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The News

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead . . .

1 Peter 1:3

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Resurrection Comes in Many Forms, and in the Middle of History

Pastor Glenn McDonald recounts this history. The family and friends of Benigno Aquino had urged him not to return to Manila in the Philippines. Aquino was the exiled leader of the opposition movement to Philippine dictator Ferdinand Marcos. Aquino had been imprisoned for over seven years, but Marcos had granted him permission to seek medical care in the U.S. Aquino, known to many as Ninoy, was determined to come home and lead the opposition to a new era of democratic rule.

Everyone knew he was a threat to the Marcos government, and that his life was in danger. But Aquino was focused on leading this revolution. “If it's my fate to die by an assassin's bullet, so be it. But I cannot be petrified by inaction, or fear of assassination, and therefore stay [away from the challenge] ...”

He boarded a flight for Manila on August 21, 1983. He was bringing nothing with him: no weapons, no army, no demands. This would not be an ordinary revolution. During his time in the U.S. Ninoy had experienced a spiritual awakening while reading a book by Chuck Colson, the Watergate conspirator and converted former prisoner. He became convinced that God was calling him to return to Manila, to suffer alongside his people, to personally appeal to Marcos to share leadership, and to help secure a peaceful transition of power.

As soon as he stepped onto the tarmac of Manila International Airport, Benigno Aquino was shot dead in full view of the nation and the world.

So what happened to Ninoy's hopes and dreams? What was accomplished by Aquino's going back, undefended, into the center of the storm? Within six months, a bloodless revolution that transformed the nation emerged, and democratic rule was restored. Marcos' soldiers, having witnessed Aquino's reliance on nothing more than truth and love, refused to fight for their commander-in-chief.

Today, if you fly into Manila, your jet will land at Ninoy Aquino International Airport. August 21 is now a national holiday in the Philippines.

Jesus was also the leader of an out-of-the-ordinary revolution. He willingly set his face toward Jerusalem knowing what awaited him there, and in the face of warnings to stay away. At least three times he predicted his own demise to his disciples, adding, “and on the third day, be raised.” His disciples, in denial, neither heard nor understood precisely what he was saying.

What began in a promising way on Palm Sunday, with crowds proclaiming a blessing on this Son of David, ended in utter tragedy and despair on Good Friday, with the crucifixion of the most remarkable person who ever lived.

But God redeemed the greatest sadness in history by raising Jesus from the dead. It seemed too good to be true then, and it seems the same today. Hundreds witnessed his brutal death at the hands of the Romans and their procurator Pontius Pilate. So the news of his rising from the dead was doubted from the beginning. But there is no other plausible explanation for what then happened.

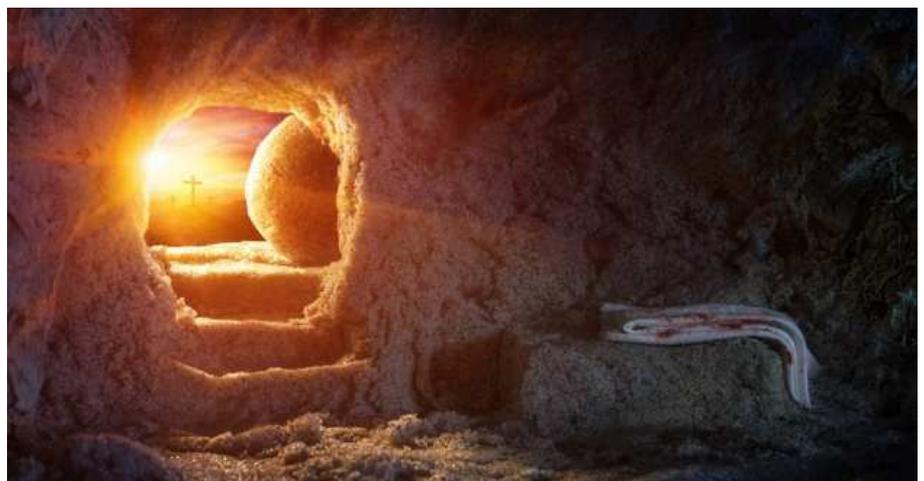
First the women said they saw him, with Mary Magdalene being the first, but the eleven disciples doubted. Jesus later appeared to the eleven. There was an appearance to Peter. Then Jesus appeared alive to more than 500 of his followers at one time. He appeared to James, the Lord's brother, to all of the apostles, and in a later, untimely way, he appeared also to Paul on the road to Damascus. If one were to doubt this testimony, one would have to explain why thousands immediately believed it and were willing to die for it. The sheer force of history requires that Jesus' resurrection should receive a hearing from any reasonable person who seeks the truth.

