

# Mountain *Mover*

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## SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES

PRAYER, FASTING, SOLITUDE, COMMUNITY, & ALMSGIVING



## Ash Wednesday Worship Services

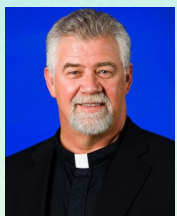
This year Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6. Ash Wednesday worship services are at 11:45 AM (lunch following) and 7:00 PM (dinner at 6:15 PM).

On Wednesdays during the season we will be considering five different spiritual disciplines.

Midweek Lenten worships will be at 11:45 AM on Wednesdays when we gather for prayers, hearing from God's word, and singing. Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM. Compline (Night Prayer) will be at 7:00 PM.

# Scattered Thoughts

by Rev. Kerry Nelson, Senior Pastor



*"Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees, that is, their hypocrisy. Nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known."*

Luke 12:1b-2

As a pastor, and as a Christian, it is painful to log into our hometown newspaper to read an exposé about the extent to which Christian congregations deny, hide, and cover up the emotional, physical, and spiritual violence that results from sexual abuse and predatory behaviors.

For many years now we have heard about the sexual abuse of young people at the hands of Roman Catholic priests. Just last month an archbishop was kicked out of the priesthood both because of his own actions and his covering up the sexual misbehaviors of others. Now we learn about the same thing happening in Southern Baptist congregations. We shouldn't be surprised.

The truth is that no institution, that is, nowhere that people come together in relationships, is immune from the possibility of the sexual exploitation of the innocent, the vulnerable, and the gullible. As Luke writes, eventually everything comes to the light, but first it is hidden away in secrecy, shame, and denial.

Further, the truth is that most sexual molestation happens within relationships where the perpetrator is a trusted family member, friend, or person in authority. When the behavior is exposed, the common reactions include blaming the victim, defending the perpetrator – I just can't believe that he possibly could have done this! – or covering it up as if it was a one-time thing, a slip, an accident, that

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## Spiritual Disciplines for Lent

This year at Faith our Lenten emphasis will be on the time honored disciplines of the Christian faith that tie directly to our "Proclaim Jubilee" capital campaign.

On SUNDAYS during worship we will revisit stories of some of the heroes of the Bible who exemplify the key values of Christian financial generosity—commitment, challenge, compassion, and community.

All of our Sunday learning groups will also be focused on the pieces of the Christian stewardship puzzle. We want to encourage everyone to participate in Sunday learning groups during Lent. Kathy Patrick will be leading a new class that will meet in the Common Grounds Coffee Shop (the Fellowship Hall) for those who wish to attend.

On WEDNESDAYS we will explore some of the personal spiritual disciplines that have long proven powerful and helpful in the lives of Jesus followers—prayer and meditation, fasting, solitude, and gathering in small groups.

As is our tradition, we will worship at 11:45 AM each Wednesday followed by lunch in the Faith Center, and at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

The evening service will follow the Compline Liturgy, a beautiful setting for reflective evening prayer.

### Wednesday Lenten Message Series

**March 6:** Making the Most of Our Time

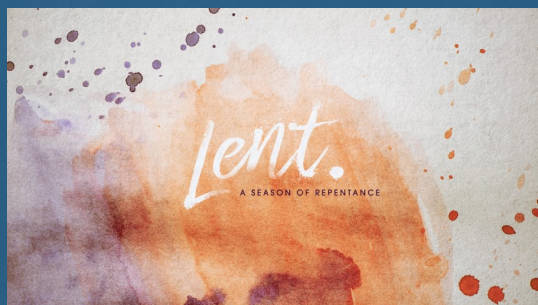
**March 13:** Prayer and Meditation

**March 20:** Fasting

**March 27:** Solitude

**April 3:** Small Groups

**April 10:** Almsgiving





## *The mission of Faith Lutheran Church*

*is to follow Jesus in blessing the world with faith,  
hope, and love.*

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won't ever happen again. The broader public reaction is often limited to outrage, shame, and retributive justice – they should cut 'em up, lock 'em up, and throw away the key!

