



Connect

Living Word's Weekly Newsletter

April 14, 2019



Journey to the Cross

Journey to the Cross is a creative, hands-on walk through Jesus' last week on earth that is designated for families of preschoolers through 3rd graders. The event is held in waves; be sure to choose a time that works for you. The first wave is at 8:40 am. All waves are followed by a breakfast of pancakes, fruit, coffee, and juice. Arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the start of your wave for check-in and pre-event activities which include a petting zoo, face painting, bubbles and chalk. We recommend that children wear shoes that are easy to take off for the foot washing station.

Register at www.LivingWordKaty.org/EVENTS

Thank You!

Piecemakers would like to thank everyone for their favorable comments on our quilts, for purchasing raffle tickets, and for helping us pack the quilts on Sunday. Drew Stackel was the winner of the quilt and Bonnie Thurmond won the tote bag. We can always use fabrics, home sewers, and smiling faces on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday mornings of each month!

If you are unable to come forward for communion, please let an usher know.

Easter Flower Orders Due Today

If you would like to purchase flowers to decorate our sanctuary for Easter, please pick up an order form from the brochure stand in the lobby. The sale of Easter flowers helps support functionally disabled adults at The Brookwood Community located in Brookshire, Texas. Orders are due no later than TODAY.





Juventus Academy of Houston

The core of our Vision2020 campaign is growing deeper in Christ and broadening our reach to our community. One way we are expanding our reach to our community is through ministry partnerships. Our local ministry partners include **Kindred Lutheran, Katy Christian Ministries, Christ Clinic, Krause Center, Krist Samaritan Center, Acts of Wisdom, Houston Food Bank, Katy Cares, Cancer Care, The Gathering, Interfaith Ministries of Greater Houston** and many others. Our partnership also allows us to open our facility to many outside groups such as **Scouts, ESL groups, Fort Bend Literacy Council, music recitals, job trainings, AA, SAA,** and other community events. We believe by doing so we are fulfilling Christ's command to hospitality and fulfilling our Vision2020 commitment.

Over the last 2-months, our council has been in serious conversation with **Juventus Academy of Houston (JAH)** that would allow them to use an acre of our property on the southwest corner adjacent to the strip mall. It is our determination that this potential partnership with JAH is in the best spirit of outreach to our community. It allows us to engage more people on our facility and hopefully share Christ's love with them. JAH usage of this acreage will in no way conflict with, or hamper our existing ministries.

Things You Should Know About Juventus and Our Potential Partnership

Juventus' Mission is to empower youth by promoting Juventus' philosophy:

- Grow people before players
- Motivate healthy living habits in youth
- Engage children in sports by promoting the practice of soccer that have an impact in their attitude and academic behavior.

Scope of Agreement With Juventus

- 42,000 sq ft for 3 years. Scholarships provided to 2 Living Word youth yearly to cover full program. Discounted program fees for Living Word members. Academy is responsible for building and maintaining the field at their cost according to regulations and guidelines of Cinco Ranch HOA and Fort Bend County.
- Any alterations, additions or improvements made become the property of Living Word Evangelical Lutheran Church.
- Academy will have their own liability insurance to cover for any employee/contractor or participants for any academy activities.
- Use of Living Word spaces other than outlined in the Lease Agreement are subject to the same scheduling terms and conditions as community partners and outside groups.

Learn more about Juventus Academy at:

<https://youtu.be/dXnu1C7snIY>

<https://youtu.be/wPI2m00d0XI>

<https://youtu.be/Z7Ale-ERcdo>

For more information, you can also email our council at council@livingwordkaty.org.

Council Update

Kim Kane has resigned as Treasurer/Secretary of Living Word Church Council. The Kanes will be relocating to Bryan, Texas soon. Please join us in giving thanks for the ministry of Kim and Jerri Kane, and pray for a blessed transition to Bryan.

Your council has voted unanimously to select Tom Huttenoff to serve out the remainder of Kim's term on council as Treasurer/Secretary. Tom comes with a much-needed skill set: Certified Public Accountant. Please welcome Tom to council and thank him and Brandi for giving their time in service to Living Word and God's kingdom.

Announcements for Connect are due by 1 pm on Tuesdays

Please send them to utegustafson@livingwordkaty.org

For the current list of Living Word events, visit the "EVENTS" page at LivingWordKaty.org

LIVING WORD'S MUSIC DAY CAMP CAMP JAM



JUNE 17-21 9:00AM TO 2:30PM
REGISTER AT LIVINGWORDKATY.ORG/EVENTS

Young at Heart

Young at Heart invites singles and couples to come on their monthly outing on Monday, **May 6**, to tour the painted churches near Schulenburg. We will depart from the church at 8:30am returning about 4:30pm. We will lunch at the Garden Company during the tour. Cost: \$10 per person for the tour plus tip for the guide. We will use the church van plus some cars for transportation. If you would like to come contact Genny Pitts at genny.pitts86@gmail.com.

