THE MONTH OF JANUARY

2019

Holy Cross Lutheran Church Nederland, Texas

Message from Francis L. Schroeder

Dear Members & Friends of Holy Cross,

I wish to express by deepest thanks for all your expressions of love and care extended to me in this Christmas season. You have been kind and generous in so many ways. I rejoice in the partnership we have had over these 26 years!

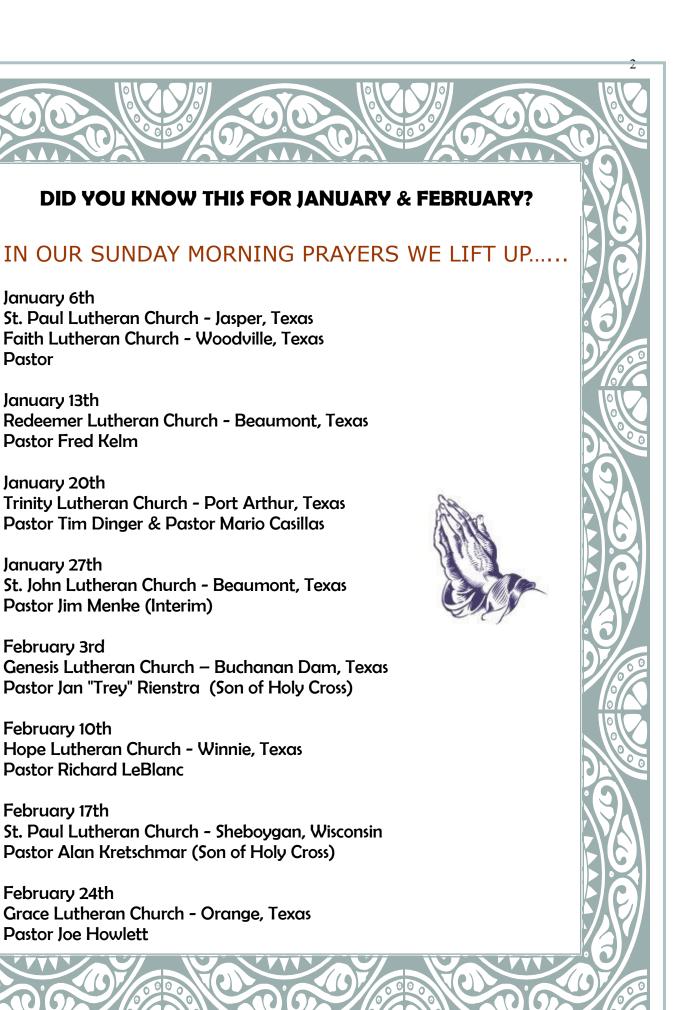
I ask the Lord to guide and bless you and fill you with many wonderful things in 2019. You remain in my daily prayers and I ask that I remain in yours.

Thank you again in so many ways! You are priceless in the eyes of the Lord and especially in my eyes!

In Christ Jesus,

Francis L. Schroeder





DID YOU KNOW THIS TOO?

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN NOW ON YOUR SMARTPHONE! All you need to do is type holycrosstexas and you will pull up the information for worship services, events for the week, registration forms, our newsletter, and a 30 minute video from Lutheran Media Ministries. For those on laptops you may go to www.holycrosstexas.org for our complete website.

OUR DAILY BREAD (December, January, & February) are available in the narthex. PORTALS OF PRAYERS (January, February, & March) are available in the narthex of the church.

CIRCUIT PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE will gather at 8:30 AM for coffee and refreshments, 9:00 AM for Opening Devotion, 9:15 AM for Bible Study, 10:30 AM for Topical Study, 11:15 AM for Circuit Business and Casuistry.

We are looking for people to help with donuts for Sunday school this fall. On Sunday morning donut helpers would need to pick up the donuts at:

Happy Donuts on Nederland Ave.

& bring them to church. Then, you would set up donuts, coffee, tea, etc. for adults & take some donuts over to the education building for the children. We will set up a schedule once we have volunteers.

Please contact: **Pam & Steve Vincent** if you are interested in helping or have any questions by

email: <u>pjvbookworm@gmail.com</u> or phone: #(409) 727-4488. Thanks!

JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

- I—Gary Trojcak
- 2— Jim Simmons
- Jace Lemoine Alexis Smithy Sophie Swango
- 4—Barbara Newman Ann Scott
- -Lacey Blalock Eric Dutschmann Rachel Hottendorf
- 6— Amanda Lovelace
- Curtis Beckcom Kevin Howard
- 8—Ruth Anne Perryman
- 9— Madison Lemoine
- 10— Tiffany Caywood Brian Durow
- II Derek Landry
- 14 Tymbre Gack Brandy Kieschnick
- 15— Steven Hartman Lee Murray Charles Schrader
- 16- Kaitlyn Louvier
- 17—Susan Ludwig
- 18 Angel Carreon
- 20 Noah Hardy

- Doug Carter Colette Stahl Tyler Vickers
- 23— Patricia O'Neal Irene Primeaux Olivia Shipley
- 24— Shawn Hottendorf Abel Trevino Kaden Zampini
- 25— Jude Stewart
- 26— Dorothy Morgan
- 27— Max O'Connor
- 28 Robert Barron Kathryn Carreon Jarod Doyle
- 29— Jessica Baca Jan Laurents Lisa Richard
- 30—Evan McEachern Walter Perryman



National Youth Gathering: Youth & adults from across the Synod will come together July 11-15, 2019, in Minneapolis for the next **LCMS** Youth Gathering under the theme rooted in Psalm 46.

Fit & Fun

Fellowship Group will meet January 15 @ 1-3:30pm.



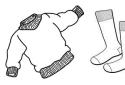


Deadline lor Februaru Newsletter is Monday. January <u>21st!</u>

ANNIVERSARIES

- 8— Erin & Jon Sowarby Shandi & Aaron Teltschik
- 9 DeeDee & Darrell Wukasch
- II Kalynne & Ryan Wolford
- 16— Kim & Darryl Carter
- 19 Lora & Clint Laird
- 21— Judy & Harold Alvarez
- 26— Donna & Chris Wolfe
- 27—Amber & Chris Harms
- 31— Cathy & Leonard Glick

Laurenda Wolford will be collecting coats, sweaters, sweatshirts & socks during the months of December and **January** for the Hospitality Center in Pt. Arthur. If you have any questions or items to donate, please contact her at #722-1898. There will be a basket in the Narthex for



donations.



Adult Choir: Sundays in the Choir Room, Ed. Bldg. right after church



Little Lambs Children's Choir Lauren Millner-Sanchez, director 679-6062



Handbell Choir Meets on Wednesdays in Sanctuary in the Choir Loft @ 6:30 or 7:15 pm Anita Ashby, director 201-5047

LifeLight will begin on Wednesday, January 9 @ 6pm in the Conference Rooms.

We will continue studying the book of Matthew: Part 2.

Materials have been ordered & will be in soon. If any new people are interested you are welcome to join us.

"Check Out" our books available on the red cart in the Narthex. Please feel free to take or 2—just leave check out card in the bucket provided on the cart. ou can also visit our Church Library in the Education Bldg. If you take a book, just sign ýour name



on the card & leave it on the desk.



HELP US PACK A PURSE!!

Ladies, most of us have a gently used or maybe even a new purse sitting in a closet, right?

Well, the Golden Triangle Zone of the LWML

wants to help you clean out those unused

purses while making a difference in the lives of women affected by disaster at the same time. When Hurricane Harvey hit here, a number of purses were brought to the Nederland area by a church in Baton Rouge. We would like to pay-it-forward by collecting and filling purses for delivery to a church/churches in the Carolinas and possibly Florida affected by Hurricanes Florence & Michael. You can fill the purse with the items listed below, OR simply donate a purse, OR, if you don't have a spare purse, just donate any/all of the items needed to fill one.

Simply bring your items to your local Lutheran congregation and they will be picked up for completion and/or distribution. Thank you for joining us in blessing others.

Below is a suggested list of items to include in the purse.

Please note this is only a suggested list.

Not all items must be included and other items can be added if you so desire.

Toothpaste/toothbrush
Travel size deodorant
Travel size Shampoo/Conditioner
Feminine hygiene products
Mints/gum

Notepad/pen
Small coin purse

Nail file/emery board/clipper

A personal note from you

Brush or comb Lip balm/lipstick Hand sanitizer/lotion

Baby Wipes

Travel size tissue Compact mirror

\$5 in cash

Nail polish/remover pads

If you have a still unused Thrivent Action Team for 2018, now would be the perfect time and the perfect opportunity to use it. Please contact Roberta Heiner (409-781-9581) if you have any questions or are interested in applying for Thrivent Action Team dollars.

News from our: Lutheran Women's Missionary League

LWMLer's are <u> Lutheran Women</u> who are: <u>In</u> the Word, <u>of</u> the word, walking with their Lord! We have many opportunities for the congregation to help us with our mission projects.



January 8 @ 6pm

Devotion:

"Working for His Glory"

Activities:

Business meeting with annual reports, installation of officers and appointment of committees.

