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MARCH 2024

GEORGETOWN EMMAUS 4th DAY GATHERING

Sunday, March 17

At 5:30 p.m.

St John's GMC

311 East University Avenue

2024

MARCH 17: St John's GMC

APRIL 21: The Wesleyan

MAY 19: First UMC

Emmaus Gatherings are held on the third Sunday
each month at 5:30 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: Roger Clayton

Join Georgetown Emmaus on St. Patrick's Day for a time of worship and fellowship. St. John's Global Methodist Church will host our gathering worship and pot luck. Roger Clayton, pastor at St. John's and longtime Emmaus co-journeyer will be our fourth day speaker. We are looking forward to hearing a wonderful 4th day talk.

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.

March 17	St John GMC	Roger Clayton
April 21	The Wesleyan	Tim Nickerson
May 19	First UMC	Brenda Rumbellow
June 16	St John GMC	Open
July 21	Wellspring UMC	Agape Party
August 18	First UMC	Rita Handley
September 15	St John GMC	Open
October 20	The Wesleyan	Open
November 17	First UMC	Dan Bonner
December 15	St John GMC	Spiritual Directors

Thank you to each of you who will share your witness with the Emmaus community. Please contact Brenda Rumbellow or Linda Miles if you are willing to present a 4th Day Talk at a gathering.



Spiritual Director
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Rev John Clifford
Rev Mary Powell
Rev Bob Sinclair

The Emmaus spiritual director is trained to listen, discern and sometimes ask questions. The task of the spiritual director is to diligently pay attention to the person's story and the Spirit, and to encourage spiritual growth. Thanks to each of our spiritual directors for being there for each of us in the Emmaus community.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations.

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



De Colores !!

Your Spiritual Directors



Greetings From Your Lay Directors

The Georgetown 4th day group celebrated a blessed worship on February 18 at First UMC. We had a record attendance of “31” Emmaus co-journeymers. The music group was AWESOME! We are thankful for all the talented volunteers to lead our musical worship. Roger France did a great 4th Day Talk. And the fellowship was wonderful. Thanks to all who participated in the worship service.

DeColores!

Linda Miles and Brenda Rumbellow

16 Rejoice always, 17 pray continually, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



GT COMMUNITY TREASURER’S REPORT:

Balance as of April

\$1062.00

Be on the lookout for a new partner for Georgetown Emmaus 4th Day Gatherings



The Wesleyan Independent Living Community will begin hosting Georgetown 4th Day Gatherings in April. The first Gathering will be held in the Hewlett Room on Sunday April 21 at 5:30 pm. Dan Bonner is coordinating the gathering site and would welcome any assistance you may want to offer. His contact information is on the leaders page of this newsletter.

There is a piano available for music if needed. If you are able to support music for April, Let Linda Miles know. We can have food but there will be no kitchen facilities so plan on more finger foods and snacky type potluck. Wellspring will host the potluck by bringing the paper goods, utensils, and the drinks. (Oh, and a blessing that Tim Nickerson of Wellspring will bring the 4th day talk)

Please plan on joining us in April for this new gathering location. Our prayer is that we will be able to see many of our Wesleyan resident Emmaus Co-Journeymers at this gathering. We miss seeing them every month at the churches.



“I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it abundantly.”
(John 10:10)

A DEVOTION Submitted by Linda Miles
From Prayers & Promises for a Hurting World
“Pray Like a Child”

Lord, we come here again, empty, with no burning desire for You in our hearts. Yet You ask us to come before You and present our requests. So, as an act of obedience, we pray. As an act of obedience, we praise. Our small sacrifice - giving You back a few minutes of the life that was Your gift to us in the first place – is nothing, but You count it as worship. You are a God who knows us to be worse than we can imagine, yet You treat us as more righteous than we can ever be.

