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May we continue to be used by God and share the Gospel with A Heart for Hamilton County and the World!!







It Was Very Good!

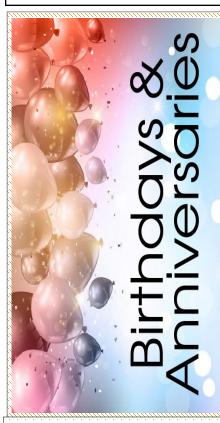
These are the words that God used to describe everything that He had created. On days one through five, God saw what He had made on that particular day and saw that it was good. However, on day six after He made everything that creeps on the ground, He saw that it was good, but after the creation of Adam and Eve, He looked at everything that He had created and it was very good. I know that as we look around the area, community and world we live in, it is sometimes hard to see this goodness. is true that the "very good" state that God witnessed after creating everything has been marred because of Adam and Eve's sin. The whole of creation experiences the effects of living in a sinful world.

While we cannot hide or escape the effects that sin brought into the world, we can still look at the beauty of all of God's creation. Spring time, in my mind, is one of the easiest times to recognize the splendor of God's creation. Plant life is beginning to green up and buds are bursting open into beautiful flowers. The birds are singing and animal life is starting to move around more. It is a reminder for us of the life that God has created and ultimately the breath of life that He breathed into Adam and the life He breathes into us each day.

With Easter just around the corner we are also reminded of the life that we have in Jesus, our Savior. From the time Adam and Eve fell into sin, God remembered those words "it was very good" and made a way to restore the broken relationship between God and man and to make that relationship "very good" again. It is through His Son Jesus that we have the promise of forgiveness and eternal life that has restored mankind's broken relationship with God. One day a new heaven and new earth will be recreated when Jesus returns on the last day, ultimately restoring all of creation to that "very good" state.

May God give us the desire and passion to seek Him daily as we continue to share the message of our risen Savior with A Heart for Hamilton County and the World!





<u>Opcoming</u> April Events

1st-6:30p-Preschool Board

7th—7:15a—Men's Club 1:30p—Nursing Home Devotions

8th—6:30p—Bd of Elders

9th—1:00p - Glory Gamester 5:30p—Bd of Finance

14th—11:15a Bd of Ed & Youth Bd of Trustees

15th—6:30p—Council Meeting



Anniversaries

20th Brad & Sherri Tomlinson 23 yrs 22nd Gene & Shirley DeLoach 55 yrs

Birthdays

1st Barbara Cook 2nd Pat Keekley 3rd Brenda Schrank

4th Bryson Marwitz, Mark Sellers

5th Paul Odom

6th Barbara Weidebusch

8th Norma Marwitz, Rita Oldham, Maxine Wenzel

9th Cole Bauman

10th Robert Dellaughter, Clayton Hurst, Shirley Sellers, Grace Zschiesche,

Kris Zschiesche

11th Gayla Squyers 12th Alice Pietzsch

14th Kolten Kensing, Cathy LeGrande, Bobbie Young

16th Abbie Housden

17th Sonny De La Garza, Piersyn Marwitz, Bonnie Williams

20th Caden Hopper

21st Mary Jeffers, Kase Kunkel, Frances Schrank

22nd Taylor Clark, Sabrina Sellers

23rd Kym Jeschke 24th Tracy Seider

25th Kimber Clark, Jasmine Seider 30th Paul Christensen, Cat Parks

Baptisms

1st Marlee Clark, Glenda Peace

2nd Emily Neal Miller, Ernst Peters

5th Michelle Cantara, Kameron McKandless

9th Juanita Seider

10th Ricky Payne

11th Tommy Deutsch, Sandra Witte

13th Pat Keekley

14th Tootie Schoen

15th Nolan Zschiesche

16th Allen Dodson

18th Mischelle Bottlinger, Emma Polster

21st Stephen Horton

22nd Johanna Jeschke, Sandy Olsen

23rd Alex English, Caitlyn English, Karah Niemann

26th Aaron Hungerford

27th Sonny De La Garza

30th Mason Hall



Devote yourselves to being watchful and thankful.

