

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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EPIPHANY SEASON LIGHT EXPRESSED IN MISSION

JANUARY 11—EPIPHANY 1

**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL**
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; St. Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful in their calling to be your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

BAPTISMAL LIFE AFFIRMED

The Twelve Days of the Christmas Season have concluded and the Christmas community is transformed into the Epiphany people of God. The wise men came to worship the Christ child bringing their gifts. **Jan. 11** is "*The Baptism of Our Lord*" with special emphasis on **Affirming Life Together in Baptism**. Baptism incorporates us into the sacred story of salvation. The carols of Christmas, the sweet memories of the 12 Day Festival, the coming of The Three Kings, the Baptism of Jesus all become a part of the faith story as the baptized live the light of God. Plan to sing the Epiphany Canticle Sunday—"*Listen! You nations of the world; listen to the Word of the Lord.*"

ANNUAL MISSION TRIP

A group from Gethsemane Lutheran travel **Jan. 9-11** to the people of God of Eagle Pass & Piedras Negras sharing the Epiphany vision of Good News to all people. Bringing gifts of food, shoes, clothing, working together, leading a children's Vacation Bible School, Spanish worship with **Pastor Hector Vasquez** and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregation highlights this annual Epiphany Season mission. For information contact **Pastor Kent Bohls, Dr. Cal** or **Diane Streeter**.

SALVATION ARMY

Sunday, **Jan. 11**, **The Baptism of Our Lord**, Gethsemane Lutheran recognizes the faithful mission of the **Salvation Army**. Gethsemane member **Ron Kingsbury** and **Major Daniel New** will receive the 2003 gift of Gethsemane congregation to this important Austin community ministry. Thanks to all for special Salvation Army offerings.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Thanks to Gethsemane Christian Ed leaders for Christmas Season learning events. The "*Happy Birthday Jesus*" celebration held Sunday past was special.

Dr. Hoeferkamp resumes his study of "*Martin Luther's Cathecism*" Sunday mornings in the Steffans Parlor **Jan. 11** through **Feb. 1**.

GLADOFFF

Gethsemane Lutheran Adults Dining Out For Food Fun and Fellowship **January 13**, 7 p.m. Charlie's Steakhouse in Pflugerville hosted by **Deanie Martinets**. There is still room at the table!

MEN IN MISSION

Gethsemane men meet Thursday, **Jan. 15**, 9 a.m. for coffee, fellowship, discussion on the missionary to Scandinavia, St. Ansgar, featured in the Gethsemane Stained Glass Window. The tour visits the **Pickle Research Center**, focusing on the Center for Electro Mechanical and Energy Micro Electronics, with Fuddruckers for lunch returning to Gethsemane by 1:30. Monday, 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible conversations with **Pastor Bohls** begins **Jan. 19** at El Rancho Grande. Evening Men's Group meets **Jan. 27**, 7 p.m.

JANUARY 18—EPIPHANY 2

**THE CONFESSION OF ST. PETER
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
MARTIN LUTHERAN KING JR. EMPHASIS**
SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:8-13; Psalm 18:1-7, 17-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-5; St. Matthew 16:13-19

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *Almighty God, you inspired Simon Peter to confess Jesus as the Messiah and Son of the living God. Keep your church firm on the rock of this faith, that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, you Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

Gethsemane members **Keith & Angelica Wilfong Lundquist** bring their infant son **Luke Davis** to the baptismal font Sunday, **January 18**. Angelica's father, **The Reverend Charles A. Wilfong**, ELCA pastor American Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, will baptize his grandson. Keith is the grandson of the late **Reverend M.L. Lundquist**, Gethsemane pastor, 1952-1964. Keith serves on the Gethsemane congregation council. Angelica is a Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry staff member. Gethsemane Lutheran give thanks to God for the Lundquist-Wilfong families and their commitment to the ministries of the people of God. May the Triune God bless Luke Davis Lundquist and his family.

MLK JR. EMPHASIS

Gethsemane Lutheran members join in commemorating the faithful life of **The Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.** During their visit to National ELCA Youth Gathering, Atlanta, GA, Gethsemane youth visited historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, Dr. King's tomb, the King Center and the National Park Service Visitor Center.

Jan. 19, **Pastor Karl Gronberg** will participate in the leadership breakfast sponsored by the Austin Police Department at Huston-Tillotson College followed by the annual walk from the Texas State Capitol to H-T where a cultural fair will be held. Contact Pastor Gronberg if interested in participating in any of the community events planned for the annual MLK commemoration.

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

The **Gethsemane Women of the ELCA 2004 officers** will be installed Sunday **Jan. 18** and they will host a congregational luncheon of King Ranch Casserole, salad and dessert following the 10:30 liturgy. A free will offering will benefit **Lutheran World Relief**. The Sunday afternoon Bible study, "*A Heart Like His*" resumes **Jan. 18**, 2 - 4 p.m. in the Music Room. **Mary Martha** Unit meets **Jan. 13** 9:30 a.m. and **Miriam** Unit, **Jan. 20**, 7 p.m.

SEMINARY CONVOCATION

Pastor Karl Gronberg will attend the **Luther Seminary Mid-Winter Convocation**, St. Paul, Minnesota. The annual convocation calls together ELCA clergy and theologians in reflection on issues facing the baptized community. This year the focus is "*Living Out Our Callings At Home: Family, Faith & Culture*". **Umid Azimov**, foreign exchange student living with the Gronberg family this year while attending LBJ High School, will travel with Pastor. He will stay with **Rhia Gronberg**, a student at Augsburg College, Minneapolis. Umid will consider opportunities for International students at Augsburg and Macalester Colleges and the University of Minnesota. He plans to further his education in the United States.

JANUARY 25 — EPIPHANY 3

**THE CONFESSION OF ST. PAUL
ELCA GLOBAL MISSION APPEAL**
SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:1-22; Psalm 67; Galatians 1:11-24; St. Luke 21:10-19

PRAYER OF THE DAY: *Lord God, through the preaching of your apostle Paul, you established one Church from among the nations. As we celebrate his conversion, we pray that we may follow his example and be witnesses to the truth in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** is the annual unity emphasis for Christendom the week of **January 18**. Epiphany Season is time to witness to all people the grace, mercy and love of God. **Global Mission** outreach of the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** partners with other faith communities in bringing the Gospel to the people of the world. Gethsemane members have the opportunity on the fourth Sunday of every month to give an offering for global mission.

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

EPIPHANY SEASON, 2004

WEDNESDAYS, JAN. 7 — FEB. 18

Light Suppers Served, 5:30 — 6:45 p.m. (MPR)
Baby Sitting Available, 6 — 8:30 p.m. (Nursery)
Bible Study 6:15 — 7:15 p.m. (Music Room)
Confirmation, 6:30 — 7:30 p.m. (Youth Loft)
Parenting Class, 6:30 — 7:30 p.m. (Narthex)
Holy Communion, 7:00 — 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 — 8:30 p.m.
Open Volleyball, 7:30 — 9:00 p.m. (MPR)

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Thanks to Gethsemane youth **Katie Kronbergs, Leith Collier, Emily Petrosky, Leisha Johnson** for beautifully continuing the Santa Lucia tradition. These young women represented all Gethsemane youth living the light of God's love in the Christmas story.

Pastor Susan Schnelle, Jennifer Cloud and Luther Seminary intern **Erik Gronberg** were counselors for 16 youth: **Brandy Brown, Trevor Brown, Brittini Chandrasoma, Katie Dodd, Kolby Evans, Rachel Feller, Tiffany Goodlow, Joel Gronberg, Leisha Johnson, Jennifer Kingsbury, Katie Kronbergs, Sarah Kronbergs, Jeanna Pearce, Rebecca Rippy, Amanda Schnelle, Brian Streeter** for the Southwestern Texas Senior High Synod Youth Gathering with the theme of "*Bless the Lord*". Thanks Gethsemane for a history of supporting youth ministry.

Senior High Sunday Night Gathering **Jan. 18** will be at the home of **Brittini Chandrasoma** with 5 p.m. departure for dinner & devotions, and return 8 p.m. Please sign up on the youth board.

Confirmation class summer camp will be **June 13-18** at Lutherhill. Please sign upon the youth board.

SOUPER BOWL

Gethsemane Youth Ministry invites congregational gifts of change and dollar bills for Habitat for Humanity, Super Bowl Sunday, **Feb. 1**. This annual offering/appeal is part of the national "*Souper Bowl of Caring*".

CONGREGATION MEETING

Annual Gethsemane Lutheran Congregational noon meal and meeting will be held Sunday, **Feb. 1**, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Committee reports are requested as soon as possible to be included in the annual report. Thank you!

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IN MEMORY

Edwin Joseph Pollard, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of his baptism Sunday, December 28, 2003. The Memorial liturgy was held Wednesday, December 31, 2003. Ed became a member of Gethsemane through the witness of his beloved wife of 50 years, the late Agnes Fagerquist Pollard. He enjoyed visiting with people sharing his love for life. Christian sympathy is expressed to his daughter Lyne Montgomery and the members of the family. The words of scripture bring the eternal promise: *"Even though I walk through the valley of death, I fear no evil for you are with me"* (Psalm 23:4) Blessed be the memory of Edwin J. Pollard.

IN MEMORY

Gina Marie Malin, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism Sunday, December 28, 2003. Memorial liturgy was held at Gethsemane Friday, January 2, 2003. Gina is remembered by family and friends as a loving daughter, sister and mother. Christian sympathy is expressed to her daughters Harley & Denver, mother Louise, father Jerry, brother Ken and all the members of the family. Gina was granddaughter of faithful Gethsemane members the late Elmer & Lillian Girvin. The words of scripture speak a message of trust: *"Let not your hearts be troubled: you believe in God...I go to prepare a place for you"* (St. John 14: 1&2) Blessed be the memory of Gina Marie Malin.

IN MEMORY

Vivian Lyckman Johnson, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism Wednesday, December 31, 2003. The Memorial Celebration of her life was held Monday, January 5, 2003. Vivian shared in her life the light of God's love and grace. She and her husband Roy joined Gethsemane congregation in 1932 faithfully through the decades expressing love for each other, family and community of faith. Christian sympathy is expressed to her children, Betty, Marilyn, Raymond and their families. The words of scripture speak of a woman of faith: *"She looks well to the ways of her household, her children (grandchildren-great-grandchildren) rise up and call her blessed"* (Proverbs 31:27, 28) Blessed be the memory of Vivian Lyckman Johnson.

IN MEMORY

Hazel Jenny Burch, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism January 2, 2004. The Memorial liturgy was held Tuesday, January 6, 2003. Hazel lived her baptism by giving her love to her beloved family and friends. Her commitments gave evidence of a heritage of faith from which all were blessed. The members of Gethsemane express Christian love and support to Lo Ann & Jim Abney and the family. The words of scripture bring hope: *"I know that my Redeemer lives"* (Job 19:25) Blessed be the memory of Hazel Jenny Burch.

DECEMBER ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those having served: **Debra Rodgers-Pitts, Lloydine Vinyard** co-

chairpersons, **Brenda Lee Cross, Sylvia Driskell, Kay Goodlow, Sharon Gronberg, Janet & Jeran Hooten, Daisy Horton, Kay & Tom Rodgers, Jerry Vinyard, Rebecca Vinyard.**

December Altar and Chancel flowers were given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of **Sylvia & Duane Johnson** on the anniversary of her birthday and our anniversary by **Larry, Dennis and Tommy Johnson & family**; in loving memory of **Wes Sassman** in commemoration of 97 birthday by **Alvina**; in celebration of our 45th wedding anniversary by **Ron & Joyce Kingsbury**; in celebration of the baptism of our daughter, **Ashlyn Makala**, by **Brian & Michelle Kircher**; in loving memory of **Hartley** by **Eileen Hyltin**; in honor of **Erin's** baptism and confirmation by **Anna Callahan**; in commemoration of the first Lutheran liturgy held in Austin, Dec. 12, 1868, followed by the organization of Gethsemane Lutheran Church; in loving memory of **LaRue Olson** by **Donna** and family; in honor of **Becky's** 16th birthday by the **Rippy family**; in celebration of marriage of **Phil & Christine Berkland** by **Virta** and **Berkland** families; in celebration of the baptism of **Cassandra Michelle Schaeffer** by her family.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

THANKS TO: Virginia Marek and Ethel Zellmer for assisting Church Women United ...**CONGRATULATIONS TO: Phil & Christine Schneider Virta Berkland** on wedding Dec. 27; **Alice Schnelle** receiving Bishops Award for Christian witness in family, church, school and community...**THANKS FROM: Lucinda Friddle, Diane Streeter, Glenda Holmstrom** ministry during hospitalization; **Ervin Jasman** for carolers...**GREETINGS FROM: Randall Greinert** visiting in North Carolina.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, January 10

Mission Trip, Eagle Pass
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

11:00 a.m. Birthday Event (Multi-Purpose Rm)

SUNDAY, Jan. 11 - The Baptism of Our Lord

ELCA World Hunger Appeal

Mission Trip—Eagle Pass
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
4:00 p.m. Sons of Norway (Multi-Purpose Rm)

MONDAY, January 12

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
6:15 p.m. Congregation Council (Music Rm)
6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, January 13

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
9:30 p.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha Unit
7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Charlie's Steak House)
7:00 a.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, January 14

12 Noon Eucharist (Sanctuary)
5:30 p.m. Light Supper (MPR)
6:15 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class (Youth Loft)
6:30 p.m. Parenting Class (Narthex)
6:30 p.m. Contemporary Music Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Eucharist (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, January 15

9:00 a.m. Men in Mission conversation/tour
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, January 16

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, January 17

SWT Synod Invitation to Service (TLU)
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, January 18—Epiphany 2

GWELCA Sunday
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
9:30 a.m. Girl Scout Cookie Sale (Narthex)
10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy
10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
12 Noon Congregation/GWELCA Luncheon
12 Noon Girl Scout Cookie Sale (Narthex)
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
4-7 p.m. Epiphany Open House (Bohls home)

MONDAY, Jan. 19—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Children's Ministry Closed
10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, January 20

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apts Chapel
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

7:30 p.m. GWELCA Miriam Unit (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, January 21 (see Jan 14)

12 Noon Baby Quilting (Music Room)

THURSDAY, January 22

6:15 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, January 23 (see Jan 16)

SATURDAY, January 24

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, January 25 - Epiphany 3

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

MONDAY, January 26

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-T)
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, January 27

9:00 a.m. Children's Chapel (Narthex)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. Men's Group (Music Room)
7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, January 28 (see Jan 14)

THURSDAY, January 29

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, January 30 (see Jan 16)

SATURDAY, January 31

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

JANUARY 28, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING EXPRESSES COMMITMENTS

FEBRUARY 1—EPIPHANY 4

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13; St. Luke 4:21-30

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you know that we cannot withstand the dangers which surround us. Strengthen us in body and spirit so that, with your help, we may be able to overcome the weakness that our sin has brought upon us; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. Amen

An Epiphany experience often is a surprise! The first reading, Epiphany 4, the prophet Jeremiah is surprised God would call a youth, but Jeremiah has been in God's plan for a long time. The Gospel for Epiphany 4, tells the story of Jesus at home in Nazareth but the people are confused by his wisdom. The second reading, Epiphany 4, is the well known "Love Chapter"—1st Corinthians 13. Could love be an epiphany? How does the love of God surprise people today? Special prayers will be offered Sunday in remembrance of the Challenger shuttle crew tragically killed one year ago, February 1, 2002.

"SOUPER BOWL OFFERING"

Gethsemane Youth Ministry invite gifts of coins and/or dollar bills for **Habitat for Humanity**, Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 1. This annual offering/appeal is part of the national "Super Bowl of Caring". Look for youth standing at sanctuary doors with a bowl in their hands.

ANNUAL MEETING/MEAL

The Annual Gethsemane Lutheran Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, February 1. A meal of bowtie pasta, marinara Sauce, salad, cheese sticks, coffee, punch or water will be offered immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion liturgy. Thanks to **George Hamm** and the **Gethsemane Men in Mission**. Donations for the meal will be given to the needy of the community including the Gethsemane Food Pantry.

INTERFAITH PICNIC

The Institute of Interfaith Dialog and the University of Texas-Austin Islamic Dialogue Student Association will hold a picnic feast, Sunday, February 1. This celebration is for the feast of Eid al-Adha. In recent weeks, Gethsemane Lutheran has been privileged during worship to welcome University of Texas-Austin graduate students from Turkey interested in knowing more about the Christian faith and the Lutheran tradition. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** and foreign exchange student **Umid Azimov** will be guests. Persons interested in knowing more about this Inter-Faith opportunity are invited to speak with Pastor Gronberg.

SUNDAY LEARNING HOUR

The Reverend Doctor **Robert Hoferkamp** continues the Adult Class study in the Steffans Parlor of "Martin Luther's Catechism". The Encounter Class discusses "A New Vocabulary" based upon thoughts of Dr. Huston Smith a recent speaker at the Austin Area Interreligious Ministries Annual Meeting. **Sharon Gronberg** discussed, Sunday past, new vocabulary in the discipline of mathematics. Sunday, February 1, **Pam Vetter** will speak on new vocabulary for adoption.

PARENTING CLASS

Gayle Swoyer offers the class: "Improving your Parenting". Steffans Parlor, **Wednesdays** 6:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 8—EPIPHANY 5

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6:1-13; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; St. Luke 5:1-11

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

People of faith are part of God's epiphany-this is Good News. God calls in baptism; God feeds in holy eucharist; God sends the called and fed community into the world to serve. God called Isaiah and Jesus called the disciples-today the people of God give witness to the Good News-the Epiphany light!

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

A devastating earthquake, December 26, 2003 struck the city of Bam in southeastern Iran. Initial counts indicated over 30,000 killed. The human suffering complicated by cultural, religious, governmental communication difficulties. Doing relief ministry with Church World Service and the Middle East Council of Churches through Action by Churches the ELCA International Disaster Response contributed an initial gift of \$50,000. Tents, blankets, medical supplies were made available. Please give your gift Sunday for Iranian Relief. Thank you Gethsemane for your awareness of the world community, your prayers, and your donations—in 2003 Gethsemane gave \$6,431 to WHA plus gifts from the Hunger Awareness Team. Non-perishable food is needed for the Gethsemane Pantry. \$245.22 was spent this week, from the Wilburn & Addie Fischer food account, to replenish the pantry. Faithful stewardship brings the Epiphany light of compassion.

GLADOFFF

Gethsemane Lutheran Adults Dining Out For Food Fun and Fellowship February 10, 7 p.m. Mesa Rosa, 15515 North FM 620, between Parmer and Round Rock Hospital hosted by **Charles & Adelle Rolls**. There is room at the table!

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Gethsemane Women ELCA 2004 officers installed in January: **Peggy Horton, Christine Bohls, Gloria Cooper, Tutty Maixner, Virginia Marek, Sharon Hillmer**. GWELCA hosted a noon meal and \$800 was raised for **Lutheran World Relief**.

The Sunday afternoon Bible study, "A Heart Like His" Feb. 15, 2-4 p.m. Music Room. **Mary/Martha Unit** Feb. 10 9:30 a.m. **Miriam Unit**, hosts annual Sweetheart event **February 15** for couples of the congregation.

Quilters offering \$1 chances on quilt for LWR.

CONCORDIA HOMECOMING

Suzanne Mueller, former GLCM staff member, working with **Concordia University-Austin**, invites Gethsemane members and friends to participate in "Deep in the Heart" Homecoming 2004. Events begin Thursday Feb. 12 through Sunday afternoon Feb. 15. Gethsemane members annually participate in the Saturday morning, 8:30 a.m. 5k "Luth-A-Run"/Walk through the ever expanding campus. Gethsemane member, **Steven Johnson**, a Concordia alum was 2003 graduation commencement speaker. Homecoming brochure in the narthex.

MEN IN MISSION

Gethsemane Men Thursday, Feb. 19, 9 a.m. for coffee, fellowship, tour of Rosedale Learning Center, lunch-return to Gethsemane 1:30 p.m. Mondays, 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible conversations with **Pastor Bohls**, El Rancho Grande. Evening Men's Group Feb. 24, 7 p.m. following Shrove Tuesday pancakes.

FEBRUARY 15—EPIPHANY 6

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; St. Luke 6:17-26

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

MINISTRY CENTER OFFERING

Bishop Ray Tiemann, Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA, on behalf of the synod council has requested congregations of the synod to receive a special offering in February for the **Lutheran Ministry Center** located on the campus of Texas Lutheran University. This special offering is in response to a resolution passed at the 2002 Synod Assembly calling for the congregations of the synod to pay off the mortgage indebtedness within five years. As a result of the resolution, the Executive Committee of the Synod Council established a "one-Sunday-per-year" Lutheran Ministry Center Appeal. To be held in February. Gethsemane members gave \$473 to this appeal in 2003. The combined offerings from synod congregations in 2003 was \$40,800 paid directly on the principal of the original loan. Other monies were added to this gift and the present loan balance is \$483,825 with a monthly mortgage payment of \$3,511. The plan is to pay off the indebtedness within five years to free the synod to expand ministries within and outside the synod borders. Offering envelopes will be provided for Gethsemane members wishing to give toward this special appeal.

HERITAGE CELEBRATION

February is annually **Black History Month**. A.I.S.D. invites Gethsemane members to the 21st Annual African American Heritage Celebration, Sunday, February 15, 3 p.m. Delco Center. A listing of Huston-Tillotson College Black History Month programs is on the Social Ministry Bulletin Board.

VOWS/SWEETHEART MEAL

Sunday, February 15, 5 p.m. couples are invited to come to the Gethsemane altar to renew their wedding vows and receive Holy Communion. Scriptures will be read and special music offered.

The annual Gethsemane Women of the ELCA Miriam Unit **Sweetheart Dinner** begins 6 p.m. Feb. 15 in the Multi-Purpose Room. There will be a candlelight catered lasagna dinner by Juanita \$5 per person; babysitting will be provided by Gethsemane youth. Sign up by Feb. 11 for the meal and/or babysitting.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Senior High Sunday Night Mardi Gras Celebration February 22 at the home of **Leith Collier** with 5 p.m. departure for dinner & devotions- return 8 p.m. Please sign up on the youth board.

Camp Lutherhill will be the site for confirmation class (7th & 8th graders) summer camp **June 13-18**. Sign up on GYM Bulletin Board.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Gethsemane members **Karalyn Heimlich** and the Reverend **Mel Swoyer**, staff members of the Lutheran Social Services of the South, invite Gethsemane members to participate in the 5th annual "Make A Difference" dinner and dance fund-raiser 6 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 21 Barton Creek Conference Center to benefit **New Life Children's Treatment Center**. Persons interested may contact **Pastor Gronberg**.

RETREAT, FEB. 28-29

The 22nd annual Gethsemane Lutheran Congregational Retreat **February 28-29** Camp Chrysalis near Kerrville. Sign up by **February 22**. This is a great time for all ages to play, learn, sing, hike, eat s'mores, commune around the campfire. Stay in a cabin, camp out or utilize a local motel. Theme is "Beginning the Lenten Journey."

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MEAL/ANNUAL MEETING—FEB. 1 IRANIAN DISASTER RESPONSE GIFTS—FEB. 8 GWELCA SWEETHEART EVENT—FEB. 15

IN MEMORY

Annabel Holman Johnson, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism January 14, 2004. The Memorial liturgy was Tuesday, January 17, 2004. Ann lived out her baptism as a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She shared with family and friends a generous spirit and a wonderful sense of humor celebrating the gift of life. Christian love and support is expressed to daughter, Mary & family; son, Jimmy & family. Grandchildren Scott and Emily gave loving expressions at the memorial liturgy reminding the congregation of their grandmother's love of life. The words of scripture bring the eternal promise: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you" (Jeremiah 31:3) Blessed be the memory of Annabel Johnson.

MISSION PARTNER

San Lucas, Eagle Pass/ Cristo Rey, Piedras Negras, and **Pastor Hector Vasquez** express gratitude for the Gethsemane January, 2004 mission team delivering over 3500 pounds of food, a mountain of shoes and clothing, and Sunday School supplies. The group led by **Pastors Bohls and Schnelle** built a shelter for the Sunday School classes to meet across the border, did clean up, painting, and held a mini VBS for the children of San Lucas. Stuffed animals were given to all the children and crosses to all Sunday worshippers. This annual expression of Christian unity lives out the Gethsemane ministry vision.

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those having served: **Inez Rice**, All members co-chairpersons: **Verline Berkman, Jeanette Buehring, Dan & Bobbie Griffith, Glenda Holmstrom, Denise Lackey, Alice Mueller, Jennifer Rice, Anne Roefer, Adelle Rolls, Ken & Linda Schulz, Anthony & Sharon Venza.**

January Altar and Chancel flowers were given to the Glory of the Triune God: in celebration of our 10th wedding anniversary by **Dan & Diana Dworin**; in honor of **Jonathan Stapleton** on his 14th birthday by **Wayne & Jamie Swening**; in loving memory of **Sally** by the **Art Anderson family**; in loving memory of **Edwin Joseph Pollard** by his family; in loving memory of **Gina Marie Malin** by her family; in loving memory of **Ed Hall** by **Viola**; in honor of **Harriet Gardner** and in celebration of her 65th birthday by **James, Jeff, Gayle & Steve and Alex**; in celebration of **Joshua's** 14th birthday and **Tiffany's** 16th birthday by **Kay Goodlow**; in celebration of the baptism of **Luke Davis Lundquist** by **Keith, Angelica, Trey and Heidi**; in celebration of our 9th wedding anniversary by **Wayne & Jamie Swening**; in loving memory of **Annabel Holman Johnson** by her family; in celebration of the marriage of **Randolph & Sheryl Rhea Johnson Jubert** by their families; in honor of our

mom, **Jamie Swening**, and in celebration of her birthday, by **Jonathan and Dustin**. Sign up for altar/chancel flowers to be given in memory/honor of loved ones—numerous Sundays available.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO: **Luke Davis Lundquist** baptized January 18; **Randy & Sheryl Johnson Jubert** married Saturday past; Rev. **Rich Thompson**—Austin Faith Dialogue-HOPE AWARD recipient—Austin Area Interreligious Ministries...**THANKS FROM:** the families of: **Hazel Jenny Burch; Vivian Lyckman Johnson; Edwin Joseph Pollard; Gina Marie Malin**; for ministry and congregational expressions of loving concern; **Evelyn Barker, Oliver Strom, Agnes Nelson** for ministry during hospitalization; **Nell Martin Rundell & Vivian Martin Swenson** for Trinity Care Center carolers; **Jim & Sandra Anderson Baylor and Keith & Sharon Baylor Davis** for use of the MPR in celebrating **Amesley's** first birthday party; **Lindsey Dunahoo, Kaitlyn Dunahoo, Megan Jones** for supporting Girl Scouts cookie sales—they did well!; **Ecology Action** for financial support and participation in recycling efforts; **Ben Lara, UHO kick ball team coach grateful** for use of Gethsemane ball diamond for practice...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Dean & Ethel Zellmer** visiting Florida; **Dr. Erik Svenkerud** visiting Brazil.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, January 31

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, February 1 - Epiphany 4

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Holy Communion/Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
9:30 a.m. Girl Scout Cookie Sale (narthex)
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion/Worship Liturgy
12 Noon Girl Scout Cookie Sale (narthex)
12 Noon Annual Meeting/Luncheon (MPR)
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
2:00 p.m. Interfaith Picnic

MONDAY, February 2

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:15 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, February 3

11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Music Room)
1:30 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Music Rm)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 a.m. MMCA (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, February 4

12 Noon Eucharist (Sanctuary)
5:30 p.m. Supper (MPR)
6:15 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class (Youth Loft)
6:30 p.m. Parenting Class (narthex)
7:00 p.m. Eucharist (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Disabled Am Veterans (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, February 5

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. United Ostomy Assn. (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, February 6

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, February 7

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, February 8—Epiphany 5

ELCA World Hunger Appeal

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:15 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
5:00 p.m. Sons of Norway (Music Room)

MONDAY, February 9

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, February 10

9:30 a.m. Mary-Martha Unit (Music Room)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Mesa Rosa)

WEDNESDAY, February 11 (see Feb 4)

6:30 p.m. Contemporary Music Rehearsal

THURSDAY, February 12

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, February 13 (see Feb 6)

7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)

SATURDAY, Feb. 14—Valentine's Day

7:30 a.m. Valentine's Day Mystery Tour
8:30 a.m. Concordia Univ. Homecoming
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
3:00 p.m. Wedding liturgy

SUNDAY, February 15 - Epiphany 6

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy
2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
3:00 p.m. AISD African American Celebration
5:00 p.m. Renewal of vows (Sanctuary)
6:00 p.m. Sweetheart Event (MPR)

MONDAY, February 16—Presidents' Day

Children's Ministry/Church Office Closed
10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Age Basketball
6:30 p.m. Danish Group (Music Room)

TUESDAY, February 17

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apts Chapel
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. GWELCA Work Party (Music Rm)
7:30 p.m. OCD (Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, February 18 (see Feb 4)

THURSDAY, February 19

9:00 a.m. Men-in-Mission (Music Rm)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, February 20 (see Feb 6)

SATURDAY, February 21

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
6:00 p.m. LSS—"Make a Difference 2004"

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 18, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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ALLELUIAS CEASE: ASHES BEGIN LENTEN JOURNEY

FEBRUARY 22

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD ELCA GLOBAL MISSION APPEAL

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; St. Luke 9:28-43

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



Transfiguration Sunday, February 22, concludes the Alleluia Festival Christmas-Epiphany Seasons. Transfiguration Sunday celebrates Jesus as the glorious light of God but at the same time the church calendar anticipates the suffering and passion that is to come. The church today, the baptized faithful, follows Jesus from the beautiful glory of Christmas, Epiphany and Transfiguration to Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent—a time of personal and corporate discipline. The faithful are invited to join in worship moving liturgically from the alleluia song of the light of the festival seasons to Ash Wednesday and the priority of the cross in the salvation story

Gethsemane members **Jeffrey & Michele Schultz Lewis** bring their infant daughter, **Madison Danielle** to the baptismal font 8:15 a.m. Transfiguration Sunday liturgy. The prayers of the Epiphany community are offered for **Jeff, Michele, Matthew, Jacob** and **Madison Danielle**.

CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT

The 22nd annual Gethsemane Lutheran Congregational Retreat **Feb. 28-29** Camp Chrysalis near Kerrville. Sign up by **Feb. 22**. Come play, learn, sing, hike, eat s'mores, commune around the campfire. Stay in a cabin, camp out or utilize a local motel. Theme: "Beginning the Lenten Journey."

SUNDAY LEARNING HOUR

Doctor Robert Hoferkamp completes the Martin Luther study **Feb. 22**. **Art Anderson** leads a discussion on Lent, **Feb. 29**. **David Doerfler** and **Pastor Mel Swoyer** lead adult class during **March:** "On Becoming A Wounded Healer; Embodying Healing In Yourself and Others."

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Senior High Sunday Night Mardi Gras Celebration **February 22** home of **Leith Collier, senior Crockett High**, 5 p.m. departure for dinner & devotions—return 8 p.m. Please sign up on the youth board. **Confirmants** meet with **Pastor Schnelle** Wednesdays, during Lent 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Senior High Lock-In March 5th & 6th** We will go to **Becky Rippys** house for a full night of music, food, fun and fellowship. Leave Friday at 8:30 and return Saturday morning 8:30. Sign up on the youth board.

