

# GOOD NEWS



**2026**

## **St. Paul Lutheran Church**

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9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast 100.1 FM

Pastor: Tim W. Muehlbrad

Director of Christian Education: Terry Carmichael

### **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:**

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known;  
As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our Faith  
through studying God's Word and Worshipping God.*

# from the PASTOR

## From the Pastor

An advertisement in an auto magazine said, “Your spare tire is the most useless, and yet the most important part of your car.”

Day after day a spare tire stays tucked away in a dark trunk -- taken for granted, often forgotten, and completely neglected. Then one day a running tire goes flat on some busy freeway or a deserted road, and suddenly that spare tire in the trunk becomes the most vital part of the car. Many of us have said with a sigh of relief, “Wow, I’m sure glad to have had a good spare tire in the trunk.”

Some people treat their faith like that as well -- it is good to have the Church available for baptisms, marriages, funerals, and other special events. It’s somewhat like the cartoon I saw a while back describing the Church as a place to be “hatched, matched, and dispatched.” The trouble with all of that is, for the most part, the Church is rather neglected! People keep it in the “dark trunk” of their lives. They take it for granted, neglect it, even forget just how vital it is to a smooth-running life. They put the Church and they even put God on “hold” or on a standby basis.

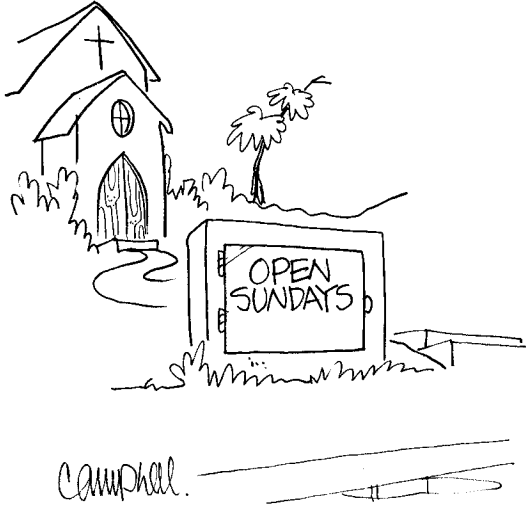
And then one day it happens! Bang! Pow! Flop, flop, flop, flop! Along comes a crisis, and everything is smashed flat. The weight of such an emergency simply presses the air out of a person’s life. And then our first thoughts turn to that trunk, and to spare tire that it contains.

The danger of that “spare tire” attitude toward faith is, that having opened the trunk, a person finds that even their “spare” has gone flat. Because of blatant neglect the air has seeped out, leaving it too weak and helpless to support the weight of the crisis.

No one can afford to travel through life with a “spare tire” attitude toward faith and still be able to maintain the kind of spiritual strength which will carry them through all the “pot-holes” which confront them.

For those who feel they have a “spare tire” attitude, you are invited to be involved and pumped up in the ministry of our congregation. Traveling on a journey of faith can be an exciting ride.

Peace,  
Tim W. Muehlbrad



Campbell.



**DIRECTOR  
OF  
CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION**

### **VBS Rainforest Falls**

Our VBS this year will be July 20-24. The theme is “Rainforest Falls” and we need Helpers to serve as leaders (or Tour Guides) of the age groups. If you are interested let Tina Boehm know. We would love to have you join us on this special Adventure into the Tropical Rainforest Falls!

### **Memorial Day Weekend**

On Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup> we will NOT be having classes in Sunday School due to the Memorial Day weekend. Don’t forget to join us again though on May 31<sup>st</sup> and for the month of June!

### **May 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday School Banner Celebration and Pizza!**

On Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup> we will be having a special Sunday School celebration of our Banner Attendance and School Year for the Nursery through 5<sup>th</sup> grades! Each month we have been tracking our attendance and the class averaging the best attendance gets to keep the Martin Luther Banner for their room for that month. We will end that celebration on that Sunday, have special games for the classes and end with a Pizza Party beginning at 11:00 a.m. so we can end at or around our regular time of 11:15. Make plans to be there! All we ask is that you please let Terry or Erin Koopmann know if you will be joining us for pizza by Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> so we know how much pizza to get! (Note we will have other items in case someone doesn’t want pizza)



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
April 14, 2026 @ 6 PM

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known; as we love one another, serve our neighbors, and grow in our faith through studying God's word and worshipping God.

