

# The Good News Herald

The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

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



## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

June 2 – September 1<sup>st</sup>

One Worship Service at 11:00 am

June 2 –  
July 28<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday School  
9:45–10:45

August 4 –  
September 1<sup>st</sup>  
NO SUNDAY  
SCHOOL



Rev. Dr. David F. Jones  
Pastor

Dear WCPC family:

This summer is upon us and with it some changes. Most of you are already aware of the move to holding only one worship service at 11:00 am through Labor Day. Also, while our Sunday School focus continues through July, there will be no Sunday School in August. There are other changes to other ongoing studies so please review this newsletter as well as the weekly email from me which contain the Life of the Church.

Here are a few highlights for June. On June 2<sup>nd</sup>, in worship, we will recognize four graduating high school seniors. Our youth developed the service for this special Sunday and I'm certain you will enjoy their energy and their willingness to share their faith as we worship together. On Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, Pentecost Sunday, we will ordain and/or install new officers to begin their ministry on the Session and the Board of Deacons. These men and women have already been approved for their service by your Session and now, before you, they will stand and commit themselves through their ordination vows. As members of WCPC you will also have the opportunity to affirm their leadership.

I also want to offer my thanks, as I know you will as well, to the officers who are rotating off the Session and the Board of Deacons on Pentecost as new officers are ordained and/or installed: Nancy Castro, Jen Conner, Ria Du Bruyn, Bruce Lee and Pierce Brunette from the Session and Carrie Bucki, Karen Gonzales, Barbie Hardy, Debra Martinez and Kim Petrie from the Board of Deacons.

On Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm Lora East will be ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament by New Covenant Presbytery in our sanctuary. In July she will begin her first call as the Associate Pastor of Brentwood Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles, CA. Lora grew up in WCPC and it is very appropriate that as she embraces God's call to ministry, she does it here, surrounded by her church family. The community of WCPC is invited to attend and celebrate with her and her family.

So, while the summer's pace is different, ministry and mission continue. And always remember, that ministry and mission isn't just something that happens when the church gathers. It happens when the church is scattered. It happens in our homes, neighbors, schools and work places. It happens when we are on vacation. The total ministry and mission of WCPC can't be restricted to a newsletter or calendar. It's daily. How God is using us to bear witness to the good news of Christ's love.

Your pastor,

## 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.



### WCPC HOSTS A WEEKLY AA MEETING.

Each Monday at 7:00 pm and Saturday at 9:00 am in Hendricks 301 a local AA group is meeting. (This group will meet in CE room 103 the first 3 weeks of June.) If you know of anyone who would like to attend please share this information.





Rev. Laura Grice

Dear Ones,

Throughout scripture we find many images and names for God. Tradition has often led us to emphasize the images of God as Father. For many, this is comforting and assuring. For others, it can be painful and problematic. However, we know that God is far bigger than any image or name we use. This is why I try to pray using a variety of names for the divine. I have my favorites, the ones I resonate with most. I know you do too. There are two Sundays where I will use some gendered language for God. I speak of God's mothering characteristics on Mother's Day and the paternal characteristics of God on Father's Day. I say all this as prologue, because a number of you requested my Prayers of the People from Mother's Day, May 12. I have included it below. I cannot take full credit for many of these wise words. I regularly use and adapt them from resources like the *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion* and *Call to Worship*. I also must give credit to the Rev. Dr. Catherine Robinson, my supervisor and mentor during my seminary Supervised Practice of Ministry. Over the years I have adapted her wise prayer for Mother's Day, using elements in the prayer below.

*Risen and Holy One, As a mother loves and cares for her own, so you have loved and cared for us, O God. We praise you for giving us birth, for feeding and protecting us, for releasing us into the world, for continuing to watch over us and for longing to see the promise of our lives fulfilled. We thank you for your shepherding care which nourishes and sustains us.*

*We thank you for all of those in our lives who have reflected your love for us—for those who brought us into the world and shaped our early lives, for those who have nurtured us and taught us, who have wept for us in our defeats and rejoiced with us in our victories.*

*We thank you for the goodness of the earth, that it may flourish with flowing waters, green pastures, and paths that lead us to protect and care for your creation.*

*Touched by your maternal care for us, we pray now for your world and all its children. We pray for the peace and welfare of the world, that all our tables of work and worship promote the understanding and dignity that transform enemies into friends. Protect those who are attacked or persecuted because of who they are or what they believe. Provide for the peace and safety of all people. Strengthen and uphold those who sacrifice their own health and well-being in order to feed and clothe their children. Give shelter to those who have no homes. Feed the hungry; give drink to the thirsty. Guide them to the springs of the water of life and wipe away every tear from their eyes. Especially we pray for the people of this whole world as we hear continual reports of and experience acts of senseless violence. Bring an end to our desire to do harm to one another because of wrongs done to us, because of fear of others, because of desperation.*

