## **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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# PENTECOST, HOLY TRINITY CONCLUDE FESTIVAL SEASON

#### MAY 24—PENTECOST

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:22-27; St. John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

#### PENTECOST: BIRTHDAY/ BAPTISM

The Festival of Pentecost, fifty days after Easter, celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit calling the church community into life. Pentecost is the third major festival in the life of the church catholic. Gethsemane calls the names of persons baptized into the "one holy catholic and apostolic church" through congregational ministry since Pentecost, 2014:

Mason Fuller Clark (6/29/2014), Wyatt James
Clark (6/29/2014), Riley Elaine Vinyard (10/26/2014), Christopher James Torrez (11/30/2014), **Daniel Noah Torrez** (11/30/2014), Annika Leigh Brown (12/21/2014), **Noah Bradley Allen** (12/24/2014), Wesley Carlysle Bassett (12/28/2014), Madison Jackie Tsai (12/28/2014), Carson Evan Vaughn (12/28/2014), Wynne Juni McCombs (2/8/2015), Adam James Rauert (4/5/2015), Abigail Elizabeth Torrez (4/5/2015), Avery Elizabeth Swoda (4/19/2015), Nolan Joseph Swoda (4/19/2015), Ashley Diane Hager Swoda (4/19/2015). Forrest Newsom will be baptized Pentecost Sunday. May the Triune God: Creator, Redeemer, Spirit bless the baptized to live the faith of the holy, catholic church giving witness to their identity as people of the eternal promise.

## **VETERANS RECOGNIZED**

Memorial Day week-end Gethsemane recognizes those having served our nation to preserve peace, justice and freedom around the world. Veterans are invited to wear their uniform. Pictures following 8:15 a.m./10:30 a.m. liturgies. God Bless America!

#### **GLCM NEWS**

Pre-K Graduates: Elliot, Evan, Lila, Grayson, Jakob, Nahshon, Jade, Jude, Saul, Etta, Pepper, John, Emory, Lily, Vance, Julia, Lucille, James and Christopher. Thank you parents for sharing your precious children with GLCM. GLCM Summer Program: June 8 – Aug 19 Thailand Trek—"Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World". The theme is an extension of the annual Gethsemane Lutheran Vacation Bible School. (June 22-26). The summer program includes splash days, music, storytelling, sports, crafts, cooking, summer musical, games and chapel. GLCM is currently enrolling for the summer program and 2015-16 school year. Contact the office for more information 339-6335. "Good beginnings, never end."

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry expresses thanks for generous support of the 15th Annual GLCM Fun-Raiser Golf **Tournament** benefitting ministry to children and their families. Over \$9500 was donated. Tournament winners were: Rodger Anderson, Dan Dworin, Gordon Feller, Lane Holmstrom, Thanks to the Allen Team, Lundquist Teams, Joel Gronberg & Texas Lutheran University friends, Ken Malin, Alan & Blake Bergstrom, Sharon Davis, Barb & Weldon Jones, Will Bassett. It was a beautiful day to play golf. Thanks to Gethsemane members having donated through the Golf Giving Tree. An anonymous donor has offered a match up to \$1,000 for every \$100 donated. Persons interested in this match may contact Angelica, Dar or Valerie in the GLCM office, 339-6335.

# MAY 31—HOLY TRINITY YOUTH LED WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; St. John 3:1-17
PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

#### **HOLY TRINITY FESTIVAL**

The church catholic concludes the Festival Season with Holy Trinity **Sunday.** The word *trinity* is not found in the scriptures but the expression Father, Son and Holy Spirit is read in both the second lesson for the day and the gospel. "More than a doctrine, the *Trinity* expresses the heart of the Christian faith: we experience the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. The baptized community celebrates the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word proclaimed and sacraments received as the assembly of believers professes the creed, and sent into the world to bear witness to the living faith" Join the people of God as they rejoice in the gift of the Holy Trinity.