1. **CALL TO ORDER-** The meeting of the Church Council of St. Paul Lutheran Church was called to order by Jeremy Kneese, President. Council members present for the meeting were Jeremy Kneese, Larry Gohmert, Linda Hurta, Erin Koopmann, Calvin Bruns, Ashleigh Peyton, Kristin Schustereit, Susan Franke, Wade Bolting, and Pastor Tim Muehlbrad. Terry Carmichael and Katie Serrano were also in attendance.
2. **DEVOTION-** Ashleigh Peyton opened the meeting with prayer.
3. **MINUTES-** Wade Bolting made a motion, which was seconded by Linda Hurta, to accept the minutes from March 10, 2026. The motion carried.
4. **REPORTS-**
  - a. **Treasurer/Stewardship-** Calvin Bruns provided a written report.
  - b. **Parish Education-** Erin Koopmann reported:
    1. The Easter egg hunt during Sunday school hour was well attended, despite the rainy weather.
    2. Terry and I are continuing to discuss plans for the Sunday School curriculum over the summer. He informed me that the SEED curriculum that we have used throughout the "School Year" continues through the summer, and we both agree that it is a good option to continue with. We intend to have definite plans by the beginning of May.

3. Terry and I also discussed asking for help with Sunday School on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, to relieve our teachers of their teaching obligations that day so that they can go and enjoy the Mother's Day festivities in the Fellowship Hall.
- c. **Youth Committee Report**-Laurey Garcia reported:
1. A big THANK YOU to Lane Geffert, Allie Geffert, Zoe Irvin, Temperance Flores, Kellan Diehl, Aydn Garcia, Benjamin Garcia, Kylie Diehl, Piper Peyton, Meigh Naranjo, Paige Rippamonti, Ellyn Warwas, Kellan Hahn, Gavin Naranjo, Kentley Garcia, and Levi Garcia, who were up early to prepare the delicious Easter breakfast and helped with the clean-up.
  2. The youth plan to give out Sunday School teacher appreciation gifts on Sunday, 5/3.
  3. On Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, during the Sunday School hour, we are planning Muffins with Mom in the Fellowship Hall. We hope all moms and grandmothers will attend and enjoy muffins with us!
  4. Our next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, @ 6 PM.
- d. **Youth Representative**-No report provided.
- e. **DCE**- Terry Carmichael reported
1. Besides the normal duties (Childcare chapels, Sunday School, and other duties), the following were accomplished:
    - a. Have been providing elementary Sunday School teachers with their new curriculum materials for the month and placing them in their classrooms.
    - b. Have been providing the 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes with some supplemental ideas to go with their curriculum.
    - c. Have been working with the summer camping registration process at Camp Lone Star with the Pioneer Group's registration. We have 10 campers confirmed attending.

- d. Assisted Pastor with teaching the Confirmation classes.
- e. Assisted Pastor with the guitar classes on Thursday evenings during Lent.
- f. Have been talking with Erin Koopmann on the education program and scheduling.
- g. Attended several of the girls' high school softball games.
- h. Attended the community mid-week Lenten services.
- i. Assisted Pastor with readers for the Maundy Thursday and Friday Lenten services.
- j. Assisted Pastor with the new guitar class and their participation in the Seder Meal (Thank you Lori Kneese for her efforts for the meal).
- k. Provided special music for the Maundy Thursday Worship Service.
- l. Distributed decorations for Easter Sunday (the Alleluia sign in front of the church on the corner and the crosses decorated by class in the education building's hallway).
- m. Assisted with the Palm Sunday Palm Processional.
- n. Assisted in resurrecting the Alleluia and its procession on Easter Sunday. Thank you to Sadie Schustereit for helping!
- o. Planned and led the Easter Egg Hunt opening Easter morning. Thank you to Cathy Moritz, Ashleigh Peyton, and Pastor for the guitar assistance!
- p. Have been providing weekly Lenten devotions on the church Facebook page.
- q. Led the Sunday after Easter Worship Services with assistance from Jay Heil.
- r. Discussed with Kristin Schustereit, Jay Heil, and Linda Hurta the need for and the options for relocating the Decoration Day Worship Service due to weather.