*On this day on which we celebrate mothers and motherhood, we pray for those who now wait with joy for the birth of a child, for women who long to bear children but who cannot, for those who are in the midst of the joys, challenges and sleepless nights of caring for young children, for those who remember with fondness days long past when their children were small, for those who have given children over to the hands of others through adoption, for those who care for children to whom they have not given birth, for those whose children are sick or dying, and for those who grieve the loss of their children, for those who mourn the loss of their mother, for those who celebrate the closeness they have in their relationship with their mothers for those who have difficult and painful relationships with their mothers, for those who have loved us, guided us and nurtured us with your mothering care.*

*Tender God, we pray that you would shelter under your wing all those in need of your healing care. Walk with those who are in dark valleys. Comfort them and protect them from harm. Show them your goodness and mercy. Bring your healing to those who struggle under the weight of illness of body, mind or spirit.*

*Be merciful to those who need your care; let them hear your voice and know that they are yours, precious, chosen, and beloved.*

*Mothering God, keep us working and praying for the coming of your holy realm of peace, when we will share abundant life with you. Amen.*

*Grace and Peace,*

*Laura*

#### Photo Directories

If you haven't picked up a copy of the new WCPC photo directory, you may stop by the church office or call to request a copy. One free copy will be provided to each member's household.

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

<b>Pastor:</b> Rev. Dr. David F. Jones	<b>Music Ministries:</b> Jonathan Aigner, Director of Music Sherry Hunter, Director, Bell Choirs Dr. Dave Faber, Organist	<b>Early Learning Program:</b> Cindy Mountain, Director Chantal Porter, Administration	<b>Our Missionaries</b> Paula Cooper, Zambia Jose Luis Clare, Peru Chenoa Stock, Peru
<b>Associate Pastor</b> Rev. Laura R. Grice		<b>Administration:</b> Matthew Jensen Financial Administrator Shirley Barclay, Dir. of Communications	<b>Our Seminarians</b> Martin Garner Naomi Daka
<b>Pastor Emeritus:</b> Rev. Dr. Charles Hendricks	<b>Mission Outreach:</b> Michele Stelter, Facilitator		
<b>Parish Associate:</b> Rev. Warren Johnson	<b>Children's Ministries:</b> Susan Duncan, Director		

## SESSION MEMBERS

CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2021
Nancy Castro	Todd Duncan	Pierce Burnette
Jen Conner	Sheree Fleming	Lynne Gregg
Ria Du Bruyn	Megan Hansen	Audrey Keim
Bruce Lee	Betsy Whitehead	Tim Moore
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## BOARD OF DEACONS

CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2021
Carrie Bucki	Ed Allen	David Castro
Karen Gonzales	Kristen Campbell	Doug Cordier
Barbie Hardy	Jane Harding	Louise Crider
Debra Martinez	Leslie Lee	Dianne Lundgren
Kim Petrie	Mignon Mabry	Karen Morris
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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](http://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](mailto: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.

# Adult Class & Study Opportunities

## Sunday Morning 9:45—10:45 am

### Connecting Through the Bible

HEB 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.

### 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. We are currently reading "What Women should know about Facing Fear" by Christin Ditchfield.

## MONDAY

### Women's Bible Study

HEB 301b

9:30-11:30 am

Contact Ann Fleischmann

This group will be studying 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. This study begins June 17 in room 103 in the CE building and the following meetings will be in the Hendricks Building. New members are always welcome!

## WEDNESDAY

### Wed. Morning Men's Study Group

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

HEB 301b

10:00-11:30 am

contact Sylvia Campbell

Living the Questions has published a new study titled ProFuture Faith. From their website:

*Participants will be guided on a journey that accepts what is inevitable, avoids what is futile, and be inspired to attend to what is urgent.*

*Come home to reality. Embrace a ProFuture Faith!*

The Wednesday Study Group will begin this 8-session series on July 3. Each week will feature a video lecture and printed study materials. Leadership is shared. Please joins us, and bring a friend!

### Wed. Evening Men's Study Group

Crust Pizza

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## FRIDAY

### Women's Bible Study

Fridays, 9:00 am in the WCPC Parlor

This is an 8 Week Summer Women's Bible Study! Fellowship with other women and dig into God's word by studying *1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ* by Jen Wilkin. We will meet on 6/07, 6/14, 6/21\*, 6/28, 7/12, 7/26, 8/09, and 8/16 from 9:30-11:00 am (Fridays only) in the WCPC Parlor. Childcare is provided! Please purchase your book before the first class. See additional details in this newsletter on page 10. Please register at

<https://forms.gle/fNCbqgTRDC5CgbqB7> by June 6<sup>th</sup>.

