

Gateway NEWSLETTER

February 2026

SACRED HEIGHTS SPRING CAMPAIGN SERIES

Mountains can be a little mysterious. They provide beautiful views, but there is something about mountain peaks that makes people feel like they are a place to visit, but not a place we belong. Ancient civilizations saw mountains as the place of the gods, and if no mountains were around, then temples were built to reach the heavens. The Hebrew idea of mountains was high places where our world and the spiritual world overlapped, so it should be no surprise how many stories we find in the Old Testament of people encountering God on the mountain. During the next several weeks, we will be looking through the stories of creation, calling, and change that take place on the mountain, leading to THE story on Easter! Along with the series, we are offering a few ways to make this season greater than a Sunday sermon. Each week we have small groups meeting to review, discuss, and reflect over the week's scriptures and bottom lines. We have a playlist for the church to listen to throughout the week and a Bible Plan with daily devotionals to take us through together.

THE ASCENT - HOLY WEEK INTENSIVE

This year from Palm Sunday to Good Friday, we will be opening the sanctuary daily for different opportunities to prepare for Easter. We will begin Palm Sunday, March 29, with a night of praise and prayer at 6pm to prepare our hearts for the week. This will be the only organized service of the week, as the weeknights will be more of an open house time in the sanctuary with different elements taking place each night. The intention of this intensive is to provide space to pray, worship, sit, stand, reflect, and open our hearts during this special week. The sanctuary will open nightly from 6:00pm until 7:30pm.

GATEWAY GIVES

Every Sunday, part of our weekly offering goes to support several ministries locally and abroad. These organizations are Community Chest in Moss Bluff, Missionary Action Projects (MAPS), Eagle Pass Church of God, Hope Hill Home for Girls, and the Pollock Campground Association (Louisiana Church of God campgrounds). Gateway exists through the support of those who attend. If you are a supporter, we are here because of you, and we are able to bless these organizations because of your gift! If you would like to become a supporter, begin to pray about how the Lord is challenging you to give. Some supporters dedicate a certain amount per week, a percentage of the income He has given to them, or another consistent strategy the Lord puts on their heart. There is never a regret that follows a gift given to the Lord to support His plans, His purposes, and His ways. Thank you for your gifts!

WORK DAY

Our spring workday is scheduled for Saturday, March 14th from 8:00am to noon. We will have a list of tasks ranging from immediate needs to bonus work if we have extra time. These will be posted the Sunday before in the lobby so everyone can see what tools and supplies we can use to get the jobs completed. The youth students who attend will be able to earn money for their youth account from the Valentine fundraiser. Come help us get the church property ready for Easter.

THURSDAY NIGHT THUNDER

Every other Thursday night in Macie Hall, 'The Announcer Guy,' Steve Cape hosts Thursday Night Thunder. You can buy a specific RC car or just come and watch the fun as people from all around get together, charge up their batteries, and test their skills at making left turns. This event has been growing every week, with friends coming from Leesville to Silsbee, TX. Come find out what it's all about. Be looking in the bulletin for scheduled race dates!

Youth CORNER

This year the LCGYF Youth Retreat will be March 27-28 at beautiful Camp Pollock. Youth Retreat is a short trip to the campgrounds that allows students to see what summer camp is like and renew friendships for those who have been before. The theme this year is (something about preservation) and the cost is \$35. Students can use money from their youth accounts made by our fund raisers. We will go immediately after school and return around 4:00pm on Saturday.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS ON BACK

2026 Calendar of Events

March

- 1.....Gateway Family Lunch
- 14.....Church Work Day
- 27-28.....Youth Retreat
- 29.....The Ascent- Praise and Prayer
- 30-31.....The Ascent- Open House

April

- 1-3.....The Ascent- Open House
- 5.....Easter Sunday
- 11.....Wheels in the Hills at Camp Pollock
- 19.....Church Picnic

May

- 9.....Ladies Tea
- 13.....AWANA Celebration Ceremonies
- 29-31.....Youth Summer Trip

June

- 15-19.....Senior High Camp (9th-12th)
- 22-26.....Primary Grades Camp (3rd-5th)

July

- 6-10.....Junior High Camp (6th-8th)
- 14-18.....Camp Meeting

August

- 9.....Back to School Service
- 13.....School Back In Session

SACRED HEIGHTS WORSHIP ELEMENTS

Listen to the Lent 2026 Playlist by
searching this link...



Journey Through a Bible Plan on the
YouVersion Bible App by searching...

