

FESTIVALS END: ART, GRADUATIONS CELEBRATED

MAY 15—PENTECOST SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34,35b; Romans 8:14-17; St. John 14:8-17,25-27

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, 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 OF THE CHURCH

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, 2015: **Forrest Newsom** (05/24/15), **Crosby Gene Seedhom** (8/16/15), **Anabella Marie Galan** (9/13/15), **Arden Gordon Showalter** (11/29/15), **Kya Raquel Felix** (2/20/16), **Matilyn Jean Swoda** (3/20/16), **Sebastian Wes Swening** (3/27/16), **Alice Jean Allen** (4/2/16), **Heidi Alice Wolfmueeller** (4/3/16), **Grayson Michael Lundquist** (4/17/16) and **Cora Elle Clark** (5/8/16). 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.

GLCM NEWS

Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry Pre-K 2016 Graduation Friday, May 20th, 9 a.m. in the Gethsemane sanctuary. Gethsemane members and friends are invited to attend. Graduates are: **Cadee, Nolan, Mia, Cora, Maxwell, Isaac, Courtney, Naomi, Sadie, Logan, Eliza, Roman, Quinn, James and Harrison**. Thank you parents for sharing your precious children with GLCM. Teachers for the Pre-K class are **Janie Rodriguez, Tahmina Khanam and Grandma Jones**. Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Career Education Department has recognized Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry for supporting their efforts in career development by having students interns. The Recognition Plaque is in the GLCM office. Stop by and see this tribute to the ministry of GLCM to all people. **GLCM Summer Program: June 6 – Aug 17**. The Dr. Seuss theme is an extension of the annual Gethsemane Lutheran Vacation Bible School. (June 13-17). 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 512-339-6335. "Good beginnings, never end." Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry expresses thanks for generous support of the 16th Annual GLCM Fun-Raiser Golf Tournament benefiting ministry to children and their families. \$8,000 was raised this year. Tournament winners were: **Barb Jones and Sharon Baylor-Davis Team**. Second place went to **Keith Lundquist Team** and Third place went to **Dan Lundquist Team**. Closest to the Pin: **David Allen and Rodger Anderson**; Long Drive: **Keith Lundquist**; Putting Contest: **Rodger Anderson**. Thanks to players: **Johnny Walker, Gaylord Magnuson, Ken and Ross Malin, Alan Bergstrom, David, Kathi, Brad and Nathan Allen, Gordon Feller, Steve Greinert, Lane Holmstrom, Rodger Anderson, Dan, Keith and Trey Lundquist, Sharon Baylor-Davis, Barb and Weldon Jones, Harry Evans, Lee Schnelle and Boyce Freitag**. Thanks to our sponsors: **Whole Foods, Carl & Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation and Joel Gronberg**. A beautiful day to play golf. Thanks to Gethsemane members having donated through the *Golf Giving Tree*.

MAY 22—HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; St. John 16:12-15

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 profess 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*.

CONGRATS GRADUATES

Gethsemane joins with parents and family members in celebrating the accomplishments of their children. May/June is a traditional time for commencements. Congratulations to: **Quintel Candeh**, Manor New Tech High School; **Matthew Davitt**, Cedar Ridge High School; **Lukas Facile**, Lake Travis High School; **Michael Greinert**, Round Rock High School; **Sam Huston**, Rouse High School; **Emma Jane Johnson**, Neville High School; **Mason Kerlick**, Leander High School; **Paige Anderson**, McCombs School of Business at University of Texas in Austin. **2016 graduates** are invited to inform Gethsemane of their graduation. Announcements displayed in the narthex Gethsemane is proud of you.

