



Rooster Crow April 2021

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!
ZOOM GATHERINGS!!**

APRIL 18: ZOOM

MAY 16: ZOOM

JUNE 20: ZOOM

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the third Sunday each month at 5:30 pm and will be held by Zoom until we can meet again in person. Please join us for worship and fellowship!!

GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY GATHERING

Gathering for April will be held virtually on Zoom.

We look forward to everyone joining for an uplifting service.

Zoom access info below . . .

FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: Amy Scott

Georgetown Emmaus Gathering Zoom Access

Georgetown Emmaus will be gathering under more restrictive Zoom security. Mark McCartney will be sending out the link to the Zoom access the week before gathering. We will NOT require pre-registration this month so it should be easier to join. Just use the link Mark sends and we will let you into the call. Let Linda Miles and Mark McCartney know if you do not receive the email by April 18 or if you have someone to add to the Georgetown community email lists.

We are still in need of 4th Day speakers for June through September. Please discern where God is calling you to share your witness.

From our Spiritual Director Ann Hagmann

Hello Co-Journeymers,

On April 4 we celebrated Easter 2021; we celebrated the Living Rising Lord. That means two great things to me. That means Jesus is here and now, today present with us ... *Alive*, available. The Good Shepherd is our Companion today and always, we need only open to Him; to make room for Him. How blessed is life with Him! The verse in Revelations of Jesus at our door knocking is double sided. Yes, He is asking to come in, for us to make room for Him, but Jesus is also inviting us out into the world around us – people, animals, Nature, communities we are called to *love*; a world of people where we are invited to see Jesus in each and all; a world where we are called to be Jesus' salt and light. After all, "God so loved the world" Life, our life, is about all of us together, both personal and communal.

And thank goodness there is an abundance of *grace!* ... God's power in us to do what we can't on our own; grace for living bravely, for trusting and loving together.

Easter also marks something else, our greatest *hope* that because He lives, we too shall live! Oh, my friends what amazing news! This is not the end; it is also not a dress rehearsal; but it is every reason to look deep within ourselves and seek wholeness in our lives and relationships. God bless each of you!

I wish you a joyous and loving Easter. Ann Hagmann, SD

Gathering Highlights

We were all blessed by the March Georgetown Emmaus Gathering. Rev Mary Powell and Rev John Clifford led us through scripture of Jesus' final days on earth. They captured the voice of four witnesses to holy week sharing individual responses to Jesus' suffering. And in their sharing, we look deeply at our response to Jesus' gift of salvation. Thank you to all our clergy for their spiritual leadership in our 4th day walk.





**Georgetown Ecumenical
Service of Wholeness
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Virtual Service on Zoom

Sunday, April 25 at 6:30 PM

See article below with Zoom Information

TREASURER'S REPORT:
Balance as of Gathering:
Not Available

Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers

Please consider presenting the 4th Day Talk at a gathering this year. See our Georgetown Emmaus Website for 4th Day Talk Information. Both you and the community will be blessed by your witness.

April 18	Amy Scott
May 16	Tina LaCagnina & Anne Castle
June 20	Open
July 18	Open
August 15	Open
September 19	Open

Please contact Ronan Shackelford or Mary Jane Berry if you are willing to present your witness. Pray about the 2021 gatherings and your call to witness.

Georgetown Ecumenical Service of Wholeness



Zoom Gathering: The Gentleness of Jesus

April 25, 2021 @ 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Zoom bridge <https://wholeness-service.org/2020/10/19/zoomlink/>

Join us in our congregational Zoom Gathering on April 25 for the eighth in our series of congregational Zoom gatherings! On this day, we will come together again as a Body, worship, and listen to Rev. Mary Powell's meditation entitled, "The Gentleness of Jesus"

In the gathering, you will have an opportunity to:

- light your own candles at home to reflect your prayers
- lift up personally prayer requests during the intercessory time
- observe a few minutes of deep silence together

Be sure to check us out on YouTube and Facebook for all of our virtual worship offerings, which are posted at various times during the month. Our Zoom Bridge can be accessed on this page: [Wholeness 2020: Prayers by Zoom](#)

MEDITATION

From Van Walton, Proverbs 31 Ministries

"Oh, sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! ...tell of his salvation from day to day." Psalm 96:1-2 (ESV)

It does not matter what part of the country I am living in during winter. Whether the temperatures have just dipped below freezing or I have endured a deep freeze for months, I always eagerly anticipate spring! I try very hard to be upbeat all winter, keeping my grumbling to myself. Staying positive during dreary days is difficult for me. Gray skies, cold air, wind, and short days depress me.

On the other hand, when sunshine peaks through the clouds and warm breezes penetrate my skin, my mood changes immediately. The truth is that I have a hard time persevering through winter months. I wish it were spring all year long.

Why do I like spring? I like new life. I can't help but open my eyes with a smile when birds' songs announce a new day. The smell of fresh wet dirt just after a good rain causes me to breathe life back into my wilting soul. Maybe it is the call of the wild or a basic instinct to start tilling, I am not sure. I just know that I thrive on all things in the spring.

