



The Church at Horseshoe Bay

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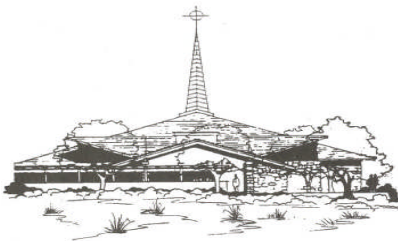
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Worship Services
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Christian Education
9:45 a.m.

Pastors' Forum
Thursdays 1:00 p.m.

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“Ya Live & Learn”

When I was just nine years old my parents finally gave up on their preference for me learn to play the piano and succumbed to my incessant desire for a guitar. It was a nice guitar. They paid \$80 which in 1959 was an astronomical sum of money; even for Santa Claus who delivered the guitar on Christmas Day. I remember the price because I drooled over that Epiphone guitar at Skeet’s Guitar Shoppe for more than a year.



Several years later I traded that unique Epiphone guitar (which is no longer made and is a collector’s dream) for a larger more popular guitar made in Japan. In recent years I have described that unique Epiphone guitar to knowledgeable guitar aficionados and learned that its value today would add a couple of zeros to the original sales price. Then I describe the larger Yamaha guitar that I still possess and get a big yawn.

Well... ya live and learn! Hopefully.

Some things become more valuable with time. The challenge is to figure out which ones. Like the good memories we will make this autumn in Horseshoe Bay. Have you ever been more thankful to see summer leave and autumn arrive?

Last week was the **WOW Coffee** event for the ladies with beautiful fall decorations that we continued to enjoy on Sunday at coffee fellowship. In two weeks we have our annual **Fall Picnic** on Wednesday, October 19. In addition to the great food and fellowship we have special musical accompaniment from **The Carpenters**. NO... not those Carpenters! Ken and Helen! NObody knows the music of the 40’s and 50’s like The Carpenters.

Remember **Sing-a-long with Mitch**? Well, all you have to do is *follow the bouncing ball* and *sing-a-long* with our own version of Mitch Miller and his Band.

Some things just become more valuable with time. This is one of them! See ya there!

Your friend and pastor,
Johnny White



Speaking of becoming more valuable with time. . . the month of October includes **THREE** staff anniversaries. Rev. Pete Christy has now served as a pastor here for ten years. Rev. Johnny White has served for six years and Kena Richert has served as our Administrative Manager for three years. Happy Anniversary to these Staff members! Thank you for your dedicated service to this congregation and to our Lord and Savior.

♪Note of Thanks♪

Paul and Pat Smith wish to thank the members for their prayers and concern for Margaret, Paul's sister-in-law during her recent illness. Margaret passed away on September 13, 2011.

Sincerely,
Paul and Pat Smith

Seeker's Class Begins New Study

A Theological Profile

On Sunday, October 16, the Seeker's Class will begin a series of classes titled "A *Theological Profile*." The course is scheduled to last five weeks. Course material will not consider the beliefs of any specific denomination; rather it will examine and compare a wide range of theological positions historically held by the greater Christian world. The purpose of the class will be to give participants the opportunity to explore their own religious preferences and to investigate views they may not have considered before. The material will be descriptive rather than evaluative.

As an interdenominational church, we are composed of persons from a wide variety of religious backgrounds and traditions. The Theological Profile class will be sensitive to the diversity of the class members and will welcome divergent opinions and discussion.



NOMINATIONS

The Board of Trustees of The Church at Horseshoe Bay recently appointed the following people who will serve on the Nominating Committee to select Trustees for the class of 2014. The committee members are John Bird, Peggy Jordan, Stan Smith, Carolyn Thornton, Karen Wines and Scott Matthews, Chair. If you know someone whom you would like the committee to consider for a Trustee position, please provide his/her name to one of these committee members before October 12.



We extend our Christian sympathies to:

Eileen Hurd and family on the recent passing of **Wayne Hurd**. Services were held in our sanctuary on Saturday, October 1.

