



SHARING THE PEACE

A Newsletter from Peace Church Presbyterian

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Inviting ALL to flourish in the family of God, by inspiring them with the word of God, to become fully devoted to God.

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What Will YOU Leave Behind?

One of the most popular Christian book and movie franchises of the late '90 and early 2000s was the "Left Behind" series, which fictionalized the theory of "the Rapture", when Christians will suddenly be caught up in the clouds with Jesus and taken to heaven in the future. It is based on a few scriptures that elude to such an event at the world comes to its end and Jesus returns. The movies were quite dramatic with planes falling out of the sky as pilots suddenly disappeared, cars slamming into each other as drivers were taken from them into heaven, and other very tragic and intense outcomes occurring. The title comes from the idea that when Jesus begins to end the world, his true followers will immediately be taken up to be with him and all the rest of the people on earth will be "left behind" to deal with the consequences and the coming tribulation.

Millions of Christians became intrigued by the predictions of the future and spent millions of dollars on the franchise. I never really got into that series of books or movies. Partly because they seemed to be very divisive and judgmental of those left behind on earth, and partly because the whole idea seems to be less than clearly supported by scripture. Whether or not the beginning of the end of the world and the return of Jesus will

look like the "Left Behind" books and movies, the truth is when we do go to heaven when we die, there is a lot that we leave behind.

It is wise for us all, no matter what age we are, whether we are "chronologically inferior" (younger)



or "chronologically superior" (older!), we need to consider what kind of legacy we will leave when we are gone. God blesses us with a finite number of years on earth, and he wants us to make the most of them! But to truly make the most of them, we must consider what kind of lasting impact our lives will have even when we are gone.

Who will speak at our funerals? What will people say about us? How long will our names be on the lips of our loved ones once we are gone? How many years will the memories of what we said and did in our time on earth still be floating around in the minds of people who

knew us? Now is the time to think and pray about how God can use you and your time on earth to really make a lasting difference while we can.

In April and May we will be considering all this and what God would have us do while we can to leave a legacy when we go. We'll talk about the legacy we are called to leave with our future, our faith, our finances, our friends, our family, and our failures. In each of these areas, God is hoping we will love people like Jesus and help them to love him better even when we are gone. God is at work and can even use the memories we leave behind to grow his kingdom. But this will ONLY happen if we are intentional in how we use our time left on earth. Scripture makes it clear that we are called to make the most of the time we have so that people around us can know and love God better because they knew us well. So begin praying for an openness to the Holy Spirit as we prepare to hear God's message for us in this series about leaving a legacy. And begin praying for those people that will most likely outlive you and pray God helps you make a lasting impact in their lives TODAY.

In Christ,
Scott Cummings, Pastor

Ephesians 5:15-16

Wed. Apr. 3	<u>7pm: Small Groups on "The Chosen"!</u> This group will meet at the church.
Mon. Apr. 8	<u>7:00 pm</u> Outreach & Mission Team Meeting
Tue. April 9	<u>7:00 pm</u> Discipleship Team Meeting
Wed. Apr. 10	<u>7pm: Small Groups on "The Chosen"!</u> This group will meet at the church.
Sun. Apr. 14	<u>Congregational Meeting:</u> 11:00 AM in the sanctuary <u>Stewardship team meets 12:30 p.m. on Zoom</u> <u>College Care Package packing—12:30 p.m.</u>
Sun. Apr. 21	<u>12:30pm</u> Session Meeting
Sat. Apr. 27	<u>Drive Through Prayer & Food Drive!</u> <u>10am-12pm</u>

APRIL						
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Peace Church

Scholarship Fund: The application period for the Peace Church Scholarship Fund has

opened! The Scholarship awards funds to eligible individuals (youth & adult) seeking academic or spiritual education (seminars, retreats, etc.). The deadline to apply for academic scholarships is Wednesday, May 1st. Spiritual education scholarships do not have a deadline and can be awarded anytime throughout the year. Each type of scholarship has its own application, deadlines and requirements. More information and details can be found at www.peacepres.net/scholarship or contact the church office. Paper forms are available for pick up at the church or online on the website.



NEW MISSION STATEMENT: Inviting ALL to flourish in the family of God, by inspiring them with the word of God, to become fully devoted to God.

Tagline: Welcome to the family!

Values:

Inclusion: We include ALL because Christ included ALL of us when we didn't deserve it.