Opening/Breakfast Sundays 8:30am

Sunday School Sundays 9:00am

Church Worship Sundays 10:00am

Quilting Tuesdays 9:00am

Wednesdays After School Youth 4:00pm

Lenten Meal 5:30 Service: 6:30

Men's Bible Study Thursdays 6:30am



⚠ Our Military & Families:

Travis Beach, Nick Cantara, Josh Chorenziak, Lauren Jeffers, Matthew Medina, Ernie Mendez, Payden Nolen, Richard Sepolio, John Slough, Warren Stanley, Micah Stork, Keith Garrett White, Scott Williams

№ Our Homebound & Nursing Facilities:

<u>Focused Care</u>: Kendra Code, Jean Ranney, Lillye Sanders, Pat Bottlinger, Larry Stamberger, Maxine Wenzel <u>Hamilton Health Care</u>: Mildred Kauitzsch, Melinda Rogers, Leamon & Lydia Wagner, Leona Fulton <u>The Meadows, Gatesville</u>: Faye Senger <u>Homebound</u>: Louis & Frances Donahoo, Albert & Artie Peters, Mae Pietzsch, Ruth Reneau, Frances Schrank

- Harry Asquith—health issues with his liver.
- Ricky Brown dealing with neck, breathing & other health issues
- Frances Donahoo dealing with heart & other health issues
- Louis Donahoo dealing with heart & other health issues
- Gary Gromatzky dealing with nerve damage in his back
- ■Alice Jeschke Dealing with numerous health issues
- Norma Marwitz dealing with cancer
- Rick Payne undergoing cancer treatments
- ▼ Emilie Reeves recovering at home from a stroke
- Brenda Schrank cancer treatments complete tests April 9th
- ▲Amanda—(33 year old daughter of Richard Witt, Farm Bureau auditor) Stage 4 Cancer
- Mary Alsup—(St. Paul's, The Grove) cancer treatments
- **▼Oralia Alverado**—(Angie Tawater's mother)—Various health issues
- Noland Arbaugh family friend of Darryl & Mischelle Beach, praying for complete healing of his paralvsis
- **▼Navie Barton** (Patricia Keoughean's granddaughter) recuperating at home
- Molly Beach niece of Darryl & Michelle Beach suffering from an auto-immune disease & other health issues
- Navie Barton—(Patricia Keoughean's granddaughter) recuperating at home
- **Bobby Cathey**—(Tammy Wagner & Joe Cathey's father) various health issues
- Layla Evetts 6yr old diagnosed with an DIPG tumor. Chemo completed
- Paul & Edith Gates (Clark Pumphries' Grandparents) dealing with various health issues
- **▼Fred Gromatzky**—(Gary Gromatzky's brother) undergoing cancer treatments
- Danny Horton (Jimmie Horton's brother) at home going to rehab
- Carolyn May friend of Pat Crouch recovering from massive stroke
- Henrietta Medina liver count went up. Changing medication
- Justin Monk—Tumors on spine, radiation completed, chemo continues showing some improvement
- **▼Jean Schwartz**—(Chrissy Kensing's grandmother) placed on hospice
- **▼Praise and Thanksgiving:** Melinda Rogers
- ▼ For those who grieve: Families of Carl Bubert and Destiny Lester
- ▼ Special Prayers: Rain; Teachers & Students; President & Government Officials (local, state & federal)



St. John Lutheran

Statement of Income and Expense by Major Group

February of Fiscal Year 2019

Finance Update

<u>uate</u>		Current Month		Year-to-date	
	_	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Income					
00-Group 00		42,406.67	35,343.63	84,813.34	82,460.60
	Total Income =	42,406.67	35,343.63	84,813.34	82,460.60
Expense					
04-Board of Outreach		570.00	917.07	1,540.00	1,307.07
10-Board of Elders		14,329.00	12,773.60	28,532.00	25,003.93
12-Board of Education		946.00	863 92	1 772 00	1 3/17 03



	Income Less Expense	5,376.67	1,234.67	9,599.34	14,760.23
	Total Expense =	37,030.00	34,108.96	75,214.00	67,700.37
21-Non-Budget	Expense	0.00	142.02	0.00	287.28
20-Memorial Ex	rpenditures	0.00	50.00	0.00	240.00
16-Preschool E	Board	9,914.00	10,473.12	20,378.00	21,649.35
14-Board of Fir	nance	3,406.00	3,039.18	7,262.00	5,752.13
13-Board of Tru	ustees	7,865.00	5,850.05	15,730.00	12,112.68
12-Board of Ed	ucation	946.00	863.92	1,772.00	1,347.93
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Memorials Given in Memory of Patricia Tubbs

Building Fund: Bert Schrank

General Fund: Rebecca Bottlinger



Ruth Guild is in need of Denim to Upholstery weight fabric in 2 yard lengths. The material will be used for school bags for World Relief children. No camouflage or military type fabric please. You can leave your fabric in the box in the narthex. Thank You.

