

April 2018



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Sunday Schedule

Worship

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

"Hitherto hath the Lord
helped us."

1 Samuel 7:13

Pastor's Note



Have you noticed people have really gotten into the "fixer-upper" lifestyle? A whole culture has sprung up around restoring older houses, taking them from outdated and worn out to making them new again for a different generation of families. This isn't just happening with buildings

either.

Cast off furniture has also a popular item to make-over not only because the item is less expensive for cash-strapped families but also because there is satisfaction in the work. People are recycling old dining room sets, bedside tables, cabinets, chairs, you name-it. If an item can be painted, stained, or re-upholstered, it's being done. Everything old is becoming new again. And it's not just happening with buildings and furniture either. It's happening with us!

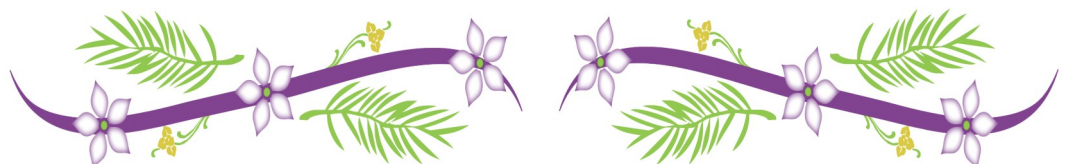
Psalm 80:3 says, "Restore us, O God; make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved," and Revelation 21:5 states, "He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!"

We flawed and broken human beings, worn out from sin's damages, needed God's help. And God in his infinite grace gave us new life through our faith in Jesus Christ. But being sinful humans, we daily become chipped, faded, and mis-used. Thank God for His abundant love! We are able come to Him for repair of our souls. Through Confession and Absolution and Holy Communion, God restores our souls and makes us whole again, new again. With praises raised to Christ the Lamb who sits upon the throne and our faces radiantly happy, we take our newly restored selves back out into the world to be and do all that God wants us to be. Thanks be to God!



Restituere animam meam Domine ad Deum,

Pastor Kerri



Council Notes

The Council will meet on Monday, April 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.



A thank-you goes out this month to Eric Medford for spraying all the buildings for bugs. The results have been noticed.

Also, a big thank-you goes to Charles Wagner for finally getting a good day to spray the parking lots for all the grass and weeds that had sprung up.

Another thank-you to Eric Medford for taking care of some of the mowing and trimming bushes ahead of the workday schedule.



Memorials



Cemetery Association

In Memory of Erwin Kuhl:

Mildred Kuhl

In Memory of Robert C. Kuhl, Jr.

Mildred Kuhl

Dennis & Janet Minzenmayer

Andy & Carolyn Becker

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Week is the last week of the Lenten season and the week before Easter. Congregations all over the country observe the Holy Week as the most sacred week of the year.

Maundy Thursday (March 29)

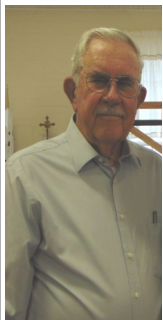
Commemorates the last supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles.
Worship Service/Holy Communion—7:00 p.m.

Good Friday (March 30)

Commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his death at Cavalry.
Worship Service—7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday (April 1)

The feast of resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Worship Service/Holy Communion—9:00 a.m.



Join us Sunday, April 8th, when we will have the honor of having our former pastor, Rev. Robert Schlortt, leading our worship while Pastors Kerri & Gary Veit are in Oklahoma attending their daughter, Ashleigh's wedding.

Benevolence Blessings

The Council has begun a new project called *Benevolence Blessings*. The first group to receive the *Blessings* are the bus drivers of the Thrall ISD in appreciation of everything they do for the children in the Thrall District.

