



# THE COMMUNICATOR

JUNE 2026 EDITION

## This Month from Pastor Wayne *The Family Bible*

“There’s a family Bible on the table  
Its pages torn and hard to read  
But the family Bible on the table  
Will ever be my key to memories

At the end of the day when work was over  
And when the evening meal was done  
Dad would read to us from the family Bible  
And we’d count our many blessings one by one

I can see us sitting at the table  
When from the family Bible dad would read  
And I can hear my mother softly singing  
Rock of ages, rock of ages cleft for me”  
*(Willie Nelson, Family Bible, written in 1957)*



I don’t know if my dad was a country and western fan, but what he tried to do with the five Eberly kids every night was awfully similar to what Willie Nelson wrote about. We had a simple dining room table. The table was not huge, but it was big enough for the seven of us who made up the Eberly family at 1212 Fitzgerald Lane in Hanford, California. There were chairs at both ends of the table. Those seats were always filled by mom and dad. On the dining room side of the table there were two other chairs. Danny and Anne, the oldest of us kids, got those seats. On the wall side, dad had built a bench that extended the length of the table. Barry, Wayne, and Gail, the three youngest, would squeeze onto that bench.

When dinner was over, Dad would make his way to a small bookshelf. He would take a copy of his form of the family Bible. It was not an actual Bible. It was more of a devotional Bible. The stories were more user friendly, suited to younger children. I think the title was something along the lines of Little Visits with God. Dad would stress the importance of God’s word, and then he would begin the unenviable task of trying to read a story to five unruly kids. There was a lot of energy packed into the five of us. Someone would make an unwelcome noise. Elbow jabs would be exchanged. My older brother might crack wise about something, and we usually ended up back in the pages of Genesis chapter one before God called the world into order. Yes, as the Bible says, around the Eberly family table there was chaos. And lots of it. Nevertheless, Dad carried on until he reached the end of the story. Undaunted, he would return to the bookshelf the next night and give it yet another try.

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When Willie Nelson penned his song, he said it was based on his childhood memories. I was not familiar with the song growing up. But when Satellite radio became available, I signed up. I stumbled upon the channel called Willie's Roadhouse. And so it happened that sometime around 2020, during the depressing days of COVID, I was driving through our small town in Rhode Island. Westerly has a beautiful cemetery that sits along the Pawcatuck River. The river separating Rhode Island from Connecticut feeds directly into the Atlantic Ocean. Gazing out on the marble monuments marking the lives of those who have passed on, struggling to make sense of the chaotic time of COVID, a song came on my radio. The voice belonged to George Jones, one of the icons of country music. Willie Nelson wrote the song, and it was first recorded by Claude Gray, but when George Jones lent his mournful voice to the song it struck gold. At a time when I needed to return to my roots, a time when our nation and the entire world was quarantined and worried and anxious, the Family Bible song took me back to my roots.

I wonder how many other people have found themselves in a chaotic time, a time of duress or a season of change, facing loss or confronting difficult decisions. As the storms of life threatened to swamp their small boat, how many have reached for the Bible, seeking words of comfort and strength.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, I preached from the parable Jesus told at the end of the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus says in the parable, "Those who hear my words and act on them are like a wise person who builds their house upon a rock. The storms come and the rains beat against the house, but it stands firm, because it is built on a solid foundation." The goal of my sermon was to encourage you to build your life upon the words of Jesus, to read and study the Bible, to make the words of the Bible the foundation of your faith.

In a very real sense, my goal had already been met before I ever preached on that Sunday morning of May 17<sup>th</sup>. In April one of our high school students sent me a message asking what translation of the Bible I would recommend. She wanted to get started reading God's word and learning about Jesus. Before that, back in February, another of our students sent a message asking me to explain predestination. That earnest desire to learn theology has led this young man to a journey of reading the Bible, as well as exploring Calvin's Institutes and Augustine's Confessions. I am so happy our young people are turning to God's word. And they are not alone. Every Sunday morning adults and children and youth gather in Faith Formation study groups. It does a pastor's heart proud to see folks walking into these classes with Bible in hand. On Sunday, May 10, we presented Bibles to the children in the church in third grade and above. Our women meet for monthly Bible study. And last August a group of some 25 people made the commitment to the lengthy and rigorous study of God's word in the Disciple Bible Study.