ART EXHIBIT RECEPTION

The Second annual **Abundant Life Art Exhibit** hosted by Gethsemane Lutheran and organized by the "Lutheran Visual Arts Council of Central Texas" held their opening on Thursday April 21st, the birthday of **Gabriel Loire**. The exhibit commemorates the life and work of Gabriel Loire concluding Sunday, May 22nd 3-5 p.m. The exhibit, in the Steffans Parlor, displays art from various local artists including, **Jenna Bruns, Clare Andrus, Pehr Smith, Stuart Wallace, Robert Rekart, children enrolled in Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry** in addition to celebrating the stunning stained-glass art of Gabriel Loire in the Gethsemane sanctuary. Gethsemane member **Ron Tigue**, chairperson for two expansions of the Gethsemane Stained Glass Windows, will share insights into the life of **Gabriel Loire**. **Sharon Gronberg** will tell of her visit this year with **Annie Loire, Jacque Loire, Bruno Loire and members of the Loire family** in Chartres, France. The artists will tell of their love for art. Everyone is invited to the reception. For information about the Lutheran Visual Arts Council, contact **Pehr Smith, Clare Andrus, Pastor Gronberg**.

MAY 29—PENTECOST 2

YOUTH LED SERVICE

GRADUATES CELEBRATED

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 8:22-23,41-43; Psalm 96:1-9; Galatians 1:1-12; St. Luke 7:1-10

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Merciful Lord God, we do not presume to come before you trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great and abundant mercies. Revive our faith, we pray; heal our bodies, and mend our communities, that we may evermore dwell in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GETHSEMANE YOUTH LEAD WORSHIP

May 29th, Gethsemane youth, led by high school seniors, will lead the community in worship. **Graduating seniors** will be recognized at a reception during the Sunday School hour in the Multi-Purpose Room. Thanks to **Lukas Facile**, a graduating senior, for speaking at the confirmation banquet.

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 uniforms. Pictures following 8:15a.m./10:30 a.m. liturgies. **God Bless America!**

CONFIRMATION CAMP

Confirmation youth attend Camp Chrysalis, Sunday June 5-10. Youth and sponsor attending: **Ashlynn Althaus, Helen Johnson, Lily Kuenast, Natalie Kerlick, Nicole Facile, Janine Cruz-Mendoza, Preston Parker, William Errett and Pastor Susan Schnelle**. These confirmands will be "sent forth" during the June 5th 10:30 a.m. liturgy. Bring money for lunch on the way to Kerrville. Return 3:30 p.m. Friday, June 10. Keep the confirmands and pastor in daily prayer.

GETHSEMANE VBS

The annual Gethsemane Lutheran Vacation Bible School June 13-17th, 8:45 a.m.-12 noon. Theme: *The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss*. Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry students and staff will participate. Plan to enroll by **June 8th**. 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, games, or 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.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

During the month of May, Gethsemane has served and continues to serve the neighborhood through GANA (Georgian Acres Neighborhood Association). GANA meets next on Saturday, May 21st, 11am, Music Room. **Pastor Karl Gronberg** attends these meetings supporting the goals of "fostering a safe, connected, beautiful and empowered neighborhood". Gethsemane also provided meeting space for a City of Austin neighborhood information meeting and a City of Austin outreach to the area encouraging people to be connected on the internet **austinfree.net**. **City Councilman Greg Casar** and Pastor Gronberg spoke to the volunteers encouraging them in their mission. There are positive signs for the Rundberg area. Gethsemane Lutheran is leading in these community engagements.

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PENTECOST SUNDAY—MAY 15 WEAR RED GLCM GRADUATION MAY 20 9 A.M. ABUNDANT LIFE ART RECEPTION MAY 22

IN MEMORY

Sandra (Sandy) Gail Jones, a baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism, Saturday, May 7, 2016. Sandra was born on December 3, 1953 in Austin, Texas to Edwin and Geraldine Wrubel. Sandy was raised and nurtured in the faith of the Christian community through the ministry of St. John Lutheran, Austin. (ELCA) She was a very strong, stubborn, gentle but direct woman with an amazing sense of humor. Sandy loved her family, friends and those she came in contact with her would say she would light up a room with her smile. Sandy was faithful in the worship life of Gethsemane Lutheran and delighted in participating in the Heatherwilde ministry of the congregation. The Gethsemane community expresses Christian hope to her faithful husband, Alton; sons, Dale and wife Kristen, and Michael; four grandchildren, Carol Ann, Ainslee, Edwin and Mason; sister, Kathy and members of the extended family. The words of scripture bring the eternal promise: *"and remember, I AM with you always to the end of the age"*. (St. Matthew 28:29)