CHURCHWIDE GARAGE SALE

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE BUILDING FUND



SATURDAY MAY 1, 2018 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

3101 COUNTY ROAD 417 TAYLOR, TX



The church council is moving ahead on gathering bids to remove and replace the existing vinyl siding on the church building. During this process, the window sills and trim will be replaced or repaired as needed and the trim sealed and painted. In an effort to complete this project in a timely fashion without depleting our building fund account, we are holding various fund-raisers, the most immediate of which is a garage sale. We are asking each and every member and friend of the congregation to assist as they are willing and able. With everyone's help, we can raise a significant amount of money to protect and preserve our beautiful and historic church.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

ADVERTISING - Make and distribute posters and flyers, contact area newspapers and radio stations, put in on Twitter, Facebook etc.

SORT and PRICE – As items are left at the Parish Hall, volunteers can begin sorting and pricing so that Sale Day set up is streamlined

CASHIERS – need at least 2 people at a time to take money. This can be done in shifts. We will need someone with a Smart Phone to utilize the Square Reader so that we can accept credit and debit cards. Checks *will not* be accepted and this is a great way to garner more sales.

MAN the SALE – Arrive early to set up tents and tables, set out sales items and maintain orderly displays through-out the sale. Help take down after the sale and haul away unsold items to charity.

BAKE SALE – need baked goods for the bake sale as well as people to work that booth.

DONATE ITEMS TO SELL – furniture (no mattresses), household goods, decorative and seasonal items, small appliances in clean and working order, gently worn baby and children's clothing, tools, plants...

April Worship Leaders

Acolytes

April 1
 April 8 Dawson Meiske
 April 15 Cade Talley
 April 22
 April 29

Lectors

April 1 Lea Rhoades (Easter)
 April 8 Maxine Schroeder
 April 15 Douglas Stauffer
 April 22 Charlotte Vrana
 April 29 Anthony Gage

Ushers

Lea Rhoades
 Shawn Gage
 Randall Roeglin

Communion Assistants

April 1 Charlotte Vrana (Easter)
 April 15 Allison Bradshaw

Bread Betty Warren

Altar Guild

April 1-8 G. Naivar, S. Lenz
 April 15-29 B. Nygrin, P. Patschke

W o r s h i p L e a d e r s

May Worship Leaders

Acolytes

May 6
 May 13 Cade Talley (Mother's Day)
 May 20 Dawson Meiske (Pentecost)
 May 27 (Holy Trinity)

Lectors

May 6 Megan Medford
 May 13 Gem Naivar (Mother's Day)
 May 20 Paulette Patschke (Pentecost)
 May 27 Lea Rhoades (Holy Trinity)

Ushers

Barbara Kuhl
 Charlotte Vrana
 Curtis Neidig

Communion Assistants

May 6 Randy Hehmann
 May 20 Braeden Lenz (Pentecost)

Bread Linda Limmer

Altar Guild

May 6-13 G. Naivar, S. Lenz
 May 20-27 B. Nygrin, P. Patschke



“Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”

~~Romans 5:1-2~~

Memorials

Church—Barbara Kuhl (352-7957)
 Cemetery—Paulette Patschke (365-8421)

Prayer Chains

Barbara Nygrin (352-6617)
 Paulette Patschke — ppatsch@plainscapital.com
 Cell# 512-633-3057

Council Members

Eric Medford-Pres.	Randy Hehmann
Gem Naivar-Vice-Pres.	Brian Neidig
Deborah Roeglin-Sec	Lori Talley
Barbara Kuhl-Treas	

Happy Birthday

April 2 Mary Bunge
 April 7 Rodney Neidig
 April 9 Charlie Badget
 April 16 Presley Hirsch



April 18 DeDe Dietz
 April 23 Karson Bradshaw
 April 26 Randy Hehmann

Anniversaries

April 20
Buddy & Karyl Townsend
56 years

April 29
Steven & Paulette Patschke
45 years

Congratulations!!

Elliot Scott Leshikar, son of Kris & Rhiannon Leshikar made his appearance at 3:17 a.m. on March 21st. He weighed in at 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Proud, first-time Grandpa is Douglas Stauffer and Andrew is an uncle.



