

# Mountain *Mover*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH | APRIL 2019

## In This Issue

### Scattered Thoughts

by Rev. Kerry Nelson, p. 2

### Faith Care Ministry Team

by Judy Adam, p. 4

### Love Of God and Love of People

by Rev. Junfeng Tan, p. 5

### Make Holy Week a Priority

by Dr. Clayton Faulkner, p. 6

### Prayer Corner

by Peggy Porter, p. 7

### Ponderings of a Reflective Youth Director - by John Vickery, p. 8

### CCSC Azalea Gala

by Kelley Keller, p. 11



## Holy Week Worship Services

**April 14**

8:30 AM

10:50 AM

### Palm Sunday Worship

Heritage

The Gathering, Chinese Worship

**April 18**

7:00 PM

### Maundy Thursday Worship

**April 19**

7:00 PM

### Good Friday Worship

**April 20**

8:00 PM

### Saturday Easter Vigil

**April 21**

8:30 AM

10:50 AM

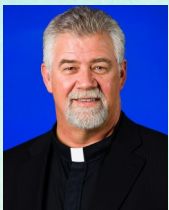
### Easter Sunday Worship

Heritage

The Gathering, Chinese Worship

# Scattered Thoughts

by Rev. Kerry Nelson, Senior Pastor



*Now concerning the collection for the saints: you should follow the directions I gave to the churches of Galatia.*

*On the first day of every week, each of you is to put aside and save whatever extra you earn, so that collections need not be taken when I come. And when I arrive, I will send any whom you approve with letters to take your gift to Jerusalem. If it seems advisable that I should go also, they will accompany me. 1 Corinthians 16:1-4*

I am writing this as we are in the midst of the Proclaim Jubilee capital campaign. Soon it will be Commitment Sunday, April 7, and soon we will begin meeting the goals that we set – eliminating our debt, supporting CCSC, and setting aside money for the future improvements of our buildings. What we are doing together reminded me of Paul's directions to the church in Corinth – that they plan their giving and that they are intentional about following through with their plans. That is what we're going to do.

Which then calls to mind the whole question of God's plans for our lives. I know we casually throw those words around...*God has a plan for your life!*...and I know, especially when we go through difficult times, those words can be reassuring. But they are also challenging. Too many important moments in our lives seem so accidental, so coincidental. Always there lurks the question behind the tragedies of life...*Did God really plan for THIS?*

I've thought about those questions my whole ministry, probably my whole life.

**Continued on next page...**



## Commitment Sunday April 7

### Welcome Pastor John Sabatelli

On April 7, we welcome back to Faith Pastor John Sabatelli, a Capital Campaign Consultant of the Mission Investment Fund of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, invited by our congregation to help with our "Proclaim Jubilee" Capital Campaign. We are pleased to have him share his gifts and leadership with us again.

On Commitment Sunday, during the worship services, all of our members and friends will have an opportunity to make their pledges to our campaign. Our ushers will distribute pledge cards to everyone during the service. You will be invited to fill in your pledge as God gives you guidance.

