



SHARING THE PEACE

A Newsletter from Peace Church Pearland

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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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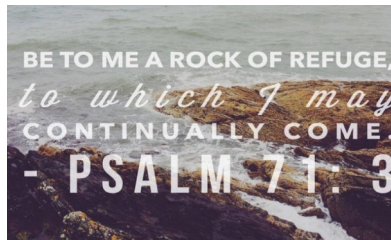
June 2024

"Rock" the Church??

In 1989 there was an earthquake centered in the northern California town of Loma Prieta. There were dramatic scenes of chaos as much of the region, especially San Francisco, faced violent shaking of the ground causing tons of damage. Some of the most striking scenes of damage were of Oakland's Cypress Freeway, a double decker stretch of highway that collapsed. Over a long stretch of the roadway the upper deck fell, pancaking on top of the lower deck. Lives were lost. Destruction was everywhere. Lives were devastated. It was my first memory of seeing the intense damage that can occur when an earthquake strikes a densely populated area.

One of the areas that sustained the most building damage was the Mission Bay section of San Francisco. A much higher percentage of buildings collapsed in that section of the city than in any other section. Mission Bay is the side of the city that faces east along the shore of the bay. The reason the damage was so much worse in that section of the city was because much of that area was built upon a landfill and not the solid rock that underlies most of the city. Mission Bay used to be

open water, but over the years the city filled in coves along the Bayshore with trash and dirt and loose rocks to add to the useable land area. Homes and businesses were built up on top of the landfill. When earthquakes hit, the looser soil and trash in the landfill under the buildings



actually liquifies and moves much more than the bedrock under other parts of San Francisco. Basically, the foundations of the building were built on the "shifting sands" of the landfill. When the earth shakes, the foundations crack and the buildings collapse.

Much like the shifting sands underneath the Mission Bay neighborhood of San Francisco, our lives can be similarly unsafe when disaster come if we do not build them on the bedrock of our faith. This summer we will be examining how the writers of the Bible use the metaphor of God as our "rock of ages" to describe who God is, who we are, and

how we are to relate to God as our rock of refuge. The metaphor is used because it helps describe the strong and firm foundation that God gives us when we place our faith in him and him alone. God is described as our stone of help, or "Ebenezer", our rock of refuge, a fortress, our strong deliverer, and the stone the builders rejected in the New Testament. We'll go through many of the passages that use the rock metaphor and discover this God who cannot be moved, like the bedrock under San Francisco that protected most of the buildings in the Loma Prieta earthquake of 1989.

As we dive into these scriptures, I encourage you to examine your own life and consider what are you placing your hope in. Are you depending on your own talent, skills, and hard work to sustain you when the ground beneath your feet becomes unstable? Have you trusted in people to be stable for you, instead of the God who will not be moved? Are you seeking to find hope in the shifting sands of a culture no longer tethered to the God who created the heavens and the earth? May God guide you to rely on his strength and stability alone!

Scott Cummings, Pastor

Sunday June 2	5-7pm—Youth Mission Trip Training: All youth & adults attending the trip are needed to come to the meeting.
Mon. June 3	7pm Outreach and Missions Meeting on Zoom
Sun. June 9	12:30pm Stewardship Team Meeting on Zoom
Tues. June 11	7pm Discipleship Team Meeting on Zoom
Thurs. June 13	Session 7 PM on Zoom
Sun. June 16	<u>Father's Day!</u> 10:00am Grad Sunday Celebration!
Thur. June 20	First Day of Summer
June 23 - 28	Our youth group will be going to Austin to serve those in need.

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Peace Church Scholarship Fund:

The application period for the Peace Church Scholarship Fund has ended! The

Scholarship awards funds to eligible individuals (youth & adult) seeking academic or spiritual education (seminars, retreats, etc.). 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.

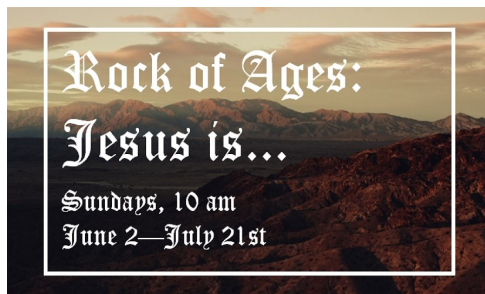
Inspiration: The Spirit empowers us to live out our mission in and outside the church.

