

The Rooster's Crow

The Georgetown Texas Emmaus Newsletter

April 2011

Greetings from Our Spiritual Director!

It always amazes me the paradox of Lent and its namesake, spring. On one hand you have a mindfulness of mortality and weakness, suffering and injustice, even death itself... While it all takes place as the world around us bursts forth into Spring, into renewal, rebirth, resurrection...



I think God planned it this way!

Perhaps part of God's message is this - If you or someone you care about is in a difficult place, perhaps a time of darkness, take heart for the Light has come - "even darkness is as light to God" (Psalm 139:12). As sad as we may be in experiencing suffering or reflecting on our mortality and powerlessness, it is counterbalanced by the growing light, beauty and promise of the Life around us. Take heart! Easter is the glorious ending to Good Friday. We will always live with God!

I encourage all of you to participate in Holy Week services and activities. Our April Gathering falls on Palm Sunday, the 17th. We will focus on the Way of the Cross from the old purple worship books. Please come to remember, in community, as we recall Christ's love and share in the Lord's Supper and the agape feast.

"Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

De Colores, Ann Hagmann

Help Wanted...

4th Day Speakers needed - contact Terry France or email francetl.france@gmail.com

Agape - if you need help sending Agape to an event OR if you have leftover Agape, contact Anne Castle at 512-863-4843 or anncastle@texasfixtures.com





Wanted: Strong Voices for Song Leader Job - if you'd like to assist with the music for our 4th Day Gathering please contact Jane King(justjane111@gmail.com) or Janet Pyle (janetlynn29@hotmail.com).

Articles, Devos, and News - If you would like to write a short article, devotional or just have news to share, please send it to Ken Sommerville or ksommerville@yahoo.com by the last Friday of the month for publication in the next newsletter.

APRII GATHERING SUNDAY, 4/17 5:30PM @ FUMC

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GATHERING is Homecoming SUNDAY, 5/15 5:30 PM @ FUMC

In the McKinney Ministry Center (MMC)

Upcoming Events!

<u>April 21&22</u> - 7pm - 2 performances of "The Living Last Supper" at Florence UMC. Free admission, Donations for Florence Food Pantry accepted.

<u>April 21&22</u> - 7pm - 2 performances of "The Living Last Words" at St John's UMC in Georgetown. Free admission. Love offerings accepted.

<u>May 15</u> - The Georgetown Emmaus Community will be hosting a Homecoming. We have invited neighboring communities to join us for a special afternoon of worship, song, fellowship and food. Please join us and invite your family members (whether they've been on a walk, or not). This event will be at FUMC in Georgetown at the McKinney Ministry Center (MMC) at 5:30pm.

<u>Taize Worship at First Presbyterian Church in Georgetown</u> - There are two opportunities left this year to experience this special service of wholeness and healing, May 1 and May 22 at 7:30pm. Please contact George Biggs at 512-863-2837 for more information. <u>http://www.fpcgeorgetown.org/worship.php?id=3</u>

<u>October 1</u> - 2011 Central Texas Conference Walk to Emmaus Gathering at Glen Lake. The theme is "*Fanning the Flame*". Put this on your calendar as you won't want to miss it. More info - <u>http://www.gbgm-umc.org/ctcwte/</u> <u>conference%20gathering.htm</u>

Treasurer's Report



Balance as of 02/28/11:	\$1516.86
March Offering:	101.10
Purple Book Sales <u>:</u>	3.00
Balance as of 03/31/11:	\$1620.96
De Colores,	
Jackie Hammar	

New Pilgrims...

Tammy Walton has informed me that she is sponsoring Rose Carrillo on Walk #367 at Latham Springs on April 7-10. Let's keep Tammy and Rose (and any other pilgrims from our community) in our prayers.

At the last gathering we welcomed some new pilgrims to our community - Ronan Shackelford, Spencer Cheney and Rudy Torrez - all pilgrims from Walk #365 at Latham Springs.

If you have recently sponsored, or will soon sponsor, a pilgrim, please invite them to join our community gatherings and send their email addresses to <u>ksommerville@yahoo.com</u>

Upcoming Walks in 2011

Women's Walks:

367 - 04/07/11 - Latham Springs 369 - 07/07/11 - Lone Oak Ranch 371 - 09/08/11 - Latham Springs 374 - 10/20/11 - Glen Lake

Men's Walks : 368 - 05/12/11 - Glen Lake 370 - 07/21/11 - Lone Oak Ranch 372 - 09/22/11 - Latham Springs 373 - 10/06/11 - Glen Lake 21 Pilgrims – 15 spaces available

0 Pilgrims – has not made the minimum

6 Pilgrims – has not made the minimum

27 Pilgrims – 9 spaces available



Kairos Weekends :

Hughes Unit #28 - 04/13/11 - Please be in prayer for the residents who will be attending as well as the team who will be serving.