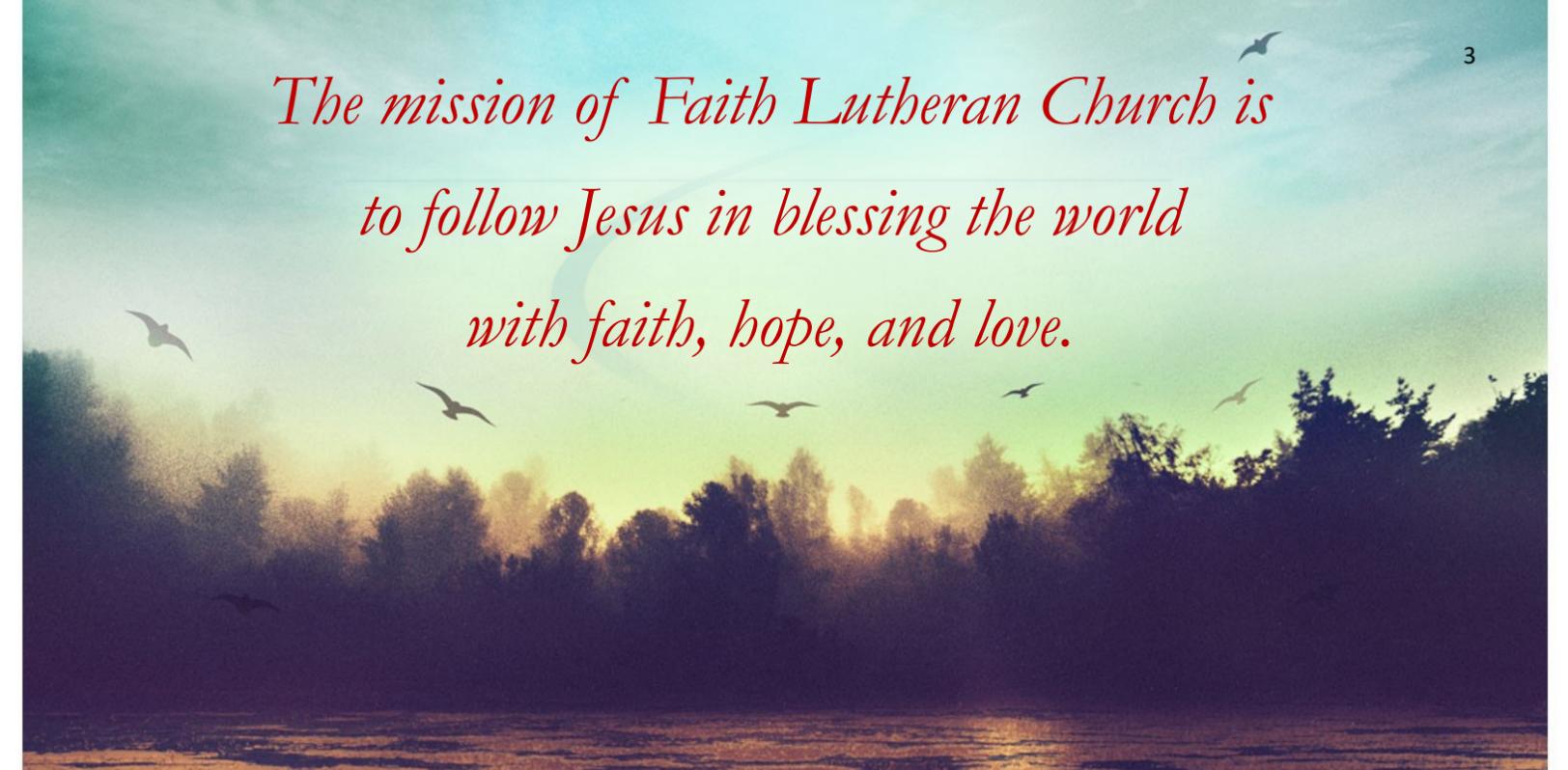
At the direction of the ushers, everyone in worship will be invited to pass by the baskets in the front of the room to place their offerings and pledge cards. God bless you in your generosity.

---

## Proclaim Jubilee Prayer Vigil April 6 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

The Prayer Vigil will be held on Saturday, April 6. It is an important time for members of our congregation to pray for Faith, for the capital campaign, and for your hopes and dreams for our congregation.

We will set aside 12 hours for prayer in the sanctuary, from 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM. Please sign up for a 30 minute slot on the forms in the lobby.



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

**Continued...**

I hear the preachers on the radio or the television and they make things seem so simple. Which always has a certain appeal. We like simple. But life is complex. And then I remember the power (and the definition) of faith.

Faith is not certainty. It is the opposite of certainty. And faith requires doubt...that is what makes it faith. Nevertheless, as the writer of Hebrews taught us, *"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."* Assurance is not certainty, it is to be reminded of promise, to be encouraged. Conviction is not certainty, it is steadfast determination and dedication to a principle or purpose.

Put all of that together and what do you get? The realization that any reference to God's plans for our lives are a matter of faith. We trust it. We believe it. We count on it. We claim it. Always with the humility that we might be wrong. We might have missed the point. Yet we are assured and convinced to continue to live by faith.

We trust that God has a plan for our lives...whatever that means. We trust that Jesus' death and resurrection were God's plan for all life. We trust that God the Holy Spirit remains an active and engaged part of God's plans and our lives. We trust that we are not consigned to a deterministic fatalism where we die and return to dust. We trust rather that we are living in one stage of an eternal destiny rooted in God's love. We trust that God has a plan and that we're part of it.

But more than just trust, we ACT on our conviction that God has a plan for us. We LIVE as though each day of our lives is about the unfolding of God's plan of love. We are caught up in it. So we entrust our planning, our very lives, to God's care and keeping. And we follow through on the commitments we make, knowing that this too is an essential part of cooperating with God's plans.