Next meeting will be April 28 following our worship service at 11:15am. All are Welcome!



Sunday morning services can be heard on

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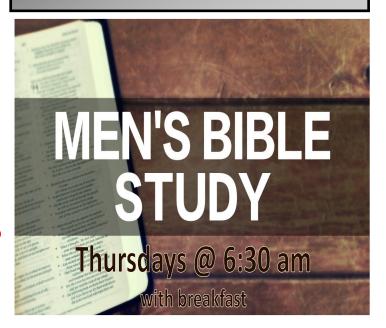
Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm Sunday mornings at 7:30 am

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The Men's Club meets on the 1st Sunday of the month. Join us Sunday, April 7th at 7:15 am for the Men's Club meeting and to help make sausage and pancakes for breakfast.





A new non-profit organization that has been formed with the goal of providing safe, comfortable and reliable transportation for Cancer patients and their

caregivers to and from Houston. Tentative schedule is 10:30 am Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday outbound to Houston from Hamilton and Monday, Wednesday and Friday inbound from Houston arriving at 4:50 pm. Pick-up and drop-off location has not been determined at this point. If anyone in our congregation would like to volunteer on these days and times, we could possibly be the pick-up and drop-off location. If you are interested in St. John being a part of this and possibly overseeing this, please contact the church office and let us know. For further information you can go to www.drivinghopetexas.org.

Are you interested in giving online to St John? Just go to our web site www.stjohnhamilton.org and click on the little heart on the top, or the big heart at the bottom. Then just follow the prompts. Give in the privacy of your own home, or when circumstances prevent you from

worshiping with us! Giving from the heart is so easy!







15TH ANNUAL SERVANT EVENT APRIL 6, 2019 8:00 AM—1:00 PM PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, BELTON, TX



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:00 am—Registration & Breakfast

8:30 am—Opening Devotion

8:45 am—Travel to Job Sites

9:00 am—Service Projects

12:00 pm—Travel back to Prince of Peace

12:15 pm—Closing Devotion

12:30—Lunch

INGATHERING ITEMS

(Any item or combination of items my brought) Toothpaste/Toothbrushes, Laundry Detergent, Dishwashing Soap, Deodorant, Razors, Diapers, Shampoo, Toilet Paper

Peanut Butter, Cereal, Easy-open pasta, Easy Mac, Easy-open soup, Applesauce cups, oatmeal

Items will benefit Helping Hands in Belton

SERVICE PROJECTS

<u>Fire Department & Police Station Cookie Trays:</u> Volunteers will Assemble and deliver cookie trays to several police & fire stations. Please bring cookies for this project!

<u>Park Place Manor Nursing Home:</u> Volunteers will play bingo with the residents; will be visiting with the residents; painting fingernails and spreading good cheer to all!

This project is perfect for the volunteers that can not move around easily or be outside

<u>Scott & White Hospice Thrift Store:</u> Volunteers will be sorting, hanging and organizing thrift store items; also some minor cleaning and dusting; and cleaning windows.

<u>Foster Love Bell County:</u> Volunteers will be working outside. The work to be done is mowing, weed eating, trimming bushes or trees, and rake and pick up leaves.

<u>Aware of Central Texas:</u> Volunteers will be working outside. The work to be done is mowing, weed eating, trimming bushes, pull weeds and pick up leaves.

<u>Jaycee Field:</u> Volunteers will pick up trash in and around Jaycee Field. A wooded area behind the baseball field needs the trash picked up. There are trails in the area and is not challenging.

