

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

May 13, 2022

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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“Wrestling with Doubt - Finding Faith.”

For the rest of the Easter season, the Chalices on the altar and used for Communion were made by those who participated in For You: A Holy Communion Retreat. Join our community of faith this Sunday as we honor Miller Dertien.

Worship Times

5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 | Courtyard

*The Lower Playground is open during Saturday Worship for young ones with wiggles and giggles. We ask that parents supervise their children on the playground. The playground may be closing soon for the summer due to construction. Stay tuned!

8:15 a.m. Sunday, May 8 | Sanctuary

10:45 a.m. Sunday, May 8 | Sanctuary + [Livestream](#)

*Worship Boxes and the PrayGround are available for young ones during Sanctuary Worship!

Sunday Mornings and More

Breakfast for All

EVERY SUNDAY

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. | Activity Center

Breakfast for every one, every Sunday!

Adult Bible Study

EVERY SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. | Library + Zoom

An in depth study of the week's scripture.

Contact [Ruby Cadenhead](#).

Zoom - Meeting ID: 882 7978 6819 Passcode: 267585

[Click here to join the Zoom](#)

High Five Celebration

THIS SUNDAY!

9:45 a.m. | Courtyard

High Five families celebrate our last day together before summer vacation! We'll have a bouncy house, sing some songs, and have breakfast together in the Activity Center.

Contact [Pr. Lauren](#).

Youth

LAST SUNDAY BEFORE SUMMER

Noon | Activity Center

Lunch and more for grades 9-12! Check the calendar below for upcoming summer activities!

Contact [Joel Timmons](#).

NextGen at Nite

LAST SUNDAY BEFORE SUMMER

7:00 p.m. | Activity Center

Grades 5-8 meet in the Activity Center for Bible Study and games! Check the calendar below for upcoming summer activities!

Contact [Joel Timmons](#).

Congratulations Joel Timmons!

Joel Timmons, our Youth Director, has successfully concluded his studies at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, receiving his Master of Divinity this Sunday. Walking alongside Joel on this journey has been the Shepherd of the Hills Faith

Community, providing encouragement and financial support. Joel's achievement is due to his own hard work and the outpouring of generous love and support from others. Thank you Shepherd of the Hills for your generosity in helping to shape our future leaders, like Joel, in the Church!

Summer Calendar for Grades 5-12

Grillin' & Chillin'

SUNDAYS IN JUNE: 5, 12, & 19

SUNDAYS IN JULY: 10 + 17

SUNDAYS IN AUGUST: 7 + 14

6:30-8:30pm | Activity Center

Dinner and games for Grades 5-12.

Glacier Adventure Training Days

WEDNESDAY IN JUNE: 29

WEDNESDAYS IN JULY: 6, 13, 20

9:00am | Meet on Solomon's Porch

Backpacking through Glacier National Park takes a lot of stamina. It's important for those going to be prepared to be pushed physically and mentally. To prepare, we have scheduled days in which we'll hike together.

Other Important Dates

CAMP CHRYSALIS: JUNE 19-24

Pre-Registration complete.

DAY CAMP W/ LUTHERHILL (GRADES: K-5): JULY 11-15

High School volunteers needed! Contact [Joel Timmons](#).

GLACIER ADVENTURE TRIP: JULY 23-30

High School Youth will be on the move!

Summer Calendar for Young Families

Register Today! 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!](#)

Stay and Play Parties

Noon on Sundays, June 26, July 10 + 17, August 7

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

Summer Calendar for Adults

“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.

Next Weekend

All Church Serve

NEXT SATURDAY, MAY 21

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Butterfly Center

Help us move boxes and furniture into the on-site storage containers. There'll be breakfast if you get here early!

Cutting Cake + Breaking Ground

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 22

10:15 | Courtyard

Next Sunday is Groundbreaking for the Butterfly Center Renewal and Senior Recognition Sunday! Grab a shovel and some cake!

Weekly Calendar

Go to [Realm Events](#) or the [website](#) for a full listing of events

Men's Breakfast

THIS SATURDAY, MAY 14

8:00 a.m. | Activity Center

Tuck into some good grub and talk about current events.

Contact [Weldon Allison](#).

Quilting for Lutheran World Relief

THIS SATURDAY, MAY 14

9:00 a.m. | Rm 205

If you can tie a knot, you can help!

Pickleball

SATURDAYS

9:00.m. | Activity Center

Contact [Pr. Tom](#) .

PALS (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones)

EVERY MONDAY

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

You can now join us on Zoom! The free weekly meetings are for parents and family members (over the age of 18) of loved ones who struggle with addiction. You are not alone!

Zoom Meeting ID: 821 4966 4802 Passcode: 347213

[Click here to join the Zoom](#)

For more information about this group and others in the surrounding Austin area and other cities, visit the website, www.palgroup.org

Firm Believer Yoga

TUESDAYS - NEW LOCATION!

5:30 p.m. | Rm 203 + [Zoom](#)

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study | Library + [Zoom](#)

Contact [Richard Arndt](#).

Pickleball

TUESDAYS

5:30 p.m. | Activity Center

Contact [Pr. Tom](#) .

Wednesday Bible Studies

WEDNESDAYS

7:30-8:00 a.m. Early Risers Bible Study | [Zoom](#)

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study | Library + [Zoom](#)

Contact [Pr. Tom](#) or [Pr. Lauren](#).

Pentecost + 45th Anniversary

Pentecost Festival

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Noon - 2:00 p.m. | Courtyard

Come celebrate the birthday of the church and our church (it's our 45th anniversary!) with lunch, music, playtime, crafts and MORE!

Last Call for Rhine River Trip

Christmas Rhine River Trip

DEADLINE MAY 15

Pr. Tom and Jeanne are looking to possibly host a Rhine River trip this Christmas season, and need to know if you're interested! The trip is planned for Wednesday, December 7 thru Sunday, December 16 and includes a 5-day cruise on the Rhine River with key historic stops and an additional 4-days sight-seeing via deluxe motorcoach visiting world famous Christmas markets in Cologne, Koblenz, Strasbourg, Rothenburg, Nuremburg and Munich. Contact [Pr. Tom](#).

Mariposa News

Shelia Pharis

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MARIPOSA

Finalist for Award

Sheila Pharis has been recognized as a Phyllis Richards Icon For Youth Award Finalist for Professional Excellence from the [Austin Guide Child Guide Center](#) .

The Professional Excellence Award is for an individual who is dedicated to positive outcomes for children and teens by exemplifying excellence in their profession. Sheila was nominated by several individuals in our community recognizing her work and perseverance to provide support and quality childcare for families and teachers during the pandemic. Find out more by following Mariposa on [Facebook](#) (www.facebook.com/mariposalearning)

Giving

Last Opportunity for Baby Care Kits!

As of this morning, we have received a total of \$2,960 in contributions toward LWR - Babycare kits! Our goal is \$5,000 for 100 kits, so we are well on our way! Please sponsor a kit for \$50, or make a contribution of any amount to the [Babycare-LWR Fund](#).

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

[Bread for All needs rice!](#)

There 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

Giving keeps growing! 120 Households are participating, with \$2,175,761 given and pledged to date towards our \$3 million goal. [Click here](#) to learn more and make your pledge. Want to give some sweat equity? Come to All Church Serve and help us. Learn more under Calendar Events. 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.

Prayers

Please pray for Sandy Nielsen, Rodney Varner, Walter and Stacia DeBill, Tom Smith, Cole Bishop and Wallace Behrhorst.

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

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.

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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