#### GETHSEMANE YOUTH LEAD WORSHIP

Gethsemane youth lead worship May 31st. A special thanks to high school seniors: Ryan Kuenast, liturgist; Megan Jones, homily; Daniel Holmstrom, children's sermon; Carly Anderson, Kate Anderson, Bailey Domel and Meg Knighten, communion assistants; Janine Dworin and Irie Crenshaw, special music; seniors and youth serve as lectors and greeters. Thanks also to Grant Johnson for speaking at the confirmation banquet. Graduating seniors will be recognized at a reception during the Sunday School hour in the Multi-Purpose Room.

## **CONGRATS GRADUATES**

Gethsemane joins with parents and family members in celebrating the accomplishments of their children. May/ June is a traditional time for commencement. Congratulations to: Alexandra Katherine Anderson, The University of Georgia, Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting; Evan Paul Spielvogel, Texas State University, Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance; David Ryan Riley, Texas A&M University, Bachelor of Science in Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences; Diana Marie Williams Dworin, Episcopal Theological Seminary, Master of Arts in Spiritual Formation; Susan Marie Freitag Schnelle, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Doctor in Ministry; Megan Renae Jones, McCallum High; Cole Harrison Turner, Westwood High; Avery Anne Johnson, St. Andrew's Episcopal School; Daniel Jarrett Holmstrom, Hyde Park High; Meg Elise Knighten, McNeil High. 2015 graduates are invited to inform Gethsemane of their graduation. Announcements are on display in the narthex Gethsemane is proud of you.

## JUNE 7—PENTECOST 2

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1; St. Mark 3:20-35 PRAYER OF THE DAY: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

## **CONFIRMATION CAMP**

Confirmation youth attend Ebert Ranch Camp, Sunday June 7-12. Youth and sponsors attending: Alyssa Woodley, Amanda Holmstrom, Ashlynn Althaus, Devin Saythongkham, Dillon Sareerat, Heidi Lundquist, Jody Johnson, Lily Kuenast, Natalie Kerlick, Nicole Facile, Summer Browning, Janine Cruz-Mendoza, Preston Parker, Intern Pastor Sharolyn Browning and Pastor Susan Schnelle. These confirmands will be "sent forth" during the 10:30 liturgy. Bring money for lunch on the way to Ebert Ranch. Return 3:30 p.m. Friday, June 12. Keep the confirmands and pastors in daily prayer.

#### **SENIOR HIGH SCS CLASS**

Senior High meet with Pastor Susie, Intern Sharolyn and Raymund Kuenast in the youth loft preparing for their trip the national Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Youth Gathering in Detroit, Michigan July 15-19. They will begin ELCA Rise Up Lesson 4. Lessons for those attending the national gathering as well as those not able to attend, include exploring the Gospel of Mark and seeing the world with new eyes.

#### ADULT SCS CLASS

The Adult Class, led by **Pastor Richard Strait**, meets in the Steffans Parlor, 9:30 a.m. continuing the series: "*Uppity Women of the Bible*" a four volume DVD-based series featuring Hebrew Bible professor **Dr. Lisa Wolfe**. Combining careful scholarship with humor and fresh insights, Dr. Wolfe presents a lively and thoughtful discussion of *Ruth*, *The Song of Songs*, *Esther and Judith*. See you Sunday.

#### **PARTNER IN EDUCATION**

Gethsemane congregation was recognized again by T.A. Brown Elementary as a 2014-2015 Partner in Education. Joan Candoli accepted the recognition plague on behalf of the Gethsemane community. T.A. Brown school has been important to Gethsemane Lutheran for decades having served as a worship site for the congregation while the present sanctuary was being built in the early 1960's. Through the years, Gethsemane has supported the educational mission of the school. Pastor Karl Gronberg has served on the advisory board. Gethsemane youth have distributed gifts during the Christmas holidays. The "Christmas in July Giving *Tree*", in memory of the late beloved Gethsemane member and educator, Dr. Carl Candoli, who tirelessly worked to show his belief that "every child can learn", invites Gethsemane congregants to assist faculty, staff, students with "Back to School supplies." Thanks Gethsemane for supporting children. "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." -Helen Keller

