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Missionaries Serving Around the World

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The Evangelical Alliance Mission

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InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
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Good News Jail & Prison Ministry
The Family Radio

**Check the church directory for
contact info on all missionaries
and their sending agencies.**



Chili & Cake for You = Challenge for Them!

In July, a group of our high school students will attend the national EFCA Challenge youth conference in Kansas City, MO. Students will be "challenged" to: *Live on mission with Jesus everyday, everywhere and with everyone.*

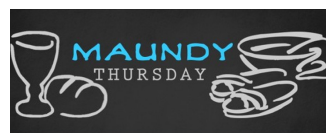
To help assist with the costs involved, there will be a Chili Supper and Cake Auction benefiting Student Ministries on Friday, March 16. Supper will start at 6pm, followed by the auction at 6:45pm. Tickets are just \$5 per person (\$20 per family cap) and are available between Sunday morning services at the Guest Services Counter or Monday - Friday through the church office.

Plan now to attend this family-friendly, fellowship-focused event! And don't forget to save room for dessert...The biggest draw of the night will be our delectable cakes!

In the weeks leading up to the event, be sure to check the list of auction items, which will be updated each week at the Guest Services counter. When something catches your eye, plan to bid generously!



Holy Week



On Maundy Thursday, we commemorate the Last Supper. The word "Maundy" comes from the Latin word for commandment (*mandatum*), which Jesus talked about at the Last Supper when he told his disciples that he was leaving them *a new commandment*, that they *love one another* (John 13:31-35, ESV).

**Join us on March 29 at
7pm for a communion
service in the MPR.**



As Holy Week continues, on Good Friday we commemorate Jesus' sacrifice for our sins. *And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all* (Hebrews 10:10, ESV). Gather with Christians around the community at the combined **Good Friday service held at Southside Church on March 30. Services will be at 1pm & 5:30pm.**



He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. (Matt. 28:6, ESV). Come celebrate our risen Savior on **Easter Sunday, April 1, at 8, 9:30, or 11am.** During the 9:30am service, grades 1-6 will combine for an Easter-themed lesson. Children's programming will run as usual during the 11am service. Early childhood departments will meet as usual during all services. Neither Student Ministries nor *Equip* will meet.

Forever Faithful Highlights Hand-in-Hand Adoption Ministry



For believers, adoption means eternity in God's heavenly family. For children, adoption means eternally loved in an earthly family. Combining the two is our church's *Hand-in-Hand* Adoption Ministry, featured at the March 15 all-adult potluck/program from 6-8pm in the MPR.

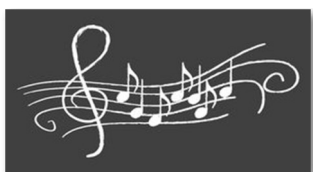
Travis and Heidi R., along with Steve and Darcy T., will be the guest speakers for the evening. Preceding them will be songs featuring the *Only by Grace* trio of Larry W., Bobbie K., and

Pauline H.. You may attend the entire evening or just the program. Either way, please sign up on the Forever Faithful bulletin board in the Welcome Center or in your *Equip* class.



Glorifying God through Music

The Pine Haven Men's Chorus, under the direction of Glenn M., will give a concert at our church on Palm



Sunday, March 25, at 6pm in the sanctuary. Their mission is to glorify the Lord through song and testimony and spread the word of salvation, while supporting the

ministry of the Pine Haven Christian Communities.

A free will offering will be taken to support their ministry. Checks may be made payable to Pine Haven Christian Communities.

It's Budget Time!

As the church staff works to draft a FY19 budget with a vision for future programming, all ministry leaders and interested volunteers are invited to give input to the particular staffer who heads up their department of interest, i.e. praise and worship, student ministries, facility, etc.

Suggestions for consideration, with details and any cost estimates, should be submitted by March 12 to any of the pastors, the administrator, the children's ministries director, or other staff department heads.

