

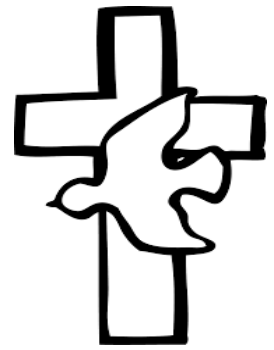


The Spirit

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church

February 2024

Being & Making Disciples



"God of All Our Seasons"

In 1965, a song written by Pete Steeger and performed by the BYRDS titled *"Turn, Turn, Turn"* topped the rock music charts! And though it was produced in the twentieth century, the lyrics date back about three thousand years to the original author, a fellow by the name of King Solomon. Yes, Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 is recited in this classic song almost verbatim, and on occasion one can still hear the song played on the radio.

"To everything turn, turn, turn; There is a season turn, turn, turn! And a time to every purpose under Heaven. A time to be born, a time to die; A time to plant, a time to reap. A time to kill, a time to heal; A time to laugh, a time to weep. To everything turn, turn, turn; there is a season turn, turn, turn. And a time to every purpose under Heaven. A time to build up, a time to break down; A time to dance, a time to mourn; A time to cast away stones, a time to gather stones together. To everything turn, turn, turn; there is a season turn, turn, turn, And a time to every purpose under Heaven. A time of love, a time of hate; A time of war, a time of peace; A time you may embrace, a time to refrain from embracing. To everything turn, turn, turn, there is a season turn, turn, turn; And a time to every purpose under Heaven. A time to gain, a time to lose; A time to rain, a time to sow; A time for love, a time for hate; A time for peace, I swear it's not too late."

Google it—it's a really cool song rooted in Scripture. The song, as well as the Bible passage, actually speaks of various seasons in life, and with every season there is an ending and a new beginning. Just like when winter ends, spring begins, and when spring ends, summer begins.

At the church council retreat held the end of January, I announced that a season that began 27 years ago for me at HGLC would come to an end next January 2025—yes, retirement concluding 37 years of pastoral ministry. And certainly not due to being done, or not enjoying what I do—because Tammy and I have loved this wonderful season at HGLC and will always cherish our time. Our children grew up here. We have treasured relationships and many memories. Life and ministry have been, and continue to be, sweet and rich. Yet, I feel called to experience another season in life—Deddo chasing grandkids!

Some may ask, "Why are you sharing this news a year in advance?" Two reasons: 1 - So HGLC can enter into the call process as early as possible to receive another pastor to join the staff since it can take twelve to eighteen months to call one; and 2 - To provide ample time to align roles with current staff so that ministries may continue.

A call team has been created, and plans are in place to visit with the NALC & LCMC for guidance. At some point, YOU will have opportunity for input into what the church needs in pastoral leadership. In the meantime, you have an important job which is two-fold: 1 - Pray for God to lead us in this process and that we faithfully follow; and 2 - Follow our G.R.A.C.E.D. acronym:

G: Go to God in prayer daily!

R: Read God's Word daily!

A: Attend church regularly!

C: Connect in a study or small group!

E: Engage in service at church and in the community! And,

D: Dedicate yourself to the tithe and beyond!

As God has faithfully provided in the past 178 years for HGLC, so we trust that He will provide in the future seasons—for HE is the God of all our seasons! Amen? Amen!!

+Pastor Bobby Vitek



*For everything there is a
season, a time for every
activity under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1*



COUNCIL NOTES
January 22, 2024

1. Pastor Bobby opened with a devotion on Galatians 5, the fruit of the Spirit.
2. David Bullion, building team chair, provided an update on the status of phase one of the building program and funding which is all on target.
3. The council decided on the recipient choices for the Annual Anniversary Fund interest that the congregation will have at the bi-annual meeting on February 18: local (Needs Council), regional (Headwaters for Heroes), and global (H.E.L.P.). Explanations of each non-profit will be in the bi-annual meeting agenda packet.
4. Began a discussion about how HGLC might respond to the upcoming eclipse on April 8.
5. Celebrated the Christmas weekend worships with the attendance being over 1,100 souls!
6. Received news that Bernice Basse retired from being one of our worship organists and will plan a celebration of her sixty years of playing.
7. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the youth Valentine fundraiser will not occur this year, but mark your calendars for Feb. 14, 2025!
8. Received Investment Team recommendations for Endowment Fund interest disbursements to nonprofits. This year's recipients are: Boys & Girls Club, Cross Trails Ministry, Fisd Education Foundation, Good Samaritan Center, Heart of the Hills Mom Center, Needs Council, Honor Veterans Now, Living Well Learning Center, S.E. Ohio District of the NALC, Der Stadt Friedhof, and the Grace Center. The amount of \$9,349.79 was distributed in various increments to each of these ministries.
9. With the upcoming opening of additional campus space, adult SS learning options will soon be planned.
10. Kindernest presently has 59 students and is doing financially well.
11. The Children & Youth Team report that the transition of Daniel Hofmann to the overall children & youth ministry position is going well.
12. Pastor David closed the meeting at 8:20pm with prayer for the joys and concerns.

The 2024 Church Council Officers are Ron Rickerhauser (President), Nick Thompson (Vice-President), Hiram Lucius (Treasurer), and Nancy Lochte (Secretary). Other members of the council include: Bruce Christian, Todd Weiss, Jeff Boyd, Chris Nevins, Ken Messinger, Valerie Bonn, Polly Zenner, and Laurie Bristol. Please pray for your leaders!

LENT '24 begins Wed., Feb. 14. This year's theme is "The Grand Plan" as the Sunday and mid-week services will take us from creation to the resurrection. Anticipate wrist bands, devotional booklets filled with faith stories, crosses to place in your yard, and Wednesday 11am & 6:30pm worships!