PANCAKES

The tradition of eating pancakes on **Shrove Tuesday**, the day before Ash Wednesday, will continue with **Viola Hall** serving pancakes 12 noon in the narthex. **Gethsemane Men in Mission** serve pancakes 5:30 p.m.—7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Accept the invitation to share in this annual tradition before the season of fasting commences Ash Wednesday.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25

6:45 - 8:00 a.m. Imposition of Ashes; altar
10:00 a.m. Imposition of Ashes,
Heatherwilde, Pflugerville
11:30 - 12
12 noon Imposition of Ashes; altar
Holy Communion
5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Imposition of Ashes; altar
7:00 p.m. Holy Communion

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

10:30 a.m. Lenten Study
12 noon Lenten Eucharist (sanctuary)
12:30 p.m. Sack Lunch Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Soup, Sandwich, conversations (narthex)
6:45 p.m. "Personal Testimony to the Cross" (narthex)
7:00 p.m. "Holden Evening Prayer" eucharist, meditative candlelight worship

FEBRUARY 29—LENT 1

SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; St. Luke 4:1-13

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your Church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

NEW WOMEN'S STUDY

The Gethsemane women have just completed their study of Beth Moore's "A Heart Like His" and will be starting "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. This new study will be held at the church on Monday nights from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m., beginning March 1, ending May 17. Child care will be available as needed. Registration is required and registration forms are available in the Narthex. Please return completed registration forms to Pastor Susie Schnelle, or call her for more information., 836-8560.

TLU ATHLETICS SUPPORTED

Pastor Gronberg and nine Gethsemane men will travel **March 3** to Houston, Texas Minute Maid Park, home of the Major League Houston Astros, to support the Texas Lutheran University athletics program. The event is sponsored by TLU and features TLU graduate and well known CBS-TV sportscaster **Verne Lundquist**, son of the late **Reverend M.L. Lundquist** and wife **Arda**, Gethsemane pastoral family 1952-1966. Verne will be joined on the program by **Roger Clemens**, a certain first round choice for the Major League Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York. Roger is a University of Texas ex having led the Longhorns to a national title followed by years playing with the Red Sox, Blue Jays, Yankees and now Astros. The evening is being billed as "Front Row with Roger Clemens and Verne Lundquist". Gethsemane men are an active and vital part of Gethsemane Lutheran.

LENTEN SERIES

Viola Hall and **Beverly Helsel** continue the tradition of Wednesday soup and sandwich suppers during the season of Lent, **March 3-31**, 6 p.m. Gethsemane members **Pastor Kent Bohls, David Doerfler, Reverend Mel Swoyer, Reverend Doctor Robert Hoferkamp, Pastor Susan Schnelle** will share at 6:45 p.m. a ten minute "Personal Reflection on the Power of the Cross." 6:55 p.m. the community will enter the sanctuary for a meditative worship using "Holden Evening Prayer".

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

A new Gethsemane color pictorial directory will be produced this spring with photos taken March 30-April 3. Each person will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a new directory. The committee is composed of **Pat Baitz, Darla Elam, Bobbie Griffith, Alice Mueller, Denise Schulz, Ken & Linda Schulz** and **Jack Westerman**.

MARCH 7—LENT 2

COMMEMORATION OF PERPETUA, FELICITY AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS AT CARTHAGE, 202; THOMAS AQUINAS, TEACHER, 1274

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; St. Luke 13:31-35

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Eternal God, it is your glory always to have mercy. Bring back all who have erred and strayed from your ways; lead them again to embrace in faith the truth of your Word and to hold it fast; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CROP WALK

Sunday, **March 7**, Gethsemane members, youth and adults, will continue a tradition by participating in the annual **Austin CROP Walk**. **Debbie Rodgers-Pitts** and foreign exchange student **Umid Azimov** coordinate sponsor packets. Pick up your sponsor packet in the narthex or stop by the Gethsemane office. Gethsemane walkers-joggers in 2003 helped raise \$135,000 for the needy around the world and in the Austin community. Plan to walk or run!

LUTHERAN COLLEGE FAIR

Every year Gethsemane youth are invited to attend the **Lutheran College Fair**. This year the event is **Sunday, March 7**, Austin-Omni, 700 San Jacinto, 3:30 p.m. Registration begins followed by college/career planning and financial aid seminars. The fair is from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Representatives from Lutheran colleges and universities will be prepared to tell prospective students about their respective institutions of higher education. Gethsemane Lutheran has been fortunate to have a number of persons attending and graduating from these schools. Senior high youth, interested in attending the college fair are invited to speak with **Pastors Gronberg** or **Schnelle**. All families attending the college fair event will receive an application fee waiver applicable for one Lutheran College/University listed on the fee waiver. "Lutheran Higher Education: Higher Standards Higher Values."

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Mary Martha Unit meets **March 9, 9:30 a.m.** with **Laura Riddell**, program: **Alvina Sassman** and **Gratia Winship**, hostesses.

Gethsemane Altar Guild coordinators express thanks on behalf of the congregation to the children of **Annabel Holman Johnson** for their generous gift in memory of her. The six Sunday morning offering plates and the one alms basin were recently re-plated due to their generous gift to the altar guild. Thanks to every person participating in the altar guild ministry.

BETHANY CHOIR

Gethsemane Lutheran is privileged to host the well known **Bethany College Choir** of Lindsborg, Kansas, Monday, March 22, 7 p.m. **Daniel A. Mahraun** directs the choir. Plans are to host the choir with a meal and in homes. Please contact **Pastor Gronberg** indicating your willingness to provide housing for Bethany students. The college is a school of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Music has been an important part of the heritage of the college. Gethsemane pastor, the late **Reverend M.L. Lundquist** was a Bethany graduate and the late **Carl Widen** attended Bethany College prior to graduating from the University of Texas-Austin. The **Carl Widen Vasa Lodge** will meet the night of the concert and assist hosting Bethany students.



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKES—FEB. 24
CONGREGATION RETREAT—FEB. 28-28
DIABETES SCREENING—FEB. 29

IN MEMORY

Ingeborg Christine Spong Johnson, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism February 2, 2004. The Memorial liturgy was Thursday, February 5, 2004. Ing and her beloved husband, the late Leslie Johnson were faithful Gethsemane Lutheran members for over 60 years. Ingeborg and Lelie raised their sons Keith and Karrell in the faith of the family sharing the richness of their commitment the Lutheran/Reformation heritage. Ingeborg loved to worship God, and beautifully sang for many years in congregational choirs, sharing the ministry of music at countless weddings and funerals. Ing was grateful for her Swedish ancestry and actively participated in the Scandinavian Club. Gethsemane Lutheran expresses the faith lived by the church community with family members particularly grandchildren, Sheryl Johnson Evans & husband, Harry; Bruce Johnson & wife, Wesley; Stephanie Johnson Eukel & husband, Linus; Jeffrey Johnson. Great-grandchildren, Keegan, Kolby, and Kendall Evans; Emma Jane and Helen Johnson; Olivia Ingeborg Eukel and all the members of the extended family. *"I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you."* (Jeremiah 31:3)
 Blessed be the memory of Ingeborg Johnson.

GLCM NEWS

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry has openings in all classes Infant-Pre-K. Enrollments are now being accepted for Summer and Fall 2004 school year.

Reserve the following dates: GLCM Spring Work Day, Saturday, **March 27**, 8 a.m.-12 noon. Painting, cleaning and computer work—please volunteer your time. Golfers be ready for the annual GLCM fund raiser, **April 17**, 11:30 a.m. Legacy Hills Golf Course, Sun City, Georgetown, Texas. Brochures available in the narthex. Enjoy a day of golf supporting ministry to children and their families.

PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP

The **Gethsemane Preschool Playgroup** met every other week during the fall, with kids and moms/grandmothers enjoying playtime and fellowship. The children ranged in age from under a year to 4 years old. The Playgroup meets every other Monday from 10 until 11:30 a.m., alternating homes. The next Playgroup date is Monday, February 23. Children and their caregiver of any age and gender are welcome! Contact Glenda Holmstrom (258-9340) or Christine Bohls (989-6421) for more information.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED: Eufemia Skoglund-Seton Medical Center; Karl Borman, NAMC—remember these Christian friends daily prayer time...
THANKS TO: Gethsemane Miriam Unit for hosting the annual Sweetheart event Sunday past—A great time was enjoyed by everyone...
CONGRATULATIONS TO: former

Gethsemane Intern **Scott and Jennifer Schlenker McAnally** married Saturday, January 31; **Steven & Laura Rademacher Brown** married Saturday, February 14; **Dr. Ingrid E.M. Edlund-Berry**, Department of Classics, University of Texas-Austin, for moderating a Round Table Discussion on the topic of *"To see what you look at"* From Etruscans to Post Modernism in Austin Architecture held Sunday past celebrating *"The Legacy of Lucy Shoe Meritt"*.. Gethsemane members were in attendance at this forum; **Rodger Anderson**, winner of the quilt made by the Gethsemane quilting ladies...
THANKS FROM: Frank Greinert, Flo Kerr, Agnes Nelson for ministry during recent hospitalization; the families of: **Annabel Holman Johnson; Ingeborg Spong Johnson** for ministry to their mothers; **Donna Olson**, chair of the Carl Widen Vasa Lodge for use of facilities and support of Gethsemane staff; **Ann Christianson Tharp** for ministry; **Ben Lara**, University Hills Optimist Kickball league for use of the Gethsemane diamond for practice; **North Central Caregivers; Dottie Sigerist and Earle** grateful for the daily devotional books; **Lutheran Seminary Program of the Southwest and Wartburg Theological Seminary** for end of year gift—Gethsemane gave over \$1,000 to the seminary programs in 2003; **Lita Brusick Johnson**, Director, World Hunger and Disaster Appeals ELCA for Gethsemane generosity during 2003..over \$8,000 was given by the congregation during the past year—*"God's blessing in the new year"*...
GREETINGS FROM: Sarah Mueller enjoying University of North Texas student life.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, February 21

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
 6:00 p.m. LSSS—"Make a Difference 2004"

SUNDAY, February 22

Transfiguration of Our Lord
ELCA Global Mission Appeal
 8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
 8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
 5:00 p.m. Sr. High to Collier home

MONDAY, February 23

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
 6:00 p.m. Habitat for Humanity (Music Rm)
 7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, February 24

12 noon Pancakes (narthex)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
 5:30-7:00 p.m. Shrove Tuesday pancakes(MPR)
 6:15 p.m. Congregation Council (Parlor)
 7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)
 7:00 p.m. Men in Mission (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 25—Ash Wednesday

See front page/left column

THURSDAY, February 26

6:15 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)
 6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, February 27

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, February 28

Congregation Retreat (Camp Chrysalis)
 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, February 29—Lent 1

Congregation Retreat (Camp Chrysalis)
 8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
 9-10:30 a.m. Diabetes Testing (Parlor)
 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
 3:00 p.m. Scandinavian Desert Party (MPR)

MONDAY, March 1

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
 6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, March 2

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Music Room)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
 2:00 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Music Rm)
 6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club of Austin (MR)
 7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, March 3

See front page/center column
 2:00 p.m. TLU-Houston Event
 7:00 p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)

THURSDAY, March 4

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
 7:30 p.m. United Ostomy Assn. (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, March 5 (see Feb 27)

8:30 p.m.-8:30 a.m. Sr. High Lock-in

SATURDAY, March 6

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, March 7 - Lent 2

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 a.m. Holy Communion Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Liturgy
 12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
 1:30 p.m. CROP Walk
 5:30 p.m. Lutheran College Fair (Omni)

MONDAY, March 8

7:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Children's Ministry
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
 3:00 p.m. GLCM Staff Development (Parlor)
 6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, March 9

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Voting (Music Room)
 7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
 9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha Unit (Parlor)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
 7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (China Star)
 7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)
 7:30 p.m. OCD (Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, March 10 (see Feb 25)

See front page/center column
 6:30 p.m. Contemporary Rehearsal (Parlor)

THURSDAY, March 11

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, March 12 (see Feb 27)

3:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)

SATURDAY, March 13

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
 6:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 10, 2004

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2004 GETHSEMANE LENTEN SEASON: "PERSONAL REFLECTIONS ON THE CROSS"

MARCH 14 — LENT 3

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8;
1 Corinthians 10:1-13; St. Luke 13:1-9
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FOOD MAKES DIFFERENCE

The second Sunday of every month Gethsemane members are encouraged to give a gift to the **ELCA World Hunger Appeal** and bring food for the Gethsemane Food Pantry/Clothes Closet. **Jennifer Cloud** and **Pastor Susan Schnelle** suggest the following items: canned vegetables and beans, pasta & sauce/macaroni & cheese, canned fruit, rice and dried beans, canned meat products, soups, Ramen noodles, and crackers. *You can make a difference!*

SUNDAY LEARNING HOUR

David Doerfler and the **Reverend Mel Swoyer** lead during March the Adult Class Sundays, 9:30 a.m. in the Steffans Parlor: "On Becoming A Wounded Healer; Embodying Healing In Yourself and Others."

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Women continue to explore **A Purpose Driven Life** in small group discussion **Monday nights**, 7 p.m. in the Music Room. No meeting March 15th.

Gethsemane women and friends are invited to the **April 2-3 Spring Retreat** at the "Rippy Retreat House" southwest Austin. "Called To Love As God Loves - Unconditionally!" is the theme. Join other women for fellowship, food, song exploring what it means to love self and neighbor. You may attend both Friday and Saturday, leaving Gethsemane 6 p.m., or Saturday only, leaving Gethsemane 8 a.m. Retreat concludes by 3:30 p.m. Cost - \$15.00 for the full retreat (includes 3 meals), or \$10.00 for Saturday only (includes 2 meals). Contact **Pastor Schnelle** to sign up.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

120 families and individuals have signed up for photos for the new Gethsemane color pictorial directory to be produced this spring with photos taken **March 30-April 3**. Added dates are **April 15-17**. Each person will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a new directory. Sign up Sunday morning in the narthex. For those unable to be present for picture taking, a photo may be submitted by April 15 for a cost of \$10. The committee, **Pat Baitz, Darla Elam, Bobbie Griffith, Alice Mueller, Denise Schulz, Ken & Linda Schulz** and **Jack Westerman**, encourage all Gethsemane members to participate.

CLSH CORPORATION

Pastor Karl Gronberg will attend the annual **Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home Corporation Meeting**, Sunday, **March 14**. 2004 is the 50th anniversary year for CLSH having begun ministry to senior adults February 8, 1954. Founded on the site of Clifton College-established by Norwegian Lutherans-a "home for the aged" was a new concept and a leap of faith for the founding Lutheran congregations. The **Rev. Calvin Goerdel** expresses thanks to Gethsemane Lutheran for the gift of \$1000 reflecting commitment to this ministry.

LENTEN BOOK CORNER

John & Anne Walker coordinate the **Lenten Book Corner** providing quality **Augsburg Fortress** books for adults and children. A percent of sales is given to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Stop by this Sunday and pick up helpful Lenten resources.

MARCH 21—LENT 4

SCRIPTURE: Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; St. Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of all mercy, by your power to heal and to forgive, graciously cleanse us from all sin and make us strong; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

BETHANY CHOIR

Gethsemane Lutheran will host the well known **Bethany College Choir** of Lindsborg, Kansas, Monday, **March 22**, 7 p.m. **Daniel A. Mahraun** directs the choir. Thanks to Gethsemane members having offered to host choir members in their homes following the concert. Please contact **Pastor Gronberg** indicating your willingness to participate in this ministry of hospitality to the students. Bethany is a college of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America started by Swedish Lutheran immigrants. Music has been an important part of the college/cultural heritage. The 2004 tour includes concerts in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Fort Worth, Texas; Southlake, Texas; Houston, Texas; Austin and Yukon, Oklahoma. The choir offers selections from a variety of composers: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) to Benjamin Britten (1913-1976). Gethsemane pastor 1952-1964, the late **Reverend M.L. Lundquist** was a Bethany graduate and the late **Carl Widen** attended Bethany College prior to graduating from the University of Texas-Austin. The **Carl Widen Vasa Lodge** will attend the concert.

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

10:30 a.m. Lenten Study
12 noon Lenten Eucharist
12:30 p.m. Sack Lunch Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Soup, Sandwich, conversations
6:45 p.m. "Personal Reflections on the Cross"
7:00 p.m. "Holden Evening Prayer" eucharist, meditative candlelight worship

VIDEO SERIES

A video series will be held 7:35 p.m. Wednesdays in Lent in the Steffans Parlor. **March 10**, William Tyndale; **March 17**, St. Patrick; **March 24**, John Wesley; **March 31** "Shadowlands"- C.S. Lewis. **Pastor Kent Bohls** coordinates this series.

GETHSEMANE MEN

A new Bible conversation series, "Attitude Adjustment: Down But Not Out" Mondays, (excluding March 15) 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., El Rancho Grande on Anderson Lane. Men In Mission **March 18**, 9 a.m. coffee and stained glass window conversation before traveling to **Borden Milk Products** and **Cattfish Parlor** for lunch. Sign up on the Men In Mission Bulletin Board.

The men's evening group meets 7 p.m. **March 23** with Pastor Mel Swoyer leading "Slay the Dragon; Court the Maiden; Find the Holy Grail".

Gethsemane men: **Carl Candoli, David Doerfler, Pastor Karl Gronberg, George Hamm, Jim Hecht, Buddy Holmstrom, Greg Johnson, Keith Lundquist, Larry Pounds, Chuck Rice, John Walker** enjoyed "Front Row with **Roger Clemens** of the **Houston Astros** and **TLU graduate Verne Lundquist** of **CBS Sports**" organized by the **Texas Lutheran University**. The event, held at Houston's Union Station at Minute Maid Park, was a fund raiser for TLU athletics. Pictures and program posted in the narthex.

Thanks is expressed for congregational support of the annual Shrove Tuesday "pancake feast". \$250 for the fall **Lutheran Habitat for Humanity** build has been given by Men in Mission.

MARCH 28—LENT 5

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION APPEAL
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; St. John 12:1-8
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

LUTHERHILL ANNIVERSARY

2004 is the **50th Anniversary of Camp Lutherhill** in LaGrange, Texas. The anniversary theme is "Behold, I make all things new!" (Revelation 21:5) The 2004 Camping year theme is "Life Is Good" June-August. March 20th-28th has been designated "Week of Prayer" giving thanks for 50 years of ministry and asking for the guidance of the Triune God for the next 50 years.

Camp Lutherhill has hosted many Gethsemane youth and events during these 50 years. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** served on the synod camping board prior to the ELCA merger. Gethsemane member **Dar Krenek** served on the staff as have many from Gethsemane. **Sarah Mueller** is planning to work at Camp Lutherhill this summer. Gethsemane Lutheran will offer special prayers for Camp Lutherhill and Camping ministry March 28.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

"Time To Wait for Sex" Saturday, **March 27**, 9-11:30 a.m., Multi-Purpose Room. This is a compelling look at sex in the new millennium. Jr. and Sr. High youth and parents will break out into separate groups to view the video featuring renowned speaker, **Pam Stenzel**. Sign up on the youth board.

Senior High Sunday Night Gathering at **Christa McConaughay's** home **March 28**, 5 to 8 p.m. Join for dinner and devotions.

FIRST COMMUNION

First communion instruction will be available Sunday, **April 4**, 2-4 p.m. for third graders and above interested in receiving holy communion. Parents are encouraged to participate. Speak with **Pastor Bohls** or **Schnelle**.

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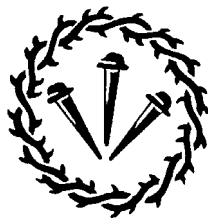
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FOOD PANTRY GIFTS—MARCH 14 BETHANY COLLEGE CHOIR—MARCH 22 CAMP MINISTRY PRAYERS—MARCH 28

FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Gwen Ericson, Sandra Baylor**, CoChairs; **Claudia Gann, David & Dee Ann Riley, Ashley Saucedo, Dottie Saucedo, Wilma Wheatley**.

February Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in honor of **Kathy** celebrating her 50th birthday by **Chris, Will** and **Hannah Jurgens**; in memory of the **Challenger and Columbia shuttle crews**; in loving memory of **Clemens Christianson** and commemoration of his birthday, February 13, 1912 by his family; in loving memory of **Ingeborg Christine Spong Johnson** by her family; in loving memory of **Sally** by **Art Anderson family**; in celebration of the baptismal anniversaries of our daughters, **Angela** and **Katie**, by **Randy & Sandi Dodd**; in honor of **Ashley Saucedo** on her 17th birthday by her family; in honor of our great aunt **Vivian Brown** by **Allie, Paige, Kate**, and **Carly Anderson**; in loving memory of my husband **James**, by **Flo Laubach**; in loving memory of **Margaret Marie Johnson Conn** by her mother, **Martha Johnson and family**.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED: **Karl Borman**, NAMC—remember this Christian friend...**THANKS TO:** **Camp Chrysalis** for hosting and the 86 Gethsemane members

and friends for participating in annual retreat. A special beginning to the Lenten journey—pictures in the narthex; **John Walker** for discussing transition from middle school to high school with confirmation students and parents; **Rippy family** for hosting senior high youth lock-in assisted by **Pastor Schnelle** and **Dar Krenek**; Gethsemane musicians for leading “Holden Evening Prayer” Wednesday evenings during Lent; **George & Norma Wendlandt, Stanley & Verline Berkman, Merrill Austin, Jack Westerman, Renita Feller, Bobbie Griffith, Betsy Orf** and children assisting congregation council member **Jennifer Cloud** with Gethsemane Food Pantry/Clothes Closet...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **Jeff & Holly Smith Raymond** on birth of son **Brendan Beckham “Beck”**—the family is looking forward to Beck’s baptism; **Justin Rippy**, named to Texas State University, Fall 2003 Dean’s List; **John & Anne Walker, Sharon Gronberg** for representing Texas Lutheran University and Augsburg College at the recent Lutheran College Fair held at the Austin-Omni Hotel; **Rachel Feller**—piano: **Alice Schnelle, Amanda Schnelle**—voice: UIL State music competition; **George Creager, Gary Gerding** and **Don Roefler** participates in 25th Annual Donor Recognition Dinner Blood and Tissue

Center of Central Texas; **Madison Danielle Lewis** on baptism—Gethsemane congregation rejoices with Lewis family; **Virginia Marek** for top amount pledged for annual 2004 CROP Walk—Gethsemane walkers were **David Marek, Pastor Susan & Lee, Alice, Amanda, & Angela Schnelle, Dar Krenek, Glenn Like, Pastor Karl Gronberg** and **Joel**—pictures posted in Education wing; **THANKS FROM:** **Paul & Nancy Kronbergs** grateful for ministry to Nancy’s father **Ervin Jasman; Dana Elam** for ministry of “presence”; family of **Marie Conn**, family of **Wendy Westerman Kouts**, family of **Patricia Ann Moon** for ministry during recent sorrow; **City of Austin** for city council invocation offered by Pastor Gronberg; **Greg & Carol Narag** for pastoral ministry at wedding celebration; **Edith Rodgers** and **Gethan** for ministry...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Verne Lundquist** visiting with nephew **Keith Lundquist** and Gethsemane men attending the Texas Lutheran University Athletic Department fund raiser held in Houston. Verne wishes to be remembered to his long time Gethsemane Lutheran friends **UPCOMING EVENTS:** **April 17**, GLCM Golf Tournament; **April 10**, The Easter Triumph, 3 & 6 p.m., Burger Center—**Walt & Peggy Horton** for information.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, March 13

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
6:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, March 14—Lent 3

ELCA World Hunger Appeal

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
9:30 a.m. Bellissimo (Balcony)
10:15 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
2:00 p.m. Birthday Celebration
3:00 p.m. CLSH Corporation Meeting
5:00 p.m. Sons of Norway (Music Room)

MONDAY, March 15

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
11:45 a.m. No Men’s Bible Study

TUESDAY, March 16

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:00 p.m. GLCM Exercise Group (MPR)
7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)
7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, March 17—St. Patrick’s Day

10:30 a.m. Lenten Study (narthex)
12 noon Lenten Eucharist (sanctuary)
12:30 p.m. Sack Lunch Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Soup, Sandwich, conversations
6:30 p.m. Contemporary Rehearsal (Parlor)
6:45 p.m. “Personal Reflections on the Cross”
7:00 p.m. “Holden Evening Prayer” Lenten Eucharist, meditative candlelight worship
7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)
7:35 p.m. “St. Patrick” video (Parlor)

THURSDAY, March 18

9:00 a.m. Men in Mission Tour (Music Rm)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, March 19

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, March 20

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
6:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, March 21—Lent 4

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. “Now the Feast” Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. “Now the Feast” Liturgy
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)

MONDAY, March 22

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Bethany Choir (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, March 23

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:00 p.m. GLCM Exercise Group (Music Rm)
7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Music Room)
7:30 p.m. GWELCA Miriam Unit (Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, March 24 (see March 17)

7:35 p.m. “John Wesley” video (Parlor)

THURSDAY, March 25

6:15 p.m. GLCM Board Meeting (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:30 p.m. TLU Choir Concert (St. Martin’s)

FRIDAY, March 26

7:30 p.m. Scandinavian Club Tour
9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
7:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, March 27

8 a.m.-noon GLCM Spring Work Party
9 a.m.-noon Jr & Sr High event (MPR)

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy/Reception
6:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club Tour returns

SUNDAY, March 28 - Lent 5

ELCA Global Mission Appeal

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Lenten Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Lenten Liturgy
12 Noon Bellissimo (Balcony)
5-8 p.m. Sr. High Sunday Night Gathering

MONDAY, March 29

7:15 a.m. Children’s Ministry
11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

TUESDAY, March 30

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children’s Ministry (T-F)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
2:30-9 p.m. Portrait Sitzings (Parlor)
6:00 p.m. GLCM Exercise Group (MPR)
6:15 p.m. Congregation Council (MR)
7:30 p.m. OCD (kitchen)

WEDNESDAY, March 31 (see March 17)

2:30-9 p.m. GLC Portrait Sitzings (Parlor)
7:35 p.m. “Shadowlands” movie

THURSDAY, April 1

2:30-9 p.m. GLC Portrait Sitzings (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. Ostomy Product Fair/Dinner (MPR)

FRIDAY, April 2

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
1-7:30 p.m. GLC Portrait Sitzings (Parlor)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)
6:00 p.m. Women’s Retreat

SATURDAY, April 3

8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Women’s Retreat
9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. GLC Portrait Sitzings (Parlor)

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MARCH 31, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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HOLY WEEK SUFFERING/GRIEF PREPARES FAITHFUL FOR EASTER JOY

HOLY WEEK

Palm/Passion Sunday, April 4

8:15 a.m. Eucharist, presentation of crosses
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
9:30 a.m. Seder Meal for confirmands & families
10:30 a.m. Eucharist, presentation of crosses
12 noon First Communion instruction

Monday – Thursday, April 5-8

12 noon & 7 p.m. Reading of Passion Narrative, Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday, April 8

7:00 p.m. Eucharist, foot washing

Good Friday, April 9

10:00 a.m. Eucharist/ stripping of altar
11:00 a.m. Procession of the Cross
12 noon-12 midnight — Prayer Vigil
12-3 p.m. "Seven Last Words from the Cross" (First English)
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service of Darkness

APRIL 4

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; St. Luke 22:14—23:56

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PASSION SUNDAY/HOLY WEEK

The faithful of the community will receive a palm cross on **Passion Palm Sunday**, the first day of **Holy Week**, upon entering the sanctuary for worship. The crosses are made throughout the year by families in 7 villages in Tanzania, Africa near Masai. For many decades these Palm Crosses have been given to the Gethsemane faithful as a symbol of solidarity with the people of Africa and a commitment to participate in the Holy Week pilgrimage.

When the "faithful of the cross" come forward Passion/Palm Sunday for Holy Communion, they will receive crosses fashioned by Gethsemane members from trees having beautified the Gethsemane chancel during the Twelve Day Christmas Festival, given to each communicant, a visual reminder of the connection of Jesus' birth and crucifixion.

Another Gethsemane Holy Week tradition will be the displaying of Guizhou batik hangings from China, gifts from **Amanda, Joshua, Mark & Ginger Duval**, visual reminders of the passion, suffering and death of Jesus.

PASSOVER SEDER MEAL

The annual Passover Seder meal will be observed in the Music Room, **April 4**, 9:30 a.m. **Pastor Gronberg** will lead confirmands, family members, those planning for first communion, and Encounter Class in this historic faith meal.

FIRST COMMUNION

Youth wishing to receive first communion are invited to participate in the Seder meal **April 4**, 9:30 a.m. and meet with **Pastors Schnelle & Bohls** 12 to 2 p.m.

ADULT LEARNING

Dr. Trevor Turner meets with the Adult Class 9:30, **April 4** in the Steffans Parlor discussing "Caring for Elderly Parents".

LENTEN BOOK CORNER

John & Anne Walker offer the **Lenten Book Corner** with adult and children books. Purchases benefit World Hunger Appeal.

APRIL 11

RESURRECTION DAY

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

SCRIPTURE: Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-26; St. John 20:1-18
PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

EASTER FESTIVAL

Easter Sunday, April 11

7:30 a.m. Easter *Son-Rise* worship
Narthex/Garden
7:30 a.m. Easter breakfast (Multi-Purpose Rm)
8:15 a.m. Easter Resurrection Worship/
Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Easter Songfest, Flowering of Cross
10:15 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
10:30 a.m. Easter Resurrection Worship
12 noon Easter Holy Communion at the Altar

THE LORD IS RISEN ALLELUIA!

EASTER BAPTISMS

Easter Sunday is a traditional time to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. During the annual floral decorating of the cross, **Haley Marie Eaves**, daughter of Gethsemane members **Aaron & Mimi Perkins Eaves** and **Rachelle Lynn Simpson**, daughter of **Joshua & Desire Perkins Simpson** will receive the eternal promise of God as proclaimed by the Easter community Resurrection morning.

EASTER BREAKFAST

Gethsemane youth continue their decades long tradition by offering breakfast Easter morning, 7:30 to 10:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Proceeds benefit Gethsemane Youth Ministry summer programs.

EASTER LILY GARDEN

Gethsemane members and friends are encouraged to use the "Special Gifts and Memorials" envelope to give an Easter lily in memory or honor of loved ones. The lily plants "trumpet" the sights and smells of the glorious Easter message, beautifying the Gethsemane Chancel for the beginning of the Easter Season! Lilies are \$12 with a portion directed to Gethsemane Youth Ministry.

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

Midweek Connections resume Easter Wednesdays **April 14** for 5 weeks. **Juanita Flores** serves delicious suppers, 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the MPR. **Pastor Bohls** coordinates a series on Celtic Christianity 6:15 p.m.; **Pastor Schnelle** leads confirmands in the loft 6:30 p.m.; **Gail Swoyer** leads "Making Kids Mind Without Losing Yours!", 6:30 p.m. in the lower kitchen; **Pastor Gronberg** leads 12 noon & 7 p.m. eucharist; 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir; 7:30 p.m. volleyball in MPR. **Dar Krenek** leads connection activities for children.

