



# The Spirit

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church  
March 2026  
Being & Making Disciples

The  
Season  
of  
Lent



Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

As your newest pastor, I am very grateful to be able to open this March newsletter with a few words and reflections. We are now in the season of Lent; a season that spans the month of March and invites us into fasting. Not merely dietary fasting, but a fasting that intentionally removes something from our daily lives in order to make room for reflection, prayer, and attentiveness to God.

Lent is a somber time, a time of remembering what was sacrificed *for us* nearly 2,000 years ago. And as we draw closer to Holy Week and Easter, I ask you not to forget exactly that: to remember that you have been given an unfathomable gift - the hope of eternal life - despite all our personal failings. At the same time, remember that while this gift comes to you free of charge, given purely by grace, it is not a cheap token. Someone paid for the gift you received. Someone paid the highest price possible.

As our lives move steadily toward Good Friday, reflect on both of these events that could hardly be more different and yet are inseparably connected: Christ's dying and Christ's rising - the terrible price of sin borne by the innocent, and the astonishing gift of eternal life received by the unworthy. Praise God for this gift.

As we reflect, we are helped greatly by our Lenten devotionals. Take time to read the thoughts and stories of your neighbors and friends, who poured time, care, and effort into this wonderful little booklet that can guide you through the season. And please join us here at church for Lenten services every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m., as well as during our regular weekend services. Let us reflect together during this time that leads us to Jesus' cross. He had to go that way alone... **but we do not**, and we should be so thankful for that.

Speaking of thankfulness, let me take this opportunity to express how incredibly grateful I am to all of you who have taken the call to serve your neighbor so seriously. When I say that I was overwhelmed by your open arms and generous welcome, I am not using empty words. You prepared the parsonage with great love, making sure it was repaired, cleaned, and filled with necessities and food. You have showered me with welcome gifts, invitations, and - most importantly - your genuine love.

I have no way to thank each of you personally, and words alone feel insufficient. I hope instead to respond to this outpouring of hospitality and generosity by investing myself fully in this calling: by passing this love forward to you and to the wider community, and by being present for you when you need me. So let me close with the words of Jesus, which Pastor Steve reminded us of in a sermon last month: "*Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.*"

Thank you again, and God's blessing to you in this season of Lent.

- **Pastor Tobias**

## Pastor Tobias Heike's Ordination and Installation

Pastor Heike officially began his ministry at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church on February 1, 2026. We have delayed celebrating his ordination and installation until his family could join him for this important celebration.

The Ordination and Installation will take place on **March 22 at 3:00 pm at the Church**. Bishop Dan Selbo from the North American Lutheran Church will preside over the ordination service, and Rev. Ralph Reitmeyer, Dean of the Southwestern Texas Mission District will preside over the installation.

A light meal is planned following the ordination and installation, in the Holy Ghost Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend the ordination and installation and the celebration to follow. We do ask that you would **RSVP by March 16th** so that we have a count to prepare both for worship and for the fellowship and food following. Please call the church office 830-997-2288 or email your RSVP to the office at [holyghost@holyghostfbg.org](mailto:holyghost@holyghostfbg.org).



**Remember to move your clock ahead one hour before going to bed Saturday, March 7th.**

### New Member Class – April 12<sup>th</sup>

We will be hosting a special new member class on **Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** (the week after Easter) for anyone interested in learning more about our faith community here at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. We will explore the basics of the Christian Faith, what it means to be Lutheran, and visit about who we are as community who follows Jesus Christ. Lunch will be served! Please **RSVP to the church office by April 7<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin after second service (approximately 11:45 a.m.). We will share a lunch and meet together until 3:30 p.m.

