

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Update To Directory

Lisa Gonzales and her kids, have moved back to Odessa, that address is 308 Douglas (79762) please change it in your directory.

Ladies Bible Study
Tuesdays
10:00—11:00 AM
at Faith Fellowship



We helped
7 families in
September

Sanctuary Repair Capital Campaign ~
Goal is \$10,000.00 we want to reach
our goal by end of this year!
\$7,495.00 has been collected so far.

Thanksgiving Baskets

Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex for the items we need for our Thanksgiving Baskets. We will be doing 2 baskets, one for the Beasley Family and one for the Bobbie Project Family.



Nov. 6th is **All Saints Sunday**.

Bring a photo of a saint you'd like to remember and celebrate during the month of October for the Saint's Table in the Narthex. On All Saints Sunday bring the photo into the Sanctuary for Worship on Sunday and bring it to the Communion Rail during Communion as a reminder that we Commune with All the Saints. Don't forget to retrieve your photo after worship.

Looking Forward

Oct 2-5 Annual Gathering – attend via live streaming from Faith Fellowship

Oct 10-15 Pastor on vacation

Oct 20 Bee Loved

Oct 22 FF Board Retreat 9:00 followed by Oct. Board Meeting.

Nov. 1 All Saints Day/**Nov. 6** All Saints Sunday

Nov. 5 Life in Grace Ministries Women's Retreat 10-12:00 (here)

Nov. 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends

Nov. 8 Election Day

Nov. 11 Veteran's Day

Sundays

Children's Sunday School at 10:00 p.m.

Home Bible Study Leaders Class
at 12:15 p.m.—1:15 p.m.

Wednesdays

Choir Practice at 5:15 p.m.
Bible Study "Ordinary Saints"
at 6:00 p.m.

Official name is: **"Phoebe's" Romans 16:1** and our motto is: **Ladies in Service to our Church and our community.** Phobes Next meeting is the second Tuesday of the month, on **September 13th at 11:30 am.** We need ladies to help visit our homebound members, if interested contact Terri Bomar.



For Sale:

(1) Twist Abdomen Extension
Machine \$50

(1) Health Rider Extension
Machine \$150

Contact Ginnie Fowler if
interested at 634-6653

For Sale:

(2) 4 drawer File Cabinets \$50
(negotiable)

Contact Daisy Hobson if
interested at 362- 1548

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Faith Matters



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Laura's Lessons

"Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all works of your hand."

When I was in high school I was enrolled in art class for two years. One of my favorite things to do was work with clay. I had the opportunity to do a variety of projects, and one of the best things about working with clay was that I could easily start over if a project wasn't turning out the way that I wanted. Starting over, however, required some extra work. When we initially started projects we used pieces of clay cut off a fresh block. These blocks were vacuum sealed to ensure that no air bubbles were trapped in the clay. If you wanted to start a project over with clay you had already been working, you had to knead the clay and apply pressure to ensure that all the air was pressed out. If you did not go through the process of applying pressure and kneading the clay your project would blow up when it was fired in the kiln.

The Bible makes many references to clay and potters. The two most prevalent themes are that we,

humans, are formed by God and that the clay cannot tell the potter how to form it. A glob of wet dirt telling a potter how it wants to be formed is an amusing thought, but the comparison becomes more significant when we remember that we are the clay and God is the potter. Romans 9:20-21 says, "But who are you, a human being to talk back to God? Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it, 'Why did you make me like this?' Does not the potter have the right to make out of the same lump of clay some pottery for special purposes and some for common use?"

