

# WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

May 20, 2022

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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## “Wrestling with Doubt - Finding Faith.”

For the rest of Easter season, the Chalices on the altar were made by those who participated in *For You: A Holy Communion Retreat*. This Sunday we honor Elin Watkins at 8:15 a.m. and Lillian Murray at 10:45 a.m.

## Weekend Worship

### Saturday Contemporary Worship

**5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 21 | Courtyard**

No Courtyard Worship on June 4. Come gather as a community for Pentecost and Anniversary Sunday, June 5!

Congratulations to Contemporary Worship Leader Justin Stephens on his graduation from Texas State Round Rock with a Master of Science in Communications Disorders and Speech and Language Pathology.

### Senior Recognition Sunday

**8:15 a.m. Sunday, May 22 | Sanctuary**

**10:45 a.m. Sunday, May 22 | Sanctuary + [Livestream](#)**

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

## Sunday Morning 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](#)

## **Groundbreaking and Cake!**

**THIS SUNDAY**

**10:15 a.m. | Courtyard**

Meet in the courtyard this Sunday for the Butterfly Center Renewal

Groundbreaking and Senior Recognition Sunday! Grab a shovel and some cake! If it rains, we'll meet in the Fellowship Hall.

## **Save the Date!**

### **Pentecost + Anniversary Sunday**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

**Noon - 2:00 p.m. | Activity Center + Solomon's Porch**

Nothing says celebration like a BBQ lunch with friends! Come dig in and catch up as we celebrate Pentecost and our 45th Anniversary with lunch, a bouncy house for the kids, and music by Thom McNeil's band, Sundown by Morning. Don't forget to wear your red!

## **Calendar**

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

### **All Church Serve**

**THIS 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!

## **Pickleball**

### **CANCELED THIS SATURDAY, MAY 21**

No pickleball this weekend! You can still be a part of the team and come help empty the Butterfly Center as a part of All Church Serve. Contact [Pr. Tom](#).

## **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 mac n' cheese and dried pasta (no spaghetti please).

## **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](http://www.palgroup.org)

## **Firm Believer Yoga**

### **TUESDAYS - NEW LOCATION!**

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

## Feed My People

### TUESDAY, MAY 31

**5:15 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. | 1300 Lavaca St.**

Do a good deed before you even go to work! Come help feed God's children breakfast at the Family Life Center of First United Methodist Church. [Click here](#) for volunteer opportunities (greet, prep, serve, etc.) and to register.

Contact [Weldon Allison](#).

## Coming Soon...

### Readers' Heaven

#### STARTS A NEW BOOK!

We have our next book! Ruby Cadenhead has invited us to read her favorite book - "Who Stole My Joy?" by Sandra Steen. (Careful - there is another book with the same title, but a different author!) The date of the discussion will be Thursday, July 28th and Ruby will lead the discussion.

**The book is extremely hard to find**, but Readers' Heaven has secured 7 copies and will be reading them on rotation. If you want to join Readers' Heaven in reading this book, [email Karen Flint](#)!

## Upbring Golf Tournament

### MONDAY, JUNE 27

**7:00 a.m. | Golf Club at Star Ranch**

Join us for the Upbring Golf Tournament benefiting Foster in Texas, New Life Children's Center, and BeREAL.

Contact [Pr. Tom](#) or [Bill Dawson](#) to sign up for the ShepHills' team!

# Celebrate!

## 2022 Graduates

Evan Starnes, son of Gayle Yenawine and Glenn Starnes, is graduating from Westlake High School and will attend UT Arlington.

Maria Birzer, granddaughter of Elnora and Ken McDonald, is graduating from Hillsdale Academy in Hillsdale, Michigan.

Weston Eastwood, son of DeeDee Eastwood, is graduating from The University of Texas at Dallas with a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Cora Lea Jackson, granddaughter of Dee and Robert Jackson, is graduating from the Science and Tech Program of Eleanor Roosevelt High School in Greenbelt, MD, and will attend Vanderbilt University.

Will Johnson, nephew of Clay and Suzanne Johnson, is graduating from Walton School of Business at the University of Arkansas. He will be staying in Fayetteville and going to work for PAM Transport.

Carlee Kernodle, granddaughter of Ronny and Janice Pinckard, is graduating from Marietta College in Marietta with a dual degree in Special Education – Elementary Education.

Matthew Plummer, son of Linda Fiandaca, is graduating from Texas A&M in Mechanical Engineering.

Katherine Powell, daughter of Ted and Corky Powell, is graduating from the University of Houston Law School.

Ally Miller, daughter of Linda and Peter Miller, is graduating from the residency program in Internal Medicine at Legacy Health Portland Oregon. She will then attend Oregon Health and Science University for her fellowship training in Nephrology.

Brooke Schmidt, Butterfly Christian Preschool Teacher, is graduating from Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, with honors.

Ella Seidel, daughter of Denise and Brad Seidel, is graduating from Westlake High School. Ella received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy.

Justin Stephens, Contemporary Worship Leader at Shepherd of the Hills, is graduating from Texas State University Round Rock with a Master of Science in Communication Disorders.

Amanda Swanton, daughter of Sandy and Larry Smith, is graduating from the urology residency program at Dartmouth Hitchcock in New Hampshire. She will be completing a Fellowship in Boston for the next year.

Joel Timmons, Youth Director at Shepherd of the Hills, is graduating from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity.

Lucas Vorkoper, grandson of Joan and Bob Vorkoper, is graduating from Mercer Island High School in Washington and will attend Case Western Reserve University.

The 4-Year-Old Classes of Butterfly Christian Preschool!

## Giving

### Beyond Capital Fund Appeal

**Giving keeps growing!** 129 households are participating, with \$2,202,131 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

Summer is here! Stay current with your giving while on the road by [giving online](#). Thank you for giving freely and joyfully!

## Prayers

**We pray** for Sandy Nielsen, Rodney Varner, Tom Smith, Walter and Stacia DeBill.

**We pray** for all graduates who are completing years of study and time invested in their future. We pray for God to bless the next steps of their journeys-- that wherever they go, they may know that God goes before, behind, and beside them.

**We pray** for all friends and Shepherd of the Hills members traveling to Greece and Germany this week. As they walk in the footsteps of Paul and experience the Passion of Jesus Christ in Oberammergau, Germany, may the inspiration of your Holy Spirit renew faith and grow hearts. We pray for all to stay well and for a safe return.

**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.

**We pray** for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring Ministries.

**We 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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