- s. Provided the Sunday School program for Decoration Day.
- f. **Worship-** Linda Hurta reported:
  - 1. A very big thank you to Kristin for organizing Decoration Day and to Terry for organizing the Sunday School part. Also, a big thank you to Jay Heil and Terry Carmichael for conducting the Saturday and Sunday Worship Services while Pastor Tim was on vacation. It saved the church the cost of having a pastor deliver the message, plus mileage and overnight costs.
  - 2. Easter Lilies will be taken out whenever Jay is available.
  - 3. Also, a very big thank you to Jay Heil for conducting the Cemetery Decoration Service in the chapel. It was held in the chapel because of the wet conditions at the cemetery and the possibility of rain. Thanks to the guitar players for providing music for the songs.
  - 4. Four ladies from our congregation attended the Women of the NALC South Texas Mission District Gathering held on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Goliad. There were 109 ladies present. Heather Roeske provided the sermon on Mary and Martha during the church service, and Pastor Andrew Schrorer of Edna provided a wonderful message about his ministry and his books on Thanksgiving. A catered meal was served, and door prizes were plentiful. It was a wonderful gathering.
- g. **Evangelism/Outreach-** Wade Bolting reported:
  - 1. Wade ordered small wooden crosses to put in New Member bags.
  - 2. Mailed out two visitor cards for the month.
- h. **Social Concerns-** Susan Franke reported:
  - 1. Assistance was provided to 4 individuals in March 2026.
    - a. Provided help for two individuals with electric bill \$200.00.

- b. Provided help for two individuals with water bill \$200.00
- i. **Christian Life-** Kristen Schustereit Reported:
  - 1. A reception is coming up on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, for our new members. Plan on dining at our nacho bar!
- j. **Property-** Larry Gohmert reported:
  - 1. We have sent certified letters and the final payment on our elevator maintenance contract to TK Elevator, in which I stated that an attorney has looked at the situation and sees it as a clear breach of contract. In the letter, TKE is asked to no longer send their technicians to have any contact with our elevator. As of this writing, we have received no response from TKE. I have contacted AmeriTex concerning our elevator's annual inspection, which is due in June.
  - 2. Concerning the mold problem in the Learning Garden classroom, both ServPro and Schroeder Air Conditioning have been here to look at the situation. We are in the process of coordinating timing among the Learning Garden and those two contractors to get the problem remediated.
  - 3. Rafter J Construction is still being delayed in the construction of the youth facility because of a City of Yorktown requirement for a survey of the construction site. I spoke with Rafter J about electricity for the new building, and their suggestion is to wait until the building is completed. Then have an electrician of our choosing install whatever lighting, fans, outlets, etc., that we may want, instead of trying to get wiring diagrams added to the project. I have spoken with Charles Sutton of Sutton Electric and with Zach Young of Coastal Bend Power Services, and both are eager to do the electrical work.
  - 4. There is a leak in the Sanctuary Roof. The roof is a 16-year-old copper roof. Easley Roofing, which installed the roof, is no longer in business. A former employee of the company, Hector, who

used to work for the company, is going to come look to determine what is needed to fix the leak.

k. **Cemetery-**

1. Bylaws were reviewed.

l. **C.E.M.** Tracie Fielding provided a written report.