Community Views

Thrall 4H/FFA Booster Club
 BBQ Chicken Dinner
 Sunday, April 8, 2018
 Serving: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Thrall VFD Hall
 Donation: \$10.00/plate
 Carry-Out Only

St. John Lutheran Church in Thrall will be hosting it's annual Polka Worship Service on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at 10:15 a.m. featuring the Praha Brothers Polka Band. A Chicken-fried steak lunch with trimmings catered by Captain Red will be served after the worship service. Tickets for the meal are \$10.00 each and may be ordered by calling 512-898-2136 or 512-461-5165.



April Flower Chart

April 1 Easter Lilies
 April 8 Douglas Stauffer
 April 15 Magen Bork & Shawn Gage
 April 22
 April 29 Paulette & Steve Patschke



Flower Chart Dates Available

The **2018** Flower Chart is available in the Narthex.

If you would like to provide the flowers on a certain date or dates, please sign up as soon as possible or contact Barbara Nygrin, and let her know which dates you would prefer.

L.A.F. (Lutheran Adult Fellowship)

Easter Brunch

The April activity is the annual **Easter Brunch on Sunday, April 1st**, following the Worship Service. Everyone is invited to bring brunch-type dishes for the meal. Invite your family and friends to join us for worship and the brunch afterwards.



Flower Cross

Remember to bring live flowers to be assembled on the Flower Cross on Easter Sunday, **April 1**. **The Cross will then be placed in the chancel during the Worship Service.**



Easter Egg Hunt

The Sunday School will be sponsoring the traditional Easter Egg Hunt on Easter morning following the Worship Service. If you would like to help assemble the eggs for the hunt, please contact Paulette Patschke. Kids—don't forget your baskets.

Workday

Thank-you to Barbara Nygrin, Barbara Kuhl, Charles Wagner, Linda & Wayne Limmer, Paulette & Steve Patschke, Pastors Kerri & Gary Veit, and Maxine Schroeder for showing up to help with the Spring Workday on Saturday, March 24th. It started out with a breakfast of bacon, waffles and scrambled eggs before the work started. All your hard work was very much appreciated.





WinGS News

(Women in God's Service)



With the successful start-up of A.C.E.S., it has been decided to participate in the Adult Christian Education Studies and have separate business meetings at various times during the year as deemed necessary. It is hoped that everyone will participate.

Mission Statement

WinGS is for **ALL** women at Prince of Peace. Each of us can use our spiritual gifts for the glory of God and the encouragement of one another. WinGs is a growing ministry that welcomes your participation, questions, and ideas. It is the purpose of WinGs to promote lasting friendships through fellowship and service to our church family, our community, and other meaningful outreaches.

Let us join hands and hearts in the accomplishment of this purpose.

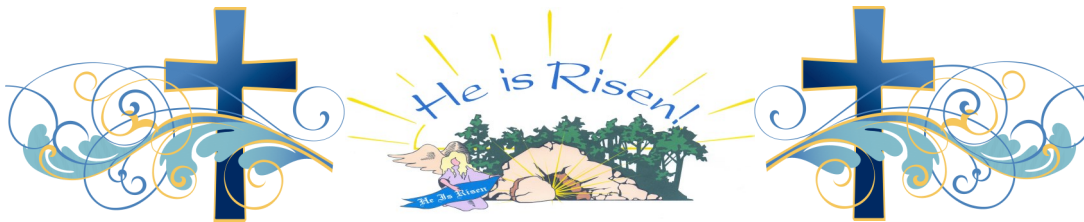
All women of the congregation are considered members of WinGS.

NOTE!!

WinGS will hold its quarterly business meeting after fellowship on Sunday, April 15, 2018. All ladies of the church are encouraged to participate.

WinGS Fundraiser

This year WinGS tried a different fundraiser instead of making their famous kolaches. A Chicken-fried Steak Dinner was held on Sunday, March 11, with Jody Wolf of the Thrall Country Diner doing all the cooking. The ladies made all the delicious desserts. A total of 424 tickets were sold. Jody & Bonnie Wolf have said that several customers have come in to the Diner and had many compliments for the fundraiser. He said if anyone did have a problem with their steaks, to go by the Diner and talk to him. We appreciate all the hard work everyone put forth to make this fundraiser a success. Proceeds will be divided between the WinGS General Fund, the Bereavement Fund and the Scholarship Fund.



