



# The Messenger

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SO LET'S NOT GET TIRED OF DOING WHAT IS GOOD.  
(MAY 2019)

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- FOR NEXT MONTH'S  
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## Carl's Comments - Reverend Carl Thompson

I enjoy reading different devotional materials that I find on-line or that people send me. Some are very good and touch on the situation I find myself-facing every day. Here is a summary of one I recently read by Debbie McDaniel.

*There's so much in this life we can start to feel anxious about, even when we know God's truth and believe that He's in control. It can still be a daily battle in our hearts, in our minds.*

*When we just keep looking at the problems all around us, we can easily get defeated. Drained. Impatient. Cynical.*

*We may find ourselves wrestling with worry. Fear might creep in. We lose our focus because we're so distracted by all the things that can never really give us strength and hope anyway.*

*People and worldly solutions will never be the answer for our every need. Money, possessions, or success can't ever satisfy the void deep inside that only God can fill. This world will never be free of all conflict. The government can't ever fix all our problems. It can't. We need to constantly remember that no matter what we face in this life, God's still on the throne.*



*It often comes down to a choice. Let's choose, no matter what swirls around us, to set our eyes on God. For if He made all of heaven and earth, surely, He has a Sovereign, incredible plan, for you and for me. He knows our way in this journey of life, and He's a "with us" God. Keep remembering today: Look up. He alone is where our hope is found!*

I want to thank all of you for all your prayers and cards that I received as I had my surgery. The doctor said I will be back to normal in six to eight weeks. I thank God for great doctors and the wonders of modern medicine. God Bless you, *Carl*



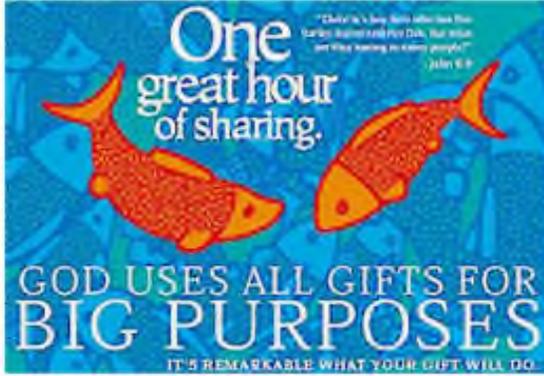
## Calendar of Events

**Adult Sunday School at 9:00 am**  
**Sunday Worship Services at 10:00 am**  
**Men's Prayer Breakfast Tues. 8 am**  
**Chair Yoga Tuesdays and Thursdays**  
**Choir Practice on Wednesdays at 5:30**

- May 5 - Worship with Communion
- May 12 - Mother's Day
- May 26 - Social after Worship  
A "Tribute to Mothers" Theme & Program
- May 27 - Memorial Day

MAY 2019						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Choir 5:30	2 Yoga 10:30	3	4
5	6	7 Yoga 1 PM	8 Choir 5:30	9 Yoga 10:30	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14 Yoga 1 PM	15 Choir 5:30	16 Yoga 10:30	17	18
19	20	21 Yoga 1 PM	22 Choir 5:30	23 Yoga 10:30	24	25
26 Social	27 Memorial Day	28 Yoga 1 PM	29 Choir 5:30	30 Yoga 10:30	31	

## One Great Hour of Sharing



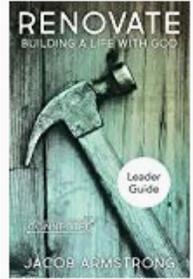
Treasurer John Pettijohn has reported that our congregation surpassed previous years' gifts to the One Great hour of Sharing.

Your total contribution was \$3,100 !



## Adult Education - Shirley Pinkston

We are in the final series of lessons before our Summer Break. We are studying Jacob Armstrong's book, Renovate: Building A Life With God.



Spring is a great time to renovate and tackle all the projects you have put off all winter like weeding and mulching flower beds, trimming shrubs, and planting the garden.

But what about your spiritual life? Does it need renovating too? If so, remember, that's not a do-it-yourself project. In our study we will see how Nehemiah led God's people to renew their relationship with God as they rebuilt the wall and gates to Jerusalem. Just like them, we need God's great power in us to renew our spiritual lives through the Holy Spirit.

