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Faith Lutheran Church

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Friday, February 15 @ 6:30 PM

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Greetings from Pastor John Sabatelli

Campaign Consultant, ELCA Mission Investment Fund



Dear Members and Friends of Faith Lutheran Church,

I am pleased to be part of "Proclaim Jubilee," your 2019-2021 capital campaign. While much of my work for you will be done over the phone and via email, I look forward to being with you on the weekends of February 23-24, and April 6-7.

Who am I? I am a retired ELCA pastor who now works as a campaign consultant for the ELCA Mission Investment Fund. I work with congregations like yours, helping them to accomplish wonderful things, and I'm looking forward to doing just that at Faith.

I do not view stewardship as simple fund raising but as a spiritual discipline, our response to God's love and incredible generosity to us. Stewardship of our time, talents and financial resources is about discipleship. It is about following Christ Jesus much more than paying the bills.

A disciple's primary relationship is with Jesus. The congregation is a community of people that sustains that relationship and helps us live out our calling to follow Jesus, but it is Christ who is our Savior and not the church.

Christian stewardship begins with the awareness that everything we call our own – our bodies and minds, our time and talents, and our money and the good things that money can buy – all belong to God. God entrusts these things to us for a time and place so that we can love and serve and glorify God, love and serve the neighbor, and take care of ourselves and our families. As Psalm 24 reminds us, *"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it."*

Scripturally speaking, there are no self-made men or women. We are not owners, but stewards and we are accountable to God for what we do with the gifts God has given us. Scripture reminds us, *"to whom much is given, much will be required."* (Luke 12:48)

So what are the habits of a good steward?

A good steward is intentional and has a plan for taking care of the gifts God gives. A good steward exercises their body, mind and spirit, and is disciplined about money. Good intentions are not enough. A good steward develops a plan for giving generously and follows through.

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A good steward is regular in giving. St. Paul prescribes a regular pattern for giving each week in 1 Corinthians 16:2.

A good steward is generous. In Luke 12:34 Jesus says, *“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”* Note Jesus says actions proceed feelings and do not follow feelings. Generosity leads to a closer relationship with God.

A good steward does not give to God the leftovers, but the first fruits of his or her labor.

A good steward gives proportionally of the wealth God has entrusted to him/her. A good steward gives in proportion to the blessings received. The Bible speaks of tithing, the giving of 10%. The average Lutheran gives 2%. Shame on us!

A good steward gives cheerfully. As St. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 9:7, *“God loves a cheerful giver.”*

When we adopt the habits and practices of a good steward we inevitably strengthen our relationship with Christ and also get control over our money, rather than have money control us. We see our self-worth as coming from God and not from money and the things money can buy. Many wise Christians have followed the 80-10-10 rule and found it to be most beneficial. Spend 80%, save 10%, and give away 10% to the work of God through the church.

God has blessed you and me and Faith Lutheran Church to be a blessing in the lives of others. Come, grow this spring as disciples of our Lord Jesus and as we move forward in faith.

Blessings,

Pastor John Sabatelli

Proclaim Jubilee Leadership Team

We are grateful to share that the following people have stepped up to assume leadership responsibilities in our 2019 “Proclaim Jubilee” capital finance campaign. Their initial work will begin in January and the campaign will kick-off on February 23. Thank you for your leadership!

General Chairperson – Jon Holmes; Co-General Chairperson – Judy Adams; Assistant Co-General Chairperson – Jim Brekke

Communications Chairperson – Sharon Addicks

Hospitality Chairperson – Kirk Bruce

Spiritual Emphasis Chairperson – Kathy Patrick

Children and Youth Chairperson – Tessa Holmes

Follow-up Chairperson – Mardi Mayerhoff

Follow-up Co-Chairperson – Doug Elsen

Advance Personal Contacts Chairperson – Doug Elsen

Advance Personal Contacts Team – Sharon Addicks, Brian Taylor

Souper Bowl of Caring

by Suzanne Girouard, Social Ministry Team Leader

Join the team on Sunday, February 3!

HEY FOOTBALL FANS...It's almost here: SUPER BOWL LII. Let's show our love by either writing a check to CCSC Food Pantry (Souper Bowl of Caring) or fill a grocery bag full of groceries.