The problem is that those reactions, understandable though they are, ignore the painful reality that sexual abuse and exploitation result from, create, and perpetuate on-going cycles. Very commonly, it is about victims victimizing victims. This seems counter-intuitive. You would think that a person who suffered physical or sexual abuse at the hands of a person in authority in their lives would be the last ones who would do the same thing to someone else. But physical and sexual abuse are profoundly irrational, even pre-rational. They are symptoms of the underlying effects of undiagnosed and/or untreated trauma. Shame doesn't heal trauma; shame fuels trauma.

So what can we do that will make a difference? First, we need to recognize that, until we can move beyond shame and denial, the cycles will continue. Anything we can do to treat mental illness, and encourage mental health – just like we treat physical illness and encourage physical health - the more we can break cycles of abuse and prevent future abuse. Perpetrators, or those inclined to become perpetrators, need to hear that there are resources and treatment available to them before they cross lines that can't be uncrossed. Victims need spaces where they can speak their truth and process their pain without shame and with support.

Second, every institution needs firm policies in place that seek to prevent abuse. Here at Faith we have our "Safe Haven Policy," clearly written guidelines of how we operate to keep young people safe. We are also very clear that any allegations of sexual or physical abuse will be handled directly and confidentially. Pastor Tan and I are both compelled by law and professional ethics to report abuse of children or the elderly to the appropriate state agency. And we will! And there is a clear policy that, should a pastor be the perpetrator, our response will include both the bishop and the legal authorities. There will be no denial, or covering up, should something like that occur at Faith.

No one can understand the devastation and the life-long pain that someone carries as a victim of sexual abuse. It is essential that we do everything we can to prevent such abuse in our church, in our homes, in our schools, and in our community. And that we be a safe place for people to find opportunities to name and seek healing for the scars that they carry.



**Sunday Message Series:  
Proclaim Jubilee**



**March 3:** God at Work

**March 10:** Commitment

**March 17:** Challenge

**March 24:** Compassion

**March 31:** Community

**April 7:** Commitment Sunday

by Rev. Junfeng Tan, Associate Pastor



My son John, a sixth grader, started confirmation last Fall. As a parent, I have accompanied him and participated with him in the confirmation class from the beginning. In January and February, the confirmation students and parents took three field trips to visit three houses of worship: the Congregation Brith Shalom, the River Oaks Islamic Center, and the ChristChurch Presbyterian. At each house of worship, one or two spiritual leaders spent 90 minutes to two hours with us, explaining to us their religious beliefs and practices, answering questions that we had about their faith traditions. I'd like to say these three visits were truly eye-opening experiences. To walk into different worship spaces with different religious symbols has made me more aware of my Lutheran Christian identity. At the same time, to listen to and converse with religious leaders who share with us their unique understandings of God and life has also led me to affirm the common spiritual identity that I have shared with all people. That is, all human beings are children of God regardless of our different faith traditions and cultural, ethnic backgrounds.

In Genesis 2, God first created Adam. In the Gospel of Luke, the author traces the genealogy of Jesus all the way back to Adam, and then ultimately to God. Why is that? One Jewish tradition explains it this way:

*For this reason a single human being only was created at the time of Creation: to teach you that whoever destroys a single life, Scripture reckons it to him as though he had destroyed a whole world; and whoever saves a single life, Scripture reckons it to him as though he had saved a whole world.*

*Also for the sake of peace among human beings, so that a man should not say to his fellow: "My father is greater than your father." Also to prevent the heretics from saying that there are many divine powers in heaven, each one responsible for the creation of a different human being.*

*And also to proclaim the greatness of the Holy One, praised by He. If a human being stamps several coins with the same die, they all resemble one another. But the King of the kings of kings, the Holy One, praised be he, stamps all human beings with the die of the first man; and yet not one of them resembles the other. (Jakob J. Petuchowski, *Our Masters Taught: Rabbinic Stories and Sayings*, p. 15)*

We Christians believe Jesus is the descendent of Adam. When we read the stories of how Jesus Christ treated people with different ethnic, religious backgrounds and moral standings, it becomes imperative that we need to follow in Jesus' footsteps and affirm the dignity and value of every human being. We are to affirm that everyone is a child of God, everyone is a brother or sister of Jesus Christ, and therefore everyone belongs to a single family—the family of God. In this big family of God, we all are brothers and sisters. A tale from the Hindu tradition goes like this:

*A Guru asked his disciples how they could tell when the night had ended and the day begun.*

