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NOW JESUS WAS PRAYING IN A CERTAIN PLACE, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” And he said to them, “When you pray, say:

**“FATHER, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME.
YOUR KINGDOM COME.
GIVE US EACH DAY OUR DAILY BREAD,
AND FORGIVE US OUR SINS,
FOR WE OURSELVES FORGIVE EVERYONE WHO IS
INDEBTED TO US.
AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.”**

And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs.

And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Luke 11:1-13

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES

- July 7 Isaiah 66:10-14
Galations 6:1-10,14-18
Luke 10:1-20
- July 14 Leviticus 19:9-18
Colossians 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37
- July 21 Genesis 18:1-14
Colossians 1:21-29
Luke 10:38-42
- July 28 Genesis 18:20-33
Colossians 2:6-15
Luke 11:1-13

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MUSICAL NOTES FROM JUDY

Where did June go?? The pace is picking up with the planning and anticipation over our renovated sanctuary! It's all in God's timing and His will.

At the end of our last choir practice for our regular season, our choir family spontaneously started sharing many "Remember Whens" of the history of Living Savior Lutheran Church choir even before it had a name or a choir.

The old Historic Baptist Church was breezy and cold in the winter and hot hot in the summer, with dim school-house lights with CD's for music. The first service was in December of 2007, and was fortified with a group of attendees from Living Word, complete with their choir members.

Ash Wednesday (Feb 8, 2008) was our first service with keyboard music instead of CD's. Shortly after that, Pastor Bailes asked for anyone interested in singing in a choir to meet around the keyboard after the service. We started with 1 soprano, 2 altos, 1 tenor, and 2 bass singers of very high quality and continued to add the same as the choir pressed on, singing for the first time on Easter Sunday, 2008. Due to such poor A/C, heat, and lighting, the choir practiced in a home until the weather moderated.

We were blessed with used sheet music from Redeemer Lutheran Church (Rittenhouse Road) since they no longer had a choir. God also showered the gifts of lovely choir robes from that church. Linda Mattfeld and Anita Lee later made stoles in liturgical colors.

Another wonderful surprise we quickly discovered was that we had brass players among us! Paul Downing and Eric Yeager raised the roof with their joyful instruments, praising God. My how He showered blessings upon blessings on this "new little country church". These things were just the beginning of the wonderful choir folks who now number 15.

There were many funny stories shared just like at a family reunion, and all are anxious to see what God has in



store for this wonderfully blessed little country church (not so little any more) with a huge heart for the Lord.

This being said, the biggest anticipation right now seems to be the STEEPLE!. Keep your eyes and ears open so hopefully we can witness this as it is installed mid July-ish.? Continue in prayer for safety for the workers and in thanksgiving as we see the progress and are grateful for our temporary arrangements.

Services in July: The Harvest is Always Plentiful, But Not Always Easy,, Neighborly Love, and To Sit or to Serve, that is the Question. Dedication festivities are in the planning stage yet very fluid. Many hurdles yet for firm dates, but anticipating around the 3rd Sunday in August if that is what God's calendar says.

Choir practice is currently on a well-deserved break for the summer. Let me know if you are interested in choir when we resume! jkutach@livingsaviortexas.org Meanwhile, this is the season for selecting and planning choir music through Christmas at least. Christmas in July! Please bring your bulletins from your travels. The Worship Committee gets good ideas from them!

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Psalm 95: 6-7

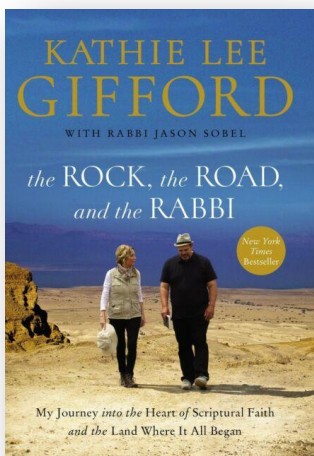
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Ladies' Lunch Bunch

Ladies will meet on Thursday, June 11th, at Pizza Shack at 11:30am. The Pizza Shack is located at 19132 Stewart Creek Rd in Montgomery. Sign up is located on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or contact Kim Howze at khowze157@gmail.com or 936-661-3896.



