



# The Messenger

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## LAUREL HEIGHTS YOUTH

Here's a glimpse of what Laurel Heights Youth have been up to the past few months. We're a small but mighty group of students and parents who are working to build community, engage youth and their families, and create a foundation for growth.

Main Street Bethlehem (Burnet, TX) Youth Christmas Party Midwinter Retreat (Buda, TX) Bowling

### Midwinter Retreat

Laurel Heights students attended the Rio Texas Youth Midwinter Retreat in Buda, TX in mid-February. They came home excited about their experiences and eager to attend the Rio Texas Youth Summer Camps.

*"I loved how many opportunities were there and I loved how they used upbeat songs instead of slow, sad ones!" – Madelyn*



*"I enjoyed meeting new friends. I want to go back because I had such a fun time!" - Meadow*

*"Loved the zip line with the wind blowing in your face and the arcade! Can't wait to go back for the river and shooting range!" – Merrick*

# LAUREL HEIGHTS YOUTH UPDATES

## Mark Your Calendar

### District Youth & Youth Leader Gathering

**Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 12PM – 3PM**

Lunch, worship, games/social time for students & community of support conversation for adult leaders @ Colonial Hills UMC. We'll gather at Laurel Heights at 11:30AM and take the van together. RSVP to Katie Myers (210)587-5498 or [katiewmyers@yahoo.com](mailto:katiewmyers@yahoo.com).

### Summer Camps

All youth (rising 6<sup>th</sup> – rising 12<sup>th</sup> grade) are encouraged to consider taking Meadow, Madelyn, and Merrick's recommendation and going to one of the two Rio Texas Youth Summer Camps. The camp in Buda is smaller in size, so it is expected to fill up faster. The conference recommends registering quickly once registration opens in early April. Early bird registration is \$275.

**Laurel Heights will cover the registration cost for any of our students who wish to attend. Contact Pastor Lisa for more information.**





# Easter Lilies

Just as we did for our Poinsettias back in December we have ordered our Easter Lilies from **Down Home Ranch in Elgin, TX**. As you may or may not know, Down Home Ranch's mission is "Empowering the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through social, educational, residential and vocational opportunities."



They provide residency for people with IDD in 6-bed, 4-bed, 3-bed, 2-bed and 1-bed homes. They provide vocational skills training and paid employment, with diverse job opportunities and options both on and off the Ranch. They provide a community for people with and without IDD to enjoy companionship, friendships, fun, travel, recreation, and an active lifestyle.

They achieve their mission by Integrating into the surrounding local communities and the larger Austin metropolitan community, while becoming increasingly active on the national stage. They seek to be on the cutting edge in creating an entrepreneurial organization that attracts people interested in disability, horticulture, agriculture, environment, good stewardship and more.

This year Down Home Ranch partnered with Klepac Greenhouse, Inc. from Blanco, TX to bring us some beautiful Lilies this Easter season. The Easter Lilies that will adorn our sanctuary are \$15.00 per lily. Your purchase of Easter Lilies, will help support Down Home Ranch Ranchers!

## 2024 Easter Lily Order Form

We invite you to purchase Easter lily plant(s) to decorate and beautify the sanctuary for Easter Sunday.

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Lily Plant(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$15.00 each** **Total Amount \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay by check made payable to Laurel Heights UMC, "Lily" in the memo line.

Mail this form along with your check to  
Laurel Heights UMC, Attn: Bookkeeper, 227 W. Woodlawn, SA, TX, 78212.

Or pay online at <https://onrealm.org/LaurelHeightsUn/-/form/give/default>

# Laurel Heights Young Family News

Laurel  
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# Potluck

All are  
Welcome

## & Egg Hunt

Join us for  
lunch, followed by  
an egg hunt for all  
children through 6th  
grade in Rowe Plaza

12 pm - 1:30 pm

Sunday

March 24

2024





# LAUREL HEIGHTS SUPER ADULTS' NIFTY-FIFTY



In 1975, a working group from Laurel Heights United Methodist Church led by, Henry Holloway, Director of Music and Adult Ministries Committee established a ministry for seniors in the church and in the City of San Antonio. Realizing the need for more organized activities for senior adults, they developed programs to meet those needs. Beginning with a small group that met for fellowship, worship, singing, education, fun and travel, the group grew from twenty-five active seniors to 450. As it grew, the name “*Super Adults*” and the motto “*Make New Friends, but keep the old, one is Silver, the other Gold*” were adopted, along with the logo: “*Super Adults on the Go.*”

