



The Good News Herald

The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

4881 W. Panther Creek Drive

The Woodlands, TX 77381

September 2018

"An Inclusive Church Family: Loving, Sharing, and Serving Christ."



September 09, 2018

We're kicking off our 2018-19 program year! Many of our ministry teams will have information about what they do and how you can get involved. Find out what's happening in Sunday School for all ages, and much more! Boy Scout Troop 1772 is preparing a brunch for us. Join us in the fellowship hall from 9:45 to 10:45 am for all of the fun!

*Contact the church office to let us know if your ministry team
or group plans to come share about themselves or if you have questions!*

Worship Schedule returns to 8:30 am and 11:00am on September 09

Children and Tweens Sunday School Begins September 09

Adult and Youth Sunday School Begins September 16

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WCPC HOSTS A WEEKLY AA MEETING.

Each Monday at 7:00 pm in Hendricks 306 a local AA group is meeting. If you know of anyone who would like to attend please share this information.

WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAY MORNINGS: 8:30AM & 11:00AM SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45AM-10:45AM

Pastor: Rev. Dr. David F. Jones	Music Ministries: Jonathan Aigner, Director of Music Sherry Hunter, Director, Bell Choirs Dr. Dave Faber, Organist	Early Learning Program: Cindy Mountain, Director Fran Weissbach, Administration	Our Missionaries Nancy Collins, Zambia Sara Armstrong, Peru Rusty Edmondson, Peru
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Nancy Castro	Todd Duncan	Pierce Burnette
Jen Conner	Sheree Fleming	Lynne Gregg
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WCPC PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer is one of the greatest gifts God has given to us. At WCPC, we have the opportunity to participate in the prayer ministry as well as request prayers in several different ways.

- The Prayer Book is located in the foyer of the church. Members are asked to sign the book requesting prayers for themselves or others prior to the church service. Prayers for these individuals are included during the worship services and are added to the Church Prayer List.
- The Church Prayer List is available online (www.wcpc-tx.org) and at church on Sundays. Prayer requests may be added to or removed from the list by contacting Rev. Laura Grice in the church office (281-363-2040 ext. 2; lgrice@wcpc-tx.org). Please obtain permission from the person prior to adding their name to the prayer list.
- The Thursday Morning Prayer Group meets on Thursday from 9:30—10:30 am at the church. This group is led by Sally Lichtenwalter. Through the use of Lectio Divinia and Intercessory Prayer, the group prays for members, family, and friends that have requested prayers. Contact Sally Lichtenwalter (218-292-3152) for more information about this group.

During the next few months, deacons will be contacting members who have added the names of friends and family to the WCPC Prayer List. The purpose of these calls is to assure the member that the WCPC church family is praying for those who need our prayers.

Communications Corner

Life of the Church: Articles due preceding Tuesday by noon.

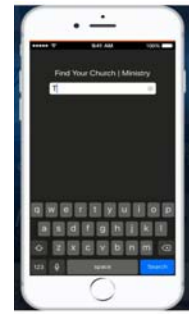
Newsletter: Articles due August 15 for the September 2018 newsletter.

Website: Information due Monday at noon . Send to communications@wcpc-tx.org.

Ways to stay connected!

Find all of this information online on our website at www.wcpc-tx.org

Download the WCPC App! First you must download the ShareFaith App then follow the below directions to find WCPC. This app will have Sermons, Peazy's Blog, Newsletter and more!



Find us on Instagram by searching for WCPC1981 or enter the address below
<https://www.instagram.com/wcpc1981/>

Find us on Facebook by searching for Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church or enter the address below
<https://www.facebook.com/wcpcWoodlandsCommunityPresbyterianChurch/>

Find the Church Life App under the GIVING tab on our website which tells the steps. This app will have the church directory which has the most updated contact information available. Here is the link to the page:
<http://www.wcpc-tx.org/church-life-app-2/>

Please feel free to contact the church office for help or with any questions!

Stephen Ministry Is Your Ministry...

All Alone? Don't be. God doesn't want us to be all alone. God wants us to turn to others when things are bothering us. Stephen Ministers will walk with you through your troubles and be there for you when you need them. Need prayer? We'll be there for you. Following worship, Stephen Ministers are available for those in need of prayer.



**The Mow and Blow team
needs volunteers!**
**Contact: Andy Ward at
AndyNon7@gmail.com**



THINNERS & SINNERS

Thinners and Sinners Garden Group meets every other Friday morning from 8:00-10:00 a.m. More info: dhitchcocktx@gmail.com or 281-705-5650
*weather permitting



Fall Adult Class & Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning 9:45—10:45 am

The History of Christianity CHEB 301a
led by Bill McCleary & Joe Christoffel
How did a persecuted sect in 1st-century Palestine rise to command such a massive influence on human culture, imagination, and spirit? Explore Christianity's first 1,500 years, from the disciples to the dawn of the Reformation with Professor Luke Timothy Johnson.

Lectionary Class CHEB 303
led by Bob Campbell
In this class, we dig more deeply into the day's Revised Common Lectionary readings so that we can increase our understanding, enhance our worship experience and equip ourselves and each other to apply these biblical lessons in our daily lives.

Connecting Through the Bible CHEB 304
led by Sue Watkins, Neville Walker and Dave Watkins
A fun, interactive discussion of the Gospel of Mark. Part of N.T. Wright's series, *New Testament for Everyone*, this study of the Gospel of Mark is an accessible and practical study for everyone. Great for those new or well-versed in Bible Study.

Parenting: Smart Money, Smart Kids CHEB 306
led by Mike and Tara Devoley
Are you the parent of a young child? If so, please join us as we seek to learn how to bring God's will into our life as parents. We will laugh together and form bonds as we try to navigate the hardest job we have; being a parent! We will also have the opportunity for fellowship together (childcare provided) on one Friday night a month! In *Smart Money Smart Kids*, Dave Ramsey and his daughter, Rachel Cruze, help you get a no-nonsense approach for teaching your kids and teens the basics of money.

First Place 4 Health Parlor
led by Patty Ahern
This class is a Christ-centered weight-loss and healthy living program. This Bible study, addresses many issues of everyday life and provides opportunities for growth in Christ. Our first class will be on September 16th, our bible study will be "Walking by Faith" by Christin Ditchfield. The books are available at First Place 4 Health's web site.

Monday

Women's Bible Study CHEB 301b
9:30-11:30 am
led by Tricia Knight
This group will be using the study, *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer. New members are always welcome!

Moms' Group Youth Room/CE 200
Fourth Mondays, 9:30-11:30 am
Contact Marnie Bush
This year we will be reading *The Power of a Positive Mom* by Karol Ladd. This study offers seven principles that will help you and your child face the complicated issues confronting parents today including bullying, social media, single parenting, and more.