Thursday Morning Ladies' Bible Study —The Ladies' Thursday morning Bible study will resume on September 12.

**Ladies' Summer Book Study planned**

On Thursday morning, July 11, a book study on the book *the ROCK, the ROAD and the RABBI* will begin. This is a book by Kathie Lee Gifford with Rabbi Jason Sobel. The ROCK is Jesus Christ, the ROAD is Israel and the RABBI is God's Word. This is a video series so it is not essential that you purchase the book. You might also be able to borrow the book from someone who has already read it.

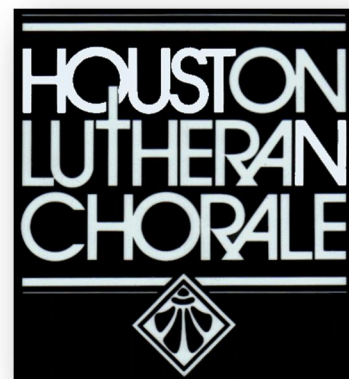
For more information contact Annet Riley at asriley@ymail.com or (713) 598-2556.

The Houston Lutheran Chorale invites you to its annual July 4 concert, "An American Tribute"

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church—Downtown Houston, 800 Houston Ave.

When: 6PM, July 4. Concert to be followed by hot dogs, Frito pies and desserts, in the gym.

No reservations or tickets are required, just come, enjoy the music and have fun. Bring your lawn chairs to sit outside in the parking lot after the meal, to enjoy the city of Houston fireworks display.



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CAMP LONE STAR

LUTHERAN OUTDOORS MINISTRY OF TEXAS

This summer the children and youth of Living Savior will attend Camp Lone Star as a group, from July 28-Aug. 2.

If you would like to see the children from Living Savior attend summer camp regardless of their financial situation, you can help.



The cost for each camper is \$400 after the parents have paid the non-refundable deposit. If you would like to help with a portion of that or the entire amount, anything would be appreciated.

To donate to this ministry make your checks out to **Living Savior**, put on the memo line **camperships** and place it in an envelope with Cheryl Bailes' name on it. You can either put the envelope in the offering plate or in her box in the office work room.

BUILDING FUND REACHES A MILESTONE

As of June 9 your Building Fund **donations exceeded your pledges.**

Total donations to the Building fund were **\$532,849.94** and
pledges were **\$513,725.00**

PRAISE THE LORD FOR THIS SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT IN THE LIFE OF LIVING SAVIOR

Please continue to donate to the Building Fund, as each dollar donated between now and the end of July will reduce the amount of money we need to borrow from the Texas District Church Extension Fund.

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LWML MITE MISSION GRANT UPDATE

The 2017-2019 Mission Grant Goal of \$2,075,000 was set at the 2017 LWML convention in Albuquerque. Thanks to everyone who donated to mites, this goal was met and all 22 mission grants were funded.

The LWML Mission Goal for 2019-2021 was set at the LWML convention in Mobile, Alabama in June. The goal is \$2,100,00 and the recipients are listed below.

1. Water and the Word for Rural Schools in Kenya — Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kenya (\$80,000)
2. Teach Me Too — Preschoolers with Learning Needs — Lutheran Special Education Ministries (\$100,000)
3. Mission Outreach for At-Risk Young Women in Africa — Lutheran Hour Ministries (\$100,000)
4. God's Grace for This Generation — LAMP Ministry, Inc. (\$100,000)
5. God's Word Changes Everything — Lutheran Bible Translators (\$95,000)
6. Mobile Medical Mercy Mission Bus for Guatemala — Lutheran Church of Guatemala and Child Beyond International (\$100,000)
7. Restoring Hope for Detroit Children and Families — Camp Restore Detroit (\$100,000)
8. Lights for Christ Scholarships — Divine Savior Lutheran Church, Zacapa, Guatemala (\$95,000)
9. Wind River Indian Reservation Transportation — Wind River Lutheran Mission (\$40,000)
10. Ministry in Motion — Trinity Lutheran Church, Mobile, Alabama (\$58,000)
11. Touching the Living Word — Lutheran Braille Workers (\$100,000)
12. Women's Witness and Mercy Asia — Mission Central (\$100,000)
13. Digital Media Development — Lutherans For Life (\$30,000)
14. Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln — University Lutheran Chapel, Lincoln, Nebraska (\$50,000)
15. Pre- and Post-Seminary Training for Local Church Workers — Mission Training Center, Africa (\$62,650)
16. Preparing Leaders for Tomorrow — LCMS School Ministries (\$80,000)
17. Christ for You, Anytime, Anywhere — KFUEO Radio (\$60,000)
18. Sri Lanka Multipurpose Building Construction — Office of International Mission (\$50,000)
19. Making Jesus Known in the United States Ethnic Communities — Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri (\$100,000)
20. Music Outreach, Classes, and Resources on the Border — Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care, El Paso, Texas (\$98,400)
21. LCMS Deaconess Ministry — LCMS Office of International Mission (\$39,523)