Everyone is invited!

Prayer Card Ministry

Our Prayer Card Ministry Team meets the 4th Tuesday of each month. Our NEXT meeting is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 22, at 10:30am</u> in the Conference Rooms. If you would like to have a

card sent to a family member or friend, please let Laurenda Wolford, **543-3555** or the church office know. This prayer card ministry is funded by the Wolford family in loving memory of **Bob.**

Quilting News:

Thank you to everyone for supporting our group all year. Cotton material, blue jeans, denim or cash for supplies can always be used. We are well on our way to breaking our record from last year on the number of quilts made. I know y'all can't wait to see them on the church rail! Come join us on Thursdays 9:30am-2:30pm. You do not have to know how to sew to join us. We accomplish much—along with lots of fun! Our wish for the new year is: "May all your dreams come true and

is: "May all your dreams come true and may all your quilts keep you warm". God Bless you all.

Holy Cross Quilters

Any ?'s, please call: **Rosemarie** @ **201-5710**.



ECE News

Enrollment to date: M/W=58 & T/Th=62

Classes resume on January 8.

Dates to remember:

January 24—(Thursday)—No school— the ECE Staff will be attending the Texas District Early Childhood Conference in Plano. We have new playground equipment to be installed soon. May God Bless you & your families in the upcoming 2019 year.







The **Spanish Mission** funding has drastically dropped since #34 Mission Council has taken a hiatus from our meetings. There is not much funding left for Pastor Casillas. There is a critical need for dollars to support this mission that is reaching the Spanish speaking community in Mid & South

County. Please ask the Lord to guide you in your decision regarding support of this project Circuit wide. Any donations can be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church @ 2400 5th St., Port Arthur, Texas 77640 & earmark for "Spanish Mission."

Any questions, call **Linda Turner**, Trinity Lutheran Secretary @ #(409) 983-1130.

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| Sat | 2 | | 12 | FLC Private Rental Service of Celebration for ECE Employee Dayla Brown | 5 2 | | 26 | | Acolytes: 6—Timothy Lavespere Marlee Woodruff (3—Mackenzie Philen | Cadence McCullough 20—Addison Ashby Nathan Wolfe 27—Robert Barron Preston DeSerrano |
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| Fri | 7 | | = | | E | | 25 | | Ushers: 6—David Prigux Pat Sturgis 13—Steve Derguen | Thad Kieschnick 20—Todd Kieschnick Charles Schrader 27—Jim Lavespere Michael Rose |
| Thu | 3 9:30am Quilting | 6pm Board of Mission 8 Assimilations Meeting | 10 9:30am Quilting | 7pm ECE Board Meeting | 17 9:30am Quilting | | 24 9:30am Quilting | | 31 9:30am Quilting | |
| Wed | 2 9:30am ECE Chapel | | 9 9:30am ECE Chapel | 5:30pm Midweek Meal 6pm Midweek, H.S. Youth, Confirmation, Lifelight 6:30 or 7:15om Handbells | 16 9:30am ECE Chapel | 5:30pm Midweek Meal 6pm Midweek, H.S. Youth, Confirmation, Lifelight 6:30 or 7:15pm Handbells | 23 9:30am ECE Chapel | 5:30pm Midweek Meal 6pm Midweek, H.S. Youth, Confirmation, Lifelight 6:30 or 7:15pm Handbells | 30 9:30am ECE Chapel | 5:30pm Midweek Meal 6pm Midweek, H.S. Youth, Confirmation, Ufelight 6:30 or 7:15pm Handbells |
| Tue | 1 Church Office Closed | Dring on the NEW YEAR! | 8 9:30am ECE Chapel | врт LWML | 15 9:30am ECE Chapel | 6:30pm MDAW Meeting | 22 9:30am ECE Chapel | | 29 9:30am ECE Chapel | |
| Mon | Altar Guild: | Leah Elisar | 7 | NO ECE 70m Harmony Exporters | 7 | 7pm Harmony Exporters | 21 Martin Luther King Holiday No School | 7pm Harmony Exporters | 28 | 7pm Harmony Exporters |
| Sun | <u>Elders:</u> | Steve Vincent 781-5185 Mark Winstead 350-1410 | 6 9am Bible Classes | Special Voters Meeting after Worship | 13 9am Bible Classes 10:30am Blended Worship Adult Choir after Worship | | 20 9am Bible Classes 10:30am Worship Service w/ Communion Adult Choir after Worship | | 27 9am Bible Classes 10:30am Worship Service Adult Choir after Worship | |