Books Referenced in April Studies -- compiled by Pat Hart

Soul Keeping by John Ortberg \*\*In Library

Miracles by Eric Metaxas \*\*In Library

Beyond Words and The Faces of Jesus by Frederick Buchner

Daily Strength for Daily Needs by Victor M. Parachin

## Common Lectionary Readings (Carl will change topics at times due to requests or other circumstances)

	Third Sunday of Easter - May 5	Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 12	Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 19	Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 26
1st Reading	Acts 9:1-6	Acts 9:36-43	Acts 11:1-18	Acts 16:9-15
Psalm	Psalm 30	Psalm 23	Psalm 148	Psalm 67
2nd Reading	Revelation 5:11-14	Revelation 7:9-17	Revelation 21:1-6	Revelation 21:10,22-- 22:5
Gospel	John 21:1-19	John 10:22-30	John 13:31-35	John 14:23-29 or 5:1-9

## May Birthdays

Teresa Tolbert 13

Brady Carlson 22

Lilree Jackson 23

Denice Kemp 28

Knox Tyson 30

## About our Members

Lilree Jackson's daughter, Diane, passed away. Please pray for this family as they go through this time of loss.

Jack Goggans has problems with a hernia and abdominal aortic aneurism. He will first repair the AAA on May 6th then deal with the hernia.

Carol Booher has been gaining strength and has been able to join us in church. To be closer to her doctors, John and Carol will be moving to Temple.

Carl Thompson had a hernia surgery on 4/23. Carl was home eating crackers by 10:30 am. The surgery, which was accomplished using robotics, was a success. There were a couple of unique aspects of the hernia but no problems. He will need to go easy for several weeks.

June Lubowinski's recent scans showed irregularities in her left lung. Her doctor felt the nodules were something that could be taken care of with treatment. She will have a biopsy in the next two weeks. Please pray for a stress free procedure and clear result.

Betsy Tyson's son-in-law, John Davis, had surgery Friday, 3/29. A tumor and some of his colon were removed. He had a rough recovery. He relapsed with an infection, was in great pain and had to return to the hospital for 3 days. Pray he is now on the road to recovery.

Julie Vesely's 8th-grade daughter, Kirsten, tore her ACL. She will be on crutches for a few weeks and has to continue in a leg brace for several months. Physical therapy is twice a week at Darnell hospital.

## Mother's Day - by Linda Lloyd

Mother's Day is almost here. The retailers love Mother's Day, especially the card stores and flower shops, not to mention the restaurateurs, the phone company, and the candy vendors.



I read that approximately one third of all the flowers sold in a given year are purchased for Mother's Day. The Hallmark company reports that 141 million Mother's Day cards are purchased each year. And there are 122 million phone calls made on that day. Reportedly, retailers made \$23 billion in Mother's Day sales last year. Astounding isn't it?

There's no denying that mothers hold a special place in our hearts, and we in theirs. For most of us, hers is the first voice we hear, the first kiss we receive. She showers us with love and affection from the moment that she's aware of our existence. She anxiously awaits our arrival and gives herself up wholeheartedly to our care and well-being. And her love is unconditional. A mother's love is right next to God's.



And let us not forget Mary, the mother of Jesus. (Luke 1:46-48) "And Mary said, My soul magnifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all nations shall call me blessed."

Wishing you all a "Happy Mother's Day," and may God richly bless you.

From a Merry 



**May Social**

The Theme for our May 26 social will be a "Tribute to Mothers"!

We will have a special program during the meal!

Participants will be asked to bring that favorite dish their Mother prepared during childhood! A signup sheet will be placed in foyer!

One Mother in the church will also be paid a special tribute!!!!

If you have any questions contact Shirley Lett at 254-947-8646.



## Summer Bible Study Survey

Would you like to participate in another nine-lesson Bible study like the one done last summer?

This year the *Horizons* Magazine, published by Presbyterian Women in the PCUSA, has a new study entitled "Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments" by Eugenia Anne Gamble, an experienced pastor who is known for helping to make the Bible come alive in people's lives.

All members of our congregation will be welcome to participate. Last summer we met at the church for an hour once a week in July and August. Meeting at noon after chair yoga on those nine Thursdays seemed to work well, as we allowed a 30-minute lunch break before starting the study. This summer we can follow the same schedule or try a new one.