Each month one of these grants will be highlighted in the newsletter and the bulletin.

Please prayerfully consider picking up a mite box and adding your change to help fund these LWML mission grants. Thank you!

Submitted by Annet Riley

IN OUR PRAYERS

HEALING/SURGERY/HOSPITALIZATION

Samantha Krenz (Doug and Julie's Daughter-in-law)
Complications during pregnancy

COMFORT FOR FAMILY/FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTED

Family and friends of **Lex Long** , a friend of the **Vahrenkamp's**

CANCER/LONG-TERM ILLNESS

Jan Baker (Joice Fangmann's sister)
Stomach cancer

Gloria Boddeker (Anita Lee's mom)
Long-term health care

Lisa Dinning
Testing for severe recurring headaches

Elizabeth Dunlap (LSLC neighbor)
Blood disorder

Ann Griffin (Charlotte Wilson's friend)
Skilled nursing for cancer care

Barbara Hammond (Vahrenkamps' Aunt)
Bone cancer & chemo treatments

Mary Hayslip (Doyle Hayslip's mother)
Cancer and ongoing chemo treatments

Everett Itschner (Shoppes' great-nephew)
Dealing with RSV and heart irregularity

Ginny Kapeel (Barbara Handley's extended family)
Cancer treatments

Gregg Martin (Darlene Brown's cousin)
Brain tumor

Joanne Musule (Stefflers' extended family)
Breast cancer

Donald Oakley (Bruce Shutt's brother-in-law)
Multiple myeloma

Bart Powell
Treatments for cancer & pain management



Warren Richards

Treatments for muscle spasms from stroke

Butch Robertson (Steffler's friend)
Treatments for cancer

Jerry Schofield (Darlene Brown's brother)
Hospice

Rick Schoppe
Treatment for bladder cancer

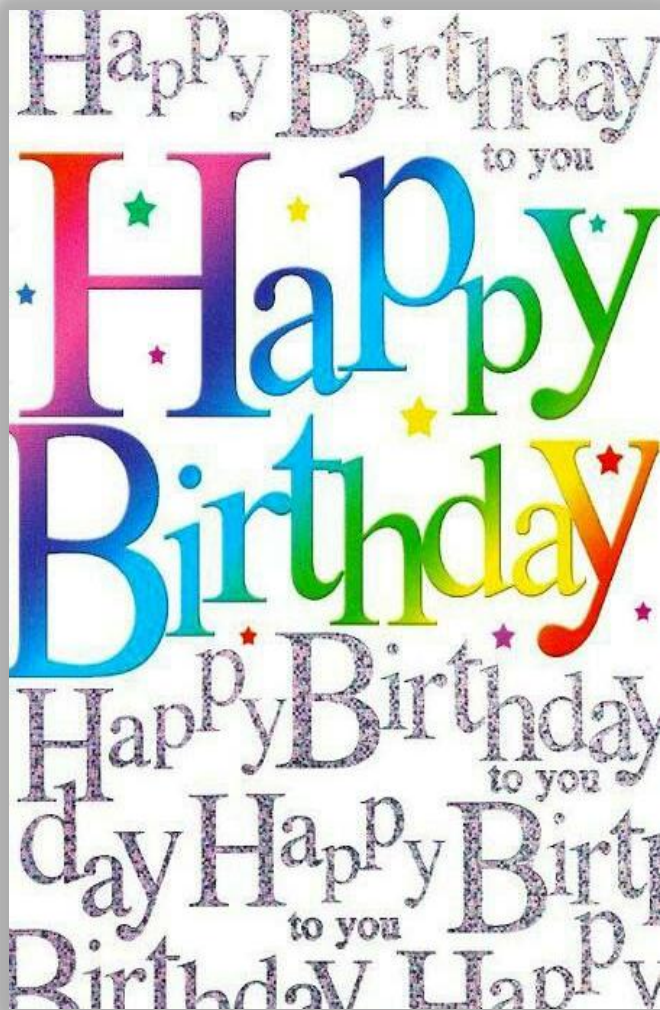
Al Schuller
Weakness and breathing difficulties