\* meeting to be held in alternate room TBA



# Mission Outreach Team (MOT)

*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.*

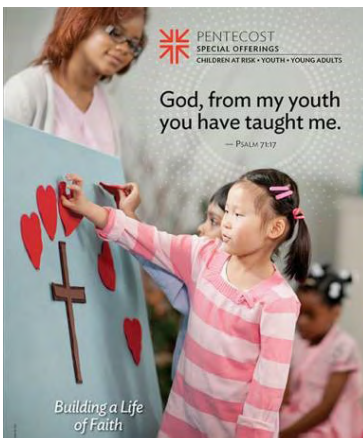
MOT meets at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of each month in Room 301B of the Hendricks Education building (HEB) to discuss current mission outreach projects and consider new outreach opportunities. **However the next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 4th, but in Room 103 of the CE Building because HEB is closed for Family Promise.** 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](http://www.wcpc-tx.org) or contact Michele Stelter at [mstelter@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:mstelter@wcpc-tx.org) or 281-363-2040 x 7.



## Family Promise at WCPC in June

This year will be WCPC's fifth year to host Family Promise, which provides homeless families in Montgomery County with temporary places to stay, meals, and a program that helps them find permanent housing, transportation, and employment. We will be hosting two families for two consecutive weeks **beginning Sunday, June 2nd and ending Sunday, June 16th in the Hendricks Education Building (HEB).** We are still in need of a few weekend day hosts. If you would like to volunteer, Sign up by clicking on this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4aaba92ea5fb6-fpovernight1>. Please contact Warren Evans at 713-299-7323 or [wevans36@comcast.net](mailto:wevans36@comcast.net) if you have any questions about Family Promise.

## Pentecost Offering on June 9th



**25% supports Young Adult Volunteers (YAV)** - Providing opportunities for young adults to serve in communities around the world and grow as leaders through transformative Christian service.

**25% goes to Ministries with Youth** - Helping to guide our youth by uniting them in Christ and lifting them up as leaders and messengers of God's word.

**10% advocates for At-Risk Children** - Supporting vital ministries to improve education and provide a safe haven for children across the globe.

**40% stays with our congregation** - Developing and supporting programs for children at risk, youth or young adults in our community. **The All EARS! Program held on the WCPC campus will be the beneficiary this year.**

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a churchwide effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world. By giving to the Pentecost Offering we are nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come- children youth and young adults. Please give generously to this offering. Kindly make your check payable to WCPC and mark it Pentecost. There are also specially marked envelopes in the pew racks for your convenience. We will accept contributions for this special offering throughout the month of June.



**ALL EARS! is our local beneficiary of the 2019 Pentecost Offering.** It is a nonprofit preschool for hearing impaired children located within the Early Learning Program (ELP) preschool at WCPC. ALL EARS! LISTENING & LANGUAGE CENTER is passionate about and dedicated to empowering children who are hearing impaired and their families by teaching listening, spoken language and literacy skills. It is the only preschool based on Auditory Verbal principles in Montgomery County.

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## The Gathering Place

**Friday, June 21st**

**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 10:30 am 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 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 more information, email Tricia MacDonald at [patriciamacdonald1210@gmail.com](mailto:patriciamacdonald1210@gmail.com).

**Please note The Gathering Place will not meet in July!**

# WCPC Food Pantry Needs for June

The Food Pantry in the sanctuary narthex has expanded! In addition to serving the needs of our neighbors receiving assistance from the Interfaith Food Pantry, we are now able to serve two community groups which are often overlooked, preschool children who don't benefit from school lunch programs and homebound seniors through Kids' Meals and Meals on Wheels, respectively. With children out of school for summer vacation, many more families need assistance with food. So, donations to the WCPC Food Pantry are even more important during these months. Please bring your donations to the WCPC Food Pantry anytime.

### **Interfaith Food Pantry:**

macaroni & cheese

dry pasta & pasta sauce

peanut butter, jam, dry milk

personal hygiene items, diapers, baby wipes

cleaning supplies (no spray bottles) & laundry detergent

### **Kids' Meals Lunch Bags:**

snack size packets of peanut butter or cheese crackers

snack size raisin boxes

soft, chewy granola bars without nuts

### **Meals on Wheels Breakfast Bags:**

individual packets of instant oatmeal

cereal bars (Nutri-Grain bars)

Ensure or Glucerna (vanilla, chocolate or strawberry)

# Come Pack Lunches & Breakfast Bags!

Since WCPC has committed to helping the Kids' Meals Expansion Route provide lunches for the 50 children signed up through the Willis Parental Support Center, we will continue to pack shelf-stable lunches throughout the summer. Our packing schedule will remain the same as what was established during the school year. That is, we will pack at least 250 shelf-stable lunches on the **second and fourth Mondays of the month** beginning at 9:30 am in the serving area of the kitchen. Lunches will be picked up for delivery to the Willis Parental Support Center at 1pm the next day (**the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month**). After the lunches are packed, we plan to pack breakfast bags for MOW clients. We hope to be able to pack at least 100 breakfast bags each time. If you are interested in packing and/or delivering lunches/breakfast bags, please contact Michele Stelter at 281-363-2040 x7 or [mstelter@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:mstelter@wcpc-tx.org).