The idea of the Souper Bowl of Caring program began in 1990 by a youth group from Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina. Exactly 22 churches in the area participated the first year and collected canned food plus donations to give directly to their local charities. That year they raised \$5,700!

So now is the time for Faith Lutheran Church, along with many other Houston groups, churches, and schools, to make donations of non-perishable food items and/or money through Faith's Annual Souper Bowl of Caring campaign. To participate please fill one or more grocery bags with non-perishable food items and return them on Sunday, February 3. Mark your bags as "Team Heritage," "Team Chinese," or "Team Gathering" and write the number of items in your bag on the outside of it. If you choose to make a monetary donation, there will be designated soup pots available in the lobby before and after each service for donations. Checks should be made to Christian Community Service Center (CCSC) or Faith Lutheran Church. Be sure to write "Souper Bowl" on the memo line along with your team (Heritage, Chinese, or The Gathering).



Blood Drive February 17 @ 8:30 AM Community Room

Faith will be hosting a blood drive on February 17!

Please remember to sign up in the lobby or online at www.giveblood.org (organization 1037) so there is adequate staff and minimal waiting time.

If you are unable to donate you can still participate by helping with snacks and a light lunch for the blood center staff, preparing the room the night before, or inviting a friend or relative to donate!



*The mission
of Faith
Lutheran
Church
is to follow
Jesus in
blessing the
world with
faith, hope,
and love.*



**Parent's Night Out
Friday, February 8
6:00 - 10:00 PM
Faith Center Gym**

Fun activities for kids from ages 12 months to 12 years old.

The cost is \$15 per child. You may pay in cash at the door or online in advance at www.faithbellaire.org/give and select Parent's Night Out. Please cancel reservations anytime prior to the event by email or text message.

Pass this information to ALL of your friends, family, and neighbors for a safe and inexpensive place for your child to go when you need a parent's night out!

LEAD Team Update – Listening
by John Vickery, Director of Youth and Family



Over the past couple of months the LEAD Team has been engaged in listening so that we can learn about how we do Youth and Family Ministry. We began this process by having conversations with members of our congregation.

We are now continuing forward, and speaking to organizations that are in the community around the church, to help us learn about the joys and struggles that families face in our community.

Please continue to keep the LEAD Team in your prayers as they continue through this listening process.

6 Chesed, Tzedakah, and Tzedek

by Rev. Junfeng Tan, Associate Pastor



We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. 1 John 3:16-17

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. James 2:14-17

Christian love is founded on the rock of faith in the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ for the whole world, not just for Christians. Christian faith is manifested and tested by works of love for others, especially those who are different from and less fortunate than us. Faith and love re-enforce each other, are inseparable from one another.

Christian love and faith have their roots in the Old Testament. When we strive to practice our faith and do the works of love, we can learn from three moral/spiritual concepts of Judaism: Chesed, Tzedakah, and Tzedek.

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Chinese Worship Every Sunday



9:45 AM FCF Bible Study
10:50 AM Worship (FC)
12:00 PM Lunch



Everyone is welcome!

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Chesed is the act of loving-kindness and caring for others. The word “chesed” is used in the Hebrew Bible to communicate God’s kindness and love toward humanity as well as human kindness and love toward each other. When you bring a casserole dish to a friend who is going through cancer treatment, when you take out the trash container for your elderly neighbor, when you help a stranger change a flat tire, when you give a grace bag to a homeless person, when you perform a random act of kindness to someone you may or may not know, you practice chesed. Acts of chesed are mostly done spontaneously, voluntarily, through personal contact and connection. Everyday interactions with others provide us with myriad opportunities to practice chesed. You do it because you want to be helpful and kind to others.

Tzedakah is charitable giving. It is considered a religious duty and moral obligation. In Judaism it is required of everyone to give a certain percentage of financial resources to help the poor and needy or other charitable and worthy causes. Many passages in the Old Testament instruct us to give tzedakah, for example, “If there is among you anyone in need, ... do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be” (Deuteronomy 15:7-8). Maimonides (1135-1204), one of the greatest Jewish thinkers, wrote extensively about tzedakah. He identified eight levels of giving, from doing so grudgingly to the highest form, helping a person with a loan or gift or employment that enable the person to become self-supporting and no longer be dependent on others. Some people hold that in Judaism, giving to the poor is not viewed as a generous, magnanimous act; it is simply an act of justice and righteousness, the performance of a duty, giving the poor their due.