If you are interested in this study, please contact me at [pacrehm2017@gmail.com](mailto:pacrehm2017@gmail.com) or at 512-876-4211 by May 15<sup>th</sup> and let me know your preferences. Should we:

- Meet the same day and times as last year? Choose new months?
- Which ones? Which days?
- Meet twice a week for a shorter time? Choose a different hour?
- Which one?



Once the arrangements have been decided, the books will be ordered and provided by the church. I hope that we can have another enlightening session this summer.

Sincerely, Pat Rehm

## Some Friends from the Past

*To all my dear friends at the Presbyterian Church of Salado.*

*Bob and I have missed you all so very much, it is great that we receive the messenger from Pete every Month, it lets me keep up with everyone and who to put on my prayer list.*

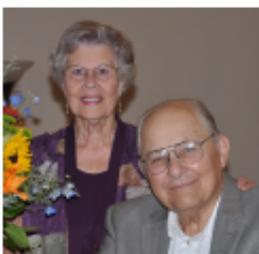
*We are happy here, being so close to most of our children, and I get help with Bob when I need it, they have been great.*

*We live in a 55 and over community and do not have to do outside work, that helps in the winter with the snow.*

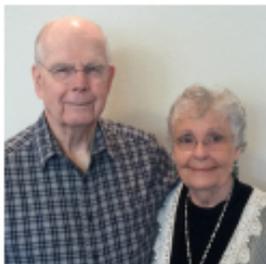
*We miss our big house there and the peach trees.*

*Wish we could visit but I don't think it will be possible.*

*Take care and keep us in your prayers. Bob and Adva Volle*



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*"Thinking of you with love, prayers and "treasured memories" of the fellowship we cherish.*

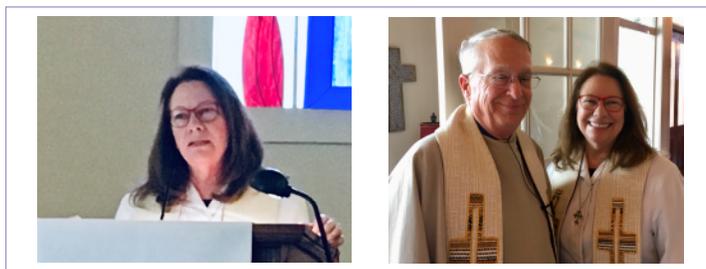


*We pray for "our" Pastor Carl, Evelyn, their family and "each person" that worships in this caring Church.*

*Remembering those that reached out to us in fellowship will always hold a special place in our hearts.*

*We miss each of you and give thanks for the time we had together."*

*Our Prayers, Stan and Bobbie Jackson*



*Molly Hatchel was our guest Preacher on April 28th while Carl is recuperating from Surgery.*

## Benevolence Committee

May 11<sup>th</sup> Health Fair to  
Benefit Heart & Hands

The Salado Health Fair on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8 AM to Noon, will benefit the Heart & Hands Ministries. Its sponsor is the Salado Care Clinic, which is located in the former location of the Sewing Basket. You will find the Health Fair set up in the parking lot of the Mill Creek Center, between ABC Pest Control and ACE Hardware. Various health-related booths will provide information about healthcare providers in Salado, plus free blood pressure & blood sugar checks and 5-minute massages.

Donations will be accepted for the Heart & Hands' pantry and clothing shop. Food, health aids, and summer clothing will be collected at the fair that day. **Suggested food items** include deserts; flour, sugar & cornbread; mayonnaise, mustard & ketchup; breakfast foods like cereals, breakfast bars & Poptarts; and meaty soups, ramen noodles, chili, ravioli & spaghetti sauce. **Helpful health aids** include soaps, razors, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. **Summer clothing** for men, women and children would also be appreciated. If you cannot attend the Health Fair, you may still leave your donations in the narthex of our church at any time.



A few volunteers willing to greet the visitors going to the Health Fair will be needed to work a one-hour shift. Please contact me if you would be available; [pacrehm2017@gmail.com](mailto:pacrehm2017@gmail.com) or 512-876-4211.

Thank you! - Pat Rehm - Chair

# Holy Week Services

## April 14- 21

Starting with the Joys of Palm Sunday

Mary Jane Boston



Bobbie Dickerson



Trish Stebbins & Charlotte Carl



Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion (46)



Easter Sunday  
He Has Risen  
- Yes -  
He has Risen Indeed!

