# From the Office

Home Bound: Bettie Hughes, Annetta Cotton, Barbara George, Rosemary McCoy, Joyce Litke, Eulen Vaughn Health: Jenny Swezey, Rachel Scott's mother (cancer), Eulen Vaughn, Pastor Judi and family, Gary Vaughn, Charlotte Moore (Sally's niece on hospice), Betsy Frix (passing of sister)

Today's Prayer Partners: Mike and Teri Meyers, Harvey Spross, Betsy Frix

April Food Pantry Needs: Canned meat, canned fruit, Mac and cheese, boxed cereal, spaghetti sauce, mashed potatoes, toilet paper and laundry soap.

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### **New Online and Text Giving**

We are using a new vendor for our online and text giving which is fast and easy. To give online, go to our website and click the "giving" button.

To give from your smart phone use the phone number **254-870-8777**. Type one of the following words and the amount you wish to give: Tithe, Faith (for Faith Promise), Missions or Other. The first time you give you will enter your checking, credit card or banking info. After that, it is as simple as a text. Try it!

#### **April Birthdays:**

Zahara Angel	April 3
Joe Dobias	April 6
Ella Decker	April 7
David Corbitt	April 13
Rebecca Stewart	April 16
Steve Brecount	April 19
Linda Stivener	April 21
A. J. King	April 27

### **April Anniversaries:**

Phillip and Rebecca Stewart	April 27
David and Susan Lane	April 28

- If you are visiting for the first time today, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer and pick up a welcome bag. We are so glad you are here today.
- Audio devices are available at the Welcome Center for those having difficulty hearing the service.
- Wi-Fi Connection...CFCNAZ-guest and enter the password **potato94**

254-772-5145 cfnazwaco.com Office Hours: 9:30 am-4:30 pm

Message from Pat Ashley: "Thank you for all your prayers while I was ill! You mean so much to me."

# **April 2017**

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# Community Fellowship NELETER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2017

# **Death** is Defeated!

The Resurrection is not an argument - it is an affirmation. It is an announcement of the faith that overcomes the world. It is a declaration of the truth that light triumphs over darkness. Lilies do not argue that spring is here, they simply bloom and declare it so. The Resurrection is an announcement that light is stronger than darkness, life is more powerful than death, hope is greater than despair, and victory belongs to Heaven rather than to earth!!! What an incredible event on the time line of history!

A man was carefully examining a painting in the Art Institute in Chicago when he was joined by a small boy who stood beside him for a moment. They were looking at a crucifixion scene from one of the masters of the Renaissance. The man, wondering what the little boy understood about the scene said,

"What is that painting about?" The boy replied, "Don't 'ya know? That's Jesus and those people around Him killed Him; they killed him until He was dead!" The man, satisfied the boy knew, turned and started to walk away. He had only taken a few steps when he heard the voice of the boy calling to him. "Mister! Mister!" The man turned. "He didn't stay dead 'ya know. He didn't stay dead!"

The single, most important event on the timeline of history? Don't 'ya know? It is, of course the Resurrection of Jesus Christ! It is the single truth that is larger than our fears and doubts. It is the answer to every hurt and disappointment in history. He didn't stay dead. He is risen - He is risen indeed!!!

### **Church Events**

- April 9<sup>th</sup> "The Gathering" at **McLane Stadium**
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Resurrection Sunday
- April 30<sup>th</sup> Mission Fundraiser Lunch
- May 6<sup>th</sup> Mission Fundraiser **Garage Sale**
- May 7<sup>th</sup> Baby Day
- May 7<sup>th</sup> Spross Ranch Day
- May 14<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day
- May 21<sup>th</sup> Caravan Blue and White Lunch

### Today's Message: Walking with Jesus to the Well

# The Gathering"

A community-wide event at McLane Stadium Palm Sunday, April 9 @ 6:30 pm

This free, city-wide event an opportunity to is worship our Lord together. Everyone is asked to bring at least 2 canned goods to be distributed to local food pantries. Special speakers include Miles McPherson, a motivational speaker, pastor and former NFL player and Baylor coach, Scott Drew. McLane Stadium, Brazos Parking, and additional parking

garages open at 3 pm. Shuttles begin at 3:30 pm. Gates to the stadium open at 4:15 pm with preservice music, interviews and more beginning at 6:00 The Gathering pm. begins at 6:30 pm.

