbled that you have selected Brazoria County Alliance for Children, Inc. as an organization worthy of your generosity. Without you, these children would continue to be lost, live in fear and have no voice. Thank you again for your contribution.

We look forward to seeing you in the community or at our next event.

Best Regards,

Maria Zarate  
Program Assistant  
mzarate@cac-bc.org

*In compliance with IRS Code section 170 (f) (8), this letter serves as verification that your gift of [[gifts.ack.deductible\_amount]] is tax deductible since you have received no goods or services in connection with this gift.*

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Brazoria County Alliance for Children, Inc. 805 Buchta Road, Angleton, Texas 77515 979-849-2500



# December

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



**Thank you** to all who served coffee, juice and food during our Fellowship Hour; All those who brought for the Veteran's Breakfast, WELCA, and the New Life Seniors.

Many Thanks to Walt and Carol Wright, Joann Morrison, Barbara Flowers, Elizabeth White, Terri Kiser, Lynn Cope, Donna Patschke, Vera White, Bobbie Cummings, Helen Beckman, Mary Anna Vance, Jan & Becky Homerstad, Don & Margaret Purdum, and Barbara Scott for delivering meals for the week of October 22-26.



**Our next date for delivering meals will be December 17-21 and February 11-15. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** We are always in need of volunteers. If you have never participated and would like to be a part of this very important ministry (we do "On The Job Training") or you have any questions, please contact Barbara Flowers at 713-817-1012. You can also contact the church office at 281-485-1818.

**New Life Meals on Wheels (MOW) is looking for someone who would be willing to be the new Coordinator.** Barbara Flowers is willing to work alongside someone to train him/her to take over this important ministry. Barbara is looking to "retire" from this ministry by this time next year (or sooner) so that she and Bubba can spend more time with grandchildren (local and in Florida). Please prayerfully consider this great opportunity. If you have any questions, you may call Barbara Flowers at 713-817-1012.



**Thank you:** Stephanie Brown, Lynn Cope, Mike & Terri Kiser, Elna Ritter, Linda Stavinocha and Korie Williams for 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 Rudy Moreno, Walt Wright & Rich Newell for their work replacing the green accordion curtain with a permanent wall in the Sanctuary.
- To everyone who brought Breakfast items for the Veterans Breakfast. And to Tiffany Pineda and Karen Sweet Cheney who cooked breakfast tacos, etc.
- To everyone who gave to Wounded Warriors (\$252.21 – which was 100% matched by Blue Angels), WELCA ThankOffering (\$869) and World Hunger (\$1,597.96). Outreach giving was amazing!
- To Rama Gerig for sharing her story on WELCA ThankOffering Sunday.
- To Samantha Peck for giving a moving Children's Sermon on WELCA ThankOffering Sunday.
- To Sang Kim for delivering collected items to the Brazoria County Children's Alliance in Angleton.
- To Tiffany Pineda for organizing a wonderful "Friendsgiving" celebration for WOW.
- To Marjorie Wilcoxson, Vicky Harvey (Linda's friend) and Rudy Moreno for cash donations to support the Children's Christmas Party.
- To Marjorie Wilcoxson, Vicky Harvey, Abby Roszak, Julie Watkins, Carole Wright, Cheryl Robinson, Becky Homerstad, Linda Stavinocha and Karen Sweet Cheney for donating candy, stuffed animals, prepping, etc. for the Children's Christmas Party.
- To Linda for organizing and running the Children's Christmas Party.
- To Stephanie Brown, Korie & Cheyenne Williams for helping bring Party supplies down from storage.
- To the Sunday's Cool youth and Girl Scouts from Troop 143109 for making 92 Christmas Cards for the Spinal Unit at the Veterans Hospital.
- To Girl Scout Troop 143109 for updating the side Gardens.
- To Patrick Sweet and Regina Reyna for moving Seafarer Shoebox supplies downstairs and then inventorying the items for the Seniors to pack at their lunch.
- To those who participated in the Spelling Bee held by Troop 21302. Many books were received to supply the "Little Library" that is being dedicated on Dec. 8th.
- To New Life's Church Council for their dedication to Stewardship and the WHOLE church.
- To Walt Wright and Rich Newell for cleaning out the gutters, raising an AC unit, trimming trees, replacing lightbulbs and trimming the bushes.
- 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 Elizabeth and Vera white for taking 125 puzzles to the Seafarer Center at the Port of Houston (most of which were donated by Vera).