LENT 2024: "The GRAND PLAN!": As Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14, Holy Ghost Lutheran Church celebrates its 10th year edition of the Lenten devotional booklet. This spiritual resource was a huge gift to the family and friends of the congregation a decade ago, and year after year it has continued to bless us richly!

The title of this Lenten journey is "The Grand Plan" which takes us from the brokenness of humanity after our fall into sin, through the trials and victories of God's people in the Old Testament, to the Son of God's arrival with the plan of salvation, His gruesome death on our behalf, and His glorious resurrection from the dead!

Forty-seven faith stories provided by Holy Ghost friends and church family members will guide us through this sacred season. Personal faith testimonies reflect on the highs and lows, celebrations and defeats of people's present day lives which provide powerful encouragement, inspiration, and hope as we walk by faith together over the next six weeks.

The sermon themes for both weekend worships and mid-week services (a total of fourteen) will follow "The Grand Plan" from Ash Wednesday through Easter weekend! Midweek service times are at 11am & 6:30pm and weekends at our normal worship times. Midweek services, which tend to be fairly informal, offer a great opportunity for all of us to invite others who may not be strongly connected to a church. Pray about inviting someone you know.

Per our annual pattern, wristbands that serve as "soft evangelism" tools to point others to God in this season, as well as a yard cross to place at your home as a witness to the community, will be available. It promises to be a spiritually uplifting series and season as our God did not leave us abandoned to the consequences of our rebellion against His will, but He created a fork in the road whereby we might be saved!

Join in this opportunity to deepen your faith and worship the Lord this LENT through "The Grand Plan" that involved our merciful Heavenly Father sacrificing His only begotten Son so that whosoever believes in Christ shall not perish but have forgiveness of sins, new life now, and eternal life to come!

FEBRUARY LENT START OFF!		
Tuesday, February 13	6:00pm	Pancake Supper
Ash Wednesday, February 14	7:00-8:00am	Ashes-to-Go!
Ash Wednesday, February 14	11:00am & 6:30pm	Ash Wednesday Services

Lenten Devotion

The Grand Plan, the 2024 Lenten Devotional Booklets written by the Holy Ghost Family of Faith, will be available as you exit church starting the weekend of February 10-11. If you are unable to pick up a copy, please contact the church office at 830-997-2288 to have a copy mailed to you. We hope you'll enjoy reading these personal insights as we turn our focus to the Lenten season.



Worship SCHEDULE

WORSHIP IN FEBRUARY

“Come, let us worship the Lord!”

FEBRUARY WORSHIP THEMES



Messages in February: The New Year sermon series titled “Epiphanies” ends on the first two weekends in February. Then the LENTEN sermon series begins and is titled “*The Grand Plan*” as God sets out to save His wayward people by the sacrifice of His own Son.

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 3 & 4: We continue our sermon series on Epiphanies with God’s invitation to Discipleship. We begin with the call of Samuel in 1 Samuel 3 and then fast forward to John 1 where Jesus issues the call to Philip and Nathaniel to “Come and see!” Where has God issued an invitation for you to follow Him?

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 10 & 11: “Holy Communion” - Our Epiphanies sermon series concludes with a careful look at how God makes Himself known through the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 in preparation for our time together this weekend.

Ash Wed., Feb. 14: “The Grand Plan” begins with “God Made/People Strayed” as creation starts off being perfect and good, but it doesn’t take long for sin to enter the world with the consequences of brokenness, darkness, and death being the result. Yet, God would not allow all that He had made to be fully destined to Hell as He created again—this time a plan to save His children. Ashes are distributed & Holy Communion served.

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 17 & 18: “Patriarchs Lead/Promises Proceed” is the title of the weekend message as God chooses to work His perfect plan of salvation through imperfect people. It began with Abraham, then Isaac, then Jacob, and eventually stretched through the generations to Mary. The Patriarch who is the focus of this message is Jacob as he wrestles with a “man” through the night that represents God. It’s an amazing story of how Jacob comes out of the fight with a limp that more than likely he carried the rest of his days. What imperfection, what limp may seem to stagger your ability, yet God still utilizes you and your limp? Read Genesis 32:22-32.

Wed., Feb. 21: “Israel Slaves/Moses Saves” - God’s will can be a challenge to discern at times, but God’s Kingdom work and His will are done whether we understand it or not. God rescues a baby named Moses and uses an enemy of the Israelites as His chosen vessel! Please prepare for this weekend by reading Exodus 2:1-10, and observe how God works!

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 24 & 25: “Sea Divided/Tablets Guided” - “Unrestricted water is a swamp. Because it lacks boundaries, it also lacks depth.” (Author unknown.) The Lord God gave the people of Israel (and the world) the 10 commandments not only for our instruction but also so that we could live together as a community in peace. Please read through all of Exodus, chapter 20:1-17 and Exodus 24:12 (our theme verse for the day). Holy Communion is served.

Wed., Feb. 28: “Desert Sand/Promised Land” is the message for the weekend as the focus is on what happens with the children of Israel as they journey forty years through the Sinai Desert in search of the Promised Land. What happens inside and outside any of us as we journey through any desert, looking for a better place to land? It’s a variety of responses from which we can choose, and we pray that God would lead us, not in our reactions, but in our responses of faith.

Lenten Offering Designated for The Good Samaritan Center: One-half of the mid-week Lenten offering will again be “given away” as part of the congregation’s remembrance of Christ’s sacrifice for us on the cross. It’s our way of honoring Him who gave His all for sinners! At the December congregational meeting, the church decided that one-half of the 2024 mid-week Lenten offering would be given to the Good Samaritan Center that ministers to the medical and health needs of those in the community who struggle to afford health care. This does not apply to weekend offerings, brown envelope offerings, dedicated gifts, or special gifts that come to the church. This is a step in faith as we trust that God will provide for our every need as a congregation as we entrust these gifts for the mission of the church outside ourselves and beyond our regular benevolence commitments!