## 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, June 23rd and 30th 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 Cinda Hitchcock at [cctx@att.net](mailto:cctx@att.net).



## Coffee for Veterans

Please consider donating a pound of **Just Coffee** to the veterans in the transitional housing program at the DeGeorge.

## Randalls Good Neighbor Program

Is your Randalls Remarkable card linked to WCPC's Good Neighbor number? If not fill out the application form which is in the church office and put the completed form in Michele Stelter's box. We will take care of everything else! Please note that you can specify up to three charities on the form. You can also change the charities to which you have been contributing. **Remember we pass on all money earned from the Randalls Good Neighbor Program to the Interfaith Community Clinic.**



## Supplies Needed for Peru Medical Mission Trip

We are collecting eyeglasses, both prescription and reading glasses, as well as toothbrushes and unused travel-size toiletries for the Peru Medical Mission Trip to Lima. The toothbrushes and toiletries will be distributed to those families visiting the medical clinic which will be at the Devine Light Church in Manchay while the eyeglasses will be used for the vision screening. Kindly put your donations in the specially marked bin that will be in the courtyard on Sunday mornings and in the church office during the week. **Donations will be accepted through the end of June.** If you have any questions please contact either Michele Stelter at 281-363-2040 x 7 or Gary Chapman at 281-361-5779.

### Supplies Needed

**Travel-Size:** soap, shampoo, lotion and toothpaste

**Adult size:** toothbrushes

**Adult & Children's Eyeglasses:** prescription & reading





*Food cartons come in two types, shelf-stable (juice, milk, soy milk, soup, broth, wine) and refrigerated (milk, juice, cream). They are made of paper, plastic, and sometimes aluminum. These wonderful containers have a great product-to-packaging ratio, and they are specially made for recycling. Really! So rinse them out well and toss into your recycling bin. You are doing a good thing!*



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

YOU CAN ARGUE ALL DAY ABOUT WHETHER ONE PERSON NOT USING STRAWS OR GOING VEGAN MAKES A GLOBAL DIFFERENCE. THE POINT IS THE MINDSET. WE NEED TO CHANGE OUR THINKING FROM THIS IDEA THAT THE EARTH IS A BOTTOMLESS PIT OF RESOURCES AND START ACTING LIKE WHAT WE DO MATTERS. CHANGING THE PHILOSOPHY OF CULTURES AND SOCIETIES STARTS WITH INDIVIDUALS CHANGING THEIR OWN HEARTS AND MINDS. THATS THE IMPORTANCE OF GRASSROOTS ACTION. IT'S NOT THAT MY COMPOSTING WILL EMPTY LANDFILLS OF FOOD WASTE BUT MY CHANGED MIND AND HEART MAY INFLUENCE OTHERS. AND THAT COULD SPREAD AND CHANGE THE WORLD.

-Olga Evans

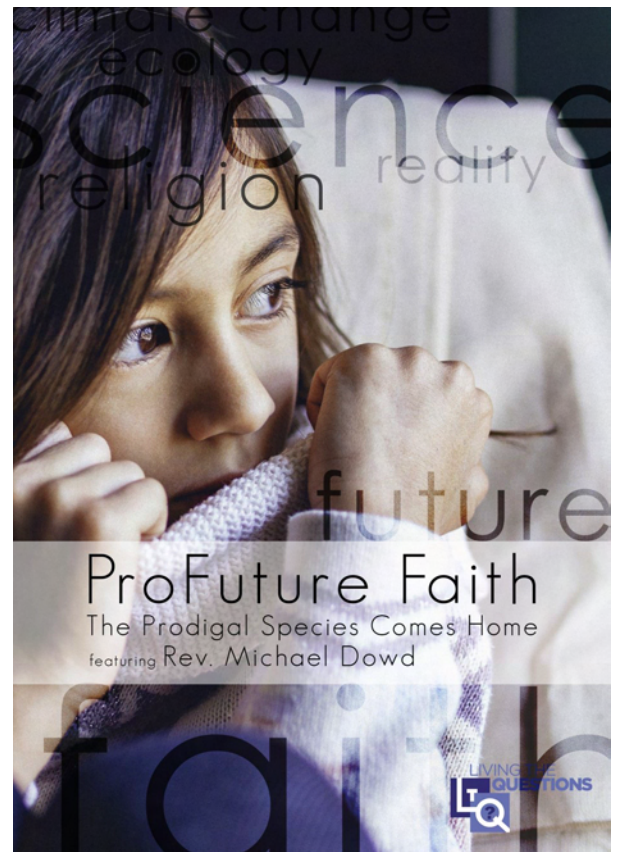


# Wednesday Study Group this Summer: ProFuture Faith

Living the Questions has published a new study titled ProFuture Faith. From their website:

