

# the MESSENGER

**St. John Lutheran Church**  
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## From the Pastor's Pen

The school year has started, and the church year with it, bringing plenty of new opportunities to get connected once again. Wednesday night programming starts up on September 6th. I'll be teaching the Alpha Course, an introduction to and overview of the Christian faith. If you're new to the church and want to meet people, if you've been around awhile and want to rekindle your faith, or if you're not sure what to believe and want to explore who Jesus is, come and check it out. You won't be disappointed.

If you'd rather dive right into the Bible, new Bible studies start this month. Pastor Bergquist will lead a women's study on Genesis, Michelle Waters will lead a women's study on Nehemiah, T.J. Bazzoon will tackle Christ and controversial topics, and Richard Wagner will lead a study on Martin Luther.

Speaking of Luther, this year is the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. We'll be celebrating our Lutheran heritage the whole month long. I've planned a special sermon series for the month of October, ending with a Reformation Day service on the 29th led by the Boerne Village Band. Start thinking now about who you'd like to bring with you to church.

But then again, why wait till October? Jesus loved to teach on the Kingdom

of God using financial imagery. The sermon series for September is called Settling Accounts, and the sermons – "The Bottom Line," "Keeping the Books," "Penny Wise & Pound Foolish," and "Income Inequality" – will grab people's attention, pull them in, point them to Jesus, and give them practical teaching from God's Word. If you've been waiting to bring a friend St. John, now's the time to introduce them to our church.

Or maybe you've already been introduced to the church and now you're ready to commit. Our New Members' classes start with a three-hour lunch on September 10th, continue with "next step" classes the next four Sundays, and end with the rite of reception on October 15th. We're expecting a lot of people to join this time around, and would love to have you as one of them.

Finally, our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 17th after the late services. Put it on your calendar now and come to hear about what's going on now at St. John, where we're heading, and what our budget will be.

**The church year has started and it's going to be a good one. Jump in and get involved!**

*Pastor Eric Waters*



# ST. JOHN STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

## God Multiplies Our Offering

<sup>15</sup> As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food." <sup>16</sup> Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered. <sup>18</sup> "Bring them here to me," he said. <sup>19</sup> And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. <sup>20</sup> They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. <sup>21</sup> The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children. (Matthew 14:15-21)

Have you ever felt moved to give to a charity, but hesitated because the need was so great that you didn't think your contribution could make a difference? I imagine this is what the disciples were thinking when they saw the more than 15,000 people (including women and children) in need of something to eat, but no way on earth to get them food.

Relying on their own means and abilities, they were right. However, with God anything is possible. Jesus instructed them to give what they had. After giving thanks to God for what he had provided, Jesus had the disciples distribute to the crowds.

So, here's where it gets interesting. Even though the disciples knew in their minds

that there wasn't nearly enough food for everyone, they obeyed and started to pass it out to the crowds. They gave what they had and had faith that Jesus knew better than they did. Jesus worked a miracle through the disciples and provided more than they needed.

We should learn from the disciples' example. Thank God for His provision, give what we have, and allow Him to multiply our offering to reach others beyond our own means. We will accomplish much more with God than we ever could on our own.

Your Brother in Christ  
Kyle Gass, Chair  
St John Lutheran Stewardship Committee

### INCOME COMPARISON

Monthly Operating Income	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Through July
2017	\$128,517	\$828,428	\$82,191	\$106,327	\$89,5970	\$82,431	\$103,660						\$681,524
2016	\$116,162	\$83,342	\$83,889	\$73,0447	\$80,790	\$72,368	\$81,646	\$87,909	\$70,448	\$91,671	\$135,927	\$162,050	\$509,595
2015	\$113,882	\$78,825	\$97,094	\$88,662	\$85,710	\$78,144	\$76,808	\$108,019	\$83,790	\$76,649	\$98,797	\$169,592	\$542,317
2014	\$79,577	\$80,376	\$91,001	\$83,972	\$69,069	\$85,906	\$71,314	\$93,774	\$69,963	\$72,021	\$97,063	\$181,124	\$489,901