Knowing that many have already embraced the study of God's word, I went ahead and preached about the solid foundation because it is a message we all need to hear. It is a message we need to hear often. Sure enough, I received this message the next day. The picture says it all. A Bible with a pair of reading glasses resting on it. These words accompanied the text. "Couple chapters a night." Pretty sweet.

If you get a chance, google Family Bible. I recommend the George Jones version. It's worth a listen. No matter what path brought you to where you are today, today is a good day to turn to God's word. You might have been on this journey of Bible study for many years, or you might be making a new beginning. Wherever you are in your journey with God's word, we're on the journey together. What a blessing it is to commit together to building our lives on the solid foundation of the words of Jesus.

With the love of Christ,

*Wayne*

# Messages for June

## June 7

Guest Preacher, Reverend Mark Nazarian

## June 14

“The Edge of His Cloak” | Matthew 9:18-26

## June 21

“The Compassion of Christ” | Matthew 9: 35-38

## June 28

“The Servant of the Lord” | Matthew 12: 15-21

## Welcome New Members

*Anna Choe & Brett Smith*

*Rhonda Blake*

*Alissa Dominguez*

*Horace & Sue Elliott*

*Steve Hinojosa*

*Ruth Ann Luna*

*Abigail Midgett*

*Elliott Denmon*



## Office Hours

**Pastor Wayne Eberly**

Mon-Wed  
9 AM – 2 PM

**Rhonda Blake**

Mon-Fri  
9 AM – 2 PM

## Church Staff

**Pastor** - Reverend Wayne Eberly

**Office Coordinator** - Rhonda Blake

**Director of Music** - Joe Weir

**Pianist** - Carl Braden

**Director of Creative Learning Center** - Cathy Gerald

# JUNE EVENTS



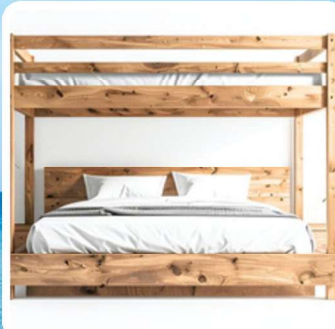
**Courage to Care –  
First Aid, CPR Training** : MON - SAT  
Monday, June 1 - Saturday, June 6  
**Contact:** Tommy Russell, or the Church  
Office at 281-852-8990  
**Location:** Fellowship Hall

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**Empty Nesters**  
5:30pm : TUES  
**Contact:** Nancy Anderson at  
nancy.anderson56@yahoo.com  
**Location:** Skeeters, 4121 W Lake  
Houston Pkwy, Kingwood

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**Sleep in Heavenly  
Peace Bed Delivery** : SAT  
8:30am  
**Contact:** Rick Anderson,  
713-859-1695  
**Location:** APC Parking Lot

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**Wayne's World! -  
Celebration of Pastor  
Wayne's 40 years  
in Ministry** : SUN  
11:30am - 1:30pm  
**Location:** Fellowship Hall

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**Kids Summer Camp** : TUES-THUR  
**APC & CLC** : 9-11  
Tuesday-Thursday, 9:30am - 2:30pm : 16-18  
**Register online,** or contact : 23-25  
the office, 281-852-8990  
**Location:** Fellowship Hall