First Sunday Fellowship

April 1—Easter Brunch
Everyone bring something to share.



The **2018** Sign-up sheet is posted on the kitchen bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.
Your help is always appreciated.



Christian Education News & Views

Bible Study Classes and Confirmation Classes

Gem Naivar is the Sunday School Director.

Pastor Kerri will be teaching the Confirmation class.

Steven Patschke will be teaching the Pre-confirmation class.

Gem Naivar & Lea Rhoades will be teaching the Beginners class.

Braeden Lenz will be leading the High School Discussion Class.

Classes are scheduled for each second and third Sundays.

A.C.E.S.

“Adult Christian Education Studies”

A.C.E.S. meets each first and third Wednesdays of the month and begins each night with a light supper at 6:30 p.m. with class beginning shortly thereafter.

Join us for interesting and informative classes.

Classes are expected to start up again on April 18.

Everyone is welcomed to attend.

Camp Fundraiser

A new twist to fundraisers—Auctioning off baked goods at a cattle auction.

On Friday, March 16, Dawson & Dallas Meiske took a variety of baked goods made by Maxine Schroeder and Linda Limmer to the Milam County Livestock Auction in Cameron, Texas. Mr. Kenny Mingus, owner of the auction company took a little time at the beginning of the auction and auctioned off 3 of the items. The other items were placed in a silent auction. Many thanks go to Mr. Mingus and all the buyers that bid on our baked goods.

Their generosity is greatly appreciated.





Prayer List



Please keep these listed and those you hold dear to your heart in prayer:

Lillie Krieg (Pflugerville N & Rehab)	Mildred Kuhl (Home)	Thomas Kotrla (SPJST)
Louis Menk (SPJST)	Dorothy Walther (Pflugerville N & Rehab)	
Betty Harbers	Barbara Kuhl	Alfred Meiske
Karyl Townsend		
Gary Bartels	Marjorie Dawson	Marvin Ford
Tina Guzaman	Carol Houghtaling	Roy Meiske
Jo Peters	Katie Roberts	Leon Rowald
Shirley Townsend	Emilie Vrana	Ida Watkins
Scotty Clifton	Donna Darriek	Frank David
Darrell Ford	Pat Hornsby	Randy Jaecks
Darrell Mikulencak	Elaine Oser	Beau Pitts
Chad Sullivan	Rick Thornton	Duane Vizena
Marcie Zrubek		



Lord, look upon us with eyes of mercy, may your healing hand rest upon us, may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of our bodies and into the depths of our souls, cleansing, purifying, restoring us to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom. Amen.

If you have anyone that you would like to have added to the prayer list, please let Maxine Schroeder know—512-862-3347 or 512-269-8405.

Fellowship Hall and Church Rental

If you wish to rent the Fellowship Hall or the Church for some occasion such as birthday parties, showers, family reunions, weddings, etc., please contact Maxine Schroeder for rental information.
Phone: 512-862-3347 Cell: 512-269-8405 Email: mls@eccwireless.net

April Newsletter Articles

All articles for the May newsletter are due to Maxine by or no later than Tuesday, April 24.

Newsletter Delivery

For everyone who has an e-mail address, the newsletter will be e-mailed to you. There will be some printed copies available at the church on each 4th Sunday of the month for the month following. The only exception will be in months with five Sundays. Copies will be mailed via USPS to the shut-ins, those without e-mail (unless you pick up a copy in church), or to those who request it to be mailed. Let us know your preference. We do not want to exclude anyone.

If you have an e-mail address, but have not been receiving any of the e-mailed notifications, and would like to be included, please send your address to: princeofpeacetaylor@eccwireless.net; princeofpeacelutheranchurch@gmail.com or to mls@eccwireless.net. Your e-mail address will be kept confidential. If you know of anyone that would like to receive the newsletter, please send that name and address as well.



