

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

April 15, 2022

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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EASTER WORSHIP

We hope to see you here for Easter, gathered together with old friends and new, celebrating our most joyous day of the year! There is a service for everyone - indoor, outdoor, traditional or contemporary - see the outline below and go to ShepHills.org/Easter for more information.

Saturday Easter Worship

5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 16

Courtyard

Bring the whole family for this uplifting time of worship, praise, and music.

Easter Sunrise Worship

7:00 a.m. Sunday, April 17

Outdoor Worship Center

Experience the Easter Story in the quiet space of early morning, just like the first Easter.

Easter Sunday Worship

8:00 a.m. Sunday, April 17

Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Sunday, April 17

Sanctuary + Livestream (www.shephills.org)

Gather in our beautifully adorned sanctuary as we unveil the cross in this traditional service.

Easter Courtyard Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday, April 17

Church Courtyard

Enjoy the beauty of a spring morning at this inspirational outdoor Easter Family Worship.

Holy Communion is served at all services

Easter Breakfast for All

Sunday, April 17

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. | Activity Center

Breakfast casseroles, pastries, fruit, and beverages, plus special tables for the kids with crayons and coloring pages!

Easter Offering

Our Easter offering has been designated to support ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service. [Give here](#), on the website, or under Giving on onrealm.org , or by check or cash. Please indicate Easter Offering.

Prayer Walk

APRIL 9 - APRIL 17

Dawn to dusk | Shepherd's Garden

Walk with God and experience the beauty of creation. Two self-guided outdoor prayer walks, one for adults and one for families with children. Begin in the Shepherd's Garden anytime from dawn to dusk.

NEW THINGS AFTER EASTER

New Message Series

APRIL 23/24 THRU MAY 21/22

Wrestling with Doubt - Finding Faith

Even in times of doubt, God can change the trajectory of our lives, turning our doubt into a catalyst to deeper faith.

Pentecost Festival

JUNE 5

Noon - 2:00 p.m. | Courtyard

Come celebrate the birthday of the church, and our church, with lunch, music, playground time, crafts and MORE!

Playground Parties

Noon on Sundays, June 26 + August 7

Courtyard + Playgrounds

Let's get to know each other! We provide lunch and supervised playtime so parents can relax and have fun too.

Sunday Funday for Youth

BEGINNING JUNE 5

6:30 p.m. on Sundays (High School + Middle School)

Time for some summer fun! We'll grab some dinner and enjoy some of the great things to do in Austin.

ShepHills Day Camp for Kids

JULY 11 -15

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (Kinder thru 5th)

Trained counselors from Camp LutherHill lead camp activities onsite that foster faith and most of all, fun!

Register [here](#) today!

“HEARD” Returns!

This June-stay tuned for dates and times.

Let's continue learning about inclusion as we look forward to conversations with invited guests that give voice to people of color.

There's more! Find it on:

www.ShepHills.org/events or email sheep@shephills.org

CALENDAR EVENTS

Go to [Realm Events](#) or the [website](#) for details and more events!

Bible Studies

RESUME NEXT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

7:30-8:00 a.m Early Risers Bible Study | Zoom

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study | Library + Zoom

Readers' Heaven

NEXT THURSDAY, APRIL 28

7:00 p.m. | Library + Zoom

Norma Smith will lead the discussion on [Nannaville: Adventures in Grandparenting](#) by Anna Quindlen. It's a lively, beautiful, and moving book about being a grandmother. Read it? Then join us!

Cancer Support Group

FOURTH TUESDAYS, NEXT MEETING APRIL 26

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. | Library + Zoom

Email [Sandy Smith](#) or call 512-569-6453. Sandy is also available between groups to serve as a resource to individuals and their families. More details under Events in Realm.

PALS (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones)

EVERY MONDAY

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Library

The free weekly meetings for parents and family members (over the age of 18) of loved ones who struggle with addiction are held on Monday evenings from 7 to 8:30 PM in the library at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran.

For more information about this group and others in the surrounding Austin area and other cities, visit the website, www.palgroup.org You are not alone!

THE GIFT OF GIVING!

LWR Baby Care Kits are Back!

Baby Care Kits are back and better than ever baby! To make things easier for all of us, we will be buying most things in bulk and asking people to please sponsor a kit for \$50, or make a contribution of any amount to the [Babycare-LWR Fund](#).