### Lent Schedule for Parables

Feb 28/Mar 1	The Watchful Servants	Luke 12:35-40
Mar 4	The Lamp on a Stand	Matt 5:14-16
Mar 7 & 8	The Prodigal Son	Luke 15:11-32
Mar 11	Hidden Treasure and Pearl	Matt 13:44-46
Mar 14 & 15	The Good Samaritan	Luke 10:25-37
Mar 18	The Mustard Seed	Mark 4:30-32
Mar 21 & 22	The Sower and the Seed	Mark 4:1-20
Mar 25	The Barren Fig Tree	Luke 13:6-9
Mar 28 & 29	The Sheep and the Goats	Matt 25:31-46
Apr 2	The Great Banquet	Luke 14:12-24
Apr 3	The Tenants	Matt 21:33-44

### Lent Dramas

Lent Dramas will return this year for the **Wednesday evening Lenten services on February 25, March 4, 11, 18, and 25**. Daniel Hofmann will put his drama skills to work writing and directing these short skits based on the parable for the evening. Each of these will be followed by a short message from one of the Pastors.

YALL COME OUT FOR OUR

## COWBOY BREAKFAST

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8 • 9:15AM**

WE'LL GATHER OUTSIDE THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR TACOS  
NO RSVP NECESSARY



**SPRING TEA**  
Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>  
at 9:00 a.m.

See more information on page 4.

The HG office is taking orders for lilies until **March 5**.  
See page 5.

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EXTENSION

## Food Handler's Course

March 9<sup>th</sup>  
1:30-3:30 p.m.

Cost - \$20

check or cash only  
all payments will be taken  
at the door

**Food Safety**  
it's in your hands

Location:  
Gillespie County Extension Office  
38 Business Court  
Fredericksburg, TX

For More Information Call  
830-997-3452



## COUNCIL NOTES February 23, 2026

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:56 p.m. with an opening devotion by Pastor David on Making a Difference based on Galatians 6:9, “*Let us not grow weary in doing good.*”
2. David Bullion was with us to present an update on the Klaerner property. The project is about 20% complete. There were contingencies with the foundation that had to be addressed, and other items that might add some cost to the project.
3. Council addressed a major vision and goal for 2026 - to focus on worship and how we enhance that to fit the mission and vision and identity of the congregation while keeping values of excellence and preference as we move forward into the future to “Save the Lost and Strengthen the Saved”.
4. Spent time on follow-up from the bi-Annual congregational meeting.
5. Voted to put an additional \$10,000 toward the principle on our loan each month and revisit when we have a higher percentage of the Klaerner property completed.
6. Voted to cover half of Tobias’ moving expenses. The other half is covered by the military.
7. Shared about the worship and celebration planned for Pastor Tobias’s upcoming ordination on March 22 at 3 p.m.
8. Heard reports from Kindernest who added an additional staff person, and about plans for sprucing up the courtyard area between Kindnest and the Sanctuary.
9. Heard reports from the Children’s and Youth Ministers, and all the activities ongoing with our children and youth.
10. Voted on minutes from the previous meeting.
11. Voted on the treasurer’s report, stating that January started the year slow with more expenses than income.
12. Adjourned at 7:53 p.m. sharing joys and concerns around the table, and with a closing prayer by Pastor Tobias.

### **The 2026 Church Council**

Valerie Bonn - President;  
Nick Thompson - Vice President  
Rhonda Martin - Secretary; Treasurer - Jerry Gross

Council Members:  
Nancy Lochte, Alice Segner, Carolyn Weidenfeller,  
Tudy Tritch, Ken Messinger, Jeff Boyd, Ricky Priess,  
Chris Nevins

Please pray for your leaders!

### **Lenten Devotionals**

*Parables of Jesus*, the 2026 Lenten devotional booklets written by the Holy Ghost Family of Faith, is available in the following formats:

- ◆ Twice weekly videos of author readings on Facebook. (Search Holy Ghost Lutheran Church)
- ◆ Full electronic booklet at: [holyghostfbg.org](http://holyghostfbg.org)
- ◆ Some paper copies may be available in the Narthex or in the Church Office

## Attendance at a Glance

### **JANUARY 2026**

2026 In Person: 327  
2026 On-line Views: 319  
2025 In Person: 427  
2025 On-line Views: 463

### **FEBRUARY 2026**

2026 In Person: 330  
2026 On-line Views: 396  
2025 In Person: 313  
2025 On-line Views: 363

## HOLY GHOST LUTHERAN WOMEN OF FAITH

**SPRING TEA** – The Spring Tea will be held on **March 8, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. To decorate a table, please contact Sue Gustin at 830-456-4512, no later than March 1, 2026. Tickets will be available before and after church services on the weekends. Tickets will also be available at the church office. We need volunteers to help before and after the Tea.** All help is appreciated.

