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Pastors Article

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Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. (Isaiah 43:19)

This is an exciting time of year in church life. I am thinking especially of times like Reformation Sunday when we proclaim how God is always reforming the Church; All Saints' Sunday that celebrates the universality of Christ's Church, including those saints who are now numbered in the heaven above; Thanksgiving Day, a national holiday but one to which Christians especially are attuned because gratitude is at the heart of our faith and life; and finally the turning of the Church Year calendar with Christ the King Sunday followed by the season of Advent.

But what excites me this year is the stewardship program for Hosanna, Spring Forth Anew. The theme comes from the prophet Isaiah who proclaims that God is doing a new thing. The words of Isaiah were spoken at a time when the future for Israel looked bleak. The people were in exile, displaced from their homeland, yearning for those glory days of worship in Jerusalem and living in the land of their ancestors. The prophet brought hope to a despairing Israel. Isaiah told the people that God was already bringing about something new and causing different to spring forth in their life. God was making a way through the wilderness, doing the impossible, even creating rivers in the desert.

In the same way Hosanna has been through some rough days. There are times when the future looks bleak, at least when compared to the glory days of the past. But the promise to Israel is also the promise to Hosanna. God is already doing something new and different and providing a way forward. God who raised Jesus from the dead and poured out the Spirit on Pentecost is helping Hosanna Spring Forth Anew. Baptized for these very days, Hosanna is boldly venturing forth, trusting God is preparing Hosanna Lutheran Church for something new and alive in the Spirit.

The congregation was informed this past Sunday that an offer has been accepted on the sale of the church property. I am grateful the congregation will not be relocating before June 1, 2022, and the preschool will be able to complete the school year uninterrupted. The sale of the church property will help put the congregation on better financial footing, right-size the congregational model for ministry and retain some resources for a future building of some kind.

I know these developments produce a mixture of feelings, especially grief, loss and much uncertainty. However, I hope people can also see God at work in the midst of all this, God causing new things to Spring Forth Anew. This year's stewardship program invites you to invest in the congregation's life and ministry.

Leaders want to see Hosanna once again grow and prosper. The Church Council is committed to working with LEAD, an organization that helps congregations find their way in a new day. LEAD is helping Hosanna grow into our new vision with its aspiration to Love Like Jesus. LEAD's Executive Director, Peggy Hahn, has been working with the congregational leadership in a process to develop strategic directions for growing the congregation in alignment with our faith and values. The process is built around listening—to Scripture, to one another, and to people in the community. There is much work to be done, but the congregation is taking courageous faith-filled steps in a positive direction.

I invite you to read the material from the stewardship team and learn about Spring Forth Anew. Spend time in the coming weeks to pray about and consider your gift to Hosanna. Listen to the Temple Talks that will be part of worship on October 31, November 7 and 14. And, if at all possible, come to worship on Sunday, November 21, 9:30 am, Spring Forth Anew Sunday, as we present our Statements of Intent for Hosanna Lutheran Church. We are all in this together. God is already doing a new thing among us and getting Hosanna ready to Spring Forth Anew.

In Christ's Love and Peace.

Pastor Jerry Mansholt

Hosanna Highlights

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NOTES & NEWS

Join the Hosanna Family
at 9:30AM

Or watch on Facebook

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- Masks are now OPTIONAL indoors.
- We have hand sanitizer at the door.
- The Nursery will not be open.
- Offering plates will be kept at the back of the Sanctuary rather than passed down each row.
- We will have music, but we will ask that the congregation not sing at this time.
- **NEW COMMUNION UPDATE:** we will start doing regular communion **OCTOBER 31st.**
- **Coffee hour will take place after the service.**

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Church Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for the online church calendar

October 31	9:30AM Service- Temple Talk HALLOWEEN! Stay Safe!
November 1	Hosanna Hot Meals Hosanna FAITH
November 3	JOY at 10:30am in the Kitchen
November 7	9:30am Service- Temple Talk
November 8	Hosanna Hot Meals Hosanna FAITH Executive Meeting
November 13	Listen Like Jesus 9am-2pm
November 14	9:30am Service- Temple Talk
November 15	Hosanna Hot Meals Hosanna FAITH Council Meeting
November 17	JOY at 10:30am in the Kitchen
November 21	9:30am Service STEWARDSHIP for all SEASONS
November 22	Hosanna Hot Meals- Thanksgiving Edition Hosanna Faith
November 25	HAPPY THANKSGIVING Office Closed
November 27	Decorating for Christmas- Volunteers needed
November 28	9:30am Service



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Attend a training from Peggy Hahn and learn to "Listen Like Jesus"



Help us decorate the church for the Advent season!