But there is nothing that forces one to believe it. There is no absolute proof that Jesus is divine and that God raised him from the dead, but then, that kind of proof is hard to come by for just about anything. God never forces himself on us, because he loves us, and he wants us to choose to love Him in return. Airtight proof for the resurrection would mean that we *have* to believe. God, instead, wants our trust, our faith, our love. Real love always involves risk, faith, and trust. Resurrection is something to be experienced in relationship with the living Lord Jesus.

Then there is the argument from life: that we have a God who loved us so much that he came down to suffer with us, that he showed us how to live, and that we may see how our suffering can be redeemed by a caring, empathic, real God...the Word become flesh. Maybe this is a God who shows up on an airport tarmac in the Philippines, and changes the course of history. In fact, I believe the Lord is in the very middle of history, if only we had the eyes to see it.

Soli Deo Gloria.

Pastor Rich



Caring for God's People through the Social Media Ministry of FPCA

by Eric Gottmann

What is the hope for the person who is facing a battle with brain cancer? What is the hope for the person who is facing suicidal thoughts and had attempted suicide 6 months ago? What is the hope for a family struggling to pay the bills and pay the mortgage without a job? What would you do in these situations? Or, more to the point, what would you do if you knew that your neighbor was facing one of these battles?

The brain cancer story is the case of "Valerie." (I am changing their names to respect their privacy.) Valerie contacted our church on October 4, 2017, when she saw an ad on Facebook offering prayers for those facing health issues. That is also the case of "Laurie" who attempted suicide 6 months ago, and was struggling with suicidal thoughts when she saw an ad on Facebook on March 4, 2018, sponsored by FPCA, offering hope through a prayer. That is also the case of "Julia." Julia contacted FPCA asking for prayers because she was concerned if she could keep up with her bills and was also asking prayers for "safety" for her son who "is going overseas in June." She also saw an ad on Facebook, sponsored by this congregation, when she read these words: I Want To Pray For You.



Situations similar to these, or even worse, are encountered on a daily basis by the Social Media Ministry at FPCA. Since August 2017, more than 94 people from our community, people from our neighborhood, often in desperate need, have directly contacted our church through social media asking for prayers. This ministry has responded to each one of them with a written prayer, a devotional, and a word of comfort. Every Wednesday when they open their e-mails or their Facebook account, they encounter a word of faith and a seed of hope. As I write this short article, our "virtual hand" has reached more than 1,800 people in the first fifteen days of March alone. When scrolling through their Facebook feed, they encounter a church concerned with their problems, open to hearing them and committed to pray for them. They see hope, love, and care from people who are committed to Jesus Christ. They see a light, not hidden under the table, but a light of faith and hope, the light that our Lord Jesus has taught us to put on the table.

This is only a fraction of how God has used the Social Media Ministry to accomplish FPCA's mission of "transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor." May the Lord continue to touch these souls as our prayers help to change their lives. If you want to know more details about how God is transforming lives through this ministry, please contact Eric Gottmann, eric@firstprestexas.org.

Youth Ministry News

Just a quick notice of upcoming events!