# JUNE EVENTS



## APC Blood Drive

8:30am - 1:00pm

**Contact:** Lizzy Frye,  
lizardofrye68@gmail.com

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

SUN

14



## Houston Food Bank

8:00am - 12:00pm

**Contact:** Melissa Breda,  
mbreda@ssttx.org

**Location:** Houston Food Bank, 535  
Portwall St., Houston, TX. 77029

MON

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## Mission Trip Meeting

5:30pm - 6:30pm

**Mission Trip to Kerrville:** Learn  
details about the Oct mission trip to  
Kerrville/MoRanch.

**Location:** Fellowship Hall

WED

17



## Seniors & Friends

11:30am

**Contact** Bonnie Carr,  
bncrr1@gmail.com

**Location:** Spring Creek BBQ,  
Humble, TX

THUR

18



## Family Promise

Sunday, June 28 - Saturday, July 4

**Contact** Steve Coleman,  
stcolemanr@live.com

**Location:** APC Rooms

SUN

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# Summer Camp @ APC!



Scan QR Code to register!

## 3 Weeks of Learning & Fun!

June 9-11	Science Camp
June 16-18	Music Camp
June 23-25	Art Camp

9:30am - 2:30pm  
Tuesdays - Thursdays

### Entering 1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Entering 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Bible Stories** with our Pastors!

**Music, Singing** and **Instrument** Play!

**Science Experiments** and Process Thinking!

**Sports Skills** with the **Sport Ball Guy!**

Snacks Provided during each session!



Campers will need a personal water bottle, sack lunch and change of clothing in case of paint or dirt.

# APC & CLC SUMMER CAMPS



## JUNE 9 - 11

## JUNE 16 - 18

## JUNE 23 - 25

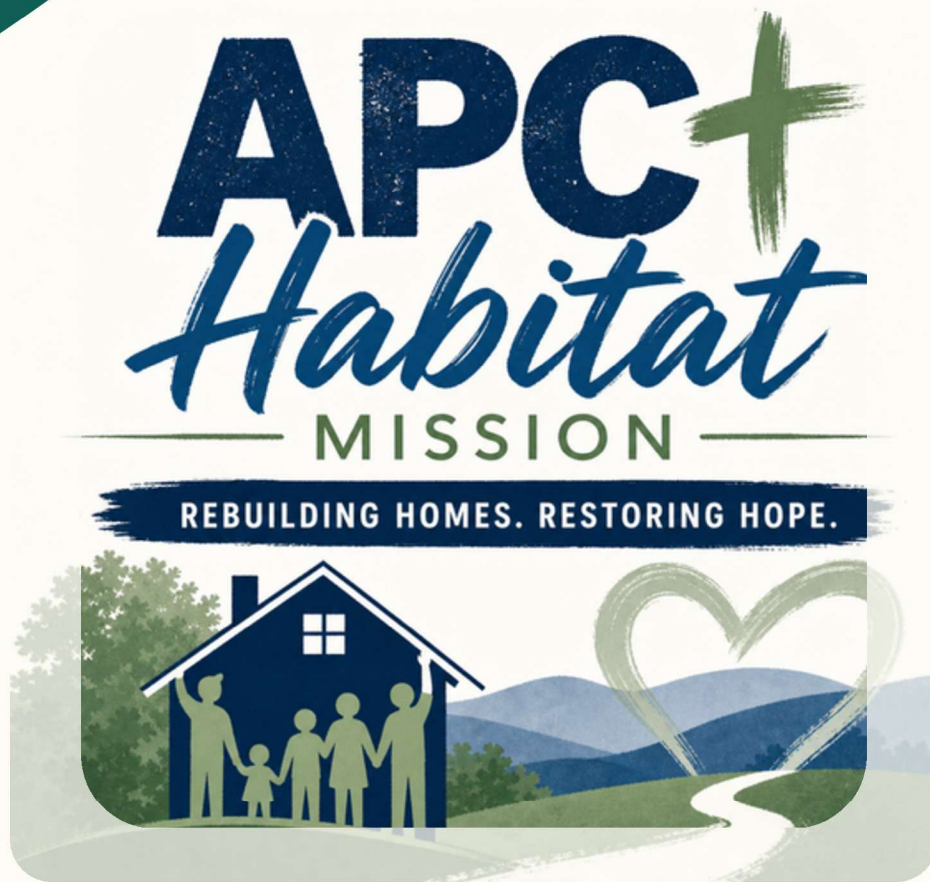
- T/W/TH - 9:30am - 2:30pm
- 18 Months - Kindergarten
- \$165 per week\*