Thank you to each and every one of you for making a pledge to the Proclaim Jubilee campaign as well as your normal General Fund giving that makes what we do as a congregation possible. And now, along with Paul, I encourage you to be intentional and faithful in fulfilling the commitments that you have made. I trust that all of this is about cooperating with God's plan for all of our lives. God bless you!

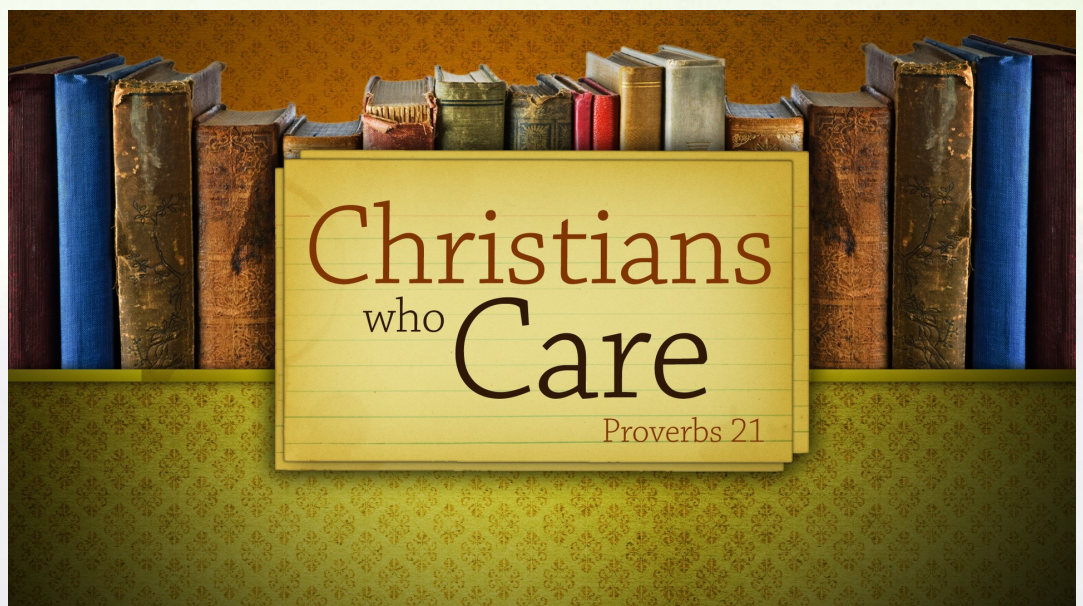


## Faith Care Ministry Team

by Judy Adams

We are in the process of forming a new, revitalized care ministry at Faith. Over the last few months, we have had an Ad Hoc Committee meet to dream and envision how we might become an even more caring and supportive congregation. Our dreams include things such as providing meals for those ill or having new babies, more visits to those in nursing homes or hospitals, communicating our prayer needs to the wider community (with permission, of course) so that all members can pray weekly for those in need, having a more extensive outreach to our Homebound Members, and helping both new and old members get to know each other better.

While these are just a few examples of the many ideas that were imagined, we also visualized the formation of a new team at Faith – the Faith Care Ministry Team. Members of our new team would meet and provide the leadership to make the dreams and visions into realities. Meetings will be held monthly or bi-monthly, and the only requirement is that you have a heart for caring for others and are willing to help the congregation move forward in establishing these new ministries.



Would you like to become a member of this new team? If so, please call or e-mail Judy Adams (adamsjudyc@gmail or 713-806-3833) or Pastor Tan (junfengtan02@gmail.com or 713-664-3048).



*One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:28-31*

Many people feel and think there is a conflict and competition between loving God and loving people. "I have 24 hours a day. If I spend one hour studying the Bible and praying, then, I have one hour less to spend with people. I take home \$5,000.00 cash a month. If I give \$700.00 to support my church and our *Proclaim Jubilee* capital campaign, I have only \$4,300 left for my family. There are only 7 days a week. If I commit every Sunday morning to worshipping God, I will lose a couple of precious hours to be helpful to family and friends. So I will come to church and worship God only when I have spare time. I shall love God as long as it does not cost me much." It is no wonder worshipping and loving God is put on the back-burner. In many people's mind, almost anything is more important than loving and worshipping God. But what if loving God does not take anything away from your love for people? Does it ever occur to you that when you offer your time, money, and talents to loving and worshipping God, you are actually transformed and empowered to serve your family and neighbors in ways that you will not otherwise?

