

## Worship

Sunday Morning  
Holy Communion  
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
thru May 19. One service  
at 9:30 a.m. beginning on  
May 26.



Through God's Grace  
All are welcome as we joyfully,  
Receive...to Give  
Learn...to Serve  
and Worship...to Grow.

May 2019

## Education

Sunday Morning -  
9:15 a.m. for All thru  
May 19.

Ages:

Children 3 & up -

Meet in the  
Moench Chapel

Junior High Youth:  
Youth Room

Adults - Fellowship  
Hall

## Nursery

Nursery is available for  
children who are infants  
through 4 years of age  
during Sunday morning  
worship and the Sunday  
School hour.

## Office

Monday - Thursday from  
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday from  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
210-822-3394  
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## From the Pastor . . .

Another Easter has passed and with it a week full of memorable services here at CLC: Seven services from the 8:00 a.m. service on Palm Sunday through the 10:30 a.m. service on Easter Sunday! Seven services in one week! And what a week it was.

I first want to offer a deep and heartfelt thanks to all those who assisted in making Holy Week beautiful, joyous, triumphant, somber, tender, artistic, and true. Our musicians did a fabulous job of bringing the story to life through song. Good Friday, in particular, was one of the most poignant I have experienced, as the music ministry shared Rutter's *Requiem*. In addition to Good Friday, the music they offered throughout the entire week enhanced our services, including the voices of our youngest members who sang for Palm Sunday. My thanks to them for their dedication. I also want to thank our readers and assisting ministers. The tone, inflection, and enunciation they brought to the readings allowed all of us to find ourselves immersed in the story. Those who processed, carried crosses, Bibles, and candles, stood at the ready and brought an extra sense of decorum to these sacred services. Thanks to the ushers for assisting our members and visitors from the time they walked through the door until after everyone was gone, then straightening up so we were ready for the next worship service. Thanks to the Altar Guild for prepping for our most holy sacraments and cleaning up afterwards as well. Finally, deep thanks to the staff for the long hours and their passionate commitment to making this a meaningful week for all.

Throughout the week, we remembered the sacred story, full of trials, but also of joys. On Easter Vigil, we were honored to celebrate nine baptisms and over the Easter weekend we celebrated seven first communions! It was a wonderful vision of God's kingdom to see so many coming together to celebrate God's gifts of grace, forgiveness, and new life. In walking through the great story of our faith together, I found myself renewed in my own faith life and in our life together as a community of faith. Thank you for sharing in this journey with me. I'm honored to be your pastor and to celebrate Easter among you.

Peace and blessings upon you all throughout the Easter season,  
Pastor Leslie

## Groups

### Angelicus Choir

Every Wednesday  
5:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

### Book Club

First Tuesday  
6:45 p.m. - Location TBA

### Dominos Group

First Thursday  
9:30 a.m. - Fellowship Hall

### First Thursday Lunch

First Thursday  
12:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

### Gloria Choir

Every Wednesday  
5:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

### Healing Prayer

Tuesday - 10:00 a.m.  
Rode Prayer Chapel

### Joseph's Sons

First Monday  
6:30 p.m. - Location TBA

### Lydia Circle

Second Monday  
6:30 p.m. - Primrose House

### Men's Breakfast

Second Tuesday  
7:00 a.m. - Bill Miller BBQ

### Mulligans

Second Tuesday  
6:30 p.m. - Hoffbrau

### Quilters

Every Tuesday  
9:00 a.m. - Primrose House

### Sanctuary Choir

Every Wednesday  
7:00 p.m. - Sanctuary

### Soul Sisters

Second Thursday  
7:00 p.m. - Julian's

Other groups meet during the year. For information, please contact our church office or visit our website [www.clcah.org](http://www.clcah.org).

# Faith University - The Beatles' Yellow Submarine: A Biblical Story

Musicians, historians, and theologians long have been fascinated by the spiritual influences and journeys by rock music's "Fab Four." Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Daniel Long, will take Faith University on this journey as we study The Beatles' 1969 cartoon movie, "Yellow Submarine," as a religious document. Come join us on Sundays, May 5, 12 and 19 in Fellowship Hall at 9:15 a.m. for this odyssey.

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## Fajita Fest at CLC to Raise Funds for "The Porch"

You're invited to a Fajita Fest at Christ Lutheran on Friday, May 3, to benefit The Porch, a Christian Campus Ministry at St. Philip's College. If weather permits, the party will be on the lovely grounds of our church; the back-up plan is to take shelter inside the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for students, and can be purchased at the event. Festival planners ask that you RSVP to [ALEXS@FPCSAT.ORG](mailto:ALEXS@FPCSAT.ORG).