Paul and Pat Smith on the death of his sister-in-law, Margaret Smith.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to:

Sherry Roberts on the birth of her grandson, James Samuel Boon, on September 12.

Ben and Sally Lancashire on the birth of their great-granddaughter, Shire Elyse Hubbard, on September 12.

Kena and Mark Richert on the birth of their daughter, Taylor Grace Richert, on September 29. Kena is our Administrative Manager and we have anxiously awaited this arrival!



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We hope everyone will take time to welcome our newest members!



Books and Scones

Books and Scones is a book review club that meets regularly at the church to discuss Christian or inspirational books. The group will meet on Tuesday, October 25, at 3:30 p.m. in the library. The book of discussion is *Burdens Do A Body Good* by Michele Howe and Dr. Christopher Foetish and will be available in the church office for \$7. For more information, please contact Annette Christy, 596-0072, or Beverly Brascom, 598-5724.

Singles of the Hills

The mission of Singles of the Hills group is to provide a Christian environment for all singles of the church and community to come together for support, fellowship, friendship, and community service and to encourage spiritual growth within ourselves and our community.

The group meets regularly on the 4th Wednesday of the month. This month they will meet on Wednesday, October 26, at 6:00 p.m. Plans are "in the works" for the group to meet at a local restaurant. Additional details and information will follow at a later date. For more information, please contact the church office.

Women of the Word

cordially invite ALL women to
the WOW Fall Retreat
at Camp Buckner
November 1-2

Register on Sunday at the table in the narthex or in the church office during the week.

\$100 for double or \$125 for single

Join us in the
"Quest for Sophia"

For more information, call the church office or contact any WOW Committee member

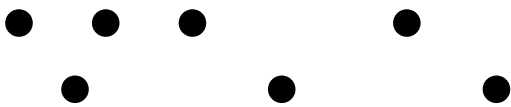


Sing Along with Mitch at the Annual Church Picnic

Our very own "Mitch Miller," Garry Kesler, and the very popular "Mitch Miller Band" featuring Ken and Helen Carpenter, will provide the entertainment at this year's Annual Church Picnic scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. You will not want to miss this opportunity to "sing along with Mitch" as the words to popular songs glide across the screen just as they did many years ago on the popular TV show. There are no judges, no critics and no Grammy Awards, so this is the time for everyone to enjoy raising their voices in song together. It's difficult to top the entertainment from last year, with Lawrence Belch and the Flip Flop music, but we are excited to host this sing-along.

Being mindful of the extreme drought and wild-fire possibilities, the Horseshoe Bay Fire Department (as well as the counties of Burnet and Llano) has issued a ban on all open fire containers, including outdoor cooking grills, until further notice. Therefore, chopped beef and smoked sausage will replace the hamburgers and hot dogs served in previous years. Donations of desserts are always appreciated, and desserts appropriate for those with dietary restrictions are especially welcomed. Come and join your friends for another exciting evening of **FELLOWSHIP, FOOD and FUN!**

Follow the Bouncing Ball!



Volunteer Opportunities

If you are new to the church or the community, you will notice quickly that almost everyone that you meet donates their time as a volunteer. There are numerous opportunities, both at our church and in the Highland Lakes community. If you would like more information about opportunities, organizations, committees and ways to donate your time, please go to the home page of our church website and click on the tab for "How to Volunteer." Information is also available in the church office.

Our new members receive a packet of information that includes a list of these volunteer opportunities and a form for each member to indicate where his/her interests and experience are. If you have not filled out one of these forms, please contact the church office.

Once again it is time to start thinking about *Making a Christian Difference* with the Hill Country Missioners on their annual trip to Rio Bravo, Mexico. Two weeks are scheduled for the trips and you may choose either February 11-18 or February 18-25, 2012. Although there have been some administrative changes, Bill and Edra Edwards will still participate fully in this mission as local coordinators, advisers and team members and will actively work with the past missioners locally to recruit new team members.