Blessed be the memory of Sandra Gail Jones
IN MEMORY

Joyce Hudson Kingsbury, a baptized Christian and confirmed member of Gethsemane Lutheran, claimed the promise of her baptism on Mother's Day, May 8, 2016. Joyce was born into a Christian home with parents of faith leading her into life and service within the church community. Joyce married her high school sweetheart Ronald Kingsbury. Together they traveled the world as a military family with their 5 "army dependents." Continuing their service to God and community in retirement, Joyce & Ron retired in Austin, Texas. Joyce worked in the food industry. In 1984, Joyce became the cook for the Gethsemane Lutheran Children's Ministry. She served the children and staff for 9 years. Joyce was a faithful member of Gethsemane living her baptism serving whenever called up in choir and altar guild. The Gethsemane community expresses Christian hope to her devoted husband Ron, children Debbie, Mark, John, Sara, Barbara and their family including 21 grandchildren

and 24 great grandchildren. The words of the baptized community reflect the life of this faithful woman: "Come, you blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (St. Matthew 25:14)

Blessed be the memory of Joyce Hudson Kingsbury
APRIL ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to those having served: **Lois Johnson, chair; Lester Johnson, Pat Greinert, Mary Lou Newman, Glenda Tiemann, Rose Nau, Shannon Tweedt and Terry Neal.** April Altar/Chancel flowers given to the Glory of the Triune God: in honor of the baptism of **Heidi Alice** by her parents **Karl & Karla Wolflueller**; in honor of **Harley's** 20th birthday by **Ken, Belinda, Ross, Katrina & Denver Malin**; in honor of our grandson, **Benjamin Franklin Jones IV**, on his 1st birthday by **Merrill & Pat Austin**; in celebration of the baptism of our grandson, **Grayson Michael Lundquist** and in gratitude to God for all our children and grandchildren by **Dan & Herbie Kay Lundquist**; in honor of **Verline Berkman's** birthday by her family. Gethsemane members and friends interested in placing flowers on the altar or chancel are invited to sign the Flower Chart Book in the narthex: Altar arrangement, \$40; Chancel flowers, \$30. For those having signed for any of the remaining Sunday in 2016, please re-sign due to the loss of the previous Flower Chart Book. Thanks for your assistance.

GETHSEMANE PEOPLE NEWS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY: to the families of **John Charles Clark, Kitty Claude Deane, Sandra "Sandy" Jones, Joyce Hudson Kingsbury**—may the Good News of grace and mercy of the **Triune God: Father, Son, Holy Spirit** bring hope and comfort. ...**THANKS TO: Walt & Peggy Horton** for coordinating Gethsemane participation in **Lutheran Night** at the Dell Diamond—a good time was enjoyed by all; **Jeff Ketteman** for taking **Mother's Day** pictures. The pictures will be placed on the **GWELCA Bulletin Board**; **Kevin Kubiak** for decades long service caring for the Gethsemane AC/Heat. **Gordon & Marilyn Ketteman** presented Kevin & Pam Kubiak a beautiful cross from their cross ministry at a recent worship service; ...**THANKS**

