



# The Spirit

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church

March 2020

Being & Making Disciples!

Dear Holy Ghost Family of Faith,

Let me start by thanking you for trusting and investing in me to grow our Small Group Ministry! After 30+ years in the business world, this is a holy calling and dream job for me! I am super-excited about my new role in the church and hope to work with each of you, with the Holy Spirit as our guide, to see how we can Be & Make Disciples through Small Group Ministry. With that being said, I wanted to answer some common questions about small groups.

**What is a small group?** It is a group of individuals who gather regularly to connect with each other in fellowship and to encourage each other in life and in their faith journeys. These individuals might be couples, singles, families, just women, just men, HG members, Non-HG members, people in certain seasons of life, people of varying ages, people with a common interest...the possibilities are endless! The gatherings typically happen in a home, but may happen in other places such as restaurants, coffee houses, the church parsonage, or maybe even in a brewery or winery! The gatherings usually include time for visiting, sharing food and drink, and studying God's word. The study part varies in length and depth from group to group, some reading a light devotion, some having an in-depth Bible study, and anything in between! Each group decides how to structure their time together.

*They broke bread  
IN THEIR HOMES  
and ate together  
WITH GLAD & SINCERE  
Hearts  
Acts 2:46*

For the last 18 months or so, we've had a pilot program of about eight small groups. These groups have gathered regularly and shared meals, stories, burdens, joys, fears, faith, and more. From this pilot season, we've learned a lot through trial and error! But I think we can all say we've grown in friendship, strengthened our faith, and are better equipped to Be & Make Disciples.

**Why are we doing small groups?** It's the Biblical model from the early church! Acts 2:46-47a says, "*Day after day they met as a group in the Temple, and they had their meals together in their homes, eating with glad and humble hearts, praising God, and enjoying the good will of all the people.*" And then verse 47 winds up by telling us the result, "*And every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.*" History tells us that churches have flourished when people have met together outside the church walls. People become closer and grow in their faith when they meet in more intimate settings.

**Why would I want to be in a small group?** The Bible tells us over and over that we need each other! "Iron sharpens iron," "encourage each another and build each another up," "stir up one another to love and do good works," "love one another," "bear one another's burdens," "two are better than one." It's difficult to do these things over the sharing of peace on Sunday mornings! Small groups provide an opportunity to get to know others more deeply and authentically and strengthen our faith together.

**What is the role of the Small Group Ministry Leader?** I'm here to coordinate and support new and existing groups. I help form groups, recruit and train facilitators, match people to groups, find childcare, research study materials, and anything else that will encourage Small Group Ministry at HG.

**How do I get into a small group?** Fill out the insert that will be in your bulletin in the next few weeks. Or, call/text/email me and let's talk! I will help you find or form a group that fits your needs.

May God's Peace be with you,  
Kim Gibbs  
830-456-7299  
kimgibbs@ctesc.net

**Barnabas Team**

Are you looking for a place to serve but are not sure where yet? Do you like to visit with people and bring a smile to their faces? Would you be willing to share a Bible passage, devotion, and pray with someone? If you answered "Yes" to any of those questions, then we have the perfect place for you to give a portion of your time in service to God. Barnabas Ministry is a ministry to our aging members who may be home-bound or in Nursing Care or Assisted Living facilities. A minimum of a once-a-month visit and investing your life into someone else's life is a part of this ministry. Each month the group of folks who visit gather together on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. There you are poured into with a Bible Study or devotion related to encouraging and caring for people, and time is spent reflecting on how your visits are going. We'd love to have you join us. For more information, please contact Yvonne Fox (830) 998-4600 or Pastor David (830) 456-4607.



**February Bi-Annual  
Congregational Meeting**

1. The February bi-annual meeting was called to order by Kathy Boos with 94 being in attendance.
2. The congregational vote on calling an additional pastor was passed.
3. The distribution of \$1,307.04 from the HGLC Trust Fund was divided among Fields of Faith: \$758.08, Hill Country Youth Ranch: \$365.97 and Commissions Expeditions: \$182.99.
4. A building program update report was given by David Bullion.
5. A second vote (ratification) on the Stroehrer Music Trust Fund re-allocation passed, and funds will be moved to a different investor but with the same purpose of special music events being funded from the interest of the fund.
6. The 2019 financial report was received, and a financial review was completed.
7. 2019 organizational and team reports were received.
8. The December bi-annual meeting will be December 13, 2020.
9. The meeting closed in prayer and singing at 12:30pm.