Weldon Shutt
Long-term care facility due to declining health

Patty Thibodeaux (Micki Lineberger's sister)
Ovarian cancer

Haydon Wilson (Charlotte Wilson's great-grandson)
Treatments for a rare blood disorder

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Timothy Steen	7/1
Samuel Hadley	7/2
Linda Wiese	7/5
Nancy Ayres	7/8
Barbara Schmidt	7/8
Charles Bland	7/9
Sharon Hayslip	7/10
Wanda Puffer	7/14
Alexis Wiese	7/14
James Jorgensen	7/16
Debra Folk	7/17
Herbert Sanders	7/17
Dana Hollis	7/18
Felicity Collier	7/21
David Bailes	7/22
Jennifer Steen	7/22
Lisa Dinning	7/23
Cameron Middleton	7/24
Bobbi Middleton	7/25
Beverly Henschel	7/26
Julie Krenz	7/27
Jennifer Wynn	7/28
Dawn Dunagan	7/31

Scott & Bobbi Middleton	7/9
Ron & Joice Fangmann	7/10
Paul & Claudia Downing	7/17
Herb & Nancy Sanders	7/17
Mark & Wendy Sanders	7/19
John & Sue Walling	7/24
Marshall & Judy Hodge	7/30



LIVING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ONLINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE AT LIVING SAVIOR

Introduction

Living Savior has partnered with a company called VANCO to provide optional online giving. VANCO is the preferred vendor of financial services for Concordia Technology Solutions and is widely used both in business and with religious institutions. Concordia Technology provides many of the software products we currently use at Living Savior and has a solid reputation as a software vendor for churches like ours.

VANCO was selected both for its competitive cost and fee structure and because of its compatibility with our church database, Shepherd’s Staff. Shepherd’s Staff is the CTS product we use to manage both financial and non-financial data.

Offerings Option

Online offerings can now be made by selecting the **Offerings** menu option, then clicking on the **Give Now** button.

Security

All of the financial data that you provide for the online giving screens is

secured within VANCO. None of this data is saved on Living Savior’s website. The LSLC website “knows” nothing about your personal financial data.

Type of Transaction	ACH Fee	Transaction Fee
eCheck (<i>Transfer from Checking or Savings Account</i>)	\$0.45	1%
Debit or Credit Card		
<i>Visa/Master Card/Discover</i>	\$0.45	2.75%
<i>Amex Card</i>	\$0.45	3.50%

Fees

As with other electronic payment options, there is a fee associated with online giving to a church. VANCO was selected, in part, because of competitive fee structure. These fees are documented above.

Help

For help in using the **Give Now** screen, click on this link :

https://00.b5z.net/i/u/10159209/f/giveplus_online_embed_how_it_works.pdf

To learn how to use the **Mobile Phone App**, click on this link :

<https://player.vimeo.com/video/262292774?title=0&byline=0&portrait=0>

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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		5:00 Girl Scout Troop 10822 Meeting		10:00 LWML	- Pastor's Day Off -	10:00 Music Practice
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:00 Early Service 9:15 Fellowship 9:30 SS & Bible class 10:45 Late Service	6:00 Women's Bible Study El Bosque			National Youth Gathering	National Youth Gathering - Pastor's Day Off -	National Youth Gathering 8:30 Council Mtg 10:00 Music Practice
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