\*Receive \$25 discount if registered for all 3 weeks

REGISTER ONLINE OR BY SCANNING THE QR CODE

[WWW.CREATIVELEARNINGCENTERATAPC.ORG](http://WWW.CREATIVELEARNINGCENTERATAPC.ORG)





## **Rebuilding Hope in Kerrville**

Atascocita Presbyterian Church is partnering with Habitat for Humanity to support families who are still rebuilding after the devastating July 2025 floods in Kerrville. Many homes were damaged or destroyed, and recovery continues.

APC is stepping in to help restore stability, dignity, and hope.

### **Mission Trip: October 12–17**

A team of APC volunteers will travel to Mo Ranch, located just 30 minutes outside Kerrville. Mo Ranch will serve as home base while volunteers work with Habitat for Humanity on construction and repair projects throughout the area.

This trip is open to adults, families, and older youth accompanied by a parent. No construction experience is required—just a willing heart and hands ready to serve.

### **Cost & Registration**

\$150 per person, \$400 maximum per family

*Scholarships available for anyone who needs assistance.*

If you feel called to participate, please contact the church office for scholarship information or to sign up.

### **Informational Meeting**

**Wednesday, June 17 at 5:30pm - In the Fellowship Hall**

Come learn more, ask questions, and explore whether this mission opportunity is right for you.

# COURAGE TO CARE

## Learn CPR and Save a Neighbor

One of the most powerful ways we can **love our neighbors** is by being prepared to help in a moment of crisis. Sudden cardiac emergencies can happen anywhere—at home, at church, at school, or in the community. When they do, a bystander with **CPR training** can make the difference between life and death. It is an act of courage, compassion, and readiness.

**This June**, APC is building a **volunteer list of members** who are currently certified in CPR and willing to be contacted in the event of an on-site emergency. If you already have CPR training, we invite you to add your name to this list so our staff and ministry leaders know whom to call upon when help is needed.

For those who have never taken CPR—or who would like to refresh their skills—we are offering free CPR training here at the church during the **week of June 1**. This hands-on session will teach you how to recognize an emergency, perform chest compressions, and respond with confidence until professional help arrives.

For anyone who would like an **official certification card, a CPR Certification Course will also be offered that same week for \$40**. This course meets national standards and provides the credential required by many workplaces and volunteer organizations.

Whether you join the volunteer list, attend the free training, or complete the certification course, your willingness to learn and serve reflects the heart of Christ—one who sees, responds, and cares. If you would like to sign up for training or add your name to the CPR volunteer list, please contact the church office.

Together, we can be a community ready to care for one another with courage and compassion.