Senior Sunday - May 20

The Great Escape - June 23 to 30

Fun In The Sun - July 9 to 13



Easter Word Search

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SACRIFICE
THREE DAYS
ANGELS
SAVIOR

GOLGOTHA
BLOOD
SIMON OF CYRENE
JESUS
ROBE
LAMB

SON OF GOD
TOMB
APOSTLES
CALVARY
CROSS
NAILS

MARY
CRUCIFIXION
PILATE
HIGH PRIEST
PASSOVER
SUNDAY

Answer on page 10.

Children's Ministry News

Preschool and Kindergarten Sunday School

We have some BIG NEWS for you! Are you ready for it?

JESUS. IS. ALIVE!

We have the awesome privilege of telling children that Jesus is God's Son, He is alive, and He wants to be their friend forever. It truly is BIG NEWS!

In week one, we will hear the wonderful story of how Jesus lived, died, and came back, just like He promised. We want everyone to remember the big news that Jesus is alive and He wants to be their friend forever! Not

only do we want them to know the BIG NEWS, we want them to feel comfortable telling others the BIG NEWS as well. We're going to practice doing just that all month long.

During week two, we will learn how the early church didn't just tell others the big news about Jesus. They showed them by taking care of one other. Telling others the BIG NEWS doesn't just have to be shouting it in our outside voices. We can show others Jesus' love in many ways.

In week three, we get to hear the amazing story of how Saul changed when he met Jesus. He went from hurting people who loved Jesus to telling everyone about Jesus! Talk about a change! Saul's change to Paul is a drastic one, but everyone changes when they learn about Jesus.

Week four, Paul and Silas show us that no matter how hard it is, we can tell others about Jesus. While we may never have it as rough as Paul and Silas had it, there will be times that it's hard to tell other about Jesus. We want the children to know that God is with them in every circumstance, including telling others about His Son.

We will wrap up the month with week five learning about how to give the best gift, just like Peter and John did. And what is the best gift? Well, Jesus of course! Telling others about Jesus is the best gift we can give. Nothing is as precious and life-changing as the gift of Jesus.



Elementary Sunday School and KFC

God is patient. Why? Well, because God is in control and He knows how the story ends. Because of Jesus' sacrifice, we know how the story ends, too. **Because of Jesus, WE CAN WAIT.** We can trust that God is in control. We can have hope that things will work out in the end. And we can be patient because we know all that God has done.

Patience is a reflection of the character of God.

WEEK 1

Key Question: **How do you celebrate Easter?** When was the last time you went big and celebrated something? A birthday? Definitely Christmas. But how do we celebrate *the reason* we can celebrate at all? Jesus is alive! We want kids to figure out some ways they can go big and celebrate Easter with their family and friends!

We start the month with The Bible. No, that wasn't a typo. Think about it, in some ways the entire Bible is lesson in patience. Not because it takes so long to read from cover to cover, but because often people are seen

waiting . . . for God to speak, for the rescuer to arrive. That's why we kick off April with the Easter story and the story of the Bible that introduces us to Jesus—His life, death, and most importantly His resurrection. A fitting way to celebrate that Jesus is alive!

Bottom Line: Jesus is alive! God sent Jesus to rescue us from the consequences of our sin. This week, we want to be sure that every child leaves knowing how much God loves them and made a way for them to have a relationship with Him forever.

WEEK 2



Key Question: When is it hard to have patience?

Often kids don't plan on being impatient; they just find themselves in situations where their patience is tried. As we get older though, we're able to understand the sorts of moments where we might find ourselves needing a good dose of patience. We hope that kids start to discover the times they might need patience and figure out what God can help them do about it.

For our first week focused on patience, we look to **1 Samuel 1:6–2:1** where we discover the story of Hannah. She had waited years for a child. Rather than

become frustrated and angry toward God, she prays and tells Him all about it. When God answers her prayer, she gives her son back to God. He honored her waiting and blessed her with even more children.