People: People missing from God's family matter to us because they matter to God.

Transformation: God loves us as we are but loves us too much to leave us as we are.

Inspiration: The Spirit empowers us to live out our mission in and outside the church.

Devotion: We're fully committed to Christ because he's fully committed to us.

Worship Team's meeting is TBD.

Peace Choir Rehearsals: Peace Choir is having rehearsals Sunday afternoons at 12:30pm led by Cay Cummings. Anyone is welcome to join the choir!

Elder Nomination: The 2024 Nominating Committee is nominating Cathryn Cummings to fulfill a vacated elder position through December 2024. Please plan to attend the congregational meeting called for **Sunday, April 14th at 11am** in the sanctuary to elect her.



New Sermon Series: Leave a Legacy! What will you leave behind when it's time for you to be called home to heaven? What will your friend and relatives left behind remember most about you? What lasting impact are you making on the world right NOW? We'll dive into these and many other questions as we look at what it means to leave a legacy of faith when we are gone from this earth. You may be

many years away from that transition or it might be coming sooner for you. Either way, now is the time to consider what legacy you will leave when you are gone! This series runs from **April 14—May 19**. Join us and invite a friend!

College Care Package Donations Needed!

We'll be packing college care packages for our college students on **Sunday, April 14th**. Please consider donating toward these gifts of love. Here's the list of items needed: Goldfish, fruit snacks, Garden Salsa Sun Chips (small bag), sour cream & onion or veggie flavored Ritz crackers, Sour Patch Kids/Airheads, jerky, Chex mix, sour cream and onion flavored Pringles, regular flavored pringles, plain M&M's granola bars, KitKats, Twix candy bars, apricots, cranberries, chocolate orange flavored Milano cookies, Kellogg nutra grain bars in strawberry or mixed berry, peppermint gum, "Peeps" Easter candy, Ferrero Roche candy, blueberry breakfast bars, pop tarts, nuts/trail mixes, highlighters, note cards, pens, pencils, etc. Please donate these items by April 14th. Thanks!



Care Team's meeting will be in June - Date TBD.

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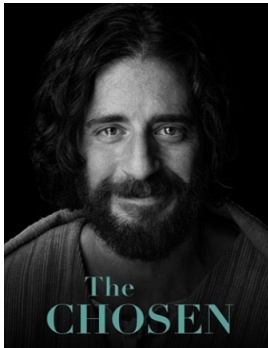
Discipleship Team's meeting is **Tuesday, April 9th, 7 p.m. on Zoom**

PeaceKids & Peace Youth Sunday School: Children (PreK—4th grade) and youth (5th—12th grade) classes meet in-person at the church! We'd love to have your kids join us!

"App Sunday School Class Curriculum: Love In Chaos. We are currently working through Bob Goff's **Good News for a Divided Culture**: Join our group as we engage in this six-session series as Bob helps us answer these questions. Learn what it looks like to follow Jesus and obey his commands even in a time of chaos. The App Class meets in the Grappling Zone lobby (to the left of the church entrance) on Sundays at 11:15 a.m. All are invited!

Adult Acts Class: The Adult Acts class is studying the book "Refresh Your Prayers: Uncommon Devotions to Restore Power and Praise" by Lori Hatcher. Book is available on Amazon or other book retailers. All are welcome to join the class. Vicki Evans is the leader of this class. **Adult Acts Class** meets every **Sunday at 11:15am** In-Person in the back room at the church (No longer meeting on Zoom).

"The Chosen" Small Group!! This group will continue on April 3rd and April 10th when will discuss an episode of "The Chosen", the award-winning dramatization of the Gospels, and then have a Bible study about it. This group meets at the church at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. It's never too late to join us!



THE CHOSEN

WEEKDAY SMALL GROUP
WEDNESDAYS, 7 P.M.

FEB. 21 - APR. 3

2849 MILLER RANCH ROAD #503

WELL WATCH AN EPISODE AND DO A BIBLE STUDY ON IT! JOIN US!

Peace Youth Next Meetings: Our youth event Our next event will be games & discussion on **Sunday, April 7th, from 5-7 p.m.** at the church. After that, the youth will go **CAMPING, Friday, April 12th!** Meet at the church at **5 p.m.** More details emailed soon!