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF HEALTH CARE KITS** – Thank you for all the items we have received so far. The basket will remain in the church until **March 15<sup>th</sup>**.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will be held **March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church.** The theme is "I will give you rest: Come". (Matthew 11:28-30) I hope to see you there.

### Dates to Remember

Mar. 6	World Day of Prayer	10:30 a.m.	St. Mary's Catholic Church
Mar. 8	Spring Tea	9:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Mar. 9	Evening Guild Meeting	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall
Mar. 12	Lydia Circle Meeting	9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Mar. 12	Katherine Luther Circle	1:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall
Apr. 11	Southwest Texas NALC Women of Faith Gathering	TBD	St. John Lutheran Church, Goliad, TX

#### WOMEN OF FAITH LEADERS

<u>Circles</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
Evening Guild	Carol Feuge	Pastor
Lydia Circle	Laverne Cuddy	Pastor
Katherine Luther Circle	Sue Gustin	Pastor

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

##### March

Barbara Grona	Helen Scroggs
Laverne Boos	Pamela Meyer
Kay Pressler	<b>Robes: Joan Bonn</b>

##### Lent

Debbie Klaehn	Lisa Bullion
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##### April

Lisa Kaman	Sherry Keyser
Vicki Ristau	Sammy Knopp
Becky Shirley	<b>Robes: Karen Grona</b>



**SPRING TEA**  
**Sunday, March 8**  
**9:00 a.m.**  
**HGLC Fellowship Hall**  
**Tickets: \$5.00**



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#### **ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS:**

Please remember to return the keys when you are finished with them. There is a sign in/out sheet in the basket in the Altar Guild Room to help with this process.



**Altar flowers are not scheduled during the month of March due to Lent.**

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

**Hospitalizations:**

*Iris Burrer  
 Curtis Staudt  
 Irene Grosenbacher  
 Yvonne Fox  
 Patsy Stevens  
 Ruth Bumpas  
 Betty Ellebracht*

**Hospice List:**

*Emma Hirschfield  
 Bill Petmecky*



*Please pray for those on Hospice and those in need!*

**FEBRUARY PASTORAL ACTS**

**BAPTISMS:**

2/1/2026 Nolan Robert Moellering

**FUNERALS:**

2/14/2026 Kermit Feuge

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 at 830-997-2288.

**NURSING HOME COMMUNION**

**IN MARCH - HOLY GHOST**

**FIRST WEDNESDAY: MARCH 4**

Knopp Assisted Living 9:30 a.m.  
 Knopp #2 NH 10:30 a.m.

**FIRST THURSDAY: MARCH 5**

Heritage Place 9:30 a.m.  
 Enchanted Rock NH 10:30 a.m.

**SECOND WEDNESDAY: MARCH 11**

Villages of Windcrest 9:30 a.m.  
 Fredericksburg NH 10:30 a.m.

**SECOND THURSDAY: MARCH 12**

Knopp Retirement Center 9:30 a.m.  
 Knopp #1 NH 10:30 a.m.

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



**CELEBRATIONS**



*Happy Birthday*

James Paige	3/6/1933
Harvey Hengst	3/19/1934
Julia Breen	3/22/1936
Lawrence Deike	3/23/1934
Atlee Lochte	3/29/1936



Chester & Sandra Ellebracht 3/21/1971

Lilies to be used for decorating for the Easter service are now available for purchase through the church office.



Cost: \$15.00 each  
**Deadline is March 5, 2026**

Given in honor of:

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Given in memory of:

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

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

**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**

**See the choices on this page.**

Join in at 9:15-10:15 a.m.  
The coffee is on us!

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



**Join us for The Breakfast Bar Sunday mornings from 8:30-9:15.**

This is a great opportunity for food and fellowship. Following the Breakfast Bar, we encourage you to attend one of the Sunday morning opportunities for Christian Education for youth and adults. Food is free, but donations are accepted.