m. **Pastor-**

1. Professional activities during **March** 2026:

a. 14 Worship Services

b. 1 Hospital Visit

c. 13 Home Visits

d. 12 Educational Events

e. 6 Church Meetings and Events

f. 1 Professional Meeting

g. 4 Community Events

2. Official Acts during **March** 2026:

a. 3/1 Baptism of Weston Jennings

b. 3/21 Burial of Wanda Rohan

c. 3/29 Burial of William Koopmann

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. Youth Sports Complex: \$125,000 of \$130,000 of the money is collected right now. Rafter J is still on hold due to the city permit. Larry has talked to Coastal Bend and Sutton Electric for bids on installing electricity in the building.

b. Office Secretary Position: Kristin Schustereit moved to hire Alison Salas-Wolter to the full-time position of Office Secretary. The hours for the job will remain the same, 8-4:30 with a 30-minute lunch. Friday afternoons are off. Katie will be training her. Linda Hurta seconded and the motion carried.

c. Larry has talked to Coastal Bend and Sutton Electric about bids on installing electricity in the Youth Sports Court.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Pastor received an email from a non-member, who is seeking permission to use the Sanctuary to get married in the same church as her grandparents. Pastor Karnei would preside over the ceremony. We would stipulate that handicapped accessible spots would be left open for our members attending Saturday church. Linda Hurta moved to allow the use of our sanctuary for the wedding for the non-member fee. Erin Koopmann seconded. The motion carried.
  - b. Ashleigh Peyton moved to approve Jan Ruppert as a new member. Erin Koopmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.
  - c. A pledge has been made to create The Roland and Junell Lincke Memorial Cemetery Fund. The council will administrate the fund and proceeds for the cemetery. Larry Gohmert moved to approve The Roland and Junell Memorial Cemetery Fund Proposal as presented. Kristin Schusteriet seconded. The motion carried. (See attachment B).
  - d. Pastor Tim brought to the council's attention that there is a NALC Texas – Oklahoma Regional Family Reunion planned in Brenham, Texas, from July 31st to August 1<sup>st</sup> if a member is interested in attending. This year is an off year from our Convocation.
7. **CLOSING**-Larry Gohmert made a motion, which was seconded by Kristin Schustereit, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried, and the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ashleigh Peyton

**2026 COUNCIL MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT – Jeremy Kneese  
 SECRETARY – Ashleigh Peyton  
 PARISH ED – Erin Koopmann  
 STEWARDSHIP – Calvin Bruns  
 WORSHIP – Linda Hurta  
 CHRISTIAN LIFE – Kristin Schustereit  
 PROPERTY – Larry Gohmert  
 SOCIAL CONCERNS – Susan Franke  
 YOUTH – Laurey Garcia  
 EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Wade Bolting  
 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE – Aydn Garcia

Financial  Report

GENERAL FUND	YTD 2026	BUILDING FUND	YTD 2026
Beginning Balance	\$26,640.79	Beginning Balance	\$97,219.18
Income	\$163,831.84	Income	\$54,600.07
Expenses	<u>(\$156,311.76)</u>	Expenses	<u>(\$110,677.76)</u>
Ending Balance	\$34,160.87	Ending Balance	\$41,141.49

Totals as of 4/21/2026

**Investment w/ LPL Financial:**

\$36,153.49



Reminder:

**DEADLINE FOR THE  
 June  
 NEWSLETTER  
 ARTICLE IS  
 Monday,  
 May 18, 2026**





## Upcoming Christian Life Events:

**May 3, 2026** – Nacho Bar-Fellowship Hall – Congregation asked to bring your favorite dessert

**June 28, 2026** – Potluck

**July 19, 2026** – Donuts & Coffee on the Plaza

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We will be having a new member celebration on Sunday, May 3, 2026. A nacho bar lunch and a welcome reception will be

at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a member, please contact Pastor Tim or the church office.