Being shaped and formed by God is not always a pleasant experience. Sometimes it can feel like God is applying great pressure to push all the air bubbles out. Remember though that pressure is necessary before a new project can be started. The leader of a non-profit told me once that it is important to "get comfortable with being uncomfortable because it is through discomfort that we often grow the most." Pressure and discomfort are things that we

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Church Events

- **October 2-5—LCMC Annual Gathering can attend Live-streaming at lcmc.net; No Home Bible Study Leader meeting Oct. 2.**
- **October 5—no Wednesday Bible Study.**
- **October 10-15—Pastor on vacation.**
- **October 11—Phobes at 11:30 am**
- **October 20—Bee Loved Support Group at 7PM.**
- **October 22—Board Retreat at 9:00 am, followed by Board Meeting.**
- **October 30—OctoberFest Fellowship & Activities after the Worship Service.**
- **October 31—Reformation Day; Halloween**

Weekly Activities:

Tuesdays: Ladies Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal ;
6:00 p.m. "Ordinary Saints" Bible Study.

Sundays: Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and
Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.

often try to avoid because they are not pleasant. God, however, applies pressure in order to form us into the masterpiece that He wants each and every one of us to be. God is also continuing to form Faith Fellowship. I know that God has wonderful things in store for this

congregation because like each of its members it is beautifully and wonderfully made. Faith Fellowship is a work of God's hands. Join me this month in praying for Faith Fellowship as God continues to form us into the congregation He wants us to be.

Laura Webb

Home Bible Study

Leaders, we meet Sundays, 12:15 pm—1:15 pm, after the Worship Service. We will not meet October 2.

LCMC Annual Gathering October 2-5

You can attend Live-Streaming at lcmc.net

Pastor & Laura will be attending LCMC Annual Gathering in Minnesota. Schedule inserts are in Oct. 2 Bulletins.



Fall for Jesus He never leaves!

OctoberFest
Mark your calendars You will not want to miss this!

Sunday, October 30
Faith Fellowship
"Old Time Potluck"
LUNCH and Festivities

Stay tuned Weekly for:
Pumpkin Plans
Pumpkin Prayers
Pumpkin Power
Pumpkin Paths of Peace



We had a great time at the Bee Loved Fellowship TEA
Thank you for all helped with the decorations, teas, snacks etc.

Prayer Requests

Ard, Farrell (treatments, healing)
Barrow, Pat (rec. from surgery)
Bell, Randy (recovery & healing)
Bennington, Diane & family (Sherry Shearer's sister)
Bowman, Jimmie (health)
Bowman, Michael (at Focused Care, 2443 W. 16th St.)
Brown, Perry & family in the loss of Bonnie
Brown, Donna (healing)
Burditt, Larry (Angie Gullett's brother-in-law, Parkinson's; fractured vertebrae)
Carr, Billie (Betty Lively's sister, healing)
Collerd, Tyler
Coskrey, Ross (cancer; recovery from surgery & reconstruction surgery)
Cox, Wanda (Angie's sis-in-law, health)
Dudley, Phyllis (health)
Duff, Norma
Eilers, Melvin (healing)
Ervin, Gerald (health)
Estrada, Mary & Bobby
Fowler, Ginie
Fowler, Jerry
Fuentes, Isaac (RayRay, Lisa's son) (healing)
Garcia, Jasmine, Gabby & Jordyn (well-being)
Gullett, Angie (right eye injections, Praise on Dad's house, close on Oct. 25)
Harper, Brecken (respiratory issues)

Pr. Kaskela, Jerry (healing)
Kinnett, Bill (Martha's (WTCC cleaner) brother-in-law, stage 4 cancer)
Leffingwell, Joyce (hip issues)
McCarter, Sarah (healing)
Montes, Bria & 3 children (healing)
Nance, Bodhi (Watson's grandson)
Orozco, Cristal & family (loss of her husband, Benjamin, have 4 boys)
Otwell, Joyce (health)
Shearer, Bruce (upcoming hip replacement Nov. 16)
Silhan, Charlie
Southard family in loss of John
Strickland, Gary (salvation)
Taylor, Brenda (Pregnancy & baby)
Townsend family (loss of Barbara)
Vencil, Naylan (health)
Watson, Jack (dementia)
West, Kim (healing)
White, Bill
White, Richard (Bill & Betty's nephew, cancer)
Williams, Tyler & family (loss of grandparents in auto accident)
Willis, Carter Wayne (infant, needs healing)
Winkler, Tammy (healing, cancer)
Womechel, Dan (health)
Worthen Family (Terri's great-nephew, Canyon, for upcoming health procedures)

Nursing Homes

Parks: Billie Carr (Betty Lively's sister) Rm. 616, Norma Duff;
Brookdale: Naylan Vencil Rm. 201 **Sienna**: Ronda Scott (Angie's cousin) Rm. 303; **Manor Park, Midland**: Freddie Wheeler— Cowden Cottage Rm. 11A; **Focused Care**: Michael Bowman.