*Having “squandered our inheritance on profligate living,” we are a prodigal species. Industrial civilization and our insatiable appetites have us hurtling toward irreversible consequences – not in some distant future, but right now. The good news is it’s not too late. At the intersection of science, spirituality, and sustainability is a deep love of life and a passion for our posterity – a ProFuture Faith. Join eco-theologian, author, and TEDx speaker, Rev. Michael Dowd in a dynamic DVD and internet-based discussion course that bridges the gap between head and heart, science and faith. Participants will be guided on a journey that accepts what is inevitable, avoids what is futile, and be inspired to attend to what is urgent. Come home to reality. Embrace a ProFuture Faith!*

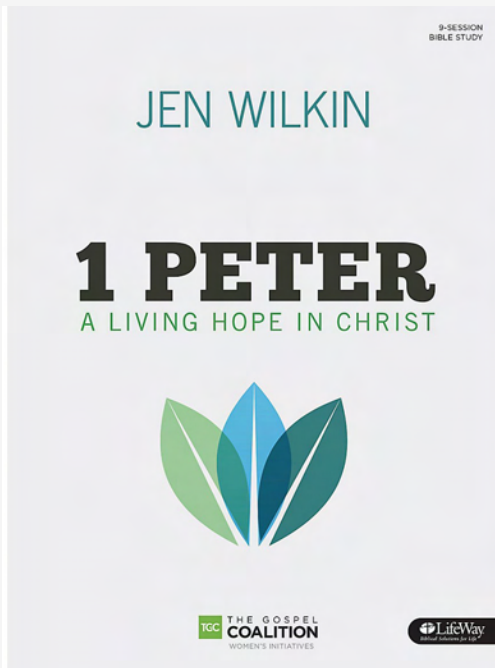
The Wednesday Study Group will begin this 8-session series on June 26. Each week will feature a video lecture and printed study materials. Leadership is shared. Please join us, and bring a friend!



**Wednesdays, beginning July 3**

**10:00 to 11:30am**

**Room 301 (Hendricks Education Building)**



## Summer Women's Bible Study

Please come and join us for an 8 Week Summer Women's Bible Study! Fellowship with other women and dig into God's word by studying *1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ* by Jen Wilkin. We will meet on 6/07, 6/14, 6/21\*, 6/28, 7/12, 7/26, 8/09, and 8/16 from 9:30-11:00 am (Fridays only) in the WCPC Parlor. The format will include a group discussion of our weekly homework assignments and watching a 30 minute lecture by the fabulous Jen Wilkins.

The study centers on Peter's concerns on big picture issues for the early church, describes believers' true identity in Christ, and ultimately helps readers discover what it means to experience the Living Hope they have in Christ.

**Come and beat the heat this summer by delving into the word of God!**

**Childcare is provided! Please purchase your book before the first class.**

**Please register at <https://forms.gle/fNCbqgTRDC5CgbqB7> by June 6th.**

**You can purchase the book at LifeWay Christian Store here in The Woodlands for only \$3!**

# Monday Morning Bible Study



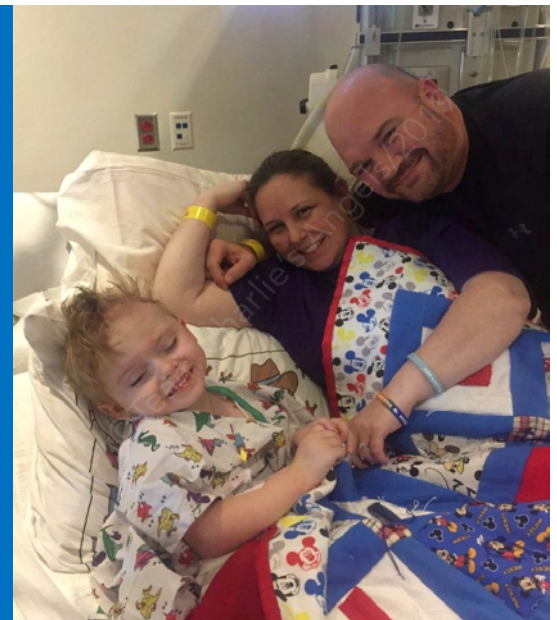
The Monday Morning Bible Study ended their current study with a wonderful celebration and farewell party! The group said goodbye to Sudi White since she is moving out of state. Lots of hugs, tears and laughter, with yummy food and dessert, were had by all! Big thanks to Sandy Chagla for hosting!

Thank you WCPC SO very much for making this Prayer Quilt possible !!!

Attached are some pictures his family would like to share with you, the church, and the prayer quilters. This has been such a beautiful blessing to his family and to our family too !!!

Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts !!! ♥♥♥

Forever in His Love,  
Meleesa



WCPC Family,

Many of you knew that we were relocating to Florida, but we only got the opportunity to say goodbye to some members.

We left Texas on May 8<sup>th</sup> and are getting settled in our new neighborhood in Punta Gorda, FL – it's a very quiet and welcoming community and the residents we met so far are from the New England states – a mixture of "snowbirds" and permanent residents.