The Porch is a welcoming place for students, and it's a ministry we've long supported as a CLC benevolence partner. It is one of two dozen ministries that benefit from our benevolence giving. In recent years, your gifts have provided \$6K annually to St. Philip's. Several of our members have served on the board. Currently, Peggy Enax is a member, and Bob Logan is treasurer.

The Porch is a place where students can hang out, get a snack, relax, participate in Bible studies and other discussions, and attend worship conducted by visiting clergy during religious festivals. As each semester begins, The Porch provides free fajitas for anyone who drops by. It's a friendly ministry of love and acceptance.

# Electronic Giving Sunday: May 5

In today's modern age, most of us are paying many (if not all) of our recurring bills electronically. That trend is also part of how people give to their church. On any given Sunday, 10% of our offerings are received electronically. The Stewardship Team has set a goal of doubling the number of electronic givers for the 2019 campaign. On May 5 we will have people available in the CrossWay to help our members navigate the process of giving electronically.

Electronic giving is simple and easy and gives you complete control of your gifts. Electronic giving has many benefits. For the church, it provides a consistent offering amount per week. So even when the member can't make it to church or forgets the checkbook, the pledge is received. For the giver, it simplifies the giving process and allows the giver to forgo writing checks and managing the giving envelopes. Also, based on your method of giving, you can use your credit card to earn points on your pledge (don't worry, we won't consider it an indulgence!)

Many electronic givers miss the physical act of placing something in the offering plate. You may have noticed that in each pew we have an electronic giving chit that you can place in the plate. We hope that you will consider switching your pledge to a recurring electronic pledge for 2019.



## Receive to Give ... Crisis Assistance

Your offerings support three compassionate ministries that deliver assistance to people in crisis – and may include food, clothing, prescription assistance, and education. Each is unique; each serves neighbors in desperate need. Bless you for your stewardship that provides \$7K to **Christian Assistance Ministry (CAM)**; \$5K to **Agape Ministry**; and \$4K to **Inner City Development**.

## Member News

### Sympathy to:

- The family and friends of Robert Streit who died on March 27.

### Baptisms:

- Michael, Marlowe & Mia Moshier
- Samuel, Cisco, Nathan, Seth, Silas & Sean Tenorio

# Synod Assembly

Synod Assembly is fast approaching. It will be held May 31 – June 2 this year in Corpus Christi. The theme of the Assembly is *Open Eyes: Burning Hearts*, which is based on the biblical story of The Road to Emmaus. The Assembly offering will support the Tiemann Endowment for Leadership Development.

Voting members, both clergy and lay, will gather from all across our synod to represent their congregations in making decisions about the issues facing the larger church, both regionally and nationally. We are grateful to Troy Hall, Allyson Pryor, and Jayme Brown for agreeing to serve as our lay voting members at Synod Assembly. Pastor Leslie will be there as well. A huge thank you to the Rev. Lisa Hansen-Tice for preaching and presiding at CLC while Pastor Leslie is away. If you would like to learn more about what issues will be discussed and voted on at Synod Assembly, please visit the Synod's website at [www.swtsynod.org](http://www.swtsynod.org).

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## Annual Congregational Meeting

Our annual congregational meeting will be held Sunday, June 23, following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. In that meeting, we will hear reports on our ministries, elect Congregation Council members, and adopt the budget for next year. All members are encouraged to participate and to lend your voice and vote.

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## Congregation Council Nominations

Our Nominating Committee consists of two members of the Congregation Council plus three members of the congregation. The Congregation Council approved Willie Hagen, Mariel Michel, Bob Lynch, and Council members Robb Decker and Carolyn Dufelmeier, to serve on the Nominating Committee along with Pastor Leslie to seek candidates to fill the positions up for election and re-election to the Congregation Council. The Nominating Committee seeks suggestions of candidates from any member of our church. The Congregation Council position up for re-election is At-Large Member #2, Chris Fidaio. Chris is willing to stand for re-election. Open positions include Secretary and At-Large Member #3. Suggestions for all Congregation Council positions, including the one up for re-election, must be submitted in writing to the church office by May 23, and include the signature of the potential nominee, position they are being suggested for, and information on his or her history and experience serving at Christ Lutheran. The Annual Meeting will be on June 23 after worship.

# Stewardship: So Many Ways to Be a Part of This Ministry

In Thessalonians, Paul calls on us to “Rejoice always” and to “Give in all circumstances” out of joy and gratitude at first having received from God a gift freely given. According to Luther: “God’s love gives in such a way that it flows from a Father’s heart, the wellspring of all good. The heart of the giver makes the gift dear and precious; as among ourselves we say of even a trifling gift, “It comes from a hand we love,” and, “look not so much at the gift as at the heart.”