The Regular Sunday Special Offering for February is designated for The Texas Mission District for Disaster Relief. The warehouse is located in Rosenberg, TX, and funds will be used to purchase: quilts & baby blankets, flood buckets (filled or the supplies that go in them), tools (such as shovels, brooms, mops, rakes), as well as Bibles--in Spanish and kids’. (Versions that include Bible stories.) Please use the small brown envelopes, and mark it with a “C.” Please also give above and beyond your regular tithes and offerings to the church programs.



Holy Communion in February:

Holy Communion in February will be on the weekends of February 10 -11 and February 24-25 and Ash Wednesday, February 14.

Praise Services in February will be on Feb. 18 & 25 at 10:30am.

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ALL Worship services, including the midweek services, are posted on the HGLC FaceBook and YouTube site. You DO NOT have to be on FaceBook to watch the services.

START YOUR Ash Wednesday with ASHES-TO-GO!

Last year's palm branches reduced to ashes will be available in a drive-through on **Wednesday, February 14 from 7-8am**. Breakfast tacos and coffee/juice are on the menu. Begin your Lenten journey with ashes that remind us we were created from dust, "and to dust we shall return."



The Congregational Bi-Annual Meeting

is Sun., Feb. 18 at 11:30am. Annual reports, a building program update, statistics, financials, and much more will be shared.

All are invited to attend the business meeting of the church.

The Christmas Day Dinner Report

celebrated 312 people who were served on December 25th. Thanks to the planning team that put the event together for the fifth year and for the 50+ persons who gave their Christmas Day to offer this for the community and Holy Ghosters who otherwise might have been alone on this holy day. A special thanks to H.E.B., Dave's Old Fashioned Pit BBQ, the Golden Hub, Cracker Barrel, and Bethany Lutheran Church who were all partners in this service project. It was a "Merry Christmas," and we look forward to next year!

And It's Name Shall Be?? As the building at 110 E. Creek Street nears completion, it is appropriate that it be referred to as something other than "The Creek Street Property," or the "Two Story Building!" Therefore, the church council is asking the congregation for help with this.

A "suggestion box" is provided in the Fellowship Hall for people to provide ideas for this space that will provide rooms for adult education, small groups, Sunday School classes, community use, etc. This is not a contest but an opportunity for those who are funding the building to offer possible names that the church council will ultimately decide upon. Thank you for your creative ideas!



Prayer Requests may be sent anytime via text to the church cell phone at 830-383-0249.

Please note that this number is for texting prayer requests only.

Calls are not answered at this number. For phone requests, please call the church office

2023 HGLC Annual Reports are due!

If you have not already done so, all leaders of teams, groups, organizations, and ministries are asked to turn in reports, as well as financial statements, that will be part of the HGLC Annual Report later this month.



The Special Called Congregational Meeting

was held on Sunday, January 21st with 76 persons in attendance. The meeting was called for the sole purpose of voting on a bid for a new sound system (\$66K) and additional lighting (\$15K). The meeting resulted in the congregation positively voting to allow up to \$100K to cover possible incidentals and extras such as lift, electrician fees, hearing enhancement, radio broadcast needs, incidentals, etc. with the funds coming from the Capital Campaign Fund. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the building program.



The Building Program!

As updated regularly during the announcements of weekend worship, phase one of the building program is about 60% complete with the church sanctuary scheduled to be the first building ready for use. It's possible that the church may be open for our return in late February or March, depending on supply lines, workforce availability, and ability to timely re-assemble the space. While we wait, God has provided abundantly for us with the Fellowship Hall. (What would we do without it?) While we wait and anticipate, please keep the workers in your prayers and your gifts coming in to support the project!



LENTEN YARD CROSSES,

which will be distributed on Ash Wednesday and placed in yards during the season of Lent are to be turned around on Easter Sunday to where the words, "CHRIST IS RISEN" appear! Thanks to the Men in Mission for their faith work in the project which points to Christ all over the county!



Annual Valentine's Day Dinner for Widows & Widowers!

Due to Valentine's Day falling on Ash Wednesday AND the fact that we may still be in the Fellowship Hall in mid-February, the FREE homecooked meal prepared by the HGLC Cooking Team will be served at noon on **February 15th**. This gathering is about fellowship, remembering, and being together instead of alone on this traditional day of LOVE & relationships! It's open to the public and honored guests may bring a guest. Please **RSVP by February 11th** so an accurate meal count can be made.

Thanks to Holy Ghost congregation for letting me serve the last ten years as one of your visitation pastors. It has been an honor to provide care for those I've visited. All of us are image bearers of our heavenly Father and each person we see - even non-believers - are image bearers of God who "made man in His image." L' Arche community has a hymn that includes a verse with these words, "As long as I live, Jesus, make me Your servant." That's been a watchword for me and can well be for you. Those who are homebound or facility residents need our love and care. We have eight trained lay visitors but can train more to share in this ministry. Prayerfully consider it. Lin and I both thank you for the words of honor at church as well as a gift and the song. Retiring doesn't mean leaving but refocusing. Blessings to you all.

Alan Williams (not retired but refocused)





**HOLY GHOST LUTHERAN
WOMEN OF FAITH**

It is so exciting to arrive at the Quilt Haus and find a box of fabric that someone has donated. We are so thankful to each of you for sharing your fabric. It is always amazing to see beautiful tops come together from the different fabrics. If you have any to offer, please call Polly Zenner at 830-997-5701. You can also bring the fabric to the church office during business hours.

