

GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane..." St. Matthew 26:36

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THANKSGIVING FOR SAINTS PAST/PRESENT MINISTRIES

NOVEMBER 5—PENTECOST 22

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; St. Matthew 5:1-12

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

The names of persons having received the final commendation of the baptized community since All Saints' Sunday, 2016 will be read during 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. festival liturgies. Family members/friends are invited to light a candle in memory of their loved ones. The faith community is blessed by saints having lived their baptism as well as those with whom the Gospel is lived today. All Saints' Sunday reminds the church community, that by the grace of God, the baptized live and die in God's mercy and love: **Joyce Louise Riola Gann** (11/8/2016); **Jackie Dean Smith** (12/3/2016); **Eulogio Mendieta** (12/7/2016); **Frances Marie Peterson Sommerfeld** (12/10/2016); **Kurt Edmund Johnson** (12/11/2016); **Mark Edward Savageau** (12/14/2016); **Mary Bell Anderson** (12/17/2016); **Raven Nickerson** (12/25/2016); **Karen Alice Griffin** (12/30/2016); **Anacleto Jasso** (1/31/2017); **Charles Edward Grant, Jr.** (3/11/2017); **Minnie Kindschuh Pihlgren** (3/27/2017); **Gerald Geiss** (4/17/2017); **Jeanne Laubach** (5/9/2017); **Edith Irene Smith Rodgers** (5/16/2017); **Evalyn Ruth "Pat" Kruger Jurgens** (5/23/2017); **Quie Kay Branum Blum** (5/30/2017); **Janice Lucille Williams Hokanson** (6/9/2017); **Juanita Y. Garza** (6/16/2017); **Dennis Keith Ceder** (7/20/2017); **Betty Jean Freitag Anderson** (8/23/2017); **Linda Kay Fletcher** (10/10/2017); **Doris Minnix** (10/20/2017); **Arthur Alan Toscano** (10/26/2017) "For all the saints who from their labors rest. All who by faith before the world confessed."

HOMELESS FALL YARD SALE

Gethsemane Lutheran will host for the second time the Homeless Task Force Yard Sale in the south lawn. This is an ecumenical ministry combining Gethsemane with Trinity United Methodist and Koenig Lane Christian. Items to be sold are donated by Costco. The Gethsemane Food Pantry and Clothes Closet benefits from this partnership. **EC Gee**, a member of Trinity United Methodist, **Pastor Sid Hall**, has spoken to the Sunday morning Adult Class at the invitation of **Pastor Karl Gronberg**. He invites Gethsemane members to offer their time in this ministry to the homeless of the Austin community. Plans are for the sale to begin 10 a.m. Friday morning, November 10th continuing until everything is sold. The Spring sale sold out in one day. There are numerous items for sale. Gethsemane members are invited to look over the inventory. Your purchase will benefit this ministry to the homeless. For more information speak with Pastor Karl Gronberg.

MOLINE LUTHERAN CEMETERY BLESSING

All Saints Sunday, November 5, 2:30 p.m. the Friends of Moline Cemetery invite Gethsemane Lutheran members, friends and people from the Elroy community to a blessing and remembrance of those saints from another day having lived their faith and claimed the promise of their baptism. The mission of Friends of Moline Cemetery is to protect and support the cemetery and to honor the people, who first came to the Swedish settlement in Elroy, Texas established in 1897 the Moline Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery. The blessing will be led by **Pastor Karl A. Gronberg** with clergy invited from Prince of Peace Lutheran and the Roman Catholic tradition invited to participate. Following the blessing a reception will be held in the renovated parsonage. Thanks to **Dave Haight, Dean Haight, Elisabeth Kihlberg, Sharon Gronberg, Bob Peterson, Pastor Karl Gronberg, Lester Johnson, David Skoglund, Pehr Smith** for their leadership in this renovation. Thanks to donors having given generous gifts for this project preserving a portion of the history of the Greater Austin Community. Gethsemane Lutheran has a historic connection with many of the Lutheran congregations in the area. Please join in this All Saints' Sunday commemoration/remembrance.

NOVEMBER 12—PENTECOST 23

WORLD HUNGER/FAIR TRADE

SCRIPTURE: Amos 5:18-24; Psalm 70; 1

Thessalonians 4:13-18; St. Matthew 25:1-13

PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS CLINIC

Diego A. Cervantes, a law student in the **Mithoff Pro Bono Program, University of Texas Law School**, will coordinate a Family Preparedness Clinic, hosted by **Gethsemane Lutheran**, Saturday, November 11th 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The UT Law School Pro Bono Program will offer information to immigrant families in making preparations in the event a parent or both parents are deported from the United States. Law student attorneys will assist parents in drafting legal documents that would allow them to designate caregivers for their children if the parents are deported, such as a relative or a family friend. The goal is to assist these children so they are not placed in the Children Protection Services/Foster Care. The UT-Austin Law School students express gratitude to Gethsemane for providing a safe and welcoming sanctuary for the sake of parents, their children and their families.