Dear Generous People;  
 We Ragtimers are grateful to  
 you both for the opportunity to  
 perform for you and for your  
 generous donation.  
 We are able to upgrade some  
 of our equipment with our  
 generous people such as you.  
 And thank you for your delicious  
 lunch.

Sincerely, Ragtimers  
 of Courtney Place.



Adventide 2018

Featuring the Christmas section of Handel's "Messiah",  
 John Rutter, and others with instrumentalists

**St. Timothy Lutheran Church**  
 14225 Hargrave Rd.  
 Houston, Texas 77070  
 Friday, November 30  
 7:30 pm

**Memorial Lutheran Church**  
 5810 3rd St.  
 Katy, Texas 77493  
 Saturday, December 1  
 7:30 pm

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
 800 Houston Ave.  
 Houston, Texas 77007  
 Sunday, December 2  
 4:00 pm

The Houston Lutheran Chorale invites you to join in celebrating the glory of our Lord's birth in song. Check out the posters in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall.

Tickets are not required.

We encourage you to bring your family and friends to begin the 2018 Christmas season in joyous song.





2018



“When in doubt, throw it out.” This bit of wisdom may help you avoid contaminating your recycling. Last week I attended Keep Pearland Beautiful’s annual meeting and awards dinner. The speaker was Shanna Lopez from Waste Management. There has been quite a bit of news lately about China’s new restrictions on imported recyclables. They have decided they will no longer process imported trash. Contamination refers to the material included in recycling that has to be sorted out, either because it isn’t the material being recycled or because it is not acceptable because it is ruined by food, drink or other matter. When there is too high a level of contamination a whole load is diverted to the land fill instead of away from it. China is now requiring less than .5% contamination. Other foreign markets, such as India, are following suit.

Waste Management has made it easy for us by single streaming. We put everything in one rolling cart and it is trucked to a MRF (pronounced murf), materials recovery facility. There it goes on a conveyor belt to be sorted. The Keep Pearland Beautiful (KPB) board recently toured our MRF and was able to review a load from Pearland. That particular load had 17% contamination, which is better than the average of 25%. (Check out recycling UTube videos –really fascinating!)

How can we prevent contamination? First, put in your cart only materials that can be recycled. Do not put in any bags or flimsy plastic. They jam up the machinery. Take bags back to the store. Always look for a number in a triangle on plastic. The number represents the type of plastic. Pearland can recycle all numbers except 6. Some of the pastry and fresh fruit containers are 6’s. Recycle only numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7. You can recycle all drink bottles and cans without looking for a number. Most yogurt containers are 5’s, but the ones we have at church are 6’s and should be thrown away. The solo cups with the deep blue and red colors are 6’s and all Styrofoam is 6. All 6’s should be thrown away. Many plastic cups are 1 or 5 and can be recycled. Always look for the number and if you don’t find one, throw it out. Cardboard drink containers are recyclable.

Second be sure all containers are empty and clean. You can recycle paper and cardboard, but not if they are greasy, wet, or contain food. Donut and pizza boxes are a no no unless you can rip off clean box tops. Napkins and paper plates need to go in the trash.

Many people have yard people cut their grass and collect their leaves. Be sure your yard people use clear plastic bags so they will be picked up by yard waste collectors instead of the trash collectors. Also, if you get a live Christmas tree, you have the option of taking it to the Stella Roberts Recycling Center for the dune project when you take it down after Epiphany, or put it out for yard waste. Be sure it is free of all ornaments and tinsel.