**There will not be a breakfast bar on March 8th. On March 22nd, only donuts and coffee will be served.**



**Book of Nehemiah Bible Study**

Pastor David is leading a 7-week Bible study on the Book of Nehemiah, where Judah returns from exile and begins to rebuild Jerusalem and the Temple. The class started February 24th, and will meet on **Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall** through April 14th. Please RSVP to the church office 830-997-2288 or email your RSVP to Pastor David at [pastordp@holyghostfbg.org](mailto:pastordp@holyghostfbg.org).

**Adult Education**

There are currently three adult education classes being offered each Sunday morning at **9:15 to 10:15**.

**"Journey Through the Lord's Prayer"**

**March 1st:** "The Lord's Prayer: Doxology"

**March 8th:** Spring Tea and Cowboy Breakfast during the Sunday School hour. **(No adult Bible study)**

**March 15th, 22nd, & 29th:** Pastor Steve shares a new three-week series on forgiveness: "The Attitude of a Forgiven Child of God."

**"Social Teachings of the Church"**

The Sage Class will begin a new study on **March 8th**. Norm Nevins will be leading the class, "*Social Teachings of the Church*." All adults are welcome!

**Women's Evening Bible Study**

We are studying "Walking With God" by Beth Moore. The book is available on Amazon, but it might take over a week to arrive. Upcoming meetings are:

**Mar. 10, Mar. 24, April 7  
6:00 p.m. in the Spirit Haus**

All are welcome! For more info contact Karen Nevins at 830-992-9424.

**Bible Study on  
2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians on Tuesdays at noon**

Pastor Steve is leading a 12-week study focused on 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians. The class started January 13th. We meet on **Tuesdays from 12:00-1:15 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to attend and bring a friend! The study will also be available to view on YouTube (posted a day later). Sign up by contacting the church office (830) 997-2288 or email Pastor Steve at: [pastorsq@holyghostfbg.org](mailto:pastorsq@holyghostfbg.org).

**From the R Team - Read your Bible daily!**

Winter in Texas seems to always come with some extremes - at times just inconvenient, at other times downright dangerous. While the Bible doesn't talk specifically about Texas, it does tell us about the weather. Don't forget where to turn when nature gives you something you don't particularly want; God's word has it all!

Psalms 148:8

Nahum 1:3

Luke 21:11

Isaiah 29:6

1 Samuel 12:18

Matthew 16:2-3

Leviticus 26:4

Jonah 1:4

Genesis 8:22

Jeremiah 10:12-13

Job 37:9

James 5:17-18

Amos 4:7

## Current Sermon Series

Our current sermon series is called, "Jesus in the Parables."



## Messages in March



**Sat. & Sun., Feb. 28 & Mar. 1:** The parable before us this weekend is the parable of The Watchful Servants from Luke 12:35-40. This parable reminds us about preparedness. Are we living our lives in such a way that if Jesus were to come, we'd be ready? Or do we need to make some adjustments in the way we are living?

**Wed., Mar. 4:** Today's message is based on The Lamp on a Stand in Matthew 5:14-16. In this parable we are given the charge by Jesus to let our light shine, not to point to ourselves or our own accomplishments, but to point to Christ and what He has done for us.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar. 7 & 8:** Luke 15:11-32 records that familiar parable of The Prodigal Son. Which person in this parable might you identify with? The prodigal son, the older brother, or the father? What does this text tell us about the gift of God's grace?

**Wed., Mar. 11:** What has value in our lives? What are we passionate about? Jesus shares two small but important words about those things that we treasure in Matthew 13:44-46.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar. 14 & 15:** In the account of The Good Samaritan, (Luke 10:25-37) Jesus challenges us to reach beyond ourselves to help those who are in need. This is about our Christian action that matches our deeds with our words, as we extend Christ's hand of love and encouragement and help to our neighbor in need.