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PENTECOST FESTIVAL: WEAR RED MAY 24 MEMORIAL DAY WEEK-END: VETS PICTURES HOLY TRINITY FESTIVAL: YOUTH LED MAY 31 GRADUATES RECOGNIZED 9:30 A.M. MAY 31

#### ART EXHIBIT CONCLUDED

The first annual Abundant Life Art Exhibit hosted in 2015 by Gethsemane Lutheran and organized by the newly formed "Lutheran Visual Arts Council of Central Texas" held their opening reception on Tuesday, April 21st, the birthday of Gabriel Loire. The exhibit commemorated the life and work of Gabriel Loire concluding on the evening of May 19th. The exhibit displayed art from various local artists including James Janknegt, Jenna Bruns, Jose Blanco, Clare Andrus and Pehr Smith in addition to celebrating the stunning stained-glass art of Gabriel Loire in the Gethsemane sanctuary. For information about the Lutheran Visual Arts Council, contact Pehr Smith, Clare Andrus, Pastor Gronberg or Intern **Sharolyn Browning.** 

## **GETHSEMANE VBS**

The annual Gethsemane Lutheran Vacation Bible School June 22nd-26th, 8:45 a.m.-12 noon. Theme: "Thailand Trek: Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World"

**Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry** students and staff will participate. Plan to enroll by June 17th. Registration forms in the narthex. Adults are invited to volunteer, even if you can only assist one day. Help in the craft area, music, prepare and serve snacks, the storytelling room, playground, and being a guide to lead the children from one area to another. Please note on the registration form which days you can assist and in which activity you would prefer to help. This is an opportunity to make new friends and make a difference in the lives of children.

#### **MAY ALTAR GUILD**

Thanks to those having served: Donna Olson, chair; Cindy Pounds, Cheryl Swening and Joann Rees. May Altar/Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in loving memory of Mayme Berkman by Cheryl Swening; in loving memory of Gwen Reynolds by Cheryl Swening; in celebration of Bryant & Elizabeth's 20th wedding anniversary by the Kite family; in loving memory of father and mother, Albert & Esther Johnson and sister, Frances Brooks by Lester & Lois Johnson; in honor of our grandmother, Rose Almquist Anderson by Allie, Paige, Kate and Carly Anderson; in celebration of Denver's 16th birthday by Ken, Belinda, Ross, Harley and Katrina Malin; in celebration of Pastor Schnelle's graduation with a Doctorate in Ministry by the Schnelle family; in loving memory of Bounthanh by Khem Saythongkham and family; in loving memory of Mr. Taylor by Khem Saythongkham and family; in celebration of Sean, Leith and Josh by the Collier family; in honor of what would have been our 50th wedding anniversary by Ria

## **GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS**

**Thanks from:** Erin Rosales, on behalf of "We are the Chorus," for Gethsemane hosting their presentation of "Beauty & the Beast"; Interfaith Action of Central Texas (iACT) for Gethsemane support of the 2015 HOPE AWARDS honoring Michael Morton. Gethsemane attendees: Clare & Lynda Andrus, Bob& Debbie Peterson, Pastor Karl & Sharon Gronberg, Karalyn Heimlich, Angie Nelson, Laura Riddell, Pastor Richard Strait; Austin Clubhouse: Working for Wellness for support from the Gethsemane Professional & Benevolent Fund for their mission with mental illness; Carolyn Swenson, Viola Hall, Daniel Holmstrom, Verline Berkman, Stafford Bengtson, Cheryl Swening, Raquel Barron, Gwen Ericson,