**CALLING ALL APC MEMBERS & FRIENDS**



**Volunteers**

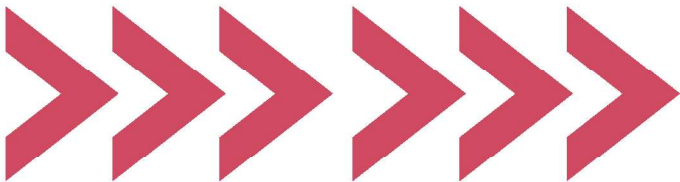
**NEEDED**

**MONDAY, JUNE 15TH  
8AM-12PM**

*What will we do?*

*We will be inspecting and sorting food items for community distribution.*

*Register here by  
scanning the QR code  
with your  
smart phone's camera.*



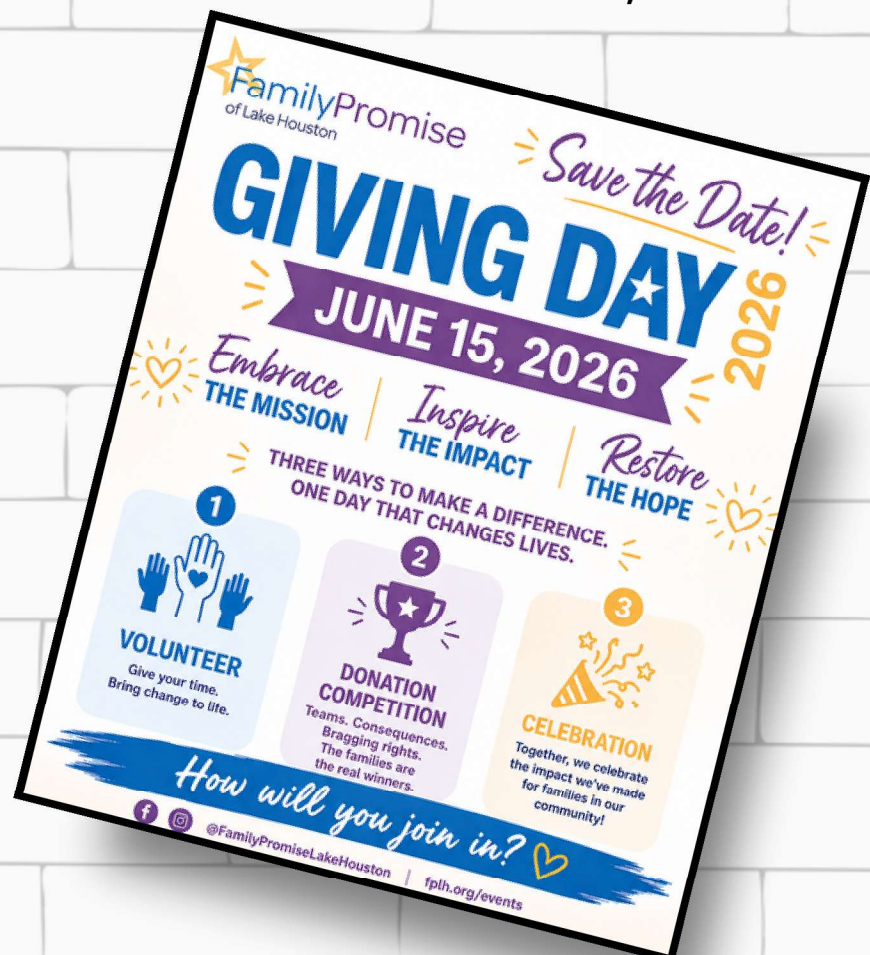
*Contact Melissa Breda if you need more info or help  
registering (281-352-4039 or mbreda@ssttx.org)*

# Family Promise of Lake Houston

Thanks to all of you who volunteered your time and talents during our last host week. Our next host week will begin **Sunday, June 28**, and we expect to be hosting three families again. We won't be seeing Antoinette and her four children, as they have moved into the Prosperity House, one of two Family Promise transition houses, where they will live while Antoinette pursues her education.

Family Promise is having a **Giving Day fundraiser on June 15**. This is a friendly team competition among the participating church congregations to see who can raise the most money on Giving Day. Each church is paired with a team captain from the Family Promise board or staff. **Our church is Team 3, and our team captain is Angie**, the office coordinator! There are also volunteer opportunities for you to participate in on Giving Day - more on that to come. And at the end of the day, there will be a **celebration at Crust Pizza in Kingwood!** For questions or more information, **contact your Family Promise coordinators: Linda and Steve Coleman, Claudia Nelson and Lizzy Frye**

Thanks!  
Steve Coleman





## Fill the Bin Donation Drive


This June, our congregation is partnering once again with Sleep in Heavenly Peace to provide Bed-in-a-Bag twin-size sets for children receiving new beds. These sets—complete with sheets, comforters, and pillows—help ensure that every child not only has a bed to sleep in, but a warm and comforting place to call their own. Our goal is to collect 100 Bed-in-a-Bag sets by the end of the month.

