



**Western Hills Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)**

**September 25, 2018**

# The Messenger

***In Essentials...Unity  
In Non-Essentials...Liberty  
In All Things...Charity***

***Empowering Christ-Centered Lives***

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Please get your articles in by  
Monday at Noon so it will be in the  
2nd & 4th Tuesday Newsletter.  
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In two weeks, our church will begin its annual Stewardship Campaign, the purpose of which is for us to determine, as a church, how much we can expect to receive in offerings next year so that our church Board can formulate a budget for 2019. The way we determine how much offering can be expected next year is by asking the members of the congregation to turn in pledge cards estimating how much they plan to give.

We could just hand out pledge cards and ask everyone to fill them out and turn them back in, but where's the fun in that?!

During last year's **FUNTOBER** Stewardship Campaign, the congregation was asked to wear a specific article of clothing each week, but they were not told why. Instead, they faithfully donned that article, and came to church on Sunday to learn the "method behind the madness."

We're going to do something similar this year, only this year we are calling it **FAITHTOBER**. In the book of Matthew, Jesus asked his disciple Simon, **"Who do you say I am?"** and Simon answered, **"You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."** Jesus was so impressed with this demonstration of faith that he replied, **"Blessed are you, Simon, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter (because the Greek word for Peter means rock), and on this rock I will build my church."**

Now, we don't know if this conversation took place in the month of October, but we do know that because Simon had faith, Jesus rewarded him with a cool new name, and dubbed him the foundation of his church. *(He also threw in the keys to the kingdom of heaven, by the way. Not bad for just having a little faith!)*

**FAITHTOBER** will span across the four Sundays in October and will culminate with Consecration Sunday on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Throughout **FAITHTOBER** you will be asked to participate by bringing a specific something with you each Sunday. You will be given a few weeks' notice, so you know what to bring, but you won't know why we want you to bring them. And **why** aren't we going to tell you? Because we want you to have **faith!** And because we want you to see what can happen when you give faithfully without knowing exactly what the end result will be.

The first thing we want you to bring is a favorite quote on the topic of faith. Pink slips of paper have been placed in the backs of each pew for you to take home and write down your quote. Please be sure to include your name, as well as the name of the person you are quoting. These pink slips will be collected on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, at which time we will also announce the next thing we want you to bring with you to church.

One last thing. On Consecration Sunday, there will be a reveal of some sort. What will it be? You'll just have to wait and see. But in the meantime, have faith.

Stewardship Committee

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# Please Pray For:

Tammy Miller & Family  
 Shiner  
 Larry Riley  
 Family of Gerald Cothran  
 Stephanie Perez  
 Susan Wells  
 Donna Grohman  
 Alma Frausto  
 Ken & Marlene Long



*Prayer requests for family and friends will be listed for four weeks. If you feel they should be listed longer, please let us know and we will be happy to do so.*

## Visitors

Linda Wilcox  
 Sheray & Cole Stahaker  
 Maria & Marylou Cardenas  
 Shawn & Lyle Singleton  
 Kim Landry

**BIBLE BOOK  
 FOR  
 OCTOBER  
 DEUTERONOMY**



## SUNDAY MORNING

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 9:15 AM**

**COFFEE CUP  
 10:00 AM**

**WORSHIP SERVICE  
 10:40 AM**

## NAME TAGS



*They may not remember  
 what you said, they may not  
 remember what you did, but they  
 will always remember how you  
 made them feel"*  
**-Maya Angelou**

Any church member needing a name tag,  
 please contact the church office at  
 210-690-9327.

# Announcements and Upcoming Events



9:00am to 3:00 pm.

It's Finally Here!!!

This Saturday, September 29 is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Western Hills Craft Bazaar. Sing it from the mountaintops.

There are fifty vendors registered. There will be an assortment of items available to include jewelry, wreathes, rustic furniture, handmade crosses, crochet items, etc. Pony rides and a petting zoo (and the Fire truck) will be there for all to enjoy.

