

This monthly newsletter is a publication by Schertz United Methodist Church in Schertz, TX. Its purpose is to inform congregation members of news and event within the church community. All SUMC members are welcome to contribute items for publication subject to minimal editing and space limitations. Contributions may be sent to news@schertzumc.com



# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 AM  
Family Praise  
Worship Service

10:15 - 11:00 AM  
Sunday School &  
Small Group Time

11:15 AM  
Traditional Family  
Worship Service

1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Youth Group  
(7th - 12th Grades)

Communion is  
served on the first  
Sunday of the month  
at both services

6:00 PM  
Free Dinner

6:30 PM  
Connections  
Contemporary  
Service

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Newsletter Deadline  
20th  
of each month  
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## Thoughts From Pastor Jim



Lent is here. Have you started to prepare your heart for the death and resurrection of Jesus? I know many of you have practicing some discipline during the season. I have heard people discuss "giving up" something for Lent or devoting time to study during Lent. What about you? It is not too late to start. I heard about something on Facebook. This person was finding some useful things in their home that they could do without. That would be their gift to Jesus for the day. After Easter they plan to donate all 40 (or more) items to someone who needs them. I loved the plan because it helps us understand the abundance we have while helping others.

A more traditional approach is to spend the season examining your life. Each night before you fall asleep, examine what you did that day.

Can you clearly state how you served God that day?

Did you give time to God that day?

Did you give money to God that day?

Did you use your God-given talent in service to God that day?

These questions can guide you back to the path God has for you which gives peace. That peace will blossom at Easter when you see all that Jesus gave you at the cross.

## What Is Next?

The next step for the leadership of this church is to seek a new vision for where God is calling us. I have been meeting with many groups in the church seeking their input for where God is telling them we should go. With all of us praying for God to speak to us, a fresh vision can get us on course.



## Testimonies



Stories inspire. People sharing their story speaks to people, letting them know that God speaks to all of us if we listen. Your story will inspire someone. If God has made a difference in your life, please speak to Pastor Mike or Pastor Jim to determine the best way to share this.

## March Sermon Series

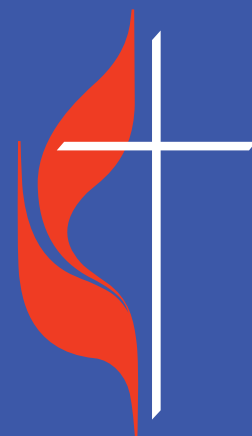
"...that you may have life..."

## Altar Rail Offering for March

Altar Rail Offering goes to UMCOR



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## RACAP

Each month, Schertz UMC collects and donates a single specific item to stock RACAP's pantry. In **March**, we are collecting **Canned Tomato Products (Diced, Whole, Sauce, Paste)**. Please bring your donations to the designated baskets around the church.

## Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday Service- Sunday March 25th, @ 9:00 & 11:15 AM  
 Good Friday Cantata - Friday, March 30th @ 6:30 PM  
 Hope in the Shadows - Lent Cantata  
 (Good Friday Children's Experience during service in room 106)

Sunrise Easter Service - Sunday, April 1, @ 7:00 AM  
 (Followed by breakfast - bring a dish to share if you wish)  
 Family Praise Easter Service - Sunday April 1, @ 9 AM  
 Butterfly Release & Easter Egg Hunt @ 10:15 AM  
 (Bring your Easter basket)

Family Traditional Easter Service - Sunday April 1 @ 11:15 AM



## Covered Dish Breakfast



## After



## Join us for Easter Breakfast

April 01, 2018

Bring a dish to share if you wish.

There will be donuts and coffee provided

## Mission Outreach to Connect to Our Community

SUMC is participating in the Easter In The Park event with city of Schertz.

March 31st 9:30am to 12pm

A game - A prize - Happy Children - much much fun.

Be a leader! Get your mission on for spreading the word of Jesus in our community.

See Lucy Mccann (708-285-1317) or Barbara Ricks (210-326-6565) for more information. Limited spaces available so act fast.

## Join us at Faith Builders

Faith builders is an adult small group led by Greg Tillmon that meets on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in room 104.

Come learn and fellowship with us as we study the apostles.