**Merry Christmas** everyone and may your New Year be blessed with love, good health, and clean air and water.

*Helen Beckman*



**Rama Gerig**

# Women of the **ELCA**

**THANKOFFERING  
SUNDAY**



**SUNDAY,  
NOVEMBER 18th**



**Samantha Peck**



**Thank you to all who brought Breakfast items!  
There was a WONDERFUL spread!**

**Sunday November 11, 2018**



## Updates for the Church Roster:



### Change of Address and/or email:

#### Laura Momplet Address Update:

11759 CreekView Ln  
Conroe TX 77385-2724

#### New Members:

##### Debbie Hitchcock

2510 Chestnut Cir  
Pearland, TX 77584-8618  
hitchcockp111@aol.com  
832.659.2788

##### David & Rebel (Heasley) Wishart

3703 Houston Lake Dr.  
Pearland, TX 77581-4877  
wishart.david@yahoo.com  
412.862.0348

##### Emily Thomas

2020 Business Center Dr Apt 15105  
Pearland, TX 77584-7315  
emilythomas8@yahoo.com  
815.666.4344

##### Jordan Ely

3210 Windy Bank Ln  
Pearland, TX 77581  
832-851-7668

##### Heather Hitchcock & Victor

1799 Fm 528 Rd Apt 1205  
Webster, TX 77598-4711  
hrh123123@aol.com

*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.*



**Take a picture.  
Keep it in your  
phone for your trips  
to Kroger.**

### Kroger Community Awards

**New Life Lutheran's Number  
changed to TX769**

**New Life received a check for \$38.72 was received  
on 10/23/2018.**

**Thank you to all who have used the New  
Life Number!**

**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 Tiffany Brown-Pineda at the church office (281-485-1818) or [CommunityLife@newlifelutheran.com](mailto:CommunityLife@newlifelutheran.com)

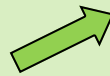
**Most 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month.**



**Dates Available:**

Weekly Altar Flowers are \$45 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.



**The 2019 Flower Chart will be available in the Narthex soon! Sign up early to get you preferred dates.**

**Critical Winter Months Food is needed now more than ever!**



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



**CHH is CRITICALLY short on cereal, peanut butter and tuna. They are also in need of “cream” soup to hand out to families to cook with. Regular donations are jellies, peanut butter, mac-and-cheese, diced tomatoes, tuna, canned chicken, diapers, pull-ups (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 the thank you page 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 ball teams who use the back field are under contract to keep it mowed.**

**Property updates, cleaning, and replacements are being done continuously. If you see something that needs to be addressed or 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 AC units and Lights

**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)**



*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!*

**Sunday's Cool Teachers 2018-2019**



**4th-6th Grade—Rally Day**

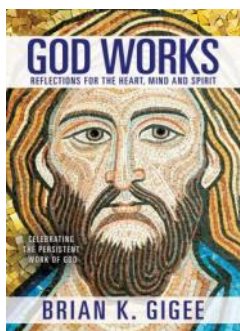


- This Fall, the youth from three year olds through 3rd grade will meet upstairs in the Fellowship Hall for Sunday's Cool. 4th – 6th Grade will meet downstairs across from the DVD classroom.
- 7th Grade thru high school will be meeting in Sang's office in the admin building.

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



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See Lutherhill Retreat Schedule on Page 4

Senior High Retreat 2018

For more information on retreats, see Sang's Youth Director page 10 or visit

Summer Camp 2018

Confirmation Camp 2017

Lutherhill.org



Sonny Boy and Austin Recite the Books of the Bible and get a "Prize".



Girl Scouts plant roses in side gardens.



## 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](http://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, Wendy Conners, Carl Ericsson, Margo Gige, Kelli Grage, Greg Grayson, Taylor Walter Hayes, Becky Homerstad, the Kisers, Larry Magers, Tina Meyer, Tamsey Mims, Phyllis Mistrot, Cheryl Newell, Hubert Pardue, Allen Patschke, Allison Patschke, Viola Patschke, Tyler Peterson, Janet, Frannie & Mike Porter, Scott & Leeta Sanger, Gary Siegworth, 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, 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 & Hayes families, Reynolds & Galloway 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.*

Heavenly Father,  
May our Christmas season be  
A time of reconciliation and  
peace  
May the love of Christ be with us  
May His Peace surround us.