<u>Neighborhood Trash Pick-Up:</u> Volunteers will walk around the vicinity of Prince of Peace Church to pick up trash along the roadways. Please be careful of any passing cars! There is a small network of side streets in the area that need some attention.

We will be taking the vans so plan to be at the church by 6:45 am to leave by 7:00 am.





TO everyone who helped with Wednesday afternoon activities, providing flowers for our service, Helped with Lenten meals and so much more.

HOLY LAND TOUR – Visiting the Biblical sites in Israel & Jordan (November 12-23, 2019) **GERMANY TOUR** – Visiting the Oberammergau Passion Play & Luther sites (June 28 – July 8, 2020)

Contact Rev Darold Reiner -- retired LCMS Pastor & LWML Int'l Counselor: 406-890-1149 or imhis38@gmail.com



VBS Director Needed

If you would be interested in taking on this important role, please contact any member of the Board of Education, or Pastor Reich.

Thank You

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

EASTER HAM FUNDRAISER

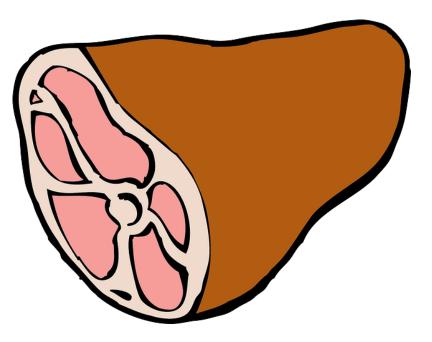
Hams are \$35.00 each

PRE-ORDER ONLY

All orders and money due by

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Contact a Preschool student or parent or call the office to order yours.





Music Notes by: Gary Gromatzky

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

O sacred Head, now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thine only crown.
O sacred Head, what glory,
What bliss, till now was Thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call Thee mine.

What Thou, my Lord, has suffered Was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
"Tis I deserve They place;
Look on me with They favor,
And grant to me Thy grace."

What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever!
And should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never,
Out live my love for Thee.

Be thou my consolation,
My shield, when I must die;
Remind me of Thy passion
When my last hour draws nigh.
Mine eyes shall then behold Thee,
Upon Thy cross shall dwell.
My heart by faith enfold Thee,
Who dieth thus dies well.

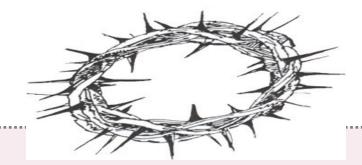
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Bernard of Clairvaux
1091-1153

One of the grandest hymns of the church for use in the Lenten season is from the pen of Bernard of Clairvaux. The beauty of this hymn is that it enters into deepest sympathy with Christ in His passion and at the same time breathes strong personal faith in the atonement. We owe a great debt of gratitude for this hymn to St. Bernard of Clairvaux, whose Latin original we consider his masterpiece. A rich and beautiful German rendering of this hymn is from the pen of that great Lutheran hymn writer, Paul Gerhardt, whose, "O Haupt voll Blut und Wunder" is found in practically all good German hymn books.

The best English translations of this hymn is by James W. Alexander, an American Presbyterian clergyman. He made his translation in 1830.

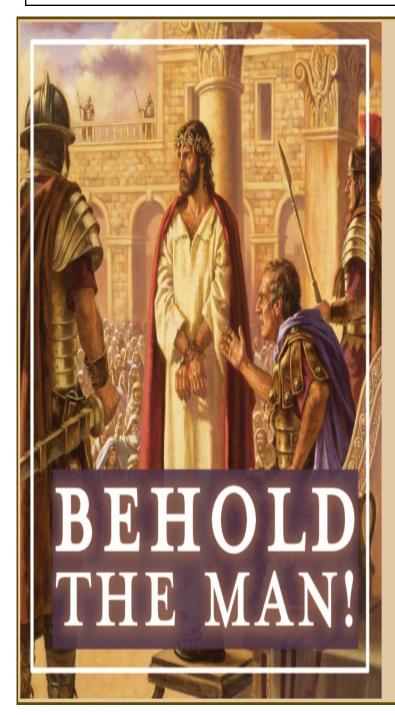
Dr. Schaff, the greatest of American Presbyterian theologians, in speaking of this old hymn of the church says: "This classic hymn has shown in three tongues—Latin, German and English—and in three confessions—Roman, Lutheran and Reformed—with equal effect the dying love of our Savior and our limitless indebtedness to Him."