Human natural love for one another is always limited and flawed. We seldom love our neighbors as ourselves. Our best motive to love others, even our dearest, is often contaminated by selfishness and possessiveness. That is why we always need to ask God to purify, to guide, and to bless our every intention and effort to love others. C. S. Lewis said, "You cannot love a fellow creature fully till you love God."

C. S. Lewis's *The Chronicles of Narnia* is the one of the best fantasy novels for both children and adults since its publication in the 1950s. *The Magician's Nephew*, the first book in the *Narnia* series, is about the creation of Narnia, a beautiful and loving paradise, by the great lion Aslan (Aslan stands for Jesus Christ in the *Narnia* series). But evil entered Narnia when it was first created. Digory, a human boy, was given the task to take an apple from a garden, which was in a far away land, and bring it back to Narnia. Digory, riding on a flying horse, came to the garden, found the tree and plucked one silver apple from it. At that very moment, he was tempted by an evil Witch, who said to Digory, "Do you know what the fruit is? I will tell you. It is the apple of youth, the apple of life....eat it, boy, eat it and you will live forever. Your mother is sick, isn't she? Take the apple with you and go home; give it to your dying mother and she will be cured and your home will be happy again. What has the Lion ever done for you that you should be his slave? What can he do to you once you are back in your own world?" You see, Digory was tempted by the Witch to choose between loving and obeying Aslan and loving his mother. Digory, however, resisted the temptation and took the fruit to Narnia and gave it to Aslan. The apple was planted in the soil. Instantly a beautiful apple tree appeared on the spot. That tree would protect Narnia for a long, long time. Digory asked Aslan if the apple he brought from the garden would cure his mother. Aslan said, "Understand, then, it would have healed her, but not to your joy or hers. The day would have come when both you and she would have looked back and said it would have been better to die in illness. This is what would have happened, child, with a stolen apple..... It is not what will happen now. What I give you now will bring joy." Aslan then gave Digory a silver apple to bring to his mother. His mother ate the fruit and was healed.

What is the point of the story? It is this: we do not always know how to love our loved ones wisely. We do not always have what it takes to bring healing and comfort, joy and happiness to them, either. But God's love is always the best gift we can receive and share with our loved ones, because God's wisdom and power is always dependable, life-saving and life-giving. That is why C. S. Lewis said in a letter, "When I have learnt to love God better than my earthly dearest, I shall love my earthly dearest better than I do now. In so far as I learn to love my earthly dearest at the expense of God and *instead* of God, I shall be moving towards the state in which I shall not love my earthly dearest at all. When first things are put first, second things are not suppressed but increased." There are two great commandments we need to follow in order to live a good life: love God and love neighbor. But the first and the most important commandment is this : *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.* The first and the greatest commandment shall always take precedence over everything in the whole universe, because all good gifts are from God, and there is no good and meaningful life apart from God's love. C. S. Lewis says, "Aim at heaven and you get earth thrown in. Aim at earth, you get neither." Jesus says, "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, all these things shall be given to you as well."

The most loving thing we can do for ourselves and our loved ones is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength. The most loving thing we can do for our neighbors and our world is to help the church proclaim the gospel of God's love in Jesus Christ. For God is the fountain of living water that revives the weary soul. Jesus Christ is the giver of true bread that gives eternal life.

## Make Holy Week a Priority

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



I want to encourage you to prioritize Holy Week this year. Add the services to your calendar. There is something special that happens when we gather together for worship with brothers and sisters near and far. Come and find out why we call this week “holy.”

One of the ways we worship together is by observing what time of the year it is in the church's way of marking time. During Holy Week we remember that we are entering the most important week in the life of the church.

Holy Week offers us a chance to put ourselves on the pathway beside Jesus. We walk through the last supper, the betrayal, the crucifixion, and the glorious resurrection. We have the chance to pattern our time in the same flow of Jesus' last earthly days. We call our observance of Holy Week the Three Days.

Maundy Thursday. The name comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, from which we get the English word mandate. We remember the last supper where Jesus reinterpreted the Passover feast. We remember Jesus washing the disciples feet, taking the place of a servant. We remember the new commandment (or mandate) that Jesus gave. Love one another, just as I have loved you. People will know you by how you love.