## 24 hour Prayer Vigil

On March 4th we will be holding a 24 hour Prayer Vigil asking God to direct the vision of this church. The vigil will begin at 12:00pm on Sunday March 4th, ending 12:00pm March 5th. We will be asking people to sign up for a 30 minute time slot so that someone is in prayer for the entire 24 hours.



## Ladies' Lunch Bunch



On Friday, March 2nd we're going to a place that I am betting most of you are not familiar with. "WILLIAMS CONFECTIONERY CRAFTS" - BAKERY & RESTAURANT  
 12107 Toepperwein Rd., Live Oak

The name describes it perfectly as they serve great meals, delicious cakes and pies, breakfast all day, and you'll see some crafts on display also.

Daily Specials - Friday Specials are BBQ Chicken, Catfish, Tilapia, Flounder, and Salmon Patties. Every day you can get Chicken Fried Steak, Wings & Fries, Tenders & Fries as well as 6 different sandwiches to choose from. I can only vouch for breakfast - delicious - Best grits in Texas! I'm trusting their other offerings are delicious too.

See you Friday, March 2nd, at 12:30 PM (To ride the church van, meet us in the parking lot at noon, or you can drive straight there and meet us at 12:30 PM. RSVP if you are riding the van so we won't leave anyone by accident. Childcare is provided by reservation with 2 day notification

RSVP by Thursday Noon (March 1st) call/text: Bert Lynch - 210-862-0364 or Linda Paxton - 210-379-7109

## UMW Bake Sale

Support Schertz United Methodist Women and our partnership with local SA-JFON March 18, 2018, 8:30 -12:30, Fellowship Hall



## Saturday Night Special

Join Us for Good Food and a Good Time

Here it is - just like we promised, a fun outing for all, not just ladies.

Males, females, couples & singles - come one, come all.

When: **Saturday, March 24, 2018 @ 6 PM**

Where: The Alamo Café, 14250 San Pedro Ave, San Antonio



Alamo Café provides a varied menu of Tex-Mex dishes consisting of appetizers, soup and salad, quesadillas, fajitas, enchiladas and many other favorites.

Anyone interested in carpooling can meet in the church parking lot no later than 5:30 prompt to proceed to Alamo Café or you can meet us there at 6:00 pm.

Childcare will be provided by reservation for children up to 12 years of age. Please let us know by Wednesday, March 21st if you need childcare.

Please **RSVP** by Thursday, March 22nd so we can plan ahead for seating by contacting either of the following individuals: Linda Paxton at 210-379-7109 or Bert Lynch at 210-862-0364. If you prefer to text message please provide your name so we know who is replying to us as we don't know phone numbers. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Daylight savings time is March 11.

**Don't forget to spring forward!**





**Family Film Night**

March 16th Friday Family Film night. Join us in the Fellowship hall at 6pm for a movie, activities, and of course....popcorn. Wear something comfortable and bring a pillow or blanket.

**Junior High Sunday School Teachers**

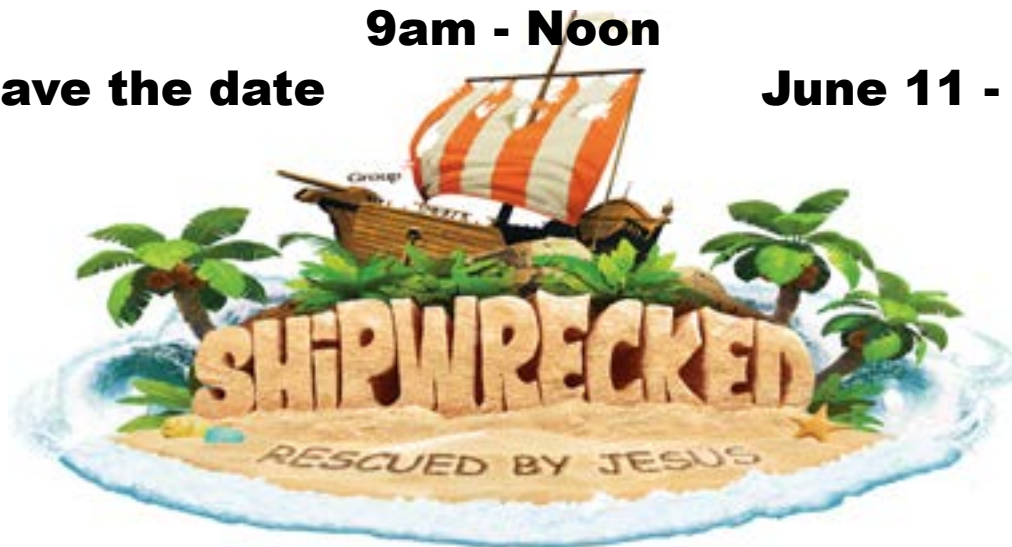
We are looking for junior high Sunday school teachers. There can be more than one so that they can rotate. Also looking for someone to sub in the high school room. Our regular teacher is having to travel some each month for his job and will be out of town on Sunday occasionally.