Bottom Line: When you think you can't wait, talk to God about it. It's important for us all to remember that talking to God about waiting will help us stay patient through whatever circumstance we might face. He may not change our circumstance, but He'll give the strength to keep waiting well.

WEEK 3

Key Question: What do you do when it's hard to wait? Having a plan for your impatience is important. Rather than just letting your frustration get to you, you can know the steps you can take to make sure that you don't lose your cool. We want kids to discover how they can make patience a priority.

There's an important patience principle King Solomon wrote in **Proverbs 14:29**. *Anyone who is patient has great understanding. But anyone who gets angry quickly shows how foolish they are (NIRV).* How we respond to waiting shows others our character. Getting frustrated and angry doesn't make the wait any less; it just makes us look foolish.

Bottom Line: When you think you can't wait, keep your cool. Sometimes when you're waiting, becoming angry and frustrated with others is the first thing that pops into our minds. But when it comes to waiting, often there's very little we can do to make the wait any less. While you're waiting, don't make yourself look foolish by taking it out on the people around you.

WEEK 4

Key Question: What can you think about when it's hard to wait? When we're waiting, we often think about what we don't have, what we're waiting for, how long it's taking . . . anything besides what we should be considering—that we can trust God no matter what. Even in their waiting, we hope that kids can understand how they can think about what's true.

In week four of April, we head to **Exodus 32:1–35** where we find the Israelites at the foot of Mount Sinai. Instead of obeying God and waiting for Moses to come down off the mountain, the entire nation of Israel grew impatient. They built a golden calf and began to worship it instead of worshiping God. Their lack of patience had some severe consequences.

Bottom Line: **When you think you can't wait, think about what's true.** It's easier to wait when you remember all the times God has helped you before. You can trust Him, knowing that He'll help you wait.

WEEK 5

Key Question: **What could you miss out on by not waiting?** God wants His best for us. Sometimes when we're waiting, we rush to what we can get now instead of what is best. We hope that kids can discover that waiting for God's best is the wisest choice they can make. We don't want kids to miss out on something God has planned for their life because they weren't patient.

We'll finish out the month with one of the best examples of what happens when you're not patient; you lose something of value. In **Genesis 25:24-34**, we discover the story of Esau sacrificing his birthright for a bowl of stew. Because Esau was impatient, he lost something he could never get back.

Bottom Line: **When you think you can't wait, think twice.** Don't let your lack of patience cause you to make a decision you'll regret. Think twice about what really matters. Ask God to help you wait patiently for what matters most.

Save the Date!

Kids Night Out - April 6 and 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Luncheon for families with children 6th grade and under - April 8

The Blessings of Consistent and Recurring Tithing and Giving

by Jeanne Chin

At FPCA, we are a group of committed Christians who are transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor! We have been engaged in mission and ministry, sharing the heart of Christ with the heart of the city of Arlington, since 1888. FPCA's impact can be seen in our local community, as well as nationally and internationally. The Lord is using us to touch lives for Jesus Christ.

As we look forward to our summer months, we are thinking about ways to smooth the hills and valleys of our church's monthly cash flow so that our wonderful ministries can continue. One of the ways to do this is through regular, recurring giving of our tithes, gifts, and offerings. Regular giving is a huge help that enables the church to focus on our call to do God's kingdom work, rather than focus on financial needs and fund raising.

God has equipped nearly all of us with gifts of service and financial means, for the purpose of "the common good" and for "building up Christ's Body," the Church (1 Corinthians 12:7, Ephesians 4:12). You may be someone who is gifted in this way. If you would like to partner with FPCA and its ministries in a regular, recurring fashion, you can click on the "Serve & Give" button on our website at www.firstprestexas.org, and we can help you to establish a recurring financial giving pattern.