If you are interested in helping the LWR quilters, they meet Monday and Tuesday from 9:00am to noon. The hand quilters meet at various times, usually on Monday and Tuesday.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Again you, the congregation, put your faith into action by donating \$1,595.00 for the shipping of the quilts, health care kits, and baby layettes. This was beyond our expectation. We are so grateful for your donations.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF HEALTH CARE KITS

February is the month to collect items for our LWR health care kits. There will be a display of red hearts on an easel as you enter the church. Each heart will have a list of items that is needed to fill one health care kit. (Each kit will consist of: a 52x27 inch lightweight, dark towel, 2 bars of soap (4-5 oz. each), an adult toothbrush, one sturdy comb, and one metal nail clipper. (Attached file is optional.) Please take as many hearts as you are able to purchase supplies for. After the items have been purchased, bring them back to church and place them in the collection box by **March 15th**.

EPIPHANY TEA - The Epiphany Tea will be held on May 5, 2024, at 9:00am at the Fellowship Hall.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 8	Lydia Circle Meeting	9:30am	Fellowship Hall
Feb. 8	Katherine Luther Circle	1:00pm	Fellowship Hall
Feb. 12	Evening Guild Meeting	6:00pm	Fellowship Hall
Mar. 1	World Day of Prayer	10:00am	Bethany Lutheran
Apr. 20	Southwest Texas NALC WOF Gathering in Three Rivers	More information to come	
Apr. 21	Graduation Dinner for High School Seniors	TBD	Fellowship Hall
May 5	Epiphany Tea	9:00am	Fellowship Hall



Game Night is scheduled for **Thur., February 22nd at 6:00 pm.**

Feeding John

Feeding John this month will be on **Sunday, February 25th.**



Hello, 2024! Hoping the start to this beautiful new year has found everyone happy and healthy!

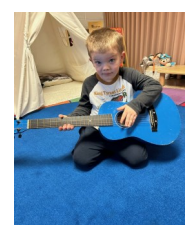
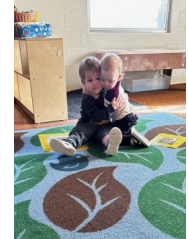
In January, we have so enjoyed coming back to friends and fun after Christmas break. The new year has brought so many new blessings to be thankful for!

We have opened a new 4K classroom, and this has allowed us to welcome some new students to our program. At the end of January we are looking forward to celebrating our 100th day of school: 100 days of fun activities, sweet memories, and a lot of learning!

In February, Kindernest students will have so much fun with parties and exchanging valentines. Our school is full of love, and we know that our students, staff, and families are most loved by HIM.

Wishing you all a month filled with love!

In His service,
Annisa Alonzo
Kindernest Director



EPIPHANY TEA
Sunday, May 5
9:00 a.m.
HGLC Fellowship Hall
Tickets: \$5.00



Ladies, if you would like to decorate a table, please contact Sue Gustin at (830) 456-4512 or Liz Hohenberger at (830) 889-6354 **by April 28.**

Tickets will be available before and after church services, **April 13-April 28**, or in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Gustin.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>28</p> <p>Feeding John</p> <p>8am - Worship Comm</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 9:10am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship Comm/Praise</p> <p>11:30am - Mother-Son Bowling</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>4pm - Youth Choir</p> <p>6:30pm - AA</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Print Newsletter</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm - Gospel of Matthew Bible Study</p> <p>5:30pm - Stewardship Team Mtg.</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Newsletter: Assembly Mail/Email Copy</p> <p>11:30am - Ladies Lunch Study</p> <p>12pm - Apostles Creed Series</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5pm - CYF Min. Mtg.</p> <p>5:45pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>7pm - Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>8pm - WYWP</p>	<p>1</p> <p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p> <p>5:30pm - Special Council Meeting</p> <p>6pm - AA</p> <p>8pm - AA</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6pm - Worship</p>
<p>4</p> <p>8am - Worship</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 9:10am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>4pm - Youth Choir</p> <p>6:30pm - AA</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Newsletter/Duo</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm - Gospel of Matthew Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - Women's Evening Bible Study:</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10am - Caregiver's Support</p> <p>12pm - Apostles Creed Series</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5:30pm - Cancer Support Group</p> <p>5:45pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>7pm - Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>8pm - WYWP</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p> <p>9:30am - Lydia Circle</p> <p>1pm - Kath. Luther Circle</p> <p>6pm - AA</p> <p>8pm - AA</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Lenten Devo Disarb.</p> <p>6pm - Worship Comm</p> <p>6:30pm - Father - Daughter Dance</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Lenten Devo Disarb.</p> <p>8am - Worship Comm</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School/Burning Ashes -</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 9:10am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship Comm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>4pm - Youth Choir</p> <p>6pm - Evening Guild: Alpha Rm</p> <p>6:30pm - AA</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8am - Band of Brothers</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>3:30pm - Aaron Brooke Band Practice</p> <p>5:30pm - Gospel of Matthew Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - Youth Pinnacle Super Fundraiser</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:30am - Men's Breakfast</p> <p>7am - Ashes-To-Go</p> <p>11am - Lent Worship</p> <p>12pm - Ladies Lunch Study</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5:30pm - Widow's Might</p> <p>5:45pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>6:30pm - Lent Worship</p> <p>7pm - Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p> <p>11:30am - Heart of a Valentine Dinner</p> <p>11:30am - Holy Mank Card Makers:</p> <p>6pm - AA</p> <p>8pm - AA</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5pm - Chili Supper</p> <p>6pm - Worship</p>
<p>18</p> <p>8am - Worship</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 9:10am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship: Praise</p> <p>11:30am - Bi-Annual Cong. Mtg.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>6pm - Men in Mission</p> <p>6:30pm - AA</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm - Gospel of Matthew Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - Women's Evening Bible Study:</p> <p>7pm - Lay Comm Visitation Team Mtg</p>	<p>21</p> <p>11am - Lent Worship</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5:30pm - God Squad Small Group</p> <p>5:45pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>6:30pm - Lent Worship</p> <p>7pm - Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>8pm - WYWP</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - AA</p> <p>6pm - Game Night</p> <p>8pm - AA</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30pm - Friday Night Live</p>	<p>24</p> <p>6pm - Worship Comm</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Feeding John</p> <p>8am - Worship Comm</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 9:10am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship Comm/Praise</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>6pm - Allan Williams Small Group</p> <p>6pm - Church Council</p> <p>6pm - Women's Evening Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm - AA</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Print Newsletter</p> <p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>10am - Sue Gustin: Small Group: Alpha</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm - Gospel of Matthew Bible Study</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Newsletter: Assembly Mail/Email Copy</p> <p>11am - Lent Worship</p> <p>12pm - Ladies Lunch Study</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5:30pm - Widow's Might</p> <p>5:45pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>6:30pm - Lent Worship</p> <p>7pm - Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>8pm - WYWP</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - AA</p> <p>8pm - AA</p>	<p>1</p> <p>World Day of Prayer</p>	<p>2</p> <p>3:30pm - Wedding: Bertrand (Brad &)</p> <p>6pm - Worship</p>