Prayer Requests

If anyone has prayer requests that they would like announced in upcoming newsletters, please send them to <u>ksommerville@yahoo.com</u> any time before the last Friday of the month and they will be published here.

Names will appear on this list for 1 month and then be removed.

Please resubmit if prayers are still needed. Only first names will be used for privacy reasons.



Our Neighboring Communities!

See what's happening with our neighboring 4th Day Communities:

Round Rock Emmaus - <u>http://www.roundrockemmaus.org/</u> 4th Day Disciples (Florence) - <u>http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=127822177662</u> Open Door Emmaus (Waco) - <u>http://www.digitex.net/royw/</u>

If you'd like the link for your group posted here, please contact ksommerville@yahoo.com

Reunion Groups

If you are not active in a reunion group—how about looking here?



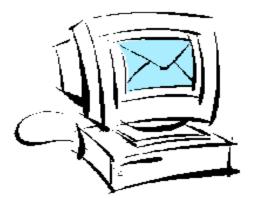
Women						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	Location Varies	Morning Glories	Tina Lawhon	863-3759	Full
	4:00 PM	Wellspring UMC	Wellspring Women	Judith Carver	863-7667	Open
(2nd & 4th)5:30 PM	Linda Lindell's Home	Pass It On	Linda Lindell	863-8161	Full
Tuesday	9:30 AM	FUMC Rm 301	Joyful Noise	Sena Leese	863-5491	Open
	4:00 PM	Juanita Mason's	SonSet	Juanita Mason	863-3522	Open
	4:00 PM	Sun City Homes	Joyous Angels	Liz Offord	864-0918	Open
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Member's homes	Morning Chicks	Peggy Blair	863-7778	Open
	4:30 PM	FUMC Room 304	Grace Galore	Nancy Marsh	863-9181	Open
Thursday	6:45 AM	FUMC	Rainbow Connection	Jeannine Fairburn	863-5962	Open
	3:00 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Glory Gals	Virginia Davis	863-7869	Open
	6:15 PM	Wesleyan Estrella	Legacies Sisters	Amber Nickerson	636-6386	Full
	7:00 PM	Knorre's Home	Lifeline	Barbara Knorre	863-9708	Open
Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market-Sun City	Saturday Sisters	Polly Nelon	930-5091	Full

Men						
Day	Time	Location	Name	Contact	Phone	Status
Monday	7:00 AM	FUMC Parlor	Hombres de Colores	Wayne Merritt	259-1884	Open
(2nd & 4th)3:15 PM	FUMC Parlor	Bill's Group	Karl Poorter	864-0155	Open
(2nd & 4th)6:00 PM	Horizon House	Eye of the Storm	Ken Sommerville	791-9846	Open
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Horizon House	Journeymen	Clint Fraser	863-9242	Open
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Daylight Donuts	The Pilgrims			Open
	6:15 PM	FUMC Library	Fourth Day Guys	Stephen Benold	863-8467	Open
Friday	6:30 AM	Taco Cabana	Sunrise Guys	Jim Wilson	863-6244	Open
	10:00 AM	St. John's Library	Fishermen	Don Nedrud	869-2852	Open
Saturday	7:00 AM	Whataburger	Los Cincos Gallos	Bill Jones	863-3628	Full

We're looking for contact info for "The Pilgrims" reunion group.

If you, or someone you know, is a member of this group, please contact <u>ksommerville@yahoo.com</u> so that this list can be updated.

If your reunion group is not listed here, please send the meeting time, name, contact info and whether you are Open to new members to <u>ksommerville@yahoo.com</u>.



Visit us on the web: <u>http://www.gbgm-umc.org/ctcwte/</u> Emmaus Central Conference Web Site

Emmaus 2011 gathering dates

Gathering Date Gathering Location St John's UMC January 16 First UMC February 20 March 20 St John's UMC April 17 First UMC May 15 ** Homecoming!!! FUMC June 19 First UMC St John's UMC July 21 First UMC August 21 September 18 St John's UMC October 16 First UMC November 20 St. John's UMC December 18 First UMC We will meet on the third Sunday of the month. Worship begins at 5:30pm.

Your Leadership Team for 2011

Spiritual Director: Ann Hagmann - <u>revdrann@hotmail.com</u>

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We hope that you find this newsletter helpful and that it helps you stay involved in your 4th Day Walk.

If it is not, please contact Ken Sommerville: <u>ksommerville@yahoo.com</u> or send a note to 116 Shady Oak Drive, Georgetown, TX 78628 to Unsubscribe.