Good Friday. The name is somewhat oxymoronic. How can such a dark, devastating event be labeled good? We remember the betrayal. We remember the arrest. We remember how all of the disciples deserted Jesus, abandoning him and denying his acquaintance. We remember the crucifixion, the horrible, shameful, cursed execution. We remember the burial and Jesus' end.

Easter Vigil. The Vigil begins outside, around a fire. We gather around a fire because people have gathered around fires since the beginning. The fire is a sign of how we have survived as long as we have as a species. The fire is the place of gathering and sharing stories and memories about the way things used to be. The fire is also a subtle nod to where Peter found himself as he uttered the very words he swore he would never say. The Easter Vigil takes the stories of creation, renewal, rebirth, and resurrection, and, at the font, pours them over the baptismal candidates, immersing them in water and the word. We reflect on and give thanks for our own baptism and connection to the death and resurrection of Christ.

And then comes Easter and the glorious resurrection and victory of Jesus Christ. The surprise is revealed. When God appeared to be defeated and Jesus was at his weakest, God's true power was on display. When Jesus was at his humanly weakest point, God was providing the strength to recreate the entire world. The news is so good and so surprising that we need 50 days to celebrate. It took 40 days to prepare for this, and now we need even more time to rejoice in it. Welcome to the surprising season of Easter, more than one day can contain. And then comes the Ascension. And Pentecost.

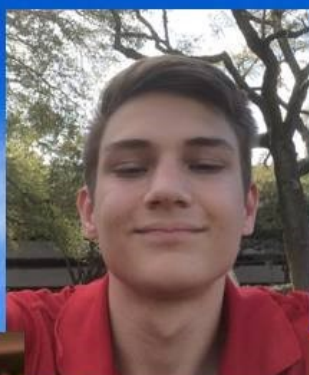


## 2019 Faith Camp Staff

**Emmy Talbot**  
Explore



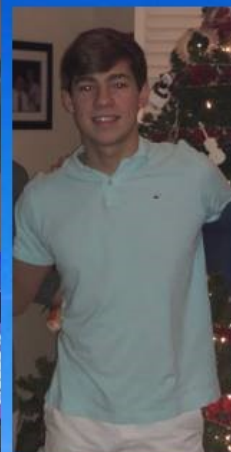
**Sam Kennedy**  
Snacks



**Jackson McGlothlin**  
Worship



**Josh Boihem**  
DCs



**Maddy Banks**  
Imaginarium



**Dillon Williams**  
Imaginarium

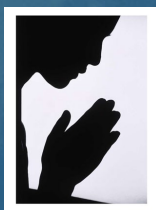


**Ethan Gibson**  
Games



### Prayer Corner - Love One Another

by Peggy Porter



Read John 13:31-35 and Psalm 67

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 14:12)

Love is not so much a feeling as it is a commitment. To love someone is to care for and about that person as God cares for and about us, insofar as the limitations of our human weakness allows. Too often, we think of love as an emotion, but it is more than that. To love, among other things, includes making a decision to think of someone in a way that his or her wellbeing matters to us. God loves us in this way – Jesus even gave his life for us—and he calls us to share the love we have received from him.

Because we are not God, we cannot love perfectly; but within the limitations of human weakness, we can repent when we have spoken or behaved in an unloving way. The words "I'm sorry!" come to mind, spoken with sincerity and truth. Love one another as God in Christ loves us! Love is learned, and it sometimes takes courage. We are called to practice love in times of conflict and anger, committing ourselves to learning both to receive and to give love.

Pray: Heavenly Father, as you have loved us through your Son, Jesus Christ, help us to also learn to love in deeper ways. Amen.



## Ponderings of a Reflective Youth Director

by John Vickery, Director of Youth and Family Ministries



Over the past several days I have been re-watching video recordings of the speakers that I saw at the ELCA's national youth worker's convention back in January. The messages that were spoken at this year's event were that which require a significant amount of processing in order to fully digest the content.

The theme of the year was "Disrupt" and challenged us to consider how we are faithful disruptions to youth's lives; but also how that is a two way street. One of the main ideas being that in order to build effective youth ministry, one must start with genuine relationships; a fact that we all know, yet at times struggle to put into practice. Maybe we are too busy, too distracted, or uninterested; whatever the case may be, we very easily and sometimes unknowingly put up barriers between ourselves and the relationships that are around us.