GETHSEMANE MEN

Pastor Bohls leads **Bible conversation series**, "Attitude Adjustment: Down But Not Out" **Mondays**, 11:45 a.m. El Rancho Grande, Lamar & Anderson Lane. **Men in Mission April 15**, 9 a.m. coffee and stained glass window conversation before touring **Amy's Ice Cream**. Sign up Men In Mission Bulletin Board.

The men's evening group 7 p.m. **April 27** with **David Doerfler** discussing "a forgiving heart."

HOLY WEEK DRAMATIC WALK

Salem Lutheran Church, 9322 FM 812, invites you to the Lenten drama, "Walk Through Jerusalem", Tuesday, **April 6 & Wed., April 7**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The drama is outdoors, wear comfortable shoes.

APRIL 18 — EASTER 2

SCRIPTURE: Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; St. John 20:19-31

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

EASTER BAPTISM

The Easter community of faith proclaims new life as expressed in the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Baptism as **Jillian Marie Dworin**, infant daughter of Gethsemane members **Dan & Diana Williams Dworin**, sister to **Janine** and **Benjamin** will be brought by her family to the baptismal font on the Second Sunday of the Easter Season. May the "New Life" given to all people in the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ bring blessing to **Jillian Marie** and her family.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Great response of youth and parents to the "Time To Wait For Sex". Thanks to Gethsemane member **Kelly Thorstad, M. D.** for assisting **Pastors Bohls & Schnelle**.

Senior High enjoyed hospitality Sunday evening past at the home of **Christa McConaughy** and her family. Youth lead **Good Friday cross procession** 11 a.m.; meet in the lower level to process around the block with stops for prayers of the cross. Saturday, 10 a.m. **April 10**, youth prepare the MPR for annual Easter Breakfast, and serve breakfast Easter morning beginning 7:30 a.m. **Confirmation class** meets 6:30 p.m. **Wednesdays** in Easter Season.

Mechanics 101 for youth; meet Sunday, **April 18**, 3 p.m. with Gethsemane member **Dustin Cloud** in the lower parking lot to learn car care basics.

Immediately following Mechanics 101, **Senior High** Sunday Night Gathering **Kelly Mueller's** home with dinner and devotions. Leave Gethsemane 5 p.m. return by 8 p.m.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Photo taking for the Gethsemane pictorial directory is **March 30-April 3**, and **April 15-17**. Contact **Ken Schulz**, 454-0573, to make an appointment. Gethsemane members are encouraged to participate.

VIKING FEST

Celebrate in Waco, the settlement and contributions of Scandinavians who have enriched the heritage of Texas & America, **April 16-18** in the Waco Convention Center; activities for the whole family; Adults \$5, 6-12 & seniors over 65 \$3, Under 6 - Free. Contact **Donna Olson** or **Rodney Johnson** for information. Brochures in the narthex.

WEEK OF YOUNG CHILD

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry will begin the annual observance of the Week of the Young Child with the "Birdie Brothers Chip In For Charity" golf fundraiser at the Legacy Hills Golf Course in Georgetown. Plan to support Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry. Call GLCM 339-6335 or Gethsemane members, **Barb & Weldon Jones** 219-1329.

FORMER U.N. INSPECTOR VISITS

Dr. Hans Blix, recognized throughout the world for his United Nations work, is coming to Austin, Wednesday, **April 28**. Blix, a Swedish citizen, is known for his work in Iraq. Contact **Dr. Ingrid Edlund-Berry** or **Pastor Gronberg** for more information.

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PASSION/PALM SUNDAY—APRIL 4 EASTER CELEBRATION—APRIL 11 GLCM GOLF FUND RAISER—APRIL 17

MARCH ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Sharon Kite**, Chairperson; **Corrie Davitt**, **John & Clare Kingsbury**, **Joyce Kingsbury**, **Valerie Murphy**, **Ethel Zellmer**.

March Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of **Gerald Austin** on the 90th anniversary of his birth by **Merrill & Pat Austin**; in loving memory of **Ingeborg Spong Johnson** on the 90th anniversary of her birth by her family; in loving memory of **Patricia Ann Moon** by **Ron** and her family; in honor of **Alice Warren** and in celebration of her 97th birthday by **Inez, Jennifer and Chuck Rice**; in loving memory of **Dee Dean** by her family; in celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary by **Jim & Sandra Baylor**; in celebration of our 23rd wedding anniversary by **Brad & Karyn Jensen**; in loving memory of **Mary Ellen** by the **Art Anderson family**; in loving memory of our grandfather, **Raymond Anderson**, by **Allie, Paige, Carly and Kate Anderson**; in loving memory of **Paul Granville Lundgren**, cofounder of the Capitol 10 worship liturgy by members of Gethsemane Lutheran.

THANKS GETHSEMANE

Daniel Mahraun, director of the **Bethany College Choir** of Lindsborg, Kansas asked Pastor Gronberg to convey his thanks and the appreciation of the college for the support given to the choir in preparation

and presentation of their choral concert "Rejoice in the Lamb". March 22, 2004, Gethsemane provided a pre-concert meal for the choir served by **Viola Hall, Merrill Austin and Umid Aszimov**. Members of the Vasa Lodge and others from the greater community supported the concert with an offering over \$700. Thanks to the following for hosting choir members in their homes: **Mark & Alice Mueller, Merrill & Pat Austin, Donna Olson, Kent & Joan Bohls, Lee & Susan Schnelle, Merlin & Linda Dunahoo, Pam Vetter & Price; David & Susan Erickson, Karl & Sharon Gronberg, Walt & Peggy Horton, Phil & Christine Berkland, David & Helen Maidment, Darla Elam, and Paul Waller**. Thanks everyone!

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: to the family of **Frederica Comins Creager**; to the family of **Mary Nemeth**; to the family of **Anita Arnold**; to the family of **Caroline Gorman Vogel**—blessed be their memories...**THANKS TO:** Capitol 10 runners and walkers for participation in annual ecumenical liturgy sponsored by Gethsemane in memory of the late **Paul G. Lundgren**. Gethsemane Lutheran members were joined by Roman Catholics, other Lutherans, Baptists, Methodists...thanks to **Sarah Crenshaw** lector; **Mark Mueller** and **Johnny Walker** assisting with worship bulletins and photos...**Elizabeth Pounds** best running time, **Ingrid Edlund Berry** posted best walking time...participate in 28th annual

run/walk in 2005...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **Alice Lundberg Warren**, 97th birthday celebrated with family and friends; **Leisha Johnson**, starter Round Rock Lady Dragons; **Gannon & Sylvia Hernandez Bartles**; **Cole & Jennifer Mullin Brodhead**; **Zachary & Cherron Nevils Duda** recently married; **Darie Nicole Capuchino-Causey** and **Paul de la Port** baptized during March...**THANKS FROM:** **Anna Callahan** for ministry; **Tom McFarling, Zachary Brock, Karl Borman, David Ellerbeck, JoAnn Gerbig, Ann Tharp, Ervin Jasman** for ministry during hospitalization; **Women's Rising Project** acknowledging Gethsemane Lutheran support in **AIDS Services of Austin** newsletter-letter, posted on Social Ministry Bulletin Board; **Herbie Lundquist** and **Royal Dancers** for MPR; **Sons of Norway** for Music Room; **Holy Cross Coptic Orthodox Church** of Austin for Gethsemane hospitality during visit of their bishop; Coptic Church has nineteen hundred years of history from Ancient Egypt...representatives will be guests on **Austin Faith Dialogue** Passion/Palm Sunday, **April 4, 8 a.m.**, Channel 54...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Mark & Judy Warr** visiting Paris, France during University of Texas sabbatical where Mark is a professor; **Pastor Jeff Bethke & family, Bishop Ted Schneider**, ELCA Metro Washington D.C. Synod, **Roselyn Solberg Tolo**, whom **Pastor & Sharon Gronberg, Joel and Umid** visited during Spring Break trip to Washington D. C. & Baltimore.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, April 3

8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Women's Retreat

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

11:00 a.m. Celebration of Families (Palmer Ctr)

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. GLC Portrait Sittings (Parlor)

SUNDAY, April 4, 1st Day of Holy Week

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS (SET CLOCK FORWARD)

(SEE FRONT PAGE FOR SCHEDULE)

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

MONDAY, April 5, 2nd Day of Holy Week

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-Th)

12 noon Holy Week Readings-eucharist

6:00 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)

7:00 p.m. Holy Week Readings-eucharist

TUESDAY, April 6, Passover—

3rd Day of Holy Week

12 noon Holy Week Readings-eucharist

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

6:00 p.m. GLCM Exercise Group (MPR)

6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club of Austin (MR)

WED., April 7, 4th Day of Holy Week

12 noon Holy Week Readings-eucharist

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

7:00 p.m. Holy Week Readings-eucharist

7:00 p.m. Disabled American Vets (Parlor)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 8,

5th Day of Holy Week

12 noon Holy Week readings-eucharist

7:00 p.m. Eucharist, foot washing

FRIDAY, April 9, 6th Day of Holy Week

Children's Ministry Closed

10:00 a.m. Eucharist-Stripping of altar

11:00 a.m. Youth cross procession

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae—Seven Last Words

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

HOLY SATURDAY, April 10—

7th Day of Holy Week

8:00 a.m. Work Party

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

10:00 a.m. Youth Decorate MPR

3:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

3 & 6 p.m. Easter Triumph (Burger Center)

SUNDAY, April 11—Resurrection Day

(SEE FRONT PAGE FOR SCHEDULE)

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

MONDAY, April 12

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)

6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, April 13

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Voting (Music Room)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha (Narthex)

7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Manny Hattan's)

WEDNESDAY, April 14

12 noon Eucharist (Sanctuary)

5:30 p.m. Midweek Supper (MPR)

6:15 p.m. Celtic Christianity (Music Rm)

6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Youth Loft)

6:30 p.m. Parenting (lower kitchen)

6:30 p.m. Contemporary Music Rehearsal (Parlor)

7:00 p.m. Eucharist (Sanctuary)

7:30 p.m. Prayer Team (Pastor Bohls' Office)

7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, April 15

9:00 a.m. Men in Mission Tour (Music Rm)

2:30-9 p.m. Portrait Sittings (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, April 16

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

1-7:30 p.m. Portrait Sittings (Parlor)

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, April 17

All Day AAIM "Hands on Housing"

7:30 a.m. Scandinavian Club Mystery Tour

8:00 a.m. UT Ethics Conference

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

9:00 a.m. Ambis workshop MPR)

9:30 a.m.-4:30 pm. Portrait Sittings (Parlor)

10:00 a.m. Hospice Smr. (Norris Center)

11:30 a.m. GLCM Golf Fund Raiser

5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy/Reception

6:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club Tour returns

7:00 p.m. 10th Wedding Anniversary

SUNDAY, April 18 - Easter 2

Week of the Young Child

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Easter Liturgy "Now the Feast"

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism

10:30 a.m. Easter Liturgy "Now the Feast"

3:00 p.m. Youth-Mechanics 101

5-8 p.m. Sr. High Sunday Night Gathering

MONDAY, April 19

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel

11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho Grande)

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

6:30 p.m. Danish Group

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

TUESDAY, April 20

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apartments Chapel

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:30 p.m. GWELCA Miriam Unit (Parlor)

7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, April 21 (see April 14)

THURSDAY, April 22

6:15 p.m. GLCM Advisory Bd Mtg (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, April 23

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Trinity Care Center Shop

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

6:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, April 24

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

4:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

APRIL 21, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

VOLUME 10, NUMBER 6 AUSTIN, TEXAS

EASTER SEASON JOYOUS FIFTY DAYS CELEBRATES LIFE

APRIL 25 — EASTER 3

SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 30;
Revelation 5:11-14; St. John 21:1-19

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Easter message proclaims the resurrection message of reconciliation. Peter denied the Lord Jesus three times and the Risen Christ has a three fold commission for Peter—"Feed my lambs". The Easter Community, the beloved baptized people of God, is invited into the festival story living as the forgiven, reconciled and renewed Church.

GLOBAL EMPHASIS

Gethsemane Lutheran members and friends are invited on the fourth Sunday of every month to gift the Global Mission outreach of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Special prayers are offered for those serving the church through this outreach of the ELCA.

WEEK OF YOUNG CHILD

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry began the annual observance of the Week of the Young Child with the "Birdie Brothers" golf fundraiser at Legacy Hills Golf Course. 81 golfers supported GLCM by raising over \$6,000. Thanks to **Weldon, Barb & Megan Jones** for their leadership and long time support for this ministry of the congregation. Monday-GLCM children and staff emphasized stretching and growing exercises as well as enjoying the "moonwalk" provided by **Javier Martinez** of Austin Chair & Table Rental. Tuesday-planting flowers in pots, beds and boxes-learning about eating healthy foods. Gethsemane member, **Kelly Thorstad, M.D.** of Lone Star Pediatrics spoke at the Brown Bag Luncheon of the "Childhood Obesity" crisis facing children and their families due to poor eating habits and lack of exercise. Wednesday-Water Play Day with emphasis on enjoying the gift of water. Thursday-Farm/Animal Day pictures with a pony and care of animals. Friday-Bike Parade enjoying bikes and learning the importance of safety. Thanks GLCM leaders **Valerie Johnson, Angelica Lundquist, Dar Krenek** and staff for providing a loving, learning, nurturing childhood experience. GLCM expresses a historic congregational commitment to children and families

SUNDAY ADULT LEARNING

The Adult Class welcomes Sunday April 25, 9:30 a.m. in the Steffans Parlor **Dr. Paul Coke**, retired professor Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest discussing "The Anglican Church". May 2, we will talk about the Methodist Church and **John Wesley, May 2.** **Mary Berwick**, a native of Dublin, speaks **May 9.** **Earth Day/Stewardship of creation** will be discussed in the Encounter Class **April 25.** **May 2**, the class will consider "Healthy Living", **May 9**-Family Life.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

2004 Gethsemane Congregation Council, **Rodger Anderson, Marsha McConaughy, Darla Elam, Denise Schulz, Greg Johnson, Ron Tigie, Jennifer Cloud, Chuck Rice, Lee Crenshaw, Keith Lundquist, Joe Baitz** and **Lane Holmstrom**, will meet at Central Market North, 6:15 p.m., Tuesday, **April 27.** Council member **Lee Crenshaw** will serve as host. Remember these congregation leaders in your daily prayers.

MAY 2 — EASTER 4

SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23;
Revelation 7:9-17; St. John 10:22-30

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Fifty Day Festival of Easter provides numerous biblical images of the Easter proclamation. Easter 4 scripture readings turn away from the resurrection appearances of Jesus focusing on earlier words of Jesus prior to his death and resurrection. The Easter faithful are reminded that Jesus is both the Good Shepherd and the victorious Lamb. These word pictures describe for all people the true security for this life and eternity. "The Lord is Risen-Alleluia!"

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS Through May 12

Holy Communion, 12 - 12:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)
Suppers Served, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. (MPR)
(suggested donation is \$3 per person; \$10 per family)
Baby Sitting Available for infants to age five years
6 - 8:30 p.m. (Nursery)

Study on Celtic Christianity, using Praying With the Celtic Saints by Mary Earle 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. (Music Rm)
Confirmation, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (Youth Loft)
Parenting Class, "How To Get Your Kids To Mind, Without Losing Yours!"; "To bring out the best in kids of all ages by doing what is best for them" 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (Downstairs Kitchen)

Children's Time: Crafts, Music, Play, Grades 1-6,
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (Multi-Purpose Room)
Senior High: Time Together, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (MPR)
Holy Communion, 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. (Music Rm)
Open Volleyball, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. (MPR)

Come Wednesdays to Gethsemane!
Learn, eat, sing, play, commune, celebrate friendship, make new friends; grow in your faith and experience community.

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch is Tues., **May 4**, 11:30 a.m. in the Music Room. Pastor Schnelle's father, **Boyce Freitag** will talk on "Life in Western Travis County Long Ago!"

THANKS BE TO GOD

Pastor Karl Gronberg has been informed by the **Estate of Woodrow & Clover Striegler Erickson** that Gethsemane Lutheran is the recipient of a generous gift. Following discussions with family members and **Alvina Sassman**, a close congregational friend to the Ericksons, the decisions has been made to give a significant portion of this gift to the Gethsemane Altar Guild with the plans of providing, through the Mission Investment Fund of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America monthly funds, to assist the altar guild in ministry. Pastor Gronberg has expressed the thanks of Gethsemane Lutheran to the family. Gifts such as this one are invitations to the faithful of Gethsemane congregation to remember the ministries of the ELCA, synod and congregation in stewardship planning. Blessed be the memory of **Woody and Peggy Erickson**.

MAY 9 — EASTER 5

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL MOTHER'S DAY

SCRIPTURE: Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148;
Revelation 21:1-6; St. John 13:31-35

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

EASTER GOD'S WORD OF LOVE

The Church catholic celebrates the Easter message by claiming the new vision brought to all humanity by the Risen, Cosmic Christ! St. John's vision of a new Jerusalem, in the second reading indicates all beginnings and all endings are connected together in the Risen Christ. Jesus reminds his disciples to love one another. A fitting message for Mother's Day ...and everyday!

GETHSEMANE WELCA

Gethsemane Women of the ELCA will enjoy the annual Mother-Daughter Dessert Buffet, Friday **May 7**, 7 p.m. MPR. Mother's Day is a cultural holiday reinforcing the values of the faith community for love and nurture of those entrusted to the care of adults. Family life is to express the covenant relationship humans are to experience as people living within the grace of God. The church community seeks to assist the Easter faithful in living whole and healthy lives.

The **Healthy Family** seeks to communicate and listen; supports and affirms one another; teaches respect for others; develops trust; has a sense of play and laughter; expresses shared responsibility; teaches moral values; lives out the traditions/rituals of the family heritage; strives to balance interaction between members; has a shared religious core; respects the privacy of one another; encourages service to others; fosters family meal time and conversation; shares leisure time; admits to and seeks professional help with problems. Gethsemane Lutheran will continue an Easter Season tradition by observing Mother's Day with appropriate prayers, hymns, **Gethsemane children** singing faith song.

Mary-Martha Unit meets **May 11**, 9:30 a.m. in the Music Room with **Virginia Marek** and **Deanie Martinets**, hostesses. **Pastor Bohls** speaks about the ministry of Eagle Pass-Piedras Negras.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Senior High gather Wednesday evening for working with the elementary age children as well as having time for themselves to be together while Jr. High is in confirmation. Supper begins at 5:30.

Confirmands lunch together Sunday, **April 25**, assist in worship at Heatherwilde and then go to **Phil & Christine Berkland's** for swim party/ back to Gethsemane by 5 p.m.

Senior high lunch together following worship **May 2** and then a swim party!

Thanks to **Dustin Cloud** for the youth class on automotive maintenance and the families of **Kelly Mueller** and **Christa McConaughy** for hosting senior high youth.



EASTER WEDNESDAYS MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS
MOTHER-DAUGHTER EVENT—MAY 9, 7 P.M.
GETHSEMANE YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

CAMP GETHSEMANE

A “new beginning” for a former ministry of Gethsemane Lutheran Children’s Ministry will be Camp Gethsemane for children having completed kindergarten. The program begins May 25 continuing through August 12, 7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The days will be filled with water time, music, story telling, sports, crafts, cooking, games and chapel. Children may enroll for a week or a month-whatever fits the family summer schedule. Cost is \$150 per week or \$583 per month. Registration fee is \$25. Please tell friends about this opportunity. More information may be obtained through the GLCM office 339-6335.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Contact Ken Schulz, 454-0573 to have your photo added to the 2004 Pictorial Directory. Thanks to all having assisted in this project. The new directory will be a tool for the life and ministry of the congregation.

PIEDRAS NEGRAS

Gethsemane has forwarded \$1500, food, clothing and supplies to Pastor Hector Vasquez and Cristo Rey & San Lucas Lutheran in response to the recent flooding in Piedras Negras.

HABITAT UPDATE

Gethsemane members, Pastor Kent Bohls, Cal & Diane Streeter will provide leadership in the building of the 7th Lutheran House with Habitat for Humanity. Groundbreaking is planned September 11.

BASEBALL

Round Rock Express game June 13 supports Lutheran Social Services of the South. Contact Walt Horton (833-8849) for \$10 tickets. The 6 p.m. Astros-Cubs game, August 21, also supports LSSS. \$35 for charter bus and game ticket. There are a limited number of tickets. Make checks payable to Gethsemane Lutheran.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS, 2004 will be June 21-25 with the theme “Camp Creation with Davey & Goliath”. Brenda Brown and Debbie Eubank coordinate. Please sign up to assist.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: to the families of Sammy Lynn Kitchens, Emily Mae Parker, Oliver Lawrence Garner, Wendy Elise Westeman Kouts—blessed by their memories...**THANKS TO:** Gethsemane Altar Guild, musicians, Property Committee, Holy Week readers and all having blessed the congregation during Lent, Holy Week and the Easter

celebration—The Lord is Risen, Alleluia!...
CONGRATULATIONS TO: Rhia Ann Marie Gronberg, Bachelor of Science in Political Science and International Relations, Augsburg College; **Amy Rachel Maidment Williams**, Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Management, Texas State University; **Andi Titus**, Masters of Accounting, University of Texas—Gethsemane rejoices with Rhia and Amy—Please notify the Gethsemane office with graduation announcements to be shared with the congregation—Announcements are posted on narthex bulletin board; **Walt & Peggy Horton**, the cast & crew of “The Easter Triumph” for their presentation; **Lee & Patrice Crenshaw** 10th anniversary celebration and renewal of wedding vows Saturday evening past...**THANKS FROM: Pastor Cleveland & Cynthia Alexander**, New Birth By Faith Church, for invitation to read the Maundy Thursday scripture; the **Westerman family** for ministry during their recent loss; the family of **Haley Marie Eaves & Rachelle Lynn Simpson** baptized Easter morning and the family of **Jillian Marie Dworin** baptized Easter 2 for the joy they experience in the baptismal promise. Pictures from the baptisms are posted in the narthex...**GREETINGS FROM: Pastor Jeff Bethke & family**, Luther Seminary senior **Scott McAnally** both made Easter Sunday calls expressing the alleluia joy they wish for the Gethsemane community.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, April 24

4:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, April 25 - Easter 3

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Easter Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Easter Liturgy

12-5 p.m. Jr. Service/Social Event

MONDAY, April 26

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-Th)

7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, April 27,

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

6:15 p.m. Congregation Council (Cnt Mkt)

7:00 p.m. Men-in-Mission (Music Room)

7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDESDAY, April 28 (see front page)

THURSDAY, April 29

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, April 30

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 1

8:00 a.m. Work Party

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

6:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, May 2

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Easter Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Easter Liturgy

12 noon Sr High lunch & swim

MONDAY, May 3

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

TUESDAY, May 4

11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Music Room)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

1:30 a.m. GWELCA Quilting (Berkman Home)

6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club (Music Rm)

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, May 5 (see front page)

7:00 p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)

THURSDAY, May 6 — National Day of Prayer

9:00 a.m. Men in Mission Tour (Music Rm)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

7:30 p.m. United Ostomy Assn (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, May 7

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

9:30 a.m. CWU (Hyde Park Methodist)

7:00 p.m. Mother-Daughter Event (MPR)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 8

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, May 9 — Mother’s Day

ELCA World Hunger Appeal

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Easter Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Easter Liturgy

5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

MONDAY, May 10

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

7:00 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

TUESDAY, May 11

9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha (Music Rm)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

5:30 p.m. NYOS Spaghetti Diner (MPR)

7:00 p.m. CWU (Korean United Methodist)

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, May 12 (see front page)

6:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Music Rehearsal

THURSDAY, May 13

10:30 a.m. Older Adult Connection (Music Rm)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, May 14

Synod Assembly (TLU)

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 15

Synod Assembly (TLU)

7a.m.-7p.m. Voting-Cnty Elections (MR)

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 13, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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EASTER COMMUNITY CALLED BY SPIRIT TO BE CHURCH

MAY 16 — EASTER 6

SCRIPTURE: Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5; St. John 14:23-29

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O GOD, from whom all good things come; Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to think those things which are right, and by your goodness help us to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

TLU HOSTS SYNOD

Texas Lutheran University is the site for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly Friday & Saturday, May 14-15. "Marked by the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed, gathered, and sent for the sake of the world" is the theme. Gethsemane members are encouraged to read about the synod activities on the first page April edition of "The Vista" Remember the synod assembly in your daily devotions and prayers.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Gethsemane's Confirmation Banquet Wednesday, May 19, 7:00 pm. Join in celebrating the completion of the 2003/2004 confirmation program, honor the 8th grade youth planning to affirm their baptism October 31, and welcome the incoming 6th graders. Juanita Flores will cater the chicken fajita dinner in the Multi-Purpose Rm. \$3 per person or \$10 per family. All extra funds will go to the summer youth program.

Senior High Sunday Night Gathering May 16 Brian Streeter's home. Leave south parking lot 5:00 p.m.; return by 8:00 p.m. Sign up on youth bulletin board.

Gethsemane Senior High Youth Ministry Mystery Tour, July 12-17. Sign up on youth bulletin board. Confirmands to Ranch Camp June 14-18.

Thanks to the Confirmands for the special Lenten offering of \$92 to Lutheran World Relief. Thanks youth for assisting in leading the Wednesday night Celtic worship and Heatherwild services.

GLCM SUMMER PROGRAM

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry offers "Camp Gethsemane" Summer Program for children, turning 4 before the end of 2003 through age 6. The daily program is May 25 to August 12, 7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. There will be water time, music, storytelling, sports, crafts, cooking, games and chapel. Choose to enroll for a week or a month. The cost is \$150 per week or \$583 per month, with a \$25 registration fee. Please tell others about this opportunity. Call GLCM, 339-6335.

MEN IN MISSION

Gethsemane men meet 9 a.m. May 20 for coffee and stained glass talk. Leave via bus, 9:30 a.m. for Texas State Cemetery. Jason's Deli will be lunch stop.

MAY 23 — EASTER 7

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION APPEAL

SCRIPTURE: Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God, our creator and redeemer, your Son Jesus prayed that his followers might be one. Make all Christians one with him as he is one with you, so that in peace and concord we may carry to the world the message of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

SENIOR HIGH GRADUATES

Gethsemane recognizes senior high graduates Sunday, May 23 during 8:15 and 10:30 morning worship celebrations. Graduates will serve as lectors.

PILGRIM TRAVELERS

Pastor Kent & Joan Bohls lead the pilgrim group to Great Britain and Ireland, leaving May 26: Merrill & Pat Austin, Miriam Bohls, Eva Bohls, Susie Branch, Lois Hilbert, Curtis & Wanda Johnson, Carolyn Johnson, Sharon Kite, Dar Krenek, Jack & Loretta Kriens, Paul & Nancy Kronbergs, Flo Laubach, Will & Carol Laubach, Barb Lindgren, Leighton & Margaret Lundgren, Gaylord & Judy Magnuson, Tutty Maixner, Virginia Marek, Bob & Nancy Murray, Donna Olson, Gene & Barb Olson, Don & Kay Olson, Kyle Rice, Tom & Kay Rodgers, Debbie Rodgers-Pitts, Don & Georganna Swenson, Tony & Sharon Venza. Please remember these travelers on their summer experiences.

SUNDAY ADULT LEARNING

May 16 the Adult Class will hear of the world wide creative stained glass work of Gabriel Loire. Gethsemane members Dr. David Maidment, Univeristy of Texas-Austin professor and daughter Linda, a UT graduate and medical school student, will lead the May 23 class on Great Britain's heritage. Thanks to Elizabeth Neeld, Mary Earle, Paul Coke, Mary Berwick and Ralph Underwood for presentations. The Encounter Class expresses thanks to Kelly Thorstad M.D. for emphasis on ELCA Social Statement "Caring for Health: Our Shared Endeavor" May 16, Umid Azimov will reflect on his year in Austin as a foreign exchange student and receiving special recognition from Academic Year USA for his volunteerism.

LUTHERAN BASEBALL!

Round Rock Express game 7 p.m., June 13 supports Lutheran Social Services of the South. Contact Walt Horton (833-8849) \$10 tickets. Checks payable to Gethsemane Lutheran.

August 21, chartered bus to the Astros - Cubs game. Bus, ticket \$35.

MAY 30

DAY OF PENTECOST

THIRD MAJOR FESTIVAL

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Romans 8:14-17; St. John 14:8-17, 25-27
PRAYER OF THE DAY: God our creator, earth has many languages, but your Gospel announces your love to all nations in one heavenly speech. Make us messengers of the good news that, through the power of your Spirit, everyone everywhere may unite in one song of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PENTECOST

CELEBRATES CHURCH

Pentecost Sunday, the third major festival in the life of the church catholic, is annually celebrated at Gethsemane Lutheran by calling the names of persons baptized into the "one holy catholic and apostolic Church" through the ministry of Gethsemane since Pentecost 2003: Katelyn Marie Freitag (7/13/03); Hailey Anne Matteson (7/13/03); Madison Janna Kite (8/3/03); Miranda Elizabeth Noren (10/19/03); Cole Benjamin Tramel (11/16/03); Peter Stanley Karl Etheredge (11/23/03); Ashlyn Makala Kircher (12/7/03); Olivia Ingeborg Eukel (12/21/03); Cassandra Michelle Schaeffer (12/28/03); Nathan Mitchell Dow (1/3/04); Ryan Scott Bohls (1/4/04); Luke Davis Lundquist (1/18/04); Selena Renee Sanchez (2/15/04); Jesse Joseph Sanchez (2/15/04); Madison Danielle Lewis (2/22/04); Daria Nicole Capuchino-Causey (3/14/04); Paul de la Port (3/31/04); Haley Marie Eaves (4/11/04); Rachele Lynn Simpson (4/11/04); Jillian Marie Dworin (4/18/04). May the Triune God, Creator, Redeemer, Spirit bless these persons as they live the baptismal faith of the Church community.

The 50th anniversary of Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home will be celebrated Pentecost Sunday. Reverend Cal Goerdel, an ordained pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, serves as Sunset Home President/CEO. He will participate in liturgy and share with the Adult Classes this faithful ministry of the Lutheran community. The annual Senior Adult Luncheon follows the 10:30 liturgy hosted by the congregation council. Rev. Goerdel will tell stories of the life and history of Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home. A complimentary meal will be served Gethsemane senior adults.

Intergenerational Pentecost Party in the MPR 9:30 a.m. celebrates the birth of the church and its varied ministries.



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Child's Name _____ Date of Birth. (mo., day, yr.) _____ Entering grade _____

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GLOBAL MISSION/TRAVELERS SENT FORTH—MAY 23

PENTECOST FESTIVAL (WEAR RED)—MAY 30

SENIOR ADULT RECOGNITION—MAY 30

IN MEMORY

Ethel Sophia Swanson Ericson, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism May 3, 2004. The Memorial liturgy was Thursday, May 6. Ethel was raised by Christian parents living her baptismal faith within the community of God's people. Upon moving to Texas, she met and married Eric G. Ericson. Together they lived their faith within the life and ministry of Gethsemane congregation sharing faithfulness and in various ways building up the witness of the congregation. Christian love is expressed to her son Charles and wife, Sandra; grandson, Brad; granddaughter, Lorrie and husband Tim; grandson, Matthew DeLand, and wife, Pu Hyon, great-grandchildren; Jade, Stephanie, Alex, Samuel, A.J and members of the extended family in Texas and Illinois. The ancient promise brings hope to the people of God: *"I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you."* (Jeremiah 31:3)

Blessed be the memory of Ethel Ericson.