**Lenten Theme**

The 2020 Lenten theme is "I Am..." as the nine Bible statements are visited on week days with a deeper follow-up message on the weekends. Our Lord referred to Himself as the Alpha & Omega, the Good Shepherd, the Light of the World, the True Vine, the Way, Truth & Life, the Bread of Life, the Door, the Resurrection & the Life, and ultimately simply but profoundly "I Am!" Purple Lenten wrist bands are available for Holy Ghosters to wear and point others to worship and to Jesus!

**Lenten Format**

The Last Supper scene will be the mid-week context for Lent. The Lord's Supper was the layout for Lent 2000 and 2011, and so 2020 offers an *anniversary* opportunity for this presentation. Fresh messages based on the "I Am" references will be the design as disciples engage in conversation with Jesus about the relevance of each statement in their lives and for ours. Invite your under-churched friends to this traditional, but non-traditional, unfolding of God's story of salvation for sinners.

**Additional Pastoral Staff**

The congregation voted at the bi-annual meeting to call a third pastor to provide additional general pastoral leadership and support. A call team is being appointed by the church council to begin this process which will include the congregation in its work. As a new pastor is added, Pastor David will transition to one-fourth time Visitation Minister and remain three-fourths time Shepherd Pastor in the office while Pastor Jan and Pastor Alan will move from three-fourths time work to one half-time work, still providing an over all three-fourths time visitation ministry coverage with Pastor David. The process could take as few as six months and as long as a year to complete. Your prayers are appreciated!

Feeding John Program



**Feeding John**

Feeding John will be March 22nd. If you would like to be a part of Feeding John, contact Sandy Birdlebough (830) 998-4504.

**HOLY GHOST LUTHERAN WOMEN OF FAITH**

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF HEALTH CARE KITS** – We will collect items until March 15th. Items needed for each kit are a 27x52 inch lightweight dark towel, adult toothbrush, one sturdy comb, and one metal nail clipper (attached file optional). Please take as many hearts as you are able to provide. After the items have been purchased, bring them back to church and place them in the collection box by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTERS** - We are in need of fabric for quilts. If you have any to share, please call Polly Zenner at (830) 997-5701 if you need it to be picked up or bring it to the old Sunday school building on Monday or Tuesday afternoons.

**SPRING GATHERING** – Ladies of Peace Lutheran Church of Rosenberg, Texas will host the WNALC and WLCMC Gathering on April 18, 2020. More info will be shared as we receive it.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** – Ladies of Holy Ghost will host the World Day of Prayer on March 6 at 10:00am in the church. The service is written by the women of Zimbabwe and the theme is “Rise! Take your Mat and Walk.” Please mark your calendar to attend this special service and find out more about the women of Zimbabwe.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Mar. 6 – World Day of Prayer – Holy Ghost Lutheran Church – 10:00am
- Mar. 7&8 – Fair Trade Products Sale – Evening Guild
- Mar. 9 – Evening Guild Meeting – 6:00pm-- Fellowship Hall
- Mar. 12 – Lydia Circle Meeting – 9:30am – Fellowship Hall
- Mar. 12 – Katherine Luther Circle – 1:00pm – Fellowship Hall
- Apr. 5 – LWR Quilt Dedication
- Apr. 14 – LWR Collection Day
- Apr. 18 – South Texas Mission District Spring Gathering by Peace Lutheran Church at Rosenberg, TX
- Apr. 19 – Graduate Dinner for High School Seniors

**Gillespie Extension Education Association Spring Scholarship Luncheon**

The public is invited to the Gillespie Extension Education Association’s Annual Spring Scholarship Luncheon on Thursday, March 26 in the Omega Room of the Holy Ghost Fellowship Hall. Serving of the delicious home-cooked food will be from 11 am to 1 pm, and to-go plates will also be available. Advance tickets are available for \$9 each at the Gillespie County Extension Office or from any EEA member. You can also contact either Sharon Kott or Helen Usener for advance tickets. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

There will be a Country Store as well as raffle items. Come help support our projects and especially the scholarships we award to 4-H members. Help us celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Pilot Knob Extension Education Club.