Worshipping at WCPC for the past 10 years has been very rewarding and gave us the opportunity to serve in many areas in the life of the church – we were blessed to meet so many wonderful members and will always have pleasant memories of those times.

Our new address is 7351 Satsuma Drive, Punta Gorda, FL 33955.

Cell phone – 757-561-3764."

Leslie and Mary Emerson







New Covenant Presbytery  
cordially invites you  
to the ordination of

*Lora Elizabeth East*

to the  
Ministry of the Word and Sacrament  
in the Presbyterian Church (USA)  
as the  
Associate Pastor of Brentwood Presbyterian Church

*Saturday June 15th at 2 pm*

The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church  
4881 W Panther Creek Dr.  
The Woodlands, TX 77381

*Reception to Follow*



Featuring:

- Patriotic tunes to honor our veterans
- The music of John Williams
- The winner of our annual Student Concerto Competition



Thursday, June 20, 2019, 7:30 PM  
Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church  
4881 W. Panther Creek Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77381



## WCPC Book Club

Summer is here and it is a good time for reading a good book. The WCPC book club will hold meetings in June, July and August. The members have picked three excellent selections for those months. We encourage all to try us out for a healthy discussion from our readings.

Come join us the second Monday of each month in the WCPC Library (in the Hendricks Education Building) at 7pm.

The selections for the summer are:

June 10 — *Sing, Unburied, Sing* by Jesmyn Ward ; a novel based on the life of an African American growing up in rural Mississippi. (Meet in the Parlor due to Family Promise)

July 8: *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delta Owens; A woman who survived alone in the marsh becomes a murder suspect.

August 12: *On Desperate Ground*, by Hampton Sides; The Marines at the Reservoir, the Korean War's greatest battle.

Pop in anytime, we are an informal group! For information contact Harry Sharp with questions 281-362-7896.







## Wednesday Afternoon Pool Gatherings

**Every Wednesday in summer!**

**5-7 pm at Ridgewood Pool**

Pack your kids, your suits, and a picnic dinner or grab fast food for yourself and join us Wednesday evenings at the pool to swim, eat and socialize! No RSVP needed – just come when you can!

NOTE: Regular pool fees apply



# Dive In!



**Summer PNO Dates:** June 22<sup>nd</sup>, July 27<sup>th</sup> & August 17<sup>th</sup> all from **4-8pm summertime extra hour!**

Email reservations to:  
[sduncan@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:sduncan@wcpc-tx.org)



## Sunday School



**Thank You to our Wonderful Children's Sunday School Teachers this past year:**

Tricia MacDonald, Mary Emerson, Linda Conner, Amy Formolo, Robin Ward, Jen Conner, Audrey Keim, Mary Jo Chapman, Rebekah Rydarowski, Katrina Cassidy, Marnie Bush, and Ginger Fray

Godly Play Storytellers: Stephanie Keiser, Kristi Martin, Sarah Martin

Subs: Sarah Martin, Carrie Bucki, Karen Seefeldt, Leigh Cordier, Kristi Martin



**9:45 Sunday School**  
**11:00 Worship**

**Room 101 for 8 years & under**  
**Room 105 for**  
**Completed 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Children's  
Summer Sunday School Topic:**

**Learning about our Special Offerings & practicing & taping VBS Bible story dramas**



Needed: International Coffee Containers.

### VBS Work & Planning Meetings:

**June 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th and July 8th-12th** all starting at 9:30 am in room 203. Childcare available in room 101 and 102 by reservation in advance to Susan.

**ALL VBS Volunteer's Meeting is July 11th 9:30-12** in the Fellowship Hall. Child Protection Training will be offered after the meeting at 11 am.

Please reserve childcare with Susan for all meetings at

[sduncan@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:sduncan@wcpc-tx.org)

**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



# SAVE THE DATE

End of Summer  
Get-Together

VBS

Pool Party!



## Church-wide End of VBS Pool Party!

*Who: Babies, Toddlers, Preschool, School Age, Tweens, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Adults, and Prime Timers! Everyone in the church from 0-102 years!*

**When: Sunday July 21<sup>st</sup> 6-8 pm**

**Where: Shadowbend Pool on Lake Woodlands Drive**





# Youth Summer Opportunities

## JUNE

### 2<sup>nd</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> - Family Promise

Please go to the WCPC website ([www.wcpc-tx.org](http://www.wcpc-tx.org)) to sign up.