FEBRUARY MINISTRY

Date	Time	Council Members	Disciple Teams	Readers	Communion Assistants	Video Techs	Radio Broadcast Recorders	Sound Board Volunteers
Feb. 3	6:00pm	Ken		Jarrett Ersch		Kimberly Bauer		
Feb. 4	8:00am	Polly	Garret & Valerie Bonn Brady & Brooks Bonn	Debbie Klaehn		Luke Moellering	Ronnie Ersch	Nicole Robertson
Feb. 4	10:30am	Nick	Chris & Tricia Ayala Emmit, Rhett & William Ayala	Rhonda Eckert		Paul Seidensticker		
Feb. 10	6:00pm	Ken	Ricky & Luana Priess	Mary Beth Bauer	Self-serve	Johnna Alberthal		
Feb. 11	8:00am	Polly	Garret & Valerie Bonn Brady & Brooks Bonn	Joyce Thiele	Self-serve	Luke Moellering	Chris Bauer	Nicole Robertson
Feb. 11	10:30am	Nick	Jerry Gross Larry & Tammie Mitchell	Karen Nevins	Self-serve	Paul Seidensticker		
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday 11:00am	Ron	Skip & Becky Preble					
	6:30pm	Nick Bruce	Stuart & Dawn Barron Sam & Gus Barron			Paul Seidensticker		
Feb. 17	6:00pm	Ken		Pastor		Linda Adams		
Feb. 18	8:00am	Polly	Garret & Valerie Bonn Brady & Brooks Bonn	Pastor		McKenzie Moellering	Carey Bonn	Nicole Robertson
Feb. 18	10:30am	Nick	Stuart & Dawn Barron Sam & Gus Barron	Pastor		Linda Adams		
Feb 21	Lent Service 11:00am	Polly	Laverne Cuddy					
	6:30pm	Laurie	Dawn Barron Ricky & Luana Priess			Megan Blizzard		
Feb. 24	6:00pm	Ken	Ricky & Luana Priess	Lisa Kaman	Self-serve	Johnna Alberthal		
Feb. 25	8:00am	Polly		Bruce Christian	Self-serve	Megan Blizzard	Paul Unger	Nicole Robertson
Feb. 25	10:30pm	Nick	Chris & Tricia Ayala Emmit, Rhett & William Ayala	Paul Seidensticker	Self-serve	Linda Adams		
Feb 28	Lent Service 11:00am	Ron						
	6:30pm	Chris	Dawn Barron Ricky & Luana Priess			Luke Moellering		

CONFIRMATION

Acolytes: Saturday 6:00pm - Collin Ottmers, Carter Cathey, Will Martin
 Sunday 8:00am - Jacob Winn, Clayton Winn, Jackson Blizzard
 Sunday 10:30am - Jake Stehling, Jinger Ellebracht, Brylea Berardi

ALTAR GUILD:

February: Donna Rees Linda Kneese
Debra Duecker Teresa Schneider

Robes: Karen Grona

March: Barbara Grona Helen Scoggs
Laverne Boos Pamela Meyer
Kay Pressler

Robes: Karen Grona

WOMEN OF FAITH STUDY LEADERS:

<u>Circles</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
Evening Guild	Helen Usener	Carol Feuge
Lydia Circle	Emmie Burrer	JoAnn Durst
Katherine Luther	Polly Zenner	Sandy Birdlebough

JANUARY PASTORAL ACTS



01/24/24 Travis Burrer, Sr.

In our prayers, "We rejoice with those who rejoice, and we mourn with those who mourn." (Romans 12:15)

Hospitalizations:

Florence Eckert
Minnie Feuge
Larry Taylor
Ginger Schulz Segner
Corey Juenke
Debbie Akin
Ruth Bumpas
Don Pressler

Hospice List:

Stanley Feller
Lynette Kramer
Darlene St. Clair
Leroy Jung



Sympathies to the Families of:
Travis Burrer, Sr.

NURSING HOME COMMUNION: FEB – ZION

<u>First Wednesdays</u>		
02/07/24	Knopp Assisted Living	9:30 am
02/07/24	Knopp #2	10:30 am
<u>First Thursdays</u>		
02/01/24	Heritage Place	9:30 am
02/01/24	Windcrest	10:30 am
<u>Second Wednesdays</u>		
02/14/24	Villages of Windcrest	9:45 am
02/14/24	Fredericksburg NH	10:45 am
<u>Second Thursdays</u>		
02/08/24	Knopp Retirement Center	9:30 am
02/08/24	Knopp #1	10:30 am



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

James Welgehausen	02/01/1934
Alice Behrends	02/23/1933
Gladys Ottmers	02/24/1933

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Temple & Jeannie Klett 02/08/1964