Tzedek means justice. It requires changes and reforms in social, economic, and political structures in order to address poverty, hunger, injustice and other social problems. For example, we may ask questions like these: Is our tax code fair and just? Is our criminal justice system fair and just? Is our health care system fair and just? How do we allocate governmental financial resources to help the poor and the hungry? Do we need to raise the minimum wage so that people with a full time job can raise their family? Do we need to pass resolutions to make affordable housing available for all people? How do we fight racism, sexism, and homophobia, which contribute to poverty and injustice? How do we improve and strengthen public schools so that kids of poor families will have a better chance of success? The Bible says, “Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream” (Amos 5:24). God calls us to pursue justice, to create a better world by changing the systems and structures that cause injustice and inequality.

Jesus teaches us that the two greatest commandments are “you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength,” and “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Let us do as Jesus taught. Let us learn from our Jewish brothers and sisters and practice chesed, tzedakah, and tzedek in our daily life as followers of Jesus, as fellow citizens, and as fellow human beings.



Beginning Internship

by Clayton Faulkner, Pastoral Intern



February 1, 2019 marks the beginning of my internship at Faith Lutheran Church. Now is the time when I learn more about pastoral ministry. I am looking forward to this time of absorbing new ideas. I am grateful to Pastor Kerry for being my supervisor during this time. I also want to thank Karen Elsen for being the chairperson of my internship committee. I will be meeting with a group of Faith members over the course of my internship to help make sure I am meeting my learning goals.

Because I am a Collaborative Learning student at Wartburg Theological Seminary (Dubuque, IA), I am able to complete my internship at Faith. The old model of seminary included three years of residential classwork and one year of internship offsite in a congregation. The CL model at Wartburg rolls the classwork and internship all together, having students serve in a congregation all four years of seminary. The internship specifically lasts 18 months, meaning mine will be completed on August 1, 2020.

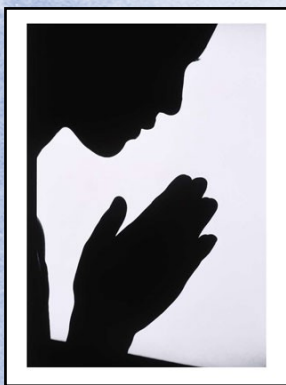
One of the other requirements for seminary that I am currently working on is CPE (clinical pastoral education). CPE is all about pastoral care and learning what things inside me get in the way of providing care to others. A traditional CPE unit would be completed through a hospital setting. I am enrolled in CPE through the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin. Through their hybrid model I am able to complete my clinical hours here at Faith as well. I will primarily be acquiring hours as a “chaplain” for our Faith House guests and caregivers. I have begun to introduce myself to them and am starting a prayer gathering at the Faith House where we will ask God for healing, strength, and comfort.

For three weeks in January I was engaged in a J-Term course at Wartburg. The class was “Bible, Church, and Film.” Each day we watched a different film and then spent time discussing how the Bible and the church were reflected and used in the film. It was fascinating. We watched several cross-cultural films from different countries. The highlight was a film made in South Africa in 2006: “Jezile (Son of Man).” It is the best translation of the Jesus story into modern times that I have seen.

Spring classes begin on February 4. I am enrolled in Hebrew Bible, Preaching, Being the Body of Christ, Spiritual Practices, and The Changing Face of Rural America this semester. Once this semester is finished I will be at the midpoint of seminary - two years done, two to go.

Thank you for being on this journey with me.





Prayer Corner – Faith

by Peggy Porter

Read Jeremiah 17:5-8 and Psalm 84

“Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.” (Jeremiah 17:5)

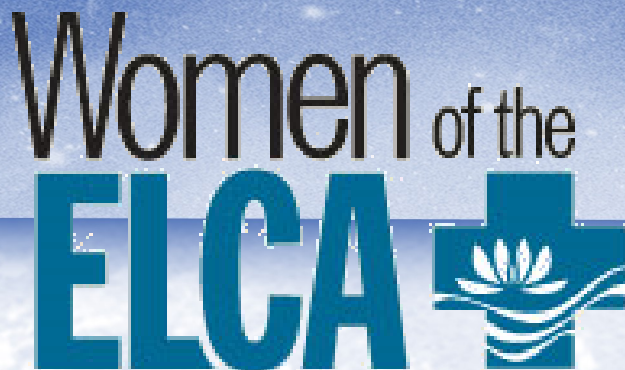
Faith is the living trust of the heart that forsakes self and any and all forms of self-reliance, clinging instead to Christ alone as the source of life, strength, and salvation.