A new bright yellow brochure is available for the 2012 registration and may be picked up in the church narthex, fellowship hall or office. As in the past, make payments by check to The Church at Horseshoe Bay and deliver them to Bill and Edra Edwards at 213 Twin Sails, Horseshoe Bay, Texas 78657.

Bill and Edra will again work with Larry Acton's Keenagers' Team during the week of February 26-March 3 which they have done since 1999. The team completed a special mission project July 31-August 4, 2011 which built a casita in memory of their friend and fellow missioner who died in May.

If you are interested in participation but cannot attend during the above dates, contact Bill and Edra who will coordinate with the Highland United Methodist Church team to join one of their mission trips. They are also available to help with financial assistance if needed. Come and join them in *Making a Christian Difference* with friends in Rio Bravo, Mexico!

Mission Scholarships

Public school in Mexico is not free. Students' families must purchase not only books and uniforms, but also the water they drink. The costs per year are \$120-\$150 for grade school and \$180 for junior high and high school students. Most of the families in this area of Mexico cannot afford to send all of their children to school, so they send the boys and the girls do not get a formal education. The Hands Together Ministry (Manos Juntos Ministry MJM), mission teams and the Benevolence Committee of The Church at Horseshoe Bay have supported many students.

There are two types of scholarship programs. One program, called the AWE (Ahead With Education) sponsors one specific child for a long-term commitment. The other program is a contribution to the general scholarship fund of MJM. Money in this fund is divided among the students in the program for partial scholarships. Neither of the programs has any overhead expenses and 100% of the donations go to the students.

If you are interested in contributing to the general scholarship program, please make your check payable to The Church at Horseshoe Bay and specify MJM scholarship in the memo section. If you are interested in adopting a specific student, please contact Edra Edwards at 598-8158 or email her at wmgedra@verizon.net.



Mission Report



The **Men of Faith** will be hosting a men's fellowship breakfast on **Tuesday, October 25, at 8:00 a.m.** in the church fellowship hall. Our guest speaker will be Greg James, Director of Strategic Partners for "Halftime," an organization started in the late 90's by Bob Buford, successful entrepreneur and author of several books including "Beyond Halftime." The essence of this organization and book is to provide guidance, reassurance and insight for men and women on the halftime journey from success to significance. Tickets are on sale for \$10 in the narthex each Sunday and in the church office. For each ticket purchased, a copy of Buford's book will be provided. Invite your friends and neighbors! Don't miss this event.

Helping Center Needs

The Helping Center of Marble Falls makes every effort to provide a healthy and wide variety of food to those in need in our community but is currently unable to meet that goal! Food items desperately needed at this time include peanut butter, canned tuna and salmon, soup, powdered milk or shelf-stable boxed milk, cereal, and cash donations. The continued support of the congregation of The Church at Horseshoe Bay is greatly appreciated. Bring your donations to the church office and they will be delivered to The Helping Center. If you would like more information about donating or volunteering, please give them a call at 830-693-5689.



Communion Stewards

Have you ever wondered how the communion elements are prepared for worship services? Did you know that there are dedicated volunteers who perform this sacred task? The first Sunday of each month, special services such as Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday and dates designated by our pastors, these volunteers assist with preparation of the communion elements. We would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to all of them.

Our volunteers for the 8:30 service are Virginia and Evan Roberts, Barbara and Fred Van Osten, Ann and Don Eckelbarger, Becky and Jeff Robinson, Dianne and Ken Jones, Jane and Bill Boisvert, Fritzie and Bob Glanville, Louraine and John Robertson, Sally and Tom Stromgren, Linda and Dale Amstutz and Shirley and Jim Hampton

Our volunteers for the 11:00 service are Mary Kay and Johnnie Heck, Patty Gillean, Phyllis and George Mitchell, Joan Shehan, Jane and Jim Robertson, Margaret and Glenn Mitchell, Joan Otts, Rita and G. A. Smith, Lalla and John Goodwillie, Winnie Woodruff, Bonnie and Joe DeAtkine, Geneva and Roger Dalton and Shirley and Steve Spence.