*One said, "When you see an animal in the distance and can tell whether it is a cow or a horse."*

*"No," said the Guru. "When you look at a tree in the distance and can tell if it is a neem tree or a mango tree."*

*"Wrong again," said the Guru. "Well, then, what is it?" asked his disciples.*

*"When you look into the face of any man and recognize your brother in him; when you look into the face of any woman and recognize in her your sister. If you cannot do this, no matter what time it is by the sun, it is still night." (Anthony De Mello, *Taking Flight: A Book of Story Meditations*, p. 161)*

Jesus is the light of world. *"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it" (John 1:5). "But if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).* Now, let us think about it and ask ourselves:

What are the sins that we need to be cleansed from?

What are the ideologies that divide people instead of uniting people, exclude people instead of welcome people?

What are the racist and nationalist slogans that put one group of people above and over the rest of humanity?

What are the political, religious, moral prejudices and judgements that cause more conflicts and divisions in the family of God?

Let us ask God to forgive and cleanse our sins. Let us work together in the ministry of reconciliation—to be reconciled with God, to be reconciled with one another. Let us practice in our personal and public life the spiritual truth that is taught in the Scripture: *"for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26-28).*

## Worship Events in March

by Dr. Clayton Faulkner, Director of Worship, Music, and Technology



There are a couple of events in March that I want you to know about. One of them is Go Texan Sunday (March 17). The other is a special guest, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, that will be joining us on March 23-24.

**Go Texan Sunday** has become a fun tradition over the last few years. We celebrate the conclusion of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo with a cowboy worship service. I really like hearing “y’all” in the liturgy of worship. It makes my born-and-raised Texan heart beam with joy. Pastor Kerry struggles with it though, and I have to be patient and forgive him. God knows, he wasn’t blessed to be born in the great state of Texas. Bless his heart.

Honestly though, I think it is good to not take ourselves so seriously on occasion. It is OK to smile in worship. The music is fun. We take some familiar Southern gospel hymns - which we don’t normally sing a lot of - and the Faith Alive! Band gives them a country western twist. We will be joined by a fabulous lap steel guitar player from the area, Randy Smith. Feel free to wear your boots and hats to church on March 17.

The following weekend we have a special guest joining us: **Richard Bruxvoort Colligan**. Richard is a psalmist making adventurous music for the ever-evolving church. A composer and musician, he serves across denominations singing songs, teaching the psalms, and telling dumb jokes. He lives with his wife and teenage son in Strawberry Point, Iowa. Free listening at [PsalmImmersion.com](http://PsalmImmersion.com).

He has recorded several albums of original worship music, and his hymns have been published by the UCC, ELCA, UMC, and PCUSA. Richard earned his M.A. in Theology and the Arts from United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities and is currently working on his DMin through Eden Seminary in St. Louis. Since 2004, his central vocation has been immersion in the Psalms, studying, teaching, singing and creating new congregational songs for all 150. He teaches Psalms at several seminaries, in workshop at events and local churches and he is the weekly Psalm Correspondent for the Pulpit Fiction podcast.

On Saturday, March 23 Richard will be leading a “Psalm Immersion” at Faith. He will be teaching us some of the theology of the Psalms and then sharing some resources on how to use the Psalms in worship in creative ways. There is also lunch. This event is designed for pastors, musicians, and worship planners, but anyone with an interest in these topics is welcome to attend. You can sign up to attend the event at [TuneUpGathering.org](http://TuneUpGathering.org) or just let me know.

The next day, Sunday, March 24, Richard will be leading the music and worship at The Gathering service (10:50 AM). We are looking forward to having him with us and I know you will enjoy his musical leadership.



# TUNE UP PSALM IMMERSION



**WITH RICHARD  
BRUXVOORT COLLIGAN**  
**SATURDAY**  
**MARCH 23, 2019**  
**9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**INCLUDES LUNCH**

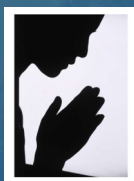
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## Prayer Corner - The Approval of One

by Peggy Porter



Read John 3:1-11 and Psalm 1

*"The wind blows where it wishes....So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit" (John 3:8).*

We can't control the wind by making it stop, slow down, speed up, or change course. But the power of the wind can be harnessed by things such as kites, wind turbines, and sailing ships.

