

Your Wesley Moment

‘An Appeal to Men-’

John Wesley, 1770



Human and worldly wisdom is not needed for the understanding of Scripture, but the revelation of the Holy Ghost, who inspires the true meaning in them that search for it with humility and diligence.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 8:30 & 11:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS: 9:45 AM
CHILDCARE MINISTRIES: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM MON-THUR
CROSSFIRE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: 6:30 PM WEDNESDAY
BISHOP: JAMES DORFF
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Carl Rohlfs
PASTOR: Harry Kahl
Associate Pastor: Cyndi Weidner
ADMIN. ASSISTANT: Kathy Balcar
YOUTH MINISTER: Javier Rios
FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Sandra Ingle
CHILDCARE DIRECTOR:
Choir Director: Randy Cobb
CUSTODIAL:

The Vision Of LVUMC:
To Love God, Self & You

The Mission Of LVUMC:
To Serve, Share and Offer Christ

SCRIPTURE & SERMON FOR March, 2012

11:00 AM –
Contemporary Praise Service

Date: March 4, Holy Communion
2nd Sunday in Lent
Title: “Matthew / Levi, The Tax Collector”
Scripture: Matthew 9:9-13
Preacher: Pastor Harry

Date: March 11
3rd Sunday in Lent
Title: “Thomas, The Doubter”
Scripture: John 11:5-16; 20:24-29
Preacher: Pastor Harry

Date: March 21 / One Great Hour of Sharing
4th Sunday in Lent
Title: “Judas Iscariot, The Betrayer”
Scripture: Matthew 26:14-16; 47-50; 27:3-5
Preacher: Pastor Harry

Date: March 25 / LUMINOUS –One Service at 10 AM
5th Sunday in Lent
Title: “Do You Love Me?”
Scripture: John 21:1-19
Preacher: Rev. Carl Rohlfs

8:30 IN THE SANCTUARY &
11 AM IN THE CHAPEL

March 4 Press On!
 Philippians 3:7-14

March 11 Fix Your Eyes on Jesus
 Hebrews 12:1-3

March 18 Life on the Plateau
 Galatians 5:16-25

March 25 Revival Service at 10:00
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La Vernia United Methodist Church

March 2012



“LUMINOUS 2012”

LVUMC 3-DAY REVIVAL EVENT, MARCH 23-25, 2012

Friday & Saturday 6:30 pm & Sunday at 10 am

Childcare available: Friday and Saturday: Infant-PreK in Main Building Nursery & K-2nd in the Family Life Bldg. and Sunday infant—4 years

Music/Worship Teams

Joyful Noise Band LVUMC Choir LVUMC Praise Band
Clifton Jansky Blue Creek Grace Notes E.T. Dixon Choir

Special Music

Leticia Rodriquez Randy Cobb Gabe Rios
Roy Villalobos Ann Peterson & Glenn Miller Debbie Patrick

Master of Ceremonies

Pastor Cyndi Pastor Harry

Keynote Speakers

Clifton Jansky Sue White
Blair Thompson Virgilio Vasquez-Garza Carl Rohlfs

La Vernia United Methodist Church is in need of God's outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all members of the congregation in an effort to have hearts and minds healed resulting from true and total repentance. Our Church is in need of revitalization in our relationship with Jesus Christ and with each other in order to grow in the love of Christ and seek out lost souls.

Service for Service Men



We have many ministry groups in our church who mostly go unnoticed, just doing what they feel called to do in the name and love of the Lord and his people. One of those is a Men's Emmaus Fourth Day Reunion Group who faithfully meet weekly since their Walk to Emmaus, for several since Fall, 2007. Several are military veterans and have frequently sent Care Packages to active duty military assigned to combat areas. Their names are listed at the end of the letter below; however Joe McMinn (USAF retired) and Bill Kupper (USAF retired) were instrumental in helping us get started in this ministry. If you have the names and addresses of active duty military assigned to a combat area, please provide that info to any of the men listed below and a package will be sent to them.



**LA VERNIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FOURTH DAY EMMAUS GROUP
210 BLUEBONNET, LA VERNIA, TX 78121**

February 14th, 2012

Dear LTC Ralph Henning,

We are a group of men who meet weekly to exercise that most important of our American freedoms, to worship God

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again!

Revivals in the days of growing up in a parsonage were very, very different from what is planned for our church at the end of this month. The evangelists would come and live in our home for a full two weeks and we would have an hour-long service each evening and twice on Sundays. How I loved those times! The relationships grew with each evangelist and I always cried as if losing a dear uncle or grandfather once the two weeks were over.