Tuesday

Presbyterian Women Evening Circle
First Tuesdays, 7:00 pm in Member Homes
This group is using the Horizons Bible Study *God's Promise: I am with you* by Amy Poling Sutherlun. This study takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider God's most repeated promise, "I am with you," a promise of presence.

Wednesday

Wed. Morning Men's Study Group Library
1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 am
led by Rev. Dr. David Jones
The focus of the study is the text for the upcoming sermon our pastor will be delivering.

Wednesday Morning Study Group CHEB 301b
10:00-11:30 am
contact Sylvia Campbell
This group is using The Great Courses study- *Reading Biblical Literature: Genesis to Revelation*, by Craig Koester, Ph.D. This study offers a comprehensive, book-by-book analysis of the Bible from the fascinating perspective of literature and narrative.

Wed. Evening Men's Study Group Crust Pizza
1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 pm
led by Rev. Dr. David Jones
The focus of the study is the text for the upcoming sermon our pastor will be delivering.

Thursday

Circle of Blessings - Women's Circle
2nd Thursdays, 7:00 pm in Member Homes
This group is also using the Horizons Bible Study *God's Promise: I am with you* by Amy Poling Sutherlun.

Ed Thorney was a long-time member of WCPC and a man of great wisdom. Today I want to share a quote that Ed loved.

"Use it up. Wear it out. Make it do. Or do without." (Boyd K. Packer)

Sounds a bit old school, doesn't it? Maybe so, but I think we could gain a lot by paying attention to this advice.



W. C. PEEZY is the official Praying Mantis for the WCPC Creation Care Team.

The following description of overtures approved by the 2018 General Assembly (GA) concerns an overture forwarded by WCPC's Session to New Covenant Presbytery which approved and forwarded it to the GA, as well as a similar overture. The condensed article, originally published on PC (USA)'s Presbyterian Mission's Eco-Justice Blog, contains links to both overtures.

G.A. and Carbon Pricing, 101

By Bill Bray, Ron Spross, and Tomie Evans, Ruling Elders, Rev Bob Taylor, Teaching Elder (retired)—overtures advocates to the 2018 General Assembly that passed the overtures.

The General Assembly is inviting us to a call to action. A prayer-full calling for us to build bridges of trust with our neighbors and Congress (yes, Congress!), supporting actions on climate.

The full Plenary of the General Assembly voted to approve the [New Covenant 08-12](https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000325) [https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000325] overture and approved the [Twin Cities 08-09](http://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000320) [www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000320] overture.

The GA approval affirms and invites us to learn about the carbon dividend idea. They also direct the Presbytery Mission Agency and local congregations to support actions on advocacy with Congress, for the [Carbon Dividend](#) idea, and to build partnerships with organizations such as [Citizens' Climate Lobby](#).

We need lower-carbon choices. All business, not just energy utilities, needs to shift. Since it's a core business behavior to avoid costs, by adding a fee to fossil fuels at the wellhead, mine, and border, businesses will pick suppliers avoiding the cost, become more efficient, and *constantly* innovate to offer lower-carbon lower-cost products, energy, food, and transportation.

Setting a fee at the source by Congress assures it's universally applied to business and consumers (businesses can't trade for an exception), making it fair and effective.

By returning all of the fee each month to every family across the entire USA as a dividend, it is also socially just, possibly the only proposal that immediately helps families and communities.

More jobs. Better climate. Safer, healthier families. By investing our relentless well-organized time to build relationships and support Congress, we become a force **for** Nature.



Mission Outreach Team (MOT)

The Mission Outreach Team's mission statement reads:

Because God's love knows no bounds, the Mission Outreach Team encourages the congregation of WCPC to be a servant people, witnessing to the light of Christ through actions and words so that the world might know the grace, peace, and love of God.

WCPC has a long history of mission outreach, whether locally, globally or in our own church family. We don't have to look very far to find people who are in need of our love and care. Each one of us has unique gifts and can make a contribution for the glory of God. We are called to reach out to our neighbors, whether across the street, across town, across the country, or across the ocean. That is because God's love knows no boundaries.

MOT meets at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of each month in Room 301B of the Hendricks Education Building (HEB) to discuss current mission outreach programs and consider new outreach opportunities. **The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 5th. New members as well as new ideas to engage in caring for each other and for others throughout our community, nation and the world are always welcome.**

For more information about MOT or mission outreach opportunities, please look on our website, www.wcpc-tx.org or contact Michele Stelter at mstelster@wcpc-tx.org or 281-363-2040 x 7.

2018 PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING



The church always wrestles with the distance between our timeframe and expectations and God's. In God's time, even the small seeds we plant can grow into sturdy trees. In God's time, our expectations can be expanded and surpassed by God's faithfulness. **The 2018 Peace & Global Witness Offering, which will be collected on World Communion Sunday, October 7th and throughout the month,** encourages the church of our time to rid itself of anxiety and fear, discord and division and embrace our reconciling God's mission to those in our

community and around the world. God offers boundless peace, which bursts through the shackles of time and expectation. It quiets the anxiety of each believer by joining us together as we pray: Now, may the Lord grant us peace at all times in all ways. Prayerfully consider supporting programs vital to nurturing peace throughout the world **by giving generously to the Peace & Global Witness Offering.** Kindly make your check payable to WCPC and mark it for "Peace & Global Witness." There will also be specially marked envelopes in the pew racks for your convenience. Seventy-five percent of this offering supports efforts to inspire, equip and connect Presbyterians engaging in ministries of reconciliation and peace. The remaining 25% will be retained by our congregation and will be used to support Hand in Hand, which is the only network of Jewish-Arab schools in Israel (**see article below for more information**) .

Center for Jewish-Arab
Education in Israel

Hand in Hand



Hand in Hand: Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel, is building peace, partnership and equality through a network of integrated, bilingual schools. Hand in Hand in Jerusalem is a school where Jews and Arabs study together. It started in 1998 as one kindergarten class in Jerusalem and one first grade class in Galilee and has grown to be a national movement, encompassing six schools and close to 1,800 students. Beyond the classroom, Hand in Hand engages thousands of Jewish and Arab adults in joint community programs. Their goals are to open more integrated Jewish-Arab schools,

spread their model of multicultural, bilingual education to more communities in Israel and to be a strong and viable model for Jewish-Arab shared society. Hand in Hand is transforming fear and mistrust into friendship and cooperation, proving to all of Israeli society that Arabs and Jews can live together.