The Holy Spirit cannot be mastered. Even yet, the Holy Spirit harnesses its power to the water and words of Baptism.

Nicodemus came to Jesus at night as a secret disciple. Our Lord Jesus knew that Nicodemus was afraid to lose the

approval of influential peers. Jesus taught Nicodemus that he only needed the approval of One. This approval of One. This approval is harnessed in the waters of forgiveness and rebirth – Baptism.

Yes, the power of the Holy Spirit is harnessed in Baptism. The Spirit assures us that we are forgiven to become sons and daughters of God Most High. God's approval beams upon us. We rejoice that we always have the approval of the One, even when we endure disapproval from the world about us.

Prayer: Father, we often believe that we can only be happy if people are happy with us. Remind us that we have your approval as we are born anew to become your precious children in water and Spirit. In Jesus' name. Amen.



## Youth Ministry in the Digital Age

by John Vickery, Director of Youth and Family



Over the past several months I have been thinking about the ways that I reach out and interact with the youth of our church. This is something that is always in my mind, but lately I have been considering the High Schoolers particularly following our retreat to Lutherhill last month. On that retreat I was able to have conversations directly with the high school students and get a sense of how they communicate and interact with each other. Through these conversations we decided that we would start to meet on a weekly basis, each Saturday evening, online and create a Virtual Youth Group. At first I was hesitant to consider such an idea since it would not be a weekly youth group as I was accustomed to from my high school years. But then something clicked in my mind; perhaps to build a High School Youth program that is successful I would need to integrate myself into *their* world rather than finding ways for the high schoolers to integrate into *mine*. What this means is that maybe high school students of today don't feel the need for the in-person element of relationships to feel like they are connecting with one another and the world around them.

So I came back from the retreat thinking that surely someone out in the world had done a study on how teenagers interact with each other and the methods that they employ. What I came across was a Pew Research Study from 2015 that surveyed over one thousand teenagers ages 13 to 17. The following are some of the study's findings that I thought were particularly interesting:

- When asked the top places where teens hang out with close friends, 55% said they hang out using online methods while only 21% said they hang out at places of worship.
- 94% of teens spend time with their friends on social media (facebook, instagram, snapchat) and 83% of teens say that social media makes them feel more connected to their friends' lives.
- 68% of teens say that they have received support during hard times through digital means and social media.
- 60% of teens use video chat methods to stay connected with their close friends.

After looking at the study I quickly came to the realization that this is how teens connect in today's world. In turn, if I am to build a program that means something to today's youth, perhaps this is the mindset that I also need to be in. This reinforced for me the decision to utilize an online video conference platform to host Youth Group. The kids are able to participate regardless of where they live, and it allows for significant schedule adaptability while at the same time creating a space to connect to one another in a way that high schoolers already consider to be worthwhile and valid.

I am excited to see how this new program goes, and to see how it can potentially lead to something that is a building block for future programs in Youth and Family Ministry!

Lenhart, Amanda. "Methods." *Pew Research Center: Internet, Science & Tech*, Pew Research Center: Internet, Science & Tech, 7 Aug. 2015, [www.pewinternet.org/2015/08/06/methods-34/](http://www.pewinternet.org/2015/08/06/methods-34/)

**Come join your Faith friends in support of the Christian Community Service Center at this year's Azalea Dinner Thursday, May 2, 2019, at the Post Oak Hilton.**

Faith is one of 42 area Christian churches working together through CCSC to reduce the effects of poverty in our community. CCSC helps families in crisis through its food pantry, where clients can turn for food, clothing, and financial assistance. CCSC helps get people back to work through its JobNet and Martha's Way programs. And CCSC helps our community's most vulnerable population through its Back to School program, Jingle Bell Express, and Vision Care program for underprivileged students.



The following is CCSC "by the numbers" for 2018:

**26,125**

Clients supplied with nutritious food packages.

**893**

Households received electricity, water, natural gas, or rent assistance

**7,370**

Persons were provided with gently-used clothing.

**461**

Job seekers gained valuable skills through workshops, computer training, and personalized coaching with 30% gaining employment

**6,502**

Students started the academic year with new school supplies and clothing

**2,865**

Children received new toys, books, and family food packages for Christmas

**1,458**

Student received vision screening, **494** were provided professional eye exams, with **449** receiving new prescription glasses.