May 12 is Stewardship Sunday, and your stewardship materials will be arriving in the mail in early May. We intend to sustain all the things that make CLC special, but we also have identified three specific needs for this year’s stewardship campaign:

- Hire a full-time associate pastor with a focus on someone who can also lead our youth and family ministries.
- Renovate our sanctuary with new flooring, pew refinishing, lighting, and painting to reflect our love and care for the centerpiece of our worship.
- Increase our services to the elderly in terms of visitation resources and activities.

The stewardship cards will also offer four opportunities for you to share your time. They include these upcoming events:

- Volunteer at the San Antonio Food Bank where we will be helping to sort and pack food for those in our community who are in need.
- Assist with Vacation Bible School, either with collecting items, helping to decorate, or leading activities. VBS will be June 17-21 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Support Christian Assistance Ministry (CAM), which provides emergency social service assistance to our community.
- Lead a small group conversation with members of our neighborhood who are in need as part of our efforts with the San Antonio Sponsoring Committee.

You are encouraged to volunteer for any of these that are of interest to you. If you have seen our small group ministry pamphlet, I encourage you to take a look at the extensive opportunities we have in our congregation.

Thank you for prayerfully considering your support of CLC and our ministries that impact the community and the world.

- Joe Diana, Stewardship Team Chair

# ReNew! The Green VBS!

ReNew is an environmentally-focused VBS program that inspires kids and adults to grow in faith, have fun, and change the world as they practice stewardship of creation! You can still expect many of the things you love about VBS—kids learning about Jesus, exploring God’s Word, singing and celebrating—but we have modified and simplified the program to make it green, centered on stewardship of creation, and action-oriented for a big impact on the participants, our community, and the world.

When: June 17-21; 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

- Registration forms can be found in the CrossWay or in the church office
- Or register online
- Cost: \$40 per child
- Cash or check (enclose in envelope with registration form, checks made payable to CLCAH)
- Payment due by June 3

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to attend VBS. The youngest must be 3 years old by June 3 and potty trained. Please email me with any questions: [marina@clcah.org](mailto:marina@clcah.org).

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## VBS Volunteers Needed!

We have many roles to fill to make our Vacation Bible School the best it can be! If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Marina at [marina@clcah.org](mailto:marina@clcah.org).

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## Sunday School

May 19 is our last day of Sunday School for the 2018- 2019 school year. It has been a wonderful year of learning and growing in faith together through Spark Active Faith. Sunday School will begin again on Sunday, September 8. Happy Summer!

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## Confirmation Sunday: May 19 At the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services

Please join us to celebrate this special stepping stone for our 8th grade youth. This year’s confirmands are Anastazia Becvar and Dustin Bendele. Please come hear each of our youth speak as they affirm their baptism.

# Gloria & Angelicus Choirs

The Gloria and Angelicus Choirs will have their last rehearsal for the school year on Wednesday, May 8, from 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. to prepare for singing on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12 at the 10:30 a.m. service. On Wednesday, May 15, they will have an end of year party here at church beginning at 5:30 p.m.

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## Stockholders

Marina, Brandon, and the CLC Youth want to extend thanks to everyone who has helped fund our mission trip so far! We are still selling stock between services and after the 10:30 service each Sunday in May. We are excited about our trip to Rockport, and our opportunity to help the community with Hurricane Harvey relief. The dates have been changed to June 9 – June 12 to allow for school to end and give more youth the ability to work in mission together.

It's not too late to sign your 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grader up to come along! Email Marina Huffman, director of Faith Formation, at [marina@clcah.org](mailto:marina@clcah.org) for more information.

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## Interfaith Ramadan Dinner

We hope you'll join us on Thursday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m. at Raindrop Turkish House, 4337 Vance Jackson Road, for an interfaith dinner to learn more about Ramadan, the "month" in which Muslims fast from dawn to dusk. As it is the Muslim custom to break the fast with friends and neighbors, the Raindrop Turkish House has reached out to us to share in this important ritual. Come learn more as we share with our brothers and sisters in peaceful fellowship that demonstrates that the love of God can cross every boundary. For the last three years, we have hosted the dinner at CLC, but this year our Muslim neighbors would like to host us at their place of worship. We are delighted to be their guests.

Here is the tentative program for the evening:

7:30 p.m. Arrival, Mingle, and Enjoy Live Sufi Music

7:45 p.m. Welcome by Raindrop

8:15 p.m. Ramadan Presentation

8:33 p.m. Iftar (Fast-Breaking Dinner)

9:00 p.m. Closing

# Summer Breakfast Sign-up

Each Sunday beginning with Memorial Day weekend, Sunday, May 26, through Labor Day Weekend, Sunday, September 1, we will hold one service with Holy Communion beginning at 9:30 a.m.