### ATTENDANCE COMPARISON

Average Weekly Worship	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Average YTD
2017	380	411	414	462	389	373	353						397
2016	421	386	477	370	341	376	357	420	383	375	359	527	395
2015	380	403	390	521	370	464	309	367	349	347	364	463	421
2014	439	419	419	509	420	381	378	378	392	398	383	425	431

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# ONLINE GIVING

IS NOW AVAILABLE

Check our website: [www.stjohnlutheran.com](http://www.stjohnlutheran.com)  
for more information and to start giving online!



# CHILDREN'S

# FAITH FORMATION

## Your Kids Will Love The Sunday School Rotational Schedule This Year!

This year in our rotational schedule we will go over a new topic each month. Each topic will have 4 to 5 stations. Every Sunday each group will visit one station. They will explore the topic in an array of paths/senses/avenues that include storytelling, art, games, cooking, science, etc. No two months or two weeks will be the same for the children.

Our topics (in order) are:

**September:** Psalms

**October:** Beatitudes

**November:** Gems of the Kingdom - Parables

**December:** Christmas thru Symbols

**January:** Holy Spirit

**February:** All You Need Is Love

**March:** Lord's Prayer

**April:** I'm a Believer

**We hope to see you and your little ones every Sunday this school year!**



### Sneak Peek at our Wednesday Nights!

**Our theme for our Wednesday nights this school year is FUN!**

Every Wednesday night we will have a one time activity that follows a children's sermon that gives us some food for thought. September has already been set up. You don't want your little one to miss out!



### Sunday School Morning Schedule

**9:00 am-9:15 am**  
Breakfast for Children and Youth

**9:15-9:20am** - Prayer

**9:20-10:15am** - Go To Stations by Groups

Groups:  
5th Grade  
4th Grade  
2nd & 3rd Grades  
Kinder & 1st Grade

The Nursery is in need of toy donations for **OLDER** children: Legos, Cars, Barbies, My Little Pony, Kinex, building toys, etc

# Parents' Night Out!

**Friday, September 15, 2017  
6pm - 10pm**

**\$10/child \$30 max/family  
Dinner included!  
Nursery through Age 12**

**CONTACT:  
tiffanyjureczki@hotmail.com  
FOR RESERVATIONS**



# YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

students, seeing & serving HIM everywhere, everyday, passionately

Matt Olson, Youth Director • Email: matt@stjohnlutheran.com • Cell: 830-388-1550

## Sundays this fall

### SEPTEMBER 3rd

**Fellowship & Planning, 9:30 a.m.**  
Shepherd House (Key Question: If we could remodel and/or redecorate Shepherd House and Grace Place, how would you like to see it. We want your input!)

### SEPTEMBER 10th

#### FALL FEEDING TIME Classes

**9:00am in LUTHER HALL** for food, announcements

**9:30am Classes begin**

#### Middle Schoolers (6th-8th graders)

Luther Hall, Knowing How to Pray (This in-depth study on the fullness of what the "Lord's Prayer" teaches us also reveals Jesus' heart in showing us how we are meant to communicate with God our Father. We will be using Luther's Small Catechism as well as numerous other resources as we fulfill this Confirmation expectation, but more importantly grow closer to Christ.



#### Sr. High 9th - 10th Graders

Room #212, The Gospel of St. John, so that We might Know (This in-depth study on the book of the Bible with our church's name sake will give participants a solid understanding of what the writer intended his audience to know, he said, "This is the disciple who is bearing witness about these things, and who has written these things, and we know that his testimony is true." (John 21:24) Truth will be shared in both history and symbolism. Come and see Jesus in both his humanness and His divinity so that you may know Him better and grow in faith more.)