Save the Date



FaithsTogether 20th Thanksgiving Observance Tuesday, Nov. 13th @ 7:30pm in WCPC Sanctuary

Preparations have begun for the 20th annual **FaithsTogether Thanksgiving Observance**, which is a wonderful opportunity to join with our neighbors from many different faith communities to celebrate our diversity and give thanks together. **It will be held at WCPC this year on Tuesday, Nov. 13th @ 7:30 pm.** In order to make this a successful event, we need lots of help! There are many different ways in which you can help from ushering to publicity to helping with the reception or even singing in the FaithsTogether Combined Choir. If you are interested in becoming involved with the Thanksgiving Observance, please contact Diane Boyd at 832-761-5294 or Michele Stelter in the church office.



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The Gathering Place

Friday, September 17th
10:00am to 1:00pm
(Lunch is provided)
WCPC Fellowship Hall

The Gathering Place of The Woodlands at WCPC is a ministry for those who are living with memory loss and the people who love and care for them at home. The Gathering Place seeks to help both the care partner and the caregiver. If you or someone you know are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's, stroke, Parkinson's, or other dementia, you know that caregivers often find it difficult to do things such as run errands, visit friends, or just have free time alone. The Gathering Place provides the caregiver a few hours of free time or they may choose to participate along with their care partner or they may attend Common Ground, a caregiver support group which meets in the WCPC Parlor from 10:30am to noon.

The Gathering Place provides a time of fun activities and fellowship in a safe, caring environment for the care partner during a time where it may be difficult for a caregiver to find appropriate social activities for their loved one with memory loss. The monthly programs will vary, often featuring a festive theme to help the care partner identify with the current season, event or holiday. In a fun, interactive atmosphere, our volunteers offer music, games, chair exercises, crafts, reminiscing, guest performers, and a light lunch.

A representative from CarePartners or our care team helps determine if we can meet the family's need with our program. This is done by arranging for the caregiver and the care partner to attend The Gathering Place together for the first visit. We welcome the opportunity to speak with you. For information, call WCPC coordinator Kathy Bray at 281-419-0373.

The Gathering Place Needs Your Help!

We are looking for a co-leader for The Gathering Place. This person would be the spokesperson/point of contact for the program. The position would involve administrative duties such as maintaining the list of CarePartners, answering emails, making a few phone calls, sending out invitations to CarePartner families, etc. In addition, this person would coordinate with the different activity leaders as necessary. This is a job that is done during school hours and usually not during school breaks. Instruction and training are available. If you have a heart for helping people, particularly those who are living with memory loss or other dementia, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Michele Stelter at 281-363-2040 x 7 or mstelter@wcpc-tx.org if you are interested in the job, have questions or would like more information.



Just Coffee (Café Justo)

As its name implies, Just Coffee (Café Justo) is about justice and equality! It is a coffee grower cooperative based in Salvador Urbina, Chiapas, Mexico that is guided by four key principles: Financial Transparency, Organic and Sustainable Production Practices, Consensus Decision Making and Fair and Just Treatment of all cooperative members, workers, suppliers, and clients. These requirements exceed those of Fair Trade and so it is referred to as Fair Trade Plus! According to its founder and director, Daniel Cifuentes, the mission of Café Justo is to reduce the amount of migration to the

United States and we believe this is the best way to convince young families to stay in Mexico. So Just Coffee is also about the self-development of people!

On Sundays, Sept 16th and 23rd you are invited to help make the dreams of our brothers and sisters in Mexico come true by ordering one-pound bags of this delectable coffee for your home enjoyment. If you won't be here either Sunday to place an order, please contact Mary Emerson at 832-246-8905 or emerlee911@gmail.com

The Interfaith Food Pantry

Interfaith values our support of their Food Pantry. Since the beginning of the year, Interfaith has provided food assistance to over 10,000 families and almost 5,000 individuals. Please continue to remember our neighbors in need when you go grocery shopping.

Special Pantry Needs for September:
dry milk, shelf-stable milk, dry beans
paper towels, napkins and diapers

In addition to the specific items listed above, the pantry always needs peanut butter, jam, personal hygiene items, baby wipes, cleaning supplies (no spray bottles) and laundry detergent. Bring your donations to the pantry in the narthex anytime.

Buddy Backpack Program



WCPC Donates to MCFB Buddy Backpack Program

With the money raised by the youth during Super Bowl of Caring, WCPC was able to donate 135 backpacks to the Montgomery County Food Bank Buddy Backpack Program. Through this program, food insecure children in our county are provided with seven nutritional meals and snacks for the weekend. In addition to donating backpacks, WCPC was able to sponsor one weekend's worth of food for each of the backpacks given to the Food Bank. This was made possible by individuals in the congregation donating \$10 per backpack to purchase a weekend's worth of food. Thank you to everyone who donated to Super Bowl of Caring and/or sponsored food for a backpack!

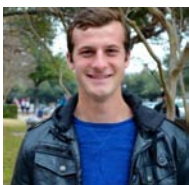
Visitors in September

Mark your calendars now so that you will be in town to meet Sara Armstrong and Rusty Edmondson, who have served in Peru since January, 2009 as PC(USA) delegation and partnership coordinators and Daniel Pappas, who served as a YAV (Young Adult Volunteer) in Peru during the 2015-16 season. **They will be at WCPC from Sept. 28-30 and will participate in worship and Sunday School on Sunday, September 30th, which is Mission Sunday. They will also present at the Social Justice Forum Program on Saturday morning, Sept. 29th beginning at 9am in HEB 301.** Look for more information about the Social Justice Forum Program in upcoming publications.



In their positions, Sara and Rusty work with PC(USA) delegations fostering partnerships with our Peruvian covenant partners, the Peruvian Protestant Church and the Joining Hands Peru Network. To find out more about Sara and Rusty, click on the link below:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/missionconnections/the-rev-sara-armstrong-and-russell-edmondson/>



Daniel served in Moyobamba in the 2015-16 season of the Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program. As a YAV, he worked in the Moyobamba office of NGO Paz y Esperanza as a photographer/videographer.

This office works on three projects: 1. They help native tribes win collective land rights to prevent major companies from evicting them from their territories. 2. They teach sign language to deaf-mute children and their parents in the area. 3. They help empower a network of high school students to prevent sex trafficking. He worked on all three of these projects in different capacities (chronicling the natives ongoing legal battles, learning sign language, and photographing high school seminars.) To learn more about his experiences in Peru, visit his blog at: <http://peruyav.blogspot.com/?m=1>

WCPC Blood Drive

**Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM
Fellowship Hall**



**Gulf Coast Regional
Blood Center**
Commit for Life®

Help save lives by participating in the WCPC Blood Drive

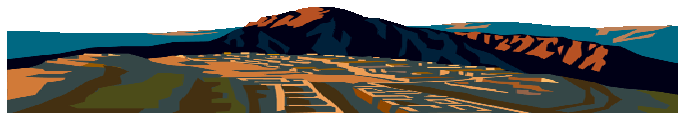
Donor Requirements

- **Donors must be at least 17 years old, 16 with parental consent**
- **You must bring a valid picture ID prior to donation**
- **Donors must weigh at least 110 pounds, 16 year old donors must weigh 122 pounds**
- **Potential donors must be in general good health, without any cold or flu symptoms**

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Mission Outreach Team is looking for an advocate to coordinate two or three Blood Drives each year. This involves securing dates with the Gulf Coast Blood Center, signing up people to donate and being available the day of the drive. No experience necessary just the desire to help others. If you are interested, please call Michele Stelter in the church office at 281-363-2040 x 7.