**Wed., Mar. 18:** The parable of The Mustard Seed in Mark 4:30-32 reminds us that each of us can use the gifts that God has given us to make a positive impact on this world. Even a gift that we may consider insignificant or small, may have a more far-reaching impact than we could ever imagine.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar. 21 & 22:** Have you ever planted a garden? Then you can relate to this parable, but the seed that is being planted is the Word of God. The Sower and the Seed in Mark 4:1-20, shares the importance of planting the seed, and making sure we prepare the soil to receive that seed and have it grow and bear fruit.

**Wed. Mar. 25:** The Barren Fig Tree in Luke 13:6-9, is a harder parable for us to wrap our minds around. It does remind us to be persistent and patient, especially in our world today that expects immediate results. Sometimes you have to pile on the fertilizer, and see what results arise from that.

**Sat. & Sun., Mar. 28 & 29:** As we begin Holy Week how appropriate it is to focus on judgment day and the text from Matthew 25:31-46 about the sheep and the goats. Are we living our lives in such a way that we are serving Christ through serving our neighbor or those in need? How might we better live our lives to honor and serve Christ each day!

### Holy Communion this month:

Holy Communion this month will be served on:

- ◆ the weekend of March 7th & 8th
- ◆ the weekend of March 21st & 22nd

Communion will also be served at Pastor Heike's ordination service on March 22nd at 3:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday,



See the Lent schedule of "The Parables" and dramas on [page 2](#).

### HGLC Radio Broadcast

is aired weekly on Sunday mornings on KNAF 910AM at 10 o'clock.

### SPECIAL OFFERINGS for WEDNESDAYS in LENT!

**One-half of our mid-week Lenten offerings will be designated for the Caritas Family Assistance Network.** Caritas is a local non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the social, emotional, and academic needs of students in the Fredericksburg Independent School District through counseling and family liaison support services. Holy Ghost supported Caritas last year during Lent and we invite you to continue our support as Caritas continues to help the families in our community.

**Our March Special Offering!**  
Our special weekend offering for March will also be for Caritas.

Please share in the joy of helping others by supporting the special offering this month. Thank you for giving above and beyond your regular giving!

### Praise Services

The Heart of Worship Praise Team will lead services on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekends of each month at the **10:30 service**. This month the Praise Services will be held on the **15th and 22nd**.

**ALL Worship** services are posted on the HGLC FaceBook and YouTube sites. You DO NOT have to have a FaceBook account to watch the services. Click on the FaceBook icon on the Holy Ghost website.



**CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

The Cancer Support Group will not meet in March.

**Widow's Might**

Widow's Might meets the **first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the Spirit Haus.**

Please call Rhonda Eckert Simpson at 830-456-4617 for more information. All widows are invited to attend.

**HolyMark Cardmakers**

HolyMark Cardmakers will gather for a fellowship lunch at **Campo Azul on Thursday, March 19 at 11:30 a.m.** Following lunch we will reconvene in the Fellowship Hall for cardmaking. Anyone is welcome to come and observe or try their hand at making cards.

Please note that **we will not meet in April**, but will meet on **May 21**.



**Ladies' Lunch Study**

All ladies are invited to join us as we study: *What is the Will of God for My Life?* The goal of this study is to provoke thought on using your spiritual gifts to meet the will of God. Bring your Bible (and lunch if you wish). No advance preparation or other materials are needed. We meet every-other Wednesday – **March 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> this month – at noon in the Spirit Haus.** For more information, please contact Kim Gibbs at 830-456-7299.

**Band of Brothers**



Hey Men! Spring is around the corner so let's spring into action while working on various projects around the church campus. Join us for breakfast and devotion followed by work projects. The Band of Brothers will meet on **Tuesday, March 10, 2026, from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

For more info, please contact the church office or Doyle Moellering at 830/456-1349. All men are welcome!

**Game Night**



Game Night for March will be held on **Thursday, March 26th at 6:00 p.m. In the Fellowship Hall!**

**CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP**

Our caregivers support group meets the second Wednesday of the month at **10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** This month we will meet on **March 11th.**

Anyone who has been a caregiver for a loved one is welcome to attend one hour of sharing and caring for one another. Our group is led by Pastor Steve and LeAnn Segner. Call Pastor Steve for information at 830-997-2288. May the Lord God bless and refresh you as you love and serve your loved one!