#### Sr. High 11th - 12th Graders

Room #213, Apologetics 101: Knowing Why We Believe What We Believe (This helpful and informative class may not answer all your questions, but it will get you on the right path for seeking answers as well as give you a response when challenged with your beliefs. Topics will include: The Historical Reliability of the Bible, Does God Exist, Jesus Christ: Historical & Divine, Other Religions, Science & Creation, plus more! The time to face these questions is now...so bring your questions and be a part of the discussion. Challenge the Christian faith, challenge your faith...and see where Jesus takes you!)



## s<sup>3</sup>Heep ministry

## Wednesdays this fall

### OVERFLOW (6th - 12th Graders)

Because life is "full" already...we need a time and place to pause, play & pray to remember that with Jesus our Shepherd, our "cups/lives" are to overflow with joy! May you and your friends experience that joy here as together we seek and serve Him.

**6:00pm - Meal in Family Life Center**

**6:30pm\* - Fellowship Games**

**7:15pm - Devotions and Prayer**

**7:45pm - Done**

\* Note we alternate nights of fellowship, learning & service, all important practices of one's journey with Jesus.



### SEPTEMBER 6th

#### KICK-OFF NIGHT

Fellowship & Fun as we make friends and look ahead to the coming year.

### SEPTEMBER 13th

#### DEVOTION

Paying Ridiculous Attention to Jesus

### SEPTEMBER 20th

#### SERVICE PROJECT NIGHT (TBA)

### SEPTEMBER 27th

#### DEVOTION

Wallowing in Mud Puddles

#### NOTE:

Senior High are welcomed and encouraged to be part of the Alpha Course on Wednesday nights, if they so choose. See the Adult Faith Formation section of this newsletter for more information.



# YOUTH REFLECTIONS ON SUMMER

Reflections from St. John's youth about God, Camp Eagle, Summer in the Son and more.



"I connected with Jesus this summer when I started coming to St. John. After going to three churches over the past two years, we've found a church where I fit in."

-Anonymous



"God isn't a part of our life, He is our life."

-Serena





# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

## Sunday School Classes

9:15 am - 10:15 am

**"God Talk"** Room 119: We talk about God - His character and His promises - as He is revealed through the Bible and manifested in Jesus Christ. Led by Peggy Hoppes

**"Logos"** Room 118: Studying "The Life of Martin Luther, An Historical Journey and Bible Study". This study has been written in honor of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. It takes participants through the circumstances and events of the life of Martin Luther as it reflects on the biblical themes underlying the Lutheran Reformation. Led by Richard Wagner

**"The Bible in a Year"** Room 217. Led by Patsy Shields

**"Seekers"** Room 216: On **Sunday, September 10th, we will be starting a new Bible Study** just developed by the NALC: "Graying in Grace: Assisting adults in clinging to the faithful promises of God and 'Walking alongside' those who want to grow". Led by Lanne Brehmer

**"Faith Steps"** Room 215: "Four Portraits, One Jesus" by Mark Strauss, a study of the Gospels. Led by George Klein

### "Christianity and the Controversies"

Do you enjoy discussing relevant ideas and topics? Are you looking for ways to apply your Christian faith in the modern world? Are you concerned about the erosion of Christianity from the marketplace of ideas?

Each week, we discuss how the Bible relates to a variety of historical and current modern issues. Past topics include free speech, public prayer, the Inquisition, capitalism, music, war, and slavery.

This class will meet in the sanctuary immediately following the early service. Classes begin on September 10. Our first topic is "Christianity and Millennials: Why aren't young people going to church anymore?" Led by TJ Bazzoon

## Ladies' Bible Study

### PRECEPT

**BIBLE STUDY CLASS** begins **Thursday, September 7th**  
**9:15 - 11:15 am in Room 118**

### The Book of Genesis

This will be a five-part study (25 weeks)

