

# Rooster Crow October 2023



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!  
GEORGETOWN GATHERINGS!!**

**OCTOBER 15: Wellspring UMC**

**NOVEMBER 19: First UMC**

**DECEMBER 17: St John's GMC**

**JANUARY 21: Wellspring UMC**

**FEBRUARY 18: First UMC**

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

**GEORGETOWN EMMAUS  
4<sup>th</sup> DAY GATHERING  
Sunday, October 15  
At 5:30 p.m.  
Wellspring UMC  
6200 Williams Drive**

## **FOURTH DAY SPEAKER: TBD**

Join Georgetown Emmaus on October 15 for a time of worship and fellowship.  
Wellspring United Methodist Church will host for our gathering worship and pot luck.

### **Upcoming Fourth Day Speakers**

**Please consider presenting the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Talk at a gathering this year. See our Georgetown Emmaus Website for 4<sup>th</sup> Day Talk Information.**

<b>October 15</b>	<b>Wellspring UMC</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>November 19</b>	<b>First UMC</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>December 17</b>	<b>St John GMC</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>January 21</b>	<b>Wellspring UMC</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>February 18</b>	<b>First UMC</b>	<b>Open</b>

**Please contact **Rev John Clifford, Rev May Powell, Brenda Rumbellow or Carolyn Henry** if you are willing to present your witness.**

### **GT COMMUNITY TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Balance as of April**

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## From Spiritual Director,

I took my broken keyboard to Best Buy to be repaired and they couldn't tell me when it would be back or how much it would cost, so I sadly kept it with me since I was headed out of town. You see, on that mid-September day I was headed to Houston for the New Room Conference at the Woodlands Methodist Church. It is a source of renewal and learning for leaders across the various Wesleyan denominations. (You can go next year if you wish.) The worship was especially sweet and exciting at the same time. We even had a panel explain their experiences at the Asbury Outpouring last February, which was inspiring. So what was the theme of our time together? Over and over the message was "Keep your eyes on Jesus First!" That is so simple but so profound. At one point some of you have heard me describe what it was like to sing acapella *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* with 3000+ people at once. We ended the song in extended silence as we were so moved at the obvious presence of God in the room.

When I returned home and opened my broken computer keyboard I was startled to see that the key that was missing and needing repair was **the J** and it was in **the center** of the keyboard. Every time I open the computer it stares at me reminding me to keep Jesus in the center of all I do. I challenge you to remember to always focus long enough to keep Jesus at the beginning of each thing you do, too.

If you want a taste of what our worship was like, enjoy the following short clip and watch out for someone you know. Let's plan for a group to go next year.

Check out "New Room 2023 - Recap" from Seedbed on Vimeo.

The video is available for your viewing pleasure at <https://vimeo.com/868825171>

DE COLORES!!

BLESSINGS TO ALL

Rev. Mary Powell



## WALK 476 CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP

Walk 476 Candlelight Worship Service will be held on Saturday October 7 beginning around 7:30 at Greene Family Camp, 1192 Smith Lane, Bruceville, TX. The greater Temple region (consisting of Twin Lakes, Rainbow, Georgetown and Round Rock Area 4th day groups) will be the Sponsoring Group with Carolyn Henry and Rev. Mary Powell from Georgetown taking leadership roles. Please plan on joining this time of celebration and praise!!

*Walk 476 needs your continued prayers as we call on God to bless each pilgrim with what they need to support and encourage their daily walk with Jesus. Please consider joining our voices for the walk weekend (October 5-8) as part of the walk Prayer Vigil. You can sign up for specific prayer times on the website below.*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0944A5AD2AA2FBC25-central>





## Greetings From Your Lay Directors



Thanks to all who attended the September gathering. We were honored to commission members of Walk to Emmaus teams. Rev. Roger Clayton will serve as clergy on a walk in the Texas Conference. Terry France, Tina LaCagnina, Mary Jane Berry, Beth Butler, Sally Lamb, and Linda Miles will serve on Walk 476 team October 5-8. We are also proud of Carolyn Henry and Rev Mary Powell who will be serving as Lay Director and Spiritual Director for the Community Worship at Candlelight on Walk 476. A big thanks was extended from the Walk 476 walk leadership for the Georgetown 4<sup>th</sup> day group support in renting a golf cart for the walk.

It was a pleasure to meet and welcome new Georgetown Emmaus Co-Journeyer, Rev. Roger Clayton. He is the pastor now at St. John's and is a wonderful addition to our clergy community.

A reminder that the Georgetown 4<sup>th</sup> Day Group will be electing new officers in December. Anyone interested in serving should contact us for information or to volunteer.

***DeColores!***

***Carolyn Henry and Brenda Rumbellow***



**Walk Team Member Commissioning**



**Pat Koym  
4<sup>th</sup> Day  
Speaker**



## 2023-2024 GEORGETOWN ECUMENICAL WHOLENES 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

## DEVOTION

*"The Lord your God is in your midst, a Mighty One Who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing." (Zephaniah 3:17 ESV)*

You can trust that God is with you, whether you are having a good day or a bad one, or you have obeyed or disobeyed. God is with you because He said He will never abandon nor part with you. It's mind-boggling to think that Almighty God takes pleasure in you and me. We are the "apple of His eye," and He wants nothing more than to shower us with blessings. Meditate on the descriptions of God's Love and Faithfulness in today's Scripture passage. Our Wonderful, Awesome Savior delights in pouring His love over us with peace, rest and strength to live the life He called us to live! He causes us to sink down in His Love. We are special to God and He takes pride in His creation. You can trust personally that God has prepared a place of safety for you, and that place is in Him for all eternity.