On each of these Summer Sundays, you're invited for a light breakfast and fellowship beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the CrossWay. If you would like to participate in providing breakfast foods for the fellowship time, please sign up on the bulletin board in the CrossWay or call the church office. You may sign up for one or all of the food offerings – fruit, juice, and pastries. We ask that food be set up by 9:00 a.m. and that you stay to help with clean-up after worship.

Thanks in advance!

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## CLC Book Club

In May, we will read and discuss The Lost Girls of Paris by Pam Jenoff. Gloria Meyer will lead the discussion. Please join us in the Primrose House on May 7 at 6:45 p.m. If you'd like to read ahead, on June 4 Willie Hagen will lead a discussion of Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly.

- Edna Robbins

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## News from the Immigration Group: Airport Ministry – We need your help!

The Immigration small group is meeting monthly at the airport to help detainees from the Karnes City detention center as they come to the airport. They need help with getting their tickets, finding their gates, locating restrooms, and finding food. There is a group of area volunteers that help the detainees daily at the airport, and we have joined them on **the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the departure area of terminal B**. You can come for as long as you can—an hour or two or three-- but if you accompany a group to their gate, you may be there until 2:00 p.m. or so. **You do not need to be bilingual, but it really does help.** Please consider helping! It is a vital ministry and such a blessing for all those involved! Call the church office for details about parking.

# Praises to:

- Mary Overstreet for the beautiful Lenten banners and the Easter banner in the front of the Sanctuary. They were such an inspiring addition to our worship.
- Dr. Dan Long, Matthew Goodson, Mary Villarreal, Sharon Wiedemann, and all the musicians who lent their talents, voices, and instruments to beautify our Lenten and Holy Week services.
- The drivers, Dale Anderson & Frank Pennington, who transported the quilts made by our CLC quilters to TLU to be distributed through Lutheran World Relief.
- Elizabeth Diggs for the festive Easter/Fiesta decorations in the Fellowship Hall and a GREAT Fiesta event! Thanks to Elizabeth and her crew for the delicious Mexican fare!
- Clara Tenorio and the Tenorio family for preparing a delicious Easter breakfast!
- Allyson Pryor for all her help with the Easter Vigil.
- Troy Hall for transporting the fire pit for the Easter Vigil and making the fire.
- The middle school and senior high youth and Sarah Borrell who filled Easter eggs and to all who hid eggs for the egg hunt on Easter morning!
- All who participated in the Easter Vigil this year!
- Joe Diana and Kim Fischer for their work on the Stewardship Sunday calculations.

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## River City Ringers announces Spring Concert Series!

“In the Mood” to see a fun concert for all ages? River City Ringers is excited to announce their 2019 Spring Concert Series: **Swingin’ and Ringin’ to the Sounds of the BIG BAND!** Join us on Friday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary, as River City Ringers go back in time to visit the big band era featuring handbells, bass, and percussion.

River City Ringers is an auditioned community handbell choir with members from all over the San Antonio area and are a nonprofit 501(c)(3). With five FREE concerts, you don’t want to miss your opportunity to see them live!

## Staff

The Rev. Leslie Price  
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## Congregation Council

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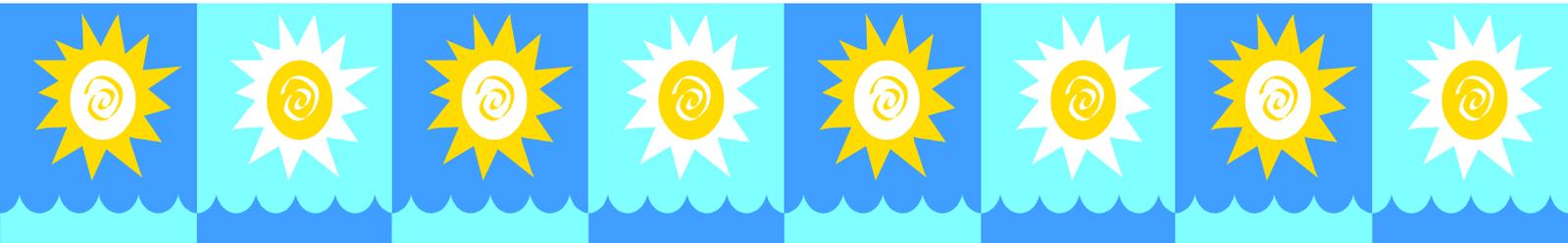
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## Summer Worship Schedule

On Sundays beginning Memorial Day weekend, May 26, through Labor Day weekend, September 1, there will be one service with Holy Communion beginning at 9:30 a.m.

There will be food and fellowship preceding the service beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the CrossWay.