This idea led me to contemplate and reflect on my experiences as a youth in my youth group. I was never the most active, or outgoing. I was not one that would jump at every event or gathering opportunity. However, when there was something that piqued my interest I would follow wholeheartedly. For example, I didn't regularly openly participate in youth group activities, especially when I got into my high school years. I had a hard time relating with most of the other kids who were around me. We came from three different school districts and the only time we ever interacted with one another was on Sunday mornings; which came off as forced and uninteresting. On the other hand, when my youth director asked me to be part of a worship band that would practice and then lead a Wednesday night service I immediately said yes. There were going to be at least two other high schoolers in the group along with my youth director. I was so glad that I had been guided into a place of belonging and ownership.

Now I realize the impacts that these experiences have had on me. Without that initial nudge, I would have never learned how to play guitar. As a result I would have never learned how to lead music at camp or in any setting. I wouldn't have gained an appreciation for the actions that the various adult mentors around me took in forming my faith. Looking back on it all now, it is so obvious the work that they each did in my life, yet in the moment I was blind to it.

Fast forward to today, I am still friends on Facebook with my youth directors from my youth. We talk periodically and share in memories of the past. However, more importantly, we are always looking forward at how we each can continue to serve as mentors to others. I think that we can all learn from this idea. To be a community that welcomes children, youth, and young adults, we must first dig into what their interests are and meet them in those spaces; rather than projecting our own past onto their lives. When we remember this we have a better chance of forming genuine relationships that have substance, that are also full of faith.

**Parent's Night Out**  
**Friday, April 12 @ 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](https://faithbellaire.org/give) and select **PNO**.



**Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt**  
**Sunday, April 21 @ 9:45 AM**  
**Faith Center**

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to worship with us on Easter Sunday. The community breakfast and Easter egg hunt will be held in the Faith Center at 9:45 AM. The Easter bunny will be on site for FREE picture-taking and fun for all.



**Easter Lillies**

**Last day to order is Sunday, April 7**

In celebration of Easter, lilies will be displayed around the chancel on Easter Sunday and dedications printed in the bulletin.

Lilies may be ordered at a cost of \$9 each; checks should be made out to Faith with Easter Lilies on the memo line.

Sign up at the display table in the lobby on Sunday mornings until April 7.

Lilies may be picked up after the Easter Sunday services. Those not picked up will be donated.



## Rebecca Ruth Circle

The Rebecca Ruth Circle will meet on Thursday, April 4 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 will be provided. Socializing with the group is so joyful.

All are welcome!!

## Women's Connection

Women's Connection will meet on Wednesday, April 10 at 9:30 AM outside the church office. Everyone is welcome! You should join us!

For more information about the Women's Connection, please contact Jane Gips at [jgips001@comcast.net](mailto:jgips001@comcast.net) or 713-417-2548.



## 2019 National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Walks Greater Houston 5k Walk

Sam Houston Park/Allen Parkway

Saturday, May 4, 2019

Meet at 8:00 AM, walk at 8:30 AM

NAMI Walks is the largest and most successful mental health awareness and fundraising event in America. Through NAMI Walks, we are supporting the NAMI organization which is helping change how Americans view persons with a mental illness. Please join us as we improve lives and our community one step at a time on Saturday, May 4.

We have registered a team again this year for Faith Lutheran named the Faith Candle Lighters. If you would like to walk and donate to this great cause, you may register online now as a "Walker on a Team" (and select the Faith Candle Lighters – Houston walk). Or you may register the day of the walk. The website is <https://www.namiwalks.org/>



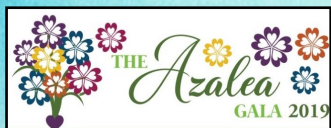
For several weeks in April we will have a sign up in the church narthex, so we will know who is coming to join the walk and carpool together to the event. If you have questions, send me an email at [lorah.gough@gmail.com](mailto:lorah.gough@gmail.com) or call me at 713-885-5516.

## LEAD Team Update

The LEAD Team has finished up its listening in the congregation as well as going out into the surrounding area to have conversations with area businesses. The goal of these listening's was to gain an understanding of the challenges and joys that families of today face. Now that this part of our work is complete, we will be compiling our learnings in order to begin to formulate a strategic plan for youth and family ministry going forward.



## Why is the Christian Community Service Center's (CCSC) Azalea Dinner worth my time and money?



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

**28,816**

Clients supplied with nutritious food packages.

**772**

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

**7,606**

Persons were provided with gently-used clothing.