**Please Pray for Chance Eckert**

Please pray for Chance Eckert who is in need of a kidney transplant. If anyone feels moved by the Spirit to consider being tested as a match, please contact his mother, Rhonda, for info at 830-456-4617.

*In Our Prayers: "We rejoice with those who rejoice, and we mourn with those who mourn." (Romans 12:15)*

**Hospitalized this month:**

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|----------------|-------------|
| Curtis Staudt  | Rudy Olfers |
| Peggy Matli    | Brenna Duke |
| Iris Burrer    |             |
| Arlene House   |             |
| Zoey Crenwelge |             |
| Kristi Saegner |             |
| Ray Tschirhart |             |
| Jim Brocksch   |             |

**Our Christian Sympathies:**

- Louise Ottmers
- Marjorie Keller

**The Kindest Spring Family Fun Night Fundraiser**

will be on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Admission is \$10 for adults (kids get free admission) and includes 5 tickets! Enjoy dinner and snacks at the concession stand, cake walk, adult bingo, children's games, prizes, rock painting, fishing pond, and more! A silent auction will be held, featuring amazing theme baskets, cakes, and works of art made by our very own students! This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year!

Fundraising is crucial for purchasing learning materials and making other improvements to the school, as well as keeping our tuition affordable for the community.

Last year, the congregation donated baked goodies for the event! We were blessed with an assortment of yummy items for the cake walk! If you would like to donate baked goodies, please bring them to the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>! You may bring cakes, cupcakes, cookies, brownies or whatever baked goodie you like!

*Please join us for fun and fellowship on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>!*

*Thank you for all your support!*



**FREE CYCLE**

Spring is almost here, and along with it comes "Spring Cleaning." While we are sorting through and cleaning out, let's not forget our annual "Free Cycle." The Free Cycle will be held on Saturday, April 25. Items can be dropped off on April 24 from 12pm-6pm at the Fellowship Hall. Household goods, tools, toys, etc., will be accepted for this free event. Rather than fill up the landfill with good useable items, we will give them away free. Please no clothing, other than children's clothes. Also, we cannot accept used cribs, car seats, mattresses, or books.



**Edith Eger, Auschwitz Survivor**

Edith Eger, Auschwitz survivor will be in Fredericksburg and at HGLC March 6-8. She will speak to the adult, high school, and junior high Sunday school classes on Sunday, March 8 at 9:15am and then be part of the sermon at 10:30am. In addition, she will speak at the Nimitz on Friday, March 6 at 7pm and at the Fredericksburg High School auditorium on Saturday, March 7 at 7pm. A free-will offering will be available at the door for the Nimitz and auditorium engagements. No special offering will be received at the church. Don't miss this special opportunity to hear her message on hope and thriving beyond surviving!

**Life Care Ministry Opportunities**

**FREE private counseling sessions** are available at Pastor Rick's office by appointment. Call (830) 370-9237



- March 6 World Day of Prayer at HGLC
- March 6-8 Edith Eger, Auschwitz Survivor at HGLC
- March 8 Men in Mission BBQ Fundraiser
- March 11 Camp Holy Ghost
- March 22 Kid-Led Worship at 10:30am
- March 27 Kindest Family Fun Night
- March 29 Sausage Meal & New Members Orientation

*Worship*  
SCHEDULE

**WORSHIP IN MARCH**

*Saturday, 6:00pm offers an informal service;  
Sunday, 8:00am is a traditional service; and  
Sunday, 10:30am is a varied format.*

**“Come, let us worship the Lord!”**

**MARCH WORSHIP THEMES**

**March Sermon Series:** “I am” is the message series for March and most of April as these Biblical statements are explored and applied to Christian living.

**Wed., Mar 4:** Midweek Lenten services will feature the cast of the Lord’s Supper with disciples each week focusing on the “I AM” statements of Jesus. This Wednesday deals with The Good Shepherd! Services are at 11 am & 6:30 pm.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar 7 & 8:** Jesus’ “I AM” statement for this week is the “Good Shepherd.” John 10 and Psalm 23 tell us who this Good Shepherd is in the person of Jesus—the one who lay down his life for his sheep. 10:30 service will be a special interview with Edie Eger, Holocaust survivor who will be in Fredericksburg for the weekend!