In addition, **283** persons received medical assistance for eyeglasses, dental services, or prescription medication; **7,917** pounds of produce was harvested for clients at the CCSC garden; and **231** motivated entrepreneurs participated in a 42-hour vocational training program.

To accomplish its ministry—Faith's ministry as a CCSC member church—CCSC relies on volunteerism, in-kind donations, and cash donations. CCSC's primary fundraiser is the **Azalea Dinner**. This year, the event will be held **May 2, 2019**, at the Post Oak Hilton. The evening is a fun night of fellowship (as we enjoy a meal together), learning (as we hear from CCSC staff and volunteers), and shopping (silent and live auctions). Please help Faith fill tables at this event. **Watch for the CCSC table** in the narthex in April before and after services where volunteers will be selling seats or tables to the event.

If you are unable to attend the dinner, you can still help CCSC in other ways. Please consider supporting the ministry by paying for one of Faith's staff members to attend (and their partner if you can) or giving directly to CCSC to help underwrite the event (please check <https://www.ccschouston.org/azalea/> for CCSC's wish list for the dinner).

Go to [www.ccschouston.org](http://www.ccschouston.org) to learn more about CCSC or contact Kelley Keller, Faith's liaison to CCSC, at [kelly.keller@wtllaw.com](mailto:kelly.keller@wtllaw.com).



## **National Lutheran Schools Week!**

### ***"Real. Present. God."* Psalm 46**

### **March 3**

Come to a Reading Celebration for everyone at the Faith Schools' Spring Book Fair!

Stop by the book fair in the Music Room on March 3. This is one of their largest fundraisers, come and support our schools!




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## **Sacraments Workshop**

### **Saturday, March 2 @ 9:00 AM**

### **Conference Room**

- Would you like your child to begin receiving Holy Communion?
- Would you like a brief refresher course in how Lutherans understand the sacraments?

This class is for you too. Join us and bring your child to this workshop. Sign up on the back of the connection card.




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## **Ms. Obando's Retirement Party**

### **Sunday, March 3 @ 9:45 AM**

### **Fellowship Hall**

Please join us to celebrate Ms. Obando's retirement after 22 years of faithfully managing our church campus. There will be refreshments and a "Farewell and Godspeed" liturgy to honor her service.




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## **Parent's Night Out**

### **Friday, March 8 @ 6:00 - 10:00 PM**

### **Faith Center Gym**



An evening full of activities for kids from ages 6 months to 12 years old. Please RSVP via email to [PNO@faithbellaire.org](mailto:PNO@faithbellaire.org) to ensure that we have a spot for your kiddo. The cost is \$15 per child. You may pay in cash at the door or online in advance at [faithbellaire.org/give](http://faithbellaire.org/give) and select **PNO**.

## Ash Wednesday Worship Services

### Wednesday, March 6

### 11:45 AM and 7:00 PM

### Sanctuary

This year Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6. Ash Wednesday worship services are at 11:45 AM (lunch following) and 7:00 PM (dinner at 6:15 PM).

Midweek Lenten worships will be at 11:45 AM on Wednesdays when we gather for prayers, hearing from God's word, and singing. Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM. Compline (Night Prayer) will be at 7:00 PM.

In addition, we will also be offering "drive-thru ashes" throughout the day on Ash Wednesday. You can pull into our circle drive off Bellaire Blvd and receive ashes with a brief liturgy while you sit in your car.



## Volunteers Needed for Altar Guild!

We are looking for new members - men, women, families - to join the Altar Guild team. You can volunteer for either Heritage (8:30 AM) or The Gathering (10:50 AM) service.

If you are unsure whether you want to commit, please consider a trial run. Please sign up in the lobby or contact Janice Decker at 612-408-2189 for any questions.



### Women's Connection

Women's Connection will meet on Tuesday, March 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](mailto:jgips001@comcast.net) or 713-417-2548.

### Rebecca Ruth Circle

The Rebecca Ruth Circle will meet on Thursday, March 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!



## LEAD

by John Vickery, Director of Youth & Family

Over the past month the LEAD Team has continued its work of listening in the neighborhood. When that process wraps up, we will begin to evaluate Faith's Youth and Family programs as they are now. Then move into a time of forming a new strategic plan that takes into account what we are currently doing well, as well as continuing to move forward with new ideas. Thank you for your continued support of this essential work! If you have any questions or comments please feel free to reach out to any member of the LEAD Team.