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On Sunday, May 17, 2026, we will recognize our graduating seniors: Addison Corpus, Wade Dueser, Ty Fehner, Marley Hurta, Zoe Irvin and Connor Saunders. Join us as we proudly

recognize their accomplishments and extend our best wishes for their future! Each of these seniors will be eligible for a scholarship from St. Paul Lutheran Church. If anyone would like to contribute, donations/memorials can be made to the Sr. Scholarship Fund at any time during the year. Your generosity has and will continue to make a difference in the future of our youth! **CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2026!!!** *If you do not see your graduating senior's name on our list, please contact Bonnie Riedesel or the church office*

Thank  
you

Lane Geffert, Allie Geffert, Zoe Irvin, Temperance Flores, Kellan Diehl, Aydn Garcia, Benjamin, Garcia, Kylie Diehl, Piper Peyton, Meigh Narranjo, Paige Rippamonti, Ellyn Warwas, Kellan Hahn, Gavin Narranjo, Kentley Garcia, Levi Garia, Mario Garcia, Chaieyz Garcia, Scarlet Garcia and anyone else who lent a hand cooking Easter breakfast and cleaning up afterwards. You are appreciated!

Laurey Garcia

# Youth Chat

May 2026

March 2026 Perfect Attendance JH/SH

Abigail Gaus  
Bailey Gaus  
Shelby Arguellez  
Aydn Garcia

**FFF**

*Is back!*

*Wednesdays*

*6-7:30pm*



## Sunday School Teacher Appreciation

The youth will present our Sunday school teachers with a little gift on Sunday, May 3, 2026 during the church service to show how thankful they are for everything our teachers do throughout the year in our Sunday school!



*Happy  
Mother's  
Day*



## Muffins with Mom

Come on over to the fellowship hall on Sunday, May 10 during the Sunday school hour and either take a muffin and coffee to go or sit and visit for a bit! The youth look forward to serving you!

# *SEDER MEAL 2026*









The May Women's Bible Study will be held on Tuesday, May 5 at 10:00. A short study on Mary and Martha: Working and Worshiping will be led by Luellen Smiley for the joint group. This will be our last bible study before we break for summer.

We will have a potluck luncheon following the bible study. All women of the church are welcome to join us for the bible study, food, and fellowship.

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WE HAVE A NEW SECRETARY! My name is Alison Salas-Wolter, and I live in Cuero with my husband, Randy. We've been married a little over four years, and our home is filled with the energy and joy of our three children – Wyatt, Lillie, and Alice. We are active members of St. John Lutheran Church of Westhoff and Lindenau, and one of the most

meaningful moments in my life was being baptized on March 1<sup>st</sup> as part of my 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. I love spending time with my family, especially when I'm cooking or baking something new for them to try. I've always been drawn to history and learning about the past, and those interests shape how I see the world. Along with my faith and family, my work as the Secretary at St. Paul Lutheran Church allows me to serve others and stay connected to the community.

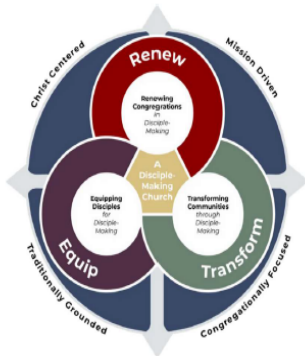
The Texas-Oklahoma  
Mission Region of the  
North American Lutheran Church  
invite you to their

**Regional Family Reunion**  
**July 31 - August 1, 2026**

Welcome Lutheran Church  
Brenham, Texas



*It's time to gather our family from across the Region  
for food, fun, and fellowship!*



The North American Lutheran Church (NALC) envisions a disciple-making church body. This vision comes to life as congregations are renewed in faith, disciples are equipped to follow Jesus with confidence, and communities are transformed by the power of the Gospel.

Our guest speaker for the Family Reunion will be Pastor Amy Little. Pastor Little received her Master of Divinity degree from Trinity Lutheran



*Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Amy Little, General Secretary of the NALC*

Seminary and her Doctor of Ministry degree from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. She was ordained in 2002 and served Trinity Lutheran Church in Monroeville, Ohio, before being called as General Secretary of the NALC in 2021.

➔ Registration form on reverse side ◀

Your registration includes dinner Friday and lunch Saturday.