**Wed., Mar 11:** Our disciples tackle the issue of “letting their light so shine.” 11 am & 6:30 pm services.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar 14 & 15:** “I AM the Light” is the focus for this week. John’s Gospel begins by telling us that Jesus is the Light of the World, and no darkness can overcome him. How might we be little lights and reflect the light of Jesus to others?

**Wed., Mar 18:** This week the disciples focus on what it means to be a part of the True Vine of Jesus. Services at 11 am & 6:30 pm.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar 21 & 22:** Jesus is the “True Vine” is the “I AM” statement for this week. John 15 reminds us that we are intimately rooted in Christ and need that life-giving, life-sustaining connection in order for us to bear fruit and help others connect with Christ. 10:30 is a kid-led worship!

**Wed., Mar 25:** Jesus’ claims to be the Way, the Truth, and the Life is an exclusive statement about being the only avenue to salvation! It’s an amazing claim, but one that is backed up with blood!

**Sat. & Sun., Mar 28 & 29:** God offers us the gift of eternal life, but life can be a maze of ups and downs, distractions, and detours. How do we stay on target? How do we stay the course? Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

**Worship Formats in March**

	<u>Sat., 6pm</u>	<u>Sun., 8am</u>	<u>Sun., 10:30am</u>
Feb. 29 & Mar. 1	Informal/piano	Traditional/organ	Piano Praise
Mar. 7 & 8	Informal/piano	Traditional/organ	Blue Book Service
Mar. 14 & 15	Informal/piano	Traditional/organ	A Joyful Noise Praise Service
Mar. 21 & 22	Informal/organ	Traditional/organ	Organ
Mar. 28 & 29	Informal/organ	Traditional/organ	Piano Praise

**March Special Offering**

Postage costs for mailing the Lutheran World Relief quilts is the target for the March special offering. The LWR women tie about 500 quilts a year along with providing health kits that will be sent overseas to be used in a variety of ways. Some of the uses include blankets from the cold, shade from the heat, bedding, tables to eat from, and even burial wraps for some. Postage typically costs about \$2K to mail. As the Holy Spirit moves you in sharing a portion of your offerings in this direction, please use the small brown pew envelopes. You are encouraged to give above and beyond your regular tithes and offerings. Thank you!

**One-Half of the Mid-Week Lenten Offering Designated for the Grace Center**

The congregation voted at the December meeting to designate 1/2 of our mid-week offerings outside ourselves. As Lent is a time of reflecting on Christ’s sacrifice and giving of self, so His Church is called to do the same. Last year’s recipient was Ethiopian OROMO Mission Church in Houston for their building project, and the total amounted to about \$10K. This year’s 1/2 of the offering is designated to the local Grace Center (battered women’s shelter) which is very close to being a reality.

**Calendar**  
**Church Website**

**Ministry Schedule**  
**Excel Spreadsheet**

**Altar Guild:**

March: Barbara Grona, Helen Scroggs, Laverne Boos, Pamela Meyer, and Kay Pressler; Karen Lochte Watson (Robes)

April: Lisa Kamen, Sherry Keyser, Vickie Ristau, Sammy Knopp; Karen Grona (Robes)

**Women of Faith Study Leaders:**

<u>Circles</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
Evening Guild	Carol Feuge	Pastor
Lydia Circle	Emmie Burrer	Pastor
Katherine Luther	Tudy Tritch	Pastor

**Nursing Home Comm.: March**

Wednesday, 3-4	9:30am	Knopp Assisted
Wednesday, 3-4	10:00am	Knopp #2
Thursday, 3-5	9:30am	Heritage Place
Thursday, 3-5	10:00am	Villages of Windcrest
Wednesday, 3-11	9:30am	Windcrest
Wednesday, 3-11	10:30am	Fredericksburg
Thursday, 3-12	9:30am	Knopp Retirement
Thursday, 3-12	10:30am	Knopp #1



**Birthdays:** No March birthdays for 90+ persons

**Anniversaries:**

3/13/1966 Richard & Susan Traugott

(If we missed your 90+ birthday or 50+ anniversary, please call the church office, 997-2288.)