When I first notice the flowers pushing through the dark dirt, I cannot contain myself. I become a fan cheering for the team of flowers that has fought the miraculous fight – popping out of a hard seed in a deep and dark place, forcing their way up though the cold soil, eventually tasting the bright rays of sunshine, and finally blooming in all their glorious color. Clapping and jumping, I announce to my neighbors and friends, "Another spring is here. The flowers are blooming again. Look at them. They are more glorious than ever!"

Guess what? I have great news! In God's economy every day is spring! How can I make every day like spring? Celebrate my salvation. Praise God everyday with new songs that tell of His love and new life. Be intentional every day to be renewed. Make it a priority to become deeply acquainted with God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Learn something new about Him every day! Be an ambassador. Share the good news daily, either through good deeds or saving words. Ask for God's guidance.

Dear Lord, thank you that every day You shower Your new mercies down on those You love. Help me to always see the new thing You are doing in my life. Give me wisdom and strength to respond in a way that would please and glorify You. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.



Newsletter Articles and Devotionals WANTED:

If you have any inspirational or wonderful devotionals you would like to share with our Emmaus brothers and sisters, please send to Linda Miles at mileslm75@gmail.com .



CENTRAL TEXAS EMMAUS

Tina LaCagnina, CTC Emmaus Board Representative, reported the following at the March Gathering . . .

The three walks for 2021 noted below each have pilgrims signed up already. Please look at sponsoring someone for these walks. Anne Castle and Tina will present the 4th day talk in May on sponsorship guidelines. Please be in prayer about sponsorship and planning for upcoming 2021 walks.

Georgetown Emmaus is the community sponsor for Walk 460 in October. Information on the community responsibilities will be presented at the April Gathering.

The in-person Annual Conference wide Gathering tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 7th at Central UMC in Waco. Tina is looking for individuals willing to support this event. Please contact her if you are interested.

The walks for 2021 have been rescheduled to continue in safety during the pandemic. Here are changes to the Walk Schedule.

Men Walks 2021:

Walk 457 August or September - Solid Rock Camp

Women Walks 2021:

Walk 458 - July 15-18 - Solid Rock Camp

Walk 460 - October 7-10 - Greene Family Camp - Note the sponsoring community is Georgetown
**** Jessica Smith is Lay Director & Tommy Prud'homme is Spiritual Director and Tina LaCagnina is Board Rep

Sign up for participation on a team!!! Contact Tina LaCagnina or Anne Castle if you are interested. You will be blessed by participating in the Emmaus weekend. You can find the team application form on the Central Texas Emmaus website at

<http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/walk-info/2020walks>.

REUNION GROUPS



From DAY FOUR, The Pilgrim's Continued Journey

Many aspects of our world threaten the survival of the life which the Walk to Emmaus presents – the truly Christian, truly human life. Once we have returned to our everyday world, it does not take us long to discover that it is well-nigh impossible to go it alone. One way of being in touch with God's power to make that new life totally secure is through contact with other Christians who share the priority of a life in grace. . . the group reunion is a way of maintaining that contact – an important means of persevering in the life in grace.

If you are not meeting with a reunion group, please contact one of our brothers or sisters below to connect in the life of grace.

GROUP	TYPE	DAY	TIME	PLACE	STATE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
Pass It On	Women	Monday 1st & 3rd	5:15 PM		full	Linda Lindell	(512) 863-8161	Lindell108@gmail.com
The GoFourthers	Women	Monday	5:00 PM	St John UMC Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	hnrylucas@aol.com
Soul Sisters	Women	Thursday 2nd & 4th	3:30 PM	ZOOM	open	Dianne Nickerson	(817) 269-4149	dnickerson314@gmail.com
Rainbow Connection	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	FUMC Library	open	Jeannine Fairburn	(512) 863-5962	jw5689f@suddenlink.net
Lifetime Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:00 AM	McDonald's, Williams Dr	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	bknorre@suddenlink.net
Grace Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	FUMC, room 301	open	Nancy Marsh	(512) 864-6501	nmarsh@earthlink.net
Saturday Sisters	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market, Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johnson	(512) 636-5572	meolix@gmail.com
Wesleyan Women	Women	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Wesley Independent	closed	Mary Powell	(512) 740-8984	maryfisherp@gmail.com
Hombres DeColores	Men	Monday	8:00 AM	ZOOM	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com
Wellspring Men	Men	Tuesday	6:30 PM	ZOOM	open	Robert Miles	(512) 656-3313	milesrm71@gmail.com
Eye of the Storm	Men	Saturday	7:00 AM	Mariachis De Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	ksommerville@yahoo.com

OUR WONDERFUL LEADERSHIP

Our great leadership wishes you all the best as we move into 2021. Most of the Georgetown Emmaus leadership have agreed to continue through 2021 in their 2020 roles. Many thanks to each of them for this service to the Emmaus Community. **We are still in need of an AV/Technical support leader.**

Spiritual Director: Rev. Dr. Ann Hagmann revdrann@hotmail.com

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