If you are called to come alongside FPCA and support its ministries financially, please consider automatic recurring giving. This is an easy and faithful way to give to the church that you love. You can set the automatic



donations as large or small as you like. You can also cancel, pause, or change your monthly gifts any time. Automatic giving is perfect for people who need to watch their cash flow, but want to support FPCA's ministries on an ongoing basis. It is also easily changed to reflect periods of challenges or God's blessings in people's lives. Automatic giving is easily set up through our website link mentioned above, or through your own bank's online bill pay. You can also have us set up an EFT (electronic funds transfer) for you. E-mail jeanne@firstprestexas.org for more information on any of these options.

Because of your prayers, service, and gifts, our church is able to provide incredible ministries, events, and outreach, and share Christ's love with a needy world. *"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work"* (2 Corinthians 9:8). Thank you for being such a blessing.

Bible Study Fellowship

I have studied the Bible in many contexts throughout the course of my life: family devotions and Sunday school as a child, youth group as an adolescent, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship as a college student, personal devotions and small groups with Rich as an adult. All of these have taught me about the God who created me and loves me, Jesus Christ who saved and saves me, and the Holy Spirit who guides and empowers me. I know quite a bit about the Bible but there continues to be so much to learn and relearn! It truly is a living word that speaks into each and every particular stage and situation of our lives.



**Bible Study
Fellowship®**

This is my second year in Bible Study Fellowship and I am convicted to share with you the availability of this rich resource and opportunity to study the Bible. There are several men and women in our congregation who are attending various BSF classes at churches in our local area. Last year, we studied John's Gospel, and this year we are studying Romans. We think about each passage four times as we answer questions at home during the week, meet in small groups of about 15 to talk about the passage, listen to a lecture, and then read notes on the passage.

Bible Study Fellowship is an international organization established 50 years ago to help people learn more about God's Word. Its classes meet in host churches all around the world and it is constantly evolving to include the needs of a changing world. The churches that Rich and I served in Ft. Collins and Omaha hosted BSF. There are classes available to men and women, young adults, children and grandchildren, home schoolers and different languages. This year, several area classes include Spanish speaking leaders and groups. Classes meet during the day and in the evening. BSF participants come from every denomination and church, and these affiliations are left at the door as we gather as believers and pre-believers to learn what God has to say to all of us. BSF leadership gathers weekly to pray on their knees for the Lord's work through this ministry. Leadership is made up of hundreds of volunteers, including administration, group leaders, and children's leaders.

The study next year is People of the Promised Land, Part 1, an excellent opportunity to study the Old Testament! We meet once a week for 1.5 hours, which includes the small group meeting and the lecture. There are multiple day and evening groups at various churches in our area to accommodate people's schedules and preferred locations. I invite you to check it all out at www.bsfindernational.org.

Betsy McDermott

Opportunities to Serve – Mobile Food Pantry

The Mission and Evangelism Team is reaching out to our FPCA congregation for volunteering with the Mobile Food Pantry. We joined nine other churches, Tarrant Area Food Bank, Arlington Urban Ministries, and Arlington Charities to bring the Food Bank to southeast Arlington. In January and February, we sent eight members from our congregation. We had nine volunteers for March. We are looking for volunteers for the rest of the calendar year. This is a great community outreach for our church. Talking to and serving people at the Mobile Food Pantry has been very rewarding to those members participating so far.