Please contact Alice Sutherlun at 210-658-3202 or asutherlun@schertzumc.com

**9am - Noon**

**VBS Save the date**

**June 11 - 15 2018**



**Candy Donations**

Candy donations are now being accepted for the church sponsored Easter egg hunts. Please place all donations in the designated boxes. Thank you for your support!



**Special Music Opportunities for Holy Week and Easter**

Would you like to be a part of music ministry this season? Here are several ways to use your gifts:

**Sing!** -- Join the Chancel Choir or Praise Band for the season. Special music will be presented Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter! Praise Band rehearses Wednesdays at 7pm, Chancel Choir rehearses Thursdays at 7pm, and the Good Friday Cantata is rehearsed on Thursdays at 8pm.

**Ring!** -- We need 3-5 bell ringers for a special anthem on Palm Sunday, March 25. Rehearsals can be arranged based on volunteers' schedules.

**Play!** -- Do you play an instrument? Some orchestral instruments are needed for the Good Friday cantata. And brass players are needed for an Easter brass quartet at 11:15 service.

If you'd like serve through music, contact Leah Krenek at lkrenek@schertzumc.com



**United Methodist Men**

Come join United Methodist Men for their March meeting. United Methodist Men will meet at 7:00pm on Wednesday, March 28, beginning with pot luck meal. Meeting will continue with singing, program, and business meeting. Come enjoy meal, fellowship, and program. For more information, contact Billy Timberlake at 210-658-8276 or e-mail btimberlake1941@yahoo.com

**Schertz United Methodist Women**

March 7, 2018 is Open invitation month for all Ladies of our congregation. Please come out on March 07 at 6:30pm and join us for fellowship potluck and UMW program "whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ."



**Connections Worship Experience**



Connect with friends during a free meal; Connect with God in a high-energy worship service; connect with others like you in a small group.

**SUNDAY EVENINGS**

6:00pm - FREE supper

6:45pm - Worship

7:30pm - Small Groups

**Schertz United Methodist Church directories**

SUMC directories will be available in the office.

Everyone can become part of our family directory just by submitting a photo to schertzumc.pictures@gmail.com.

ASK us for more information. We are your family in faith, let us get to know you!

To My Dear Church Family,

The greatest comfort during this time of sorrow is the expression of your gentle sympathy and heartfelt compassion to each of us. There are no words that seem adequate enough to share how much we appreciate you. Thank you for providing the food, for serving the food at the memorial luncheon and for the cleanup. Jerry valued his church and loved his many friends within that church.

We deeply appreciate your support, your kindness and your love. It shall always be remembered with great affection and gratitude.

Love and Blessings,  
Carol Randecker and Families



Robert Edris	03/01	Donna Stone	03/15
MaKenna Neal	03/03	Trinity Barrows	03/17
Matthew Beattiger	03/03	Paulette Schwoebel	03/17
Leslie Abbot-Eihausen	03/04	Bill Bond	03/18
Telle Johnson	03/06	Wyatt Overocker	03/18
Dare Johnson	03/07	Chuck Sutherlun	03/18
Dylan Stone	03/08	Brad Barrows	03/19
Adalee Akridge	03/08	Ashlyn Wright	03/19
Robert Jones	03/09	Dickie Cassel	03/24
Pat Anding	03/10	Oliver Merrifield	03/24
Canyon Tillmon	03/11	Claudia Miller	03/25
Madison Foster	03/13	Jessie Fisher	03/28
Curtis Jenkins	03/15	Jodie Overocker	03/29
John Jones	03/15	Juli Mussi	03/30
Lucy McCann	03/15	Hayden Mussi	03/31