**DOLLAR\$&CENTS
HOLY GHOST FINANCIAL REPORT**

General Fund Balance - Dec 1, 2023	\$74,244.48		
Receipts	\$123,194.39		
Expenses	-\$128,426.41		
General Fund Balance	\$69,012.46		
SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR MONTH			
Kindernest	\$3,020.00		
Operation Christmas Child	\$463.00		
FINANCIAL BAROMETER			
	Income	Expenses	plus/mins
Monthly	\$123,194.39	-\$128,426.41	-\$5,232.02
Year-To-Date	\$1,005,389.04	-\$971,247.53	\$34,141.51
Capital Campaign Fund-General Fund			
Dedicated Fund Balance December 1, 2023	\$442,803.33		
Removed admin or non-construction expense	\$12,283.97		
Receipts this month	\$198,169.31		
Expenses	-\$1,162,057.54		
Loan Advance	\$840,000.00		
Balance - Dec 31, 2023	\$331,199.07		
Offerings General Fund December 2023	\$130,184.98		

Please see back cover for the November Financials



Contact the Church Office when you or a family member are in the hospital. Due to current HIPPA laws, non-family members no longer have access of hospital records to know who is an inpatient. So please call the church office if a visit by one of the pastors is desired.

If we missed your 90+ birthday or 50+ anniversary, please call the church office so that we can update our records, 830-997-2288.



**CANCER SUPPORT GROUP
"SHARING IS CARING"**

Our group is open to the community and surrounding areas. If cancer has been a part of your life, either currently or in the past, as a patient, caregiver, family member, or friend, please join us for fellowship, devotions, speakers, and discussions. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, February 7th, 2024 at 5:30pm.** Carol Johnson, a physical therapist with Mills and Associates, will be our guest speaker.

For more information please contact:
Iris Burrer @ 830-456-5711 or
Karen Dolezal @ 512-517-3180



Band of Brothers



If you are a retired man or someone with a flexible schedule, join us for food, fellowship, and working on various projects around the church campus. Our next work day will be Tuesday, February 13th. For more info or to RSVP, please contact the church office or Doyle Moellering at 830-456-1349. All men are welcome!

Ladies' Lunch Study



Ladies of all ages are invited to join us for fellowship and study every-other Wednesday at noon in the Fellowship Hall. This month we will meet on February 14 & 28. We just started a new study: *The Chosen, Season 3*. Feel free to bring your lunch.

Contact Kim Gibbs at 830-456-7299 for more information.

Widow's Might

Widows who are seeking direction, purpose, and hope in this season of life are invited to attend this group that typically meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 5:30pm. Location to be determined. For more information, contact Rhonda Eckert Simpson at 830-456-4617.

The HolyMark Cardmakers

We are moving our meeting date back to Thursdays in 2024, usually on the third Thursday, a week after circle meetings.

In February we will meet Thursday, February 15, 11:30a.m. at Hondo's for lunch together, followed by card making in the Fellowship Hall, about 12:30. We always welcome the curious to come and see what we do and try it out yourself! You might just discover a new joy in life!

For questions, call Pastor Jan Unger at 512-760-0093.



A Note From Katie

As I've grown older I have found myself making a silly and pretty obvious observation about the winter season. We sure like to be cozy in these months don't we? January and February, especially in the last few years, have felt really, really cold, and the need to snuggle up and stay warm has been particularly instinctual for me lately.

With Ash Wednesday and Lent approaching very early and therefore quickly this year, I think it is interesting that we are called to ponder our sin (which is often the opposite of cozy) just as we begin to feel the coldest parts of the winter. Thinking about sin is not a warm experience. It can be downright chilly, and often we may feel the need to draw away and close ourselves off to our sin just like we would prefer to close off a dark, blustery winter night indoors under a mountain of blankets.

Luckily for us, as we go through this time of Lent, we know that there is light, warmth, and peace for us found in the grace and mercy of Jesus' love. As we take time to think about the sinfulness that is inherent to human nature, may we also remember the victory that is to come.

"Just As I Am"

"Just As I Am" is a hymn that always takes me right back to my childhood. It wasn't until recently that I heard the story behind the hymn. It was written by a woman named Charlotte Elliott whose lifelong poor health had left her deeply troubled and bitterly angry. After a particularly violent outburst, which was witnessed by a minister who had come to have dinner with the family, the minister said to her "You are tired of yourself, aren't you? You are holding on to your hate and anger....and consequently you have become sour, bitter, and resentful."

As she and the minister spoke further of the peace and joy that can be found in Jesus even in hardship, Charlotte finally asked him how she could become a Christian.

The minister said to her, "You would give yourself to God just as you are now...", to which Charlotte answered, "I would come to God, just as I am? Is that right?"

She did just that and went on to write the poem that would become the basis for the hymn we sing today.

As we enter this season of Lent, may you be reminded of the grace and mercy shown to you by Jesus Christ just as you are, wherever you are.

(From "Then Sings My Soul" by Robert J. Morgan.)

"Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

With bright energy and a peppy arrangement, this Sunday School staple has been such a fun song to bring back this year, especially when Rhonda comes to play for us! The youth choir is excited to bring a joyful noise to this year's Family Pancake Dinner, and we hope that you will sing along and praise with us! Please enjoy "Give Me Oil in My Lamp"!

In Christ's love, ~ Katie

From the R Team - Read your Bible daily!

February can be a slow, often dreary, time of the year. While frustrating, it can give us more time with the Bible - time to read about and feel God's peace.

John 16:33	2 Thessalonians 3:16	Isaiah 26:3
Colossians 3:15	Psalm 4:8	Hebrews 12:14
Romans 8:6	1 Peter 5:7	1 Corinthians 14:33
Psalm 29:11	Philippians 4:7	Jude 1:2
	James 3:17	



Bible Study — Gospel of Matthew

Pastor David started a Bible study on Tuesday evenings, covering the Gospel of Matthew. The study began January 9, and will go through May 21, taking one or two chapters a week. We will meet at 5:30 each Tuesday, and each class should last approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

The Gospel of Matthew is the first Gospel in the New Testament, which was written to a largely Jewish background audience to share the story of Jesus Christ and all that God sent Jesus to accomplish. Please email or call the office if you are interested in being part of the class. If you can't make every session, that is understandable; come when you can, but please give us an indication if you'd like to attend.