**CHRISTIAN RADIO STATION**

Tune into FM 88.1—KLOVE to hear some great Christian lyrics and music. It's a great way to start your day in the morning or have it playing in the background all day long.

**SIMPLY GIVING**

Simply Giving is an electronic way of sharing your tithes and offerings with the church. It is sponsored by THRIVENT Financial Services and is free to you, the giver. If you'd like to set up an account whereby your weekly or monthly gifts are automatically transferred from your bank account to Holy Ghost Lutheran Church, please visit with June Woerner, 997-2288.

**Pastoral Acts**

**Funerals:**

2/25/20 Majorie Keller

**Baptism:**

2/15/20 Ashley Gutierrez



**Holy Ghost Financial Report:**

Gen. Fund Balance, January 1, 2020: \$35,000.00  
 January Receipts: \$64,669.78  
 January Expenses -\$63,335.01  
 Gen. Fund Balance, January 31, 2020: \$36,334.77

**Special Offerings For January:**

Mexico Mission	\$25.00
Salvation Army/Africa Relief	\$1,545.00

**Financial Barometer:**

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>+/-</u>
January	\$64,669.78	-\$63,335.01	\$1,334.77
YTD	\$64,669.78	-\$63,335.01	\$1,334.77

**Creek Street Property Fund:**

Dedicated Fund Balance, January 1, 2020: \$10,918.33  
 Receipts: \$6,585.00  
 Expenses: -\$7,953.33  
 Balance January 31, 2020: \$9,550.00

**Creek Street Property Loan:**

Loan Balance, January 31, 2020 \$462,148.24

**Offerings by Week/General Fund:**

Week 1	\$16,825.00
Week 2	\$12,999.00
Week 3	\$12,967.38
Week 4	\$21,505.00

January 2020 Total: \$64,296.38



A basketful of thanks is extended for all the prayers, cards, and food for us during my recovery from extensive foot surgery. It is so comforting to know so many folks care what is happening to you. When we serve others we are doing the same for Christ. It is nice to be on the receiving end of that service.

Barbara & Brooks George

**Council Report  
February 17, 2020**

1. President Kathy Boos called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.
2. David Bullion, the chairperson of the Building Team, presented an update to the council which offered the recommendation of a plan in moving forward with more detailed plans.
3. The congregation was blessed with special gift funds of \$10K for the small group ministry leader, \$15K for the Life Care Ministry program, and \$20K for the new pastor fund.
5. A special gift of \$300 was given to the Fritztown Rebels Bowl-a-thon for Special Olympics.
6. A proposal to install crash doors on the west side doors of the sanctuary was passed.
7. With a vote to call another pastor approved, the council decided to meet separately to appoint a call committee.
8. The meeting ended at 8:27pm praying for the joys and concerns of many.

**A New Members Orientation**

A new members orientation will be offered Sunday, March 29 from noon-3pm in the Fellowship Hall for any persons who might be interested in membership at HGLC. This is also a great class for people who would like to hear about Christianity, Lutheranism, and Holy Ghost Church. A wonderful homecooked meal is provided by the C-Team. Please RSVP by calling the church office at 997-2288.



Spring is a great time to do a better job taking care of ourselves physically; the weather is getting nicer and the days are getting longer. Believe it or not, the Bible does address physical fitness. If you are interested in what Scripture has to say about taking care of our physical bodies, check out the following verses.

The R team

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 | Hebrews 12:11-12 |
| 1 Timothy 4:8         | 3 John 1:2       |
| 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 | Romans 14:20     |
| Philippians 4:13      | Daniel 1:10-16   |
| 1 Corinthians 10:31   | Psalms 139:14    |
| Romans 12:1           | Proverbs 31:17   |
| 2 Peter 1:5-6         |                  |

***Wrapped in Love***

The heartbreak of losing a baby is like no other type of grief. For parents enduring the pain of infant loss, Holy Ghost's new ministry, "Wrapped in Love" will provide these little angels with beautiful burial gowns and memorial pieces, stitched & sewn by caring volunteers who understand that dressing a precious baby, no matter how tiny, can mean so very much. Loved and beautiful is how most brides feel while wearing their wedding dresses. The donation of a wedding dress will provide bereaved parents with a beautiful burial gown or memorial token for stillborn/lost-in-the-womb babies in hope that this gesture will shed some light to families during a very dark time. It is very difficult to shop for burial garments when a baby dies, and our volunteers will work hard at developing a range of gown sizes. Gowns will only be accepted in white, cream, ivory, or oyster in color.