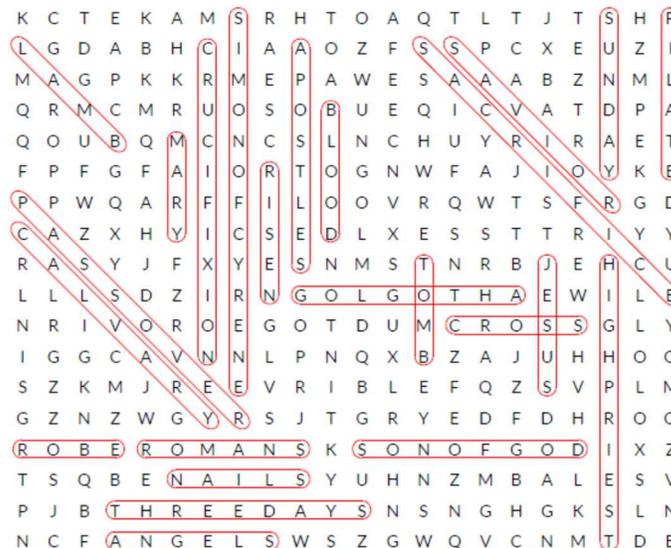
We are hoping that some of the groups in our congregation can volunteer as a team for different months. We go to St. Andrew's Methodist Church located at 2045 S.E. Green Oaks Blvd on the second Saturday of each month between 8:45 and 11:30 a.m. We also help with cleanup afterward. Mostly we greet customers, hand out food, or help carry food to cars. There is also a setup crew if you want to come early and several who help with parking and registration. The employees from the Tarrant Area Food Bank and Arlington Charities are on hand to organize. We park in the east lot and the food is distributed in the west lot of the church. Children could also be helpful.



Let Sheri Quick know (sheriq@aol.com or 817-451-8586) if your group could help one of the months from April to December. We also welcome individuals who can sign up any time. If each congregation sends five to eight members each month, that seems to be plenty to help. We actually had more than we needed the first month, so there is a lot of flexibility. We sign up at SignUpGenius and we can send your group that website if you cannot find it.

Sheri Quick

Mission and Evangelism Team



Night of HOPE to Benefit Tutoring Program

The H.O.P.E. Tutoring Center invites the Arlington community to their annual Night of HOPE on Saturday, April 14, 6:30 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church. The H.O.P.E. tutoring program has been a mission of FPCA for 17 years with over 30 members of our congregation participating in the program.



Guests will enjoy an On The Border buffet dinner followed by entertainment provided by the Sam Houston High School Mariachi Band. The keynote speaker will be Stephanie Gillespie, Arlington Police Department Community Support Manager, who will speak on the topic “Every Child Needs One Committed Adult.” Jim Douglas, retired WFAA reporter, will be the master of ceremonies. A silent auction (including the Arlington City Rangers suite plus MORE) will add to the enjoyment of the evening.

Stephanie Gillespie has served Arlington as a police officer/licensed social worker and missionary for more than twenty years. She began her career with the Arlington Police Department in 1995 and currently serves as the agency’s Community Support Manager. She is known for her extensive volunteer work with vulnerable populations and has co-authored the City of Arlington’s Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. Stephanie’s passion for ministry includes foster care, as well as several international teaching/counseling opportunities with a variety of people groups.

Proceeds from this annual event will be used to help H.O.P.E. Tutoring Center continue to provide free individual



tutoring to Arlington students in grades 3 to 8 who may be “at risk” academically.

Comments by students and volunteers testify to the success of this individual tutoring provided by H.O.P.E. “My tutor is always giving me encouragement,” says a current student. “No matter how much I don’t get it, my tutor never gives up on me.”

A current tutor comments, “My most meaningful situation was when my student brought in her report card, and I could visibly see that her grades had improved.”

To purchase tickets or volunteer to tutor and help give “hope” to struggling Arlington students, call 817-860-7757 or visit www.hopetutoring.com. Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$45 per person or contact George Morey or Bob Dawson.

New Ramp and Sidewalk Completed

Have you noticed? It's easier to come and go around the church these days.

The church and the preschool joined together to fund a ramp from the preschool area to the playground. The sidewalk outside the office was a gift from an anonymous donor.

Getting bids and city permits, fighting winter weather, making sure everything was in order – it seemed to go on and on and on. Done now and being enjoyed!