APOSTLES' CREED COURSE **Wednesdays at noon**

January 10th through February 7th Pastor Steve will lead a five-week course on the Apostles' Creed. The course will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 12:00-1:00 pm and will be broadcast on Zoom and recorded for YouTube (if you miss the class). Sign up as soon as possible by contacting Pastor Steve or the church office.

Women's Evening Bible Study

The Women's Evening Bible Study began a new book on Tuesday, January 9. We will study Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent by Beth Moore. Study guides are available at Amazon or your favorite online Christian bookstore. Meeting dates are February 6 & 20, March 5 & 19, and April 2 at 6:00pm in the Holy Ghost Youth Room. For more information, contact Karen Nevins, 830-992-9424.



SMALL GROUP CORNER!

"Chasing Vines" by Beth Moore is a six-week, DVD-based series is a wonderful study for small groups that will guide participants through how God can use every part of our lives (even the rocky parts) to make a difference for His Kingdom. This resource is available to check out from our small group library located in the church office.

Adult Class Opportunities

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

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

Sunday Morning Opportunities

Adult Sunday School choices!

Join in at 9:15-10:15am!
The coffee is on us!

The Breakfast Bar is available
Sundays from 8:30-9:15am.

Studying God's Word
together is where we grow with others in our faith.

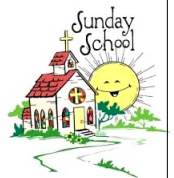
Holy Ghost Family and Adult Bible Class

There are currently three adult Sunday School classes. Check out the options below. We look forward to seeing you soon in an adult Bible class!

1. PASTOR'S CLASS - Dive into St. Paul's letter to the **Colossians** with Pastor Steve for six weeks on Sunday mornings beginning at 9:30am (right after breakfast bar). Part of the stunning beauty of this letter is that we learn wonderful truths about Jesus including: 1) By looking at Jesus we discover who God is. 2) Jesus holds together the old world and the new and 3) Jesus is the blueprint of what it means to be truly human. Hope you can make it and enjoy God's Word with us each week!

2. FAITH THAT PLEASURES GOD - Norm Nevins and Jim Paige lead this class which meets in the church office.

3. BIBLE DISCUSSIONS CLASS - This meets upstairs in the church office and is led by Nick Thompson.



CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP!!!

Providing care for a loved one is a high calling but can be very challenging. You may be caring for someone in your own home or providing support while your loved one is in assisted living or a nursing home. We invite you to pause for an hour to spend some time talking and reflecting with others who are caring for their loved ones. We will take some time to pray and consider a verse or two of Scripture. This group usually meets the second Wednesday of the month, but due to Ash Wednesday, we will meet this month on February 7th. Join us at 10:00am in the parsonage (next to the church). Please contact the church office or Pastor Steve if you are interested in participating.
May the Lord God bless and refresh you as you love and serve your loved one!

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BEWARE of SCAMS!

Don't fall for a bogus text or email that may appear to be from one of the pastors asking you to wire money or purchase gift cards for the pastor on behalf of a person/family that they may be ministering to! It's from the DEVIL! The pastors will never send such a communication and, if in doubt, please contact them or the church office to verify it before you are SCAMMED!

MINISTRY TEAMS:

Barnabas Team	Yvonne Fox	830-998-4600
Building Committee	David Bullion	830-998-1889
"C" Team Contact	Laverne Boos	830-739-4263
"C" Team Contact	Sharon Johnson	512-755-1801
Cancer Support Group	Iris Burrer	830-456-5711
Cancer Support Group	Karen Dolezal	512-517-3180
Cemetery Team	Alan Saenger	830-992-8564
Cemetery Team	Susan Stroehrer	830-456-3143
Christmas Day Dinner	Denise Usener	830-456-1742
Feeding John	Sandy Birdlebough	830-998-4504
Float Team	Bob Jennings	830-992-7049
Fishers for Christ	Debbie Klachn	830-456-1650
Global Leadership Summit	Amy Montgomery	210-844-1987
Health Care Team	Vacant	
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	Allen Ersch	830-889-2471
Kinderneest Team	Donna Rees	210-355-6971
Kinderneest Team	Shayna Thompson	830-992-1673
Kitchen Team	Laverne Boos	830-739-4263
Kitchen Team	Judy Nardini	361-774-3219
LWR Quilters	Roslee Lochte	830-992-8820
NH Comm. Coordinator	Yvonne Fox	830-998-4600
NH Devotions	Irene Crutcher	830-997-7072
"P" Team	Donald Pressler	830-329-3603
Passion of Christ	(currently vacant)	
Property Team	Seth Moellering	830-456-1304
Praise Team Task Force	Karen Nevins	830-992-9424
Prayer Team	Laverne Cuddy	830-456-0782
"R" Team	Mary Beth Bauer	830-329-0344
Resource Management	Janie Trantham	830-990-9675
Small Group Volunteer	Kim Gibbs	830-456-7299
Stewardship Team	Kathy Boos	830-456-7218
Tele-Buddy Ministry	Marti Jennings	830-992-7049
Worship Decorating	Rhonda Simpson	830-456-4617

WORSHIP TEAMS:

Altar Guild Coordinator	Virginia Fuege	830-998-7857
Altar Guild Coordinator	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
Organist/Pianist Coordinator	Tammy Vitek	830-456-1799
Readers Coordinator	Joyce Thiele	830-456-1617
Sound Coordinator	Jacob Harrington	512-827-1564
Sound Coordinator	Nicole Robertson	830-307-4757
Video Tech Coordinator	Linda Adams	830-889-3250

CHOIRS:

Bell Choir	Joyce Priem	830-456-1226
Sanctuary Choir	Katie Hofmann	830-383-4668
Youth Choir	Katie Hofmann	830-383-4668

GROUPS:

Church Council President	Ron Rickerhauser	830-992-9597
Men in Mission	Harvey Hengst	830-456-7663
Sunday School Supt.	Carrie Roemer	830-456-4461
Band of Brothers	Doyle Moellering	830-456-1349
Women of Faith	Carol Feuge	830-285-1301
Women of Faith	Polly Zenner	830-889-5701
Youth Group	Reid Nevins	830-997-2288

CONTACT INFO NOTE

If your address, email, or cell phone information changes, please let the church office know, 830-997-2288.