## Take "Stock" in our High School Ministry March 3 and 10

### Lobby

Our high school students are going on a mission trip to Puerto Rico this summer. They will be selling "Stock" for their trip at \$25 per share. Each shareholder will receive exclusive video reports during the trip and special recognition when they report to the congregation on Sunday morning, July 28. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support of high school ministry!



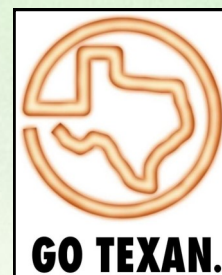
## Go TEXAN Sunday!

Sunday, March 17

Sunday, March 17 promises to be an event you don't want to miss. Wear your boots, cowboy hats, and jeans as we celebrate our Texas heritage and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

We will experience "cowboy church" that will include southern gospel music and a relaxed liturgy. There will also be BBQ for lunch with all the trimmings at noon.

Giddy up partner! The Lord be with ya'll!



## Chinese Worship Every Sunday Faith Center

9:45 AM Bible Study  
10:50 AM Worship  
12:00 PM Lunch

*Everyone is Welcome*



# 2019 Chinese New Year Celebration

*(over 400 in attendance!)*



## Sunday Worship Leader Schedule—March 2019

8:30 AM	March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 31
<b>Acolyte</b>	Christian Georgi	Elsa Becker	John Tan	Andres Baerenwald	Zach Michaud
<b>Crucifer</b>	Alice Tian	Aidan Fidone	Alice Tian	Trevor Groenewold	Nate Michaud
<b>Lector</b>	Doug Elsen	Bob Medlen	Joann Welton	Mardi Mayerhoff	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Doug Elsen Scott Ramsey	Doug Elsen Scott Ramsey	Carl Watson Dave Gohlke	Carl Watson Dave Gohlke	Sara Karow Sharon Koch
<b>Asst Minister</b>	Karen Elsen	Joann Welton	Joann Welton	Bob Medlen	Bob Medlen
<b>Ushers</b>	Carl Watson Troy Becker	Carl Watson Troy Becker	Bill Puryear Doug Elsen	Bill Puryear Doug Elsen	Jeff Addicks Scott Ramsey
<b>Children's Church</b>		Helen Watson	Jennifer Blessington	Mayra Marshall	Leslie Parkan
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Freeman Dorothy Rosenbaum	Diana Freeman Diana Rettig Betty Becker	Ida Medlen Roxy Funchess	Joann Welton	Barbara McDowell Betty Dossey
10:50 AM	March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 31
<b>Acolytes</b>	Andres Baerenwald Zach Michaud	Ava Cauley Silas White	Deacon Faulkner James Cross	Aaron Allen Andy Allen	Dillon Williams Silas White
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Dave and Wendy Farner	Jon and Nancy Holmes	Lorah Gough Roxy Funchess	Diana Boihem Karen Ellison	Kirk and Beth Bruce
<b>Asst Minister</b>	Jim Cross	Wendy Farner	Wendy Farner	Eric Lerch	Eric Lerch
<b>Ushers</b>	Staci DeKunder	Roxy Funchess Susan Tallman	Parkan Family	Jon and Nancy Holmes	Dave and Wendy Farner
<b>Children's Church</b>	Catherine Hahn	Kevondra Mathis	Beth Bruce	Hannah Anderson	Sara Karow
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Freeman Dorothy Rosenbaum	Diana Freeman Diana Rettig Betty Becker	Ida Medlen Roxy Funchess	Joann Welton	Barbara McDowell Betty Dossey

***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.***

## Faith Camp 2019– LAB– Rewrite the Culture

### July 8-12, 15-19, 22-26

### Registration Open

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](http://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](mailto: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.