*Please secure your lodging reservations early!*

Questions? Call Pastor Becky Thane (201-572-8073) or email [BeckyThane@aol.com](mailto:BeckyThane@aol.com)



Texas-Oklahoma Mission Region of the  
 North American Lutheran Church  
**2026 Regional Family Reunion**  
 July 31 – August 1, 2026  
 Welcome Lutheran Church  
 Brenham, Texas

## Registration Form

First & Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name for \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State,  
 & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Your Congregation Name & City/State \_\_\_\_\_

*please circle one option*

<b>Early Bird</b> Registration form & payment received by May 15 <sup>th</sup>	\$40
<b>Regular Registration</b> Registration form & payment received May 16 <sup>th</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$45
<b>Late Registration</b> Registration form & payment received July 1 <sup>st</sup> – July 15 <sup>th</sup>	\$50

Cancellation policy: Cancellations must be received in writing (by U.S. Mail to the below address or e-mail to mrgiese1990@gmail.com)

Through 7/14/2026: 100%

After 7/15/2026: No refund

Make checks payable to: **South Texas Mission District**. Write “2026 Family Reunion” on the memo line. Send check(s) along with registration form(s) to:

Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
 ATTN: Pastor Michael Giese  
 P.O. Box 301  
 Rockport, TX 78381

*Questions? Call Pastor Becky Thane (201-572-8073) or email BeckyThane@aol.com*

**PASTOR JORDAN LONG**  
**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN**

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*Join us for enchiladas &  
hear how God is working in  
South Sudan*

**Monday, May 4, 2026 | 05:30 PM**

Taqueria Jalisco 603 S Esplande, Cuero, TX 77954

**Please **RSVP** by April 27th to  
[stjohnwld@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnwld@gmail.com)**

## Mother's Day

“I have been reminded  
of your sincere faith,  
which first lived in  
your grandmother ...  
and in your mother ...  
and ... now lives in  
you also.”



*2 Timothy 1:5, NIV*

# Baby Bottle Blessings

**Baby bottles will be out from Mother's Day to Father's Day. You can donate change, cash or checks (made out the "Gabriel Project of the Crossroads" subject: Dewitt County Chapter).**



*Thank you for your generosity!*

*We are here to support women in crisis pregnancies by offering assistance in our Mother and Baby Outreach, as well as hosting a Maternity Home. We provide resources to aid with every aspect of childbirth, parenting and transitioning to independent lifestyles.*

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**or check out the website:  
[victoriagabrielproject.org](http://victoriagabrielproject.org)**



THE  
**Gabriel Project**  
OF THE CROSSROADS

The WNALC South Texas Mission District Gathering in Goliad on Saturday, April 11, was enjoyed by Linda Hurta, Laurie Stephenson, Kathie Fehner, and Mary Lea Pfenninger. The main theme of the gathering was "Saved by Grace through Faith". There was a communion worship service followed by a guest speaker. Pastor Andrew Schroer of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Edna, Texas is a great speaker and is also a published writer. You may have read his



weekly articles in The Victoria Advocate.

They provided a very tasty breakfast and catered lunch which was enjoyed by the 109+ ladies in attendance.

The afternoon was filled with reports from Mid-Coast Family Services, Goliad County Outreach, and our very own Mary Lea Pfenninger, Chairman of the National WNALC and her Vice-Chair, Sandra Liska of Three Rivers. Drawings were done for a table full of door prizes. Names were drawn from the fishbowl until all the prizes were gone. St. Paul came home with three! Next years gathering will be held in the Brenham area on a date-to-be-determined.

# THE LEARNING GARDEN NEWSLETTER

## MAY 2026

### What We Are Learning

#### Toddler & Two-Year-Olds

Our toddlers are exploring traditional songs, including Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, Itsy Bitsy Spider, The Wheels on the Bus, and Five Little Ducks. Through singing, hand motions, and repetition, the children will develop early language skills, listening and memory abilities, and rhythm awareness. These songs also supported counting concepts, fine motor coordination, and social engagement. As children participate together, they express joy through music and movement.

#### Preschool

Our preschool children are exploring different types of animals, including zoo, farm, ocean, and circus animals. Through stories, songs, discussions, and hands-on activities, the children are learning to identify animals, their habitats, and the sounds and movements they make. These experiences support language development, early science skills, and cognitive growth, while also encouraging curiosity, imaginative play, and social interaction as children share their ideas and observations about the animal world.

