

# Our Daily Bread

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF  
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**MAY 2019**

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Some people wonder why we had a garage sale. I have known people who found the idea of a church garage sale offensive, yet many churches do it. Often it is done to raise funds for a specific activity or project. But it also serves a greater purpose.

Our garage sale did several things besides selling our excess stuff.

1. It reminded people in the neighborhood that we are alive and doing the work of our Lord. While anyone who drives by on Sunday mornings knows we are here, many people are not out on Sunday mornings.
2. We got a chance to talk to people we might never have met otherwise. They got a chance to see who we are and interact with us on a very human level.
3. We shared our faith by giving each person a Jesus Loves Me pin and a praying hands craft piece. These were well received with people often asking if they could have extras for other family members.

One young boy was given a pin and shyly asked for others for his brothers and sisters. We gave him enough for his whole family. It is through simple interaction like this that we shared the love of Christ with strangers. And strangers become friends.

To share the joy of Easter you don't have to have a perfect moment, just a passing kindness shows His love. You don't have to preach at people, just love them. You don't have to force them to become Christian, you just have to be a Christian in all you do. Modeling Christ-like traits will show people that God loves them.

As we move from the celebration of Easter to the long hot Texas summer, be sure to treat everyone as loved and important people.

Janet

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

I am acknowledging those of you who participate in the Worship Service each month. We would love to have everyone who worships here be a part of the Worship Service. Talk to Barry Krueger if you would like to volunteer for a specific task, or just sign up on the sheets across from the sanctuary kitchen.

Special thanks in April go to:

1. The liturgists –Bryan Booth Krueger, Julie Ciuro, Bill Gast, and Pat Nash
2. The greeters –Elizabeth Price, and Lori Gast
3. The acolytes – Michelle and Tiffany Kalu,
4. Those who brought snacks for after worship –Pat Nash, Julie Ciuro, and Barry Krueger
5. Those who brought flowers –Barry Krueger and Bryan Booth Krueger , Julie Ciuro
6. Joan Christy for being the Gatekeeper
7. Lori Gast– has taken on the responsibility of filling the candles with oil.
8. Pat Nash hosts the after worship refreshment time with help from Church Life
9. Bryan Booth Krueger for helping prepare the communion, and picking up the attendance sheets after the service.
10. Elders serving communion: Julie Ciuro and Lori Gast
11. Julie Ciuro for making the Communion Bread.

## **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Church Life celebrates members and friends birthdays on the first Sunday of each month.

- May 7 Rachel Donovan  
May 12 Onzelle Chandler  
May 19 Tiffany Kalu  
May 20 Jim Glander  
May 25 Ruth Ann Jewell

## LITURGIST SCHEDULE FOR MAY

1. May 5 - Bryan Booth Krueger
2. May 12 - Pat Nash
3. May 19 - Bill Gast
4. May 26 - Julie Ciuro

## MAY GOSPEL READINGS

- May 5 - John 21:1-19  
May 12 - John 10:22-30  
May 19 - John 13:31-55  
May 26 - John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Our leaders, our Presbytery, our church, the Session, our troops, Lorrinda and Joe Alexander, Grace Presbytery and all the churches in the Presbytery, Sunday School, Margie Sonntag, Millie Allen, Tom Price, Bill and Nina Swaney, Bill's father Bill Gast, Sue Fitch, Joan Christy's nephew Ryan McNeil, continued prayers for Cameroon, Makia and Mireille Epie, travel mercies for all those traveling this month, Joan's sister Shirley and her family, Irmagene Mitchell, Bruce Allen, Kevin Kimsy, prayers for Russia, Karla Krueger, Cora Marsaw, Sonia Wills, a relative of Janet's is suffering with depression, Sharon and Clyde Lockhart, Martha Brashear fractured a bone in her back – prayers for her and Truman, prayers for New Zealand, J.D.'s mother, Joy's mother passed away – prayers for Joy and her family, continue to pray for Nancy's nieces, Christine Gregory, Bill Gast's aunt passed away – prayers for his father and the rest of the family, Darla Guyer and family on the loss of her brother, Janet's brother-in-law Ken.

## CELEBRATIONS

Arah Enoch will be graduating with a Master's Degree, Cecil's back surgery was successful and he is back at work, Pat had successful cataract surgery, Charlie Ciuro improved and is back home, Joan Christy celebrated the life of her son Tom – it was the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his passing, Jackie Holley is doing well and will be visiting relatively soon, LaNelle Pierce is doing okay, Cora Marsaw is receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Texas Dental Association.

## STATED SESSION MEETING

Our next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2019 at 12:30p.m. in the Rainbow Room. If you are an elder and you cannot make it, please let Lori Gast know – (214)218-7784.

## CHURCH GARAGE SALE AND CLEAN-UP DAY

On Saturday, April 27, 2019, we had a yard sale and church clean-up day. Thank you to everyone who helped with either or both of these, and to all of the people who donated items to the yard sale. We collected \$706.50!

## BRING IN BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

It's easy to find BOX TOPS, you may have some in your home right now. You can find them on hundreds of different products, from cereal as well as other kinds of food, to storage products, household products and school supplies. Look for a sample of one in the Opportunity Corner. Each BOX TOP is worth \$.10, so imagine how quickly they can add up! There is a write-up about this with a heartfelt thank you from the Goodland Academy on the bulletin board.

## CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY

Our thoughts are with the homeless, so we are collecting clothing for the needy. Especially needed are men's clothing, and socks in dark colors in all sizes. Please bring these items to the church and place them in the laundry basket located in the opportunity corner.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2019:

Income	\$4,874
Expenses	\$5,968

Year-to-Date:

Income	\$15,816
Expenses	\$18,241

Please continue to support the church with your giving of time, treasure, and talent, and your faithful attendance in church. Also continue to pray for the church.

If you have any questions or comments, just call me at 972-223-3631. Thank You, Joan Christy,  
Treasurer

# MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 10:00 AM Art Group	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 09:15 Choir Practice 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service with communion 12:15 PM Stated Session Meeting	<b>6</b> 6:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Bears 7:00 PM Boy Scout 109	<b>7</b> 10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00 AM Art Group	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 09:15 Choir Practice 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service  <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>	<b>13</b> 6:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Bears 7:00 PM Boy Scout 109	<b>14</b> 10:30 AM Worship Committee Meeting	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10:00 AM Art Group  Lori on vacation	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 09:15 Choir Practice 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service	<b>20</b> 6:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Bears 7:00 PM Boy Scout 109	<b>21</b> 10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group	<b>22</b>  Lori back from vacation	<b>23</b> 10:00 AM Art Group	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
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