Finance Update

For the Month of February 2018

Budget

Income: \$ 99,129

Expense: \$ 105,144

Summary

Income - Expense for month: \$ (6,015)

Income - Expense for 2018 Year to Date: \$ (30,583)

Comments:

Total Income is over budget for the month by \$12,740 and under for the year by (\$3,661).

Total Operating Income was under budget for the month by (\$12,197) and under for the year by (\$26,566).

Donors - Under budget for the month by (\$10,801) and under for the year by (\$23,441).

Loose Offering – Under budget for the month by (\$142) and under for the year by (\$587).

Temporarily Restricted Funds Used – \$29,164

Total Expenses - Over budget for the month by \$6,484 and over for the year by \$2,985.





This Month



Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study group meets every Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. in the parlor. The current study is the book of Revelation. Men of all ages meet and enjoy great fellowship and a prayer session. All men are invited to join this study.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Monday Night Bible study is open to all women. The next meeting is at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, in the parlor.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Men and women of all ages are invited to meet in the Bride's Room every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m.

Music Ministries

Chancel Choir

This is the primary worship leadership ensemble for the 11:00 service. The choir also sings for special services around Christmas and Holy Week. It is more than just a great choir, it is a caring fellowship. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. *Nursery care is provided during rehearsals.*

Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble

This intergenerational handbell group rehearses Wednesday evenings from 6:15 until 7:15 p.m. If you are interested in ringing, please contact Russell Farnell (fpcamusic@yahoo.com or 817-274-8286).

Agape (Youth) Choir

During the school year, this group of youth in grades 6 to 12 meets on Sunday, 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., in the choir room.

Children's Music Ministries

The children's choirs meet from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. on Sundays during the school year. Children ages 4 (when school starts) through grade 5 participate in activities including music/singing and bells/chimes, instruments, and listening activities. There are two sections, divided by age, and both participate in the 11:00 worship service twice per year, usually in December and April.



Church Leadership



Deacon Meeting

Thursday, April 5, at 6:00 p.m., the Diaconate meets in the parlor to oversee the Congregational Care, Hospitality, and Fellowship ministries.

Team Meeting Night

Thursday, April 12, at 6:45 p.m., all teams meet for worship in the chapel with subsequent gathering into respective teams for ministry planning and coordination.

Session Meeting

Thursday, April 26, at 7:00 p.m., the Session meets in the parlor to oversee the ministry of the church. The work of the Diaconate, church administration, and all Discipleship, Worship, Facility Management, and Mission and Evangelism ministries will be discussed.



Discipleship

Library Team

The library team works the first Wednesday of each month, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. No particular skill is required, the work is easy, and we always have a good time as we process books to be added to our inventory. If you would like to be involved in library work but cannot come at that evening time, please contact Sandy Thomlinson and special daytime work sessions can be arranged.

Fellowship

Happy Quilters

This group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. to quilt, sew, knit, crochet, embroider, and just enjoy being together. Bring your project and join in!

Saints Alive!

Church seniors will meet for a potluck lunch on Thursday, April 19, at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a casserole, salad, or dessert and enjoy a fun and interesting afternoon.

Contact Bev Koch (817-261-3202) for details.

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Deadline for the May issue of The News is April 15!

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns: Esther Albright, Elaine Bahn, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Kevin Chin, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Tommy and Kathryn Copeland and family, Laura and Moses Duffney, Neal Estes, Don Farrell, Tom and Bobbie Fowler, Lila Glenn, David Goff, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes, Bob Koch, Pat May, Allen Miller, J. Fred Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, John Pittman, Jim L. Quick, Marcia Rober, Aileigh Rodriguez, Albert Ross, Kyle Terwilliger, Donna Vickers, Karl Winter, and Mary Jane Wright.

Prayers for our family serving in the armed forces: Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Mancini, Amie Murtha, Jack Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young, and Robbie Wallace.

Pray for our homebound members.

Pray for those who do not know Christ!

Please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at the church office at 817-274-8286. For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.