The Women's group will have a bake sale in the conference room, please bring baked goods to sell to the church sometime Friday or early Saturday. The Men's group will be selling breakfast tacos and later brisket sandwiches. There will be a booth with Popcorn, Cotton Candy and fresh Lemonade, proceeds will be going to Vacation Bible School.

To the volunteers, thank you for all you are doing. Please plan to wear a purple shirt and your church nametag. We will be setting up the fellowship hall Thursday afternoon. If you are available to help, please call Karen Schwab. See ya'll beginning at 7 am Saturday.

Karen Schwab

## **CHALLENGE!! LET'S GET READY TO RUUUMMMBBLLLEEE!!!!**

Our challenge this month is by sections. The sections to the right of the pastor are sections 1 & 2 and section 3 and the choir loft are to the left of the pastor. The challenge isn't about the correct naming of the sections so don't get sidetracked! We are in need of paper towels and toilet paper. Collections will be made for the rest of September. Look for containers in the foyer. Remember we count by the pound so that will determine the winner:)

The Food Bank Team





The DWF wishes to thank all the people who brought food for John Miller's memorial. You folks are a great bunch. Just ask ya' and we receive! Bless, DWF.

This Sunday, September 30, during worship, we will have a "noisy collection." The message will be about the Book of Esther and Purim. One of the customs of Purim is to collect coins for those in need, so bring your change and let's make a joyful noise for a good cause. The special offering will go to the Open Table.



**Hey all! You are invited to join the Chi Rho Girls (6th-8th grades) at Western Hills Christian Church for an All-Girl's Lock-in.**

The pressure to live in middle school can be pretty awkward, so we are planning an evening of #letyourhairdownandbeyourself. We are talking food (no diets allowed), conversations about relationships and how to get through middle school alive, as well as girl stuff activities like beading, braiding, make-overs, etc.

Here are the details:

- Who: Girls, 6-8th grades. Yes, friends are invited!
- What: A night of fun and information/collaboration.
- When: Friday, October 19, 2018 at 7pm through Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 9am.
- Where: Western Hills Christian Church. 8535 Huebner Rd. San Antonio, Tx 78240
- Why: Survival
- How: Let Maggie know you wish to come. 830-708-5536.

Bring: Bedding, Toiletries (Sorry, there is no shower at the facility, but we do have hot water.), clothes to sleep in, a craft if you wish to show off a skill, make up if you wish a makeover, a snack to share.

Provided: Extra snacks, Breakfast, crafts supplies, speakers for each topic, a spa.



**SIGN UP TO BE A PRAYER PARTNER!** The effectiveness of prayer is powerful. Maggie is in the process of matching every child in the congregation with an adult. The only requirement is to prayer for each other as often as you can. Birthday cards are nice. Smiles and hugs are not out of the question. This is an opportunity to make new friends in the name of our God. Sign-up Forms are in the lobby.

**GUITAR LESSONS:** Wednesdays, 5:30-6pm. Any age. Free. See maggie for information.

**WANTED:** Loving, caring adults with "kid hearts" that feel God's tug to be a mentor/ sponsor for youth. Western Hills Christian, as well as our area outdoor ministry, is currently planning the 2018-2019 year. Please see maggie with your dreams.

**ATTENTION ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH!**

Wednesday, September 26, 6-7pm, is KidTime. We will learn all about hospitality this semester through stories, music, games and snacks. This is for 4 years and older. If you feel you are too old for this group, we will plug you in as a helper. You may earn service hours for school.

Sundays, 5:30-7:00pm, is Youth Group for 6th-12th grades. We have a lot of fun things planned, so keep tuned!

Invite your friends and neighbors!

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**SPECIAL NOTE TO ADULTS:** If you would like to help with this, please call maggie, 830-708-5536.