Faith is not man-made; it is Spirit-given. If you believe in Jesus, you didn't get that faith for yourself. Rather, you should praise God the Holy Spirit, who gave it to you. We can't believe in the Lord Jesus Christ or come to him on our own. It is the Spirit who works that faith in our heart by the Word.

Faith cuts against the grain of our sinful human nature. By nature, we want to rely on ourselves and trust in our own power to accomplish what needs to get done in our lives. Perhaps our own power can get us far with regard to earthly things. But our power will take us nowhere with regard to heavenly things. For spiritual gifts and blessings, we must rely totally on the Lord Jesus.

Once, Jesus' disciples asked him who was the greatest in God's kingdom. Jesus took a little child and put him in the midst of them (Matthew 18:1-4). What was it about the child that made him great? His dependence. An infant completely depends on his parents for survival. That is a picture of faith. By faith, we completely depend on God for all things.

Pray: Jesus, help me to trust in you for all things. Amen.



Women's Connection

Women's Connection will meet on Tuesday, February 12 at 9:45 AM in the church office. For more information about the Women's Connection, please contact Jane Gips at jgips001@comcast.net or 713-417-2548.

Rebecca Ruth Circle

The Rebecca Ruth Circle will meet on Thursday, February 7 at 10:00 AM in the Conference Room.

We would love for you to join us for Bible study. Come hungry! Bring your sack lunch; desserts and drinks are provided. Socializing with the group is so joyful. All are welcome!

Faith Schools

by Kendolyn Pope, Director of Faith Schools



January was a quiet month at Faith Schools as we recovered from the harried pace of the holidays and helped the children (and teachers!) become readjusted to school routines. We welcomed new students at both schools and eased back into things like Chapel, special classes like Stretch-n-Grow, Library, Religion and Music and our "school work" including circle time and other academic endeavors.

As a Day School staff, we spent time in our first staff meeting of the year learning about some of the signs of developmental delays in young children. On the second day of the new school year, 16 of our staff members learned from Janice Warren, an artist, advocate and parent of a child with special needs. She presented on the topic "Do You Know the Signs?" and encouraged each staff member to become a detective. Because we spend so much time with the children, we are responsible for recognizing unusual patterns of behavior and for trying to understand the causes of those behaviors. She also encouraged us to partner with child psychologists, pediatricians and other specialists so that we are able to ensure that each child gets the support that he or she needs.

But the quiet of January is short-lived as the tour season kicks off and we face registration in early February. Over the past few years, both our Day School and our Mother's Day Out programs have increased in popularity. Families hear about us through recommendations in Facebook groups and by word-of-mouth. There are some days when we have several tours between the two schools. And our tours are not standardized, nor are they short. We answer lots of specific questions and we try to calm parents' worries about their child's first school experience. We spend time with them and build the relationships that will continue once a child is enrolled in our schools. This is truly a time when the administrative team must balance offering comprehensive tours with our daily responsibilities. But we know the value of making families feel welcomed and heard even at this first meeting.

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First Place 4 Health 2019

Tuesdays @ 7:00 PM

Faith Center Room 306

If you are one of the many people looking for a "new beginning" in your health and wellness journey in 2019, the First Place 4 Health small group might be where you should start.

If you have questions please contact Mardi Mayerhoff at 713-203-1875 or email mgmayerhoff@juno.com or visit FP4H.com.



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We also host the Mother's Day Out/Day School Open House. This is a time when currently enrolled MDO families come over to the Day School and learn about the program that is available as a next step for their families. Families have a tour and get to talk to currently enrolled parents. Then, families who have not already done so are able to join the waiting list. We are so pleased with the number of children who enroll in the Day School from our MDO program, and we continue to refine the process for the transition.

February is not all business, though! We host classroom Valentine's Day parties at both schools and fill up on lots of sweet treats. We also celebrate one of my favorite holidays – Go Texan Day! We will host our Los Tios Fiesta Night Fundraiser on Monday, February 11, and we'll host the spring Scholastic Book Fair from Sunday, February 24 through Sunday, March 3. At the end of the month, we'll experience Asian Spring Festival through Ms. Julie's 3C Classroom Presentation and a delicious themed lunch prepared by Ms. Tonia.