Youth Pottery Painting March 2024

Outreach & Mission Team will meet **Monday April 8th 7:00 PM on Zoom.**

Drive Through Prayer & Food Drive: Our TENTATIVE next Drive Through Prayer event will be on **Saturday, April 27th, from 10am—12pm.** Join us for our neighborhood outreach event as we stand outside with signs with POSITIVE messages about God's love and offer prayer to anyone who stops by. Let's show our community how much we care! We are also collecting non-perishable food for Christian Helping Hands. Bring your food on Saturday to Drive Through Prayer or on Sunday, March 24th during worship. Thanks!



11th Annual Susan Jenkins Memorial Peace for Pearland Golf Tournament

Date! Mark your calendar NOW for this GREAT event on **Friday, October 18th, 2024!** This is a wonderful event that helps raise money for the ministries of the church as well as a local additional nonprofit organization. Lots of help planning and preparing will be needed, so pray NOW that God will show you how you can serve!

Stewardship Team's meeting will be **Sunday, April 14th at 12:30pm on Zoom.**

Church financial reports are always available by request.

Ways to Give! You can give IN-PERSON, ONLINE OR BY MAIL! Visit **www.peacepres.net/giving** or send your check to **"Peace Church, 2849 Miller Ranch Rd. #503, Pearland, TX 77584"**.

Giving Needed Towards Janitorial Service: The cost of the service has changed to \$80 for one time a month. If you are able to contribute, please let Michelle, the bookkeeper, know. Please designate your giving towards this expense as Janitorial Service. Thanks!

Office Administrator Tasks Request: Volunteers are still needed. Training will be provided. Contact Pastor Scott and read his cover newsletter article for more details.

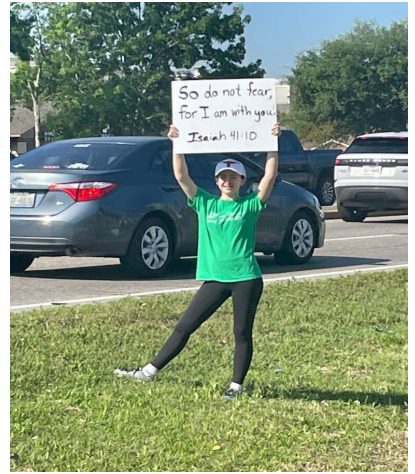
OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

- Update and manage social media – Facebook, Instagram, Twitter [Daily]
- Update and manage the church website [Ongoing]
- Create, print, and maintain stock of prayer cards, visitor cards, attendance sheets, guest gifts and other materials [As Needed]
- Produce flyer, postcards, audio/visual graphics for sermon series, events, classes, etc. [As Needed]
- Create various electronic and physical projects as needed [As Needed]

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON TO PASTOR, MINISTRY TEAMS, SESSION & CONGREGATION

- Assist in preparing materials for ministry or community events [As Needed]

Drive through Prayer March 2024



Peace Church Care Groups

Below is a list of Care Team Leaders with their Care Groups. Please check the list for your name. You can visit with this person at worship, text, or email this person if you have concerns and want support or have someone pray with you. This Care Group Leader will notify Pastor Scott of these concerns. The Team Leader coordinating this Team is Vicki Evans.

Anita Flis

Matt & Laura Caudill
Alex & Vickie Evans
Sheila Marshall
Jim, Grace, Suzy & Lily
Newsom
Ron, Anita, Andrew &
Sarah Phipps

Linda Spears Bell

Jason & Jody Cole
Chris & Marlene Cummings
Ruben, Stacey, Katherine
& Roman Perez
Mary Wilmarth
Steve, Ratna, Darren &
Dean Zach

Laura Caudill

Roland & Marcia Falgoust
Woody & Brenda Hale
Mark, Monica, Michael &
Jessica Ingram
Robert Pippin
Alex, Ndina & Noah Trevino
Edmund Trevino

Anita Phipps

Lynn Bell & Linda Spears Bell
Linda Cook
Cathryn Cummings
Scott, Carrie, Jake, Ben
& Caroline Cummings
Art & Ruth Fairchild
Shantelle & Anna Jones

Phyllis Herrington

Ruth Ahlemeyer
Caroline Brooks
Joe & Dawn Carpenter
Gary & B. Galyas
Dev, Zeandra, Raissa &
Marc Mathura
Carol Pritchett
John Weaver

Linda Cook

Rick & Sherry Conrad
Alex & Vicki Evans
Kay Kelly
Tommy & Cheryl Lollar
Trudi Peterson
Bonnie Williams

Vicki Evans

Fred & Anita Flis
Jan Henry
Perry & Phyllis Herrington
Blake, Melody, Chris &
Brandon Murrhee
Scott Nance & Rynn
Jackson
Nancy Sawyer
David & Colleen Wilson

Current Undergraduate College Students:

Jake Cummings, Michael Ingram, Marc Mathura, Chris Murrhee, Ben Cummings, & Sarah Phipps.