Merry Gay Mesker (Granbury); Rosemary Browning; Charles & Shirley Garrett (Asst. Living) (Dallas);

Prayer of the Month

Heavenly Father, as summer, turns to fall help us to appreciate the majesty of your wonderful creation. Help us to remember that we are beautifully and wonderfully made in your image. Guide us as we work to sustain your creation as individuals and as a congregation. In Jesus name. Amen.

Prayers for: our Nation, Government, Ukraine, Schools, students and teachers.

Specific Prayers for Faith Fellowship— God's will be done. Guidance for our leadership, blessings as we serve each other and the community.

Praises! God's continued Protection and Blessings on us.

Homebound—Larry Minor, Phyllis Dudley, Helen McGee, Barbara Ridge, Dan Womechel, Jo Hafer, Evelyn Byerly.

Military Personnel Jake Waddell (Shearers' grandson, US Army, is back in US and stationed in Ft. Carson, Colorado)



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>World Communion Sunday</p>	<p>In October</p> <p>We Wear Pink</p>		<p>Teacher's Day</p>	<p>HAPPY pumpkin SPICE SEASON</p>		<p>1</p> <p>International Coffee Day</p>
<p>2</p> <p>10:00 am—Children & Adult Bible Study 11:00 am—Worship Service 12:15 pm—</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 am—Ladies Bible Study</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm—no Bible Study</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>WORLD SMILE DAY</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>Annual Gathering Oct. 2-5 attend live—streaming at lcmc.net</p>						
<p>9</p> <p>10:00 am—Children & Adult Bible Study 11:00 am—Worship Service 12:15 pm—Home Bible Study Leaders.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>World Mental Health Day</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 am—Ladies Bible Study 11:30 am—Phoebes</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm—"Ordinary Saints" Bible Study</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>NATIONAL DESSERT DAY</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>Pastor on vacation Oct. 10-15</p>						
<p>16</p> <p>10:00 am—Children & Adult Bible Study 11:00 am—Worship Service 12:15 pm—Home Bible Study Leaders.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>HAPPY BOSS'S DAY</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:00 am—Ladies Bible Study</p>	<p>19</p> <p>5:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm—"Ordinary Saints" Bible Study</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:00 pm—Bee Loved Support Group</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:00 am—Board Retreat followed by Board Meeting</p>
<p>23</p> <p>World Mission Sunday 10:00 am—Children & Adult Bible Study 11:00 am—Worship Service 12:15 pm—Home Bible Study Leaders.</p>	<p>24</p> <p>United Nations Day</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:00 am—Ladies Bible Study</p>	<p>26</p> <p>5:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm—"Ordinary Saints" Bible Study</p> <p>National Pumpkin Day</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>National Chocolate Day</p>	<p>29</p> <p>National Trick or Treat Day</p>
<p>30</p> <p>10:00 am—Children & Adult Bible Study 11:00 am—Worship Service after the service—OctoberFest Fellowship & Activities</p>	<p>31</p> <p>REFORMATION DAY</p> <p>Halloween</p>					

Birthdays

Ryan Gonzales
10/06

Gerald Kaskela
10/13

Kiyomi Kaskela
10/13

Bobby White
10/14

Angie Gullett
10/27

Shayne Bomar
10/30

Pat Barrow
10/31

Anniversaries

Doug & Tracy
Dunford
10/08

Bruce & Sherry
Shearer
10/22