Fiesta Night Fundraiser for Faith Lutheran Schools

Present this flyer at Los Tios Mexican Restaurant Meyerland (4840 Beechnut) on Monday, February 11 between 4:00 PM and 10:00 PM. Dine in or Carry Out (713-660-6244).

Pick up additional flyers and give them to your friends and family. Come support our schools, visit with old and new friends and enjoy a great Mexican dinner.

20% of all sales (excluding alcohol) will be donated back to our schools.

Congregational Meeting Sunday, February 10 @ 9:45 AM Sanctuary

On February 10, we will meet in the Sanctuary to approve the 2018 Annual Report, and discuss any other congregational topics for 2019.

Join us for a fellowship meal in the Faith Center gym at noon. Please sign up on the back of the connection card to attend lunch.



Serving Our Neighbors

by John Vickery, Director of Youth and Family



"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

As February starts to get underway, so does the season of starting to think about our High School Summer Mission Trip. This summer I am really excited to be taking several of our High School youth to Puerto Rico for a week of service!

I chose Puerto Rico because the people there have experienced similar struggles to that of Houston. About the same time Hurricane Harvey hit Houston, Hurricane Maria struck Puerto Rico. As we drive around Houston, we may still see some of Harvey's destruction, but in large part the city has recovered. The same is not as true about Puerto Rico.

Much of my excitement comes from giving our youth an opportunity to relate to people who are from a different country. Since hurricanes impacted both places, that gives us a very unique opportunity to serve and love our neighbor.

There are ten high school youth, three adult sponsors, and myself going on the trip. I encourage you to keep an ear out for upcoming information and for ways that you can support the youth.

The young people that we have as part of our community have so many great gifts that I have seen first hand, and I am excited to see them continue to grow as we prepare for this trip, and how that growth still continues beyond.

Chinese New Year Celebration Friday, February 15 @ 6:30 PM Faith Center Gym

Don't miss this chance to celebrate and learn from our friends from the Orient! There will be food, games, crafts, Chinese folk dances, lion dances, songs, and decorations to bring in the Year of the Dog. Invite your family, friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome!

We need volunteers! Over 500 people came out to the event last year and this year we are seeking people in middle school and up to partner with us in several ways. Please sign-up to volunteer at this event on the back of the connection card.



Faith Camp 2019 Rewrite The Rules



Save the date and get ready for a great adventure! Faith Camp is an awesome opportunity for children ages 5 through grade 6 to hear Bible stories and play games along with their peers.

Registration is open! Click www.faithbellaire.org/faith-camp to get more information and to sign up.

If you have any questions contact our Youth and Family Director, John Vickery (jvickery@faithbellaire.org).

Week 1 (July 8-12, 2019)

- We **discover** what God is up to as we learn the story of Moses.

Week 2 (July 15-19, 2019)

- We **explore** Jesus in the events of Holy Week.

Week 3 (July 22-26, 2019)

- We **share** the new things we learn by diving into the stories in Acts.

Provide a Meal, Share the Grace

In July 2017, *The Pew Charitable Trusts* published an article, *A Hidden Population: Youth Homelessness Is on the Rise*. Here are some highlights of the article.

- Across the U.S., the number of young people living alone on the streets appears to be growing.
- They are the nation's invisible homeless population, undercounted for years, hiding out in cars and abandoned buildings, in motels and on couches, often trading sex for a place to sleep.
- They are at risk for a host of troubles with long-lasting impact, including substance abuse, mental health problems and physical abuse, as well as sexual exploitation. Many get caught up in the criminal justice system. Up to 40 percent of homeless youth are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender.

As Christians, we are called to help the most vulnerable and the least, to be channels of mercy and healing. Jesus said to his followers, "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me...just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:35-36, 40)

In Houston, the Montrose Grace Place is a safe, welcoming environment for vulnerable homeless youth of all sexualities and gender identities, providing nourishment, healthy relationships, and hope for the future. Faith Lutheran is invited to become a partner of Grace Place by providing food to the homeless youth.