#### Bible

Our children learned about Jesus' love and compassion through the stories Jesus Heals the Leper and Jesus Heals the Blind, and celebrated Pentecost as the birthday of the Church. We ended the school year with a joyful Sing-Along and Celebration, giving thanks for a wonderful year of learning, friendships, and God's blessings.

### Happy Mother's Day!!!

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the gift of mothers and all who lovingly serve in nurturing roles.

Your faith, strength, patience, and unconditional love reflect God's grace in countless everyday moments. May the Lord bless you abundantly, surround you with peace and joy, and remind you how deeply you are cherished. Not only today, but always.

### Enrollment/Staffing

**Children: 54**

**Teachers: 11**

**Administrators: 2**

**Support Staff: 2**

### Upcoming Events

May 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>: Children's Book Week

May 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>: End of Year Teacher Conferences

May 22<sup>nd</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>: TLG Closed for Staff Development and Memorial Day

### Contact Info

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We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

**William Koopmann** - who passed away March 25, 2026.  
Services were held March 29, 2026, at Massey Funeral Home.

**Bill Bargmann** - who passed away March 31, 2026. Services  
were held April 2, 2026.

May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them  
assurance.

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**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Building**

Dennis Henze	Bill & Debbie Niemeier
Carl & Sharon Matejek	Ronnie Afflerbach
Beverly Feller	

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Landscaping**

Dorothy Mayfield	Mark Lincke
The Larry Serold Family	David & Patsy Ibrom

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Radio**

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Sr. Scholarship**

Ricky & Judy Hilbrich	Arlen & Kathie Fehner
Charles & Bonnie Riedesel	Charles & Jan Ruppert
Steven & Debbie Kneese	Aaron & Erin Koopman

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Youth Sports Court**

Jay & Sandra Heil	Billy & Ginger Hood
Estella Muschalek	Jesse & Linda Hurta

**Continue...**

Gail Riedesel

Christine Zimmermann

Floyd & Louise Longlet

Laurie Adix

Lambert & Verda Styra

Wallace & Linda Migura

Allen Machost

Crossroads Financial Services – Guy, Freeman, Christine, & Nathan

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – Elevator Upgrade**

Carlton & Sandra Bolting

Jim & Judy Noster

**In memory of Bill Bargmann – CEM**

Lynn Janssen

**In memory of Leon Dohmann – Building**

Ronnie Afflerbach

**In memory of Leon Dohmann – Cemetery**

Gerald & Beth Allison

**In memory of Leon Dohmann – Youth Sports Court**

Jesse & Linda Hurta

**In memory of Wanda Franke – Cemetery**

Gerald & Beth Allison

**In memory of Catherine Kolodziejcyk – Cemetery**

Gerald & Beth Allison

**In memory of William Koopmann – Building**

Dennis Henze

Scott Straube

Clint & Lynette Metting and Family

Susan Parma

Aaron & Erin Koopmann

Bill & Debbie Niemeier

Boyd & Pam Weise

Brian & Kelly Naranjo

Carl & Sharon Matejek

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**In memory of William Koopmann – Cemetery Mowing**

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Please remember to **write on your OFFERING ENVELOPE** a specific fund for your memorial offering to go to. It defaults to building fund unless it is noted.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**MAY 2026**

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

Psalm: Psalm 146

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Gospel: John 14:1-14



**Sunday, May 10, 2026 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 17:16-31

Psalm: Psalm 66:8-20

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Gospel: John 14:15-21



**Sunday, May 17, 2026 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 1:12-26

Psalm: Psalm 68:1-10

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

Gospel: John 17:1-11



**Sunday, May 24, 2026 – Day of Pentecost**

First Reading: Numbers 11:24-30

Psalm: Psalm 25:1-15

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Gospel: John 7:37-39



**Sunday, May 31, 2026 – Holy Trinity Sunday**

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm: Psalm 8

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20



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