Part 1 - The Creation

Part 2 - The Fall, the Flood and the Nations

Part 3 - Becoming a Friend of the Faithful God

Part 4 - Wrestling with God

Part 5 - Keeping Your Focus When Your Dreams Are Shattered

Led by Pastor Mariola Bergquist

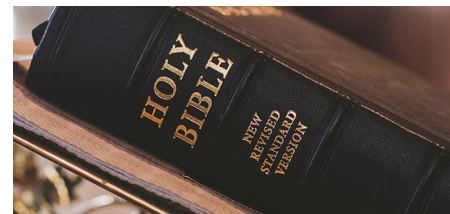
## Mens' Bible Study

### Mens' Breakfast

"Master Builders Bible For Men" is the foundation for discussion topics

**Every other Tuesday 6:30 am**

Contact the Church Office for dates



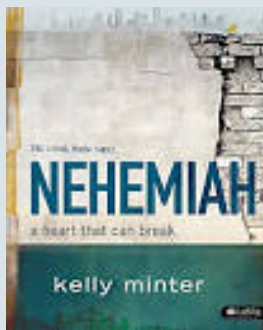
### Monday Night Group

"The Daily Bible"

**Every Monday 7 pm - 8:30 pm**

Led by Matt Olson

ALL ARE WELCOME



### Women of the Word (W.O.W.)

**BIBLE STUDY CLASS** begins **September 6th**

**9:00 - 10:30 am in Room 118**  
Childcare is available.

### Nehemiah by Kelly Minter

This will be a 7 week study.

Please contact **Michelle Waters** for more information or to reserve a book and register for childcare at [watersmichellejoy@gmail.com](mailto:watersmichellejoy@gmail.com)

## Join us for a field trip!

to **Currey Creek Church** (in Boerne) for the **music and ministry of Kelly Minter**.

She'll be speaking and performing live Friday evening, **November 10** and Saturday morning, **November 11, 2017**. Register online at <https://curreycreek.com/cultivate> or give your check (\$30 payable to Currey Creek Church) to Michelle Waters by the end of September. For more info contact **Michelle** at [watersmichellejoy@gmail.com](mailto:watersmichellejoy@gmail.com)

**cultivate**  
A WOMEN'S GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Got questions?  
Get **Alpha**.



Pastor Waters will be offering an **Alpha Course** on **Wednesday evenings** this Fall beginning **September 6, 2017** from **6pm - 7:30pm**. Alpha is an 11 week course focusing on life's major questions: Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus and why did he have to die? Is the Bible reliable? These are just a few of the topics explored through an Alpha course.

Seasoned believers will gain a deeper understanding of the tenets of the Christian faith; seekers will have an opportunity to explore life's main questions in an open and welcoming atmosphere. Please prayerfully consider who God is leading you to bring to Alpha. If you've been praying for your "One" - that person in your life who doesn't yet know Jesus - this is the time to invite him or her!

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. It is your chance to ask questions and share your point of view. No pressure. No follow up. No charge. Dinner will be served each evening and nursery is available for young children. There is also fun and fellowship for elementary through high school kids.

For more information about the Alpha course contact  
**Michelle Waters** at: [watersmichellejoy@gmail.com](mailto:watersmichellejoy@gmail.com)

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

### Are You Being Called to Serve?

During its August meeting the Worship Committee approved a proposal to recruit and train lay Assisting Ministers for the Traditional worship services at 8 am and 10:30 am. The role of Assisting Minister in Worship is to assist the Presiding Minister (ordained pastor) in liturgy, prayers of the church and celebration of Sacraments. The Assisting Minister provides leadership during specific parts of the worship service and certain gifts and abilities are needed to be Assisting Minister: graciousness, faithfulness, caring heart, vocal abilities (clear voice for both singing and speaking), creativity in writing prayers and time commitment.