APRIL ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Alvina Sassman**, chairperson; **Mary Collins**, **George & Gina Creager**, **Dianne Dietz**, **Frank & Pat Greinert**, **Walt & Peggy Horton**, **Lucille Parker**.

April Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in celebration of our wedding anniversary by **Randy & Sandi Dodd**; in honor of **Madison Janna Kite** on her 1st birthday by **Clifford & Sharon Kite**; in loving memory of **Leonard**

and in honor of **Pat and Mike** and their families by **Doris Smith**; in loving memory of **Carl, Hilma, Bessie and Hazel Bergstrom**; **Eric, Ethel and Doris Anderson** by **Carl W. Anderson** and family; in celebration of our 5th wedding anniversary by **Walt & Peggy Horton**; in honor of **Jillian Marie Dworin** on her baptism by **Dan, Diana, Janine and Benjamin Dworin**; in honor of our grandparents, including the late **JoAnne Hughes Holifield and Joe & Leonara Pacheco** by **Joe & Heather Tigue Pacheco**; in loving memory of **Carolyn Becker by Ron**; in celebration of our one year anniversary by **Mihira & Babs Chandrasoma**.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: to families of **Ervin Jasman, Ethel Ericson, Ruth Gorrell, Phillip Sund, Eric Bowin, Travis Raven**—blessed be their memories...**THANKS TO**: **The Swedish Studies Excellence Endowment, Austin-Peel & Son, Inc.** among others for sponsoring lecture *"Disarming Iraq and the Future of Arms Inspection"* by **Dr. Hans Blix**—over 20 Gethsemane members attended event at UT-Austin LBJ School; **Thrivent Financial for Lutherans** \$4000 Habitat for Humanity gift; **Boyce Freitag** Lunch Bunch speaker; **Gethsemane Women ELCA** annual Mother-Daughter Event; Gethsemane youth **Erin Feller, Rachel Feller, Brian Streeter, Cherub Choir, Joy Ringers, Kimberly Corbell, Shannon McKenney** Mother's Day ministry of music...**CONGRATULATIONS TO**: **Joe & Heather Tigue Pacheco, Walt & Kimberly Blancas Meitzen, Will & Cassie Bergstrom Acuff** married recently; **Ashley**

Sauceda, Lanier H.S. AISD Trustees Scholar Award, AVID Scholars Award, Peacekeepers Award; **Jimmy Riley**, elected president District 2 Centex FFA and Stony Point High FFA president; **Kenneth Kawonde Candeh**, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Management, Texas State Univ-San Marcos; **Scott Ryan McAnally**, Master of Divinity Luther Seminary St. Paul, MN; **Katherine Treu Kronbergs**, Lyndon Baines Johnson High (Katie will attend Bryn Mawr College); **Leisha Annadella Johnson**, Round Rock High; **Alice Marie Schnelle**, James Bowie High; **Tracey Elizabeth Welch**, Chattahoochee High, Alpharetta, GA; **McKenzie Jean Beglau**, John B. Connally High—notify Gethsemane office of honors/graduation announcements; Gethsemane Congregation Council member **Darla Elam** on Mother's Day welcomed daughter **Stacy** & husband **John** into Gethsemane membership—son **Hunter** was baptized on Mother's Day, 2003. Welcome Oncken family!...**THANKS FROM**: **Gordon Cooper, Claude Gann, Raquel Gonzales** for health, family and ministry of congregation; **Rev. Bill Renfro** Church World Service/CROP and Austin Area Interreligious Ministries for Gethsemane CROP Walk participation—the Austin community raised over \$120,000—certificate of appreciation on Social Ministry Bulletin Board; **Austin Czech Historical Assn.** Gethsemane provides facilities for meetings; **Paul & Nancy Kronbergs** for the **Ervin Phillip Jasman** family grateful for ministry have given a generous gift to the Gethsemane Endowment Fund...**GREETINGS FROM**: **Kit & Jennifer Bolton**, moving to MN; **Todd Thames M.D.** & family visiting Austin, moving back to Texas, thank God for families of faith.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, May 15

Synod Assembly (TLU)

7a.m.-7p.m. Voting (Music Room)

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, May 16 - Easter 6

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

4:00 p.m. Youth leadership Team (Loft)

5:00 p.m. Sr. High to Streeter home

MONDAY, May 17

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel

6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, May 18

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apts Chapel

11:30 a.m. ELCA Lutheran Sec. Mtg (Parlor)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, May 19

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

6:00 p.m. Adult Classes

7:00 p.m. Confirmation Banquet (MPR)

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)

THURS., May 20—Accession of Our Lord

NYOS Field Day (Ball Diamond)

9:00 a.m. Men-in-Mission (Music Room)

1:00 p.m. Austin Conf. Clergy Women (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, May 21

9:00 a.m. Pre-K Graduation (Sanctuary)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 22

8:00 a.m. Work Party

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, May 23—Easter 7

GRADUATES' RECOGNITION/

PILGRIMS SENT FORTH

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Easter Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

MONDAY, May 24

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, May 25

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Music Room)

7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, May 26

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

3:30 p.m. Pilgrims depart

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, May 27

6:15 p.m. GLCM Board Mtg (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, May 28

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Trinity Care Center Shop

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 29

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

6:00 p.m. Family Event (MPR)

SUNDAY, May 30 — Day of Pentecost

SENIOR ADULT RECOGNITION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Pentecost SCS Birthday celebration

12 Noon Senior Adult Luncheon (MPR)

7:30 p.m. Wedding liturgy

MONDAY, May 31 — Memorial Day

GLCM Closed/Memorial Day observance

TUESDAY, June 1

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Music Room)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

2:00 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Music Rm)

6:30 p.m. Miriam Unit Salad Supper/Book Review

6:30 p.m. MOPAR (Music Room)

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, June 2

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

7:00 p.m. Disabled Am. Veterans (Parlor)

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, June 3

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

7:30 p.m. Ostomy Assn. (Music Room)

FRIDAY, June 4

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, June 5

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

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JUNE 2, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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HOLY TRINITY FESTIVAL / VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 6—HOLY TRINITY

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; St. John 16:12-15

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us grace, by the confession of the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and, in the power of your divine majesty, to worship the unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever. Amen

HOLY TRINITY/TRAVELERS

The Festival portion of the liturgical church year concludes with the **Holy Trinity Festival**. Following the birthday of the church catholic on Pentecost, the community articulates the primary teaching of the baptized people proclaiming the presence of God in creation, redemption and sanctification.

Families and individuals planning to travel during the month of June will be invited to the altar for prayer on the first Sunday of June, July, August. May those traveling during these summer weeks be renewed by their adventures.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Congratulations to: **Catherine Elizabeth Eubank**, Leander High; **Ashley Marie Bartko**, Pflugerville High; **Leith Marie Collier**, David Crockett High; **Juan Manuel Gonzalez-Garcia**, Lanier High; **Emily Ann Petrosky**, Bracket High, Bracketville, Texas; **Jessye Ruth Grigsby**, Bastrop High; **Kyle Brackston Cox**, Jarrell High; **Meredith Rachel Orf**, will be attending Southwestern University, Georgetown-graduation ceremonies were held for 15 Home Schooled students at Fiesta Gardens; **Stephen Michael Prentice**, Richard King High, Corpus Christi, Texas. Graduation announcements on narthex bulletin boards; **Leisha Johnson**, Round Rock High Girls Softball team Most Valuable Player/first team All District; **Ashley Saucedo** elected president National Honor Society, Lanier High; **Kyle Cox**, Jarrell High baseball team for excellent season. Thanks to **Ashley Bartko**, **Leith Collier**, **Catie Eubank**, **Katie Kronbergs**, **Emily Petrosky** and **Alice Schnelle** for participation in the Graduate Recognition Sunday liturgies and reception.

Gethsemane Youth Ministry begins busy summer with the **annual trip to Schlitterbahn Water Park**. Leave Gethsemane following 10:30 Holy Trinity Sunday liturgy. Bring money for lunch and entrance to park. Contact **Pastor Gronberg** or **sign up on the youth ministry bulletin board**. Gethsemane confirmands leave for **Ebert Ranch Sunday June 13**. For more information contact **Pastor Schnelle**.

JUNE 13 — PENTECOST 2

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
SCRIPTURE: 2 Samuel 11:26—12:10, 13-15; Psalm 32; St. Luke 7:36—8:3

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God of all nations, you have revealed your will to your people and promised your help to us all. Help us to hear and to do what you command, that the darkness may be overcome by the power of your light; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENIOR ADULT RECOGNITION

The **Senior Adult Recognition** will be held June 13 following the 10:30 a.m. liturgy. This annual event for over 25 years has recognized congregational seniors for their stable, generous stewardship supporting the ministries of Gethsemane Lutheran, synod, and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. **John Kavanaugh**, a long time Gethsemane friend and his lovely wife **Dorothy**, are hoping to attend-health permitting-and be recognized for his years of playing the piano for this celebration. Plan to express thanks to **John** for all the pleasure he has given Gethsemane members for over two decades. **Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home** will be recognized for 50 years of ministry. **Reverend Cal Goerdel**, will represent **Sunset Home** participating in worship as well as the luncheon. Sign up June 6th or call the Gethsemane office. Reservations for the complimentary luncheon assist the congregation council in their planning. Thanks Gethsemane Senior Adults.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Pentecost Sunday, Gethsemane Congregation Council members **Marsha McConaughy** and **Rodger Anderson** recognized the 2003-2004 Christian Education staff presenting each person with a floral gift and appreciation card. SCS staff in attendance: **George Hamm**, **Brenda Brown**, **Rodger & Tracy Anderson**, **Mark & Marsha McConaughy**, **Jennifer Anderson**, **Robert Rekart**, **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg**, **John & Claire Kingsbury**, **Margaret Manz**, **Angelic Lundquist**, **Harlie Baitz**, **Viola Hall**, **Robert Rekart**, **Babs Chandrasoma**, **Cheryl Swenning**, **Beth Collier**. Thanks to the entire 2003-2004 Christian Education staff for another year of witnessing to the Good News.

Gethsemane member **Amanda Petrosky**, a graduate of Texas Lutheran University and a graduate student at Kansas State University, will assist **Dar Krenek** in leading Summer Sunday Church School. Plan to participate in the 9:30 a.m. Learning Hour. Welcome **Amanda!**

JUNE 20 — PENTECOST 3

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:18-27; Galatians 3:23-29; St. Luke 8:26-39

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Gethsemane members **Jeff & Holly Smith Raymond** and daughter **Madalyn** bring their infant son/brother **Brendan Beckham**, born January 15, 2004, to the baptismal font on Father's Day for the eternal promise of Sacrament of Holy Baptism. **Brendan Beckham "Beck"** is the grandson of **L.C. & Arlene Beckham Smith** and the great-grandson of the late **Melvin & Myrtle Nelson Beckham**. May the Triune God bless this Christian family living their heritage of faith within the church community growing in grace and love.

FATHER'S DAY PICTURES

Gethsemane Men in Mission have for the past years taken pictures on Fathers Day of Dads with their children/grandchildren. These pictures are placed in the education wing as a reminder of the gift children are to their parents and the awesome responsibility fathers have in leading their children to grow into their baptismal faith as members of the church community. Plan to have pictures taken on Father's Day.

BELLISSIMO TRAVELS

Gethsemane **Bellissimo** hand bell choir will travel to Incarnate Word University, San Antonio, Texas **June 18, 19 & 20** for a weekend of hand bell ringing. Bell choirs from 5 state area will participate in learning ringing techniques, playing prepared pieces and a combined concert with all the bell choirs Sunday, June 20, 3:30 p.m. Everyone is invited. Best wishes to **Jo Ann Gerbig**, **Michael, Sharon and Katherine Hillmer**, **Sharon Kite**, **Darlene Werchan**, **Betsy, Becca, Mickey and Meredith Orf**, **Harley Baitz**, **Kimberly Corbell** as they grow in their love for hand bell music.

VETERANS RECOGNIZED

Memorial Day Week-end, Gethsemane Lutheran recognized veterans in attendance at worship on Pentecost Sunday: **Jimmy Buehring**, **David N. Smith**, **Randy Baylor**, **George Hamm**, **James Gardner**, **Ron Becker**, **Mike Anderson**, **Joe Torn**, **Ken Schulz**, **Stanley Berkman**, **Joe Baitz**, **Jeff Raymond**, **Art & Maxine Leatherwood**, **Wilma Wheatley**, **Dan Griffith**, **Dan Lundquist**, **Lester Johnson**, **Gordon Cooper**, **Bill Corbell**. Thanks veterans for representing all those having served for peace, justice and freedom.



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The Holy Trinity Festival
June 6

SENIOR ADULT RECOGNITION — JUNE 13 FATHER'S DAY — JUNE 20 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — JUNE 21-25

IN MEMORY

Travis Roland "Coach" Raven, Sr., baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of his baptism May 11, 2004. The memorial liturgy was held at Gethsemane May 15. Travis lived his baptism loving his beloved wife of 62 years Mildred "Mimi" Westling Raven, sons Travis Jr., Terry and their families. He became an Austin legend leading the Reagan High School football team to state championships in 1967, 1968, and 1970. "Coach" loved working with young people and inspired them to believe in themselves. Four of his former players spoke at the memorial liturgy, expressing on behalf of all those having played for "Coach", their respect and appreciation for his presence in their lives. The Christian promise proclaimed by the People of God brings blessing to the family and friends of "THE Coach": *"Whoever wins the victory will receive this from me: I will be his God and he will be my son."* (Revelation 21:7) Blessed be the memory of Travis "Coach" Raven.

IN MEMORY

Helen Jarl Johnson, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism, May 15, 2004. The memorial liturgy was held at Gethsemane May 19. Helen lived her baptism with commitment to the ministries of Gethsemane. She loved her family, was devoted to her parents, beloved husband Elmer and son, Curtis. Her three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren remember their "Nana" as loving, giving, and fun. Christian hope is expressed to Curtis & Wanda; grandchildren Beverly & Raymond, Rusty, Clay & Suzanne; great-grandchildren Tyler, Ryan, Lily, Caleb, Grant, Will, Patricia, Avery Anne, and Caroline. "For

I am sure that neither death...nor anything in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:37-39)
Blessed be the memory of Helen Jarl Johnson

MAY ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Sue Creech**, chairperson, **Pat & Merrill Austin**, **Darla Elam**, **Sally Nagy**, **Donna Olson**, **Cindy & Larry Pounds**, **Cheryl Swening**, **Norma Wendlandt**.

May Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of **Mayme Berkman** by **Cheryl Swening**; in celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary by **Clifford & Sharon Kite**; in loving memory of **Jerry by Tutty Maixner**; in celebration of our 8th wedding anniversary by **Rick & Lana Brock**; in celebration of our 1st wedding anniversary by **Chris & Sarah Crenshaw**; in loving memory of **Alfred W. Pries** by **Weldon, Barbara and Megan Jones**; in loving memory of **Ethel Sophia Swanson Ericson** by her family; in celebration of **Kay Marie's** 18th birthday by **Paul Waller**; in loving memory of **Travis Raven, Sr.** by his family; in honor of our **Grandmother Rose Anderson** by **Allie, Paige, Kate and Carly**; in loving memory of **Helen Jarl Johnson** by her family; in honor of **Brian Jensen** and in celebration of his 21st birthday by **Brad & Karyn**; in honor of Sean and in celebration of his 14th birthday by **Dennis & Beth Collier**; in loving memory of **Bounthanh** by the **Saythongkham** family.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: to families of **Helen Jarl Johnson**, **Beula Pauline Dunham**—blessed be their memories... **THANKS TO: Shelle Creager, Rhia Gronberg, Rev. Dr. Robert Hoferkamp, David Doerfler, Margareta Smith, Mark & Alice Mueller, Dennis**

Johnson for assisting **Pastor Gronberg** with Pentecost Sunday Festival liturgy; **Marsha McConaughy and Rodger Anderson** for Pentecost Sunday SCS teacher recognition—teachers were given flowers and cards expressing congregational gratitude; **parents** bringing their children forward on Pentecost Sunday in recognition of their baptism and entrance into the church catholic: **Peter Stanley Karl Etheredge, Ryan Scott Bohls, Luke Davis Lundquist, Jillian Marie Dworin**, - 19 children and 1 adult were baptized through the ministry of Gethsemane from Pentecost 2003 to Pentecost 2004. May God bless these children with the baptismal promise; **Cara Harris** and members of the Root Cause Project for Lunch Bunch presentation... **CONGRATULATION TO: Gethsemane congregation** recognized by **T.A. Brown School** as a "Partner in Education". Certificate on Social Ministry bulletin board; **Matt & Irene Guenthar Flukinger** on recent marriage... **THANKS FROM: Phil Wahlberg** for Gethsemane support of the **Hans Blix** presentation; **Jim Abney, Gordon Cooper, Larry Crenshaw, Frances Sommerfeld** for ministry during and following recent hospitalization; **Dean & Ethel Zellmer** for the loving support of Gethsemane friends. **Dean & Ethel** were honored guests at a dinner party attended by **Men In Mission** Leadership Team and hosted by **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg**. A special part of the evening was a long distance phone conversation with **Jerry Bartholomay**... **GREETINGS FROM: Don & Anne Roefler**, attending graduation of granddaughter **Breann Kay Roefler**, Round Rock Hill, delivering Minnesota "gold" rhubarb to **Pastor**—what a treat to see Anne & Don. They have returned to their summer home in Jeffers, MN; **Dottie Sigerist & Earle; Derek & Kathleen Warr** at worship Pentecost Sunday & visiting parents **Mark & Judy Warr**. Derek, a UT-Austin and Yale University School of Architecture graduate works for a firm in Miami, FL.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, June 5

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, June 6 - The Holy Trinity

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

Noon Youth to Schlitterbahn

MONDAY, June 7

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

6:00 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, June 8

9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha (Music Rm)

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Ryan's Steak House)

WEDESDAY, June 9

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

THURSDAY June 10

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, June 11

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (Multi-Purpose Rm)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, June 12

8:00 a.m. Work Party

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

10:00 a.m. Meier Family Reunion (MPR)

SUNDAY, June 13—Pentecost 2

SENIOR ADULT RECOGNITION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

12 Noon Senior Adult Luncheon (MPR)

Confirmation Camp thru Friday, June 18

7:05 p.m. Lutheran Night @ Round Rock Express

MONDAY, June 14

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

TUESDAY, June 15

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apartments Chapel

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, June 16

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, June 17

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, June 18

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, June 19

All Day VBS Set up (MPR & Parlor)

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Voting (Music Room)

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

5:30 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, June 20-Pentecost 3-Father's Day

All Day VBS Set up (MPR & Parlor)

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. VBS Installation

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

MONDAY, June 21—

8:45-11:45 a.m. Vacation Bible School

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel

TUESDAY, June 22

8:45-11:45 a.m. Vacation Bible School

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

WEDNESDAY, June 23

8:45-11:45 a.m. Vacation Bible School

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

THURSDAY, June 24

8:45-11:45 a.m. Vacation Bible School

12 Noon Youth Swimming (Zilker Park)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, June 25

8:30am-4pm GWELCA/Trinity Care Ctr Shop

8:45-11:45 a.m. Vacation Bible School

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, June 26

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

JUNE 23, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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2004 VBS PROCLAIMS THE GENEROSITY OF GOD

The Gethsemane Lutheran education tradition, offering Bible centered teaching of the Lutheran/Reformation community faith in the Triune God, continues this week, **June 21-25**. The day begins with children/youth eager to play kickball on the Gethsemane ball diamond. The 8:45 a.m. opening calls students and staff together in the Gethsemane sanctuary as the camp bells (memorial hand bells) are rung by **Harlie Baitz, Tiffany Goodlow, Becky Rippy, Tiffany Kouts** and **Jeana Pearce**. Led by Gethsemane musicians **Dar Krenek, Sheryl Johnson Evans** and a group of talented youth the singing, lighting of candles, scripture readings, Bible story for the day, offerings of food and money to assist the food pantry and clothes closet, comments by VBS Directors **Brenda Brown** and **Debbie Eubank** prepare the students and staff for a spirit filled morning of crafts coordinated by **Wesley Johnson**, story time, singing, snack time prepared by **Viola Hall** and her crew of youth and recreation led by **Joel Gronberg, Kevin Eubank, Will Jurgens, Ben Pounds, Elizabeth Pounds, Miles Cross**. The theme for Vacation Bible School is "The earth and everything on it belong to the Lord." (Psalm 24:1)

Camp Creation challenges VBS students to explore the meaning of **Christian stewardship**. The Bible stories are introduced each day by **Pastor Gronberg**: Monday-**God gives life!** Genesis 1; Tuesday-**God gives love!** St. Luke 10:25-37; Wednesday-**God gives gifts!** St. Mark 12:41-11; Thursday-**God gives sharing!** St. Matthew 14:13-21; Friday-**God gives caring!** St. Matthew 25:31-40; The closing program, Friday 11:30 a.m. in the Gethsemane sanctuary will celebrate a week at Camp Creation. **Parents and families are invited** to share in this celebrative event filled with music and story led by the Vacation Bible School students. Hotdogs, chips and drink will be served. Every VBS child is asked to bring cookies Friday morning to share at the luncheon. Due to demand, a third reorder of the 2004 **Gethsemane T-Shirts "Precious in God's Sight"** have been ordered. Plans are to have them available Friday morning for purchase. Proceeds support **Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry**. Thanks everyone for making Gethsemane Vacation Bible School a time of growth in grace and love.



JUNE 27 — PENTECOST 4
ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY
SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 19:15-16, Psalm 16, Galatians 5: 1, 13-25, St. Luke 9: 51-62
PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

In the waters of baptism the church community is called to leave "the old life" behind and claim the promise of "new life". The readings for Sunday, **June 27** invite the people of God to move forward with boldness proclaiming a new world committed to freedom and justice through the Good News of the Gospel.

The fourth Sunday of each month is opportunity for Gethsemane congregation to demonstrate commitment to the global mission ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS VBS
Vacation Bible School 2004 continues Sunday, **June 27** with songs, crafts and stories told by staff and students. Plan to share in summer learning time-9:30 a.m.

MINISTRY TOLD
A ministry of **Gethsemane Lutheran** is featured in the July issue of *The Lutheran* magazine. **Pastor Gronberg** had encouraged for a number of years Gethsemane member **Diana Dworin** to use her gifted writing ability to tell the stories of faith and ministry through the publications of the ELCA. Prior to marrying **Dan** and the birth of **Janine, Benjamin, and Jillian**, Diana was a writer for the Austin American-Statesman. The article she wrote for *The Lutheran* describes Gethsemane ministry to animals through the neighbor **Austin Humane Society**. AHS staff members and volunteers are featured in the article along with Pastor Gronberg and Gethsemane members **Christine Berkland** and **Craig Olson**. *The Lutheran* sent a photographer from New York City to take pictures of the persons mentioned in the article. Gethsemane is honored to share in ministry with the Austin Humane Society.

FISHING TRIP
Gethsemane men and their families will participate in the annual fishing trip to Rockport, Texas **June 26-29**. Thanks to **Walt Horton, Gordon Kettelman** and **Terry Brown** for coordinating this event. Persons interested in the 2005 trip are encouraged to talk with one of the trip coordinators.

JULY 4 — PENTECOST 5
PATRIOTIC EMPHASIS
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 66: 10-14, Psalm 66: 1-8, Galatians 6: 7-16, St. Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you have given us this good land as our heritage. Make us always remember your generosity and constantly do your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Make us who came from many nations with many different languages a united people. Defend our liberties and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there might be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful; and, in troubled times do not let our trust in you fail. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Gethsemane members **Pete & Lyanna Morales Smith**, living in Kilgore, Texas bring their infant daughter **Ashlee Nichole** to receive the eternal promise of grace and mercy. Pete & Lyanna were married at Gethsemane in 1998 and their son, **Michael Peter** was baptized at Gethsemane November 17, 1999. May the blessings of the Triune God be upon the Smith family.

JULY 4TH EMPHASIS
Gethsemane member **Dr. David Maidment**, a native of New Zealand and professor University of Texas-Austin, continues a July 4th tradition of many years by giving witness to his faith on this national holiday. The congregation expresses gratitude for the Maidment family and the blessings they bring to the Austin community.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS
The 9:30 a.m. Learning Hour will emphasize national heritage in celebrating the 4th of July week-end.

GETHSEMANE WOMEN
Gethsemane Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America general meeting Tuesday, **July 20**. The **Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA Synodical Women** annual gathering will be **September 17-19** in conjunction with the Fredericksburg Fall Festival.

JULY 11 — PENTECOST 6
ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
FAIR TRADE COFFEE
SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 30: 9-14, Psalm 25: 1-9, Colossians 1: 1-14, St. Luke 10: 23-37
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, use our lives to touch the world with your love. Stir us, by your Spirit, to be neighbor to those in need, serving them with willing hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GLADOFFF
Gethsemane Adult Dining Out 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, **July 13** Threadgill's, 6416 North Lamar. **Dustin & Jennifer Cloud**, hosts. Call Gethsemane office, 836-8560 to reserve your space at the table! Thanks to **Gordon & Marilyn Kettelman** hosting June.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS
July 11, Pat Priem, Immanuel Lutheran, Pflugerville, will tell of her participation in a **Lutheran World Relief** trip to Kenya and Uganda.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH
Senior High Sunday Night Gathering Sunday, **June 27th Ashley Bartko's** home. Leave 5 pm and return by 8 pm.
Junior High bowling and lunch July 8th. Meet 10:45 a.m. and go to Highland Lanes, then lunch, returning by 2:30 pm.
Senior High Mystery Tour registration form and fees for the due. Leave July 12, return the 17th. Contact Pastor Schnelle, Pastor Bohls or Dar Krenek.

Congratulations Gethsemane member **Laura Mueller** named to the Texas Lutheran University Provosts List for both semesters academic year 2003-2004. Laura received a National Science Foundation Research Grant to study polymer chemistry this summer at the University of California-Santa Cruz. **Sarah Mueller** named to the University of North Texas Dean's List for both semesters academic year 2003-2004. **Leisha Johnson**, 2004 Round Rock High graduate, named to All-Central Texas Softball First Team. Leisha hit .360, 25 RBIs, 7 assists. She will be playing college softball for Hill Junior College. Gethsemane is proud of these young women.

Cross Trails Ministry Ebert Ranch hosted **Pastor Susan Schnelle** and Gethsemane confirmands: **Erin Feller, Miles Cross, Sean Collier, Samantha Sommerfeld, Sara Eames, Amy Kingsbury, Kimberly Corbell, Elizabeth Pounds, Shannon McKenney, Angela Schnelle**. Thanks to youth growing in their faith and commitment to the ministry of the church community during their camp experience.

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PILGRIM JOURNEY

Gethsemane welcomes home the pilgrim group from the British Isles. They will share an August program in Summer SCS, along with all summer travelers. Watch for news of the 2005 travel opportunity.

CLOTHES AND FOOD MINISTRY

A special thanks is offered to **George & Norman Wendlandt** and **Stanley & Verline Berkman** for their faithful ministry to the Gethsemane clothes closet as they weekly came for over 6 years to sort clothes and prepare the Clothes Closet for those in need. The new team for this ministry of sharing food and clothing will consist of: **Ken & Linda Schulz, Bobbie & Dan Griffith, Babs & Mihira Chandrasoma, Frank & Pat Greinert, Carl & Joan Candoli, Jim & Darlene Werchan, Carol Laubach, Flo Laubach, Merrill Austin, Sharon Kite, Jack Westerman, Renita Feller, Jennifer Cloud, Virginia Marek, Betsy, Michael, Becca and Meredith Orf.**

A special thanks to all who contribute money, food and clothing to serve this vital ministry to our community.

AUSTIN AREA FRIENDS

Three events are scheduled for **Austin Area Lutheran Friends** in July: **Tubing down the river** in New Braunfels Saturday, **July 3**—Gethsemane carpool leaves 10 a.m.; **Christmas in July** in Brenham, Saturday, **July 17**—Gethsemane carpool leaves 4:30 p.m.—bring a gag gift and something to share at the pot-luck dinner; **Bowling** at Highland Lanes, Saturday, **July 31**, 4-7 p.m. Contact Walt or Peggy Horton (833-8849) for more details.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

Known to be hospitalized: **Daisy Horton**, Seton Medical Center—remember this Christian friend in prayer...**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**: the families of: **David Chang** and **Harry E. Johnson, Jr.**—blessed be their memories...**THANKS TO: Walt & Peggy Horton** for coordinating summer baseball trips-June 13 Round Rock Express was a beautiful night—a few tickets remain for the Astro game August 21; **Chuck Rice, Jennifer Cloud** of the **Gethsemane Congregation Council** and the **Carl & Marie Jo Anderson Foundation** for the annual Senior Adult Recognition Sunday event—the meal was enjoyed by all as **John & Dorothy Kavanaugh** were recognized for their gifts through the years; **Gethsemane fathers and children** for having pictures taken on Father's Day—**Denise Schulz** and **Rick Brock** served as photographers—pictures will be on display in the narthex...**CONGRATULATIONS TO: David Schulz**, Computer Information Systems Degree, Texas State University May, 2004—Gethsemane rejoices with David, his family and all Spring, 2004 graduates; **Paul & Jennifer Huber de la Port** on recent marriage; **Brendan Beckham Raymond** on recent baptism; **Adam & Kim Johnson Crump** birth of son, **Hunter Paul** June 4, 2004—the family is anticipating baptism this summer; **Damon & Julia Bedrich Talley**, birth of son **Ellis James**, May 2, 2004—communicating with Pastor Gronberg, Damon & Julia request their son to be baptized at Gethsemane in October—the community rejoices with this Christian

family giving thanks for their gift of music to Gethsemane and others; **Gethsemane Bellissimo** participation in the Area IX (Texas and Oklahoma) American Guild of English Handbell Ringers—the massed concert, Sunday June 20 at University of the Incarnate Word San Antonio, Texas was inspirational—**Joe & Pat Baitz, Bill & Rose Adair Corbell, Kent Corbell, Pastor Karl, Sharon & Joel Gronberg** attended concert; **Pastor Glenn Moehring** installed Sunday June 27, 4 p.m. Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran, Buda, Texas...**THANKS FROM: Laura Riddell, George Wendlandt, Mark McConaughy** for the gifts of family, health and congregational ministry; **Earley Magnuson** for 93rd birthday greetings; **Olga George** for 89th birthday greetings; **Reverend Cal Goerdel, Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home** for hospitality extended to him on his visit to Gethsemane; **Darlene Werchan** on behalf of the **Gethsemane Bellissimo**, for congregational and pastoral support of their music ministry; **Konnie Gregg** in gratitude for ministry to **Matt & Irene Flukinger** during planning and wedding celebration...**GREETINGS FROM: Pastor Kent & Joan Bohls** and travelers enjoying Dublin, Ireland; **Phil & Christine Berkland** enjoying the beauty of Minnesota and Wisconsin; **Charles & Adelle Rolls** visiting British Columbia—travelers cards posted in narthex; Gethsemane 2002-2003 intern **Scott McAnally** anticipating a call to the ELCA Metro Washington D.C. Synod; **Clay Lindgren** and **Jiwoh Abdulai** meeting in London with Gethsemane travelers.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, June 26

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild
7:00 p.m. Godspell (First English)

SUNDAY, June 27—Pentecost 4

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
2:00 p.m. Heatherwilde Chapel
5-8 p.m. Sr. High @ Ashley Bartko home

MONDAY, June 28

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
6:15 p.m. GLCM Board Mtg (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, June 29

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

WEDESDAY, June 30

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY July 1

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, July 2

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, July 3

8:00 a.m. Work Party
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, July 4—Pentecost 5

INDEPENDENCE DAY

8:00 a.m. Scandinavian Club Tour
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism

MONDAY, July 5

GLCM & Church Office Closed
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, July 6

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. MMCA (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, July 7

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:00 p.m. Disabled American Vets (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, July 8

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, July 9

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, July 10

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy
6:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, July 11-Pentecost 6

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

MONDAY, July 12

8:00 a.m. Sr. High Mystery Tour (M-S)
7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, July 13

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. GLADOFFF (Threadgills)

WEDNESDAY, July 14

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, July 15

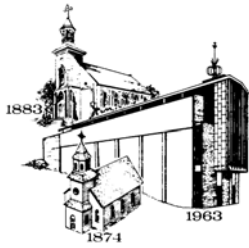
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
10:45 a.m. Jr. High lunch/bowling

FRIDAY, July 16

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, July 17

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild



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ANNIVERSARY GIFTS SUPPORT CAMPUS MINISTRY

The 2004 Gethsemane Lutheran Congregation Council: **Rodger Anderson, Joe Baitz, Jennifer Cloud, Lee Crenshaw, Darla Elam, Lane Holmstrom, Greg Johnson, Marsha McConaughy, Chuck Rice, Denise Schulz, Ron Tigie, Keith Lundquist** invite members and friends of the congregation to give a gift in honor of the **30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Pastor Kent L. Bohls** into the ministry of Word & Sacraments of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. These gifts will be given in recognition of the commitment Pastor Bohls has demonstrated throughout his ministry to Lutheran Campus Ministry.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST CHAPEL

Each year, young people you know and love arrive in San Marcos to:

- study at Texas State University
- equip themselves for their life vocations
- make their passage into adulthood
- set new patterns that will last a lifetime.