Peru Update



2018 Peru Mission Trip to Quillabamba

In May, 27 people from Bryan Presbyterian Church, The Texas A & M Health Science Center, Blinn College, and WCPC headed to Quillabamba, Peru. The mission team included: 1 doctor; 3 nurses; 4 nursing students; a pharmacist; and 6 PT students and a PT doctor. After a tiring journey from Houston to Lima to Cusco, the team boarded a bus for a 6 - hour ride up and over the Andes to Quillabamba, an area considered low jungle (only 3000 feet high). The work site was the Bible Institute that Bryan Presbyterian had built over the last couple of years, with a financial donation from WCPC to complete the kitchen. The site, perched on top of a hillside overlooking the Urubamba river, consists of a large open room, a two-story dormitory (6 rooms), two more large rooms and a kitchen/dining room. It is a 45- minute bus ride from Quillabamba, where good medical and dental care is available but which is not readily accessible to the families living in the mountains.

This was the first time that the Bryan team offered a medical mission along with crafts for the children whose parents were waiting to see a doctor. The health needs were characteristic of people spending their lifetime in poverty and physical labor (physical therapy was much needed). Other common ailments included parasites, vitamin deficiency, respiratory problems, diabetes and foot infections; several had cancerous growths. Churches in the Presbytery had been given half day "slots" so each day, small busloads of patients from the churches arrived along with many others who walked from neighboring areas. Over 3.5 days, 378 patients were served. There were so many patients that every day 30 or more were turned away. Many spent the night sleeping on the ground, hoping to be seen the next day. Getting to the site was grueling. One woman had walked 9 hours and trips of 3 hours were common but the chance to see an American doctor was a gift to them.

What most startled me was the extreme lack of dental hygiene among the children. Almost all had rotten teeth, even those who were 4 and 5 years old. Many of the adults had lost most of their teeth.

On the ride back to Cusco, the bus was stopped by a police blockade. Northern Peru has surpassed Columbia in the drug trade and check points are common. The bus was allowed to continue after a few minutes. The mission team flew from Cusco to Lima to Houston, tired but happy that God's love was shared with the wonderful people that were served.



The kitchen WCPC helped build



This woman walked 9 miles in flip flops to reach us



Large space for triage & waiting



A child doing arts & crafts while parents waiting to see a doctor

2018 Peru Mission Trip to Quillabamba

This summer, 8 members from WCPC joined First Presbyterian Church – Kingwood on a mission trip to the Manchay barrio in the La Molina District of Peru (Lima area). The mission projects included a medical clinic and vacation bible school. This was the second year for a medical clinic at the local church and the first year for vacation bible school. The congregation had obviously grown over the past year as evidenced by the increase in the number of local church volunteers (nearly doubled) and the addition of a second floor to the building. The significant increase in space allowed for the simultaneous operation of both the medical clinic and vacation bible school at the same location.

The medical team conducted 551 physical examinations and over 300 eye examinations. In partnership with a local optometrist, 210 prescriptions eye glasses were made (from the prescription and reading glasses we donated) and subsequently distributed by the local church. In addition, 43 reading glasses were distributed in the clinic.

Vacation bible school was offered in two separate sessions each day (morning & afternoon) and included bible lessons, related crafts, and songs and games. The mission teams were supported by nearly a dozen volunteers from the local church. The total attendance for the week exceeded 550.



Medical Clinic



Mission Site



VBS



News From Zambia

Learning More About Our Seminarian, Naomi



Our Seminarian
Naomi Daka

Recently, Dustin Ellington, a PCUSA co-worker in Lusaka, Zambia who helps train pastors in the basic Bachelor of Theology program and also has responsibility for teaching in the Master's in Theology program at Justo Mwale University, sat down with three of his students and asked big questions of each. In his June, 2018 Mission Partnership Update for The Outreach Foundation, Dustin shared the answers given by his students in hopes that their words might touch our hearts and give us insight into the church in their part of the world. Naomi Daka, the seminary student WCPC supports at Justo Mwale, was one of these three students. Below are the questions asked of and the responses given by Naomi.

1. When you think of your church in your home country, what encourages you and leads you to thank God?

Naomi Daka (second-year student from Zambia): The zeal that people have to worship God really makes me thank God. People have zeal for Sundays. There are a variety of motives, but it's still encouraging to see. People really want to be part of church. Something additional is the inclusiveness ... [towards] female ministers; this really makes me thank God for my church. And the encouragement we ministers get from the church to further our studies also encourages me.

2. What concerns you when you look at the church in your home country, so Christians in America can join your concern and pray for believers there?

Naomi: I spoke earlier of zeal but varying motives. It's also my concern, and I pray I don't fall into it, that the ministers often want to go to urban congregations [where the pay is better]. Yet the people in the rural areas need to hear the word of God. Pray that we ministers can hear the voice of God, and that God will provide for those who minister in rural areas. We can also pray that ministers will remember their first call, when they said they would go anywhere.

3. Are there ways your education at Justo Mwale University is giving you hope by equipping you to face these challenges and concerns? How so?

Naomi: JMU is equipping me with an openness to learn. I'm learning about contextualizing the word and becoming a listening minister. My education here has also taught me humility. Being humble is more important than the grades I receive.

Greetings from Siavonga

Greetings in the blessed name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are all fine as a congregation.

From 17-19th August, 2018 we undertook an outreach trip to Haanabuchi Island.

We took with us second hand clothes for distribution.

For transport, we used a lolly to take us to the lake and then used a speed boat to ferry us to the said island.

We had leadership seminar, evangelism and adult baptism.

We had a nice time and it was a wonderful experience.

Thank you for your continued support in our mission work here in Africa, specifically Siavonga.

To God be the glory.

We send greetings to everyone there.

Your servant in the Lord.

Ndiwenu.

(Rev. N.K. Machisa)

U.C.Z. Siavonga

Zambia)

Note: Through our Benevolence Budget, WCPC sent \$1,000 to UCZ- Siavonga to be used for mission outreach.





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Come Meet Your Deacon!



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The deacons will be in the Welcome Center and serving as greeters September 23, 30 and October 7, 14 so you can meet them and they can meet you. Stop by and meet your Deacon!