Assisting Minister's participation in worship services may include:

- Parts of liturgy marked as "A" in the Lutheran Book of Worship
- Chanting liturgy: Kyrie, Intro to Hymn of Praise
- Lead congregation in Creed
- Write and lead prayers of intercession/prayers of the church
- Receive offering from acolytes and lead congregation in offertory prayer
- Assist with distribution of Holy Communion
- Lead congregation in post-communion prayer

Being an Assisting Minister is both a privilege and opportunity to serve God and the people of God. The Assisting Minister symbolizes that everyone gathered for Sunday morning worship plays an essential role in the liturgy. Though ordained pastors have important roles of preaching and presiding at the Lord's Table, the worship service involves all of God's people and is incomplete without everyone's participation.

Please prayerfully consider this opportunity. If you would like to serve as Assisting Minister in traditional worship services at St John, please email [pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com](mailto:pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com) or call the church office at **830-249-3651**. Training will be offered to those who would like to serve.



# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

## September is Congregational Care Month

### The St John Lutheran Church Congregational Life Committee invites you on a Hill Country Wine Tour.

Come join us for a relaxing afternoon of touring local wineries and tasting some of the best wines the Texas Hill Country has to offer.

The date for the tour is  
**Saturday September 30, 2017.**

We will leave the church grounds at 9:30 AM. Bring a picnic lunch and we will eat lunch at one of the wineries.

Tour Schedule:

**10:30am** Becker Vineyards Stonewall TX  
Wine Tasting and Tour

Cost: \$0.00 (Compliments of Jill and Bob Runion and Mark Alberthal)

**1:00pm** Pedernales Cellars Stonewall TX  
Wine Tasting

Cost: \$16.00 per person  
Eat Lunch on the Deck

**3:30pm** Sister Creek Vineyards Sisterdale TX  
Wine Tasting

Cost: \$11.00 per person

Total cost per person: \$27.00  
Remit payment to Richard Wagner  
Maximum of 20 attendees for wine tastings

Contact **Richard Wagner** to reserve a seat  
[rfwagner@gvtc.com](mailto:rfwagner@gvtc.com) - 281-467-0072

Stop by our table in the Narthex to check out the many opportunities you have to serve our Lord by serving your brothers and sisters in Christ. This is the first month featuring a committee (in lieu of the Discipleship Fair). Or, feel free to print the "Plans for Serving" pamphlet from our website: [www.stjohnlutheran.com](http://www.stjohnlutheran.com) under the main menu item titled 'Serve'. You can fill out the form on your own time and return it to the church when it is complete!

Thank you for prayerfully considering your choices to serve.

Vi Depriest, Chair  
Congregational Care Committee

## Happy Hearts

### Remember the old "LARKS"?

(Lutheran Association  
of Retired Kool Souls)

We will be starting a  
new group for retired  
folk called

### Happy Hearts

We will meet monthly on the **second Monday of every month** (September through May).

We will begin with a pot luck dinner at 6:00 pm in the Small Dining Room next to the kitchen in the Family Life Center. The evening will continue with a special program featuring guest speakers, singers, musicians or presenters. It will end at 8:00pm.

We also plan to have game nights and go on short trips to see the wonders of Texas.

Each month needed: 4 people to serve as hosts (set up food, make tea/coffee, clean up).

Our first meeting will be on **Monday, September 11, 2017 at 6:00pm**. Please check for further announcements in the bulletin. If you have any suggestions or ideas for speakers or activities, please email Pastor Mariola at: [pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com](mailto:pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com)





# CHURCH NEWS

## Visitation MINISTRY

Pastor Mariola Bergquist  
Email: [pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com](mailto:pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com)

Nursing Home Visits: Cibolo House –  
2nd Tuesday of the month

Care Choice and Town and Country –  
2nd Wednesday of the month

Cibolo Creek – 4th Wednesday of the month

Homebound Visits:  
Tuesdays: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Wednesdays: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th

Worship services: Menger House  
3rd Sunday of the month at 3:30 p.m.



## Senior Member BIRTHDAYS

Honoring our Senior Members (80+)  
With Birthdays In August

Dolores Bauer	Eunice Guilmino	Marjorie Maxwell
Verta Bergmann	Don Hansen	Jayne Puls
Nadine Flathouse	Marlin Hillrichs	Henry Schulte

If you are turning 80 or are already 80+ and you do not see your birthday please, contact the church office.