Happy Birthday/Anniversary in March

Names omitted.

This and That

Due to a Leader Meeting, **Student Ministries will not meet** on March 7. Due to the events of Holy Week, neither **Student Ministries nor Awana will meet on March 28.**

Starting March 4, the **Spring Directory Update** will be available in *Equip* classes and in the church office.

Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday, March 11. Remember to set your clocks ahead (so that 10pm becomes 11pm) before going to bed on Saturday night!

T&T Awana Clubbers will test their knowledge of the Bible at a **Quiz Meet** on Friday, March 9 at 7pm.

Did you know **BabyCare is now on Facebook**? Search eFreeBabyCare and keep up with the latest news and needs of this ministry!



March 7

Paper Airplane Night

March 14

*Parents Night**

March 21

Chicken Pox Night

March 28

NO CLUB

**Moms and dads are invited to Awana Parents Night on Wed., March 14 from 6:30-8pm. Get acquainted with your child's leader and enjoy being a clubber for a night through participation in the flag ceremony, games, handbook time, and council time.*

When you attend, your clubber will receive 100 points (100 points max). Your clubber can receive an additional 100 points if you say a memory verse during Handbook Time (100 points max). The verse must be from the section on which the clubber is working.

Are You Connecting?

Do you know a student from a single-parent home with multiple siblings – each with a different father? *Then you know a child from hard places.*

Do you know a student who was lovingly adopted after being in an orphanage for a number of years? *Then you know a child from hard places.*

Do you know a child who can't tell you his address or phone number because his family moves *that* frequently? *Then you know a child from hard places.*

Do you know a youngster who *was* or currently *is* in foster care? *Then you know a child from hard places.*

Empowered To Connect, together with Show Hope and The Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development at Texas Christian University, will present a two-day conference designed to help adoptive and foster parents, ministry leaders, and professionals better understand how to connect with *children from hard places* in order to help them heal and become all that God desires for them to be. The conference features Daren Jones, Dr. Casey Call, Sarah Mercado, Dan and Terri Coley, and Ryan and Kayla North.



Our church will host a live simulcast from 9am to 5pm on April 13 and 14 at a cost of \$20 per person. It will feature Trust-Based Relational Intervention® methods developed by Dr. Karyn Purvis and Dr. David Cross. This year's conference will feature a revised program and new material for those who have attended multiple years.

Children from hard places have changes in their bodies, brains, behaviors, and belief systems. While a variety of parenting strategies may be successful in typical circumstances, *children from hard places* need care-giving that meets their unique needs and addresses the whole child. Trust-Based Relational Intervention® is a holistic, attachment-based and trauma-informed intervention that is designed to meet the complex needs of vulnerable children. Although TBRI® was designed for children who have experienced some type of abuse, neglect and/or trauma, it has proven to be effective with *all* children.

Equip classes are Sunday morning electives designed to build up the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:11-16). Our next session starts March 4! Choose from the topics below and register in the church office or on the church website under Connect/Adults/Equip.

- ***This We Believe****—Learn the history of our congregation and the basic tenets that define our church. This class is also a church membership requirement. Meets at 9:30am. ***starts February 25**
- ***Bring It To Life***—Discuss the Sunday sermon and learn to apply it better to your everyday life. Meets at 9:30am.
- ***Transformed***—When you trust Jesus as Savior and Lord, “everything changes”. Look at 4 key changes in every Christian's life (Romans 12:1-2). Meets at 9:30am.
- ***The Lord's Prayer***—“The Lord's Prayer as a Lens for Life.” Meets at 9:30am.
- ***Intercession 101 - Missions Edition***—Join us as we pray for our supported missionaries. Meets at 9:30am.
- ***When No One Is Looking***—Distinctive personal integrity in an anything-goes world. Meets at 11am.



In Other News...



Continuing on with our vision for facility expansion to better
“multiply committed followers of Jesus Christ”.

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