Thank you to everyone who took a basket. We are looking for volunteers to help pass out the baskets on November 20th.

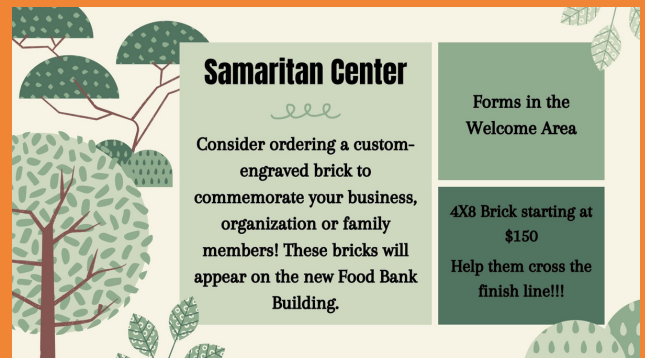


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Help the Samaritan Center reach their financial goal for the new Food Bank.



Meals are every Monday! Volunteer opportunities available!



Hosanna Hot Meals is looking for desserts! If you can make or buy dessert for this ministry sign up with [THIS LINK!](#)



Hosanna Highlights

Grace Schneider
Office Manager



Nicole Gunn
Bookkeeper/Assistant



**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
8:30am-1:30pm**

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CALL COMMITTEE 1-MINUTE UPDATE

Who We Are:

Chair: George Michell
Secretary: Brian Nichols
Member: Dana Reed
Member: Jillian Garrett
Member: Louann Stone
Member: Erica Spindler

What we are doing now:

The call committee held its third meeting last week. As we continue our self-study, we are actively reaching out to congregational members and the community to build our Ministry Site Profile (MSP). We welcome your input as we clarify who we are as part of the call process. We continue to meet weekly and thank you for your prayers.

Our Process: <https://gulfcostsynod.org/leadership/call-process/>

We are on YouVersion Bible app: Get the YouVersion Bible App on your phone to follow along with Pastor's message each Sunday. Download the app, select 'More' in the bottom right corner, then select 'Events'!

Hosanna Quilters:

Hosanna Quilters meet every Thursday.

For more information contact:

Debbie Coleman
Or the church office



To submit prayer requests

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Marilyn Boudreaux
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**Registration is still on going for the
2021-2022 School Year!**

Call the Preschool office for further details♥

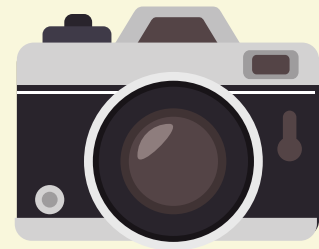


Hosanna Christian Preschool's Annual Food Drive

Items collected will be donated to the Samaritan Center! Bring your items anytime before Thanksgiving break and the teachers will gather them from your car during carline.

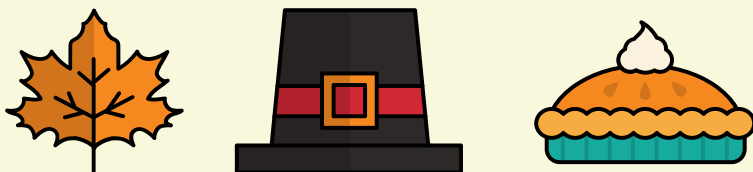


School Picture Day!! November 4th & 5th



We are still collecting
Community Coffee Labels

Save your Community Coffee
proof of purchase labels and
place in container at the Info
Center to help raise funds for
supplies for Hosanna Christian
Preschool.



**NO PRESCHOOL
November 22-26**

Enjoy your Thanksgiving Break!!

Hosanna Christian Preschool

Director:

Marilyn Boudreaux

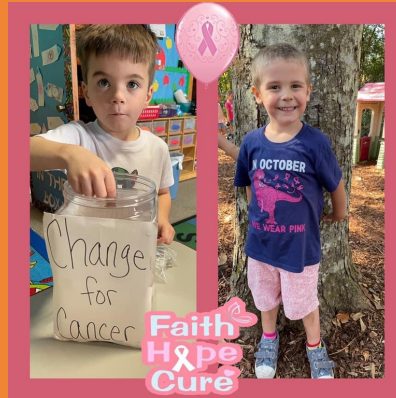
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**Thank you to everyone
who donated to our
Change for Cancer drive!**



Extracurricular activities!!