**HGLC is looking for volunteers to lead our  
Prayer Warrior group!**

Once a month the prayer warrior leader will receive five prayer requests via email. In turn, the leader will email these requests to those in your prayer group.

Being a Prayer Warrior leader is a way to enrich others and yourself! Prayerfully consider this and contact Imogene Schollian at 830-456-3200 or Pastor David at the church office, 830-997-2288.

**Feeding John**

Feeding John Program



Feeding John will be held on the third Sunday of each month unless otherwise noted. This month it will be held on **Sunday, March 15th.**

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)**

Three support groups meet at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church: one on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. and the others on Thursdays at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. in the Spirit Haus. Please make use of the support resources available to you, your family, and/or your friends. HGLC supports those in recovery!

*Thank You*

Dear Holy Ghost-

Thank you so much for handling the memorials made on Ora Ann Knopp's behalf, and for hosting the absolutely lovely luncheon after her service.

Pastor Williams conducted that cold morning and everyone enjoyed the chance to visit in from the cold of her graveside service that morning.

Thank you all for everything you do!

Family of Ora Ann Knopp

## GRACED - DEDICATE Self to the Tithe and Beyond

### \$ HOLY GHOST FINANCIAL REPORT ¢

Monthly Report January 2026 - Preliminary		
<b><u>GENERAL FUND</u></b>		
Monthly Income/Expense	GL Acct #	
Receipts - Weekly Offering	41501	\$64,818.15
Interest	41602	\$286.68
Facilities Rental Income	41601	\$80.00
Miscellaneous Income	41603	\$0.00
Expenses		-\$84,794.27
Net Monthly Income		-\$19,609.44
<b>YTD Receipts less expenses</b>		<b>-\$19,609.44</b>
 <b><u>SPECIAL OFFERINGS</u></b>		
Kindernest		\$1,535.00
 <b><u>Capital Campaign Fund-General Fund</u></b>		
This account is being restructured in our financials. We should have details on this soon. Thank you for your patience.		

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>8am - Worship</p> <p>8:30am - Breakfast Bar</p> <p>9:15am - Sunday School</p> <p>10am - Worship: KNAF 910am/107.9FM</p> <p>10:30am - Worship</p>	<p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>4pm - Youth Choir: Basement</p> <p>6:30pm - HS Youth Bible Study: Daniel's</p>	<p>9am - LWR Quilters</p> <p>9:55am - KNEST Devo.</p> <p>12pm - 2nd Corinthians Bible Study</p> <p>1pm - HG Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm - Book of Nehemiah Bible Study</p> <p>6pm - Women's Evening Bible Study</p>	<p>11am - Lent Worship</p> <p>11:30am - Ladies Lunch Study</p> <p>4pm - After School Club</p> <p>5:15pm - Widow's Mght</p> <p>5:30pm - Grace Notes</p> <p>6pm - MS Youth: Youth RM</p> <p>6:30pm - Lent Worship</p> <p>7:30pm - Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>7am - Men's Community Bible Study</p>	<p>10:30am - World Day of Prayer - St. Mary's</p>	<p>6pm - Worship/Comm</p> <p>6pm - Worship/Comm</p>
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# MARCH MINISTRY