In the process, most of them lose regular contact with their home congregations. Even before they arrive on campus, a student active in Lutheran Campus Ministry's Higher Ground invites them to engage in the life and work of this Christian mission.

They are given opportunity for meaningful worship:

- Holy Communion 7 p.m. every Sunday
- Evening Prayer and free supper 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday

Students are challenged to grow in their relationship with God, maturing in a faithful daily prayer life, engage in lively student-led Bible discussions.

St. Mark's Episcopal parish, located at the heart of campus, has served as the center for this ministry. In 1999 the congregation voted to move within ten years into a larger, new, off-campus facility.

Conversations began on many levels between Episcopalians and Lutherans. Students, chaplains, local councils and bishops began to explore the possibility of purchasing the St. Mark's building for campus ministry. Christ Chapel would serve as a chapel to the university, a center for Higher Ground student work, a home for a group of Lutheran mentors, the home of a small residential student community, and a center for religious studies and spiritual formation. But to make this happen \$1 million must be raised.

To take advantage of this exciting opportunity and make the dream of a home for ministry, Lutherans throughout the ELCA, such as the membership of Gethsemane-Austin, are invited to give toward the \$1 million Lutheran portion of the purchase price. \$1 million will also provide for maintenance and ministry endowment.

Gethsemane members and friends are encouraged to make a commitment to Lutheran Campus ministry by giving a gift in honor of Pastor Kent Bohls on the anniversary of his ordination into the ministry of Word and Sacraments of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America July 14, 1974. Thanks be to God for his commitment to the people of God and the blessing his ministry has been to congregations, synod and ELCA.



JULY 18 — PENTECOST 7
ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
FAIR TRADE COFFEE

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28; St Luke 10:38-42

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you see how busy we are with many things. Turn us to listen to your teachings and lead us to choose the one thing which will not be taken from us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

“GO AND DO LIKEWISE”

The ELCA World Hunger Appeal is an opportunity for the people of God at Gethsemane Lutheran to express solidarity with other people of good will in carrying out the mission given by Jesus to claim all people as neighbors: (St. Luke 10:25-37) The 2004 ELCA World Hunger Appeal has four objectives: **Relief & Development; Education; Advocacy; Responsible stewardship; Listening to & Working with the poor & hungry.** Gethsemane has a

25 year history of faithful and generous support for this ministry. Thanks be to God for people of compassion.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH TRIP

Gethsemane Lutheran Senior High youth travel on a “Mystery Trip” with **Pastor Kent Bohls, Pastor Susan Schnelle** and **Dar Krenek.** Keep these youth and the adults traveling with them in your daily prayers. Gethsemane is grateful for youth ministry.

THANKOFFERING

Ladies of Gethsemane are invited to attend the Thankoffering Service/General Meeting 7 p.m., Tuesday, **July 20,** Multi-Purpose Room. Pastor Susan Schnelle speaks about her Mystery Tour experience with the Gethsemane Senior High Youth. Cheese cake will be provided. There will be no meal. Plan to come and don't forget your Thankoffering.

JULY 25 — PENTECOST 8

ST. JAMES THE ELDER, APOSTLE
SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 19:9-18; Psalm 7:1-11; Acts 11:27—12:3a; St. Mark 10:34—45

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O gracious God, we remember before you today your servant and apostle James, first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the name of Jesus Christ. Pour out upon the leaders of your Church that spirit of self-denying service which is the true mark of authority among your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

The annual “Christmas in July” will be celebrated. Holden Village, a Lutheran Retreat Center in the Cascades of Washington State, gave this idea to Gethsemane members over 20 years ago. Every year, in the heat of the summer, Gethsemane congregation takes time to reflect on the ageless message of the Yuletide Season. Merry Christmas-in July!

“Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane...”
 St. Matthew 26:36

JUNE ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: All members, Co-chairpersons, **David & Kathy Allen, Terry & Brenda Brown, Stephen & Christine Bohls, Jim & Dorothy Hecht, Buddy Holmstrom, Lisa Holmstrom, Bernice Johnson, Mary Jane Schaefer.**

June Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in celebration of **Leith's** 18th birthday by **Dennis & Beth Collier**; in loving memory of **Howard Swening** by **Cheryl**; in celebration of **Pastor Ted Berkland's** 75th birthday and 50th year anniversary of ordination by **Phil & Christine**; in celebration of our 35th wedding anniversary by **Merrill & Pat Austin**; in celebration of our 25th wedding anniversary by **John & Anne Walker**; in celebration of our 30th wedding anniversary by **Mark & Judy Warr**; in loving memory of **Mary Ellen** by the **Art Anderson** family; in celebration of our 25th wedding anniversary by **Bob & Sandra Nichols.**

RETIREMENT SEMINAR

Gethsemane member **Jeff Greinert**, Farmers Insurance Agent, will host a **Retirement Planning Briefing July 22, 7:30 p.m.** Gethsemane Music Room. Topics will include medicare, homestead exemption, social security, estate taxes, IRA distributions and other topics. Persons nearing retirement age, or have parents near retirement, will benefit from event. Please call Jeff 422-8521 for your reservation.

2004 VBS THANK YOU

What an adventure! Camp Creation-five days of rejoicing in the gifts of life. **Brenda Brown, Debbie Eubank**, co-directors express thanks of Gethsemane congregation to the faithful staff: **Jennifer Anderson, Harlie Baitz, Pat Baitz, Tracy Barnhart, Ashley Bartko, Sarah Beck, Tiffany Beck, Christine Bohls, Pastor Kent**

Bohls, Brandy Brown, Terry Brown, Babs Chandrasoma, Jennifer Cloud, Leith Collier, Sean Collier, George Creager, Lee & Patrice Crenshaw, Miles Cross, Lisa Dunahoo, Linda Dunahoo, Diana Dworin, Katie Edwards, Sandra Ericson, Sheryl Evans, Josh Goodlow, Tiffany Goodlow, Joel Gronberg, Pastor Karl Gronberg, Ann Hackbarth, Viola Hall, Carolyn Harding, Walt & Peggy Horton, Lorrie Huston, Wesley Johnson, Barb Jones, Kathy Jones, Kathy Jurgens, Will Jurgens, Amy Kingsbury, Jennifer Kingsbury, Elizabeth Kite, Sharon Kite, Alicia Kouts, Tiffany Kouts, Dar Krenek, Michelle Lewis, Angelica Lundquist, Krista McConaughy, Alex Milam, Karen Moore, Amanda Nardechia, Meredith Orf, Michael Orf, Jeana Pearce, Becky Rippy, Erin Rosales, Angela Schnelle, Pastor Susie Schnelle, Travis Scott, Wayne Swening, Sandra Tipton, Christine Virta, Janna Weiss.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: the families of **Beula Pauline Dunham, Evelyn Kellar, Ed Nagy, Betty Lindgren Perry**, blessed be their memories ...**THANKS TO: David Maidment**, for annual Fourth of July homily—copies of his homily are in the narthex; **Dar Krenek** coordinator of the Fourth of July Summer SCS celebration; Boy Scouts of America **Thomas Greinert** and **Adam Baylor** for carrying the flags into the sanctuary Fourth of July Sunday; **Kevin Kubiak** for work with the Gethsemane Property Committee maintaining A.C. units; **Ron Tigue, Greg Johnson, John Kingsbury, Joel Gronberg, Martin Gonzalez** for mowing and maintaining the beautiful lawn and grounds; **Michael Murphy** for participating with Pastor Gronberg in the Religion and Labor Network of Austin **CONGRATULATIONS TO: Don & Anne Roefer**, 50th wedding anniversary celebration Fourth of July week-end with family at Jeffers, Minnesota; **Ron & Gail**

Tigue on birth of grandson—mother, father and baby are doing well; **Ken & Linda Schulz** on the birth of grandson **Nathan Alexander Schulz**—mother **Lissa**, father **Steven** and baby are doing well; **Paul McConnell**, grandson of **John & Carolyn Cauley** nominated for the Texas Young Leaders State Conference; former Gethsemane member **Rachel Von Minden** May graduate Texas A & M University planning to do ministry The Navigators; **Jiwoh Emmanuel Abdulai** graduating this week from London School of Economics, London, England... **THANKS FROM: Daisy Horton, Waldine Stafford, Cristy Raven Orvis, Gratia Winship** on behalf of **Paco, Mirta Sanz** and the entire **Rodriguez** family for gifts of family, health and congregational ministry; **Frances Bornemann**, visiting Austin and grateful for birthday greetings brought by **Pastor Gronberg** at luncheon hosted by daughters **Pam and Jan; Evelyn Kylberg Johnson** for family members and Gethsemane friends sharing 85th birthday party hosted by son **Kenneth; Sally Nagy** and family for Gethsemane ministry during recent loss; **Ben Lara**, UHO Sharks kickball team coach, for use of the Gethsemane ball field during recent season—team had a “great time” looking forward to using the field in 2005; **Seton Cove** for presentation by Pastor Gronberg on “Friendship”—the Cove is an interfaith place of solace and hospitality grounded in the Judeo-Christian tradition—persons interested in knowing more about this ministry may speak with Pastor... **GREETINGS FROM: Jim & Sandra Baylor** enjoying visit to Australia and New Zealand; **Joel Gronberg** attending Concordia College Language Camp in Minnesota; **Dean & Ethel Zellmer** settling in to their new surroundings in Richmond, Virginia; **Umid Azimov** planning for return to study in Austin. Persons interested in hosting a foreign exchange student are encouraged to talk with Pastor, Sharon & Joel.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, July 17

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

Before Noon—Youth Mystery Tour returns

SUNDAY, July 18—Pentecost 7

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. “Now the Feast” Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

9:30 a.m. 30th ordination celebration (MPR)

MONDAY, July 19

7:15 am-6 pm Children’s Ministry (M-F)

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, July 20

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apt Chapel

7:00 p.m. Thankoffering Service (MPR)

7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDESDAY, July 21

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

7:00 p.m. Jr & Sr High Dinner & Bowling

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY July 22

6:00 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

7:00 p.m. Retirement Seminar (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, July 23

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, July 24

8:00 a.m. Work Party

Time TBA Senior High Breakfast

9 am-3:30 pm Care Team (Holy Cross)

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

10:00 a.m. Baylor Family Reunion (MPR)

SUNDAY, July 25—Pentecost 8

ST. JAMES THE ELDER, APOSTLE

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

5:00 p.m. Sr High Sunday Night Gathering

MONDAY, July 26

7:15 am-6 pm Children’s Ministry (M-F)

7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, July 27

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, July 28

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, July 29

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, July 30

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, July 31

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

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GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

JULY 28, 2004

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BAPTIZED PEOPLE OF GOD MINISTER FAITHFULLY

AUGUST 1 — PENTECOST 9

SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-11; Colossians 3:1-11; St. Luke 12:13-21

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, judge of us all, you have placed in our hands the wealth we call our own. Give us such wisdom by your Spirit that our possessions may not be a curse in our lives, but an instrument for blessing; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING FORTH

The first Sunday of the summer months is designated by Gethsemane Lutheran as a time of "Sending Forth". Members and friends of Gethsemane planning to travel during the month are invited to the altar for the prayer and blessing. This Sunday, Gethsemane member **Amanda Petrosky**, a graduate of Texas Lutheran University and currently a second year graduate student at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, will assist with worship. Amanda has been a lay associate during June & July, assisting Gethsemane congregation and Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry. In December, 1999, Amanda served as Santa Lucia for the congregational gathering at historic Gethsemane Church 16th & Congress. Plan this Sunday to pray for Amanda and all those traveling during August, 2004.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

The Encounter Class discusses the ministry of Seafarers & International House, an agency of the Metropolitan New York Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. This residence for seafarers and international personnel welcomes visitors to New York City. **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg** stayed there during recent New York City holiday.

RENEWING WORSHIP

Gethsemane member **Reverend Mel Swoyer** will lead a worship workshop Wednesday, **August 4**, 7:30 p.m. Music Room on new worship materials produced by the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The number one challenge in marriage is communication. **Lutheran Marriage Encounter** assists couples to learn and re-learn the wonder of communicating with one another. Plan to attend the Lutheran Marriage Encounter week-end in Austin, **September 17-19**, Four Points Sheraton. Register by August 17. Contact Pastor Gronberg for more information.

NORTH CENTRAL CAREGIVERS

There continues to be a need for Gethsemane members to assist this ministry in fulfilling their mission **supporting older adults** to remain independent. Persons interested are encouraged call 302-5980.

THANKS GETHSEMANE

The 2004 Gethsemane Lutheran Congregational Council along with **Pastor Kent L. Bohls** express thanks to Gethsemane members for their response to the 30th ordination anniversary celebration held in honor of Pastor Bohls Sunday July 18, 2004. **Ron Tigie** presented Pastor with a certificate created by Gethsemane **Jeff Greinert** recognizing his ordination on July 14, 1974 as a pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** read greetings from the Southwestern Texas Synod of the ELCA; former Gethsemane members and interns, friends from his internship Lutheran congregation, Oak Cliff Lutheran in Dallas. **Reverend Doctor Robert Hoferkamp** brought eloquent greetings from the Gethsemane Lutheran staff, and Gethsemane member **David Doerfler** expressed beautifully the appreciation of the Gethsemane community for the ministry Pastor Bohls has faithfully expressed during his years with Gethsemane Lutheran. Thanks to **Denise Schulz, Jennifer Cloud, Joe & Pat Baitz, Harlie Baitz, Viola Hall** and **Bobbie Griffith** for organizing the beautiful reception. Thanks to: **Dan Griffith** and **Walter Toll** for the pictures available for viewing in the narthex; **Dar Joy Krenek** for special music along with Gethsemane youth. Congratulations Pastor Kent Bohls on 30 faithful years of ministry within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Gifts from Gethsemane members totaled over \$1,500 in honor of Pastor Bohls, will be matched by a generous steward and sent to the Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA for Christ Chapel Lutheran Campus Ministry Texas State University. Thanks be to God!

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Senior High youth had a grand "Mystery Tour". Following various clues the youth: **Brandy Brown, Trevor Brown, Leith Collier, Catie Eubank, Tiffany Goodlow, Andrew Nichols, Jeanna Pearce, Becky Rippy, Amanda Schnelle, Angela Schnelle**, with **Dar Krenek** and **Pastors Kent Bohls** and **Susie Schnelle** discovered people to meet and ways to serve. They helped and met: Capital Area Food Bank, Texas Lutheran University with **John & Anne Walker** and **Steve Anderson**, retired ELCA **Pastor Alfred Doerfler** and his wife of 62 years, the Peace Center of San Antonio, **Shellie Creager**, Christ Lutheran Church, Woman at the Well House, St. John's Lutheran, the Alamo, Nueva Laredo, Latin American Lutheran Missions and El Cenizo Lutheran congregation of Laredo area, LSSS Bokenkamp Center in Corpus Christi, beach cleanup on Mustang Island, **Joan Bohls** and **Lee Schnelle**, 9E Ranch Quiet Garden.

Saturday morning, senior high youth "kidnapped 9th graders to be" welcoming them to senior high youth ministry with breakfast at IHOP and time together at church. **Terry & Brenda Brown** hosted youth for pizza and swimming Sunday evening.

Junior & Senior high youth to Astroworld, Saturday, **August 7** for the day with a Christian concert. Call 836-8560 to reserve a spot. Cost \$25. **Junior & Senior high youth** to Zilker Hillside Theater for "The Secret Garden" Thursday, **August 12**, leaving Gethsemane 7 p.m.

AUGUST 8 — PENTECOST 10

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL FAIR TRADE COFFEE

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 15:1-6; Psalm 33:12-22; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; St. Luke 12:32-40

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask except through the merit of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

Patty Hoerig will share of her time in Costa Rica, sister synod of the Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA, **August 8**.

WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

Since 1983, two million people have died as the result of **Sudan's** tragic civil war. Ethnic, political, economic, and religious differences have pitted the government, which represents primarily Muslim and Arab interests, against the Black people in the south, which contains a majority of the country's Christians. Now, even as a peace accord is being formalized, there are acute crises in Sudan.

ELCA International Disaster Response, a part of the World Hunger Appeal, contributed an initial \$75,000 for relief efforts—food, water, shelter, medicine, agricultural supplies, and emotional support—in Sudan and Chad. You can learn more about the crises at www.elca.org/disaster.

As in past years, during the current crises and in the critical years of peacemaking ahead, your generous gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response help make a life-saving difference. Please give an offering Sunday, August 8th.

The **Gethsemane Food Pantry** needs donations of the following items: Canned vegetables and beans, pasta & sauce, macaroni & cheese, canned fruit, rice and dried beans, canned meat products, soups and Ramen noodles, cereal and saltine crackers. 101 families with 419 persons were served in July. **Gethsemane makes a difference!**

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Gethsemane members continue to generously support Fair Trade coffee. The **Women of the ELCA** pledged to purchase 90 tons of coffee this year, and are 14 tons from the goal! Your **August 8** purchase gives a fair price to Africa and Central America coffee growers.

COMMISSIONING

Gethsemane members are invited to the **Commissioning Service** of former Gethsemane youth staff member **Bogart E. Nomad**, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Associate in Ministry Sunday, **August 8**, 3:30 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church, San Antonio. Bogart will serve First Lutheran Blair, Nebraska. Speak with Pastor Gronberg for more information.

GLADOFFF

Gethsemane adults are invited to dine out at Fresh Choice, 9761 Great Hills Trail Tuesday, **August 10**, 7 p.m. **Donna Olson**, hosting. Call 836-8560 to reserve a place.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Gethsemane will pray and "send off" college students Sunday **August 15**. Please call the Gethsemane office with addresses/phone numbers for students.

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IN MEMORY

Eufemia “Phemie” Skoglund, baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran claimed the promise of her baptism Friday, July 16, 2004. The memorial liturgy was held July 19. “Phemie” lived her baptism during her 94 years of life enjoying family, friends and fishing. Phemie was faithful to the historical traditions of her family eagerly participating in singing the songs of faith and receiving the assurance of Holy Communion. The members of the Gethsemane Lutheran community rejoice in her life expressing gratitude to her family for their faithful commitment and loving support: Mrs. Elfin (Dorothy) Skoglund, Mrs. Swen (Dorothy) Skoglund, niece, Janet Bartles, nephews, David Skoglund, Jim Gameson, Joe Gameson, great-nephews, Gannon Bartles, Joe Gameson, great-niece, Whitney Gameson.

Eufemia was preceded in death by her parents, sister Edith and two brothers, Elfin “Swede” Skoglund and Swen Skoglund, both of whom were Gethsemane members. The words of scripture bring an eternal promise: *“I loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.”* (Jeremiah 31: 3)

Blessed be the memory of Eufemia Skoglund

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

The **Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA Synodical Women** annual gathering will be **September 17-19** in conjunction with the Fredericksburg Fall Festival.

HOLDEN VILLAGE

Holden Village, an ecumenical Lutheran ministry, has shared many good gifts with Gethsemane members during and following visits to this beautiful mountain retreat in the Cascades of Washington state. Interest has been expressed for another trip to Holden. Persons considering such an experience visited with Pastor Gronberg during Summer SCS *“Christmas In July”*. Due to

registration deadlines, Gethsemane members and friends considering a visit to Holden in 2005 are encouraged to contact **Pastor or Sharon Gronberg**. There will be an information meeting in early September. Registration deadline is October.

JULY ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Virginia Marek**, Chairperson, **Anna Callahan**, **Beverly Helsel**, **Carroll & Karen Holmstrom**, **Chris & Kathy Jurgens**, **Erin Rosales**, **Gaile Swoyer**, **Sandra Tipton**.

July Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in celebration of our country’s and **Adam’s** birthday by **Brad & Karyn Jensen**; in honor of **Zachary** on his 5th birthday by **Rick & Lana Brock**; in celebration of the baptism of **Ashlee Nichole Smith** by the **Wayne Smith** family; in celebration of our 10th wedding anniversary by **Keith & Angelica Lundquist**; in loving memory of **Sally** by the **Art Anderson** family; in celebration of **Mackenzie Kite** and **Reese Wilson** on their 4th birthdays by the **Kite family**; in honor of **Pastor Kent L. Bohls** in recognition of the 30th anniversary of his ordination as pastor of the ELCA by Gethsemane members and friends; in celebration of the 1st wedding anniversary of **Derek & Kathleen Warr** by **Mark & Judy**; in honor of **Janine** and **Ben** during their July birthdays by **Dan & Diana Dworin**; in loving memory of **Nancy’s** father on his 88th birthday by **Paul & Nancy Kronbergs**; in honor of **Matthew Drake Lewis** on his 5th birthday by **Jeffery, Michele, Jacob and Madison Lewis**; in loving memory of **Pastor Vance Daniel** by the **Sunday School Adult Bible Class**.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: the family of **Eufemia Skoglund**—blessed be her memory...**THANKS TO: Jeff Greinert** for hosting a two week Retirement Seminar—due to response plans

are being made for future opportunities; **Sharon Gronberg** and **Amanda Petrosky** for coordination of annual *“Christmas In July”* celebration. The focus of the celebration was the Christmas Tree legend in Ancient and modern times. Christmas tree ornaments were made and will be placed on a Christmas tree in December—thanks to everyone!...**CONGRATULATIONS TO: Rev. Dr. Robert Hoferkamp** featured in *The Vista* for baptizing fifteen persons Cristo Rey Lutheran, Pharr, TX; **Amy Wishing Chase & David Christian Erickson, Marc & Windy Herrick Abel** married recently...**THANKS FROM: Dorothy Skoglund** and **David Skoglund** for ministry; **Kathy & Chris Jurgens** for use of the MPR for July family reunion; **Frances Sommerfeld & family, Maxine Leatherwood, Pat Erlanson Nielson** for ministry during/following hospitalization; **Verline Berkman** for Christian compassion expressed at the time of the death of her sister, **Evelyn Kellar**; **Wayne Smith** for support of his family in the celebration of the baptism of **Ashlee Nichole Smith**; the family of **Euphemia Skoglund** for ministry at the time of her death; **Paul McConnell** for Gethsemane gift helping him to attend Texas Young Leaders State Conference...

GREETINGS FROM: Pastor Susan Schnelle & family enjoying their vacation with family in Virginia; **Anne & Don Roefer** for greetings and prayers on their 50th wedding anniversary; **Jerry & Jean Bartholomay** recent phone conversation with Pastor Gronberg expressed joy over *The Lutheran* article featuring Gethsemane ministry with the Humane Society—many people read *The Lutheran* as calls have come from around the country commenting on this creative expression of ministry by Gethsemane congregation. Jerry also mentioned his involvement in fund raising for their Lutheran congregation in Las Vegas; **Linus, Stephanie & Olivia Ingeborg Eukel** grateful for the blessings of life.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, July 31

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
4:00 p.m. AALF Bowling (Highland Lanes)

SUNDAY, August 1—Pentecost 9

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Church School

MONDAY, August 2

7:15 am-6 pm Children’s Ministry (M-F)
6:05 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, August 3

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club (Music Rm)

WEDNESDAY, August 4

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:00p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

7:30 p.m. Worship Workshop (Music Rm)

THURSDAY August 5

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:30 p.m. United Ostomy Assn (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, August 6

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, August 7

7:00 a.m. Jr & Sr High Youth to Astroworld
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, August 8—Pentecost 10

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Church School

MONDAY, August 9

7:15 am-6 pm Children’s Ministry (M-F)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, August 10

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Fresh Choice)

WEDNESDAY, August 11

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, August 12

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. Jr & Sr High (Zilker Park Theater)

FRIDAY, August 13

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
4:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Scandanavian Club (MPR)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, August 14

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
11:30 a.m. Wedding Liturgy (Sanctuary)

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

AUGUST 11, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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BAPTISMS PROCLAIM NEW BEGINNINGS FOR COMMUNITY

AUGUST 15 — PENTECOST 11

MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 61:7-11; Psalm 45:11-16; Galatians 4:4-7; St. Luke 1:46-55

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty

God, you chose the virgin Mary to be the mother of your only Son. Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



Mary, the mother of Jesus, is traditionally believed to have died on this date. Faithful to the last, Mary has been important to Christian devotion throughout history because in her, the God-bearer, the baptized community sees a representation of the church-bearing the faith message with courage and commitment. Mary's song, the **Magnificat**, is the gospel for the day expressing a powerful statement of justice, still apt for all people acknowledging the depth of human need to experience God's justice and mercy given in proclaimed word and blessed sacraments. Gethsemane members **Adam & Kim Johnson Crump** bring their infant son **Hunter Paul** to receive the eternal promise in the waters of baptism as have Hunter's sisters **Katie** and **Shelbi**. The blessings of the Triune God be upon this Christian family.

SENDING FORTH COLLEGE STUDENTS

Gethsemane celebrates annually the transitions of life as the community prays for, blesses and "*sends forth*" college students Sunday, **August 15**. Please call the Gethsemane office, 836-8560, with addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses for students embarking upon their new adventure in post high school higher education.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

Summer Sunday Church School continues with "*make a joyful noise*" celebration **August 15**, 9:30 a.m., led by **Dar Krenek** and Gethsemane musicians.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Gethsemane junior and senior high youth commenced their summer activities June 6 with their annual trip to Schlitterbahn Waterpark. During the following weeks youth went to confirmation camp, participated in Mystery Trip, enjoyed time together at Astroworld and many other fun events. Sunday, **August 15**, youth leave Gethsemane following 10:30 liturgy Sunday for another summer youth tradition—**tubing the San Marcos River**. Bring money, swim suits, wet shoes (old tennis shoes will work). Contact Pastor Gronberg for details.

Senior High Youth ministry gathers at the home of **Shannon McKenney** Sunday, **August 22**, meal and time together; 5 p.m. depart from south parking lot- return 8 p.m.

EVENING MEN'S GROUP

Gethsemane men meet at Pok-e-Jo's, Arboretum 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, **August 18**, planning for 2004-2005. Lutheran Men In Mission will sponsor "Road Trip: Making Friends. Exploring Faith". September 24-26, 2004 Estes Park, Colorado. Anyone interested? Check with Pastor Gronberg.

AUGUST 22 — PENTECOST 12

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29; St. Luke 13:10-17

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen

Early Christians referred to Sunday as the Lord's Day, the eighth day of the week, the day beyond time in which a new creation is born. Gathering this day for personal and corporate "*new beginnings*", the community welcomes **Meg Elise**, daughter of Gethsemane members **Babs & Mahira Chandrasoma**, sister to **Brittni** and **Colby**, sharing with Meg the promise of being reborn by the Word proclaimed and sacraments administered calling the baptized to new life.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

Gethsemane Pilgrims to Great Britain share travel memories 9:30 a.m. **August 22**. Planning is underway for the "*Martin Luther Germany Pilgrimage*" **May 10-23, 2005**. Visit **Pastor Bohls** for information.

GETHSEMANE HOSTS

Gethsemane will be the site for a workshop **August 23-27**, 8:30 -5:30, "*On Becoming a Wounded Healer*" led by Gethsemane member **David Doerfler**, Master of Divinity. Texas is home for the first statewide, in-system, victim centered mediated dialogue program for victims of violent crime in the nation. This unique program, created, successfully developed and administered by Doerfler for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Victim Services Division, resulted in extraordinary experiences of healing for victims of violent crime and their offenders. As those persons learned about healing for themselves within those violent extremes, so this workshop provides the opportunity to learning about the inner healing process for all. Talk to **Pastor Gronberg** regarding scholarship assistance if you are interested in uncovering and strengthening skills. Call **David Doerfler** 263-7442 for information.

GLCM NEWS

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry Summer Program concluded August 11, with Chapel, Olympic torches, flags, costumes and items representing a variety of nations. The children participated in a "*mini Olympics*" with long jump, discus (frisbee) throw, shot putt (t-ball), relay races, gymnastics, tumbling, balance beam, water slide and water games. Everyone, children and parents, enjoyed a hotdog lunch with watermelon, carrot sticks and more!

GLCM Staff holds **Open House** 5 p.m. Monday, **August 16**. Transition to new classes begins Tuesday, **August 17**. Please remember to keep **Valerie Johnson**, **Angelica Lundquist**, **Dar Krenek** and the **GLCM staff members** in daily prayer. God bless this ministry to children and their family members.

AAIM SPEAKER SERIES

Oriah Mountain Dreamer, writer and leader of retreats/conferences, will be the guest speaker at the Austin Area Interreligious Ministries Speaker Series, Thursday, **August 26**, 7 p.m. She has learned from the wisdom of Native American elders who gave her the medicine name, Mountain Dreamer. Tickets for dinner and presentation \$25-contact Pastor Gronberg.