Graduates

Rynn Jackson, Raissa & Marc Mathura, Suzy & Lily Newsom, Andrew Phipps, Shauna Smith & Darren Zach

Bible Word Finds: #69 - Mary Magdalene

Explore the world of the Bible as you search through the diagram for all the words that appear in all CAPITAL LETTERS in the word lists. For each line in the word list, all CAPITAL WORDS will be found together. All the quotations in the Bible Word Finds are taken from the King James Version of the Bible.

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WAS ONE
of THE INNER
CIRCLE OF
THE FOLLOWERS
of JESUS.
SHE IS
MENTIONED
SPARINGLY,
BUT AT
CRUCIAL
POINTS
IN ALL
FOUR
GOSPELS
SHE WAS
WAITING
NEAR the
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ALSO was
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Q: How does the Easter bunny stay in shape?

A: Lots of eggs-ercise.

Q: Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a good joke?

A: It might crack up.



ANNIVERSARIES

April 9 - Rick & Sherry Conrad
April 22 - Mark & Monica Ingram

BIRTHDAYS


April 5 - Noah Trevino-
April 5 - Monica Imgram
April 13 - Suzy Newson
April 15 - Sherry Conrad
April 26 - Linda Spears Bell

Riddle: If eleven plus two equals one, what does nine plus five equal? Answer on Page 9



Communion Server Schedule

Date	10am Service
4-14-24	Alex Evans and Vicki Evans

 **CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!** Do you know what is the most powerful ***FREE*** advertising tool our Church has? It's Facebook! Search for our church organization, Peace Church Pearland or visit www.facebook.com/peacechurchpearland! Be sure to click the "Like" button for updates!

Session

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Steve Zach	Rick Conrad	Linda Bell
	Jim Newsom	Chris Cummings

Active Membership Roll

Ahlemeyer, Ruth	Hale, Woody & Brenda	Perez, Ruben & Stacey, Katherine, Roman
Beaty, Gracia	Henry, Jan	Phipps, Ron & Anita, Andrew, Sarah
Bell, Lynn & Linda	Herrington, Perry & Phyllis	Pippin, Robert
Carpenter, Joe & Dawn	Ingram, Mark & Monica, Michael, Jessica	Pritchett, Carol
Caudill, Matt & Laura	Jackson, Rynn	Simpson, Lynda
Conrad, Rick & Sherry	Jones, Shantelle & Anna	Trevino, Alex & Ndina, Noah
Cook, Linda	Lollar, Tommy & Cheryl	Trevino, Edmund
Cummings, Carrie, Jake, Ben, Caroline	Marshall, Sheila	Weaver, John
Cummings, Cathryn	Mathura, Dev & Zeandra, Raissa, Marc	Williams, Bonnie
Cummings, Chris & Marlene	Murrhee, Blake & Melody	Wilmarth, Mary
Evans, Alex & Vicki	Nance, Scott	Wilson, David & Colleen
Fairchild, Arthur & Ruth	Newsom, Jim & Grace, Suzy, Lily	Zach, Steve & Ratna, Darren, Dean
Falgoust, Marcia		
Flis, Frederic & Anita		

Answer to riddle on Page 8: **11 o'clock plus 2 hours = 1 o'clock 9 o'clock plus 5 hours = 2 o'clock**

Contacts and Ministries

MINISTRY TEAMS - Check out our ministry teams and see if you would like to pitch in!

Worship Team: Responsible for everything that goes on in worship, the music, the video and sound projection, the greeters and ushers, preparing the elements for communion, folding bulletins, choirs, drama, banners, flowers. They also sponsor occasional concerts throughout the year. Rick Conrad is the elder for this team.

Discipleship Team: Responsible for making disciples of Jesus Christ and equipping disciples through Bible Studies, Sunday morning classes for all ages, small groups, PeaceYouth fellowship and PeaceKids activities. Chrjs Cummings is the elder liaison for this team.