Date	Time	Council Members	Disciple Teams	Readers	Communion Assistants	Video Techs	Radio Broadcast Recorders	Sound Board Volunteers
Feb. 28	6:00pm	Carolyn Weidenfeller		Carol Stead		Johanna Alberthal		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 1	8:00am	Nancy Lochte	Blaine & Debbie Phelps Larry & Charlotte Taylor	Jacob Winn		Linda Adams	Ronnie Ersch	Nicole Robertson
Mar. 1	10:30am	TBD	Brett & Kristy Beyer William & Cara Wilson Ron Rikerhauser	Karen Nevins		Paul Seidensticker		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 4	11:00am	TBD	Polly Zenner					
Mar. 4	6:30pm	Carolyn Weidenfeller	Steven & Johanna Alberthal			Linda Adams		
Mar. 7	6:00pm	Rhonda Martin	Polly Zenner & Ola Mae Pehl Gordon & Dianne Eckert	Pastor Jan Unger	Nick Haun, Don & Donna Reinke Pew: Sandy Platfoot, Corrine Jung	Kimberly Bauer		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 8	8:00am	Jerry Gross	Vaughn & Rhonda Usener Ronald Ersch, Carolyn Weidenfeller	Joyce Thiele	Todd & Radonna Spies Pew: Debbie Klaehn, Steven Krueger	Megan Blizzard	Chris Bauer	Nicole Robertson
Mar. 8	10:30am	Kathy Boos	Annie Frantzen, Karen Lochte Violet & Hannah Kruse	Rhonda Eckert	Mike & Sheri Majors Pew: Craig & Kay Steinbring	Linda Adams		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 11	11:00am	TBD	Steven & Johanna Alberthal					
Mar. 11	6:30pm	Carolyn Weidenfeller	Nick Haun Debbie Phelps			Paul Seidensticker		
Mar. 14	6:00pm	Rhonda Martin	Cindy Clegg, Alice Segner Ola Mae Pehl, Karen Immel	Lisa Kaman		Johanna Alberthal		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 15	8:00am	Jerry Gross	Vaughn & Rhonda Usener Megan Blizzard, Ronald Ersch	Mandy Herber		Paul Seidensticker	Carey Bonn	Nicole Robertson
Mar. 15	10:30am	Nick Thompson	Temple & Jeannie Klett Alice Segner, Polly Zenner	Nancy Sagebiel		Paul Seidensticker		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 18	11:00am	Kathy Boos	Alice Segner					Nicole Robertson
Mar. 18	6:30pm	Carolyn Weidenfeller	Polly Zenner Cindy Clegg Nick Haun			Kimberly Bauer		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 21	6:00pm	TBD	Alice Segner, Ola Mae Pehl Polly Zenner, Karen Immel	Corrine Jung	Nick Haun, Don & Donna Reinke Pew: Michael & Sherrie Maurer	Johanna Alberthal		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 22	8:00am	Jerry Gross	Vaughn & Rhonda Usener Ronald Ersch, Carolyn Weidenfeller	Mandy Herber	Robert & Robbie Bourquein Pew: Dan & Sherry Gallini	Linda Adams	Paul Unger	Nicole Robertson
Mar. 22	10:30am	TBD	William & Cara Wilson Temple & Jeannie Klett	Pastor	Rodney & Sharon Kott Pew: Rhonda Eckret-Simpson, Susan West	Linda Adams		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 25	11:00am	TBD	Polly Zenner					Nicole Robertson
Mar. 25	6:30pm	Carolyn Weidenfeller	Ola Mae Pehl Nick Haun Debbie Phelps			Linda Adams		Nicole Robertson
Mar. 28	6:00pm	TBD	Amy Thomas, Shane Harvey Michael & Sheri Majors	Lois Weidenfeller		Kimberly Bauer		
Mar. 29	8:00am	Nancy Lochte	Blaine & Debbie Phelps Larry & Charlotte Taylor	Craig Sander		Megan Blizzard		
Mar. 29	10:30am	TBD	David & Lisa Bullion Paul & Betty Seidensticker	Pastor		Linda Adams		Nicole Robertson

## CONFIRMATION - WEEKEND SERVICES

**Acolytes:** Saturday 6:00pm - Need Volunteers  
Sunday 8:00am - Brooks Bonn, Parker Bonn, Allison Borlace  
Sunday 10:30am - Freddie Zenner, Faith Thompson, Allison Borlace

## LOOKING FOR SCRIPTURE READERS!!

Those interested in being a Scripture reader may now **sign up by scanning the QR code**. Please contact the church office if you have any questions. New readers are always welcome!



MARCH 2026

# CHILDREN+FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

**CAMP HOLY GHOST**  
WEDNESDAY • MARCH 18

**\$10**  
RSVP REQUIRED!  
SCAN HERE!

**8:00AM-4:00PM**  
**KIDS K-5TH**

A DAY FULL OF FUN + FAITH  
\* NOT GROWING UP!