4TH ANNUAL MINISTRY FAIR/FIESTA

Reserve the date: Sunday, Nov. 12.

Gethsemane Lutheran members and members of the surrounding community come together to enjoy all the ministries at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. Following the 10:30 a.m. liturgy, everyone is invited to the Ministry Fair/Fiesta. Valley Women's Co-op and Fair Trade holiday shopping; Live mariachi music, Lunch, Raffle items, Children's games & entertainment. Everyone is needed! Everyone has talents, time and treasure for ministry.

MEN IN MISSION TOUR

Men in Mission will tour the **Bass Concert Hall** on the **UT Campus** on Thursday, November 16. Lunch will follow at Scholz Garten. During Fellowship time, **John Berry** will present on his summer biking adventure in Europe. Coffee, donuts in the Music Room at 9:00 AM. Tours leaves at 10:00 AM. Sign up Men in Mission Bulletin Board.

MIDWEEK CONNECTIONS 2017 FALL SEASON

WEDNESDAYS, SEPT. 20-NOV. 15

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| 11:00 a.m. | Faith Conversations with Pastors Gronberg & Schnelle |
| 12 Noon | Holy Communion (Sanctuary) |
| 5:30-6:30 | Supper (\$5 each; \$15 family) (MPR) |
| 6:15-7:10 | Faith Conversations with Pastor Gronberg & Rev. Dr. Jay Alanis (LSPSW), Confirmation class with Pastor Susie, and Children/Youth activities (PreK-12th grade) |
| 7:15-7:30 | Holy Communion (Sanctuary) |
| 7:30-7:45 | Mentors & Confirmands |
| 7:45-8:45 | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR) |

NOVEMBER 19—PENTECOST 24

SCRIPTURE: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; Psalm 90:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; St. Matthew 25:14-30

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

INTEFRFAITH THANKSGIVING

Simone Talma Flowers, Executive Director of Interfaith Action of Central Texas, invites Gethsemane members to attend the **32nd Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service** Sunday, November 19th, 3 p.m. Riverbend Church hosted by the **Austin Muslim Community**. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** and the late beloved **Dr. Browning Ware**, First Baptist-Austin led the first service 32 years ago at Central Christian. Gethsemane is a charter member community of iACT. Speak to Pastor for more information.

GLCM FALL FEST THANKS

Fall Festival – What an amazing day! The weather was chilly and beautiful. We were happy to see so many alumni, community members, Gethsemane members, and GLCM families and friends. **GOD IS GOOD.**

Event Sponsor: **Karl & Sharon Gronberg** in appreciation for all of the years that **GLCM** has blessed the Gronberg children: **Kristen, David, Erik, Rhia, Joel, Jiwoh**. Petting Zoo Sponsor: **Parkfield Family Dental**; Moonwalk Sponsor - **Moonwalks Y Mas**; Special Donors: **Dan & Herbie Kay Lundquist, Lane & Glenda Holmstrom** - in celebration of the many years that our families have been a part of **GLCM**; Groovy Molars Pediatric Dentist, Swor Family, Fringe Sport (Keller Family) and NoTimeForSocial (Melinda Schiera) Silent Auction Donors: Alamo Drafthouse, Amy's Ice Cream, Best Choice Driving School (Walt Horton), Bouquets by Adelaide, Chuy's, Eastside Cafe, Embellish Nails, Heartsong Music, Hop N Happy, Maudie's, Mighty Fine, Rebecca Swaine w/ RS Massage Therapy, Bob McLucas w/ Stretch N Grow, Tacodeli, Texas Stars Hockey, TLC Carpet Care, Carrie Keith and **Papa George Creager**. Without the generosity of people associated with these businesses we could not have had such an amazing silent auction. We are grateful and encourage you to support these businesses. We also thank parents and Gethsemane members for donating basket items, purchasing raffle tickets and attending the event. Thank you to the Advisory Board: **Lacy Compton** (chair) **Melanie LaPorte, Valeri Keller, Stephanie Ortiz, Gabrielle Mortensen, Brittany Edwards, Mary Rios, Zach Anderson, and Jenifer Houloyd, Men In Mission** along with **Marilyn Ketteman, Terry & Brenda Brown & Tim Houston** for working the concession stand, parents, GLC youth and GLCM staff for working game booths, **Ron and Gail Tighe** for setting up the stage and sound system. **Amazing Aaron DaMommio** (Gethsemane member) for the magnificent magic and juggling show, **Scott Davis** with the One Man Show Rockin' the 80s, (GLCM Parent), and **Dar Joy** for the great music, special thanks to **T-Rex Katie, GLC Quilters, Pastor Gronberg, Raquel, Martin & Jonathan Gonzales** for clean-up. We could not have done this alone and we are so grateful for the community that surrounds us. **Reserve the date: Thursday, November 16th, Thanksgiving Feast.**