PRAYERS & SQUARES

This past year has been an exciting and productive year for the Prayers and Squares sewers. We have continued with the quilt ministry and also were able to provide 123 dresses for the Africa, Peru and Willis Parental Support Center mission projects. In June we supplied 60 blankets to foster children attending the Love Fosters Hope camps.. A huge thank you to all the women and girls who helped make these things possible.

We have more sewing work for mission outreach this year. Please come and join us as we sew dresses to sell at the Alternative Market. This year we need help making more blankets for the Love Fosters Hope camps, and we will also be sewing blankets for aged out foster youth who will be living at Love Fosters Hope Emergency Home.. Bring your sewing machine or serger and join us on the first and third Mondays of each month from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. Our next meeting is September 17 (we are off the first Monday of September due to the Labor Day holiday) Contact: Nancy Kiefer.



Ann Fleischmann and son Nick and family, would like to thank you all for the prayers and for the beautiful quilt, which is very special to us. To Mary Lou and the Prayer Quilt Ministry, for the loving hands that made it, and to those who tied a knot. "On The Wings of Eagles, Isaiah 40:31" May God Bless You All. His recovery is going well!

*Thank you for the quilt for our niece Sarah Pullins and for your knots and prayers.
Pat and Bob Huck.*

YOGA FALL 2018

Let us fall back into a routine that will keep us focused, balanced and motivated. First, we all know how an hour of Yoga practice can bring back flexibility to our limbs and calmness to our mind. Second, the hustle and bustle of our daily lives brings on stress which we need to lessen. Third, learning to minimize the level of stress is key to a healthy body. Thus, we must recognize that a well prepared mind and body will make the challenges of everyday life much more easier to process.

I would like to invite you to join our Yoga practice in the Narthex, Sanctuary.

Our first day of the Fall schedule will be Saturday, September 1, 2018.

Monday: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Gentle and Restorative Meditation

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Energizing Yoga Sun Salutations

Wednesday: No classes

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Gentle and Restorative Meditation

Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Energizing Yoga Sun Salutations

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Energizing Yoga Sun Salutations

Rita Upadhyaya, TheWoodlandsLady@gmail.com, (713) 377-8521

I continue to be amazed and grateful for the overwhelming support I have received from the WCPC Family since November 2017. I had a serious fall Thanksgiving weekend causing severe sprains in both feet and back injuries requiring three surgical procedures in February, March and April. At the end of April, I developed a serious illness, unrelated to the fall, resulting in surgery June 4 to remove my left kidney. Just when I thought I was over the last hurdle, I was faced with a new challenge. My brother died suddenly and unexpectedly on July 13. During all of these "life experiences" I have received meals, visits, phone calls, and numerous cards of encouragement and condolence. My family and I are blessed to be members of this loving Family known as The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church!

THANK YOU!

Carol East



WELCOME TO WCPC

A class for guests interested in learning about the ministry and mission of WCPC.
October 7, 14, 21, 28 at 9:45 am in Rm 302
Located in the Hendricks Education Building

Reading Biblical Literature: Genesis to Revelation

Lecturer: Craig R. Koester, Luther Seminary

The diversity of material in biblical books like Exodus, Isaiah, Psalms, Mark, and Revelation has prompted people throughout history (from religious scholars to celebrated artists to everyday worshippers) to ponder and debate the meaning of these classic texts. To truly understand and appreciate the Bible's many perspectives on faith, war, suffering, love, memory, community, and other enduring themes, it is enlightening to use a literary approach to reading and thinking about these separate books.

- What do you learn when you consider biblical books with a focus on their settings, narrative structures, characterizations, images, and themes?
- How do various biblical books offer quite different responses to events and issues, challenging readers to think of them in bold new ways?
- How does this respectful perspective help us better understand the early history of Judaism and Christianity, as well as the roots of religious belief?

36 lessons

10:00 to 11:30am

DVD-based study

Beginning September 12

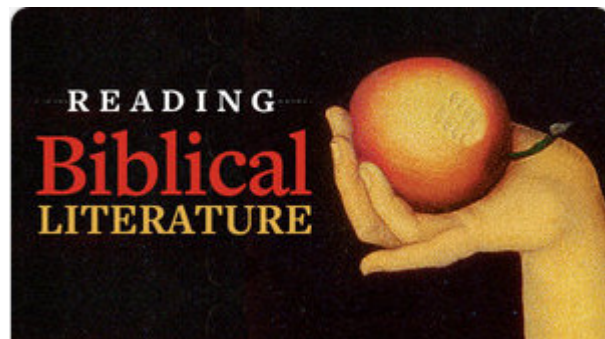
Hendricks Building Room 301

Shared leadership Everyone is welcome!

The cost is \$17.50, and the deadline for ordering is Sept. 12 (date of the first meeting on this study).

Checks to Sylvia Campbell or cash. People can contact me if they will not be in class to sign up for a book.

Questions? Contact Sylvia Campbell at bobnsyl@gmail.com or 832-498-9910.



ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

FELLOWSHIP HALL AT 11:30 AM

Oh how we have missed you!! Join us as we celebrate the wonderful fellowship we have at WCPC. Enjoy lots of good food and homemade desserts!

Bring a neighbor or a co-worker, the more the merrier!

Don't miss out on all the fun catching up with your friends and church family!

WAM = Wednesday Afternoon Music= Lots of Fun!!

Wednesday Night Dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30.

ALLELUIA CHOIR

(Grades 2-6)

Children's choir ensemble performing a variety of musical styles.

Meets Wednesdays, **4:45-5:30 pm**, in CHEB 305.

Performs at the 11:00 am service on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Alleluia Choir Director: Jonathan Aigner

Accompanist: Maria Paz Pickens

ANGEL VOICES

(Age 4 through first grade)

Young children singing such favorites as "Jesus Loves Me," "Hallelujah, Hallelujah," "This Little Light of Mine," and more.

Meets Wednesdays, **4:45-5:30 pm**, in CHEB 301B

Sings at the 11:00 am service on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Angel Voices Director: Bonnie Graham

Accompanist: Tina Davies

CHERUB CHOIR

(Ages 2 & 3)

Introductory music for our youngest singers.

Meets Wednesdays, **4:45-5:30 pm**, in CHEB 302

Performs occasionally in worship or special events.

Cherub Singers Director: Tricia MacDonald

CHILDREN'S CHIMES

(Grades 2-6)

Children's Handchime ensemble, playing Level 1 music with three octaves of handchimes. This group is open to all children. There is no need to have any previous music training. New musicians welcome!

Meets Wednesdays, **4:15-4:45 pm**, September-May in the Sanctuary Narthex.

Performs every other month on the 4th Sunday, plus special events.