We are looking for brides willing to give back in this tender way so that multiple families will receive comfort and hope through this generous gift. We pray that this ministry will lead many families to a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ. Thank you for partnering with us as we share the love of Christ with grieving families who have lost a child in the womb. We are so grateful for your considered donation and your prayers!

As a part of our Life Care Ministry, all gowns will be blessed by the pastors and church congregation before being dispersed to the families in need, and will also include a note offering our support and prayers during their difficult time.

We will begin accepting dress donations March 1, 2020. If you would like more information about this ministry, would like to make a monetary donation towards supplies, a dress donation, or to inquire how to join in this ministry, please contact Blake Neffendorf at 830-997-2288 - [blaken@austin.twcbc.com](mailto:blaken@austin.twcbc.com) or Alice Segner at 830-456-8593 [a.segner@hotmail.com](mailto:a.segner@hotmail.com).

Your prayers over this new and tender ministry are much appreciated.

Blake Neffendorf



Procedures for Church Cell Phone Use for Prayer Chain

With technology continuously on the move, the church office has added a cell phone to be used exclusively for prayer chain requests.

The church cell phone number is a TEXT ONLY number and is to be used for your incoming prayer requests to the church office for distribution on the prayer chain: 830-383-0249.

- 1. A return response will be sent letting you know your request has been received.
2. This is not an additional church line to be used to call the church office.
3. You may still call in prayer requests on the regular church line at 830-997-2288.
4. If you call the TEXT ONLY number and try to leave a message, your call will be directly forwarded back to the church office.
5. If you choose to be on the church prayer chain, you will receive prayer requests from this number, so please put 830-383-0249 in your contacts list as Holy Ghost Church Prayer Chain.
7. You may still sign up to receive prayer requests through your Email, cell phone, or land line by contacting the church office.
8. Contact the church office at 830-997-2288 for further info if needed.

HolyMark Cardmakers

Holy Mark Cardmakers will meet for lunch and card making from noon to 2:30 p.m. on the first day of spring, Thursday, March 19. Please join us. All skill levels are welcome - even "no skill." There is something for everyone to do. Bring a sack lunch.

Adult Class Opportunities

G.R.A.C.E.D!

The "C" means "Connect in a Study or Small Group!"

Sunday Morning Opportunities: 9:15am

"Honoring God": Studies in the Old & New Testament led by Jim Paige, Dan Gallini, and Norm Nevins.

The Catholic Epistles: This class started out in the book of James and is moving through 1 & 2 Peter, 1,2, & 3 John, and Jude. Come join us on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall. The class is led by Pastor David. You may bring your own Bible or borrow one from the church. All are welcome.

"Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study": A survey course of the Bible led by Pastor Bobby.

"Power and Praise": An inspiring book study led by Pastor Bill Breen.

Midweek Studies:

Ladies' Lunch Study: We meet every other Wednesday (Mar. 4 & 18) at noon in the Holy Ghost parsonage (NW corner of Llano and San Antonio St). We are currently studying We Saved You a Seat by Lisa-Jo Baker which explores our relationship with Jesus, the ultimate model for authentic friendships with others. All ladies are welcome. For more information, call/text Kim Gibbs at 830-456-7299.

Extra Books of the Bible: Pastor David's Wednesday morning Bible study class has been suspended during the season of Lent. The study will resume on April 15 at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. We will begin a study on the Book of Acts and look at how the early church flourished! Any and all are welcome! Mark your calendars!

20's-40's Group: This group will not meet during the season of Lent. They will resume meeting on Wednesday, April 15 in the Fellowship Hall. For more information call/text Jacob Harrington at 512-827-1564.

Men's Breakfast Devotion: On the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30am this group meets for food, fellowship, and a devotion at Jalisco's Restaurant.

Men's Thursday Bible Study: Meets every week at 7:00am in the Fellowship Hall.