AUGUST 29 — PENTECOST 13

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 25:6-7; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; St. Luke 14:1, 7-14

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen

Who is welcome in community of faith? And how would they know that they are? Today's readings ask us to think about hospitality, especially as it is practiced at the table. The feast of God's radical grace calls us into this place and connects friends and strangers with each other. Hospitality extends around the globe as we remember the Global Mission of the ELCA.



GLOBAL MISSION EMPHASIS

Gethsemane Lutheran has a long history supporting the **Global Mission of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**. Persons interested in volunteering for mission service in health care, education, pastors, theological education, professional and trades such as accountant, computer science, mechanical, occupational therapist, warehouse manager and many others may do so for three months to two years. There are also long term positions available in places as diverse as New Guinea, Bangladesh, Taiwan, Estonia and Africa. Young adults are encouraged to consider this life changing experience. Speak with Pastor Gronberg for details.

SUMMER SCS FOCUS

August 29, 9:30 a.m., marks the end of Summer SCS as those gathering will pick up the 2004 Vacation Bible School theme "*Camp Creation*" theme. Come celebrate camping!

HOMELESS FOUNDATION

Gethsemane, along with other congregations, supports monthly, through the City of Austin Drainage Fee Waiver Program, the Religious Coalition to Assist the Homeless. A new grant recipient is **VinCare** Services of Austin Foundation operating two programs addressing the basic needs of two underserved homeless populations—homeless street youth and homeless families with young children. The next Coalition Board meeting is Tuesday **August 24**, 6:30 p.m. **Chuck Rice** and **Jennifer Cloud** are Gethsemane Congregation Council Social Ministry Committee leaders.

LABOR DAY FAIR

Summer officially ends for Gethsemane congregation Labor Day week-end. The community is reminded of the annual **Labor Day Week-End Fair** with the 8:15 a.m. liturgy held outside on the northwest lawn followed by a "*continental style*" brunch in the MPR. Gethsemane member **Michael Murphy** and **Pastor Gronberg** have been serving on the board of a new Austin organization "*Religion & Labor*." The group is sponsoring Labor in the Pulpits expressing the connection of the faith community with those who labor. Gethsemane members and their labor efforts for the common good will be blessed. Plan to participate Labor Day Week-End giving thanks to God for summer 2004.

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GLOBAL MISSION



COLLEGE STUDENTS BLESSED—AUGUST 15 GLCM REGISTRATION/NEW YEAR ASTRO BALL GAME—AUGUST 21

RALLY SUNDAY

Gethsemane celebrates Rally Sunday **September 12** by installing learning staff during worship and a festive time at 9:30 exploring all the fall educational opportunities on Sundays and midweek. Thanks for Christian Education deacons, **Marsha McConaughy** and **Rodger Anderson**. Gethsemane **Men in Mission** will host the fundraising meal at noon for Gethsemane Children's Ministry. *Gethsemane is a learning community!*

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

Midweek Connections will begin Wednesday, **September 15**. There will be a hot meal served beginning 5:30 p.m. During the evening there will be confirmation, children's music and crafts, senior high time, Bible Study exploring "Windows of Faith", a parenting discussion and a couples' class on communicating along with holy communion, choir rehearsal and open volleyball. *Plan on Wednesday evenings at Gethsemane this fall!*

HOLDEN VILLAGE

An interested group of Gethsemane members met with **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg** regarding the possibility of a trip to the ecumenical Lutheran retreat center **Holden Village**. Two prior groups from Gethsemane made the trip to the Cascade Mountain range in Washington state. Pastor has received information on a the possibility of a hiking trip into the village. Gethsemane members with continued interest in a summer, 2005 trip to Holden are invited to visit with the Pastor & Sharon. A future meeting will be held in early September as registrations must be sent by October.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED: **Julie French**, Seton Medical Center—remember this Christian friend in prayer...**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:** the families of **Joseph Ray Clayton, Jr., Cynthia Lynn Douglass, George Hagn**—blessed be their memory...**THANKS TO:** **Joseph Candeh** and family for gift of beautiful table and chairs for the Steffans Parlor; **Gethsemane community** for hearing Jesus say, "Go and Do likewise" (St. Luke 10:37) and with generosity the people of God gave gifts for the Tuesday Gethsemane Food Pantry and Clothes Closet—746 families and 2,750 individuals received ministry of compassion from January–July; **AmeriPark residents** for their gift to Gethsemane Benevolent Fund in appreciation for pastoral leadership in their communion services—**Martha Johnson** of Gethsemane coordinates these weekly liturgies; **Rev. Mel Swoyer** for leading the Renewing Worship workshop; **Chris Errett** for Gethsemane playground improvements; **George Creager, John Kingsbury, Pastor Karl Gronberg** for relamping MPR; **Patty Hoerig** for sharing of ELCA Global Missions ministries in Costa Rica; **Walt & Peggy Horton** for coordination of the **Astro-Cub** game at Minute Maid Park—50 happy Gethsemane members board the chartered bus 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 21...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **Percy & Jennifer Hiebner** on birth of twins **Emma & Jason**; **Drew & Diane "Stormy" Causey** having celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with family and friends; **St. Paul Lutheran, Taylor** celebrating 90th anniversary August 29. **Pastor Bohls** will be the preacher...**THANKS FROM:** **Jo Ann Gerbig** on behalf of **Bellissimo** for congregational support to the hand bell ministry; **Jim & Sandra Baylor** for use of the MPR for family reunion in July; **David &**

Susan Erickson, Stacey Abel for pastoral ministry at time of wedding celebrations; Gethsemane member **Amanda Petrosky** for opportunity to minister with Gethsemane congregation and staff during months of June & July—Amanda was a blessing to the Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry and numerous summer ministries; **Janice & Jim Stoner, Christine Berkland, Don Swenson, Doris Worrell** for ministry during hospitalization; **Gordon Cooper** for flowers celebrating his birthday—Gordon & Gloria are celebrating the birth of twin grandchildren into their family; **Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** to Gethsemane women for Thankoffering gift assisting numerous ministries of WELCA—Letter and GWELCA news is posted on bulletin board; ...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Joe & Barbara Torn** enjoying their visit to Alaska; **Ingrid Edlund-Berry** and son **Robert** visiting friends in the Pacific Northwest and enjoying the beauty of Mt. Rainier; **Pastor Karl, Sharon, Joel Gronberg** visiting **Erik** in Seattle and attending high school class reunion; **Lucy Speaker Grant**, daughter of the well loved former Gethsemane pastor, the late Reverend Doctor Lewis Speaker, noticed article in "The Lutheran" magazine on Gethsemane ministries; **Helge Goldhahn & family**, Leipzig, Germany working as interpreter; **Bob & LaVerta Stewart**, former Gethsemane members living in northern California remembering with gratitude their years in Austin...**LOOKING AHEAD:** Lutheran Fall Festival in Fredericksburg **September 18**; Southwestern Texas Synod, ELCA Synodical Women annual gathering **September 17-19**; Lutheran Habitat for Humanity groundbreaking, **October 2**; Border Mission Trip, **January 7-9**; Congregational Retreat at Camp Chrysalis, **February 26-27**.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, August 14

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
11:30 a.m. Wedding Liturgy (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, August 15—Pentecost 11

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast"
9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Church School
10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
12 noon Youth lunch & tubing

MONDAY, August 16

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel
5:00 p.m. GLCM Open House
6:30 p.m. Danish Group (Music Room)

TUESDAY, August 17

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apartments Chapel
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Rm)

WEDNESDAY, August 18

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
6:30 p.m. Men's planning (Pok-e-Jo's)
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY August 19

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, August 20

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, August 21

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

10:30 a.m. Bus to Astro game

5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, August 22—Pentecost 12

ELCA Global Mission Sunday

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
Sacrament of Holy Baptism
9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Church School
2:00 p.m. Heatherwilde Chapel
5:00 p.m. Sr. High Gathering (McKenney)

MONDAY, August 23

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
8:30a.m.-5:45p.m. Training (MR & Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, August 24

8:30a.m.-5:45p.m. Training (MR & Parlor)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. Czech Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, August 24

8:30a.m.-5:45p.m. Training (MR & Parlor)
12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, August 26

8:30a.m.-5:45p.m. Training (MR & Parlor)
6:00 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. AAIM Speaker Series

FRIDAY, August 27

8:30a.m.-5:45p.m. Training (MR & Parlor)
9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, August 28

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
6:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, August 29—Pentecost 13

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Church School

MONDAY, August 30

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, August 31

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist

7:00 p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, September 2

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:30 p.m. United Ostomy Assn (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, September 3

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, September 4

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
4:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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RALLY SUNDAY BEGINS 2004-2005 LEARNING YEAR

SEPTEMBER 5 – PENTECOST 14 LABOR DAY WEEKEND

SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-21; St. Luke 14:25-33

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

LABOR DAY WEEK-END

Summer officially ends for Gethsemane congregation Labor Day Week-end. The community gathers on the Gethsemane northwest lawn for the annual 8:15 a.m. outdoor worship, the first event of the annual **Labor Day Week-End** followed by a "continental style" French toast brunch in the MPR coordinated by **Viola Hall** and **Beverly Helsel**.

Gethsemane member **Michael Murphy** and **Pastor Gronberg** are serving on the board of a new Austin organization "Religion & Labor." The group is sponsoring "Labor in the Pulpits" expressing the connection of the faith community with those who labor. Gethsemane members in the 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. liturgies will use the order "Affirmation of the Vocation of Christians in the World". Labor Day week-end is appropriate time for people of faith to affirm the calling given by God through baptism to serve others through family life, daily occupation, volunteering, community activities, congregational ministry and service to the world community. The following persons are examples of the baptized faithful having lived out their vocation: Family—**Joseph**, guardian of our Lord; **Monica**, mother of St. Augustine; **Mary**, mother of our Lord; Occupation—**Toyohiko Kagawa**, renewer of society; **Nicolaus Copernicus** and **Leonhard Euler**, teachers—**Florence Nightingale** and **Clara Maas**, renewers of society; voluntary organizations: **Elizabeth of Thuringia**, Princess of Hungary; Community and nation—**Dag Hammarskjold** and **Martin Luther King, Jr.**, peacemakers. Congregants will be invited to add to this list expressing their vocational gifts for the common. Plan to participate Labor Day Week-End giving thanks to God and concluding summer 2004 with worship, learning, fellowship.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

September 5 is the first of four "Super Sundays" for senior high to enjoy youth from area Lutheran congregations for an evening packed with fun, fellowship, music, devotions, games and a meal. St. Martin's, Gethsemane, Shepherd of the Hills, Triumphant Love are the host congregations. Gethsemane senior high youth meet in the south parking lot 5 p.m. and return by 8 p.m. Cost \$3.

Rally Sunday **Sept. 12**, Gethsemane youth will assist with serving noon Fish Fry meal followed by swim and fun at Barton Springs/ Zilker Park.

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch, an enjoyable fellowship, program and potluck event meets Wednesday **September 8**, 11:30 a.m. in the Steffans Parlor. **Ginger Magnuson Duval** will tell of years she and her family lived in China. 12 noon Holy Communion. Potluck 12:30 p.m. Thanks to **Viola Hall** for coordination.

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS September 15 – November 17

Midweek Connections: Wednesday evening opportunity for Gethsemane members of all ages to come for a hot meal, learning, playing, praying and communing. Grow in faith, meet new friends and strengthen the congregational relationships within the Gethsemane community. **Baby sitting** for three and under provided 6-8:30.

Midweek Connections begins with a hot meal served by **Juanita Flores** in the Gethsemane Multi-Purpose Room 5:30—6:30 p.m. \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Extra money raised to youth ministry.

1. Time led by **Dar Joy Krenek** for children, age 4 through 6th grade.
6:00–6:15 singing
6:15–6:30 games
6:30–6:45 storytelling
6:45–7:10 crafts
2. Confirmation - 7th and 8th graders meet with **Pastor Susie Schnelle** (6:15 to 7:10, youth loft)
3. "Parenting 101" meets with **Gail Swoyer** (6:15–7:10, downstairs kitchen) Resource Book - \$10.
4. "Windows of Faith" meets with **Pastor Kent Bohls**, utilizing the Bible and Kelly Fryer's book, Reclaiming the L Word (cost \$10) to look at basics of being a Lutheran Christian in today's world. (6:15–7:10, Music Room)
5. Couples develop quality communication skills in interactive class with **Lee Schnelle** (6:15–7:10, Steffans Parlor).
6. Senior high youth assist younger children and then time as a group.
7:00–7:15 **Pastor Gronberg** discusses scripture of the day
7:15–7:30 **Holy Communion-Sanctuary.**
7:30–8:30 **Sanctuary Choir- Music Room.**
7:30–7:45 **Confirmation youth** meet with mentors.
7:30–9:00 **Open volleyball - MPR**

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Mary/Martha Unit meets Tuesday, **September 14**, 9:30 a.m. in the Music Room. Gethsemane 2004 pilgrims present program. All women hostesses.

Women's Study resumes 6:30 p.m. Monday, **September 20**. Sing the book, Praying with Body and Soul led by **Pastor Susan Schnelle, Joan Bohls, Glenda Holmstrom, and Christine Bohls.**

Miriam Unit meets Tuesday, **Sept. 21**, 7:30 p.m. Steffans Parlor, **Sharon Gronberg**, program leader; **Peggy Horton**, hostess. **Virginia Marek** invites Gethsemane women to participate in Church Women United. Information on GWELCA bulletin board.

GRANT RENEWED

The trustees of the **Carl C. Anderson, Sr. and Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation** notified **Pastor Karl Gronberg** of a third year grant for Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry and ministry with senior adults as outlined by Pastor in the grant proposal. Continuation of this grant for a third year, indicates foundation trust in Gethsemane leadership and ministries. Pastor Gronberg met with foundation staff and trustee representative expressing appropriate gratitude for generosity and confidence.

SEPTEMBER 12 – PENTECOST 15 RALLY SUNDAY/GRANDPARENTS' DAY ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL FAIR TRADE COFFEE DAY CATFISH DINNER

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51:1-11; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; St. Luke 15:1-10

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

RALLY SUNDAY/FISH FRY

Gethsemane celebrates Rally Sunday **September 12** installing 2004-2005 learning staff and 9:30 a.m. festive time for all ages exploring Gethsemane fall educational theme "Peace Be With You". Thanks to Christian Education deacons, **Marsha McConaughy** and **Rodger Anderson**.

The new Gethsemane pictorial directory, coordinated by congregational council member **Denise Schulz**, will be available Rally Sunday.

ELCA HUNGER APPEAL

The second Sunday of each month is **World Hunger Appeal**. August 13, Hurricane Charley ripped in as a Level IV storm into Port Charlotte/Punta Gorda, FL, leaving behind massive destruction, including fatalities. The ELCA Domestic Disaster Response, a branch of World Hunger Appeal, is on hand bringing help and hope to those displaced by this natural tragedy. Two ELCA congregations sustained interior and exterior damage, yet with thankfulness to God both congregations gathered for worship the following Sunday.

Gethsemane members **Lindsey Dunahoo** and **Kaitlyn Dunahoo** asked **Pastor Gronberg** for permission to receive an offering on Sunday, August 15, for the Red Cross and their work. Dressed in Girl Scout uniforms, Lindsey and Kaitlyn were in the narthex and Gethsemane members responded with gifts over \$300. Thank you!! Please respond in like manner for the appeal Sunday. **Equal Exchange** coffee & tea available.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home celebrates 50 years of ministry Sunday, **Sept. 12**, 2:30 p.m. Tours, open house, refreshments with 4 p. m. anniversary worship. A box lunch will be available for all guests. Gethsemane partners with this Lutheran ministry to the elderly. Please keep Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home in your prayers.

MEN IN MISSION

Gethsemane Men in Mission swing into action! **Sept. 16 – Samsung Semiconductor; Oct. 21 – Dell Diamond; Nov. 18 - Austin Fire Station.** Meetings third Thursday, 9 a.m. Music Room tour & lunch follow. Men's Bible Study **Sept. 20**, El Rancho Grande Monday 11:45-1 p.m. Evening Men's group **Sept. 23**, 7 p.m. Music Room discussing faith and culture.

Steve Anderson, Senior Vice President for Texas Lutheran University Relations, former Gethsemane member, expressed thanks to Gethsemane men: **Carl Candoli, Jim Hecht, Buddy Holmstrom, Chuck Rice, Larry Pounds, Johnny Walker, George Hamm, Pastor Karl Gronberg, Keith Lundquist, David Doerfler, Greg Johnson** for supporting TLU fundraiser for athletics featuring **Roger Clemens** and former Gethsemane member **Verne Lundquist**. Picture on Men in Mission bulletin board.

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Labor Day
Monday, September 6

8:15 A.M. OUTDOOR WORSHIP—SEPT. 5

RALLY SUNDAY/CATFISH DINNER—SEPT. 12

NEW DIRECTORY AVAILABLE—SEPT. 12

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

7th Lutheran Build groundbreaking is **September 25**, 10 a.m. 5209 Heritage Village Drive. Gethsemane will work and serve as site host September 25. **Pastor Kent Bohls** heads the Lutheran Build. **Diane & Cal Streeter** coordinate.

AUGUST ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Marsha McConaughy**, Chairperson, **Phil & Christine Berkland**, **Carl & Joan Candoli**, **Renita Feller**, **George Hamm**, **Bruce & Wesley Johnson**, **Mark McConaughy**, **Vernon & Donna Nichols**.

August Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of **Tab** by the **Alice Warren** family; in honor of **Erin's** 21st birthday by **Anna Callahan**; in loving memory of **Pastor Vance Daniel** by **Margaret**; in celebration of 12th wedding anniversary by **Mark & Kristen Gronberg Etheredge**; in loving memory of **Nell Bergstrom** by **Alan & Janice Bergstrom** and family; in loving memory of **Lucy Shoe Meritt** by **Ingrid Edlund-Berry**; in celebration of our 45th wedding anniversary by **Tom & Kay Rodgers**; in loving memory of **Cynthia Douglass** by her family; in celebration of our wedding anniversary and the birthdays of **Cole**, 7 years, and **Avery**, 4 years, by **Kelly Thorstad & Trevor Turner**; in honor of **Sharon Kite** on her birthday by her children and grandchildren; in honor of **Marvin W. Jewell**, father and grandfather, on his 90th birthday by **Mark, Judy, Derek, Kathleen** and **Troy Warr**; in celebration of the 40th wedding anniversary August 22, 1964 of **Karl & Sharon Hendrickson Gronberg**, by **Kristen & Mark** and **Pete, David & Stacy, Erik, Rhia, Joel, Jiwoh, Umid**; in celebration of **Lana Dunahoo Brock** and **Dana Dunahoo Johnson**

birthdays by **Merlin & Linda Dunahoo** and family; in celebration of the marriage of **Paul & Sarah Shoenfelt Rainer** by their families; in loving memory of **Josephine Bailey** by **Cheryl Swening**; in loving memory of **Travis "Coach" Raven** and in commemoration of his birthday by **Mimi** and family; in celebration of the wedding of **Clayton Brian & Lauren Olivia Caulkins Russell** by their family.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: the families of **Tommy Lundquist**, **Edwin Magnuson**—blessed be their memory...**THANKS TO:** **Rev. Don Holmstrom**, a Gethsemane "son" serving on pastoral staff of First Lutheran, St. Peter, MN—Pastor Holmstrom was guest preacher August 22—God bless his ministry!; **Dean Lundquist** for coordinating resealing and striping of parking lots—they look great!; **Tammi Danielson**, **David Doerfler**, **Umid Azimov**, **Phil & Christine Virta Berkland**, **Pastor Karl Gronberg** for representing Gethsemane at recent Austin Area Interreligious Ministries event held at Highland Park Baptist; **Darla Elam & Dianne Dietz** for hosting Sept. 14 GLADOFFF at Springhill ...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **John & Stacy Elam Oncken** on birth of **Hadley Tate**—Grandmother **Darla Elam** along with brother **Hunter** and family members rejoice; **Chris, & Shannon Nau Errett** on birth of daughter **Katie**—brother **Will** rejoices with Mom & Dad; **Pastor Kent Bohls** invited to serve on Augsburg Fortress Customer Satisfaction Advisory Board; **Pastor Wayne Walther**, 20th anniversary at Grace Lutheran, Lockhart; **Mary Lou Ralls Newman** on 20 years of service with Bridge Division, TXDOT; Gethsemane youth: **Ben Pounds**, Anderson High golf; **Shannon McKenney**, **Will Jurgens**, Anderson High band; **Lizzie Kronbergs**, LBJ band; **Joel Gronberg**, LBJ band, LBJ cross country; **Sarah**

Kronbergs, LBJ flags; **Erin Feller**, Hill County MS volleyball; **Rachel Feller**, Westlake swimming; **Josh Goodlow**, McCallum High football; **Trevor Brown**, Westwood football; **Kelly Mueller**, Westwood swimming—let us hear from you regarding Gethsemane youth—they are special!...**THANKS FROM:** Family of **Cynthia Lynn Douglass** for ministry at time of their loss; **Julie French**, **Clarence Jaster** for ministry and flowers during recent hospitalizations; **Johnny Walker** for use of Gethsemane tables TLU "*Bulldog Send Off*"; **Donna Olson** for flowers celebrating birthday; **Adam & Kim Crump** for baptism celebration for **Hunter Paul**; **Mahira & Babs Chandrasoma** for baptism celebration for **Meg Elise**; **James & Joanna Reinhart White**, **Paul & Sarah Shoenfelt Rainer**, **Clayton & Lauren Caulkins Russell** for ministry in preparing and celebrating wedding liturgies; **Pastor Karl & Sharon Hendrickson Gronberg** for congregational expressions of love celebrating 40th wedding anniversary; **Peace Center** for support of nonviolence ministry; **David Doerfler** for Gethsemane providing space for recent seminar "*On Becoming a Wounded Healer*"; **Bob & Judy Moore** for Gethsemane support to their family in the ordination of their daughter **Danielle Moore Casey** as ELCA pastor; **Rev Carol Spencer** for Gethsemane investment in Mission Investment Fund; **David Spicer** for "With One Voice" gift presented to him Sunday past for his commitment to Gethsemane and church music...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Christine Primmer** home in Austin prior to returning to Georgia Tech University; **Phil & Christine Virta Berkland** enjoying New York City; **Paul & Nancy Kronbergs** visiting Colorado bring greetings from former Gethsemane members **Don & Judy Mau** living in Colorado Springs; **Scott McAnally** informing Gethsemane friends of anticipated visit with ELCA congregation in VA.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, September 4

Austin Area Lutheran Friends (Camp Chrysalis)
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, September 5—Pentecost 14

Labor Day Weekend

Austin Area Lutheran Friends (Camp Chrysalis)
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Holy Communion (Outside)
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Labor Day Fair (MPR)
2:00 p.m. Nelson Family Reunion (MPR)
5:00 p.m. Gethsemane youth Super Sunday

MONDAY, September 6—Labor Day

Austin Area Lutheran Friends (Camp Chrysalis)
GLCM and Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, September 7

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
1:30 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Music Rm)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:05 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)
6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club of Austin (MR)

WEDESDAY, September 8

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Parlor)
12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY September 9

6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, September 10

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
6:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy
7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, September 11

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, September 12—Pentecost 15

Rally Sunday / Grandparent's Day
ELCA World Hunger Appeal Sunday
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Rally Sunday Gathering (MPR)
12 Noon Fish Fry (MPR)
2:00 p.m. Gethsemane Youth to Zilker Park
5:00 p.m. Sons of Norway (Music Room)

MONDAY, September 13

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
10am-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)

6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, September 14

9:30 a.m. Mary Martha Unit (MR)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7 p.m. Gladoff (Spring Hill Restaurant)

WEDNESDAY, September 15

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS—see front page

THURSDAY, September 16

9:00 a.m. Men in Mission (Music Room)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, September 17

Synodical Women of the ELCA Convention
9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, September 18

Synodical Women of the ELCA Convention
9am-4pm AALF Chili Cook-Off (Fredericksburg)

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

11:00 a.m. Women's Rising Project (MPR)

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 15, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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2004-2005 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION THEME: "PEACE BE WITH YOU"

SEPTEMBER 19 – PENTECOST 16

"NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION"

SCRIPTURE: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113;

1 Timothy 2:1-7; St. Luke 16:1-13

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Sept. 19, youth head to Camp Chrysalis for **Lutherstock** following 8:15 worship returning by 8 p.m. Cost \$20 includes admission and meal. T-shirts, CDs and more available for sale. Sign up on the youth bulletin board.

October 3 is the second of four "Super Sundays". The first was hosted by St. Martin's youth. Gethsemane Senior High youth hosts October 3 for area Lutheran congregations providing an evening with fun, fellowship, music, devotions, games and meal. Senior high youth meet 4 p.m. in the MPR. Senior High parent volunteers are needed to prepare and serve the meal. Cost \$3. Sign up on youth bulletin board.

Texas Lutheran University invites Gethsemane youth to spend **October 9** on the TLU campus for **Church Youth Day**. Fun, fellowship, food, football game, and workshops. Cost \$5. Sign up on youth bulletin board.

MEN IN MISSION

Mondays, 11:45– 1:00 p.m. Men's Bible conversations, "Made In the Image of God: Self Esteem" with **Pastor Bohls**, El Rancho Grande, Lamar and Anderson Lane. Six week series begins **September 20**. **Thursday, 7:00 p.m. September 23** men meet in Music Room for lively conversation on faith and today's culture discussing "Left Behind and the Book of Revelation" with **David Doerfler**. For info contact: **Rick Brock, Pastor Kent Bohls, Paul Waller, Lee Schnelle, Lane Holmstrom, Dan Griffith.**

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Women's Study 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20, using book, Praying with Body and Soul led by **Pastor Susan Schnelle, Joan Bohls, Glenda Holmstrom, Christine Bohls** and **Dar Krenek**. Baby sitting available.

Miriam Unit Tuesday, Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m. Steffans Parlor, **Sharon Gronberg**, program leader; **Peggy Horton**, hostess. **Virginia Marek** invites women to participate in Church Women United. Information on GWELCA bulletin board.

October 2nd, Diane Streeter hosts **GWELCA** annual Fall Festival. Bible study, crafts, lunch, short meeting, and lots of fun. Please bring a vegetable for the soup.

TOMORROW'S CHILD

Play Golf or support a golfer in your congregation and help children served by Lutheran Social Services. The **11th Annual Tomorrow's Child Golf Benefit** will take place at Forest Creek Golf Course on Monday, **September 27**. Make a difference by joining us as a golfer for a fun day which includes 36-holes of golf or by making a tax deductible donation, visit our website at www.lsss.org or contact **Diane Holland**, LSS Community/Church Relations, 706-7518.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

All are invited to share in the evening of learning, play, fellowship and worship **September 15** through **November 17**.

- 6:00–8:45 Baby sitting available
- 5:30–6:30 Supper (\$3 each; \$10 family) MPR
- 6:00–7:10 Children's activities (MPR)
- 6:15–7:10 Confirmation (Loft)
- 6:15–7:10 "Windows of Faith" (Music Room)
- 6:15–7:10 "Parenting 101" (lower kitchen)
- 6:15–7:10 "Intimacy for Couples" (Parlor)
- 7:00–7:15 Scripture conversation (Sanctuary)
- 7:15–7:30 Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
- 7:30–8:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
- 7:30–7:45 Mentors & Confirmands
- 7:30–9:00 Volleyball (MPR)

SEPTEMBER 26 – PENTECOST 17 ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146;

1 Timothy 6:6-19; St. Luke 16:19-31

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of love, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; guide us in the way of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GETHSEMANE HOSTS

For the second year, Gethsemane Lutheran hosts The Women Rising Project Family Day Saturday, **September 18**. Last year, 21 HIV+ women and their families enjoyed Gethsemane hospitality feasting on B-B-Q, playing games, having fun in the Gethsemane playground, playing on the moonwalk provided by the Gethsemane Benevolent Fund, visiting with one another and gaining strength for the challenges and struggles of their disease. **Sylvia Lopez** expresses gratitude for the spirit of service offered by Gethsemane congregation.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

September 25 workday for Gethsemane 8 a.m.–4 p.m. for 7th Lutheran Build with **Habitat for Humanity**, 5209 Heritage Village Drive. (east on MLK from 183, left on Regency, right on Parliament to Heritage Village); call 836-8560 to sign up. Contact **Diane Streeter** to assist with the lunch and **Cal Streeter** or **Pastor Bohls** for working. Groundbreaking 10 a.m.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

Rally Sunday commenced the annual fall learning time for Gethsemane congregation. 2004-05 theme "Peace Be With You". Students participate in rotational Sunday morning experience including music, guide (Shepherds) time and special learning opportunities. Installed Rally Sunday as the 2004-2005 Gethsemane Lutheran Sunday Church School staff: Christian Education deacons, **Marsha McConaughy** and **Roger Anderson**; **Wesley Johnson, Angelica Lundquist, Babs Chandrasoma, Dana Elam, Jennifer Cloud, Kathy Jurgens, Diane McKenney, Lisa Dunahoo, Louise Eidbo, Tracey Anderson, Beth Collier, Cheryl Swening, Debbie Eubank, Lee Schnelle, Lane Holmstrom, Sharon Gronberg, JoAnn Gerbig, Jennifer Anderson, Dar Krenek, Debbie Eubank, Pastor Susan Schnelle, Rebecca Walker, Peggy & Walt Horton, Cal & Diane Streeter, Brenda & Terry Brown, Ken & Belinda Malin, Rick Brock, George Hamm, Gaile Swoyer, Pastor Karl Gronberg, Pastor Kent Bohls, Rev. Dr. Robert Hoferkamp, Viola Hall, Robert Rekart, John & Clare Kingsbury.**

OCTOBER 3 – PENTECOST 18

SCRIPTURE: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 37:1-10; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; St. Luke 17:5-10

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Our Lord Jesus, you have endured the doubts and foolish questions of every generation. Forgive us for trying to be judge over you, and grant us the confident faith to acknowledge you as Lord. Amen

HEALTH INITIATIVE

Gethsemane leadership encourages healthy living. A goal of the **Health Initiative** is to inform the congregation of options for healthy living.

Friday mornings, 8:30 a.m. **walk around Town Lake**. Contact **Pastor Schnelle**.

Saturday mornings, 7:30 a.m. **run around Town Lake**. Contact **Pastor Gronberg**.

Obesity and the school age child, contact **Kelly Thorstad M.D.**

Free **Prostate Cancer Seminars**-information SMC Bulletin Board.

Blood Pressure screening Lunch Bunch 11:30 a.m. 2nd Wednesday each month & selected Sundays

Saturday, **Oct. 2**, Austin 5k Memory Walk for Alzheimer's Association. For the past years, Gethsemane members have walked/run in this event. 7:30 a.m. registration-walk begins 8 a.m. Austin High. Contact **Craig Olson**.

Sunday, **Oct. 3, America's 5k Walk for Diabetes**. More than 18 million Americans have this disease and a third don't know it. The Gethsemane Health Initiative encourages people of faith to be stewards of body, mind and spirit.