May our Christmas be a time  
Of healing, giving and sharing  
May Your spirit be with us  
As we share and care in Jesus'  
blessed birth,  
Amen!





*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 World AIDS Day** Today we remember and pray for people who have died from AIDS-related illnesses and people who are living with HIV; we give thanks for the progress made in prevention, treatment and care, and ask for an awareness of what still needs to be done; and we ask God to help our church continue in its work with partners and organizations around the world to eradicate AIDS and support people who live with HIV.

**2 First Sunday of Advent** Give thanks and praise for God's promises fulfilled in the gift of Jesus Christ, a gift for all humanity that changed everything and continues to stir faith, newness of spirit, peace, compassion and justice in the world.

**3** Pray for the recovery and well-being of those affected by recent hurricanes, flooding, wildfires and other natural disasters, especially for families, people living in poverty, older adults and communities with scarce resources.

**4** Ask for help in knowing and following God's ways and paths – paths that are mercy, love and faithfulness.

**5** Give thanks for the generous support of ELCA members and congregations in response to *The Campaign for the ELCA* and its priorities: congregations, leadership, hunger and poverty, and the global church. Pray our commitments and generosity continue for supporting and investing in the future of this church, deepening our relationships, and expanding existing and new ministries that serve our neighbors and communities here and around the world.

**6** Give thanks for Lutheran Services in America, an alliance of the ELCA and over 300 health and human services organizations serving the complex, diverse needs of more than 6 million people each year in the United States and the Caribbean.

**7** Lighting and reflecting on the glow of candles in Advent wreaths is an enduring tradition for many people around the world that marks our remembrance of Jesus' birth and the gift of eternal life. Give thanks to God for sending the true light and hope of Christ into the world and into our lives.

**8** Thank God for the joy, encouragement and strength of faith we receive from one another gathered in our congregations – communities of faith that send us into the world equipped to care for our neighbor and to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

**9** Praise God for the good news of Jesus Christ, our savior who comes to us in the wilderness and darkness of the world to bring light, truth and salvation for all.

**10** Over 68 million people around the world have been displaced from their homes by war, violence, disasters and persecution. Pray for the safety, care and well-being of people who have fled or been forced from their homes and countries, that they have resources to meet their daily needs and find welcoming, supportive communities and congregations to help them find stability and pursue their hopes and dreams.

**11** Remember in prayer ELCA missionaries accompanying our companions in Estonia, Denmark, Norway, Poland, Sweden and Switzerland; pray the Holy Spirit will inspire and sustain their faith and work of sharing the gospel, growing the church and serving our neighbor.

**12** In this season of buying and sharing gifts, pray God will help us rethink – for the sake of the world – our traditions, habits and generosity through the influence, opportunities and far-reaching impacts of ELCA World Hunger and ELCA Good Gifts.

**13** Pray for neighboring congregations and ministries, pastors, synod staff, ecumenical partners and leaders who work together with us to share the gospel, serve our neighbors and communities and grow the church.

**14** Ask God to help us shape and renew our congregations to be life-giving and imaginative places for people of all ages, abilities, backgrounds and circumstances to gather around God's word and the sacraments, practice hospitality, build relationships and care for the needs of our neighbor – friend or stranger, member or not.

**15** Pray for the new Lutheran Men in Mission Disaster Relief Effort, which organizes men to share their skills, experiences and resources to work alongside Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran social services, local agencies, communities, individuals and families to repair and rebuild homes damaged by natural disasters.

**16** Pray the Holy Spirit will strengthen and embolden us to invite others to have faith in the Messiah, Jesus Christ, and to be compelling witnesses to God's ways, truth, justice and mercy in the world.

