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Lenten Schedule

Our Midweek Lenten service continues each Wednesday starting with a meal at 5:30 and worship service at 6:30. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex to volunteer to bring soup, salad, or bread.

Holy Week Schedule

- Thursday, March 28 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday
- Friday, March 29 6:30 pm Good Friday
- Saturday, March 30 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt
- Sunday, March 31 8:30 am Sunrise Easter Service
- Sunday, March 31 9:00 - 9:30 Breakfast
- Sunday, March 31 10:00 2nd Easter Service



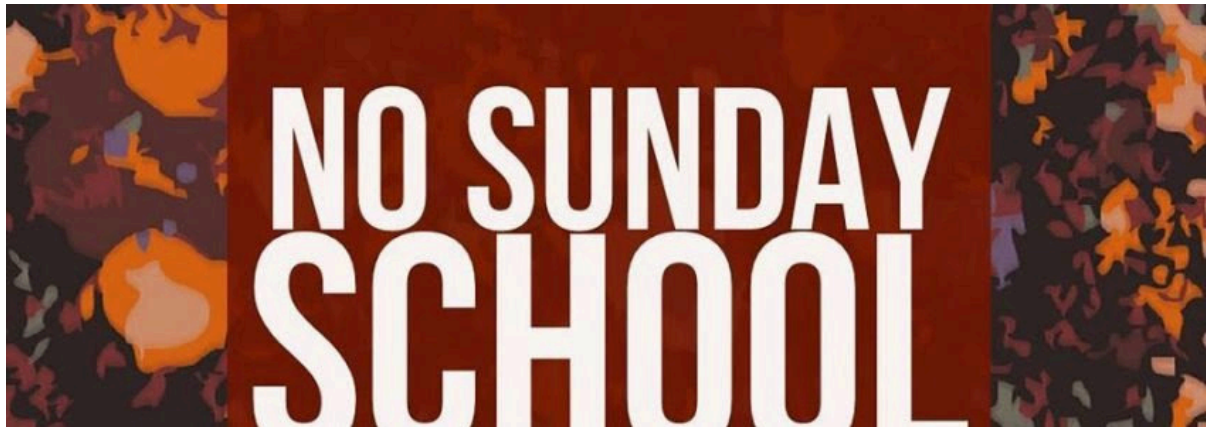
Thanks To Everyone for All Their Hard Work

On Saturday, February 24th, a large group of dedicated volunteers met at the church for a Super Saturday of Mayhem and Destruction 😊! Seriously, we had a wonderful time pulling up and ripping out over twenty+ years of old and dying landscaping trees and plants. This was step #1 in our 2024 Plan to relandscape the entrance to the church. Everyone worked like tigers and had a wonderful time working and visiting with our OSLC family members. Thanks to everyone for all the equipment (up to and including a BACKHOE) they brought which made the hard work so much easier than we had expected it to be. Hugs and thanks to Gary Altbrandt , Kristin Blaise, Jeff and Susan Buntz, Richard Eck, Preston Graham, Carol Lattier, John Minster, Jan Moch, Todd and Carmen Nazario, A.J. Noecker, Ken Pontious, Helen

Siebert, Travis and Tori Snyder and Bill Videtto. Who knew hard work could be so much fun?!

