



# The Messenger

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## Lenten Study Group

Join us as we journey through the season of Lent focusing on the practice of spiritual disciplines. We will discuss and explore these disciplines and commit to a practice (of your choice) for the following week. Come and experience the support and accountability of Lenten practices in community!

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 25 – SILENCE**

Where can we find silence in the noisy world around us? Once we discover some silence, what do we do inside it?

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 1 – PATIENCE**

What is the difference between patience and contentment? In what situations is patience hard for us? How can we relate to frustration and impatience in a new way?

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 8 - REST/STILLNESS**

What does rest look like? How might we rest in God's presence?

We meet at 5:30pm on Tuesdays in the Parlor.

If you have questions please contact Laura Healy.

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## Church Calendar

### Wednesday, March 19

10:00 a.m. Property Building Grounds Mtg.- *Parlor*

5:45 p.m. Missions Committee meeting - *Parlor*

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - *Choir Room*

### Thursday, March 20

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

2:00 p.m. June McManus Memorial - Sanctuary

Reception to Follow - *Fellowship Hall*

### Friday, March 21

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

### Sunday, March 23

9:00 a.m. Worship Service- *Sanctuary*

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

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - *Sanctuary*

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11:00 a.m. Worship Service

12:00 p.m. Finance Committee Budget Presentation

12:15 p.m. Youth Gathering & Lunch - *Youth Lounge*

12:15 p.m. United Women in Faith Mtg.- *Room 318*

### Monday, March 24

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

### Tuesday, March 25

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

5:30 p.m. Journey Through the Season of Lent with  
Pastor Laura - *Parlor*

### Wednesday, March 26

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - *Choir Room*

### Thursday, March 27

9:00 a.m. Church Mice

10:00 a.m. Super Adult Day - Fellowship Hall

### Friday, March 28

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

### Sunday, March 30

9:30 a.m. Finance Committee Budget Presentation

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

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

12:00 p.m. Fifth Sunday Potluck - *Fellowship Hall*

1:00 p.m. Newcomer's Gathering - *Parlor*

## Finance Committee

2025 Budget Presentation

March 23 at 12:00 p.m.

And

March 30 at 9:30 a.m.

## Newcomer's Gathering

by Doris Pennington,  
Welcome Committee Chair

A Newcomer's Gathering will take place immediately following the 5th Sunday Potluck in the Parlor adjacent to the Fellowship Hall at 1:00 p.m. During this event, you will be able to meet the pastors and the Welcome Committee, learn more about what is happening here at Laurel Heights, and perhaps take a tour of our beautiful building. If you have been considering membership at Laurel Heights or just enjoy visiting, you will not want to miss this event.

## Library & Records Committee

The Library and Records Committee will be hosting a FREE book giveaway during the Potluck on Sunday, March 30.

**MARCH 30**  
**12:00 P.M.**

**FIFTH SUNDAY**

# Potluck



**Fellowship**  
**Hall**

# 2025 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: \_\_\_\_\_

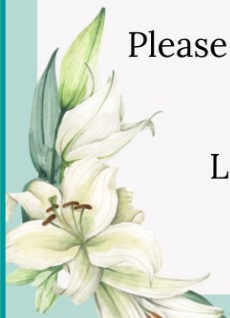
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**Number of Lily Plant(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$15.00 each** **Total Amount \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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>



## For 6th - 12th graders

### Youth Group

Sundays 12PM - 2PM @ LH  
 Lunch \* Games \* Conversation

- January 26: Games Day
- March 23: Forgiveness
- April 27: Mystery Outing
- May 18: The Future

### Mid-Winter Retreat

Feb 21-23  
 Twin Oaks Ranch (Buda, TX)

### End of the Year Pool Party

May 17  
 Pastor Lisa's

### Special Events

## Service Opportunities

2nd Saturdays 9AM - 12PM  
 @CAM

Signup with the QR code

- January 11
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12
- May 10



### Questions about Youth Events?

Katie (210)587-5498

Road Trip 2025  
 Vacation Bible Camp

6/23-6/27

9AM - 12PM

15+ service hours & leadership opportunity as a center or group leader

12PM - 2PM

VBC Youth Volunteer Lunch & Hang-Out Daily + special Thursday excursion



# *Prayer Requests*

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### *Healing*

Lucien Manchester

Richard Parrigan

Gracie Huron

Juan Arturo Gonzalez

Jay Sconyers

Bert Clayton

Norman Roe

Elizabeth Diaz

Kay Craig

Cliff Henry

Joe Palafos



# HAPPY Birthday

3/20  
Abigail Kinnison

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

3/23  
Rayen Dennis

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

3/24  
Leana Turbeville

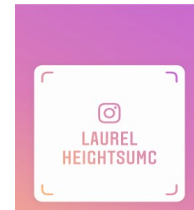
3/25  
Winnie Kinnison

*We don't want to miss  
anyone!*

3/26  
Merrick Lange



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

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

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

**Or use our QR code**

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

## Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am-4pm



## Laurel Heights Staff

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Rev. Lisa Straus, Senior Pastor

Rev. Laura Healy, Associate Pastor

Laura Marty, Music Director

Dr. Melanie Randall, Assoc. Dir. of Music & Organist

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