**17** Remember during the holidays people who are in prisons, jails, correctional facilities and detention centers; pray we are active in connecting them with caring communities of faith, their families and children, and resources for rebuilding their hope and lives; pray our compassion is stirred by the Spirit that we freely share with those who are imprisoned the good news of forgiveness, hope and new life we have in Jesus Christ – the gift of God's love for all people.

**18** Ask that the Holy Spirit guide us in being attentive and supportive of pastors, leaders and church staff during Advent and Christmas, that their faith will be strengthened, their needs cared for, and that they will find time to reflect on the light and joy of Jesus Christ in their own lives.

**19** Pray for the safety and protection of all who are traveling during the holidays.

**20** Remember in prayer first responders, firefighters, doctors and nurses, military, law enforcement and care providers working the holidays for our safety and well-being; pray for people who serve the public in retail stores, restaurants, and the hospitality and travel industries; and pray they all find opportunities for renewal and time with the family, friends and communities that enrich their lives and faith.

**21** During the past year, the ELCA and the Episcopal Church have been committed to prayer, fasting and advocacy addressing cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty. Remember to continue praying for these concerns, our leaders and people in need.

**22** Pray that during our congregational activities, worship, gift sharing and community meals we remember to reach out and involve individuals and families confined to home or care facilities, without family or friends, homeless or forgotten.

**23** God's presence and the ways in which the Holy Spirit works in our lives can catch us by surprise and unprepared just as it did pregnant Elizabeth and Mary. Ask God to open our hearts, minds and senses to the amazing, subtle and life-changing things that God is accomplishing in the world, often through us.

**24** *Christmas Eve* Pray we are childlike in our faith and excitement for the birth of Christ – a gift of light that no darkness can overcome, a gift for us that is full of life, grace and truth.

**25** *Christmas Day* Glory to God in the highest! Give thanks and praise to God for the birth of Jesus Christ, the son of God, who lived among us full of grace and truth, that God's love for humankind might be clear, tangible and revealed in ways that speak to our human needs and senses – then and now.

**26** Pray we exercise daily unbiased generosity with all the gifts, resources and abilities God has entrusted to our care and use.

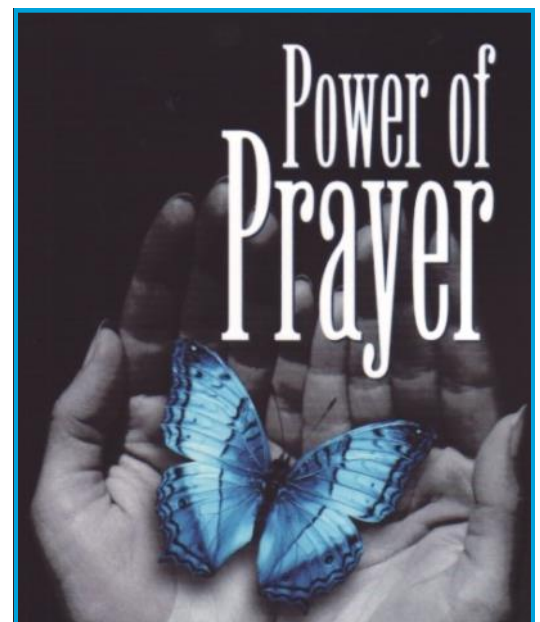
**27** Talk to students who are on break, recognize their presence and affirm the gifts they share with the body of Christ; pray they are renewed during their break and J-term experiences, and assure them they are not forgotten and are remembered in our personal prayers as well as those of the congregation.

**28** Just as Mary and Elizabeth gave testimony to what God was doing in their lives for the sake of the world, pray that we, too, are articulate about what we trust God is doing in our lives and the world – during the ups, downs and times that puzzle us.

**29** Ask that the Holy Spirit guide and inspire our church as it reflects on and makes plans for the present and future, seeking to be ever faithful, centered in the gospel, wise and nimble in doing God's work in the world as it shifts and changes.