A donation bin is available in the Narthex for anyone who wishes to donate a complete set. For those who prefer to give financially, you may contribute any amount online, and the Finance Office will track all gifts designated for Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed-in-a-Bag. Each time enough funds accumulate, a full set will be purchased on behalf of the congregation.

Every contribution—large or small—brings us one step closer to helping a child sleep safely and comfortably. Thank you for your generosity and for supporting this meaningful ministry. For more information, please contact Rick Anderson at (713) 859-1695.



## 2026 Men's Conference at MO Ranch



Twelve hardy souls attended the conference this year, including former member Ron Tribolet. Six golfers and six non-golfers. While the weather ruined one day of golf, it did not rain during the conference. The golfers played on Thursday. The rest of the group arrived on Thursday and we all joined together for dinner at The BOAT restaurant. On the way back to MO, several of us drove to Camp Mystic where we prayed and recited the 23rd Psalm. On rainy Friday, we all had breakfast at the Hill Country Cafe (excellent food) and afterwards split up to either tour the Hill Country or the Nimitz Museum in Fredericksburg.

There were 257 men at the conference, including a large number of young men. The theme of the conference this year was, Holey, Holy, Wholly. The keynote speech was delivered by Rev. Dr. Brian Coulter of First Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth. His theme was Be Holy, Be Whole. His Be Holy presentation was an Invitation to the Christian Life with discussions based on a quote from Eugene Peterson and Bible verses from 1 Peter 1:15-16 and Matthew 22:37. He also discussed Be Whole to Find Identity (Colossians 3:12); Find belonging (Hebrews 3:1); Find purpose (2 Timothy 1:9). The Bible study was conducted by Rev. Dr. Bob Crilley and was based on several verses in Philippians 2. His theme was to fill the hole in the bucket with our faith. The Sunday Morning Worship service at the Chapel was led by the Rev. Josh Kerr, the Ministry Relations Officer for the Presbyterian Foundation. Both Crilley and Kerr challenged the attendees to Be Holy and Be Whole to change the systemic problems of the world! There were many workshops to choose from, including Border Ministry (presented by John Nelsen who visited APC last year); Beer, Civilization and Evangelism; From Prison to Pulpit; How to prepare and cook a brisket; Mellencamp, Springsteen, U2 & King Solomon: Ecclesiastes & The Search for Meaning in Modern Music; The Lord's Prayer: A Guide on HOW to Pray; The Purpose of Theological Education (presented by Ryan Arnold who preached at APC several weeks ago); The Rapture: Cultural Phenomenon, But How Biblical; and Safety and Infrastructure Tour of MO (See a separate article on this tour by Tommy Russell in this newsletter). Despite the rain, on Friday and Saturday nights, we were able to sit around the fire in the fire pit and enjoy each other's company. After Sunday service and breakfast, we departed for home.



## HAAM News & Updates!

### National Day of Prayer Breakfast

HAAM's 4th Annual National Day of Prayer Breakfast, held at the Kingwood Country Club, was attended by over 200 guests who joined together in a powerful display of prayer and community connection. This year marked the largest gathering yet!

The morning was filled with a spirit of unity as attendees gathered alongside leaders, agency partners, staff, volunteers, and neighbors. Together, prayers were lifted to honor military personnel and first responders, support local students and teachers, remember the sick and elderly, and address the many diverse needs within our community. Pastor Wayne closed the event with the benediction.

### Breakfast Cereal Donations

With the closing of the school year, it is important that we continue donating breakfast cereal to HAAM. Please place your donated items in a shopping bag and leave them in the HAAM box in the Narthex.

### Remodeled HAAM Box

A special thank-you to Dick Bruns for adding a cover to the HAAM box to prevent it from being used as a trash can. So far, it has worked beautifully!