We would like to organize a Grace Meal Ministry Team to bring meals for about 25 homeless youth at Grace Place. We will serve on a Monday evening every other month. The serving team of three to five people are expected to arrive at Kindred Lutheran Church, where Grace Place is housed, at 5:15 PM and leave Kindred at 7:00 PM.

If you are able to help in any of the ways listed below:

- Donate money for Grace Meal
- Prepare and cook food at home or church
- Go to Grace Place to serve the meal

Please contact Pastor Tan at jt看@faithbellaire.org, 832-540-6802 (cell) or contact the church office at info@faithbellaire.org, 713-664-3048 for more information. There will be an opportunity to sign up on the Connection Card on Sundays during the month of February.



Sunday Worship Leader Schedule—February 2019

8:30 AM	February 3	February 10	February 17	February 24
Acolyte	Christian Georgi	Elsa Becker	Zach Michaud	John Tan
Crucifer	Alice Tian	Trevor Groenewold	Nate Michaud	Emma Voosen
Lector	Brian Georgi	Carl Watson	Bryan Ives	Janice Kolosseus
Communion Assistants	Brian and Heidi Georgi	Barbara McDowell Carl Watson	Bill Puryear Jeff Addicks	Bill Puryear Jeff Addicks
Asst Minister	Clayton Faulkner	Doug Elsen	Doug Elsen	Karen Elsen
Ushers	Art Grove Bill Freeman	Art Grove Bill Freeman	Brian Taylor Sharon Richter	Brian Taylor Sharon Richter
Altar Guild	Betty Dossey Tina Wood	Betty Dossey Diana Freeman	Ida Medlen Roxy Funchess	Betty Dossey Tina Wood
10:50 AM	February 3	February 10	February 17	February 24
Acolytes	Aaron Allen Andy Allen	Aidan Fidone Andres Baerenwald	Deacon Faulkner James Cross	Silas White Dillon Williams
Communion Assistants	Lorah Gough Roxy Funchess	Kirk and Beth Bruce	Kelley Keller Susan Tallman	Ella DeKunder Staci DeKunder
Asst Minister	Janice Decker	Lyle Jares	Lyle Jares	Jim Cross
Ushers	Lerch Family	Jon and Nancy Holmes	Cross Family	Dave and Wendy Farner
Altar Guild	Betty Dossey Tina Wood	Betty Dossey Diana Freeman	Ida Medlen Roxy Funchess	Betty Dossey Tina Wood

If you have been scheduled as a worship leader and are unable to serve, please respond by clicking "Decline" on the Planning Center Online email. You may also arrange to trade with someone else who is scheduled during the month and advise the church office of the change by Wednesday afternoon.

CCSC Food Fair

Saturday, February 16 @ 9:00 AM

Could your family use some fresh, nutritious, FREE fruits and vegetables and other food items? Would you like to learn more about programs that can assist you?

Come to the FOOD FAIR hosted by Christian Community Service Center (CCSC). Please bring a basket or bag to transport your food. One order per household.

Location: St. Luke's – Gethsemane Campus

Parking Lot of 6856 Bellaire Blvd

****In the event of severe rain, the food fair will be cancelled.***



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February 2019- Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>3</u></p> <p>8:30 AM "Heritage" Worship (Sanc) 9:45 AM Learning Groups & MOVE 10:50 AM "The Gathering" Worship (Sanc) 10:50 AM Faith Chinese Worship (FC) 12:00 PM Lunch (FC) 12:15 PM LEAD Team (201) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 6:30 PM AI-Anon (300)</p>	<p><u>4</u></p> <p>9:30 AM ESL (200, 201, 204) 6:00 PM SW Radio Control 7:00 PM Pastor's Group (101)</p>	<p><u>5</u></p> <p>9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 9:30 AM ESL (201) 10:00 AM Church Staff Meeting 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401) 6:00 PM Stewardship Team Meeting (108) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 8:00 PM AA (Men Only)</p>	<p><u>6</u></p> <p>9:00 AM LWR Quilters (101) 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 6:00 PM Social Ministry Group (101) 8:00 PM AA (300)</p>	<p><u>7</u></p> <p>9:30 AM ESL (201) 10:00 AM Rebecca Ruth Circle (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401) 7:30 PM Faith Choir (208) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</p>	<p><u>8</u></p> <p>6:30 PM Faith Chinese Fellowship Gathering (101) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</p>	<p><u>9</u></p> <p>9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 3:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</p>
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