**30** We gather in congregations to worship God, learn, grow in faith and care for and equip one another for living as followers of Christ in the world. Pray we each contribute to the vitality of our faith community, strive for unity, and help each other move beyond the walls of our buildings and into our communities and world with a fervor to serve our neighbor and share the gospel.

**31** A new year is at hand! Pray we are not swept into it with anger, vindictiveness, division, apathy or fear, but rather with hearts open to the word of Christ dwelling in us and lives that shine brightly with compassion, kindness, humility, forgiveness, patience and an eagerness to work together for unity.





# December

## *Birthdays*

Dean Gerig	12/02
Della Barrett	12/04
Katy Childs	12/05
Kirby Kippley	12/05
Hope Kaiser	12/06
Te'ylor Mark	12/08
Liz Childs	12/09
Ruth Roberts	12/09
Mina Sinacori	12/09
Bridget Besser	12/11
Alyssa Campbell	12/11
Joseph Glenn	12/12
Helen Beckman	12/16
Ryan Flick	12/17
Austin Caballero	12/18
Mike Costello	12/18
Annie Bates	12/19
Susan Burkard	12/19
Greg Grayson	12/19
Robert Broussard	12/21
Tucker Moore	12/21
Jaxon Thweatt	12/22
Shannon Young	12/22
Glenn Lilie	12/23
McKenzie Pyeatt	12/24
Ed Bradford	12/25
Robyn Bradford	12/25
Floyd Brown	12/26
Vince Johnson	12/27
Zach Gottlieb	12/28
Christine Morrison	12/28
Nikki Gatlin	12/29
Janie Potenza	12/29
Korie Williams	12/29
Sheila Martain	12/31



## *Wedding Anniversaries*

Tiffany & Art Pineda	12/05
Viola & Allen Patschke	12/15
Barbara & Matt Scott	12/17
Nancy & Alan Fuller	12/21

## *Baptismal Anniversaries*

Jessica Gestl	12/01
John Gestl	12/01
William Schroder	12/01
Steven Velasquez	12/02
Cheyenne Wheeler	12/06
Mindy Wheeler	12/06
Jessica Paul	12/13
Jenaro Castillo	12/18
Erin Newell	12/18
Pastor Don Cole	12/19
Lenny Gwendon	12/20
Juliet O'Banion	12/20
Andrew O'Banion	12/20
Robert Fricke	12/21
Rhonda Lowery	12/21
Jeremy Rincones	12/21
Valerie Rincones	12/21
Daniel Venglar	12/21
Faith Wood	12/21
Kirby Kippley	12/23
Clara O'Banion	12/23
Jackie Lassiter	12/24
McKenzie Pyeatt	12/24
Tyler Meyer	12/27
David Reynolds	12/29
Chase Glowka	12/31

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# December

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Christ the King 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM Holy Communion 12:00 PM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	26 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 7:15 PM Men in Mission Texans vrs. Titans @ BAKfish 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	27 9:30 AM <b>Quilt Workshop</b> 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	28 5:30 PM Choir Practice 5:30 PM Mid-Week Advent I Dinner & Service	29 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	30	1 Greening of the Church 8:30 AM KPB - Orange St Cleanup 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group 12:30 PM Faith 5 Training
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9 Advent II 8:00 AM Holy Communion 9:15 AM Sunday's Cool 10:30 AM <b>Children's Christmas Program</b> 12:00 PM LYO Lutheran Youth Org 12:00 PM Word Fellowship Worship	10 6:00 PM <b>Church Council</b> 6:00 PM House Band Practice 6:00 PM Modified Yoga 8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon	11 9:30 AM <b>Quilt Workshop</b> 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Bible Study	12 11:30 AM <b>WELCA Lunch</b> 5:30 PM Choir Practice 5:30 PM Mid-Week Advent III Dinner & Service	13 7:00 PM GLOW 7:00 PM Word Fellowship Choir Practice	14	15 10:30 AM Phoenix Women's Group 3:30 PM Men in Mission Texans vrs Jets
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## Save the Dates:

December 1st: Greening Party (Decorate)  
 December 5th: Advent Dinner & Service  
 December 8th: Children's Christmas Party  
 December 9th: Children's Christmas Program  
 December 12th: Advent Dinner & Service  
 December 16th: WELCA Christmas Party  
 December 18th: Men in Mission Christmas Party  
 December 19th: Advent Dinner & Service

## Christmas Eve Schedule

### December 24th

3:00 pm Senior Reception and Fellowship Hour  
 4:00 am Christmas Eve Service  
 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service  
 11:00 pm Christmas Eve Service

# Helping Hands in Worship - December 2018

Altar Guild: Cheryl Robinson ♥ Communion Elements: Lynn Cope

Services	December 2 Advent 1	December 9 Children's Christmas Program	December 16 Advent 3	December 23 Advent 4	December 30
<b>Acolyte</b> <b>8:00</b> <b>10:30</b>	Ryan Flick Lana Royal		Harleigh Gosch Cate Cummings	Bryce Flick Casey Crawford	Clayton Migl Jocelyn Weber
<b>Assisting Minister</b> <b>8:00</b> <b>10:30</b>	John Russell Gestl Bryan Bradford	Nancy Bryars Jamie Hilliard	Robert Broussard Michael Porter	Denise Jurgens Nancy Bryars	Barbara Scott Aimee Castillo
<b>Communion Assistant</b> <b>8:00</b>	Jerry Migl Brenda Migl	Frank Jurgens Denise Jurgens	Robin Gottlieb Vincent Gottlieb	Cheryl Robinson Susie Wellman	Jerry Migl Brenda Migl
<b>Communion Assistant</b> <b>10:30</b>	Tiffany Pineda Michael Porter	Carole Wright Tiffany Pineda	Barbara Flowers Christal Thompson	Deanna Barthelme Carole Wright	Cheryl Robinson Gary Siegworth
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Art & Tiffany Pineda in Honor of their 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Linda Stavinoha to Honor the Children of New Life Lutheran	Flick Family in Honor of Ryan's Birthday	Family of Erna Buckles in Memory of her birthday	Alan & Nancy Fuller in Honor of their Anniversary
<b>Lay Reader</b> <b>8:00</b> <b>10:30</b>	Michael Scott Katie Fraker	Michael Scott John Russell Gestl	Helen Beckman Hap Cummings	Kyle Flick Cindy Welch	John Gestl Becky Homerstad
<b>Nursery</b> <b>10:30</b>	Trent Perez	Jackie Crawford	Madeline Schroder	Jackie Crawford	Madeline Schroder
<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00</b>	Judy Foucheaux Foster Foucheaux	Helen Beckman	Coleen Gestl	Brenda Migl	Josh Reed
<b>Greeters</b> <b>10:30</b>	Walt Wright Carole Wright	JoAnn Morrison Dennis Morrison	Charles Foster Saundra Foster	Lynn Cope Linda Stavinoha	Rannie Daugherty, Sonny Boy & Sebastian
<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00</b>	Robin Gottlieb Vincent Gottlieb	Susie Wellman Tamsey Mims	Charles Gaevert	Frank Jurgens Susie Wellman	Norm Griffith Shirley Griffith
<b>Ushers</b> <b>10:30</b>	Jan Homerstad Milton Thomas	Tony White Greg Grayson	Gary Siegworth Nolan Patschke	Christal Thompson Ed Bradford	Jenaro Castillo Tony White
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	OPEN	SS Teachers & Parents	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Group	Christmas Breakfast	Church Council
<b>Opening Closing</b>	Elna Ritter Rudy Moreno	Elna Ritter Rudy Moreno	Elna Ritter Rudy Moreno	Elna Ritter Rudy Moreno	Elna Ritter
<b>Sound System</b> <b>8:00</b> <b>10:30</b>	Charlie G./John G. Mike Kiser	Charlie G./John G. Mike Kiser	John Gestl Mike Kiser	Charlie G./John G. Mike Kiser	Charlie G./John G. Mike Kiser

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