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Ana Rivas

Darrell Glenn

Senior Pastor

Associate Pastor

Director of Operations

Pastoral Intern

Director of Youth and Family

Director of Faith Schools

Office Coordinator

Office Coordinator

Organist/Choir Director

Facilities Manager

Custodian

Facility Services



# March 2019- Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>31</div> <div>8:30 AM "Heritage" Worship (Sanc) 9:45 AM Learning Groups/MOVE 10:50 AM "The Gathering" Worship 10:50 AM Faith Chinese Worship (FC) 12:00 PM Lunch (FC) 12:30 PM Faith Chinese Choir and Praise Dance (300) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)</div>					<div>1</div> <div>7:00 AM Faith Schools Book Fair (Gym) 7:00 PM Faith Chinese Fellowship (101) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>	<div>7:00 AM Faith Schools Book Fair (Gym) 9:00 AM Sacraments Class(101) 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 9:00 AM Cornerstone (300, 305, 306) 2:30 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>
<div>3</div> <div>8:30 AM "Heritage" Worship (Sanc) 9:45 AM Faith Alive Rehearsal (Sanc) 9:45 AM Ms. Obando's Retirement Celebration (FH) 10:50 AM "The Gathering" Worship 10:50 AM Faith Chinese Worship (FC) 12:00 PM Lunch (FC) 12:30 PM Faith Chinese Choir and Praise Dance (300) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 2:00 PM LEAD team meeting (201) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)</div>	<div>4</div> <div>9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 6:00 PM Cornerstone-- Climbers Parents 6:00 PM SW Radio Control (Gym) 7:00 PM Pastor's Group (101)</div>	<div>5</div> <div>9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 6:00 PM Stewardship Board Meeting (108) 7:00 PM First Place for Health(306) 8:00 PM AA (Men Only)</div>	<div>Ash Wednesday</div> <div>9:00 AM LWR Quilters 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 11:45 AM Lent Wednesday Worship LUNCH AFTER SERVICE (FC) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 6:00 PM Social Ministry Board Meeting 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Worship (Sanc)</div>	<div>7</div> <div>9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 10:00 AM Rebecca Ruth Circle (101) 2:00 PM At Your Best UHC Senior Program 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 7:30 PM Faith Choir (208) 7:30 PM Cornerstone Thursday Meeting (306, 400, 401) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</div>	<div>8</div> <div>6:00 PM Faith Chinese Fellowship Gathering 8:00PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>	<div>7:00 AM FCF Discipleship Meeting (101 &amp; 201) 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 10:00 AM Cornerstone(300, 306) 3:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300) 4:00 PM High School Youth Group</div>
<div>10</div> <div>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STARTS 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) 12:30 PM Faith Chinese Choir and Praise Dance Rehearsal (Gym) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)</div>	<div>11</div> <div>6:00 PM Cornerstone Climbers (401)</div>	<div>12</div> <div>9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 10:30 PM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting 7:00 PM First Place for Health(306) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</div>	<div>13</div> <div>9:00 AM LWR Quilters (101) 11:45 AM Lent Wednesday Worship LUNCH AFTER SERVICE (FC) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 7:00 PM Compline Worship (FH) 8:00 PM AA (300)</div>	<div>14</div> <div>2:00 PM At Your Best UHC Senior Program 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 7:30 PM Faith Choir 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</div>	<div>15</div> <div>6:00 PM Faith Chinese Fellowship Gathering 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>	<div>9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 10:00 AM Cornerstone 3:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>
<div>17</div> <div>GO TEXAN SUNDAY 8:30 AM Go Texan Worship (Sanc) 9:45 AM Learning Groups/MOVE 10:50 AM Go Texan Worship (Sanc) 10:50 AM Faith Chinese Worship (FC) 12:00 PM Lunch 1:30 PM Handbell Choir 2:30 PM Faith Chinese Choir &amp; Praise Dance Rehearsal (Gym) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)</div>	<div>18</div> <div>9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 6:00 PM Cornerstone Climbers (401)</div>	<div>19</div> <div>9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 10:30 PM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 6:00 PM Faith Schools Board Meeting (101) 7:00 PM First Place for Health(306) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</div>	<div>20</div> <div>9:00 AM LWR Quilters (101) 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 11:45 AM Lent Wednesday Worship LUNCH AFTER SERVICE (FC) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 7:00 PM Compline Worship (FH)</div>	<div>21</div> <div>9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 2:00 PM At Your Best UHC Senior Program 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 305) 7:30 PM Faith Choir 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)</div>	<div>22</div> <div>6:00 PM Faith Chinese Fellowship Gathering 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>	<div>9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 10:00 AM Cornerstone 3:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)</div>
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