WORLD COMMUNION

Although many Christian denominations no longer recognize World Communion Sunday, Gethsemane emphasizes the unity of the faith through the eucharist. It is appropriate, as the church enters the Reformation month, to be reminded of the holy invitation to ecumenism. There are unique emphases to every tradition of Christianity, but all of the baptized community share the Good News of grace and mercy. The Lutheran-Reformation tradition witnesses around the world. There are 66 million baptized according to figures from the Lutheran World Federation. The African continent has seen growth with over 13 million members, up by one million. The Lutheran community also grew in Asia. Gethsemane congregation joins Reformation Christians around the world during October, celebrating and remembering the gifts of 16th century reformers to the unity of God's people.

REGISTER TO VOTE

A special voter registration emphasis began Labor Day week-end as Gethsemane members **Thom Prentice** and **Bobbie Griffith** offered to register persons to vote in the November general election. Both Bobbie and Thom are deputized by Travis County to function as Voluntary Deputy Registrars. Registration applications available in the narthex and education building. October 4 is deadline to register for November election.

HUMANE SOCIETY

Cheryl Black, executive director of the **Austin Humane Society** expresses thanks to **Pastor Karl Gronberg** and Gethsemane congregation for partnership: "we are so fortunate to have such a good neighbor-many thanks". During the telethon, 61 animals were adopted; \$155,000 was raised. Gethsemane provided parking for staff and visitors. Gethsemane member **Erin Rosales** invited Gethsemane congregants to give an offering for the Humane Society. \$85 was given! Thanks for partnership with community agencies.

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IN MEMORY

Peter Ezba, a baptized Christian and a confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran claimed the eternal promise Friday, September 3, 2004. The memorial liturgy was Monday, September 6. Peter was born and nurtured in the faith by the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church. He was grateful for his heritage. The members of Gethsemane express Christian love to his beloved wife Dorothy; daughter Cindy Bureson and husband Terry; granddaughter Cheska. “Pete” was a man of devotion to God, family and community. The sacred scriptures bring the hope filled vision: *“I heard a great voice from heaven saying, the dwelling of God is with humanity,...and there will be no more death, sorrow, crying or pain: for the former things are passed away.”* (Revelation 21:3,4)

Blessed be the memory of Peter Ezba

GLCM THANKS

Valerie Johnson, Angelica Lundquist and **Dar Krenek** express, on behalf of the Gethsemane Lutheran Children’s Ministry staff and advisory board members, thanks for support given to the annual Rally Sunday event. Over \$1,700 was raised for GLCM ministry to be matched by the **Carl & Marie Jo Anderson Foundation** plus anticipated special gifts from Gethsemane members. The Men In Mission provided a catfish meal; vendors participated; raffle/silent auction baskets received generous bids. **Javier Martinez**, owner of Austin Chair & Table Rental, provided free of charge the moonwalk. Thanks everyone for support!

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED: **Pat Erlanson Nielsen**, Baylor Medical Center, Dallas-remember this Christian friend in prayer...
CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: the families of **Peter Ezba, Alicia “Allie” Victoria Perez, William Luther Thompson, Jr., Howard Pergande**—blessed be their memory...
THANKS TO: Labor Day week-end participants: **Viola Hall** and **Beverly Helsel** for “yummy” french toast; **Carol Laubach**, Austin Chapter-Ostomy Association; **Barb Jones**, nurse practitioner and **Kelly Thorstad**, medical doctor-Health Resources; Religion & Labor Network-**Michael Murphy**; voter registration-**Bobbie Griffith** and **Thom Prentice**; Community resources-**Lutheran Social Services of the South, Ecology Action; Gethsemane Lutheran Children’s Ministry**; Local Business-**Fridde family**; Augsburg-Fortress Publishing House-**Jeff Holley**, representative: Labor Day week-end outdoor worship and brunch has become a Gethsemane tradition-thanks everyone! **Denise Schulz** and helpers for beautiful/informative Gethsemane directory...
CONGRATULATIONS TO: **Good Shepherd Lutheran**, Bastrop, Texas, 40th anniversary Sept. 26; **Clayton & Lauren Caulkins Russell** and **Todd & Sheri LaValle Pottebaum** married recently; **D.J. Allen**, University of North Texas, chosen for internship with Fox Sports, Irving, Texas; **Thrivent Financial for Lutherans** new office One Barton Skyway 1501 South MoPac, Suite A250; **Michael Murphy** and **Pastor Karl Gronberg** interviewed by

Michael May, KUT 90.5 FM regarding justice for workers not paid by employers; **Katie Dodd**, inducted into Brentwood Christian High School National Honor Society; **Kyle Rice** & family recognized on Parent’s Night Jack C. Hays High School varsity football...**THANKS FROM:** **Inez Rice** Astro baseball game trip; **Nell Rundell & Vivian Swenson** for ministry; the **Tom Lundquist family, the Ezba family** for ministry at time of loss; **Mildred Gerding** for ministry to family; **Curtis Johnson** for ministry; **John & Helen Enders** for flowers and ministry; **Norma Wendlandt** for birthday flowers; **Randy, Debbie & Adam Baylor** for ministry to mother/grandmother; **Dorothy Skoglund** (Mrs. Swen) for birthday flowers; **Dottie & Don Franz** for floral birthday greeting; **Art & Marilyn LaValle** for ministry to family during recent wedding celebration; **Mary Lou Newman** for congregational support; **Harriet Wijnberg & brother Tom Rodgers** for ministry to parents **Harry & Pearl Rodgers**; **Karla Johnston-Krase** for Gethsemane Labor Day Brunch offering gift to the Religion & Labor Network; **Stephen Ayres** and **Vernice Erlanson** for ministry; **Dustin Weaver** for use of Gethsemane property during filming of movie “The King”...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Arda Lundquist** visiting Gethsemane; **Dr. Ingemar & Ingrid Bjerle** visiting from Sweden; **Rachel Walsh**, recently arrived from New Zealand, for a visit with the **Maidment family**; **Early Magnuson**, visiting family and friends in Austin.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, September 19—Pentecost 16

Synodical Women of the ELCA Convention
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. “Now the Feast”
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School
9:30 a.m. Youth to Lutherstock

MONDAY, September 20

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel
11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study (MR)

TUESDAY, September 21

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apts Chapel
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:30 p.m. GWELCA Miriam Unit (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, September 22

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page

THURSDAY, September 23

6:00 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. Men’s Group (Music Rm)

FRIDAY, September 24

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, September 25

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

8:00 a.m. Habitat for Humanity

6:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, September 26—Pentecost 17

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School (MPR)
2:00 p.m. Heatherwilde Chapel

MONDAY, September 27

LSSS Tomorrow’s Child Golf Benefit
10am-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:00 p.m. Congregation Council (Music Rm)

TUESDAY, September 28

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (T-F)
11:30 p.m. N Central Caregivers (NW Baptist)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. Bishop Hanson (ETSSW)

7:00 p.m. Czech group (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, September 29

12 noon & 7 p.m. Eucharist
2:30 p.m. Bishop Hanson (ETSSW)
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page

THURSDAY September 30

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)

FRIDAY, October 1

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
9:30 a.m. CWU (Wesley United Methodist)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, October 2

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
9:30a.m.-3p.m. GWELCA Fall Gathering

SUNDAY, Oct 3—Pentecost 15

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School (MPR)
4-8 p.m. Super Sunday (MPR & Sanctuary)

MONDAY, October 4

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball

TUESDAY, October 5

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

WEDNESDAY, October 6

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page
7:00 p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)

THURSDAY, October 7

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:30 p.m. United Ostomy (Music Room)

FRIDAY, October 8

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, October 9

Jr./Sr High Church Youth Day (TLU)

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 6, 2004

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OCTOBER CELEBRATES ORDINATION, BAPTISM, ANNIVERSARY

OCTOBER 10 – PENTECOST 19

WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; St. Luke 17:11-19

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, source of every blessing, your generous goodness comes to us anew every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FISHING DERBY

Fishing Derby For Kids of All Ages

Saturday **October 9**, 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. Bastrop-Rosanky. Kids are invited to bring parents. Sausage wraps will be provided. Bring your own drinks, chairs and worms for fishing. Call **Walt Horton** 825-7465 or 833-8846 for information. "Gone Fishin!"

GETHSEMANE MEN

Mondays 11:45 a.m. **Bible Conversations** El Rancho Grande, Lamar and Anderson Lane. Thursday, **October 21** men and guests meet 9 a.m. in the Music Room for conversation on stained glass windows then tour **Dell Diamond** and enjoy lunch at Cooper's Pit Bar-B-Q.

Evening group **October 28**, 7 p.m. Music Room; **Rick Brock** leads conversation on "Lamb" a humorous novel on the recollections of Jesus' childhood friend, Biff. Gethsemane Men sponsor "chili cook off" congregational fellowship noon meal **November 14**.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE & TEA

Gethsemane Hunger Action Team will be offering Fair Trade coffee and tea Sunday, **October 10**. The Women of the ELCA had a goal of purchasing 90 tons of coffee and the goal has been passed with **99.04 tons** purchased in the past year! Your purchase supports the native growers by giving them a fair price for their crop. Thanks for continued congregational support!

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Monday evening 6:30–7:45 p.m. **Praying with Body and Soul** Music Room with **Pastor Susie Schnelle**, **Christine Bohls**, **Joan Bohls**, **Glenda Holmstrom**, **Dar Krenek**, **Mary Martha Unit** Tuesday, **October 12** 9:30 a.m. Music Room. **Sally Nagy** program leader, **Pastor Susie Schnelle** leads Bible Study. Participants serve as hostesses. **Miriam Unit** Tuesday, **October 19**, 7 p.m. Steffans' Parlor. **Sharon Hillmer**, leader. **Bobbie Griffith**, hostess.

Trinity Care Center Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, **October 23**, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. with BBQ lunch 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Cost Adults \$5.00 Child \$3.00. There will be a variety of holiday gifts to choose from, including craft items and homemade baked goods. Gethsemane members are invited!

GLADOFFF

Walt & Peggy Horton host GLADOFFF, "Gethsemane Lutheran Adults Out for Food, Fun, Fellowship", 7 p.m., Tuesday, **Oct. 12**, LaVista at the Hyatt downtown. Reserve your spot, 836-8560.

LUNCH BUNCH/ POTLUCK

Lunch Bunch 11:30 a.m. Wed., **Oct. 13** Steffans Parlor. The potluck meal coordinated by **Viola Hall** follows 12 noon Eucharist.

GETHSEMANE MUSIC

Carol Nelson invites all to sing with the Sanctuary Choir 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evening rehearsals. **JoAnn Gerbig** leads the Joyful Ringers and Bellissimo; **Sharon Gronberg** coordinates the Cherub Choir and **Dar Krenek** leads youth singing and "Now the Feast and Celebration" team.

OCTOBER 17 – PENTECOST 20

"NOW THE FEAST & CELEBRATION"
SCRIPTURE: Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14–4:5; St. Luke 18:1-8

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Ellis James Talley, son of Gethsemane members **Damon & Julia Bedrich Talley** will receive the eternal blessing of the sacrament of Holy Baptism. **Damon & Julia** served on the Gethsemane music staff prior to the move to Michigan where **Damon** attended graduate school at the University of Michigan/Ann Arbor. May the Triune God bless this Christian family.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

Sunday Church School begins each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. K-2nd grade meet for music followed by Shepherd time and workshops. Grades 2-4 & 5-6 have Shepherd time at 9:30 a.m. followed by handbells and workshops. 7 & 8 grades meet in the Music Room with 9-12 grades in the Youth Loft.

Adult Class meets in **Steffans Parlor** considering the life of **Dietrich Bonhoeffer** led by **Pastor Kent Bohls** and the **Rev. Dr. Robert Hoferkamp**. **Oct. 10**, **Dr. Lisa Cain**, UT Galveston Medical School faculty, discusses her folk art with faith themes. Encounter Class meets in class room next to Infant Room with month long series on politics and religion led by **Pastor Karl Gronberg** focusing on The Lutheran article "Let's Talk Politics" by theologian, **Rev. Dr. Martin Marty**. Consideration of ELCA Sexuality study is led by **Pastor Susan Schnelle** in Ed Building Conference Room.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Senior High Sunday Night Gathering, **October 17** with supper and devotions at the home of **Tiffany** and **Josh Goodlow**. Meet at Gethsemane 5 p.m. return by 8 p.m. Sign up on the youth board.

Halloween Party for junior & senior high youth **Oct. 24** at the home of **Walt & Peggy Horton**. Leave Gethsemane 5 p.m., return by 8. Thanks Gethsemane youth and adults having welcomed Austin area Lutheran youth to Gethsemane on "Super Sunday".

BISHOP GUEST LECTURER

Gethsemane members **Thom Prentice**, **David Doerfler**, **Joseph Candeh** and **Pastors Kent Bohls** and **Karl Gronberg** were among those in attendance last week to hear the Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America **Mark S. Hanson** deliver Blandy Lectures at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest. Bishop Hanson was interviewed by the Austin American Statesman. Congregations of the ELCA are blessed to have faithful leadership manifested in the life of Bishop Hanson.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

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- 7:15–7:30 Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
- 7:30–7:45 Mentors & Confirmands
- 7:30–8:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
- 7:30–9:00 Volleyball (MPR)

OCTOBER 24 – PENTECOST 21

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY
SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 1-22; Psalm 84:1-6; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; St. Luke 18:9-14

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bethany College, a four year higher education institution, begins in October, 2004, a year long celebration culminating in their 125th Anniversary celebration in October, 2005. The year will commence with Founders Day followed by a lecture in November by **Ken Burns**, a nationally known producer of documentaries including "The Civil War," "Jazz" and "Baseball". In March, 2005, the Swedish ambassador to the United States and a former professor at Uppsala University will speak on the peaceful separation of Norway and Sweden as a model for resolution of conflicts in places like Iraq and the Sudan.

Bethany has a historical connection with Gethsemane Lutheran. Most recently the Bethany choir sang at Gethsemane in March, 2004 and Gethsemane member **Emily Petrosky** is a first year student. Persons may access information at www.bethanylb.edu.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Thanks to all who provided food and worked with great joy for the Lutheran Habitat for Humanity groundbreaking: **Merrill & Pat Austin**, **Phil Berkland**, **Pastor Kent Bohls**, **Babs and Brittni Chandrasoma**, **Bill & Andrea Duncan**, **Ginger and Josh Duval**, **Dan Dworin**, **Don Eames**, **David Ellerbeck**, **Jeff and Frank Greinert**, **Dan & Bobbie Griffith**, **Jan Halvorsen**, **Bill Hoeflien**, **Krad & Karyn Jensen**, **Dar Krenek**, **Kevin Kubiak**, **Raymund Kuenast**, **Gordon & Marilyn Ketteman**, **Vicki Magnuson**, **Mark McConaughy**, **Terry Newman**, **Debbie Pitts**, **Thomas Reid**, **Cal, Diane, Brian & Aaron Streeter**, **Erik Svenkerud**, **Paul Waller**, **George Wendlandt**. Photos in the narthex by **Dan Griffith**.

The next Habitat workday will be **October 23** at 5209 Heritage Village Drive.

QUILT DELIVERED

Rev. Cal Goerdel, CEO/ president **Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home (CLSH)**, the staff and residents welcomed this week **Pastor Karl Gronberg** and Gethsemane members **Stafford & Mary Jo Bengtson**, **James & Harriet Gardner** and **Inez Rice** as they delivered the 2004 Gethsemane quilt created by Gethsemane women: **Verline Berkman**, **Donna Olson**, **Bernice Johnson**, **Norma Wendlandt**, **Virginia Marek**, **Nell Rundell**, **Wilma Wheatley**, **Margie Edmiston**, **Gloria Cooper**, **Edith Rodgers**, **Sally Nagy**, **Sharon Hillmer**, **Charlotte McCord**, **Mary Jane Schaeffer**, for the 13th Annual CLSH Quilt Auction. Pictures of the quilt, quilters and volunteers accepting the beautiful creation are posted on the GWELCA Bulletin Board. Quilts may be previewed beginning 10:30 a.m. and the auction will begin at 12:30 p.m. Saturday **October 16** in Clifton. Food service will be available. Gethsemane members interested in information regarding CLSH, Rainbow Village may speak with **Pastor Gronberg**.



ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL-OCT. 10
“NOW THE FEAST” OCT. 17
ELCA GLOBAL MISSION EMPHASIS OCT. 24

THANKS GETHSEMANE

Alice Traugott, newly appointed director of North Central Caregivers, gratefully accepted the 2004 pledge commitment from Gethsemane Lutheran offered by Gloria Cooper at the Fall Luncheon of the agency. Gethsemane is one of the charter congregations having assisted in bringing to life and sustaining the ministry for the past 16 years. Pictures of Gloria presenting the gift are posted on Social Ministry Bulletin Board.

SEPTEMBER ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: Ann Walker—Chairperson; Sandi Dodd, Diana Dworin, Janine Dworin, Catherine Hillmer, Sharon Hillmer, Linda Schulz, Gail Tighe and John Walker.

September Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of Hartley Hyltin by Eileen; in honor of Max & Beverly Helsel on their 46th wedding anniversary by Jeff, Beth Ann, Mark, Lisa, Anessa and Amanda; in loving memory of Tom Lundquist by his family; in loving memory of Ralph Ericson, Loraine & Gunnar Johnson by Gwen Ericson; in celebration of the marriage of Todd & Sheri LaValle Pottebaum by their families; in loving memory of Robert Rasmussen and all those who died in the World Trade Center September 11, 2001, by Karl & Sharon Gronberg and family; in loving memory of Mickey Rice by Inez, Jennifer & Chuck; in honor of Alex on her 16th birthday by James & Harriet Gardner; in loving memory of father, Thurston E. Johnson by Larry, Dennis, Tommy and families; in

celebration of the 5th wedding anniversary of Chuck & Jennifer by their mothers, Inez Rice and Margaret Ransom; in honor and celebration of James Buswold’s 40th birthday by Paul Waller; in celebration of the 1st birthday of Peter Stanley Karl “Pete” Etheredge by his family.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: the family of Beatrice Weikel Smith, the memorial liturgy was Thursday, Sept. 30.—blessed be her memory...**THANKS TO:** Margaret Manz, Tom & Kay Rodgers, Erik Svenkerud, Rick Brock for assisting Pastor Bohls with Heatherwilde Assisted Living chapel; Glenda Holmstrom leading Bible study and Diane Streeter hosting GWELCA Retreat Oct. 2—pictures posted on GWELCA Bulletin Board; George Creager assisting Lutheran Social Services of the South “Tomorrows Child” golf fundraiser; Bobbie Griffith and Thom Prentice for month long voter registration emphasis; Ken Schulz for clothes closet shelves...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Chris & Lisa Ho Compton married Sept. 25 at Gethsemane; Sharon Baylor Davis runner up Austin Women’s Golf Championship; Ben Pounds, Anderson High, hole-in-one on #17, Great Hills Country Club, Sept. 26; Kelly Mueller cross country runner, Westwood High, named Cross Country Sweetheart for Homecoming Court; Valerie Virta has completed doctoral classes University of Washington/Seattle; Darla Elam, daughter and son-in-law on birth of Kayli Jalayne Syx—Gethsemane rejoices with you; Denver Elyse Malin and family celebration of baptism Sunday, Oct. 3; Gethsemane 2002-2003

theological seminary intern Scott Ryan McAnally to be ordained into the ministry of Word & Sacrament of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Sat., Oct. 9, 11 a.m., host congregation is Our Saviour’s Lutheran Ft. Collins, CO. Bishop Theodore F. Schneider, Metropolitan Washington D. C., Synod presides. Please remember Scott, his wife and family members on this special day for them, the ELCA and Christ the King Lutheran Church Great Falls, Virginia where he will begin his ordained ministry...**THANKS FROM:** Todd & Sheri LaValle Pottebaum for wedding celebration; Johnnie & Linda Withers, family of Al & Pearl Carlson, express gratitude for Gethsemane ministry and prayers for their son as he and unit deployed to Iraq; Gladys Hanson, Pastor Bohls, for birthday greetings, flowers and ministry; Alice Warren, Margaret Daniel for flowers and ministry; Julie French, Pat Erlanson Nielsen, Daisy Horton, Josh Goodlow, for flowers and ministry during hospitalization; Craig Olson on behalf of Alzheimer’s Association for Gethsemane financial gifts and walkers/runners support of the annual memory walk...**GREETINGS FROM:** Chuck & Jennifer Ransom Rice, celebrating 5th wedding anniversary in Spain; Ann Cloud, former Gethsemane member, visiting son Dustin and wife Jennifer, anticipating the birth of grandchild; Lucy Lee Speaker Grant, daughter of the late Reverend Doctor Lewis & Mary Speaker, former Gethsemane pastoral family. Lucy Lee & family members joined Pastor Karl Gronberg for lunch & visit in West Seattle expressing love and appreciation years of friendship and shared commitment to ministry.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, October 9
 Jr./Sr High Church Youth Day (TLU)
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 11:00 a.m. McAnally ordination, Co.
SUNDAY, October 10—Pentecost 19
ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
 8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. “Now the Feast”
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School
 3:00 p.m. Great Britain Pilgrims (Donna Olson)
MONDAY, October 11
 7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
 10am-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
 11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
 6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
 6:30 p.m. Women’s Study (MR)
TUESDAY, October 12
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
 7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Hyatt)
WEDNESDAY, October 13
 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Parlor)
 12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page
THURSDAY, October 14
 6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
FRIDAY, October 15
 9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)
SATURDAY, October 16
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, October 17—Pentecost 20
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. “Now the Feast”
 8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School (MPR)
 5:00 p.m. Youth ministry (Goodlow home)
MONDAY, October 18
 11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
 6:30 p.m. Women’s Study (Music Room)
TUESDAY, October 19
 7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (T-F)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
WEDNESDAY, October 20
 12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page
THURSDAY October 21
 6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)
FRIDAY, October 22
 9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 5:00 p.m. Wedding rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)
SATURDAY, October 23
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 5:45 p.m. Wedding Liturgy
SUNDAY, October 24—Pentecost 21
ELCA GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY
 8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School (MPR)
 5:00 p.m. Youth event (Horton home)
MONDAY, October 25
 7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children’s Ministry (M-F)
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
 10a.m.-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
 11:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (El Rancho)
 6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
 6:30 p.m. Women’s Study (Music Room)
TUESDAY, October 26
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
WEDNESDAY, October 27
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
 12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
 7:30 p.m. “Work of Religion” (UT/Austin)
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see front page
THURSDAY, October 28
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flu Clinic (Music Room)
 6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
 7:00 p.m. Men’s Group (Music Room)
FRIDAY, October 29
 9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)
SATURDAY, October 30
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 27, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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REFORMATION, ALL SAINTS', STEWARDSHIP

OCTOBER 31 – REFORMATION

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; St. John 8:31-36

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, one God, now and forever. Amen

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Baptized youth of Gethsemane Lutheran affirm their baptism Reformation Sunday, **October 31, 2004**. 2004 confirmands and their baptismal dates: **Sean Collier** (September 30, 1990), **Miles Cross** (July 19, 1992), **Josh Goodlow** (October 13, 1991), **Will Jurgens** (August 6, 1990), **Alicia Kouts** (May 20, 1990), **Shannon McKenney** (February 18, 1990) **Amanda Nardecchia** (January 20, 1991), **Ben Pounds** (August 11, 1991), **Jonathan Stapleton** (April 16, 1995). Family members will be called forward to present a candle to each confirmand, symbolic of their baptismal candle. Thanks be to God for families giving witness to their children to the presence of God: Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier in the lives of all believers.

The class will participate in the Reformation Sunday 8:15 a.m. eucharist. During the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School Reception, hosted by **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg**, coordinated by **Viola Hall** and **Beverly Helsel**, the confirmands will introduce their families. **Alicia Kouts**, a member of the 2004 confirmation class, will share a reading; pictures of the confirmands' baptisms will also be shown. These Christians continue the faith traditions of their families, expressing gratitude for the nurturing they have received on their faith journey during their lives. Congratulations to parents, grandparents, and extended family in encouraging the Gethsemane Lutheran 2004 Confirmation Class, as they affirm the eternal promise of their baptismal birthright.

Wear red as you join in this festive time of faith, remembering with gratitude the Reformation heritage as expressed by Martin Luther and the reformers of the 16th Century and proclaimed today by the baptized community.

BIBLE PRESENTATION

Another Gethsemane Reformation Sunday tradition is the presentation to the 3rd grade Sunday Church School class members their personal Bible during the 9:30 a.m. intergenerational gathering. Their teachers are **Jennifer Cloud** and **Kathy Jurgens**.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH

Confirmands will spend the weekend of **Nov. 5-7** at Camp Chrysalis with **Pastor Schnelle**, **Dar Krenek**, **Cal Streeter** and **Mark McConaughy**. **Nov. 7** senior high goes to Super Sunday at Triumphant Love; meet at the church at 5 p.m. and return by 8 p.m. The Gethsemane Youth Loft is undergoing a "huge" transformation making the space for learning and fellowship safer and more enjoyable for youth and adult leaders. Watch for more information and pictures as this remodeling moves forward. Thanks to all for the special support of these exciting changes.

NOVEMBER 7 – ALL SAINTS

SCRIPTURE: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; St. Luke 6:20-31

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord: Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The names of those having received the final commendation of the church since **All Saint's Sunday, 2003** will be read at morning worship. The faith community is blessed by the saints having lived their baptism as well as those with whom the Gospel is lived today. All Saints' Sunday reminds the community, that by the grace of God, the baptized live and die in God's love: **William "Bill" Clyde Montandon** (11/12/03), **John Robert Meckstroth** (11/17/03), **Gina Marie Malin** (12/28/03), **Edwin J. Pollard** (12/29/03), **Vivian Dorothy Marie Lyckman Johnson** (12/31/03), **Hazel Jenny Burch** (1/2/04), **Annabel Holman Johnson** (1/14/04), **Ingeborg Christine Spong Johnson** (2/2/04), **David Lee Runyan** (2/3/04), **Wendy Elise Westerman Kouts** (2/20/04), **Margaret Marie Conn** (2/21/04), **Patricia Ann Moon** (2/23/04), **Sammy Lynn Kitchens** (4/1/04), **Oliver "Larry" Lawrence Garner** (4/2/04), **Emily Mae Parker** (4/2/04), **Tina "Ruth" Payne Gorrell** (5/2/04), **Ethel Sophia Swanson Ericson** (5/3/04), **Eric Gordon Bowin** (5/6/04), **Travis Roland Raven, Sr.** (5/11/04), **Helen Louise Jarl Johnson** (5/15/04), **Beula Pauline Lawson Dunham** (5/25/04), **David Chang** (6/10/04), **Edward Nagy** (6/22/04), **Betty Jo Williams Lindgren Perry** (6/24/04), **Eufemia "Phemie" Elizabeth Skoglund** (7/16/04), **Joseph Roy Clayton, Jr.** (7/30/04), **Cynthia Lynn Douglass** (7/31/04), **Peter Ezba** (9/3/04), **Alicia Victoria Perez** (9/6/04), **William "Bill" Luther Thompson, Jr.** (9/6/04), **Beatrice "Bea" Weikel Smith** (9/26/04), **Jo Nell Buchanan** (10/9/04), **Jamie Evers Drago** (10/13/04), **Marguerite Campbell** (10/21/04), **Patricia Erlanson Nielsen** (10/25/04) "For all the saints who from their labors rest. All who by faith before the world confessed...Alleluia, Alleluia!"

SOLES FOR SAINTS

Nov. 7, All Saints' Sunday, please bring a pair of shoes for **Gethsemane Clothes Closet** and **Border Ministry** for those in need: baby, children's, tennis, work, women's, men's shoes. Thanks!

GETHSEMANE WOMEN

Mary Martha Unit meets **Nov. 9**, 9:30 a.m., **Virginia Marek**, program leader, **Donna Olson** and **Nell Rundell**, hostesses. **Miriam Unit** meets **Nov. 16**, 7 p.m., **Pat Austin**, leader and **Dianne Dietz**, hostess. Monday night Bible Study 6:30 p.m., **Pastor Susie Schnelle**, until **Nov. 15**, with a final 9E Ranch celebration **Nov. 20**, 10-1 p.m.

GLADOFFF

"Gethsemane Lutheran Adults Dine Out for Food, Fun, and Fellowship" gathers 7 p.m. **November 9**, Casa Garcia's, 15803 Windermere at 1825, Pflugerville. **Merlin & Linda Dunahoo** are hosts. Call 836-8560 to reserve spot.

NOVEMBER 14 – PENTECOST 24

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 4:1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; St. Luke 21:5-19

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

EVERY MEMBER RESPONSE

As part of November's stewardship month, Gethsemane Men will provide a "Chili Cook-Off" noon meal **November 14** for the entire congregation. Come taste some great chili (peanut butter & jelly, too!), **listen** to wonderful musicians, **shop** the Augsburg Fortress booth, Fair Trade coffee, tea, cocoa and chocolate, and ELCA Alternative Gifts, and **visit** ministry booths of **Lutheran Social Services of the South**, **Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest**, **Texas Lutheran University**, **Thrivent**, **Habitat for Humanity**, **Men in Mission**, **GWELCA**, **Altar Guild**, **GLCM**, **Gethsemane Food Pantry and Clothes Closet**. **Javiar Martinez**, Austin Chair & Table Rental, will provide a **Moonwalk** for the children.

Lutheran **Pastor John Roth** of "Food For The Poor" will share the morning with the congregation. Bring your offerings for **World Hunger** and the **Gethsemane Food Pantry** responding to the Biblical mandate "Go and do likewise."

Lee Crenshaw and **Keith Lundquist**, Gethsemane Congregation Council deacons, encourage Gethsemane members to prayerfully consider giving commitments of time, talent and treasure for 2005 Gethsemane ministries through the synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Many people in the Austin community have expressed gratitude for the presence and welcome of Gethsemane. Thanks Gethsemane members for continuing the historic tradition of the congregation serving all people with the "Good News" of grace, mercy and love.

GETHSEMANE MEN

Thanks to **George Hamm** for arranging the October tour to Dell Diamond. The men enjoyed the "behind the scenes" activities of this impressive facility of the Round Rock Express. Men In Mission meet 9 a.m., **Nov. 18** visiting a fire station with Gethsemane member, **Harry Evans**, followed by lunch. Men are invited to Bible Study, "Healthy Habits", Mondays, 11:45 a.m., El Rancho with **Pastor Bohls**.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH

The **13th Annual National Observance of Children's Sabbath** sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund was observed by Gethsemane in worship and Encounter Class. The materials for this emphasis were provided by Gethsemane member **Virginia Marek** and Church Women United. Emphasis was given to honoring children, advocating for the restoration of CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program). Encounter Class members were given materials to assist them in encouraging Texas legislators to restore to CHIP the drastic financial cuts of 2003. Materials are on the table in the narthex.

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OCTOBER ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those who served: **Debbie Baylor, Brad & Karyn Jensen**, Co-Chairs; **Mike & Pat Anderson, Jennifer Anderson, Gloria Cooper, Joyce Kingsbury, Marie Martinets**.