There is always a need for new and additional volunteers to assist the ones who currently serve. If you would like to volunteer to help just one Sunday or more, please contact Linda Dupuy at 596-1227 (8:30 Service) or Fay Ferguson at 598-5562 (11:00 Service) to indicate your interest.



A very special THANK YOU to the congregation for your response to the request for disaster relief donations! The Benevolence Committee designated and sent \$5,000 to The Salvation Army, \$2,500 to the Bastrop Ministerial Alliance and \$2,500 to the Spicewood Community Center. The contributions continue to arrive daily and as of this date \$3,000 was sent to Bastrop Ministerial Alliance and \$3,000 to the Spicewood Community Center. We will keep you informed on future disbursements, but want to take this opportunity to express appreciation. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

From the Benevolence Committee



The Honduras Dental/Medical Mission Team is supported by the Church at Horseshoe Bay with an annual donation voted on by the Benevolence Committee. The Dental Team is a group of dentists, four this summer, a dental hygienist, and lay persons who volunteer to travel to Honduras to provide dental treatment to the underprivileged people who cannot afford treatment or live in remote villages where no treatment is available. All volunteers pay their own expenses for the trip. William T. Lee, Jr., D.D.S. of New Braunfels, heads the dental team. There is also a medical team that accompanies the dental team as well as 26 to 36 individual volunteers.

This summer, the teams traveled from Zamorano, Honduras, to eight remote villages and completed 427 exams, 491 extractions, 443 restorations, 125 prophylactic cleanings, 62 fluoride treatments and 70 sealants. Dr. Lee concluded that the people are taking better care of their teeth in order to avoid extractions! The medical team saw a total of 1603 patients.

According to Dr. Lee, "The funds donated by your church bought dental instruments, dental filling materials, tooth cleaning supplies and medicine. The funds also helped to rent two 4-wheel drive vehicles and one school bus to transport patients to the main Dental Clinic in Danli." Dr. Lee ended his report with "May God Bless each of you!!!! **THANK YOU.**"

Men of Faith and Women of the Word



The **Men of Faith** was formed to encourage fellowship and spiritual growth for the men of our community. Each year the group hosts two breakfasts with speakers/programs focusing on Christian messages. Additionally they host dinners to honor specialized committees within the church.

A steering committee led by Scott Matthews plans and implements these activities with Don Eckelbarger serving as secretary/treasurer and Alan Barrows serving as publicity chairman. Their next event will be the men's breakfast on October 25. See details in a separate article in this newsletter.

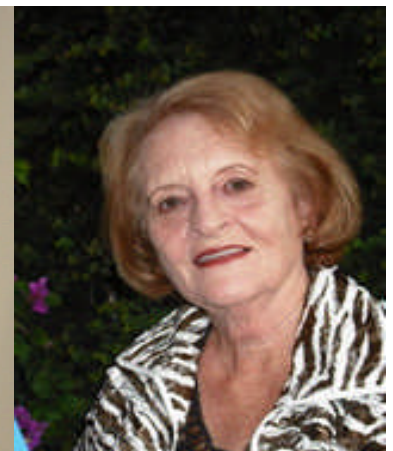


The **WOW (Women of the Word)** organization originated as a women's ministry to facilitate fellowship among the women of the church. Each year the WOW Committee sponsors a spring luncheon, open to all members of the community; a diaper drive which benefits the Helping Center and Family Crisis Center; a fall coffee honoring the women of our church and an overnight women's retreat at Camp Buckner. Additionally they prepare and decorate the church for Advent and host a Christmas luncheon for the Church Staff and their spouses. The newest endeavor is aiding the Children's Advocacy Center with the many needs for the Sunshine House.



The WOW Committee plans and organizes these activities under the direction of Sanny Sue Hoffman, with Ann Eckelbarger as secretary, Sahndra Caldwell as corresponding secretary, and Jan Browning as treasurer.

If you would like to become a member of the WOW Committee which meets the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall, please contact the church office. See separate article in this newsletter for more info on the upcoming Women's Retreat at Camp Buckner.