In preparation for "The Gathering" we have the opportunity to join other prayer warriors to "walk all the seating areas in the stadium," praying for

those attending. The stadium is open Friday, April 7, from 6-9 pm and Saturday, April 8, from 12-5 pm. Enter at the Visiting Team door, Gate B. Bring some form of ID to sign in and receive a name tag. See Pastor Roger if you have any other questions. Be in prayer for this special event and bring a friend to hear the Gospel.

### **Request from our Children's Director**

Proverbs 22:17 "A merry heart does

good like medicine'

Donations requested for Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday after morning worship. Please take your donations to the Adventure Zone.

> Plastic Eggs Individually wrapped candy

### GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 6

It's time for spring cleaning and we want to help you! Bring your unwanted items and donate them to our garage All proceeds go sale. the toward summer mission trip. See Pastor Brad about when and where to drop off your items. PLEASE only bring items that are:

1. In working order

2. Have all the pieces

See Pastor Brad if you would: help with the sale, help price items, or need your items picked up.

Let's support those going on this important trip and pray for God's blessing as they travel to Arizona to minister to the American Indians.

### Italian Trio Lunch Fundraiser for Mission Trip Sunday, April 30 after service

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after service for an Italian Trio Lunch with Lasagna, Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo and Spaghetti, Salad, Green Beans, Breadstick and Dessert.

Sign up at the Welcome Center!



## **Consider the Scraps**

Pastor Judi Wiegman

In the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter of the book of Mark we find recorded one of my favorite stories. Jesus instructed His tired disciples to come away by themselves to a quiet place and rest a while. They climbed into a boat and left the shore. As they were going, the people saw them and ran on arriving at the spot before the boat reached the other side of the Sea of Galilee.

You know the story. Towards evening the people were hungry and Jesus instructed His disciples to feed them. They located a small lad with a small lunch, which they brought to Jesus. He blessed it and the disciples shared it with over 5,000+ people. When the meal was over, they gathered up 12 baskets of scraps.

The disciples then boarded the boat and went ahead of Jesus to Bethsaida. As they sailed, a storm came up terrifying the men. Jesus came to them, walking on the water and this also frightened them! Jesus called out to them, "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid." Jesus entered into the boat and the wind stopped. The men were greatly astonished. They had just seen a major miracle on the shore and another as He came walking on the water. But they forgot all about the "scraps."

Sometimes the events of life absolutely terrify us. We have seen Jesus work in our lives! We have accumulated enough "scraps" to fill many baskets. Why do we think we can't get through this new crisis that seems to cripple us? Jesus was not bothered by the storm. He was not bothered by their fear. He just knew they had not "considered the scraps."

Next time a trial comes, look back over the pages of your life. Recall

the "scraps." Put them to use and you can get through anything. Look, here He comes, walking on the water to calm your storm.

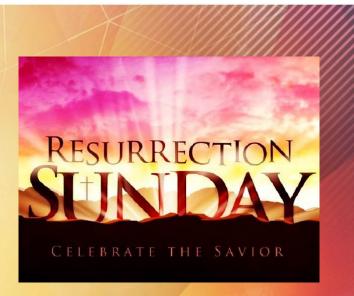
Do not fear, for I am with you.

Fellowship Hall for a night of fun and food. This is a VERY easy game to learn if you haven't played before and a great way to get to know other women in the church. Bring a snack to share! If you have guestions, see Kris Huff.

Women! Join us Friday, April 21, at 6:30 pm in the

Women's Bunco Night

3. Clothing must be clean and without rips or tears.



### **Resurrection Sunday** April 16, 2017

What a blessing and wonderful opportunity to join together and celebrate the resurrection of our Savior!

7:30 am

#### **Sunrise Service**

Meet under the sign at the front of the church (weather permitting). We sing hymns and songs of praise and worship with a short devotional by Pastor Roger.

### 8:30-9:15 am Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall

Proceeds benefit the summer mission trip. Menu: Scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, fruit, juice, milk and coffee. Suggested donation: \$2.50.

#### 9:30 am **Special Family Sunday School**

Everyone meets in the Fellowship Hall for an exciting time of learning and fun, music and drama. Come be a kid again-or help a kid learn about Jesus and what this special Sunday is all about.

#### 10:45 am **Resurrection Celebration Service** Special time of worship, a skit involving our children, scripture and time in the Word with Pastor Roger.

Invite someone to join you for this day of celebration. Be a beacon of light to your world by sharing Christ with them on this special day.