**455**

Job seekers gained valuable skills through workshops, computer training, and personalized coaching with 32% gaining employment

**6,573**

Students started the academic year with new school supplies and clothing

**2,662**

Children received new toys, books, and family

food packages for Christmas

**1,109**

Students received vision screening, **588** were provided professional eye exams, with **539** receiving new prescription glasses.

In addition, **237** persons received medical assistance for eyeglasses, dental services, or prescription medication; **6,975** pounds of produce was harvested for clients at the CCSC garden; and **269** 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).

### Chinese Worship

Every Sunday

Faith Center



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

*Everyone is Welcome*





## The Grunke Family

Matt, Stacy, Elliott, and Cameron Grunke. Cameron was baptized on March 10, 2019.



## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to Faith

This month we welcome the Grunke, Benson, and Nelson families to Faith Lutheran Church

Please help us in welcoming these very special people into Faith's Family.

# WELCOME



## **The Benson Family**

Keith, Amanda, Kenner, Kendall, Kaegan, Vivienne, Landon

---

## **The Nelson Family**

James, Laura, Josie, Charlie, Louise



## Sunday Worship Leader Schedule—April 2019

8:30 AM	April 7	April 14 Palm Sunday	April 21 Easter	April 28
<b>Acolyte</b>	Elsa Becker	Aaron Allen	Christian Georgi	John Tan
<b>Crucifer</b>	Emma Voosen	Andy Allen	Alice Tian	Trevor Groenewold
<b>Lector</b>	Sharon Koch		Sara Karow	Doug Elsen
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Sara Karow Sharon Koch	Barbara McDowell Lenora Ohlenbusch	Brian and Heidi Georgi	Tom Dorman Lenora Ohlenbusch
<b>Asst Minister</b>	Alice Tian	Alice Tian	Doug Elsen	Doug Elsen
<b>Ushers</b>	Jeff Addicks Scott Ramsey	Art Grove	Art Grove	Brian Taylor
<b>Children's Church</b>		Amy McNulty	Courtney Fast	Melinda McGouldrick
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Rettig Melinda McGouldrick	Diana Rettig	Joann Welton	Betty Dossey Diana Freeman
10:50 AM	April 7	April 14 Palm Sunday	April 21 Easter	April 28
<b>Acolytes</b>	Aidan Fidone	Ava Cauley James Cross	Andreas Baerenwald Deacon Faulkner	Silas White Dillon Williams
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Ella DeKunder Staci DeKunder	Dave and Wendy Farner	Barbara McDowell	Jon and Nancy Holmes
<b>Asst Minister</b>	Susan Tallman	Susan Tallman	Sam Kennedy	Sam Kennedy
<b>Ushers</b>	Lerch Family	Cross Family	Roxy Funchess Susan Tallman	Parkan Family
<b>Children's Church</b>		Kevondra Mathis	Beth Bruce	Hannah Anderson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diana Rettig Melinda McGouldrick	Diana Rettig	Joann Welton	Betty Dossey Diana Freeman

***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 Rules

**Week 1 (July 8-12) - Discover**

**Week 2 (July 15-19) - Explore**

**Week 3 (July 22-26) - Share**

**Faith Camp is a three week bible day camp that is lead by our youth and mentor by adults.**

- Faith Camp is for all kids ages 5 to 6th grade.
- Cost \$130 - per camper, per week (\$30 discount for families that sign up for all three weeks.)
- The camp day is from 9:30 AM—3:30 PM. Before/After Care is available for an additional cost.



Visit our website at [www.faithbellaire.org/faith-camp](http://www.faithbellaire.org/faith-camp) to get more information and to register.

If you have any questions contact our Youth and Family Director, John Vickery at 713-664-3048 or email him at [jvickery@faithbellaire.org](mailto:jvickery@faithbellaire.org).