We would have famous "fill-the-pew" contests, gospel quartets and the congregations would join in rousing old hymns of the church. Favorites would be "Standing on the Promises of God" or "There is Power in the Blood". The services would conclude with "Just As I Am" or "I Surrender All", and it seemed the entire altar would be lined night after night with those seeking a deeper relationship with God.

in accordance with our shared Christian faith. Among our group are veterans of the United States Air Force, United States Army and United States Marine Corps, including those with wartime service during the Vietnam War and Gulf War.

Whenever we meet we are mindful of the daily sacrifices made on our behalf by the men and women of our Armed Forces, particularly those serving so far from home in Afghanistan. Please know that we stand behind you and deeply appreciate your service to our country. Your courage and devotion to duty are an example for us all. On behalf of all of the members of the La Vernia United Methodist Church we want to **thank you** for your unselfish courage in defending and protecting our great nation.

We know that being separated from family and friends is a unique hardship you bear as a part of your military service. Please know that throughout your tour of duty our church will be continuously lifting you up in our prayers. We will be praying that the hope of peace throughout the Earth will be realized and that you, and all of our other servicemembers, will not have to spend another Christmas in a foreign land at war.

Until that time of peace comes, we pray that God protects you and comforts you and brings you safely home to your family and loved ones. **God bless you!**

Ned Lammers (USAF, Ret.), Carl Dalaney, Lee Mangum, Preston Giles (USMC, Prior), Jeremy Knox Fraser Jones (USAF, Ret.) and Pastor Harry Kahl (USA, Prior)



The Luminous 2012 team has designed a different approach for our revival at the end of this month – but the goals are definitely paralleled to years gone by. Oh that we each would seek a deeper walk with Christ! Oh that our hearts would be pliable and receptive to become all that the Lord wants us to become! I am praying that *each* of us would be willing to pray, "Lord change me in ways I can't imagine!"

The great revival hymn written by John Husband challenges in the final stanza. *"Revive us again; fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled with fire from above. Hallelujah! Thine the glory, Hallelujah! Amen. Hallelujah! Thine the glory, revive us again!"*

Pastor Cyndi

Ministries of our Church



I appreciate the appointment as your Lay Leader of LVUMC which began on January 2012. Some of the members of the congregation were asking exactly what does the lay leader do. So, I wanted to take this opportunity to share with all of you several of the responsibilities. One of my primary responsibilities is to represent the laity of the church to the conference and district, and to lead the laity of our congregation in planning and executing its mission and ministry. I will also interface between the Pastor, District Superintendent, and the Bishop on the one hand and the lay leadership of the church on the other. One of my main focuses is to continue the primary task of making disciples for Jesus Christ. Based on the Book of Discipline, additional tasks are as follows:

The Lay Leader is to foster awareness of the role of laity both within the congregation and through their ministries in daily life and to find ways within the community of faith to recognize these ministries.

To meet regularly with the pastor to discuss the state of the church and the opportunities for ministry.

To serve on the committee on lay leadership, the Committee on Finance, the Administrative Board, Board of Trustees and the Staff-Parish relations committee.

To take part in study and training opportunities to understand the church and its mission as well as informing the laity of training opportunities provided by the annual conference or district.

To interpret (with the pastor and lay member of the annual conference) to the congregation the actions and programs of the annual conference and the general church.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, I take this position seriously because in many ways, my attitude, energy, and love are reflective of the Body of Christ, the church. My focus is to be an example of Christ and to serve you all with a servant's heart. If you have any concerns or suggestions that would further the Kingdom of God, I would be more than glad to hear them. Feel free to contact me at 210-488-2500 cell.



KITCHEN PREP CLASS OFFERED

La Vernia United Methodist Women will be offering a Kitchen Prep Class on **March 31, 2012 at 9:00** in the family life building at La Vernia United Methodist Church. It will be presented by Wilson county extension agent, **Lisa Linebarger**. The class will be 2 hours long and participants will receive materials that can be displayed in their establishments and a food handlers card upon completion of the class. The class covers basic food safety practices such as personal hygiene, cross contamination and time and temperature abuse. The cost of the class is \$20.00 per person to cover materials. Please contact Carol Dukes 830-947-3703 and leave a message if you plan to attend so we can make sure we have enough materials. We will be putting an ad in the La Vernia News and passing out flyers in the community as well. Please come and join us and learn all about food preparation and safety.

CrossFire Spaghetti Fundraiser

**Spaghetti Plates
Takeout Only**

Sunday, March 4th

11am-1pm La Vernia United Methodist Church

Proceeds go to sponsor our youth for summer camp. Buy tickets from a CrossFire Youth or CrossFire Kids. Plates will only be sold to ticket holders. Sponsored by: CrossFire Student Ministries

