

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

February 26, 2021

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church www.shephills.org

Message Series "In the Wilderness"

February 27 + 28, 2021

"In the Wilderness... Learning Who Jesus Is" Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Mark 8:27-33

Worship

5:30 p.m. Saturday Outdoor Courtyard Worship*

8:15 a.m. Sunday Outdoor Courtyard Worship*

10:45 a.m. Sunday Live-stream @ www.shephills.org

*If the weather seems iffy, make sure and check your inbox before coming to Outdoor Worship. A cancellation notice will be sent to your inbox at least one hour prior to the start of service, and will include instructions about when to watch online!

Learning Hour

9:30 a.m. ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Zoom for our Lenten Bible Study: *Pain and Suffering-Where Is God When It Hurts?* Contact Ruby Cadenhead (rubies61@gmail.com)

Zoom Meeting ID 882 7978 6819 | Passcode 267585

9:30 a.m. WEDNESDAY WORSHIP IN LENT

This week: Liberation from Resentment

If you missed it on Wednesday, watch it today!

Go to www.shephills.org/messages/ to find the recorded version of the first in the weekly Lent series *Liberated By Love*, a short 30 minute worship with guided discussion.

10:00 a.m. CAMP HOPE (PREK-GRADE 4)

Bible stories and games!

Contact Joel Timmons (joel@shephills.org) for Zoom info.*

***Zoom links can also be found under the name and date of event on realm.org, Community, Events.**

Worship Servants Wanted!

5:30 p.m. Saturday Outdoor Courtyard Worship

8:15 a.m. Sunday Outdoor Courtyard Worship

We would love your help at Outdoor Worship as a greeter, parking host, AV assistant, or assisting minister! Please consider joining us - the weather and services are beautiful, and the tasks are simple!

Contact Amanda@shephills.org for more information.

Wednesdays in Lent "Liberated by Love"

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

12:00 p.m. Zoom ID: 850 4850 128 Passcode: 496001

7:00 p.m. Zoom ID: 852 3934 3579 Passcode: 615660

Two times to join us for Lenten Wednesday Worship on Zoom! We continue our journey this Wednesday with 30ish minutes of worship and discussion centered on "Liberation from Pride." Every Wednesday through March 24. Last week's can be seen at www.shephills.org/messages/

Everyman's Bible Study

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

7:15 a.m. Zoom ID: 898203065748 Passcode: 581490

David: Giant-killer, Shepherd, Warrior, King and Fallen Hero.

Pr. Tom leads a men's bible study focusing on the struggle and significance of David, finding insights and personal renewal through the scripture of I & II Samuel. Every Thursday through March 25.

Grace Gardens

ARE FOR EVERYONE!

A wonderful, season long devotion through creation and prayer. Look for weekly instructional videos on your Realm Newsfeed from Pr. Lauren and Joel, or go to www.shephills.org/messages for past and present videos in this series!

Lent Offering



The Developing Missions Team of Shepherd of the Hills has chosen 100% of our Wednesdays in Lent/Easter thank offering to be evenly divided between two thriving ministries we are privileged to support, **Water to Thrive** and **LIRS**. You can give at www.shephills.org/give, or onrealm.org/ under Community, Giving, or use the QR code.

Welcome to ShepHills!

This week we welcome new members Christine, Carlos, Gabriela and Alicia Calvo! • Christine is the daughter of John and Karen Stern and sister to Melissa Robertson.

- Carlos grew up in San Francisco. He has family in Houston.
- Christine is a consultant for Deloitte and Carlos is a branch manager for Resource Properties.
- Three children: James (23) working on PHD at Boston University. Gabriela is a freshman at San Diego State. Alicia (10) is a 5th grader.
- The family loves to ride bikes and hike. Carlos loves to cook and the girls love to bake!

Bread for All Courtyard Collections

Weekdays from 10:00am-3:00pm

Saturdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

For the near future we will also be collecting non-perishable food during the week. **Look for the bin at the top of the Courtyard walkway.** We are in specific need of the heavy duty red and white reusable plastic bags from HEB, canned meats, pasta, sauce, veggies/fruit and peanut butter. Thank you for your continued support!

From the Care Team

As a Stephen Minister (S.M.) & Care Team (C.T.) member, I have called many throughout Covid and noticed a range of emotions. It seems we have collectively settled on control, many times at our own peril, yet it seems to help us survive.

Now with the end is in sight, our emotions teeter back and forth between control & a desire for our underlying emotions to emerge. We dare to voice our anger at what we had to endure, yet stuff feelings back down for fear we will no longer be able to cope.

- I say this to remind you that your emotions are real and shared by many.
- I say this to remind you that the C.T. & S.M. are available to hear you speak what is on your heart and seek what you need to heal.
- I say this to remind you that the C.T. & S.M. will share God's peace, which shifts your heart and mind toward healing and hope.

Contact Rebecca Guengerich (rguengerich@gmail.com) Tamara Allen (Tamara.allen@me.com), or Sandy Gaskin, Congregational Nurse (Sandy@shephills.org) to request a Stephen Minister or Congregational Nurse.

UpBring Gala Postponed Again!

New Date: Friday, March 26

Go to Upbring.org/2021 to get your free tickets to this year's virtual gala! There are plenty of ways to support this ministry while attending. Hope to see you there!

Support UpBring Young Adults Throughout February



Thanks to all who have purchased a small appliance (vacuum cleaner, crock pot, toaster, etc.) for BeREAL. February is ending, so use the QR code to buy something from the list and have it delivered directly! Or buy it and bring it yourself. March delivery is OK.

Giving

Give online at www.shephills.org; onrealm.org/shephills or **mail a check** to Shepherd of the Hills, 3525 Bee Caves Rd, ATX 78746. Don't forget to stay current with your regular giving, and please consider pledging if you haven't done so!

Prayers

Please pray for Kristen Murray, Lauren Paulson and Walter Buell

Please pray for Ivone Peabody, mother of Laila Scott

Please pray for Dorothy Grevlos, mother of Pr. Tom Grevlos

Please pray for Ted Bedard, nephew of Tom and Betty Lueders

Please pray for the family on the death of Marge Ely

Please pray for Misti Potter, CEO of Austin Boys' and Girls' Club

We pray for all those affected by COVID-19, and for all those in the medical field caring for the sick. We give God thanks for vaccine development, which brings us all hope for our future health and well-being. We continue to pray for a cure and for an end to the spread of this disease.

Please pray for our global ministries: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala; Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti

Please pray for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring

Please pray for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

*Prayers for family members are listed for 2 weeks unless we are notified otherwise.

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