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

W O R S H I P

Worship Team's next meeting is **TBD..**

NEW Sermon Series: Rock of Ages! "Rock of ages, cleft for me. Let me hide myself in Thee..." The old hymn sings this sweet melody, but what is the origin of the phrase? What does the Bible say about God as our rock and redeemer, our fortress and deliverer, the stone the builders rejected? As we get ready for our VBS theme, "Outback ROCK", we'll examine these questions and other instances when rocks are used as a metaphor for God, Jesus, and even us, his followers! This sermon series runs from **June 2nd—July 21st**. Join us and invite a friend!



Guitar Player/Singer Worship Leader Needed! Please help us find a guitar player who can also lead singing at our 10 a.m. worship service to help our piano player lead worship. Traditional hymns and modern worship songs are sung at this service. Email resume or contact information to Pastor Scott at ssc70@peacepres.net. Please send this out to everyone you know who might know someone for this position. Thanks!

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

C A R E

Care Team's next meeting is **TBD**.

Congregational Care: Peace Church Care Team members strive to keep in touch with you. If there are needs, blessings, or prayer needs, you can let your Care Team Captain know. She will pass this information on to Pastor Scott Cummings.

In Christ, Linda Bell, Team Leader for Care Team

O U T R E A C H & M I S S I O



Summer Food Challenges is ON! Join us again this summer as we collect non-perishable food for Christian Helping Hands in our competition with Southminster Presbyterian Church in Missouri City to see who can donate the most food by weight. The Summer Food Challenge runs through all of June, July, and August. We'll announce the winner in September and see who gets to proudly display the Soup Can Cup trophy all year! Help us win again!

Outreach & Mission's Team next meeting will be **Monday, June 3rd, 7 p.m.** on Zoom.

AUSTIN YOUTH MISSION TRIP!

Our youth group will be going to Austin to serve those in need June 23-28. They will be working with people experiencing homelessness, children in poverty, and elderly needing home repairs. Please consider contributing to the scholarship fund for the mission trip. Just mark your donation, "youth". And please PRAY for our youth & adult volunteers as they serve! Thanks so much!



Youth Mission Trip Planned!

Our youth group will be going to Austin to serve those in need **June 23-28**. They will be working with people experiencing homelessness, children in poverty, and elderly adult home repair. Please consider contributing to the scholarship fund for the mission trip. Just mark your donation, "youth". And please PRAY for our youth as they serve! Thanks so much!

Church financial records 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"**. Or set up an online billpay with your bank, or use Zelle with your bank!

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 Jade, Office Manager, know. Please designate your giving towards this expense as Janitorial Service. Thanks!

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

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

- 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]

Discipleship Team's meeting is **Tuesday, June 11th at 7p.m.** on Zoom. All invited!



Mark Your Calendar for Vacation Bible School!

Join us as we head DOWN UNDER for **Outback Rock VBS 2024!** This amazing weekend for kids will be **July 26-28** (Friday—Sunday). More information to come, but registration for volunteers (LOTS NEEDED!) and kids is NOW OPEN! Go to **www.peacepres.net/vbs** to register today! Please help get the word out about VBS! And please SIGN UP on the bulletin board to volunteer today!

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 "**Love In Chaos: 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.

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

Youth Events: We have our second Mission Trip training on **Sunday, June 2nd, 5-7 p.m.** All youth attending the trip are needed to come to that event. No other regular or special youth events are planned in June. Hopefully a lake and or beach trip will happen in July! Keep an eye out for emails about future events!

Grad Sunday 2024! Join us on **Sunday, June 16th**, as we celebrate Jake Cummings, Michael Ingram, and Dean Zach who have recently graduated from college! We'll have slideshows, a recognition of their accomplishments, a special prayer, and a cake reception! Don't miss it!

GRAD SUNDAY!

SUNDAY, JUNE 16TH, 10 A.M.

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THESE THREE AMAZING COLLEGE GRADUATED IN WORSHIP! WE'LL ALSO HAVE A CAKE RECEPTION AFTER WORSHIP THAT DAY, SO DON'T MISS IT!



May 2024 Caudill Baby Shower & Arrival and Men's Game Night!



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, Orrin Caudill
Ales & 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
Mark, Monica, Michael &
Jessica Ingram
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
Arthur & Ruth Fairchild
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 & Rene, Rynn
Jackson
Nancy Sawyer
David & Colleen Wilson

Current Undergraduate College Students:

Chris Murrhee, Ben Cummings, & Sarah Phipps.

Graduates

Jake Cummings, Michael Ingram, Rynn Jackson, Raissa & Marc Mathura, Suzy & Lily Newsom, Andrew Phipps, Shauna Smith & Darren & Dean Zach

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Bible Word Finds: #55 - Words from Esther 6

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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Q: What do you call a boomerang that won't come back?

A: A stick.