Ref: Favorite Hymns by William Lee Hunton, The United Lutheran Publication House, Philadelphia, PA









Lent & Easter Service Schedule

Wednesdays — Meal @ 5:30 pm Service @ 6:30 pm

Wed. Mar. 6th - at St. John, Hamilton A God Who Hungers!

Wed. Mar. 13th - at St. Paul's, Aleman A God Who Prays!

Wed. Mar. 20th - at St. John, Hamilton A God Beaten!

Wed. Mar. 27th - at St. Paul's, Aleman A God Exposed!

Wed. Apr. 3rd - at St. John, Hamilton A God With a Mother!

Wed. Apr. 10th - at St. Paul's, Aleman A God Who Thirsts!

Thu. Apr. 18th - at St. John, Hamilton - 6:30 pm A God Who Loves!

Fri. Apr. 19th - at St. John, Hamilton - 6:30 pm A God Who Bleeds, Dies and is Buried!

Sun. Apr. 21st - at St. John, Hamilton - Easter Sunday A God Who Rises!

MID-WEEK LENTEN MEALS ST. JOHN
April 3 Board of Ed. And Youth Mexican Fiesta

St. John Youth

Talk to Shawna if you want to go to summer camp!

CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDS!

DAVIN CROUCH

CADEN HOPPER

ADAM SALEH

CODY TAWATER

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY APRIL 14

FIRST COMMUNION MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Update on the National Youth Gathering Trip

Lumberjack Contest and T-shirts bought

Airplane Ticket's bought

Paying Hotel this month

JULY 10 Dallas 11:15 to Chicago MDW 13:30 Chicago MDW 14:50 to Minnesota MSP 16:20 JULY 15 MSP 18:05 to MDW 19:35 MDW 21:20

to DAL 23:25



NYG Bible Study Saturday April 13 6:00 at the FLC



God is our REFUGE and STRENGTH, a very present help

\$460

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Psalm 46:1

in trouble.

Confirma

April 3 Reese Hungerford April 10 Kyler Kensing April 14 CONFIRMATION Sunday April 17 Fellowship Event (BOE) April 18 First Communion for 6th

Grade for Maundy Thursday April 19 Good Friday Service

April 21 Easter Sunday

Remember regular attendance at confirmation, Sunday School. **Lenten Services and Worship are** part of the Confirmation Plan so you can grow spiritually and closer to one another.

YOUTH LENTEN MEAL

with Board of Youth and Board of Ed

JR YOUTH: Bring 2 bags of tortilla chips and 1 pound of cheese

SR Youth: Bring 1 Head Lettuce, 2-4 tomatoes and 2 onions

Bring by Tuesday, April 2nd

Be thinking of a design for our church's NYG Group Shirt



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PLANT SALE FUNDRAISER in Family Life Center



Sign UP with Misti Polster (248-2350) for a Time to Help

4:00-7:00 Thursday 11th and Friday 12th

8:00-2:00 Saturday the 13th

These funds will build up the National Youth Gathering Funds



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- Fun week with Friends
- Great Music
- Grow Closer to God
- Mission Event
- Worship with 30,000
- Mega Games

Don't miss out on this fabulous experience! Registration forms are **due October 7**. We must plan for airfare, hotel, food, transportation, t-shirts as soon as possible. Pay \$100 with registration in October and \$100 in the spring. We hope to fundraise the rest of the trip. We will be having a youth Bible Study/Team Building each month to lead up to the event. This is the biggest and best youth event you can be a part of. Invite a friend to join us with the fundraising and trip. You will be so glad you made God a priority for this week!

-Brief Informational Meeting Sept 9 after church

Approved Fundraisers

Month	Fundraiser	Parent Coordinator
August	Garage Sale/Snowcones	Polsters/Hoppers
September 16	Freezer Pleaser Sale	Ondrusek/
October/November	Basket Raffle	
May	Chicken BBQ (FRI/Sat)	
April	Plant Sale	

We have to raise over \$1,000 per child for the National Youth Gathering. Your significant participation in at least <u>3 fundraisers</u> is really important to our success.





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