Director: Jonathan Aigner, jaigner@wcpc-tx.org

Save the Date

Game Day is Coming Soon!

When: Sunday, October 14, 2018 Time: 12:15-2:30

Cost: \$20/seat Children \$10/seat

****Childcare will be available for children 2nd grade and under.***








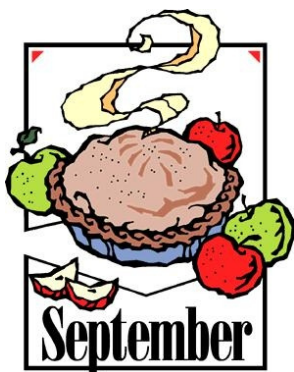
Join us for lunch and an afternoon of fun-filled games as we travel through several decades to test our knowledge of sports, news, and entertainment that was current during each decade. All money raised will go to the scholarship funds for children and youth activities. This is a great way to help support our youth's faith journeys and to have a lot of fun too. We encourage you to talk to your ministry groups and form a team. Or we will be happy to make teams too. Sign-ups will begin after Labor Day. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Stephanie Keiser at stephainekeiser1@gmail.com or Marnie Bush at marniebush@gmail.com.



september



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 Last 10 am Worship, no SS	3 	 4 Back to School ELP starts back 9-3 weekdays	5 WAM is Back! Chimes 4:15 Child Choirs 4:45 Dinner 5:30 Youth & Parent Study 6-7:30	6 All Ears Family Nite 6-8	7 Fellowship for Parents of Preschoolers 6:30 –9 pm, rsvp to Susan Tween Fun Friday Pool Party 6-8 pm at Cassidy's	8
9 Regular schedule of Worship 8:30 & 11 am Sunday School Kick-Off 9:45	10 MOM's MTG 9:30 Youth room ELP Staff MTG 12-2 FH	11  All Ears Parent MTG 9-3	12 WAM Chimes 4:15 Child Choirs 4:45 Dinner 5:30 Youth & Parent Study 6-7:30	13	14 ELP Board MTG 9-11 am	15  Parents Night Out 5-8 pm rsvp to sdun- can@wcpc-tx.org
16 Worship 8:30 & 11 am Sunday School 9:45 Youth Fellowship and CE Team Meeting 12:20 pm	17 Mom's Mission Monday 9:30- 12:30	18 Session MTG 7 pm	19 WAM Chimes 4:15 Child Choirs 4:45 Dinner 5:30 Youth & Parent Study 6-7:30	20	21	22 
23 Worship 8:30 am Sunday school 9:45 am Worship 11 am <u>3rd grade Bibles & Worship Class</u> K-2nd graders	24 New Moms of ELP Preschoolers Group 9am in FH NartheX rsvp to Susan for child- care in HEB 308-9	25	26 Adult Lunch 11:30 FH WAM Chimes 4:15 Child Choirs 4:45 Dinner 5:30 Youth & Parent Study 6-7:30	27 6:30 pm Childcare for Money and Marriage Event RSVP to Susan	28	29
30 Mission Sunday Worship 8:30 am Sunday school 9:45 am Worship 11 am						



Sunday School for All Ages Resumes Sept. 9th with Kick Off



Children's Sunday School

This Month in Sunday school:

1st-2nd grade Sunday school rotation topic this month: **Creation** with Sparkhouse Rotation In room 101.

Preschool & Kindergarten children will study **Creation** and start on a survey of all Bible stories using Walk with Me, room 106.

3rd & 4th grade children will follow the Bible passages used in worship, using **Whirl Lectionary** curriculum from Sparkhouse in room 204.

Tweens 5th & 6th grade will begin a two year study of the Bible in the New Testament with Sparkhouse Connect curriculum in room 205



Tween Friday Funday starts with a Pool Party on Sept 7th

Tweens (5th & 6th graders) and their parents, please join us from 6-8pm for the first event of the school year. Contact Marnie Bush, mbush@gmail.com or Audrey Keim, alkeim5@gmail.com for information and to be put on the tween parents email list.



The Children's Sunday School Offering goes to Food Missions this year. The Noisy Offering and VBS Pennies for Peanuts Offering raised \$350 and counting for the Montgomery County Foodbank to purchase peanuts to be used to make peanut butter. The children will also be learning more about the PSUSA offerings in SS starting with the Peace & Global Witness Offering in September.



Worship Class for K-2nd graders is instruction on worship for children graduating from our nursery program. Children and their parents in Kindergarten-2nd grade, or any older children who missed it may participate. Children's Ministry created this program to help parents and the children adjust to the transition from nursery to worship and to prepare the children for participation at their level in worship. Children come the 4th Sunday of the month during the 11 am service after the Children's Message and meet in the Narthex of the Sanctuary with Susan. Contact Susan at sduncan@wcpc-tx.org for more information. Worship Class starts Sept. 23rd, the 1st Lesson is on Tools of Worship.

Questions about Children or Tweens Ministry or childcare?
Contact Susan Duncan at sduncan@wcpc-tx.org



Wednesday Afternoon Music

School aged children 2nd -6th grade join us for **Chimes** from 4:15-4:45 in the sanctuary narthex . Choirs start at 4:45 with **Cherubs** 2-3 years in 302, **Angel Voices** 4 yrs-1st in 301B and **Alleluia** 2nd-6th in 305. Dinner is available at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall. After dinner, childcare for parents with meetings or music rehearsals is also available with rsvp to Susan in rooms 307-308.

Children's Ministry Mission Statement: To nurture all to experience the unique joy of being a "child" of God.

... You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign to your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorpost of your house and on your gates. Deuteronomy 6:4-8



Parent Night Out !

PNO Sept 15th 5-8 pm

Join us for **Apple Harvest Fun** from 5-8 pm on Saturday **Sept. 15th** in the Hendricks Building Nursery rooms.

We will be serving a dinner of pizza and a fruit or vegetable side. You may also bring a sack lunch for any non-pizza eating children. Fun activities include making apple crafts and playing apple games outside. We will finish by watching a movie about Johnny Appleseed. P.J.'s are welcome!



Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles

Parents of *third graders* please email Susan and let her know if they will be able to receive their Bible in the service on Sept. 23rd. Any 3rd graders not able to be here will still be given their Bibles in Sunday school. The Bible Workshop for 3rd graders will happen during Sunday school on Sept 30th.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

We are recruiting volunteers to teach and help in the children's Sunday school classes. If this is something you feel called to help with please **contact Susan Duncan 281-363-2040 or email at sduncan@wcpc-tx.org** for more information.