## May 2026 Attendance & Offering Summary

2026 Worship Attendance and Offering Summary		
Date	Attendance	Offering Total
3-May	94	\$2,937
10-May	108	\$2,167
17-May	115	\$7,854
24-May	110	\$3,502
31-May	96	\$1,785
<b>Total Offerings for Year-to-date</b>		<b>\$122,824</b>
<b>Budgeted Offerings for Year-to-date</b>		<b>\$152,875</b>

# Mo-Ranch Safety & Risk Management Enhancements

One of the workshops at this year's **Men's Conference** was a **Safety and Infrastructure Tour of Mo-Ranch**, led by Tim Huchton, President and CEO of Mo-Ranch. Since APC members and friends attend many activities at Mo-Ranch, several of us decided to join this session. Below is a summary of the tour and the recent safety improvements to infrastructure and communication systems.

To better **prepare, predict,** and **protect attendees** and **employees**, Mo-Ranch leadership has implemented several significant upgrades to warning systems, communication equipment, and safety policies. These changes are designed to support many types of critical incidents.

1. **Flood Warning Devices:** Ten flood-warning sensors have been installed along the river. When activated by high water levels, they trigger a high-level siren and can also be manually activated by incident leaders. Leaders can broadcast verbal instructions over the loudspeaker system. These sensors are networked with other camp leaders along the river to enable coordinated, proactive responses.
2. **Backup Generators:** Eight generators have been installed at critical locations throughout the camp to ensure essential operations remain functional during power outages.
3. **Wi-Fi Access:** Wi-Fi has been added across the property. Because cell service can be limited in the Hill Country, this system allows guests to connect and make outside calls during emergencies.
4. **New Fire Station:** A new fire station, operated by the Hunt Volunteer Fire Department, now provides faster emergency response. The station currently houses a pumper truck, a rescue truck, and a cross-country ATV.
5. **Updated Guest Brochures:** Guest materials now include detailed maps showing facility locations and emergency equipment.
6. **Enhanced Weather Monitoring:** Leaders can now monitor real-time and forecasted weather through multiple sources and share critical updates between camps along the river.

Ongoing improvements include **training all employees** on current **emergency procedures** and installing a **county-wide warning system** to initiate emergency responses. Once completed, this system will be tested weekly to ensure reliability.



# The Blessing



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**To Do Today:**  
 Order BLESSING BOX  
Donations from  
APC@ACPHUMBLE.ORG



A NOTE FROM THE  
***earth care team***

## Caring for Creation in Everyday Life

As summer begins, our Earth Care Team invites you to pause and notice the beauty of God's creation all around us – the shimmer of sunlight on leaves, the hum of pollinators, and the rhythm of rain that nourishes the earth. June is a wonderful time to renew our commitment to stewardship and sustainability, both at church and at home.

## Simple Ways to Care for Creation This Month

Hydrate wisely: Water lawns and gardens early in the morning to reduce evaporation.

Feed the pollinators: Plant native flowers that bloom through the summer to support bees and butterflies.

Reduce waste: Bring reusable bottles and utensils to church picnics and summer gatherings.

Cool efficiently: Adjust thermostats a few degrees higher and use fans to conserve energy.

Shop thoughtfully: Choose local produce and seasonal foods to lower transportation impact.

## Faith in Action

Our congregation's Earth Care efforts remind us that caring for creation is an act of faith; a way to honor the Creator and love our neighbors. Every small step, from recycling to planting, reflects gratitude for the world God entrusted to us.

Together, let's continue to live out our calling to be faithful stewards of God's creation – one mindful choice at a time.