**Chapel as a
community
again, YAY!**



P.E. and Music in the Barn classroom



Fire Truck visits and FRIENDS!



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Church Council

See end of newsletter for council meeting minutes.



**This months article written
 by Council Member:
 Charles Stone**

2021-2022 Council Members:

Rob Rhea- President
Marc Reed- Vice President
Doug Burbank- Treasurer
Rachael Moore- Secretary
George Michell- Worship
Steve Beene- Ministry
Charles Stone- Fellowship
Vacancy- Evangelism
Nathan Hoffman- Discipleship

The month of November promises to be one of prayer, adventures, and acts of thanksgiving as we address major changes while HLC boldly steps into the future with hope, expectation, and excitement!

The initial change involves our clocks as we reset into the Winter months by falling back on November 7th. Be sure to adjust your clocks and watches for this Fall event. Weather will be changing as well, producing fresh colors in nature, wildlife adjustments and celebrations of the harvest season.

We expect that state mandated COVID-19 protocols will have been revised at the end of October, which may have impacted how HLC communion services are implemented. Check our weekly Happenings at Hosanna email for details as these unfold.

Each member of our congregation is encouraged to adapt to these seasonal changes with refreshed commitments to a deepened life of daily prayer; to be able to Love Like Jesus; to be making your 2022 stewardship commitment; to supporting our various ministries; and to help grow our congregation in size as well as enthusiasm!

Meanwhile, the Council Leadership is involved in four major activities:

1. The process of selling our property is moving along by accepting the bid offer after negotiations with the FIELD Church. Our Council leadership will continue in the negotiation stages to elicit the very best outcome for both HLC and the HC Preschool.
2. Developing a sustainable budget for the 2022 calendar year as we each address our level of contributions during the Stewardship discussions leading to commitment Sunday on November 21st.
3. Calling for a new Pastor who can actively lead our congregation into the future! This involves deep listening to our congregation as well as better understanding of the needs of our community and discerning how HLC can best serve both.
4. Listening to the needs of our congregational groups: current members and small groups; young families and Preschool; our Seniors; and our Feeding ministries such as HIS, Hot Meals, and the FAITH garden. These listening activities interact with the development of a budget and help in the Call process.

November also brings a traditional time of gathering family and/or friends for a day of traditional feasts and football as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day on the 25th. There is still time to sign for your basket at the Welcome Desk! If you are interested in helping distribute the filled baskets, please contact Linda Busfield.

Thanksgiving Day comes as one full month's prelude to our Christian celebration of the birth of Christ. In preparation for this important celebration, we will be decorating the Sanctuary, Narthex, and Fellowship Hall as well as the building exterior for the Christmas season on the last Saturday and Sunday of November. The Hosanna Christian Preschool leaders are also planning their Christmas programs in December. The HLC Christmas gala will be on December 4th – more details will be provided in the Hosanna Happenings!

November Birthdays

Nov 4 Jack Anderson

Nov 4 Jacob Giffin

Nov 5 Faith Albert

Nov 5 Marilyn Boudreaux

Nov 6 Vivian Moore

Nov 6 David Moore

Nov 10 Allen Sanders

Nov 10 Danny Garretti

Nov 13 Lance Lalanne

Nov 16 Heidi Rhea

Nov 17 Tommy Naka

Nov 18 Casie Lalanne

Nov 20 Paige Putnam

Nov 20 Jo Peterson

Nov 26 Sue Streicher

Nov 27 Judy Pellerin

Nov 28 Jack Tolley

Nov 29 Mike Slye



November Anniversaries

Nov 7 Louis & Judy Pellerin 12 years

Nov 10 Joe & Cindy Brocklesby 42 years

Nov 14 David & Rachael Moore 34 years

Nov 14 Bill & Sylvia Wallace 67 years

Nov 16 Rick & Jo Peterson 48 years

Nov 30 Stephen & Melanie Wetekamm 25 years



TRUNK OR TREAT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!!!!



THANKS TO EVERY ONE WHO PARTICIPATED!
WE LOVED SEEING YOU!