Holy Ghost  
PICTURES PRESENTS

**FRIDAY  
NIGHT LIVE**

HOLY GHOST PICTURES PRESENTS "FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE" 6:30PM-8:30PM IN THE YOUTH ROOM  
STARRING KIDS K-5TH MARCH 27 DIRECTED BY JESUS

**CANDY  
NEEDED!**

WE NEED CANDY FOR OUR  
EGG HUNT!  
DROP OFF AT THE CHURCH  
OFFICE UNTIL MARCH 29!

SUNDAY SCHOOL? MORE LIKE

**SUNDAYS  
COOL!**

KIDS PreK-5TH! JOIN US 9:15AM  
IN THE SPIRIT HAUS!

WE HAVE MORE FUN WHEN  
YOU'RE HERE!

BETHANY + HOLY GHOST INVITE YOU TO OUR

**Easter  
egg  
hunt**

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 • 10AM

*we'll gather in Bethany's fellowship hall  
for games, crafts, + a children's message!*

**BE & MAKE DISCIPLES!**

March 2026

# Youth News

Latest youth news and updates

## Youth Ministry this month

This past month of youth ministry has been one of firsts, but also one of deep reflection for our teens. At the end of January, we went to the Generate Youth Conference in San Antonio. This was a first for our ministry, and we didn't know what to expect. God showed up and teens were impacted. We heard all about what it means to know God vs know about God. We walked through the Book of Acts and saw how important it is to know God, especially as our loving Savior.

On Wednesday nights, we've also kicked off a new series, "Am I doing this right?" This series is all about our faith walk. Many times, we wonder if we're doing this thing right. Are we saying the right things? Reading and praying enough? When in reality, our faith isn't a list of things to do, but rather, it's all about a relationship with God. Our heart's desire should be to know God more and more instead of checking off boxes for our faith. This series has invoked some amazing discussion in our small group times!



Some of our teens at Generate Youth Conference!

### Dates to keep in mind:

Youth Group Every Wednesday Night:

Middle School: 6-7:30 pm/ High School: 8-9:00 pm

**March 13<sup>th</sup>:** Lock-in

**April 19<sup>th</sup>:** Senior Sunday

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Confirmation Sunday

**May 27<sup>th</sup>:** Last day of youth group

**July 4-11<sup>th</sup>:** Rainbow Trails

**July 19-24<sup>th</sup>:** Camp Chrysalis





Hello to our HGLC family!

We had so much fun in February with Valentine crafts, parties, and celebrating our loved ones! On Friday February 13<sup>th</sup> we had our Valentine party where students enjoyed treats and exchanging valentines!

Huge thank you to everyone that came out to Family Fun Night on February 27<sup>th</sup>. We had so much fun and it was so nice to see so many faces! Also would like to thank HGLC for the many donations to our teacher appreciation fund in January! We are truly blessed by your generosity! Thank you for loving our teachers!

Kindernest will be closed for Spring Break March 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>. Wishing our community a warm Spring season filled with fun activities and new adventures!

In His service,  
Annisa Alonzo





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Christmas Day Dinner

Feeding John

Float Team

Fishers for Christ

Global Leadership Summit

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Holy Ghost Quilters

Hospitality Team

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Kinderneest Team

Kinderneest Team

Kitchen Team

Kitchen Team

LWR Quilters

NH Comm. Coordinator

NH Devotions

“P” Team

Property Team

Praise Team Task Force

Prayer Team

“R” Team

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Small Group

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David Bullion

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830-992-8564

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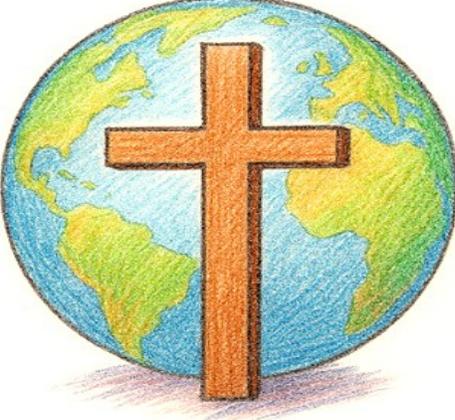
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**For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.**



**John 3:16 (ESV)**

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