## **CENTRAL TEXAS EMMAUS**



Tina LaCagnina, CTC Emmaus Board Representative, continues to support our Georgetown Emmaus Community on the Central Texas Emmaus board. Please try to support each Walk as you are able.

Tina will be leaving the Board at the end of this year. Please contact Tina if you are interested in supporting the Board or the future Walks of Central Texas Emmaus.

**Sign up for participation on a team!!!** Contact Tina LaCagnina or Anne Castle if you are ever interested in serving on a team. **Discern where God is calling you to sponsor a Pilgrim on a walk!!!** Talk to friends in your community about the Walk to Emmaus and sign up a pilgrim for a 2023 Walk. You can find the team and pilgrim application forms at <http://ctcemmaus.org/index.php/downloads>

**The Pilgrims and you will all be blessed by participating in the Emmaus weekend.**

### 2023 Women's Walks

**Walk 476 - Oct 5-8**

Greene Family Camp, Bruceville, TX  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: TBD

### 2023 Men's Walks

**Walk 477 - Oct 19-22**

Glen Lake Camp and Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX  
Sponsoring 4th Day Group: Tarrant County

### **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](mailto:mileslm75@gmail.com)**

## **GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

The Georgetown Emmaus Community is in need of a Music Director. This role is a simple way for someone who is musically inclined to support the community. The role requires selecting the music for gatherings, providing music to the musicians (all available on the community file storage site), leading the singing and doing the annual reporting on our license. There is already a list of musicians (guitars, pianos, flute, etc) that are willing to play at the gatherings. Since most are experienced musicians, they do not normally practice between gatherings. Linda Miles prepares the song slides for the gatherings.

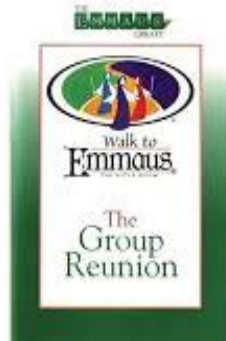
Please consider this as a service opportunity and contact John Clifford, Carolyn Henry, or Brenda Rumbellow if you are interested or know someone who may be interested. God bless you for all you do and the joy of music you can provide to our worship.

## **OUR WONDERFUL GEORGETOWN EMMAUS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

Our Emmaus Community continues looking to each of you to discern where you can support our 4<sup>th</sup> day walk in Georgetown. We are blessed by a dedicated leadership team. Many thanks to each of those below who have agreed to serve in their role for 2023 for the Emmaus Community. If you are interested in serving in any leadership role or an any Emmaus team, please contact one of the Lay Directors and let them know.

- Spiritual Director: Rev John Clifford [jayefsee@gmail.com](mailto:jayefsee@gmail.com)
- Spiritual Director: Rev Mary Powell [maryfisherp@gmail.com](mailto:maryfisherp@gmail.com)
- Co-Lay Directors: Carolyn Henry [hnrylucas@aol.com](mailto:hnrylucas@aol.com)
- Co-Lay Directors: Brenda Rumbellow [brumbellow@hotmail.com](mailto:brumbellow@hotmail.com)
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- Music Director:
- Treasurer: Chris at FUMC – Terry France contact
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## 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
<b>Pass It On</b>	Women	Monday 1st & 3rd	5:15 PM		full	Linda Lindell	(512) 863-8161	<a href="mailto:Lindell108@gmail.com">Lindell108@gmail.com</a>
<b>The GoFourthers</b>	Women	Monday	5:00 PM	St John UMC Horizon	open	Carolyn Henry	(512) 217-0879	<a href="mailto:hnrylucas@aol.com">hnrylucas@aol.com</a>
<b>Soul Sisters</b>	Women	Thursday 2nd & 4th	1:00 PM	Sun City	open	Dianne Nickerson	(817) 269-4149	<a href="mailto:dnickerson314@gmail.com">dnickerson314@gmail.com</a>
<b>Rainbow Connection</b>	Women	Thursday	7:00 AM	FUMC Library	open	Jeannine Fairburn	(512) 863-5962	<a href="mailto:jw5689f@suddenlink.net">jw5689f@suddenlink.net</a>
<b>Lifetime Reunion</b>	Women	Thursday	9:30 AM	Barbara's home	open	Barbara Knorre	(512) 863-9708	<a href="mailto:bknorre@suddenlink.net">bknorre@suddenlink.net</a>
<b>Grace Galore</b>	Women	Friday	10:00 AM	FUMC, room 301	open	Nancy Marsh	(512) 864-6501	<a href="mailto:nmarsh.tx@earthlink.net">nmarsh.tx@earthlink.net</a>
<b>Saturday Sisters</b>	Women	Saturday	8:00 AM	City Market, Sun City	open	Mary Meoli Johnson	(512) 636-5572	<a href="mailto:meolix@gmail.com">meolix@gmail.com</a>
<b>Wesleyan Women</b>	Women	Wednesday	8:00 AM	Wesley Independent	closed	Mary Powell	(512) 740-8984	<a href="mailto:maryfisherp@gmail.com">maryfisherp@gmail.com</a>
<b>Hombres DeColores</b>	Men	Monday	8:00 AM	The Wesleyan	open	Bill Marsh	(512) 635-0035	<a href="mailto:bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com">bill.marsh.tx@gmail.com</a>
<b>Eye of the Storm</b>	Men	Saturday	7:00 AM	Mariachis De Jalisco	open	Ken Sommerville	(512) 810-3848	<a href="mailto:ksommerville@yahoo.com">ksommerville@yahoo.com</a>