Christine Berkland, Sandy Jones, Larry & Carole Kilmer, Art & Joann Rees, Tutty Maixner, Martha Johnson, Art LaValle, James Gardner, Kevin & Pam Kubiak for congregational prayers, cards, altar/chancel flowers, hospital, birthday, pastoral calls/ ministries-cards posted in narthex; Thanks to: Lutheran Visual Arts Council of Central Texas for hosting the Abundant Life art exhibit commemorating the life of Gabriel Loire April 21-May 24. Special thanks to the members of the committee and those person having assisted with the two receptions. The committee was honored by the participation of **George** Wendlandt, Ron Tigue, Dean Zellmer for their reflections on implementing the stunning art work in the Gethsemane sanctuary; Megan **Jones** for taking *Mother's Day pictures-over 30* Gethsemane moms had pictures taken with their children; Synodical participants, Pastor Susan Schnelle, Intern Pastor Sharolyn Browning, Lee Schnelle and Belinda Malin for attending the 2015 Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly in McAllen, Texas; Larry Pounds, Ken & Belinda Malin for coordinating the new Avaya phone system; Greetings from: Robert "Chip" Eickmann and his children Cindy and Christopher grateful for Gethsemane hospitality. Chip is the son of the late beloved Gethsemane members Gene & Helen **Eickmann** and the grandson of the late **Rev.** Bloom of Palm Valley Lutheran; Intern Pastor Sharolyn Browning and her family, Duke, Navy and Summer from Costa Rica; Jack & Rose Jones;....Congratulations to: Art & **Joann Rees** having celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends in a reception held in the Gethsemane MPR: Ron & Joyce Kingsbury recognized for "outstanding years of service to family, community, country, and Kiwanis " at the Division 24 Texas-Oklahoma Prayer Breakfast. Pastor Karl Gronberg was the guest speaker.

## GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

YOUTH LED WORSHIP

Wedding Liturgy

SUNDAY, MAY 31—HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

Holy Trinity Liturgy

Pastor Schnelle-Baccalaureate Service SUNDAY, MAY 24—PENTECOST 8:15 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday Church School (Parlor) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Appreciation Reception 10:30 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy
2:30 p.m. Pastor Schnelle-Graduation ceremony
MONDAY, May 25—Memorial Day
CHURCH OFFICE AND GLCM CLOSED

TUESDAY, May 26 7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (Tu-F)

1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet Czech Historical Association (MPR) WEDNESDAY, May 27

12 noon & 7 p.m. Holy Communion

THURSDAY, May 28

SATURDAY, May 23

English as Second Language (MH) 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 29

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

SATURDAY, May 30 Violin Recital (Sanctuary) 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. GANA Meeting (Music Room)

Adult Sunday Church School (Parlor) Reception for Graduates (MPR) 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Holy Trinity Liturgy MONDAY, June 1 7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F) Square Dancing (Multi-Purpose Rm) 6:30 p.m. TUESDAY, June 2 GWELCA Quilting (Music Room) 9:30 a.m. 1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet Mopar Muscle Car Club of Austin(MR) 6:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, June 3 12 noon & 7 p.m. Holy Communion THURSDAY, June 4

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex) 6:30 p.m. English as Second Language (MH) 7:00 p.m. Ostomy Association of Austin (MR)

FRIDAY, June 5

6:30 p.m.

8:15 a.m.

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

SATURDAY, June 6 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild

SUNDAY, JUNE 7--PENTECOST 2 Pentecost Liturgy Sunday Church School for all ages 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy MONDAY, June 8 7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F) 6:30 p.m. Square Dancing(Multi-Purpose Rm) TUESDAY, June 9 GWELCA Mary/Martha Unit (MR) 9:30 a.m. 1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet 7:00 p.m. GLADOFFF-Ezs-Hosts:McConaughys WEDNESDAY, June 10 12 noon & 7 p.m. THURSDAY, June 11 Holy Communion English as Second Language (MH)

11:00 a.m. Sweden National Day Celebration-

FRIDAY, June 12 GLCM Chapel (Narthex) 9:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Club (MPR) Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm) 7:30 p.m. SATÜRDAY.

June 13 Vikette Reunion (MPR) 10:00 a.m.