# Presbyterian Heritage BEST OF SCOTLAND

*Visiting*

*Glasgow | Stirling | Oban | Iona | Isle of Skye | Ft. William | Inverness | St. Andrews | Edinburgh*

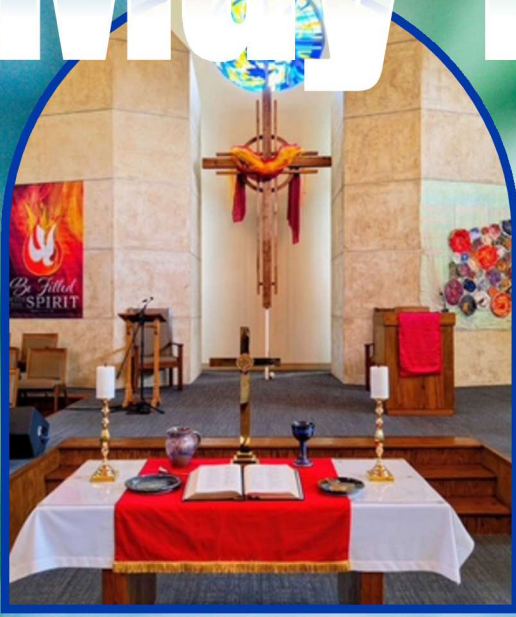
**10 Days: May 10 - 19, 2027**

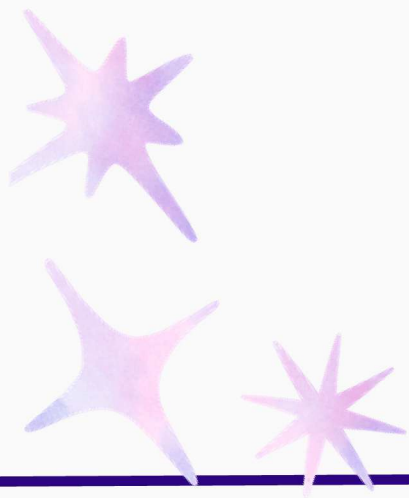
*\$5999 per person from Houston*



Wayne and Julie invite you to an  
informational meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

# May Highlights





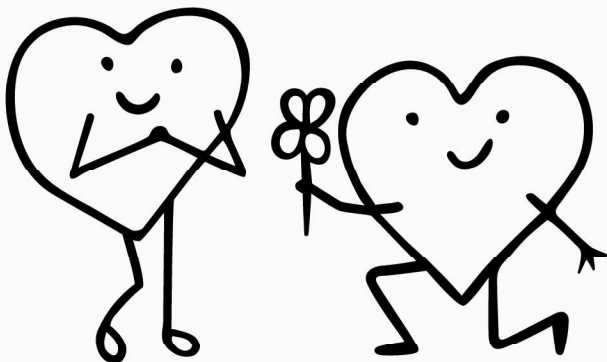
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# Birthdays

## Happy Anniversary

Shelley & Forrest Craig	Jun 02
Leslie & Frank Willoughby	Jun 03
Ron & Cathy Fovargue	Jun 10
Tommy & Bonnie Russell	Jun 12
Russ & Ellen Nipe	Jun 15
Linda & Gene Andrus	Jun 18
Don & Karen Frye Jr.	Jun 21
Traci & Steve Hlavaty	Jun 21

Joyce Olson	Jun 03
Patti Schreiber	Jun 05
Elijah Strader	Jun 09
Marilyn Friedersdorf	Jun 11
Joe Breda	Jun 13
Emily Reppucci	Jun 15
Mike Linskey	Jun 18
Doug Kennard	Jun 19
Taryn Hemsing	Jun 20
Grace Burgos	Jun 23
Chris Friedersdorf	Jun 24
Gina O'Toole	Jun 24
Kris Betts-Adrian	Jun 27
Pam Stringer	Jun 28
Chantley Hawkins	Jun 30
Ryan Lauer	Jun 30
Buffy McCormack	Jun 30
Susan Sheridan	Jun 30





## **A Prayer for June**

Holy God, as June unfolds with long days and growing light, we pause to give thanks for the beauty of your creation and the steady rhythms that remind us of your faithfulness.

Renew our spirits with the warmth of summer, and open our hearts to the quiet ways you are at work in and around us.

Strengthen us to care for our neighbors with compassion, to tend the earth with gratitude, and to seek your wisdom in all we do.

Bless our church family with unity, joy, and a deep sense of your presence as we move through this season together.

**In the name of Jesus, we pray.  
Amen.**



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