### Faith Lutheran Church

4600 Bellaire Boulevard at Avenue B  
Bellaire, Texas 77401

Office: 713-664-3048

Fax: 713-664-3371

Faith Day School: 713-664-3233

Mother's Day Out: 713-664-7726

[FaithBellaire.org](http://FaithBellaire.org)

[FaithDaySchool.org](http://FaithDaySchool.org)

[FaithHouseHouston.org](http://FaithHouseHouston.org)

[info@faithbellaire.org](mailto:info@faithbellaire.org)

**Rev. Kerry Nelson**

**Rev. Junfeng Tan**

**Stacy Williams**

**Dr. Clayton Faulkner**

**John Vickery**

**Kendolyn Pope**

**Yu Cao**

**Avier Whitfield**

**Alan Balius**

**Lorena Villrreal**

**Ana Rivas**

**Darrell Glenn**

**Senior Pastor**

**Associate Pastor**

**Director of Operations**

**Director of Worship, Music, and Technology**

**Director of Youth and Family**

**Director of Faith Schools**

**Office Coordinator**

**Office Coordinator**

**Organist/Choir Director**

**Facility Manager**

**Custodian**

**Facility Services**



# April 2019 - Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 6:00 PM SW Radio Control (FC Gym) 7:00 PM Pastor's Group	<b>2</b> 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, 306) 6:00 PM Stewardship Board Meeting (108) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 8:00 PM AA (Men Only)	<b>3</b> 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 11:45 AM Lenten Worship (Sanc) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 7:00 PM Lenten Worship (FH) 8:00 PM AA (300)	<b>4</b> 9:30 AM ESL (201) 10:00 PM Rebecca Ruth Circle (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:30 PM Faith Choir (208) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>5</b> 7:00 PM Faith Chinese Gathering (101) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)	<b>6</b> 8:00 AM Proclaim Jubilee Prayer Vigil (Sanc) 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 9:00 AM Cornerstone (300, 305, 306)
<b>7</b> Proclaim Jubilee Commitment Sunday 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 Fellowship Lunch (FC) 12:15 PM Parish Ed Team Meeting (201) 12:15 PM LEAD team Meeting (101) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 1:30 PM Internship Committee Meeting (201) 2:45 PM Worship Team Meeting (201) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)	<b>8</b> 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 7:00 PM Faith Camp Team Meeting (201)	<b>9</b> 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, 306) 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting (101) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 8:00 PM AA (Men Only)	<b>10</b> 9:00 AM LWR Quilters 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 10:00 AM Women's Connection (101) 11:45 AM Lenten Worship (Sanc) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 7:00 PM Lenten Worship (FH) 8:00 PM AA (300)	<b>11</b> 9:30 AM ESL (201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:30 PM Faith Choir (208) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>12</b> 6:00 PM Parent's Night Out 7:00 PM Faith Chinese Gathering (101) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)	<b>13</b> 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 9:00 AM Cornerstone (300, 305, 306)
<b>14</b> 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) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)	<b>15</b> 9:30 AM ESL (101, 200, 201) 6:00 PM Cornerstone Climbers Parents (401)	<b>16</b> 9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 9:30 AM ESL (101, 200, 201) 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 6:00 PM Faith Schools Board Meeting (101) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>17</b> 9:00 AM LWR Quilters (101) 9:30 AM ESL (101, 200, 201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 8:00 PM AA (300)	<b>18</b> MAUNDY THURSDAY 9:30 AM ESL (201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanc) 7:30 PM Faith Choir 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>19</b> GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 PM Good Friday Worship 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)	<b>20</b> 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 9:00 AM Cornerstone (300, 305, 306) 8:00 PM Easter Vigil (FC Gym)
<b>21</b> EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 AM Heritage Worship (Sanc) 9:45 AM Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt (FC) 10:50 AM "The Gathering" Worship (Sanc) 10:50 AM Faith Chinese Worship (FC) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)	<b>22</b> EASTER MONDAY OFFICE & SCHOOLS CLOSED 6:00 PM Cornerstone Climbers Parents (401)	<b>23</b> 9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 7:00 PM Faith House Board Meeting (101) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>24</b> 9:00 AM LWR Quilters (101) 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 6:00 PM Painting Group (307) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)	<b>25</b> 9:30 AM ESL (201) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:30 PM Faith Choir 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)	<b>26</b> 7:00 PM Faith Chinese Gathering (101) 8:00 PM AA Co-Ed (300)	<b>27</b> 9:00 AM Grey Sheet Eating Program (204) 9:00 AM Cornerstone (300, 305, 306)
<b>28</b> 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) 1:30 PM Handbell Choir (208) 6:30 PM Al-Anon (300)	<b>29</b> 9:30 AM ESL (200, 201) 7:00 PM v8 Early Ford (300)	<b>30</b> 9:15 AM Children's Chapel (Sanc) 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting (101) 3:00 PM Cornerstone (400, 401, 306) 7:00 PM First Place for Health (306) 8:00 PM AA Men Only (300)				