FROM: Ron Tigue, Minnie Pihlgren, Jack Westerman, Wayne & Eva Pihlgren, Dorothea Borchers, Jamie Swening, Waldine Stafford, Reuben Sr. & Cruz-Santa Ana, Gladys Hanson, Daniel Skinner, George Wendlandt, Margie Edmiston, Daisy Horton for congregational prayers, cards, hospitality, altar/chancel flowers, hospital, birthday, pastoral calls/ministry; **Lester & Lois Johnson, Justin Koop** and his family for Gethsemane support of the **Muscular Dystrophy Muscle Walk**; **Gary Franke, Round Rock Express**, for Gethsemane support of **Lutheran Night**. Gethsemane, once again, had the largest group cheering for the Express; **Bouangeun Saythongkham** recognized as *Gethsemane Mother of the Year* on **Mother's Day** for her faithful witness to family and Gethsemane friends. Her life story of faith, hard work, commitment to family and community has led the Saythongkham family and Gethsemane Lutheran, by the **grace of God**, to birth and support six Christian ministries in Thailand. Gethsemane members/friends interested in a **Mission Trip to Thailand** in December 2016-January 2017 are invited to speak with **Khem Saythongkham** or **Dr. Erik Svenkerud**; ...**CONGRATULATIONS TO: Verne Lundquist**, Gethsemane "son" and **Texas Lutheran University Alum**, on being honored in New York City with the Sports Lifetime Achievement Award from the **National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences**. He will be the 26th recipient of the prestigious "Lifetime Emmy" that includes winners such as Jim McKay, Curt Gowdy, Pat Summerall, Keith Jackson and Vin Scully. Gethsemane celebrates with Verne and the Lundquist family; **Jiten Dayanandbhai & Priyanka Manilal Patel and Oscar & Samantha Kessler Diaz** married recently; **Marsha McConaughy** elected to the **Southwestern Texas Synod council** at the recent Synod assembly held in San Marcos; **Rev. Erik Gronberg, Trinity Lutheran, Ft. Worth, Texas pastor**, on election as **Bishop of North Texas-North Louisiana Synod Mission Area, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**. Erik will begin his new duties July 1; **Blake & Lauren Newman** on the birth of daughter, **Lily Claire**—grandparents **Terry & Mary Lou Newman** celebrate new life; **Wojciech & Laura Mueller Jakubowski** on birth of son **Lucas Mark**—grandparents **Mark & Alice Larson Mueller** celebrate new life.

GETHSEMANE CALENDAR

SATURDAY, May 14

11:00 a.m. Funeral
11:00 a.m. OCD (Ministry House)

SUNDAY, May 15—PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy
2:00 p.m. Heatherwilde Ministry

MONDAY, May 16

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (M-F)
10:00 a.m. Trinity Care Chapel
6:30 p.m. Square Dancing (MPR)

TUESDAY, May 17

8:00 a.m. TA Brown Breakfast
10:00 a.m. Senior Men's Basketball (MPR)
1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (MH)

WEDNESDAY, May 18 "Art in the Church"

12 noon & 7pm Holy Communion
7:40 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MR)

THURSDAY, May 19

9:00 a.m. GLCM Chapel (Narthex)
4:00 p.m. City of Austin meeting
6:30 p.m. English as Second Language (MH)

FRIDAY, May 20

9:00 a.m. GLCM Pre-K Graduation
6:00 p.m. Wedding
7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)

SATURDAY, May 21

11:00 a.m. GANA Meeting (MR)

SUNDAY, MAY 22—HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Holy Trinity Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Teacher Appreciation Reception
10:30 a.m. Holy Trinity Liturgy
3:00 p.m. Closing Reception for Art Exhibit

MONDAY, May 23

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

TUESDAY, May 24

10:00 a.m. Senior Men's Basketball (MPR)
1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
7:00 p.m. Czech Historical Association (MPR)

WEDNESDAY, May 25

7:00 a.m. GLCM Field Trip
12 noon & 7pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY, May 26

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

FRIDAY, May 27

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

SATURDAY, May 28

SUNDAY, MAY 29—PENTECOST 2 YOUTH LED SERVICE

8:15 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy
9:30 a.m. Graduates Reception
10:30 a.m. Pentecost Liturgy

MONDAY, May 30—MEMORIAL DAY

CHURCH OFFICE AND GLCM CLOSED

6:30 p.m. Square Dancing (MPR)

TUESDAY, May 31

7:15 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Children's Ministry (Tu-F)
1:30-3:45 p.m. Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
WEDNESDAY, June 1

12 noon & 7pm Holy Communion

THURSDAY, June 2

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)
7:00 p.m. Bible/Prayer Group (Hosp. House)

FRIDAY, June 3

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Music Rm)
SATURDAY, June 4