# October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> 1PM Quilting Bee 6PM Prase Band	<i>2</i> 7:30PM AA Meeting	<i>3</i> 5:30PM Guitar Lessons 6:00PM KidTime 7:00PM Choir	<i>4</i> 7PM Bible Study	<i>5</i> BBA/LRGVD Disciples Women Retreat Oct. 5-7	<i>6</i>
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<i>28</i> 9:15AM Sunday School 10:00AM Coffe Cup 10:40AM Worshp Svc After Worshp—Board Mtg 5-7PM Think-or-Treat	<i>29</i> 1PM Quilting Bee 6PM Prase Band	<i>30</i> 7:30PM AA Meeting	<i>31</i> 5:30PM Guitar Lessons 6:00PM KidTime 7:00PM Choir 6-8PM—St. P.J.'s Think-or-treat			

## Honored to Serve

	<u>Sunday September 30, 2018</u>	<u>Sunday October 7, 2018</u>	<u>Sunday October 14, 2018</u>
<b>Sermon Text</b>	The Book of Ester	Mark 14:12-26	Mark 14:12-26
<b>Worship Leader</b>	David Rico	Bill Mann	Frank Gloria
<b>Bread Elder</b>	Brian Brown	David Rico	Bill Mann
<b>Deacons</b>	Team 2	Team 3	Team 3
<b>Children's Moment</b>	Ann Griffith	Rev. Maggie	Ann Griffith
<b>Children's Church</b>	No Children's Church	Rev. Maggie, Joel	Tammy Miller, Rorie
<b>Acolytes</b>	Sadie Griffith	Sadie Griffith	Brianna White
<b>Stewards</b>	Bob & Carolyn Edwards, Karen Brown	Cathy Bee, Linda Kirk	Bill & Jody Campbell, Terri Brown

### EMERGENCY CONTACTS

<b>Senior Minister</b>	Rev. Brent Pomeroy 210-464-5267 pastor@whccsa.org	
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<b>Elder Chair</b>	Cathy Bee 210-884-4750	
<b>Prayer Band</b>	"B" Moore 210-492-5284	

### Lectionary Readings



#### September 30, 2018

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22  
Psalm 124  
James 5:13-20  
Mark 9:38-50

#### October 7, 2018

Job 1:1, 2:1-10  
Psalm 26  
Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12  
Mark 10:2-16

#### October 14, 2018

Job 23:1-9, 16-17  
Psalm 22:1-15  
Hebrews 4:12-16  
Mark 10:17-31

## Marketplace

#### **Catering**

Doug Critchlow 210-414-6948  
c/o Annie Marie's Catering 210-545-2249

#### **Mom's Maid to Order**

Cleaning, Decluttering, Organizing & Household Needs  
Pat Janke 512-787-4087

#### **House & Garage Cleaning/ General Organizing & Independent Advocare Consultant/Distributor**

www.advocare/130457732.com health and wellness  
Supplements  
Loretta Clayton 210-872-8726

#### **Fire and/or carbon monoxide detectors installed in your home.**

- someone will be sent out to install them for free (for single-family dwellings only)!

Call the Fire Chief's office at 210-207-8400

#### **Real Estate**

Irene Lime 210-681-8818/cell 210-573-6169  
SA Homefinders—Buy/Sell & 10% donated of the commission to WHCC  
Property Management

Dianne Cortez 210-535-2059/cell 210-684-7349  
Spiros Realty, LLC

#### **Health and Wellness Consultations**

Alternative Health Protection Donna/Bob Gebing 210-521-9111  
or NASA Purifiers Air/Car/Heater/Laundry Join/Learn FREE at  
[www.Vollara.com](http://www.Vollara.com)

#### **Roofing**

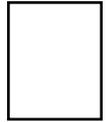
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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Sept 29	9:00AM-3:00PM	Craft Bazaar
Oct 5-7		BBA/LRGVD Disciples Women Retreat @Camp Gonzo
Oct 19-20		Chi Rho Girls Lock-in
Oct 28	5:00PM-7:00PM	Trunk-or-Treat
Nov 9-11		CYF (Grades 9-12) Fall Rally @ Camp Gonzo

 ***"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us."***