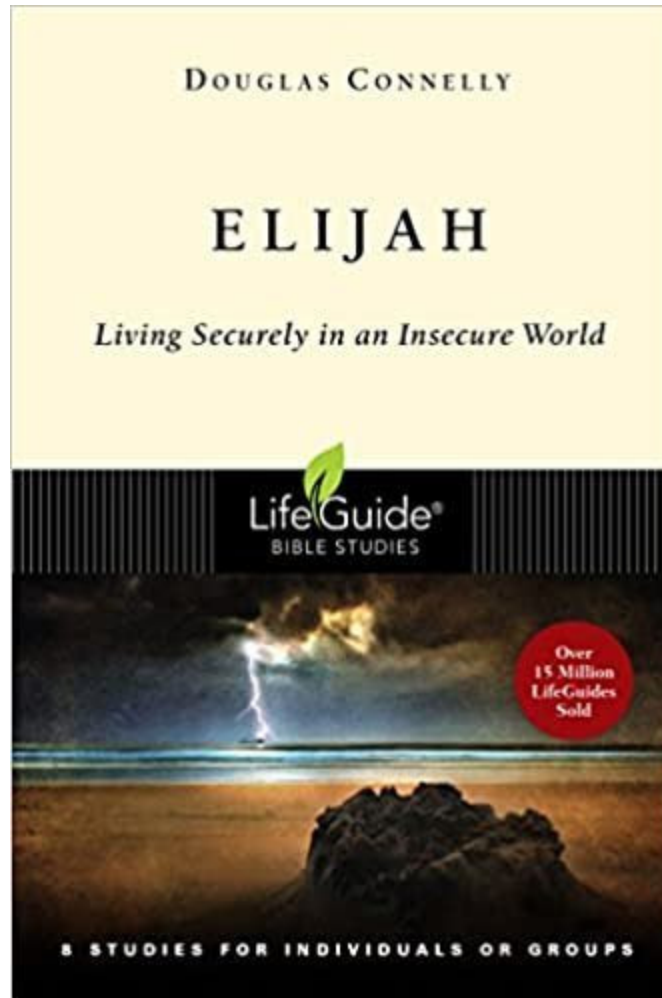
Be sure to check out our photos by clicking the button below.

Spring Cleanup 2024



Spring Break

There will be no Sunday School on March 10th and the 17th. Tyler schools are on spring break during that time.



Thursday Morning Bible Study

We are starting a Bible study on Elijah beginning April 4 at 10:00 AM. We have Life Guide study books of Elijah available for \$11. Contact Chris Burris at 303-668-6643 (Phone or text) or email at cburris9031@gmail.com for more information.



Quilts of Valor

On Sunday, February 18th we were blessed to host a Quilts of Valor event at OSLC. A special thank you to Becky Chambers for heading up this effort. The Quilts of Valor Foundation was formed in 2003 as a non-profit group of quilters from across the United States. Its sole mission is to honor our Service Members and Veterans touched by war with comfort and healing. This is a civilian award from a very thankful nation and individuals like those who gathered at OSLC. Four of our members were recognized for leaving all they held dear to serve, whether in time of crisis or in time of peace. The Quilt of Valor unequivocally says: *Thank you for your service, sacrifice and valor in serving our nation.*

Learn more about Travis & Jana Snyder, John Ferguson, and Jim Anthony's service by reading the attached file.





Easter Egg Hunt

Starting March 3rd, bagged, empty easter eggs, will be available in the Narthex, for filling. Please take a bag or two and fill them with candy, then bring back the next Sunday. All eggs need to be returned by Friday, March 29th to the church.

There will be a carnival with games, face painting and crafts in the fellowship hall, along with a guessing game for really big kids as well, followed by the Easter Egg Hunt with hunting grounds for ages from 1 to 6th grade. We love for adults to get involved in the egg toss outside.

Anyone wanting to help, call Carmen Nazario at 972-533-9935.



Special Congregational Meeting

Immediately after Sunday Worship, March 10th, we will have a Special Congregational Meeting to ask for approval to replace our hail damaged roof. Our insurance deductible is approximately \$25K - \$29K and the insurance should pay the remainder.

Please plan to attend.



Meet Our Newest Members, Jason & Rachel Bothner

Jason grew up in Abilene, TX and was a Managing Partner at Texas Roadhouse where he has worked for 20 years. He enjoys playing softball and watching films.

Rachel grew up in Mustang, OK and graduated from The University of Oklahoma with a Bachelors degree in Secondary Science Education. She taught middle school science in Lewisville ISD 12 years before having kids. Rachel is an avid reader and loves to craft.