\$50 will buy one kit consisting of: 2 t shirts, 2 diaper pins, 4 cloth diapers, 2 pairs of socks, 2 outfits/pajamas, 1 hand towel, 2 bars of soap, 1 hooded sweatshirt, and 2 blankets.

We still need your beautiful handmade baby blankets so please keep them coming. More receiving blanket kits are available in the "Gathering Space."

Any questions? Please contact [Kathy Gerhardt](#).

Bread for All (BFA) Food Pantry Collection

EVERY SATURDAY + SUNDAY

9:00 - 11:00 a.m. | Courtyard on Saturdays

8:00 a.m. - Noon | Gathering Space on Sundays

has been a large uptick in new clients at BFA due to the rising cost of rent, food and gas. Please make it part of your weekly routine and drop off **diapers and non-perishable food** donations for Bread for All Food Pantry, a ministry of Austin City Lutherans.

Beyond Capital Fund Appeal

We have broken \$2 million! [Click here](#) to learn more and make your pledge. Thank you for being a part of our future!

Regular Giving

[Click here](#) to stay current with your giving or make a one-time gift. Thank you for giving freely and joyfully! If you would like to pledge, please use this [online pledge card](#), or mail in a paper pledge card to 3525 Bee Caves Rd., 78746.

EASTER LILIES

Given in loving memory of Matthew Pfluger,
by the Pfluger Family

Given in loving memory of Hal and Eric Hampton,
by Barb Hampton

Given in loving memory Carla Foulk and Kelley Bacon,
by Ron and Charlyn Bacon

Given in loving memory of our parents,
by Betty and Tom Lueders

Given in loving memory of Irv Schefelker,
by Susan and Ray Vaughan

Given in loving memory of Tom Wissman, Helen Smith and Al Robinson, by Marc
and Debra Wissman

Given in loving memory of Preston Riddle,
by Pam and Jeff Petterson

Given in loving memory of John H. Walsh,
by Lindsay and Harley Walsh

Given in loving memory of Mike Cramer,
by the Wegner Family

Given in loving memory of Karron Chamaine Henderson,
by Don and Ruby Cadenhead

Given in loving memory of Charles M. Lauth and
Carl M. Grevlos, by Jeanne and Pr. Tom Grevlos

Given in loving memory of Bill Murray, by Shirley Murray

Given in loving memory of Ralph Femite, by Diane Peterson

Given in loving memory of Gloria Miller, by Allan Miller

Given in loving memory of Dolores Smith,
by Sandy and Larry Smith

Given in loving memory of Dave Michna and
Geneva Robertson, by the Robertson Family

Given in loving memory of our grandparents,

by Carlos and Christine Calvo

Given in loving memory of Oliver B., Willie Mae,
Gloria Gaynelle, Curly and Peggy, by the Moore Family

Given in loving honor of our grandchildren,
by Mark and Kathy Gerhardt

Given in loving honor of Ollene and Charlie Petterson and
Iris Riddle, by Pam and Jeff Petterson

Given in loving honor of Margie Robinson, and Andrew, Austin, and Axel Wissman,
by Marc and Debra Wissman

Given in loving honor of the Baptism of Jordan and
Jade Butler, by Susan and Ray Vaughan

Given by Bill and Yolanda Heine

Given by Cecilia Neuhaus Deaton

PRAYERS

Please pray for Don Gaskin and Sandy Nielsen

Please pray for family and friends of Shepherd members:

JoAnne Matava, mother of Vicki Matava

Emma Rosas, granddaughter of Sheila Hilts

Please pray in celebration for the baptism of Jordan and Jade Butler. Children of Carolyn & Gene Butler, grandchildren of Sue and Ray Vaughan.

Please pray in celebration for the baptism of Addison Ava Jones. She is the daughter of Ryan and Katie Jones.

We pray for the people of Ukraine and all who find themselves in the midst of war, gripped by fear and uncertainty. Send your peace.

Let us prayer for our mission partners, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service. May the work they do as an extension of our church make a positive impact on the lives of children and families.

We pray for our global ministry partners: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala. We pray for 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 Ministries.

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

**Prayers for family and friends are listed for 2 weeks,
unless we are notified otherwise.*

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