Now in their 50<sup>th</sup> year Super Adults are still going strong. Super Adult Day is typically, the 4th Thursday of each month, and includes Super Adult Bingo at 10:30 and lunch and a program from 11 to 12:30. Coffee, cookies and conversation are available at 10a.m. Birthdays are celebrated with cake, candles, singing of a special “Happy Birthday” song, and a prayer.

Now is the time to add something special to your monthly calendar! Dues are a bargain at only \$35.00 a year.



***Laurel Heights Super Adults is conducting a Membership Drive this year through May 31, 2024.***

*Super Adult Membership Card  
May 31, 2024 to May 31, 2025*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

For emergency, please notify \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_



## Church Calendar

### Wednesday, March 13

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

3:00 p.m. United Women in Faith - Parlor

5:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner - Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 14

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

5:30 p.m. Health Cabinet Meeting - Zoom

6:00 p.m. Tai Chi Class - Room 312

### Friday, March 15

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

### Sunday, March 17

9:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary

### Monday, March 18

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

10:00 a.m. Super Adult Book Discussion - Zoom

### Tuesday, March 19

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

5:30 p.m. Lenten Study

### Wednesday, March 20

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 312

5:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner - Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 21

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

6:00 p.m. Tai Chi Class - Room 312

### Friday, March 22

9:00 a.m. Exercise Class - Room 305

### Sunday, March 24

7:15 a.m. Sunrise Easter Service - Rowe Plaza

9:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary

12:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt & Potluck Lunch



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Laurel Heights  
Young Family Calendar of Events  
2024

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

9 • CAM 9am to 12pm

• Lent dinners 5:30pm 6:15 to 6:40pm & Children's music time

24 • Palm Sunday Potluck & Egg Hunt Following 11am service

28 • Maundy Thursday Stations of the Cross 5:30 to 7pm

29 • Good Friday Service 6 pm

31 • Easter Sunday 7:15am, 9am & 11am

# *Prayer Requests*

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### *Healing:*

Lucien Manchester

Sonny Landers

Richard Parrigan

Natasha Garza

Gracie Huron

Alice Gannon

Mary Howard

Ann Wheeler

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### *God's Presence:*

For those affected by the COVID-19 virus and homebound members;  
the incarcerated; and women and men in our military.



**Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our PRAYER**

You can offer a prayer of gratitude  
or concern by emailing [prayers@mylhmc.org](mailto:prayers@mylhmc.org),  
through [Facebook Messenger](#),  
or calling the church office (210) 733-7156.





## Happy Birthday

3/18

Sarah Holloway  
Warren Kramer  
Quinn Neeley  
Angie Taylor

3/14

Jerry Crockett  
Daphne Garcia  
Yadiel Montano  
Mary Steigleder

3/19

Lea Gonzales

3/8

Mary Hawkins

3/20

Donald Clark  
Abigail Kinnison

3/15

Molly Walden

3/16

Stephen Bailey  
William Hurt  
Patricia Oxford

3/17

Camilo Dennis

*Are we missing  
your name  
on the birthday list?*

*Please notify the  
church office  
at 210-733-7156  
so we can update our  
records.*

*We don't want to  
miss anyone!*

## Follow Us On Social Media



<https://www.facebook.com/LaurelHeightsUMC>

**Sanctuary Offering**

**Online Giving**  
Please visit our website:  
<http://www.laurelheights.org/give/>

**Text to give:**  
"LHUMC" 73256

**Or use our QR code**

**MANY WAYS TO GIVE AT LAUREL HEIGHTS UMC**

<http://www.laurelheights.org/give/>

## Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Contact Us at 210-733-7156

## Laurel Heights Staff

Rev. Lisa Straus, Senior Pastor

Rev. Laura Healy, Associate Pastor

Laura Marty, Music Director

Dr. Melanie Randall, Organist

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