Jason and Rachel met in The Colony, TX and have been married 11 years. They moved to Maumelle (Little Rock), Arkansas for 7 years then moved to Tyler just over 2 years ago. They love playing board games as a family.

Max is 9 years old, in 4th grade, and is a swimmer for the Tyler Rose Aquatic Club. Fayth is 8 years old, in 2nd grade, and has recently started horseback riding.



OSLC QUILTERS

On Tuesday, Feb 20th, the OSLC Quilters distributed over 155 finished quilts to charitable organization throughout the Tyler area. They provided quilts to the Tyler Police Department, the Tyler Fire Department, the Highway 80 Mission and Tyler Children's Services to name just a few of the many groups they visited with these warm and welcome tangible bits of love. They will never know exactly who benefits from a specific quilt; but our ladies take comfort in knowing that at some point each of these quilts will warm and comfort a member of our community in distress. It is the Quilter's way of passing on a little of the overflowing love that we enjoy so much at Our Saviour's.

The Quilters meet each Tuesday from 9 until 11. If you have a free morning and would like to see if tie-quilting is something you would enjoy, please join us. You will be met with a happy group that enjoys each other's company and enjoys giving back to our community.



Regional Get-Together

The Texas-Oklahoma Mission Region of the North American Lutheran Church invite you to their first **Regional Get-Together**, July 23-25, 2024, Cedarbrake Retreat Center, Temple, Texas.

It's time to gather our family from across the Region for food, fun, and fellowship! And, you'll be able to take some new learnings back to your congregation, too!

The North American Lutheran Church (NALC) is a denomination that is "Mission Driven" – one of our four Core Values – to preach the Gospel and make disciples for Christ. Only disciples can make disciples; therefore, discipleship is foundational to mission.

Guest Speaker: The Reverend David Keener, Director of Renewal and Discipleship for the NALC, will speak with us about the call to discipleship and the NALC's Life-to-Life Discipleship initiative.

The Get-Together will start with dinner on Tuesday evening and conclude with worship on Thursday morning.

Your registration includes accommodations, all meals, daily worship opportunities, keynote presentations, workshops, and activities.

Workshops include:

- * Disaster Response Training with Michael Dittrich
- * Drawing Closer to God through Prayer with Pastor Ralph Reitmeyer

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

Space is limited! Register early to reserve your spot.



It's that Time...!

Daylight saving time will begin at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 10. It will mean losing an hour of sleep and moving the clocks around your house forward one hour, though your cell phone will likely automatically adjust, as well as, church worship service starting an hour later.



Disaster Response to Panhandle Fires

On February 29th the Tyler Disaster Response Warehouse was requested by the NALC National Response Coordinator to send everything we had to Canadian, Texas. On March 1st we rented a 27' Penske truck from the dealer on Hwy. 31 W. They rented the truck to us at half off on both daily and mileage rental and have agreed to provide this discount in the future as well. The truck was loaded and on the road by 10:00am that morning. The delivery was made the next morning, March 2nd . What a great response!

A special thanks to both John Minster and Peter Eng who immediately stepped up to make the long trip into the heart of the fire area. Thanks to Ken Pontious' call to

action, we also had a good turnout to load on a brisk Friday morning. When our truck arrived, we found that Canadian was being overwhelmed with assistance from multiple sources. Unfortunately, they were unable to take all the supplies we sent so some were returned.

Please click the button below and look at some more great pictures and thank all those who responded with such short notice to help load the truck. (Yes, that's me wearing a mask. We caught a bug on our cruise. LOL)

Bob Tardiff

Disaster Response



Prime Timers

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 11:30 am

Theme: St. Patrick's Day

Activity: BINGO (with prizes!) A prize will also be given for best Irish costume!

Menu: Baked Potatoes & Toppings (Provided) Chopped Brisket (Provided) Corned Beef Brisket & Cabbage (Provided)

What to Bring: Please contact Pr. Martin or Denise if you would like to bring a dessert or rolls.



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