Thank you, Lord. We confess that our minds wander; draw us back, again and again, into Your presence. We confess that we doubt You are listening; remind us that You are near. We confess that we doubt Your power; show it to us, Lord. We confess that we don't understand how prayer works; give us the discipline to turn to You anyway, until praying becomes as natural as breathing. We cannot demand, yet You tell us to ask. We cannot control Your timing, but you tell us to keep asking. We cannot understand this, so we ask You to increase our faith until it is as unshakable as a child's. Amen.



SAVE THE DATES

As we enter the new year, The Upper Room Emmaus Ministries Office invites you to save the following dates.

INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL GATHERING: April 19 at 7:00 p.m. (CT)

This yearly event will bring together Emmaus Ministries community leaders and members from around the globe. Together, we will praise God in song and hear from lay and clergy speakers as they share their Fourth Day experiences. We will meet in small groups to share and encourage each other on the journey. The session will end with a love feast that will provide us with an opportunity to continue to open ourselves to God's grace.

Register at

https://www.upperroom.org/walktoemmaus/gathering?utm_source=The+Upper+Room+Newsletters&utm_campaign=0e207d487c-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_01_15_05_31_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0542d9a4cf-0e207d487c-205776939

2023-2024 GEORGETOWN ECUMENICAL WHOLENESS SERVICE

What is the
Wholeness Service?
History

The Georgetown Ecumenical Wholeness Service started in the late 1990's at First Presbyterian Church as a ministry of healing prayer for those in need. As it grew, it attracted other churches and soon formed an ecumenical circle of leadership. After a few years, the service adopted a second style of contemplative prayer. Named for the French Christian community of the same name, Taizé Common Prayer now intersects with the original service of Healing and Wholeness, expanding the opportunities to connect with the Holy Spirit. Supported by a fellowship of Christians in Greater Williamson County, Texas, the Wholeness Service may take place in any of its partner churches. Our host for the current season is San Gabriel Presbyterian Church, Georgetown, Texas.

Prayers from Taizé

Congregational songs in our services are an ancient form of contemplative prayer. In Taizé, France, a worldwide congregation of monks and pilgrims pray together three times daily. Based on early Christian chant, their united voices sing short, easy phrases,

repeated many times. Each song is enhanced by vocal and instrumental solos. Like the Taizé congregations, we find that singing together helps to open our hearts to the Spirit, encouraging our focus on God alone. Also in the tradition of Taizé, we observe a long moment of silence, deep in each Wholeness Service. During this moment we pause to sit silently with God.

Candlelight Intercession

Intercessory prayers are the heart of the Wholeness Service. From its beginnings, people met to pray for each other and for personal needs. Prayers are offered for neighbors and for the world. All concerns are welcomed, and all are invited to speak at the appropriate time. Following group intercession, every person is given the chance to light a candle representing their prayers.

Anointing with Oil

During candle lighting, there is an opportunity for private prayer accompanied by the laying on of hands and anointing with oil. You can receive prayer for yourself or for another. Private prayer with a pastor is also offered in a secluded space. If you would like prayer at your seat, please let us know. We will be happy to serve you in place.

Illumination of Scripture

Brief messages are presented each month by ministers of the Word. Combined with song and prayer, scriptural illumination adds God's Word to the evening's meditation. Messages are focused—topically and scripturally—in ways that help the assembly to discern and commune with the Holy Spirit. Each year features a new set of topics. For the 2023-2024 season, we welcome you with a series on called "Pursuing Peace."

Open Communion

Understanding that the communion table is the Lord's Table and not the property of any church or group, we celebrate the reality of Jesus' love for everyone.

All are welcome and embraced here.

We gather in wholeness around the table as the children of God to feed on Christ's Grace, which bids us all to come and join in communion. Gluten free elements are an option, as is service at your seat.