October Altar and Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of **Judy Caskey** by the **Kite family**; in loving memory of father **Douangta** by the **Saythongkham family**; in loving memory of **Beatrice Weikel Smith** by her family; in loving memory of **Ray** on his birthday by **Virginia Marek**; in celebration of our 34th anniversary by **Gordon & Marilyn Ketteman**; in honor of the 1st birthday of granddaughter **Olivia Grace** by **Kent & Joan Bohls**; in loving memory of my husband, **Lyndon**, by **June Stuckey**; in celebration of the ordination of **Scott Ryan McAnally** by **Joel Gronberg & family**; in celebration of the baptism of **Ellis James Talley** by **Paul Waller and James Buswold**; in celebration of our 16th wedding anniversary by **Smokey & Flo Kerr**; in celebration of **Kelly's** 18th birthday by **Mark & Alice Mueller**; in honor of October birthdays for **Dana, Robert and John** by **Ingrid Edlund-Berry**; in honor of **Jillian Marie Dworin** on her first birthday by **Dan**

& **Diana**; in loving memory of our dear mothers, **Opal Hansen and Anna Murphy**, by **Michael & Valerie Murphy**; in honor of **Wesley & Bruce Johnson** on their 10th wedding anniversary by their family; by the families of the **2004 Confirmation Class** in honor of their children the 2004 confirmands of Gethsemane Lutheran Church; in honor of **Stacy and Stephen's** confirmation by **Thomas Prentice**; in honor of the **3rd graders** receiving Bibles by the **Jurgens family**; in loving memory of **George & Muriel Sebela** on their wedding anniversary and adoption of their daughter by **Jan & John McKnight**; in loving memory of **Marguerite Campbell** by **Helen & John Enders**.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: the families of **Jo Nell Buchanan, Jamie Evers Drago, Marguerite Campbell, Gregorio Trejo, Sr., Patricia Erlanson Nielsen** May the God of love bring comfort and peace...**THANKS TO:** **Gethsemane musicians**, blessing congregation; **Kendall Campbell** for work on Gethsemane riding lawn mowers; **Walt & Peggy Horton** hosting the Jr. & Sr. high Halloween party...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **Dustin & Jennifer Cloud** on birth of daughter **Elaine**; **Ellis**

James infant son of **Damon & Julia Talley** and **Ava Adair**, infant daughter of **Kurt & Hope Carlson** recently baptized; **Alex & Sabrina Kephart** on wedding celebration; **Erin Feller**, representing Hill Country M.S. in Prejudice Awareness Summit...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Christine Berkland** visiting Seattle; **Don & Anne Roefer** planning return to Gethsemane in November; **Dean & Ethel Zellmer** realizing they will have more winter in their new home than they experienced in Austin...**THANKS FROM:** **Tom McFarling, Eileen Hytlin** for ministry during hospitalization; **Evelyn Kylberg Johnson, Doris Smith and Alvina Sassman** for altar flowers and ministry; **Claudia Gann** and family for ministry; **Jeanette Pergande** for ministry at time of loss; **Helping Hand Home "Champions for Children"** for support; **Jim & Mary Bedrich** for baptismal celebration for grandson **Ellis James Talley**; **Austin/ Travis County Health and Human Services** and 1,721 persons grateful for Gethsemane providing space for flu clinic; **Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home** for Gethsemane support of their quilt auction-\$32,600 was raised—a new record!; **Religion & Labor Network** for Gethsemane financial support and leadership of **Michael Murphy and Pastor Gronberg**.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, October 30

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
3-8 p.m. Czech Group Reception (MPR)

SUNDAY, Oct. 31 - Reformation Sunday

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

TIME CHANGE — SET CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 a.m. Reformation Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
9:30 a.m. Confirmand Reception (MPR)
10:30 a.m. Affirmation of Baptism

MONDAY, Nov. 1—All Saints' Day

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:00 p.m. Congregation Council (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
6:30 p.m. Women's Study (Music Room)

TUESDAY, November 2—Election Day

7a.m.-7 p.m. Voting (Music Room)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
1:30 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Berkman Home)

WEDNESDAY, November 3

12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see center column
7:00 p.m. Disabled American Veterans (Parlor)

THURSDAY, November 4

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:30 p.m. United Ostomy (Music Room)

FRIDAY, November 5

Jr High Youth Gathering (Camp Chrysalis)
9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
9:30 a.m. GWELCA Event—CWU (St. Amos' AME)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 6

Jr High Youth Gathering (Camp Chrysalis)
9a.m.-3p.m. "Bread for the World Workshop" (Univ Pres)
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, Nov. 7—All Saints' Sunday

Jr. High Youth Gathering (Camp Chrysalis)
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
5-8 p.m. Super Sunday (Shepherd of the Hills)

MONDAY, November 8

10a.m.-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:30 p.m. Women's Study (Music Room)

TUESDAY, November 9

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha (Parlor)
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club of Austin (MR)
7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Casa Garcia)
7:00 p.m. GWELCA Event—CWU (St. Peter's UM)

WEDESDAY, November 10

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Parlor)
12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see below

THURSDAY, November 11

9:00 a.m. Labor & Religion Retreat (MR & Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY CONNECTIONS

6:00-8:45 Baby sitting available
5:30-6:30 Supper (\$3 each; \$10 family) MPR
6:00-7:10 Children's activities (MPR)
6:15-7:10 Confirmation (Loft)
6:15-7:10 "Windows of Faith" (Music Room)
6:15-7:10 "Intimacy for Couples" (Parlor)
7:00-7:15 Scripture conversation (Sanctuary)
7:15-7:30 Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
7:30-7:45 Mentors & Confirmands
7:30-8:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30-9:00 Volleyball (MPR)

FRIDAY, November 12

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 13

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, November 14—Pentecost 21

ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL
8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
12 Noon Congregation Meal (MPR)
9:00 a.m. Sons of Norway (Music Room)

MONDAY, November 15

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel
11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High/College Age Basketball
6:30 p.m. Women's Study (Music Room)

TUESDAY, November 16

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apartments Chapel
1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:30 p.m. GWELCA Miriam Unit (Parlor)
7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, November 17

12 noon & 7:15 p.m. Eucharist
MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS-see center column

THURSDAY, November 18

9:30 a.m. Men in Mission Tour (Music Rm)
6:00 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)
6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, November 19

International Holiday Market (Parker Ln UM)
9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
10:30 a.m. GLCM Thanksgiving Program
11:30 a.m. Travis County Awards Luncheon (MPR)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 20

International Holiday Market (Parker Ln UM)
9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
10:00-1p.m. Women's study celebration
11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
2:00 p.m. Birthday Celebration (MPR)

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 17, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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2005 STEWARDSHIP RESPONSE, ORDINATION, ADVENT

NOVEMBER 21 CHRIST THE KING

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; St. Luke 23:33-43

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to your beloved Son, whom you anointed priest forever and king of all creation: Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



CHRIST THE KING

The baptized community gathers on the Sunday before the national celebration of Thanksgiving to give **praise and thanks to God** for the blessings of hearing, receiving and living the Good News of grace and mercy as revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ the King Sunday proclaims the beautiful message of God's love for all creation. Participate in this service of thanksgiving for the year past and the promise of a future with God.

THANKSGIVING EVE

Wednesday Thanksgiving eve eucharist is 12 noon and 7 p.m. **Gethsemane youth** have led this annual informal **Thanksgiving Eve worship** for over 30 years. Gethsemane members and friends are invited to join with youth in this time national thanksgiving. Worshippers are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for the Gethsemane Food Pantry.

HOLIDAY MARKET

2004 International Holiday Market, **November 19-20**, Friday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Parker Lane United Methodist Church, 2105 Parker Lane. This opportunity to shop enables craftsmen from around the world to receive a fair income for their products.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

The 20th Annual City-Wide **Inter-religious Thanksgiving Service** "One World-One Family" Sunday, **November 21**, Riverbend Church, 4214 Capital of Texas Highway North. The service is for all ages: 3:30-4:45 p.m. Fellowship: 4:45-6 p.m. Special Appearance by Conspirare & Joe McDermott. Gethsemane Lutheran is a charter member of Austin Area Inter-religious Ministries.

YOUTH NEWS

Junior and Senior High prepare for **Thanksgiving Service** during Sunday School, **Nov. 21**. Senior High Sunday Night Gathering/Scavenger Hunt **Nov. 21** at the home of **Joel Gronberg**. Leave Gethsemane south parking lot 4 p.m., return 7 pm. Sign up on the youth ministry bulletin board.

Senior High, need service hours? Assist **Louis Ann Rippy** with **Christmas Workshop for Kids** Saturday, **Dec. 4** in the Music Room, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sign up on the youth board. **Super Sunday Dec. 5**, Triumphant Love Lutheran Church. Meet at church 5 p.m., returning by 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER 28 ADVENT 1

ELCA GLOBAL MISSION APPEAL
SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; St. Matthew 24:36-44

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Stir up our power, O Lord, and come. Protect, us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



ORDINATION

Gethsemane member **Shelly Stewart Kronbergs** will be ordained into the ministry of Word and Sacraments of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Saturday, **November 27**, 2004, 1 p.m., Gethsemane Lutheran Church. Shelly and her family have been members of Gethsemane since 1983 when she and **Karl** were married at Gethsemane. Their daughters, **Katherine, Sarah, and Elizabeth** have been baptized into the community of eternal promise through the ministry of Gethsemane congregation. Shelly has been called to serve Salem Lutheran, Austin. Your prayers and presence are requested for this ordination celebration. May the blessings of the Triune God be upon Shelly and her family as they anticipate her ordination. Thanks be to God! Invitation to Gethsemane congregation posted in narthex.

ADULT EDUCATION

Diana Dworin leads 9:30 a.m. Adult SCS Steffans Parlor **Nov. 28** and **Dec. 5** on faith based alternative Christmas celebrations. **Pastor Merle Franke**, long time Gethsemane friend and retired ELCA pastor, speaks on his newest book, Streets and Alleys With God **Dec. 12**. Encounter Class continues discussions based on The Lutheran articles regarding life style choices.

TLU ADVENT VESPERS

Texas Lutheran University Christmas Vespers, a program of sacred music and readings, performed by the 50-voice Texas Lutheran University Choir and other musical ensembles Friday & Saturday, **Dec. 3 & 4**, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, **Dec. 5**, 4 p.m., Jackson Auditorium, TLU campus. Performances are free, but tickets are required. Contact TLU, 800-771-8521. The TLU Choir will perform Sunday, **Dec. 12**, 5 p.m., St. Martin's Lutheran, 476-6757.

N.C.C. CHORAL BENEFIT

12th Annual North Central Caregivers Choral Benefit Friday, **Dec. 3**, 7:30-9 p.m., St. Albert's Catholic Church, 12041 Bittern Hollow. Gethsemane congregation is a sponsor of this ecumenical ministry to older adults.

ADVENT WORKSHOP

Parents of 3 year olds to 6th graders, enjoy hours of free time Saturday, **December 4**, 10 a.m.—2 p.m. in the Music Room. Contact **Louis Ann Rippy**, 288-8976 by November 28th.

LUTHERAN BUILD

Habitat for Humanity Austin Area Lutheran Build dedication will be Saturday, **Dec. 4**, 10 a.m., 5207 Heritage Village Dr. Thanks to **Larry Pounds** for providing the flooring for the home, **Cal & Diane Streeter**, Gethsemane coordinators and **Pastor Kent Bohls** the overall coordinator for this 7th Lutheran home built in Austin.

DECEMBER 5 ADVENT 2

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; St. Matthew 3:1-12

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the way for your only Son. By his coming give us strength in our conflicts and shed light on our path through the darkness of this world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



STEWARDSHIP

November-Thanksgiving month and December-a time to give are stewardship months at Gethsemane Lutheran. The 2004 Gethsemane Congregation Council encourages each member to prayerfully consider where to offer gifts of time, talent and treasure for 2005 Gethsemane, synod and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America ministries. Personal and family commitments are vital to the present and future faithfulness of the congregation giving witness to God's grace.

Stewardship packets with time/talent/treasure commitment-pledge card were mailed to every Gethsemane member. Please return 2005 pledge/commitment during these weeks of thanksgiving and giving. The congregational council stewardship and finance members will plan for 2005 ministries based upon the response of the congregation. Thanks for past generosity. May the Gethsemane Lutheran baptized community of believers claim the promise of a future filled with worship, learning, service in solidarity with all people of faith.

HOUSE BUILD

Pastor John Roth, retired clergy of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and an advocate of "Food for the Poor" called Pastor Gronberg this week with gratitude and joy over the generous response and warm hospitality given him during his visit to the Gethsemane Sunday past. Offerings for this ministry to the people of Central America and the Caribbean will build a "basic house for a family presently living in a tin and cardboard shack". Members of the Encounter Class were inspired by his witness to the good being done for those in need. Thanks Gethsemane for another demonstration of stewardship. "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right." (2 Thessalonians 3: 13)

ANGEL-GIVING TREE

During the Advent Season, Gethsemane will sponsor **12** families and **52** children from **T.A. Brown Elementary School** across Hwy 183 (Anderson Lane) from the church. Watch for the tree in the narthex and choose children to bring gifts for; gifts and food for the families will be distributed **Dec. 18**. Bring wrapped gifts by **Dec. 15**.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING

Through **December 12** there will be narthex displays for Augsburg Fortress, Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate, Alternative Giving through ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Coordinators are **Anne & John Walker, Joan Bohls, and Judy Magnuson**.



2005 PLEDGE COMMITMENTS RECEIVED THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP 7 P.M.

BORDER MISSION TRIP

All ages are invited to participate in the **January 7-9, 2005** Mission-Vision Trip to Eagle Pass-Piedras Negras on the Texas Mexico border. Registration folders are available in the office and narthex. Visit with **Cal & Diane Streeter, Dar Krenek** or one of the pastors.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS
CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: the families of: **Kay Powers, Sandra Brock**—May the God of eternal love bring comfort and peace...**THANKS TO:** **St. Louis Roman Catholic Church** and **Father Larry Covington**, for donating 607 pairs of shoes to the Gethsemane Clothes Closet; chili cookers, dessert makers, and musicians for making the congregation event great fun; thanks also to **Lutheran Social Services of the South, Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest** and **Thrivent** for matching funds for world hunger; **Reverend John Roth, "Food for the Poor"** for gift of chalice and paten presented to Gethsemane in gratitude for support given this ministry—receiving the gift on behalf of Gethsemane were **Dennis Johnson** and **Alvina Sassman**...

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Katie & Cody Bonnet on birth of **Camilla "Izzy" Isebell**—the family is making plans for a Christmas eve baptismal celebration; **Pastor Jeff Bethke**, becoming pastor of Bethany Lutheran, Portland, Oregon; **Oliver Nelson** and **Bernice Johnson** on family plans for birthday celebrations—Gethsemane rejoices with these Christian friends; **Price Vetter** and Robotics team, Lyndon Baines Johnson High for winning 2nd place among 1500 teams in regional/semi-national competition in Dallas—Gethsemane youth are smart!!; **Harlie Baitz, Amanda Taylor, Josh Taylor, Kimberly Corbell** for presentation of "Annie" Redeemer Middle School—Gethsemane youth are talented; **Rev. Scott McAnally**, installed as associate pastor Christ the King Lutheran, Great Falls, Virginia...**GREETINGS FROM: Texas Lutheran University** Development and Alumni Relations Office; The **Institute of Interfaith Dialog & Interfaith Islamic Dialogue** grateful for participation of **Issam & Beverly Bakir, Mazen Tawil, Hanna Bakir, Margaret Manz, David Doerfler, Umid Azimov**

participation in Second Annual Ramadan Fast Breaking Dinner. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** was a guest speaker along with Austin Mayor **Will Wynn** and University of Texas president **Dr. Larry Faulkner**...**THANKS FROM:** the family of **Sandra Brock** for prayers, greetings and ministry at time of loss; **Al & Pat Luedecke** on baptism of granddaughter **Ava**; **Alex & Sabrina Jarcik Kephart** for wedding liturgy; **Damon & Julia Bedrich Talley** for baptism of son **Ellis James**—pictures in narthex; **Laura Riddell, Hazel Schiwitz, Jeff Greinert, Virginia Marek, Dorothy Skoglund** (Mrs. Elfin) **Elmer Lundgren, Waymon & Margaret Kendall** for flowers, prayers and ministry; **Dottie Sigerist** for ministry; **Helen Maidment, Lee Schnelle** for ministry during recent hospitalization; **Erik Gronberg** and **Kendra Mohn** for prayers, greetings and expressions of support; **Ecology Action** for Gethsemane support in 2004; **Sons of Norway Cleng Peerson Lodge 1-645** for use of Gethsemane facilities for their meetings and recent "Culture, Crafts, and Cookies" event; **Stacy Krudop & Levi Lugo** for joyful tour of church.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, November 20

International Holiday Market (Parker Ln U.M.)
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 10:00 a.m. Women's study celebration (home of Christine Bohls')
 11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism
 4:00 p.m. Birthday Celebration

SUNDAY, November 21 - Christ the King

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. "Now the Feast" Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
 5:00 p.m. Wedding Liturgy
 5-8 p.m. Sr. High Gathering (Joel Gronberg)

MONDAY, November 22

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
 10a.m.-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
 7:00 p.m. VASA (Multi-Purpose Room)

TUESDAY, November 23

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

WEDNESDAY, November 24

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 12 noon Eucharist
 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship/Eucharist
 7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, Nov. 25—Thanksgiving Day

Children's Ministry/Church Office Closed

FRIDAY, November 26

Children's Ministry Closed
 11:30 a.m. Birthday Celebration (MPR)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 27

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 1:00 p.m. Ordination (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, Nov. 28—Advent 1

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages

MONDAY, November 29

10a.m.-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
 6:00 p.m. Congregation Council (Music Rm)
 6:15 p.m. Community Basketball (MPR)

TUESDAY, November 30

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-F)
 1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

WEDESDAY, December 1

12 noon & 7:00 p.m. Eucharist
 6:15 p.m. Confirmation (Youth Loft)
 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY December 2

9:00 a.m. Labor & Religion Retreat (MR & Parlor)
 6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)
 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Music Room)
 7:00 p.m. Ostomy Product Fair & Pot Luck (MPR)

FRIDAY, December 3

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, December 4

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 10a.m.-2p.m. Christmas Workshop (MR/Kitchen)
 10:00 a.m. Habitat Dedication
 2:00 p.m. LSSS Christmas Event (MPR)

SUNDAY, December 5—Advent 2

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)
 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Liturgy
 9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
 5-8 p.m. Youth: Super Sunday (Triumphant Love)

MONDAY, December 6

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
 10a.m.-noon Playgroup (Holmstrom 258-9340)
 11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study (El Rancho)
 6:05 p.m. GLCM Staff Mtg (Parlor)
 6:15 p.m. Community Basketball (MPR)

TUESDAY, December 7

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
 2:00 p.m. GWELCA Quilting (Music Room)
 6:30 p.m. Mopar Muscle Club of Austin (MR)

WEDNESDAY, December 8

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch (Parlor)
 12 noon & 7:00 p.m. Eucharist
 6:15 p.m. Confirmation (Youth Loft)
 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, December 9

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, December 10

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (narthex)
 7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR)
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, December 11

9:00 a.m. Men: Raising of Christmas Tree
 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild
 2:00 p.m. Blessing of Union (Sanctuary)
 2:00 p.m. Czech Christmas Party (MPR)

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 8, 2004

"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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AUSTIN, TEXAS

ADVENT PREPARES CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY FOR TWELVE DAY FESTIVAL

DECEMBER 12-ADVENT III ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL 136TH ANNIVERSARY OF 1ST GETHSEMANE WORSHIP LITURGY

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 35:1-10;

Psalms—Luke 1:47-55; James
5:7-10; St. Matthew 11:2-11



PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you once called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son and to prepare his way. Grant us, your people, the wisdom to see your purpose today and the openness to hear your will, that we may witness to Christ's coming and so prepare his way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Advent Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School

10:30 a.m. Advent Liturgy

Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate, Augsburg Fortress Book / ELCA World Hunger Appeal alternative gifts available in the narthex

12 Noon Bellissimo Rehearsal (Balcony)

5:00 p.m. TLU Vespers (St. Martin's)

MONDAY, Dec. 13—Santa Lucia Day

7:15a.m.-6p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)

11:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study

6:15 p.m. Sr High/College Basketball



TUESDAY, December 14

9:30 a.m. GWELCA Mary/Martha Unit

12 noon GLCM Staff Christmas Party

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF (Mann's 183 & Ohlen)

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

WEDNESDAY, December 15

12 Noon Advent Eucharist (Sanctuary)

9:00 a.m. GLCM Christmas Program

7:00 p.m. Holden Evening Prayer/Communion

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir (Music Room)

7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, December 16

6:00 p.m. GLCM Advisory Board (Parlor)

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, December 17

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, December 18

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

9:30 a.m. Angel Giving Tree distribution

DECEMBER 19 — ADVENT IV

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 7:10-16;

Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18; Romans
1:1-7; St. Matthew 1:18-25



PRAYER OF THE DAY: Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the hindrance of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of your birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

8:00 a.m. Austin Faith Dialog (KNVA 54)

8:15 a.m. Advent Cantata

9:30 a.m. "Carriers of the Light"

Advent Christmas Program (MPR)

10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism

10:30 a.m. Advent Cantata

11:30 a.m. 90th Birthday Celebration (MPR)

12 Noon Cherub Choir lunch & caroling

2:30 p.m. Miriam Unit family caroling

4:00 p.m. Jr., Sr. High, and College Age caroling & party

MONDAY, December 20

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-Th)

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Center Chapel

6:15 p.m. Community Basketball (MPR)

TUESDAY, December 21

10:30 a.m. Trinity Place Apts. Chapel

1:30-4:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

7:00 p.m. Royal Dancers (Multi-Purpose Rm)

7:30 p.m. OCD (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, December 22

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex)

12 Noon Advent Eucharist (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Holden Evening Prayer/Communion

7:30 p.m. Community Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, December 23

6:15 p.m. Adult Basketball (MPR)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we

may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake

to brightness of his glory, through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with youth and the Holy Spirit, in the mystery of the Divine Trinity, one God, now and forever. Amen

6:45 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism

7:00 p.m. Family Candlelight Worship

Children Sing, Carols,

Santa Lucia, Christmas Apples

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

11:00 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve

Candlelight Worship, Santa Lucia,

Special Music, Christmas Apples

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

Almighty God, you have made yourself known in your Son, Jesus, redeemer of the world.

We pray that his birth as a human child will set us free from the old slavery of our sin; through Jesus Christ our

Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

7:30 a.m. Christmas Fellowship (Narthex)

8:00 a.m. Julotta Worship in Swedish

9:30 a.m. Christmas Fellowship (Narthex)

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion - Carols and the Christmas Story

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

ST. STEPHEN, DEACON AND MARTYR

SECOND DAY OF CHRISTMAS

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Grant us grace, O Lord, that like Stephen we may learn to love even our enemies and see forgiveness for those who desire our hurt; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

8:15 a.m. Christmas Liturgy

9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Carol Sing

10:30 a.m. Christmas Liturgy



MONDAY, DECEMBER 27
ST. JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST
THIRD DAY OF CHRISTMAS

Merciful Lord, let the brightness of your light shine on your Church, so that all of us, instructed by the teachings of John, your apostle and evangelist, may walk in the light of your truth and attain eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

GLCM closed; Gethsemane holiday schedule; leave messages 836-8560.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS
FOURTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:15-17; Psalm 124; 1 Peter 4:12-19; St. Matthew 2:13-18
We remember today, O God, the slaughter of the holy innocents of Bethlehem by order of King Herod. Receive, we pray, into the arms of your mercy all innocent victims, and by your great might frustrate the designs of evil tyrants and establish your rule of justice, love, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Children's Ministry (T-Th)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

FIFTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

2:30 p.m. S.W. Texas Synod Senior High Gathering (meet lower lot)

12 Noon Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

7:30 p.m. Volleyball (Multi-Purpose Rm)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

SIXTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 63:3:7-9; Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; St. Matthew 2:13-23

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen
SW Texas Synod Sr High Gathering (Austin)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

NEW YEAR'S EVE

SEVENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Rev. 21:1-6a; Psalm 8; Matthew 25:31-46

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Eternal God, you have placed humanity in a world of space and time, and through the events in our lives you bless us with your love. Grant that in this new year we may know your presence, see your love at work, and live in the light of the event which gives us joy forever in the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

1:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth return to Gethsemane
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

THE NAME OF JESUS

EIGHTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

SCRIPTURE: Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Psalm 8; Luke 2:15-21

Eternal Father, you gave your Son the name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**GOD JUL!
FELIZ NAVIDAD!
MERRY CHRISTMAS**
BLESSED TWELVE DAY
CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL FROM
GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN STAFF
PASTORS KENT L. BOHLS,
KARL A. GRONBERG,
ROBERT HOEFERKAMP,
SUSAN M. SCHNELLE;
GEORGE CREAGER, SHERYL EVANS,
JOANN GERBIG, MARTIN GONZALES,
JOHN KINGSBURY, MARGARET MANZ;
CAROL NELSON, VALERIE JOHNSON, DAR
JOY KRENEK, ANGELICA LUNDQUIST ON
BEHALF OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY.

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1868 ANNIVERSARY—DECEMBER 12 ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PROGRAM—9:30 AM—DEC. 19 POINSETTIA GARDEN — SIGN UP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

NINTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:

13-21; Ephesians 1:3-14; St. John 1: 1-18

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all that we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

8:15 a.m. Holy Communion Liturgy
9:15 a.m. Intergenerational Sunday Church School for all ages; Jesus birthday party; bring school supplies gift for Mexico mission trip

10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

5-8:00 p.m. Super Sunday Senior High; bowling Texas Union; \$10 each

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

TENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

ELEVENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

1:30 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

1:30 p.m. Quilting (location TBA)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

TWELFTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS

12 noon/7 :15 p.m. eucharist

WEDNESDAY EVENING MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS

All ages are invited to share in 5 evenings of learning, play, fellowship, fun and worship

January 5—February 2

6:00-8:45 Baby sitting available
5:30-6:30 Supper (\$3 each; \$10 family) MPR
6:00-7:10 Children's activities (MPR)
6:15-7:10 Confirmation, Pastor Schnelle
6:15-7:10 "Windows of Faith", Pastor Bohls
6:15-7:10 "Couples' Talk", Greg & Lori Althaus
6:15-7:10 "Coping with Grief", David Doerfler
7:00-7:15 Scripture talk, Pastor Gronberg
7:15-7:30 Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
7:30-7:45 Mentors & Confirmands
7:30-8:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30-9:00 Volleyball (MPR)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:1-12; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Matthew 2:1-12



PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

6:00 p.m. Weekend Mission Trip for all ages to Piedras Negras-Eagle Pass; see **Pastor Bohls** or **Pastor Schnelle** to register (thru Sun.)

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

9:30 a.m. Altar Guild

NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those having served: **Gordon & Marilyn Ketteman**, Co-Chairpersons, **Harley Baitz, Joe & Pat Baitz, Carol Laubach, Flo Laubach, Cal & Diane Streeter**.

November Altar and Chancel flowers were given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of our mother, **Elsie M. Johnson**, by **Dennis, Larry and Tommy Johnson**; in loving memory of those having received the blessing of God through the ministry of Gethsemane Lutheran since All Saints' Sunday, 2003; in loving memory of **Dorrace Swening** by **Cheryl**; in honor of **Ryan Scott** on his 1st birthday by **Stephen, Christine and Byron Bohls**; in loving memory of **Gary Swening** by **Cheryl**; in celebration of the Rite of Installation of **The Reverend Scott R. McAnally** as associate pastor Christ the King Lutheran Church, Great Falls, Virginia by **Joel Gronberg** and family; in celebration of our 45th anniversary and in honor of **Julie & Howard Herms** 16th anniversary by **Charles & Adelle Rolls**; in celebration of the ordination of **Shelly Stewart Kronbergs** into the ordained ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and in loving memory of **Reverend Ernests Kronbergs**, Dean of the District and pastor Lutheran Church of Latvia; **Reverend Oskar Treu**, pastor Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia; **Reverend Doctor Karl Kundzins**, pastor Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia by **Paul & Nancy Jasman Kronbergs**; in loving memory of **Marjorie Yelderman** by **Kent & Joan Bohls**, in honor of **Bernice Johnson** and in celebration of her 75th birthday by her family.

FAITHFUL GIVING

Keith Lundquist and **Lee Crenshaw** express the gratitude of the Gethsemane Congregation Council for faithful 2004 stewardship by Gethsemane members and friends. With expanded staff and ministry opportunities, Gethsemane members have expressed their commitment to congregation, synod and ELCA. Please note, gifts to Gethsemane for 2004 need to be received by December 31. Thanks be to God for "Making Christ Known".

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: The family of **Marjorie Waterman Yelderman**—may those who mourn be comforted by the God of the Advent proclamation...**KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED:** **Dee Riley**, Round Rock Hospital; remember this friend in prayer...**THANKS TO:** workers, food preparers, all sharing in December 4 dedication of 7th Lutheran Habitat for Humanity Build; **Mary Jane Schaeffer** for beautiful quilt given to **Carlos Pineda** family; **Louis Ann Rippy** and senior high youth hosting "Christmas Workshop for Kids" Saturday past; **Carl & Marie Jo Anderson Foundation** for generous gifts to Gethsemane ministries; **Cain Foundation** and **George Creager** for generous gift to Gethsemane Pastoral Benevolent Fund; **Don Roefer, Ron Tighe, John Kingsbury** for property improvements; Advent Wreath participants...**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** **Steig & Sheri Westerman Erickson** on birth of daughter **Emma Kuehl**-Gethsemane rejoices with **Emma**, her parents and grandparents **Jack & Judy Westerman; Patrick & Tammy Porter** married recently; **Joseph Vincent Palazzo, Jr.** on recent baptism; December graduates: **Lauren Morgan** UT-Austin graduate Bachelor of Science Degree Architectural Engineering with International Engineering Studies Certificate; **Harvey Birch**, Junior Texas State University Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting; **Kolby Evans**, Connally High graduate; **Alice Schnelle** and Texas Lutheran musicians for "Alleluia This is Jesus" Christmas Vespers; **Margaret Daniel** 90th birthday—Reception Dec. 19 following 10:30 a.m. liturgy—836-5063 for information...**THANKS FROM:** **Cathy Bradley** for Gethsemane support to persons in need; **Sheryl Evans, Paul Kronbergs** for ministry during recent hospitalization; **Kurt & Hope Luedecke Carlson** for baptism of daughter **Ava**-pictures in narthex; **Donnie Schulz** for Gethsemane ministries; **Pastor Shelly Stewart Kronbergs** and Salem Lutheran for pastoral, congregational and family support on her recent ordination; **Pam Atkins**, Will Davis Elementary School for Pastor Karl Gronberg participating in "Jog Around the World Fun Run"; **Bernice Johnson** and family for Gethsemane congregation and friends participation in 75th birthday celebration; **Pastor Hector Vasquez**, San Lucas Lutheran-Eagle Pass, for gift of shoes and clothing; **T.A. Brown Elementary** for Christmas Families; **Carol Laubach** and Austin Ostomy Support Group for Gethsemane providing monthly meeting place; **Gloria Cooper** for Gethsemane support to 12th Annual North Central Caregivers Choral Benefit concert; **Laura Riddell** for Gethsemane support to 4th Annual Peace Tree lighting...**GREETINGS FROM:** **Dean & Ethel Zellmer** enjoying Thanksgiving with family; **Advent/Christmas Greetings** posted in narthex.