We need 3 to 4 teachers for each age level;

1st & 2nd grade and 3rd and 4th

grade classes are especially in need of help! Volunteer groups of 4 or more rotate taking the lead and helping with Sunday school so everyone gets a Sunday off each 4 weeks. We also need floaters and substitutes. Please prayerfully consider helping this year in children ministry. Where else can you make 13 lifelong friends in less than 5 minutes?





All Ears! Listening & Language Center is blessed to be adopted as a mission of The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church. All Ears! is a non-profit dedicated to empowering children who are deaf and hard of hearing and their families to develop listening and spoken language. In other words, we teach deaf children how to talk with the goal of mainstream school by kindergarten. When these children are mainstreamed by kindergarten without special services, it saves the tax payers over \$400,000 per child.

3 of every 1,000 babies are born with hearing loss.

95% of these babies are born to families who listen and speak who want their children to communicate using the same language that they do. With the assistance of hearing aids and/or cochlear implants, children who are deaf can learn to listen and speak.

There are several aspects of the family focused All Ears! Center that make it unique. We provide Auditory Verbal Therapy sessions for families. These sessions focus on the development of listening, language and speech skills for children with hearing loss by guiding and coaching the *parents*. Family Nights consisting of parent support, education and camaraderie are provided free for anyone in the community.

The critical time period for developing the listening part of the brain is birth to three years of age. Parents at All Ears! Center may receive services as soon as their child fails a newborn hearing screening. Those services range from community resources, Auditory Verbal Therapy, Infant-Toddler Play Group, Family Night, mentoring, preschool classes with hearing peers and summer camp.

90% of what kids learn by kindergarten they learn by overhearing. Therefore it is important for children learning how to listen and speak to have good language role models. The Early Learning Program, another Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church mission, is a state licensed preschool. The Early Learning Program and All Ears! work closely together to ensure excellent speech, language and social skills are overheard and observed by All Ears! students. All Ears! Center staff work on specific speech, listening and language skills. Then the students have an opportunity to practice and perfect those skills with age appropriate hearing peers from The Early Learning Program.

All Ears! Center was established in 2014 with 5 students. Currently 22 children are receiving direct services. Countless families are taking advantage of Family Night services. Hearing aid and cochlear implant manufacturers are providing educational opportunities to the community through All Ears! Center at The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church. All Ears! is also working collaboratively with Texas Children's Hospital The Woodlands to ensure the needs of the community are met.

The mission of All Ears! is to empower families of children who are deaf and hard of hearing, without financial burden, who have chosen listening and spoken language as their child's communication option by teaching them listening, speaking and literacy skills in order to promote independence.

If you would like more information about All Ears! Listening & Language Center, please contact Shelley Mathay at shelley@allearscenter.org or 281-615-5475 or visit allearscenter.org.

— A new class by Ramsey Solutions —

Smart Money Smart Kids



Raising the Next Generation to Win with Money!

Rachel Cruze and Dave Ramsey teach parents how to raise money-smart kids in a debt-filled world!

CLASS INFO

This Sunday School class will begin on September 9th at 9:45 in room 306 in the HEB. For more information please contact Mike and Tara Devoley at tdevoley@yahoo.com.



For more information, visit smartmoneysmartkids.com.

First Friday of the Month 6:30-9 pm WCPC is offering childcare for a new Fellowship Group for Parents with Preschoolers. This new fellowship group is just for parents whose youngest children are age 0-4 years old! The parents with preschoolers group will meet once a month at a local restaurant TBA by email.

Fall dates are:
 September 7th
 October 5th
 November 2nd
 December 7th

Please contact Sarah Parker or Rebekah Rydarowski for the meeting location at ssnyder888@gmail.com or rebekah.rydarowski@gmail.com and to reserve childcare in HEB 309 contact Susan Duncan at sduncan@wcpc-tx.org.



The Early Learning Program

of the Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church



Our children have been meeting their new ELP teachers and making many new friends! It has been such a joyous time to see the anticipation on the children's faces as they walk through the door during those first few days. For some children, this is their first experience away from home and being cared for by someone other than Mom or Dad. It is not only an honor to provide these children with an atmosphere of joy, learning, and friends, but it truly is an honor to teach and model Jesus' love to these special families.

Our Bible verse focus for this last month is "I am Wonderfully Made." Psalm 139:14. During the first month of school we are focusing on "All About Me" and how God created all of us uniquely wonderful! As our children enter pre-school for the first time, it is so important to connect and value their homes and families with their new ELP teachers and friends.

During the last week in September all of our classes will enjoy a "Sensory Day" in the side yard area outside. This day is a special event filled with all kinds of sensory activities and icky and squishy things for us to see, hear, touch, and smell! This truly is the happiest place on Earth! As you pass by in the coming days, feel free to wave and say hi to all of our children and staff! You will always find some of us outside enjoying our amazing playground or walking out to the Fellowship Hall Narthex to visit our amazing chapel class each week.

In addition to the many fun things we have planned for the children, we are also joining with WCPC to create a new **"Monday's Mom's Group."** This group of moms with young children will be gathering on Mondays and enjoying coffee, fellowship, and discussions that are relevant to today's moms. Moms will have the opportunity to lean on each other for support and sometimes even have an opportunity to leave their children with WCPC childcare and have a moment to themselves for an appointment or errand. Thank you for giving this gift to our moms! We are excited to see how God leads and moves through this new group!

Blessings to you all as we get into the fall season together!

Cindy Mountain



New ELP Monday's Mom's group starting at 9 am Sept 24th in the coffee area of Fellowship Hall

Conversation topics: How do I encourage my kids to talk about their day at school?

What do I do with all the art work, etc from school?

Childcare available in HEB 308

Future times: Oct 1, Oct 15 Drop & Go childcare, Oct 22, Oct 29 Drop & Go childcare, Nov 5, Nov 12, Nov 26 D & G, Dec 3, Dec 10 D & G

Moms' Group of WCPC

A Fellowship and Support Group for Mothers
A Ministry of The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