Stewardship Team: Responsible for using the resources God has given us to grow our church and God's kingdom. This team is responsible for setting our annual budget, Long Range Planning, annual Stewardship Campaign, supervising our Information Technology, Personnel, Property issues and of course....paying bills. Jim Newsom is the elder for this team.

Outreach & Mission Team: Responsible for membership interaction with the community and community interaction with membership. Includes servant opportunities, visibility of the church in the community (advertising, walks), seeks ways to bless the immediate Pearland community and encourages individual blessings by members/friends in their work places, recreation spaces, and homes. Charged with blessing people in need. Projects include but are not limited to Christian Helping Hands Projects, Blood Drives, Compassion Intl., etc. Steve Zach is the elder for this team.

Care Team: Responsible for overseeing care groups and pastoral care needs of the church. Linda Bell is the Team Leader for this team.

Peace Presbyterian Contacts and Services

Pastor: Scott Cummings ssc70@peacepres.net

Bookkeeper: Michelle Hurt office_manager@peacepres.net

Worship: 10am Sunday Morning Service

Worship Streamed on Facebook

Sunday School Classes online on Zoom & in-person at 11:15am

Phone: 713-436-5673

Website: www.peacepres.net

www.facebook.com/PeaceChurchPearland

Peace Church Session Contacts

Clerk of Session

Jim Newsom 713-416-1932

Stewardship

Jim Newsom 713-416-1932

Discipleship

Chris Cummings 832-431-6183

Worship

Rick Conrad 409-331-5143

Outreach & Mission

Steve Zach 281-851-2727

Care Team Leader

Linda Bell 512-656-8653

**Church & Office Address: 2849 Miller Ranch Rd. #503,
Pearland, TX 77584**

**Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9am-1pm By
Appointment Only**

April Prayer Calendar

On this page below, you'll find a Prayer Calendar. Put it where you'll see it and take a few minutes each day to pray for the people listed on that day. At the end of the month, you will have prayed for the entire congregation at Peace, and they will have prayed for you, too! [How do I use this calendar?](#) Look at the date you want to start. Active Peace members are listed each day, but please pray for our inactive members and frequent guests and you can also add your own family members and friends. You can determine how much time you want to pray, or you can pray several times during the day. It's between you and the Lord. You will be blessed for your time and attention to the prayer concerns! Submit your prayer requests by phone or email to the church office or to Pastor Scott or on Sundays using the green "Prayers and Praises" cards during worship. All prayers and praises submitted are included in the bulletin insert and Weekly Update email message.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The Body of Believers	Teachers & Students	Military, Law Enforcement & Firefighters	Our Country, Government & World Leaders	Church Leaders & Missionaries	Extended Family	Neighbors
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Ruben Perez Stacey Perez Katherine Perez Roman Perez	Chris Cummings Marlene Cummings	Tommy Lollar Cheryl Lollar	Carol Pritchett Arthur Fairchild Ruth Fairchild	Alex Trevino Ndina Trevino Noah Trevino	Jim Newsom Grace Newsom Suzy Newsom Lily Newsom
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Peace Church ECO	Blake Murree Melody Murree Brandon Murree Chris Murree	Sheila Marshall John Weaver	Ron Phipps Anita Phipps Andrew Phipps Sarah Phipps	Dev Mathura Zeandra Mathura Raissa Mathura Marc Mathura	Pastor Scott Cummings Carrie Cummings Jake Cummings Ben Cummings Caroline Cummings	Mark Ingram Monica Ingram Michael Ingram Jessica Ingram
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Peace Church ECO	Scott Nance Rene Nance Rynn Jackson	Steve Zach Rafna Zach Darren Zach Dean Zach	Gracia Beaty Marcia Falgoust	Shantelle Jones Anna Jones	Matt Caudill Laura Caudill Fred Flis Anita Flis	Alex Evans Vicki Evans Joe Carpenter Dawn Carpenter
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Peace Church ECO	Edmund Trevino Cathryn Cummings	David Wilson Colleen Wilson	Linda Cook Bonnie Williams	Perry Herrington Phyllis Herrington	Jan Henry Woody Hale Brenda Hale	Lynda Simpson Mary Wilmarth
28	29	30				
Peace Church	Lynn Bell Linda Bell Ruth Ahlemeyer	Robert Pippin Sherry Conrad Rick Conrad				