### 10<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 9:30 am Kids' Meals Work Day

Meet in Kitchen to pack Kid's Meals. When we are done, we will assemble a cabinet to be used for Kids Meals supplies and get it ready for future use. **Parents pick up at noon.**

### 21<sup>st</sup> (Friday) – 9:45am Gathering Place

Meet in Fellowship Hall. Will assist in Gathering Place event until 1:00pm. Then will head to Chill the Milkshake Bar for milkshakes and games. **Bring \$6-10 for milkshakes. We will return to WCPC for pick up at 3:30pm.**

### 24<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 9:30 am Kids' Meals and Swimming

Meet in Kitchen to pack Kid's Meals. When we are done, we will walk over to Ridgewood Pool to swim. **Bring a pool pass, swimsuit, towel and a sack lunch. Pick up will be at Ridgewood Pool at 1pm.**

## JULY

### 8<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 9:30 am Kids' Meals and a Movie

Meet in Kitchen to pack Kid's Meals. When we are done, we will watch *The Hate U Give* (rated PG-13) at the church. **Bring a sack lunch. Pick up will be at WCPC around 1pm.**

### 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> (Monday – Thursday) 9am – 12pm VBS

Meet in the Sanctuary each morning and help our church put on a wonderful VBS for all the kids in attendance. **Must sign up with Stephanie Keiser BEFORE July 1<sup>st</sup> to volunteer.** If you have signed up, please remember that people are counting on you to show up to help.

### 21<sup>st</sup> (Sunday) – 6-8pm WCPC Pool Party

Meet at Shadowbend Pool for the all-church Pool Party. There is no fee to get in. Come swim with your church family.

## AUGUST

### 8<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) – 9:30 am Copperwood Birthday Party

Meet in Fellowship Hall. We will plan and prepare a birthday party, complete with BINGO, for the residents of Copperwood Apartments. Activities include making cookies, assembling birthday bags, decorating room, talking with residents, handing out prizes and serving snacks. **Will return to WCPC after the party around 3:30pm.**

### 12<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 9:30 am Kids' Meals and Kayaking



Meet in Kitchen to pack Kid's Meals. When we are done, we will go kayaking. **Bring \$10 and a sack lunch. Will return to WCPC around 2pm.**

### 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> (Friday – Sunday) Beach Retreat in Galveston

Meet at WCPC with a sack dinner. We will spend two nights in Galveston and participate in a service project Saturday morning. Will be home by noon on Sunday.





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Family Promise starts in HEB
2 9:45 SS all classes in Children's ED building 11 am Worship	3 <u>VBS Work Day</u> 9:30-12 in room 204, childcare by rsvp in 101	4	5 <u>Pool Fellowship</u> 5-7 pm at Ridgewood Pool, bring passes	6	7	8
9 9:45 SS all classes in Children's ED bldg. 11 am Worship Cho Yeh Core 2 week begins	10 <u>VBS Work Day</u> 9:30-12 in room 204, childcare by rsvp in 101 Packing Kids' Meals	11	12 <u>Pool Fellowship</u> 5-7 pm at Ridgewood Pool, bring passes	13	14 	15 Ordination Service 2 pm for Lora East, childcare available in 101
16 9:45 SS all classes in Children's ED building 11 am Worship	17 <u>VBS Work Day</u> 9:30-12 in room 204, childcare by rsvp in 101	18	19 <u>Pool Fellowship</u> 5-7 pm at Ridgewood Pool, bring passes	20	21 Gathering Place 10-1 pm, youth mission opportunity	22 <b>PNO 4-8 pm</b> in HEB rooms 307-9 rsvp to sduncan@wcpc-tx.org
23 9:45 SS 101 & 105 Children's ED building 11 am Worship Sr High Mo Ranch week begins	24 <u>VBS Work Day</u> 9:30-12 in room 204, childcare by rsvp in 101 Packing Kids' Meals	25	26 <u>Pool Fellowship</u> 5-7 pm at Ridgewood Pool, bring passes	27	28	29
30 9:45 SS 101 & 105 Children's ED bldg. 11 am Worship						

**Children's Summer Sunday School 9:45-10:50** drop off and pick up in CE building **room 101**

for 3-8 years. Completed Third-Sixth graders summer SS in **room 105**.

Childcare for worship and Sunday School for under 6 years in Children's Ed. Building **during Family Promise in June 1-17 will be in rooms: 101 Penguins, 102 Blue Birds & 100 Owl room**. Starting June 23<sup>rd</sup> nurseries will be in their regular locations, HEB 307-9.

Scholarships/financial assistance available. We want everyone to participate and don't want finances to be a barrier.





# Yoga Sun Salutations

Every Friday  
09:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.



# Gentle and Restorative Meditation

Every Monday  
10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.  
Every Thursday  
06:30 P.M. - 07:30 P.M.

Summer is around the corner. If you are thinking of doing something spontaneous, think of your well-being. You can enjoy practicing yoga with your friends and your family. Come to WCPC to practice Sun salutations in the morning hours with me and get energized.

If you had too much fun the previous weekend, then practice gentle and restorative meditation with soothing music with us every Monday and Thursday.