Sept 10 th	Mom's Meeting	9:30am-11:30am	Youth Room-CE 206	Welcome and Welcome Back! We are kicking off the year with former director of ELP, Rita Van Sickle, sharing tips on getting kids back to a routine, morning schedule, tips to teach kids time management and more. We'll meet in the Youth Room (Rm 206), upstairs in the ELP (Education) building. No Childcare.
Sept 18 th	Parent's Night Out	5:00pm-8:00 pm	HEB Nurseries	This month's theme is Apple Harvest. Kids will enjoy pizza, a movie, and crafts right here at WCPC. Donations for pizza are gratefully accepted. RSVP to Susan Duncan (sduncan@wcpc-tx.org) to reserve a spot.
Sept 17 th	Mission Monday	9:30am-12:30pm	HEB Nurseries/ Willis Parental Center	Mission Monday is an opportunity for us to fellowship together while contributing in a local outreach mission. Drop your kids at the church with a peanut-free lunch and carpool up to the Willis Parental Support Center for a day of service. *RSVP to Susan Duncan at SDuncan@wcpc-tx.org for childcare by Sept 10.
Sept 24 th	Bible/ Book Study	9:30am-11:30am	Youth Room-CE 200	This year we will be reading <i>Power of a Positive Mom</i> by Karol Ladd. Join us as we examine how our attitudes and actions can influence our families. You can order a copy of the book through Amazon. Contact Marnie Bush (marniebush@gmail.com) for more information.
Sept 27 th	Money and Marriage Event	6:30pm-9:40pm	Woodlands Church (Childcare in WCPC HEB)	Join us as we drop our kids at WCPC and then meet up at the Woodlands Church for this event. Money expert and #1 best-selling author Rachel Cruze along with psychologist, relationship expert and award-winning author Dr. Les Parrott teach you practical marriage and financial tools and strategies that will help you get on the same page with your spouse. Follow this link to purchase tickets https://www.wc.org/events/money-and-marriage-event/ . RSVP to Susan Duncan (sduncan@wcpc-tx.org) for childcare.

For additional information contact any of the following Steering Committee Members:

Marnie Bush	marniebush@gmail.com
Stephanie Keiser	stephaniekeiser1@gmail.com
Sarah Parker (Duck mom)	ssnyder888@gmail.com
Robin Ward	robinmctx@yahoo.com

A LOOK AHEAD...

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Escape Room

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21
Kayaking

FRIDAY—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2-4
Weekend Camping Trip

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11
PYCC Youth Rally

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19
Youth Christmas Party

JR AND SR HIGH

SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:45 AM

WEDNESDAY
MISSION PROJECT
6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY
BIBLE STUDY
6:10 PM
DINNER AT 5:30PM

CONCLAVES
2019
MARCH 1-3

SUMMER 2019
CONFERENCES

MO RANCH
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CELEBRATION
JUNE 23-28, 2019

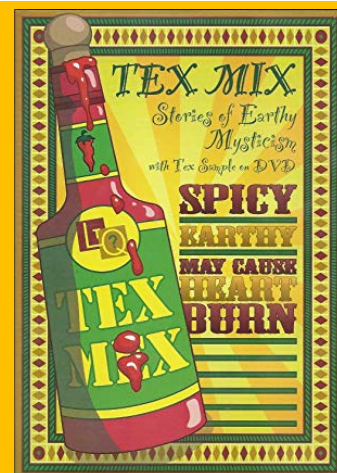
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JR HIGH
JUBILEE II
JULY 7-11, 2019

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rm CE 200

9:45 am– 10:45 am

This Fall the youth will be starting a storytelling series based on the stories of Tex Sample, a Methodist pastor with a deep love for storytelling. We will be listening to stories, talking about how they relate to our daily lives, and learning how to share our own stories.



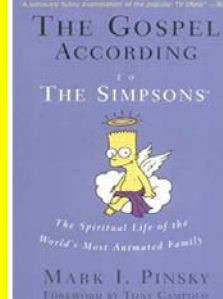
WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH:

Join us on Wednesday nights for our community dinner at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a time of mission, group games, small group study and closing vespers in the youth rooms.

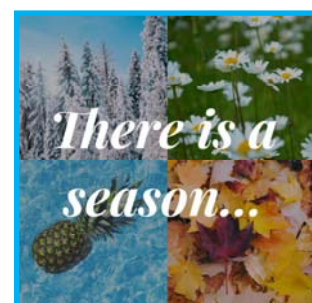
Both Junior and Senior High groups will spend time in fun, study, discussion and prayer as they deepen their understanding of scripture and what it looks like to live a life of faith.

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHT JAM SESSION

Youth Jam Session will meet in
Youth room 7:30pm
Text Sally Bowers to RSVP
(713-823-2824)



Junior High
will be
exploring
"The Gospel
According
to The Simpsons"



...and Senior High
will be
diving deep
into
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

3rd Sunday Fellowship September 16th

The youth (grades 7-12) will be going to an Escape Room on the third Sunday of September. Details TBA!
Contact Sally Bowers or the church office with any questions!



Director of Children's Ministry:
Elder for Children & Tweens:
Youth Team Chairs:

Susan Duncan
Jen Conner
Sally Bowers
Megan Hansen
Shirley Barclay

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Youth Administration

*Please support the Youth & Tweens ministries of WCPC with your prayers, your time, and your talents.
Contact Sally Bowers or Megan Hansen with questions, to donate, and to volunteer.*

Children | Tweens | Youth | All

September

- 7 Parents of Preschool Fellowship
- 7 Tween Pool party at the Cassidy home
- 9 Sunday School Kickoff and Brunch
- 9 Youth Parent/Volunteer orientation 12pm
- 15 Parent Night Out-Apple Harvest 5-8pm
- 16 Youth Fellowship-Escape Room
- 23 Third Grade Bible Presentation
- 30 Mission Sunday

October

- 5 Parents of Preschool Fellowship
- 12 Tween – Game day prep
- 14 Game Day Fellowship
- 20 Parent Night Out-Favorite Book Characters 5-8pm
- 21 Youth Fellowship- Kayaking
- 26 Trunk or Treat

November

- 2 Parents of Preschool Fellowship
- 2 Tweens- Game Preserve
- 2-4th Youth camping
- 9 Under 18 meeting 11 am
- 10 Parent Night Out-Thankful Turkeys 5-8pm
- 11 Youth Rally at Pines PC
- 13 Faith'sTogether
- 23 Bless Friday
- 30 Tweens Christmas Party – Advent prep

December

- 1 Alternative Market
- 2 Advent Festival/Alternative Market
- 7 Parents of Preschool Fellowship
- 9 Caroling 3-5pm
- 15 Parent Night Out-Polar Express 4-8pm
- 16 Church Choir Concert Dinner/Program
- 19 Youth Christmas party
- 23 Christmas Eve Family Service Rehearsal 9:45 am
- 24 Christmas Eve 5 (family service), 7, 9pm

Wednesdays: Music programs begin at 4:15pm, dinner at 5:30, Youth Mission Project at 6pm and Bible study at 6:10pm, Teen/Tween Parent Fellowship/ Discussion Group 6pm

Sundays: Sunday school at 9:45 for all ages
4th Sunday Worship Class (gr K-2nd)
For additional dates & info visit wcpc-tx.org

Save the Date:

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| Jan 26 | Love Your Neighbor Day |
| Mar 1-3 | Conclaves |
| June-Aug | Camp Cho-Yeh |
| June 23-28 | Mo Ranch Sr. High Celebration |
| July 7-11 | Mo Ranch Jr. High Jubilee II |
| July-15-19 | Vacation Bible School |