## A big Thank You

to the St John Quilt Group. In 2016 they made 57 quilts and donated them to Our Daily Bread. They are able to produce these quilts for only \$5, since some material is donated and some funds are available from the Outreach Committee. They meet on the 1st and 2nd Mondays in the Saxon House to assemble the quilts. If you would like to get involved, please contact **Doris Beath (210-698-2737)** or **Nancy Felps 830-336-2768**. (Donations of new or gently used sheets are always needed. Drop them off at the church office).

and

Thank you to all the volunteers who donated time, cobblers, drinks, clothing and other items for TI2TS on July 22nd. Thank you also to the Grill Team for preparing and serving a great meal. Together, over 30 St John volunteers served 250 individuals an outstanding meal and provided fellowship to our neighbors. St John is scheduled to serve again on Saturday, October 21st. We look forward to seeing you then. More details to follow!

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**Habitat for Humanity**  
**Build Dates**  
**October 6th, 7th**

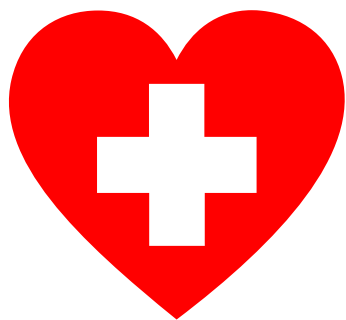
**Taking It To The Streets**  
**(TI2TS)**  
**October 21st**

## ATTENTION MUSICIANS / SINGERS!

Our praise worship team is looking for volunteer backup singers, guitarists, and drummers. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings. If you've been looking for a fun way to serve at St. John and have a heart for worship, or know of someone that may be interested (church membership is not required), please email our Worship Committee Chair, **Shay Knippa** at [shaybird@gvvc.com](mailto:shaybird@gvvc.com) or the Praise Team Director, **Ms. Audry Oregon** at [josol63@msn.com](mailto:josol63@msn.com).



# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



## 2nd Annual FIRST AID, CPR and AED TRAINING

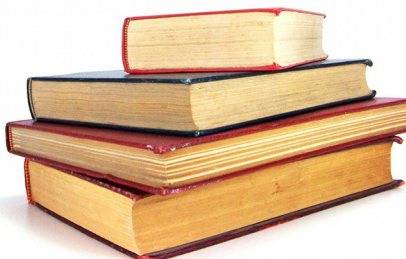
Knowing what to do when an emergency arises can be the difference between life and death. Come join our class and learn about many important lifesaving skills that can help you respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies.

**September 24th  
3:00 pm**

All members of St. John are strongly encouraged to attend. This class is for adults 18 years and older. It is not a certification class, but if you would like more information on becoming certified, that can be arranged for you.

If you have any questions, contact **Judy Olmstead** at 830-446-6693.

**HANDBELL PRACTICE**  
Thursday, September 7th  
7pm in the Music Room



## BOOK DRIVE DONATIONS NEEDED!

For his Eagle Scout Project, SJLC member Jake Allen will be conducting a book drive to support the upcoming mission trip to Honduras. The drive will run from September 10th to October 1st.

He will be collecting new and gently used books for early readers up through teen readers in both English and Spanish. Look for more specific information in the next few weeks about how you can help.

Feel free to contact **Jake** with any questions at [stonewallgenesis@gmail.com](mailto:stonewallgenesis@gmail.com)

Thank you for your support!

## BEREAVEMENT CLASSES



Grieving the death of a loved one is a process that is physically, emotionally, and spiritually devastating. Those who find a support group can also discover that the journey from mourning to joy is possible.