HOLY GHOST KIDS CORNER

“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me.’” -Matthew 19:14

CONTACT

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Children, Youth, + Family Minister
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AS ALWAYS

We offer Sunday School for all ages! Join us in our Kinderfest building for Opening at 9:15!

UPCOMING

- Ash Wednesday: February 14
- Spring Break: March 11-15
- Camp Holy Ghost: March 13

FOR FAMILIES THIS MONTH

Let's talk about Love!

- What does Love look like?
- Feel like?
- Smell like?
- Look up these verses:
 - Matthew 22:36-40
 - 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
 - 1 John 4:9
- How did God show us his everlasting Love?
- How can you show God's Love?
- Name some loving things to do, and make a game out of doing them with your family!



LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

The things on our prayer board right now:

• **OUR FAMILIES**

Thank you God for our fathers and mothers and sisters and brothers!

• **HIS LOVE**

God's love is everlasting! We should sing it from the hilltops!

• **GOOD HEALTH**

We give thanks for gifted doctors, smooth surgeries, and easy recoveries!

What else can you pray for this month?

Burning of the Ashes

FEBRUARY 11, 9:15AM

All ages will meet in the youth room as we begin the journey of Lent with this special tradition.



Youth Group News

& Family Matters

February 2024

+HOLY GHOST LUTHERAN CHURCH+

February 2024

Burning of the Ashes

Sunday, February 11th

Sunday School Hour starting at 9:15 AM

All Ages in the Fellowship Hall Youth Room



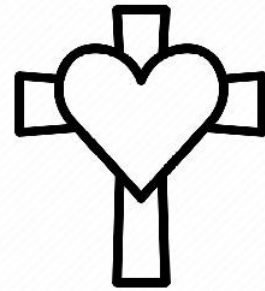
Valentine's Day

Ash Wednesday Worship

Holy Ghost Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM

"We love because He first loved us!"

1 John 4:19



Father-Daughter Valentine's Dance

Sat, Feb 10 6:30-8:00 pm

Music, Games, Photos, Devo

All Ages, All Welcome!

Holy Ghost Church Fellowship Hall

Questions? Call 997-2288



Chloe & Rylie speaking at this year's dance!

Youth Valentine's Dinner

Due to some special circumstances and unforeseen reasons, we are postponing our annual youth Valentine's Dinner fund-raiser until next year. We look forward to getting it back on the schedule in 2025 with lots of love!





WYWP- Jamming with Jesus in January 2024

Confirmation Schedule

- Feb 4 – Baptism Part 1
- Feb 11– Burning of the Ashes
- Feb 18 – Baptism Part 2
- Feb 25 – Holy Communion Part 1

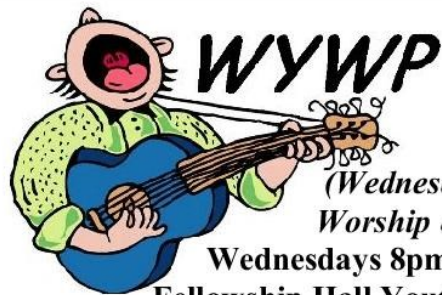


February Acolyte Schedule

- Sunday 10:30 AM** – Jake Stehling, Jinger Ellebracht, Brylea Berardi
- Sunday 8:00 AM** – Jacob Winn, Clayton Winn, Jackson Blizzard
- Saturday 6:00 PM** – Collin Ottmers, Carther Cathey, Will Martin



Sr High Sunday School
 "Aha! Epiphanies of God!!"
 Kinderneest Building 9:15 am



*(Wednesday Youth
 Worship & Praise!)*
 Wednesdays 8pm Sr High
 Fellowship Hall Youth Center

Church Camp Registration Open!

Sr High Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp

July 21-27, 2024

Jr High Camp Chrysalis

June 16-21, 2024 *Call the church office for all the details!*



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HOLY GHOST FINANCIAL REPORT



Attendance at a Glance

DECEMBER	
2023 In Person:	322
2023 On-line Views:	208
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2022 In Person:	354
2022 On-line Views:	238
JANUARY	
2024 In Person:	241
2024 On-line Views:	219
+++++	
2023 In Person:	361
2023 On-line Views:	211

General Fund Balance - Nov 1, 2023	\$66,348.82		
Receipts	\$85,545.07		
Expenses	-\$77,649.41		
General Fund Balance	\$74,244.48		
SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR MONTH			
Kindernest	\$70.00		
Operation Christmas Child	\$362.00		
Quilt Postage	\$1,192.00		
Mexico Mission/World Hunger	\$10.00		
FINANCIAL BAROMETER			
	Income	Expenses	plus/mins
Monthly	\$85,545.07	-\$77,649.41	\$7,895.66
Year-To-Date	\$882,194.65	-\$842,821.20	\$39,373.45
Capital Campaign Fund-General Fund			
Dedicated Fund Balance December 1, 2023	\$404,706.77		
Receipts this month	\$40,246.56		
Expenses	-\$2,150.00		
Balance - Dec 31, 2023	\$442,803.33		
Offerings General Fund December 2023	\$85,415.66		