Rita Upadhyaya: [TheWoodlandsLady@gmail.com](mailto:TheWoodlandsLady@gmail.com)

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# Communications Corner

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

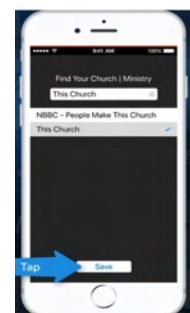
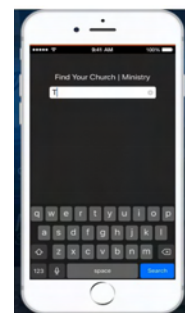
**Newsletter:** Articles due March 15 for the April 2019 newsletter.

**Website:** Information due Monday at noon . Send to [communications@wcpc-tx.org](mailto:communications@wcpc-tx.org).

Ways to stay connected!

Find all of this information online on our website at [www.wcpc-tx.org](http://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.

This app is also a wonderful way to update your address, phone number and picture. Here is the link to the page:  
<http://www.wcpc-tx.org/church-life-app-2/>

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- 1 – Click **MyWCPC** below.
- 2 – Select Need a Login?
- 3 – Enter Email, First & Last Name.
- 4 – Use the email you receive to set your password.

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- 1 – Go to your phone's App Store (Android or Apple OS)
- 2 – Download ACS Church life App.
- 3 – Log in with email & password.

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Use the Church life App for:

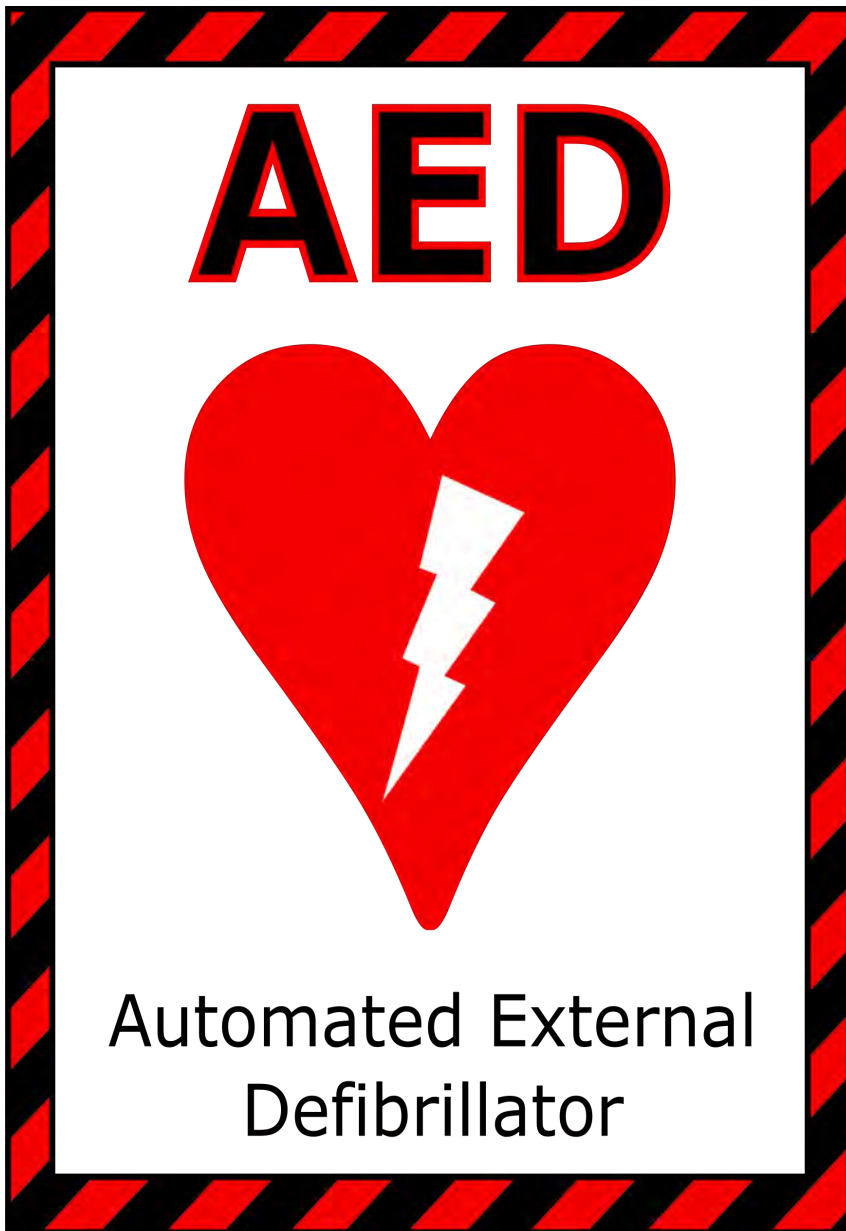
- Member Directory
- Set up Giving
- Update your photo
- Registering for Events

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

**MyWCPC**







Did you know there are now two AED's on the WCPC campus? One near the restrooms outside the Sanctuary, and a new one in the HEB hallway near the kitchenette. Using the AED is easy - just follow the prompts. You too can be a lifesaver!