For Your Christmas

DR. DANIEL ZAMORA

Our church Organist/Pianist is recording a Christmas CD which will include arrangements of well-known Christmas selections.

\$20.00 each

Pre-order your CD today

Name _____

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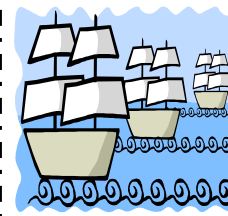
Please clip out this order form and return to the church office or to Larry Sherwood.



Sign up to Host Coffee Fellowship

Did you know that hosting coffee fellowship has never been easier? Various juice and punch ingredients are now available in the refrigerator and freezer on the left side of the kitchen in addition to a variety of cookies already on hand in the freezer. Simple punch recipes are available with the ingredients on hand. Of course, you are always welcome to prepare your own favorite recipe. If you have never hosted, find another couple or member who has hosted past coffee fellowships to help you with your first time. Be sure to check the refrigerator before you host to determine if you'll need to purchase additional ingredients for punch. You are also welcome to bring special treats or desserts to serve in addition to the cookies which are provided by the church. Information sheets are available in the kitchen with detailed step-by-step instructions of "things to do" when you host.

Many thanks to all who have, or will be, hosting coffee fellowship as this is such an important part of our church life and we want to see it continue.



The Church office will be closed on **Monday, October 10** in observance of Columbus Day and will reopen on Tuesday, October 11 at 8:30 a.m.

In case you were wondering, Daylight Saving Time 2011 ends next month, on November 6, 2011. This means that, at 2:00 a.m. we "fall back" and gain an extra hour of sleep (or nightlife). Arizona, Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands do not observe Daylight Savings Time, but Texas does!. Don't forget to FALL BACK and set your clocks back on Saturday, November 5.



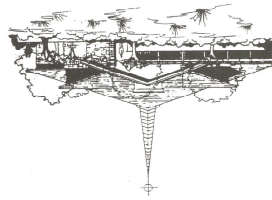
Altar Flowers

There are a few Sundays in October and November that do not have hosts for Altar flowers. If you would like to host altar flowers in honor of a special occasion or in

honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the church office. The cost is \$65 unless you specify otherwise. Flowers are ordered by the office and delivered to the church. Also, if you have a new child, grandchild or great-grandchild and would like to announce the birth, a rosebud vase may be placed on the organ with an announcement in the worship bulletin. Please contact the church office if you would like to order a rosebud vase. The cost is \$10 and you may take the rose home and save it for the family memento book or baby book.

Beginning in November, order forms will be available for memorial poinsettias. The poinsettias will adorn the sanctuary beginning on Sunday, November 27 and throughout the Advent season. There will be more information about poinsettias in the November newsletter.

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Christian Education Schedule

Bible Study Class *The Gospel of Luke*

October 9

“The Message, the Response and
the Balcony” Luke 3:1-38
Led by Art Hawkinson

October 16

“Temptations and Teachings”
Luke 4:1-44 Led by Glenda Butler

October 23

“Multiple Way to Fish for Men”
Luke 5:1-39
Led by Larry Canter

October 30

“New Perspectives on Worship and
Living” Luke 6: 1-49
Teacher to be announced

Women’s Bible Study *The Seven Sayings of the* *Savior on the Cross*

October 9

“The Word of Salvation”
Led by Linda Rusk

October 16

“The Word of Affection”
Led by Gail Davalos

October 23

“The Word of Anguish”
Led by Linda Rusk

October 30

“The Word of Suffering”
Led by Shirley Danos

Seekers Class *American Religious History;* *A Theological Profile*

October 9

“The Civil War”
Led by Pete Christy

October 16 - NEW STUDY

“Theological Modes and Spiritual
Types” Led by Pete Christy and
Johnny White

October 23

“Authority (Bible, Tradition,
Experience, Reason)” Led by
Pete Christy and Johnny White

October 30

“Theistic World Views”
Led by Pete Christy and
Johnny White