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ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY-LIGHT CANDLES 11-5-17

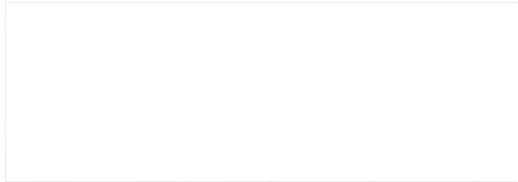
UT CAMPUS MINISTRY CONSECRATION 11-11-17

MINISTRY FAIR/FIESTA NOV. 12TH, 2017

INTER FAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE 11-19-17



"Time change-Fall back"
Saturday, November 4th-
come to worship
All Saints' Sunday



OCTOBER ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those serving: **Karyn Jensen**, chair; **Brad Jensen, Greg & Lori Althaus, Ashlynn & Avery Althaus, Deanie Martinns & Donna Olson**. October Altar and Chancel flowers given to Glory of the Triune of God: in celebration of the wedding of **Trevor Bakir & Jinjuta Wongsasitorn** by their family, **Issam, Beverly & Tarik Bakir**; in loving memory of **Charles Berkman** by **Cheryl Swening**; in honor of our 47th wedding anniversary by **Gordon & Marilyn Ketteman**; in celebration of the wedding of **Katie Jo Jarl & Jeffery M. Coyle** by their family; in loving memory of my wife **Susan and children Danny & Krissy** by **Danny Vasquez**; in honor of **Ken & Linda Schulz** and in celebration of **Linda's** birthday and their 47th wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren; in honor of the **Confirmation Class of 2017** by their families; in gratitude for the **500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, 1517-2017**, and the faithfulness of those having proclaimed in their lives fidelity to the Gospel by **Lauren Mackenzie Stewart & Andrew Scott DuBois**; in loving memory of **Linda Kay Fletcher** by grateful friends. Gethsemane members/friends may place flowers on the altar- \$40.00 or chancel-\$30.00 in memory or honor of loved ones..

Altar worship service supplies are a generous gift of the **George Wesley "Wes" & Alvina Seaholm Sassman Estate**. This gift provides quarterly resources to purchase wine for communion, altar bead made from pure wheat flour and water, gluten, wheat, yeast, dairy, egg, soy, corn free communion wafers, baptismal napkins. Gethsemane is blessed by those saints having lived their lives in faithful service providing for the generations that follow them. Blessed be the memory of **Wes & Alvina**.

Thanks to **Jack & Sandy Brown** for providing beautiful arrangements.

SPECIAL WORSHIP VISITORS

The **500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation** was celebrated in Lutheran congregations around the world on Sunday, October 29th. **Gethsemane Lutheran-Austin, Texas** the mother Lutheran congregation in Central Texas was fortunate to have many visitors attending for a variety of reasons. Many came to congratulate the 2017 Gethsemane Confirmation class. **Dr. James Puglisi, Campus ministry St. Edward's University** accepted the invitation of **Pastor Karl Gronberg** to represent the **Roman Catholic community**. Dr. Puglisi is an active participant in the ecumenical/interfaith expressions in the Austin community. He prayed with Gethsemane congregants for the continuing unity of the **church catholic**. Pastor Gronberg showed James the picture of **Pope Francis and Lutheran leaders** on October 31, 2016 in **Sweden's Lund Cathedral**. Gethsemane is grateful for expressions of unity.

2018 YOUTH GATHERING "THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING" in Houston, June 27-July 1, 2018. **Registration opened September 15, 2017**. Deposit \$150. *"For by Grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God."*—Ephesians 2:8