Pursuing Peace

2023-2024
6:30p.m. in the Church Sanctuary of San Gabriel Presbyterian Church

September 24, 2023	<i>Love Your Neighbor</i>
October 22, 2023	<i>Be Not Afraid</i>
November 19, 2023	<i>From Anger to Peace</i>
December 17, 2023	<i>Peace for All</i>
January 28, 2024	<i>Peace Within</i>
February 25, 2024	<i>Forgiving Peace</i>
March 24, 2024	<i>Believing in Peace</i>
April 28, 2024	<i>Power of Peace</i>
May 26, 2024	<i>Responsible Peace</i>

Additional Events

August 27, 2023	<i>Singalong Social 4:00—6:00 PM</i>
November 1, 2023	<i>All Saints' Observance (Outdoors at Sunset)</i>

Worship Leadership Team:
Rev. Steve Buchele, Rev. John Clifford, Jim Deuser,
Rev. Vicki Joy McClure, Ginger Mann,
Sean Mann, Rev. Mary Powell, Rev. Mary Sallet,
and Karen Strange



This week starts the first Walk of 2024 with Central Texas Conference Emmaus!!

Women's Walk 478: 2/29-3/3 at Glen Lake Camp in Glen Rose. This is a full Walk! Praise God!! Keep all the pilgrims, team, and sponsors headed to Glen Rose in your prayers today and through the weekend.

Now it is time to start filing up the next Walks in April and May.

- Men's Walk 479 NEW DATE/LOCATION: April 4-7, at Foundation Methodist Church, 10751 W. Adams, Temple, 76502.
- Women's Walk 480: April 18-21, Latham Springs Camp, 134 Private Rd 223, Aquilla, 76622
- Men's Walk 481: May 2-5, Solid Rock Camp, 509 Co Rd 570A, Eastland, 76448

We want to make you aware of a couple of changes. Due to rising costs of camps and other costs for the Walks, the CTC Emmaus Board has raised the fee effective immediately for Walks to \$225.00 for Pilgrims & Team Members. Please throw away any Pilgrim Applications you may have and use only the ones dated November 20, 2023. You can find the updated Pilgrim Application on the CTC Website - <http://ctcemmaus.org/images/ctemmaus/emmausapplication.pdf>

SUPPORT FOR MEN'S WALK 479

Georgetown Emmaus has been contacted by Rob Frazier, the Lay Director for the upcoming Temple-area men's walk - #479 - about needing more team members (and pilgrims). Just so you know, this walk has been plagued with problems and rescheduled several times already (both dates and locations). It will be the first walk in years, that will NOT be held at an encampment, but rather a local church in Temple. The walk is currently scheduled for **April 4-7 at Foundation Methodist Church in Temple.**

If you would like to serve, please contact

- Rob Frazier at high_flyer@yahoo.com 254-423-9474 or
- Rev Mary Powell at maryfisherp@gmail.com or
- Tina LaCagnina at tinalacagnina@gmail.com



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

SUSCRIBE to the UPPER ROOM EMMAUS MINISTRIES E-NEWS

<https://mailchi.mp/upperroom/emmaus-eneews-february-2024?e=1a1d6bd6a7>

See what is happening in Emmaus across the world and share in the ministry.



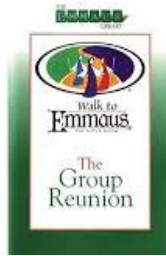
Servant Leadership

2024 GEORGETOWN EMMAUS 4TH DAY GROUP LEADERSHIP

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Our Emmaus 4th Day Group continues looking to each of you to discern where you can support our Emmaus walk in Georgetown. We are blessed by a dedicated leadership team. Many thanks to each of those who have agreed to serve in their role for 2024 for the Emmaus community. If you are interested in serving in any leadership role or on an Emmaus team, please contact one of the Lay Directors and let them know.

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
Rainbow Connection	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	FUMC Library	open	Jeannine Fairburn	(512) 863-5962	jw5689f@suddenlink.net
Lifetime Reunion	Women	Thursday	9:30 AM	Barbara's home	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	bknorre@suddenlink.net
Grace Galore	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	FUMC, room 301	open	Nancy Marsh	512-635-0036	nmarsh.tx@gmail.com
Saturday Sisters	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market, Sun City	open	Mary Meoli John	(512) 636-5572	meolitx@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	The Wesleyan	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com
Eye of the Storm	Men	Saturday	7:00 AM	Mariachis De Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	ksommerville@yahoo.com