Gathering 'Putting On The Ritz'

Top hats, canes, baubles, beads, glitz and glam! The Gathering will be 'Putting On The Ritz' on Thursday, **April 18th**, in the Life Center. The Gathering team will meet at 8:30 am to put the finishing touches on the ballroom; the social will begin at 9:30 with the arrival of the guests and conclude at 1:30 pm. Entertainer Lisa Jassup and 'friends' will present a "Golden Oldies" musical program. The fun-filled day will also include making a take-home craft, entertainment by The Learning Center students, a sing-a-long, games, exercise time and lunch.

The Gathering, a Living Word Outreach Ministry, hosts a themed event for men and women with early to moderate memory loss on the third Thursday of the month. The ministry offers the guests a time of social interaction and gives their caregiver a few hours of relaxation as they know their loved one is in a safe, caring, loving environment. For more information, or to become a part of the Gathering team, contact Mary Lou Volan at 281-578-9878 or mlvolan@gmail.com.

Women's Night Out

Ladies, join us for a night out to unwind and connect with other women at Local Table (22756 Westheimer Parkway) on Thursday, **April 25th** beginning at 7 pm. Please contact Amy Dhodapkar at 281-415-0284 to RSVP. Can't wait to see you there!

High School

Youth Group will meet this Sunday, from 4-5:30pm! New Bible study, more friends, more games. We're excited to see you there!

Parents, if you are interested in helping during youth group or donating food, there's a sign-up in the church lobby! For more information, please e-mail Christian Capo at ChristianCapo@LivingWordKaty.org.

High School Graduation Milestone is coming up! Graduating seniors, it's a time to celebrate - and we want to celebrate with you! The milestone class will be held on **April 28** at 12pm, and the milestone celebration is **May 19** during the 11am worship service. Please email Christian at ChristianCapo@LivingWordKaty.org with the following information:

- ◆ Name, graduating High School, and future plans (College and Major, Trade School focus, Military, etc.)
- ◆ Baby, Middle School, and Graduation/High School photos as .jpg's

2019 Giving

March Anticipated Giving	\$135,450
March Actual Giving	\$115,249
Year-to-Date Anticipated Giving	\$245,300
Year-to-Date Actual Giving	\$201,582

Ladies' Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Prophets Isaiah and Jeremiah prophesied God's judgment on ancient, powerful Babylon, which seem to parallel disciple John's vision of God's judgment on similar "Babylon type" rulers, nations and organizations. So what are God's people to do? Come join us on Tuesday evenings as we continue our study at 7:00 to 8:30pm in the Martin Luther room. For more information, contact Selina at 281-352-4712 or selinapon@gmail.com.





Upcoming Events

SUNDAY 4-14

8:00 AM	Songs of the Cross	Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Songs of the Cross	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Sunday School: Children and Youth	WEEK OFF
10:00 AM	Adult Christian Education	WEEK OFF
11:00 AM	Songs of the Cross	Sanctuary
12:15 PM	Percussion Ensemble	Family Room
12:15 PM	The Diamonds - Youth Choir	Micah Room
4:00 PM	High School Weekly Meet Up	Life Center
6:00 PM	Confirmation Skit Night	Life Center

MONDAY 4-15

4:30 PM	Young Artists	Martin Luther
5:30 PM	Grace Notes Bell Choirs A & B	Narthex
6:00 PM	Jewels Children's Choir	Sanctuary

TUESDAY 4-16

9:00 AM	Piecemakers	Life Center
10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Group	Grace Place
7:00 PM	Tuesday Evening Ladies' Bible Study	Martin Luther

WEDNESDAY 4-17

9:30 AM	Pastor's Bible Study	Life Center
6:15 PM	Praise Band & Adult Choir Practice	Sanctuary
7:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study	Life Center

THURSDAY 4-18

10:00 AM	The Gathering	Life Center
1:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship	Sanctuary
7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship	Sanctuary

FRIDAY 4-19

8:40 AM	Journey to the Cross	Church Campus
1:00 PM	Good Friday Worship	Sanctuary
7:00 PM	Good Friday Worship	Sanctuary

Living Word Lutheran Church

Pastor Emmanuel Jackson, Lead Pastor
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