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

Thanks to: Gethsemane participants in "Reformation: The Musical" **Dar Joy Krenek, Mark McConaughy, Rick Brock, Lee Schnelle, John Berry, Walt Horton, Michael Hillmer, Linda Dunahoo, Merlin Dunahoo, MEC-Gordon Feller** and Gethsemane congregants buying tickets and attending this fun and inspirational musical. Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation; **Mike Anderson** for the mile markers assisting the numerous walkers around

the Gethsemane property; Gethsemane musicians for their inspirational music for the Reformation/ Rite of Confirmation; **Sanctuary Choir** led by **Michael Harrison** and **Patience Jones**; **Margaret Manz**, Gethsemane organist; **Dar Krenek, Glenda & Lane Holmstrom, Lee Schnelle, Angela Schnelle** special music for confirmants; **Bellissimo** led by **JoAnn Gerbig**; your gift of music continues the **Lutheran / Reformation emphasis on choral and instrumental praise**; **Officer Brad Davis**, Austin Police Department, for his presentations during **Wednesday Midweek Connections**; **Congratulations to : Alex Kuanyi Chen & Kelly Marie Chen** on the birth of **Olive Dehui Chen**. Grandparents **Bob & Debbie Peterson** join the happy parents in giving thanks for the gift of life; **Sterling & Rachel Feller Showalter** on the birth of **Alexandra Marie Elaine Showalter**. Grandparents **Gordon & Renita Feller** join with the happy parents in giving thanks for the gift of life; **Rhia Ann Marie & George Duncan Chinnoodin Spears** on wedding celebration in Cottage Grove, Minnesota. All members of the Gronberg family were in attendance: **Karl & Sharon, Kristen** with daughters **Miriam** and **Elise** in wedding party, **Erik** with daughter **Annika** and **Greta** in the wedding party, **David, Joel, Jiwoh, Umid**. Guests came from around the world: Israel, France, Canada, Africa as well as the United States. **Thanks from: Andrew Scott DuBois & Lauren Mackenzie Stewart** for Gethsemane ministry in blessing their wedding celebration at the **Lady Bird Johnson Wild Flower Center**; **Shirley Johnson** on behalf of friends and family of **Linda Kay Fletcher**, well loved **Austin Independent School District educator** and leader in **female athletics in Texas**, for inspirational memorial service hosted by Gethsemane Lutheran celebrating **Linda's** life. **Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg** for the love and support expressed for their daughter **Rhia** as she grew up in Gethsemane and in her new life with **George** and their family.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, November 4

10:00 am Costco donation garage sale

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5—PENTECOST 22

TIME CHANGE—FALL BACK

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Pentecost Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Pentecost Worship
2:30 pm Elroy Blessing & Prayers of Thanks
7:30 pm Theology on Tap—4th Tap Brewing

MONDAY, November 6

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
6:30 p.m. Square Dancing (Multi-Purpose Rm)

TUESDAY, November 7

9:00 am GWELCA Quilters (MR)
10:00 am Senior Men's BB (MPR)
12 noon ESL Class (Music Room)
1:00 pm Zumba Class (Music Room)
1:30-3:45 pm Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:00 pm Royal Dancers (MPR)
6:30 pm Hatha Yoga (MR)
6:30 pm MOPAR Club (Parlor)

WEDNESDAY, November 8

Midweek Connections—See front page middle

THURSDAY, November 9

5:00 pm GLCM Board meeting (Parlor)

FRIDAY, November 10

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex)
7:00 pm Scandinavian Club (MPR)
7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 11

9:00 am Family Preparedness Clinic (MPR)
11:00 a.m. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder(MH)
11:00 am Lutheran Campus Ministry
3:00 pm Goodlow/Kingsbury Wedding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12—PENTECOST 23

8:15 a.m. Pentecost Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Pentecost Worship
12 Noon Ministry Fair & Fiesta

MONDAY, November 13

6:30 p.m. Square Dancing (Multi-Purpose Rm)

TUESDAY, November 14

9:00 am GWELCA Mary/Martha Group (MR)
10:00 am Senior Men's BB (MPR)
12 noon ESL Class (Music Room)
1:00 pm Zumba Class (Music Room)
1:30-3:45 pm Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
6:00 pm Royal Dancers (MPR)
6:30 pm Hatha Yoga (Music Room)
7:00 pm GLADOFFF—Calfish Parlor

WEDNESDAY, November 15

Midweek Connections—See front page middle

THURSDAY, November 16

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex)
9:00 a.m. Men in Mission mtg/tour/lunch (MR)
11:15 am GLCM Thanksgiving Feast (MPR)

FRIDAY, November 17

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 18

SUNDAY, November 19 —PENTECOST 24

8:15 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School
10:30 a.m. Pentecost Worship

MONDAY, November 20

10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Chapel
6:30 p.m. Square Dancing (Multi-Purpose Rm)

TUESDAY, November 21

10:00 am Senior Men's BB (MPR)
12 noon ESL Class (Music Room)
1:00 pm Zumba Class (Music Room)
6:30 pm Hatha Yoga (Music Room)

WEDNESDAY, November 22

12 noon Holy Communion
7:00 pm Youth Led Thanksgiving service

THURSDAY, November 23

FRIDAY, November 24

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, November 25

11:00 a.m. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder(MH)