The Boerne office of Alamo Hospice offers three groups to support grieving people in the Hill Country area:

**Mondays at 1:00 PM, Kronkosky Senior Center**, classroom by the gym

**Tuesdays at 9:30 AM, St. John Lutheran Church, Education Wing**  
(New cycle beginning Sept. 26 will meet at 10 AM)

**Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, Menger Springs small chapel** near dining room (New cycle begins Aug. 30)

*"The only cure for grief is to grieve."*  
-Earl Grollman

Please call **Boerne's Alamo Hospice office** at 830.816.5024 to register or **Betty Steubing** at 830.446.9713 with any questions.

## The QUILTERS Group NEEDS DONATIONS of new or gently used sheets

Donations can be dropped off at the church office.

The Quilters Group meets on the 1st and 2nd Mondays in the Saxon House to assemble the quilts. If you would like to get involved, please contact **Doris Beath** at 210-698-2737 or **Nancy Felps** at 830-336-2768.

## 30th ANNIVERSARY BASH!

**Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center  
invites you to the Annual Fundraising Gala**

**Tuesday, September 19th, 2017  
Cana Ballroom**

**St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church**

202 W. Kronkosky St., Boerne

Dinner and Program 6 pm - 8 pm  
RSVP before September 1st

An opportunity to make a financial gift will be extended. Dinner is complimentary (dinner attire)





# THE LATEST UPDATE



## Rafiki Foundation, Inc. - Child Sponsor Report Joseph Katebe

Latest update from the Rafiki Foundation and Joseph:

**Personal Growth:** As a young teenager, Joseph is growing fast and is anxious and willing to eat anything that is put in front of him. He is settling down and showing signs of maturing. Joseph was chosen this year to be a prefect for his class because he is displaying leadership qualities. He is very active as part of the Rafiki School football team, singing in the choir, helping with gardening and harvesting, riding bikes, and taking care of the Village chickens. Joseph likes to watch others play football in order to learn new skills, how to work together as a team, and how to play fairly.

**Prayer Requests:** Pray God will help Joseph develop more leadership skills and give him the desire to be an excellent role model for others. Pray Joseph will think what God would have him do before choosing his actions. Please pray God will bless Joseph with health, strength, and wisdom.

**Write to Joseph:** The Rafiki children love to receive mail from their sponsors. Please send letters to: Post.Net Box 2326, P/Bag E891, Lusaka, Zambia, AFRICA

You may send cards or any other item that fits in a standard size envelope such as bookmarks, stickers, pictures or a postcard. Please do not send packages, checks or cash to the Village address.

## Joseph Katebe



Village: Zambia

Date of Birth: Sept. 13, 2003

Current Grade Level: Grade 8

Rafiki Mother/Parents:

Muzamose Mwanza

# SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Hill Country Cares Counseling 9am Fabulous Folders	
8am Sunday Services 3 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary 10:30am Praise Worship in the Family Life Center 6pm Dominoes - LH	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY 4 9am Quilting Group - SH 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 6:30pm Property Meeting 7pm Mens' Bible Study	8:00am Ambleside School-Chapel 9am Alamo Hospice Bereavement 12pm Painting w/Roberta Buckles 6pm American Heritage Girls 6:30pm Congregational Care 6:30pm Worship Committee	8am Ambleside School Art Classes 9am W.O.W Women of the Word 6pm Koinonia	9:15am Precept 7 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 7pm Al-Anon	Hill Country Cares Counseling 9am Fabulous Folders	
8am Sunday Services 10 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary 10:30am Praise Worship in the Family Life Center 12pm Youth Committee Mtg	9am Quilting Group - SH 11 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 7pm Al-Anon 7pm Mens' Bible Study	6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study - SDR 12 8am Ambleside School-Chapel 9am Alamo Hospice Bereavement 12pm Painting w/Roberta Buckles 6pm Mission Committee 6:30pm Congregational Life 7pm Outreach Committee Mtg	8am Ambleside School Art Classes 9am Bible Study Fellowship Team 9am W.O.W Women of the Word 2pm Ambleside School Parent Volunteer Association 6pm Koinonia	9:15am Precept 14 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting 7pm Al-Anon	Hill Country Cares Counseling 9am Fabulous Folders 6pm Parents Night Out	8:00am Ambleside School - New Parent Orientation 16
8am Sunday Services 17 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary 10:30am Praise Worship in the Family Life Center 6pm Hand & Foot - LH	11:30am Men's Lunch at Mamacitas 18 12pm Book Review 12pm Lit N Lunch 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 6:45 Council Meeting 7pm Al-Anon 7pm Mens' Bible Study	8am Ambleside School-Chapel 19 9am Alamo Hospice Bereavement 12pm Painting w/Roberta Buckles 6pm American Heritage Girls 7pm Council Mtg	8am Ambleside School Art Classes 9am Bible Study Fellowship Team 9am W.O.W Women of the Word 9:30am Boerne Historical Preservation Society 6pm Koinonia	9:15am Precept 21 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 6:30pm Eat Out Group 7pm Al-Anon	Hill Country Cares Counseling 9am Fabulous Folders	
8am Sunday Services 24 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary 10:30am Praise Worship in the Family Life Center 6pm American Heritage Girls - LH 6pm Hand & Foot - LH	12pm Book Review 25 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 7pm Al-Anon 7pm Mens' Bible Study	6:30am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study - SDR 26 8am Ambleside School-Chapel 9am Alamo Hospice Bereavement 12pm Painting w/Roberta Buckles	8am Ambleside School Art Classes 9am Bible Study Fellowship Team 9am W.O.W Women of the Word 6pm Koinonia	9:15am Precept 28 9:30am Days for Girls - Room 211, 212, 213 3pm Hermann Sons Dance Classes - LH 7pm Al-Anon	Hill Country Cares Counseling 9am Fabulous Folders	

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SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS		September 3	September 10	September 17	September 24
Acolytes	8:00am		Logan Klein	Peyton Brehmer	Gabe Cook
			Mallory Klein	Jake Pearson	Josh Pounds
				Luke Wyle	
	10:30am	Weston Klutts	Sophia Baldwin	Georgia Busbee	Hayden Allen
		Mayah Morrison	Elle Nicholson	Tanner Lee	Sam Waters
		Sam Waters		Mayah Morrison	
				Serena Ross	
Assisting Ministers	8:00am	Barnie Gavin	Doris Beath	Pastor Waters	Michael Hoepfner
	10:30am	Dennis Ruck	Rachel Edwards	Gloria Williams	Bruce Hoppes
Assisting Ministers-Praise	10:30am	Matt Olson	Matt Olson	Matt Olson	Matt Olson
Lector Readers (8am only)	8:00am	Michael Hoepfner	Susan Huber	George Klein, Jr.	Jennifer Kuentz
Bread Servers	8:00am	Frank Bush	Dennis Ruck	Sherri Lowrie	Lanne Brehmer
		Jim Richmond	Lois Ruck	Richard Wagner	Bart Graves
Altar Guild	8:00am	Jeannie Leslie	Jeannie Leslie	Jeannie Leslie	Jeannie Leslie
		Jackie Murley	Jackie Murley	Jackie Murley	Jackie Murley
		Lee & Lori Romain	Lee & Lori Romain	Lee & Lori Romain	Lee & Lori Romain
	10:30am	Sharon Arnold	Sharon Arnold	Sharon Arnold	Sharon Arnold
		Sherry Ross	Sherry Ross	Sherry Ross	Sherry Ross
Council Communion Assts.	8:00am	Vi Depriest	Vi Depriest	Vi Depriest	Vi Depriest
	10:30am	Brad Morrison	Brad Morrison	Brad Morrison	Brad Morrison
Flowers		Joyce Puckett		Stan & Carolyn Walden	Dana & Kelly Wehrmann
Ushers	8:00am	Randy Evans Team	Randy Evans Team	Randy Evans Team	Randy Evans Team
	10:30am	Jason Daniels Team	Jason Daniels Team	Jason Daniels Team	Jason Daniels Team