Q: What time is it when the clock strikes 13?

A: Time to get a new clock.



JUNE
ANNIVERSARIES

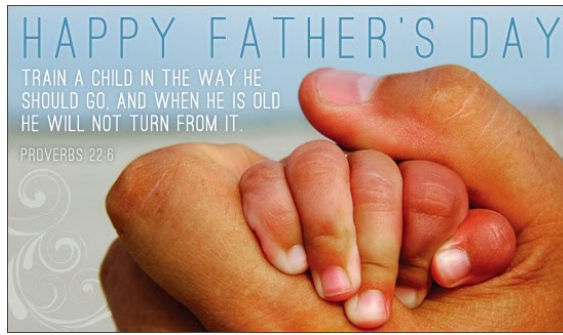
June 14 - Matt & Laura Caudill
June 23 - Alex & Vicki Evans
June 29 Jim & Grace Newsom
June 30 David & Colleen Wilson

If we've missed your birthday or anniversary, we're sorry!
Please call the church office so we can update our records!

BIRTHDAYS


June 11 - Rick Conrad
June 14 - John Weaver
June 14 - Steve Zach
June 23 - Jan Henry

Riddle: When will water stop running downhill? Answer on Page 9



Communion Server Schedule

June/ July	10am Worship Service
6 - 2 - 24	Anita Flis, David Wilson
7 - 7 - 24	Sheila Marshall, Jim Newsom

 **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
Cathryn Cummings	Jim Newsom	Chris Cummings

Active Membership Roll

Ahlemeyer, Ruth
 Beaty, Gracia
 Bell, Lynn & Linda
 Carpenter, Joe & Dawn
 Caudill, Matt & Laura, Orrin
 Conrad, Rick & Sherry
 Cook, Linda
 Cummings, Carrie, Jake, Ben & Carolnie
 Cummings, Cathryn
 Cummings, Chris & Marlene
 Evans, Alex & Vicki
 Fairchild, Arthur & Ruth
 Falgoust, Marcia
 Flis, Frederic & Anita

Hale, Woody & Brenda
 Henry, Jan
 Herrington, Perry & Phyllis
 Ingram, Mark & Monica, Michael, Jessica
 Jackson, Rynn
 Jones, Shantelle, Anna
 Lollar, Tommy & Cheryl
 Marshall, Sheila
 Mathura, Dev & Zeandra, Raissa, Marc
 Murrhee, Blake & Melody
 Nance, Scott & Rene
 Newsom, Jim & Grace, Suzy, Lily

Perez, Ruben & Stacey,
 Katherine, Roman
 Phipps, Ron & Anita, Andrew, Sarah
 Pippin, Robert
 Pritchett, Carol
 Simpson, Lynda
 Trevino, Alex & Ndina, Noah
 Trevino, Edmund
 Weaver, John
 Williams, Bonnie
 Wilmarth, Mary
 Wilson, David & Colleen
 Zach, Steve & Ratna, Darren, Dean

Answer to riddle on Page 8: **When it reaches the bottom.**

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. Cathryn Cummings is the elder 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 & Chris Cummings are the elders 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 for all ages 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

Chris Cummings 832-431-6183

Discipleship

Cathryn Cummings 401-651-3964

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**

June 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 Enforcements Fire Fighters	Our Country, Government & World Leaderss	Church Leaders & Missionaries	Extended Family	Neighbors
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Peace Church ECO	Alex Trevino Ndina Trevino Noah Trevino	Jim Newsom Grace Newsom Suzy Newsom Lily Newsom	Blake Murrhee Melody Murrhee Brandon Murrhee Chris Murrhee	Sheila Marshall Fred Flis Anita Flis	Ron Phipps Anita Phipps Andrew Phipps Sarah Phipps	Dev Mathura Zeandra Mathura Raissa Mathura Marc Mathura
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Peace Church ECO	Pastor Scott Cummings Carrie Cummings Jake Cummings Ben Cummings Caroline Cummings	Mark Ingram Monica Ingram Michael Ingram Jessica Ingram	Scott Nance Rene Nance Rynn Jackson	Steve Zach Ratna Zach Darren Zach Dean Zach	Gracia Beaty Marcia Falgoust	Shantelle Jones Anna Jones
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Peace Church ECO	Jan Henry Chris Cummings Marlene Cummings	Lynda Simpson Mary Wilmarth	Lynn Bell Linda Bell Ruth Ahlemeyer	Ruben Perez Stacey Perez Katherine Perez Roman Perez	Sherry Conrad Rick Conrad	Carol Pritchett Arthur Fairchild Ruth Fairchild