Fun Family Night!

- Welcome One & All as a group of adults meet for fun, fellowship & games. Our next game night will be March 26th at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Mike & Pat Williams for more information at (830)992-7583.

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### Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
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### Please keep us informed

There are many times when your phone call to the church office is the only way we may discover that someone is in the hospital, ill, or in need of a pastoral visit. Please let us know if you have special needs outside the regular office hours.

### Nursery

Childcare is available on Sunday mornings from 7:45am-noon so that parents might attend worship and/or Sunday School. Children ages 8-months through 4-years-old are welcome. Penny Ersch is the childcare provider. Penny Ersch also coordinates the volunteers. Additional volunteers are always needed and welcome!

### MINISTRY TEAMS:

Barnabas Team	Yvonne Fox	830-998-4600
Building Comm.	David Bullion	830-998-1889
"C" Team Contact	Laverne Boos	830-739-4263
	Sharon Johnson	512-755-1801
Cemetery Team	Carey Bonn	830-997-7215
Cemetery Team	Laverne Boos	830-739-4263
Feeding John	Sandy Birdlebough	830-998-4504
Float Team	Bob Jennings	830-990-1618
Fishers for Christ	Debbie Klaehn	830-456-1650
Global Leadership Summit	Amy Montgomery	210-844-1987
Health Care Team	Carla Herbig	830-992-1865
Holy Ghost Quilters	Helen Usener	830-992-9473
Holy Ghost Quilters	Sharon Kott	406-580-5129
Hospitality Team	Kat Jacoby	210-391-4407
Investment Team	Lester Frantzen	830-889-0120
Kinderneest Team	Donna Reese	210-355-6971
	Shayna Thompson	830-992-1673
Kitchen Team	Laverne Boos	830-739-4263
LWR Quilters	Roslee Lochte	830-992-8820
Landscape Team	Gary & Lisa King	830-456-4463
Local Missions	(currently vacant)	
NH Comm. Coord.	Verdie Pezzaro	210-722-4754
NH Devotions	Irene Crutcher	830-997-7072
"P" Team	Donald Pressler	830-329-3603
Passion of Christ	(currently vacant)	
Property Team	Buddy Kramer	210-237-8333
Prayer Team	Laverne Cuddy	830-456-0782
"R" Team	Mary Beth Bauer	830-329-0344
Resource Mgmt.	Janie Trantham	830-990-9675
Tele-Buddy Ministry	Marti Jennings	830-992-7049
Worship Decorating	Kim Brasher	940-345-0366

### WORSHIP TEAMS:

Altar Guild Coord.	Adela Wunderlich	830-456-1958
Altar Guild Coord.	Donna Rees	210-355-6971
Communion Servers	Corrine Jung	830-889-8640
Disciple Team Leader	Glenna Hartman	361-739-5637
Disciple Team Leader	Marjorie Otte	830-992-0418
Disciple Team Leader	Polly Zenner	830-889-5701
Nursery Child Care	Penny Ersch	830-456-6401
Organist/Pianist Coord.	Bernice Basse	512-569-1643
Readers Coord.	Lois Weidenfeller	830-992-9474
Video Tech Coord.	Linda Adams	830-889-3250

### CHOIRS:

Bell Choirs	Deanne Moellering	830-992-9391
Sanctuary Choir	Deanne Moellering	830-992-9391

### GROUPS:

Church Council Pres.	Kathy Boos	830-456-7218
Men in Mission	Harvey Hengst	830-456-7663
Sunday School Supt.	Cheryl Sione	830-456-1889
Women of Faith	Carol Feuge	830-285-1301
Women of Faith	Polly Zenner	830-889-5701
Youth Group	Claire Nevins	



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**Lilies** to be used in decorating the sanctuary in celebration of Easter are now available for purchase through the church office.

Cost for lilies: \$11.00 (Deadline is April 8th)

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**Lilies may be picked up after the 10:30am Easter service or at the office the following week. Thank you.**



**MEN IN MISSION BBQ  
FUNDRAISER**

Come and enjoy some delicious BBQ on March 8th. Serving will be from 11:00am to 1:00pm or until sold out. Plates are \$10.00 each. Take out only. Pickup will be behind the church on Creek Street.