**Regular Sunday Schedule**  
 9:00 AM - Contemporary Service  
 10:15 AM - Sunday School  
 11:15 AM - Traditional Service

# March

**Regular Sunday Afternoon Schedule**  
 1 PM - Youth Group (7th - 12th Grades)  
 6 PM - Connection Dinner  
 6:45 PM - Connection Service

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Thurs. Morning Bible Study 11am - Mesquite Magnolias 6pm - Worship Team 6pm - Pass It ON AFG & Aliteen 7:00pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>2</b> 10am - Round Tuits 12pm - Ladies Lunch Bunch 7pm - AA Meeting	<b>3</b> 7am - Men's Bible Study 9am - Financial Peace Univ.
<b>4</b> 6:30pm - Men's Purity Group 7:30pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Recovery Groups	<b>5</b> 6pm - Connection Praise Band 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>6</b> 6am - Elections 6:30pm - Sonrise Emmaus 7pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Faith Builders	<b>7</b> 10am - KNOTS Craft Group 6:30pm - UMW 7pm - Add Eating Disorder Group 7pm Praise Band 7:30pm - Full Circle Narcotics Anon	<b>8</b> 9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Thurs. Morning Bible Study 6pm - Pass It ON AFG & Aliteen 7:00pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>9</b> 10am - Round Tuits 7pm - AA Meeting	<b>10</b> 7am - Men's Bible Study
<b>11</b> 1am - Daylight Savings 12:30pm - Trustees 6:30pm - Men's Purity Group 7:30pm - AA Groups 7:30pm - Recovery Groups	<b>12</b> 6pm - Connections Praise Band 7pm - Community Connections 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>13</b> 6:30pm - Finance Team 7pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Faith Builders	<b>14</b> 10am - KNOTS 6:30 - SPRC 7pm - Add Eating Disorder Group 7pm - Praise Band 7:30pm - Full Circle Narcotics Anon	<b>15</b> 9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Thurs. Morning Bible Study 11am - Mesquite Magnolias 6pm - Pass It ON AFG & Aliteen 7:00pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>16</b> 10am - Round Tuits 6PM - Family Fun Friday "Film" 7pm - AA Meeting	<b>17</b> 7am - Men's Bible Study
<b>18</b> 8am - UMW Bake Sale 6:30pm - Men's Purity Group 730pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Recovery Groups	<b>19</b> 6pm - Connections Praise Band 6:30pm - Ladies Bunco 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>20</b> 9:30am - MOPS Steering Comm 10am - Coffee Break Bible Study 7pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Faith Builders	<b>21</b> 10am - WUEST Circle 6:30pm - Church Council 7pm - Add Eating Disorder Group 7pm - Praise Band 7:30pm - Full Circle Narcotics Anon	<b>22</b> 9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Thurs. Morning Bible Study 11am - Mesquite Magnolias 6pm - Pass It ON AFG & Aliteen 7:00pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>23</b> 10am - Round Tuits 7pm - AA Meeting	<b>24</b> 7am - Men's Bible Study 9am - Financial Peace University 10am - Cantata Rehearsal 6pm - Saturday Night Special
<b>25</b> 9am - <b>Palm Sunday</b> 6pm - AA Group 6:30pm - Men's Purity Group 730pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Recovery Groups	<b>26</b> 11pm - Diamond Club 6pm - Connections Praise Band 6:30pm - Mission Team Meeting 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>27</b> 10am - MOPS 10am - Coffee Break Bible Study 7pm - AA Group 7:30pm - Faith Builders	<b>28</b> 10am - KNOTS Craft Group 6:30pm - GPLC Board Meeting 7pm - Add Eating Disorder Group 7pm - Praise Band 7pm - UMM 7:30pm - Full Circle Narcotics Anon	<b>29</b> <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> 9am - Ladies Bible Study 10am - Thurs. Morning Bible Study 11am - Mesquite Magnolias 6pm - Pass It ON AFG & Aliteen 7:00pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA Group	<b>30</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 10am - Round Tuits 6:30PM - Good Friday Cantata 6:30pm - Children's Good Friday Exp 7pm - AA Meeting	<b>31</b> 7am - Men's Bible Study 9am - Financial Peace University