Texas District

Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth

Fools for Christ

The number one reason why Christians do not share their faith is fear. More than any other reason that we give for not telling others about Jesus is fear of rejection, fear of messing up, fear of being asked questions we don't know the answer to, etc. In short, we can say that we are afraid of making fools of ourselves!

This month we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on April Fools' Day for the first time in 62 years! While much has been written and said about Jesus making a fool of sin, death, and the devil in his rising from the dead, I wanted to take a few moments and reflect on our foolishness instead.

Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 1 that "the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." In other words, we shouldn't be surprised that some who hear the Good News about Jesus will see it as foolishness. And this also should not deter us from sharing the Gospel, but simply prepare us for how we may be received.

Paul goes on to write that "God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe." Paul's words should give us courage to face our fears and not worry about whether we look foolish in the eyes of those we reach out to. We may be rejected, but we shake off the dust. We may be ridiculed, but we know that we are counted as blessed. We may be asked tough questions, but we answer honestly: "I don't know - let's see if we can figure that out together." We may even feel like we mess up, but we know that God is with us, the Holy Spirit is empowering us, and that God promises that his word will always accomplish its purpose.

So be bold and brave and share the love of God with someone God has put in your life to enjoy and befriend. For we are reminded that being a fool for Christ is a good thing and its not foolishness at all. For if we are never willing to risk some embarrassment for Jesus' sake, we will never receive the reward of the joy of salvation coming to the one who hears and believes.

Jesus looked like a fool for dying on the cross. What kind of King does that? The kind that loves us so much that he was faithful even to death to accomplish his Father's plan of salvation, so that death can be conquered and the joke be on the devil! And it would be foolish of us to NOT share this Good News!

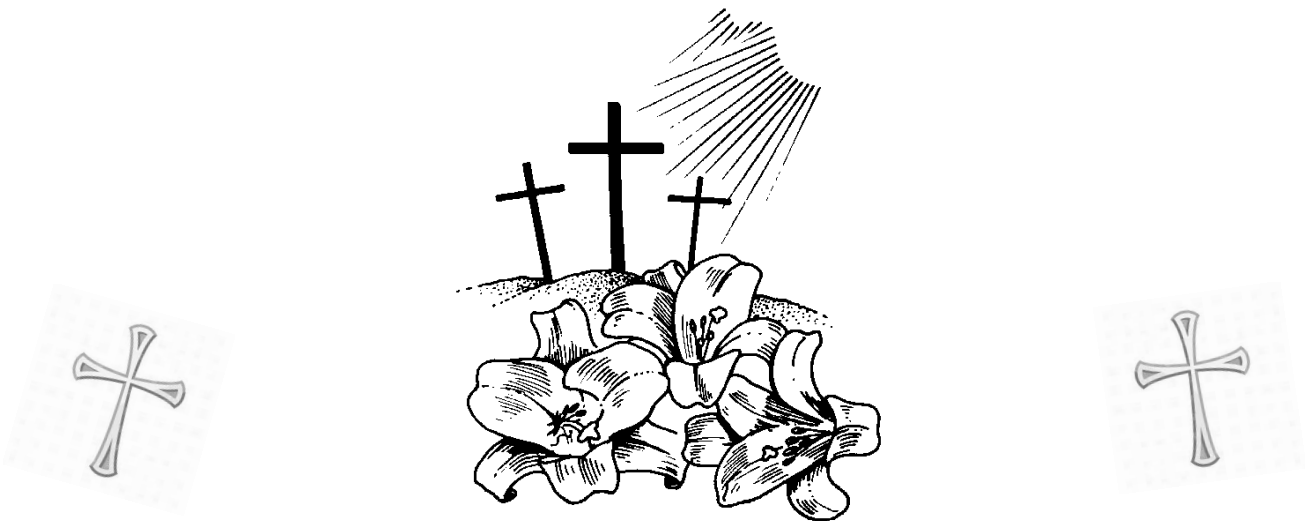
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Mission Statement

Our mission is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, as it is revealed through our heritage and reflected in our hope for the future.