

Created by one God, blessed and sustained by one Spirit, all are welcome here.

GADDIS GOOD NEWS

May 2024



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MUSIC IN THE PARK RETURNS

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May 14	7 PM	Camille Sanders
June 11	7 PM	John Arthur Martinez
July 9	7 PM	LP23
Aug. 13	7 PM	Anthony Garcia
Sept. 10	6:30 PM	Shane Stumpf
Oct. 8	6 PM	Susan Herndon

The free concert series held in the Comfort City Park. It is held May thru October on the second Tuesday of each month. It is free to the public (donations appreciated) and all are invited to come and enjoy the music. It is suggested that you bring lawn chairs for your comfort. Sponsored by Gaddis UMC and the Comfort Chamber of Commerce.



May 14th ~ 7 PM ~ Camille Sanders

May Calendar of Events

Every Wednesday Evening ~ 6:00 PM

Music Team Practice
in the Sanctuary.

All are welcome to attend

May 14th ~ Tuesday

7:30 AM ~ Men's Breakfast
in the Narthex

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
Call Dwight Barnett (830-285-9354)
for information

10:00 AM ~ Outreach Committee
2nd Tuesday of each month
in the office conference room

May 15th ~ Wednesday

1:30 PM ~ Worship Design
in the church conference room

May 19th ~ Sunday

PENTECOST SUNDAY
Wear Red

Admin Council after Church
In the office conference room
Everyone is welcome to attend

May 21st ~ Tuesday

11:30 AM ~ Lunch Bunch
3rd Tuesday of each month

Billy Gene's in Kerrville
Please call the Church Office to rsvp

May 23rd ~ Thursday

1:00 PM ~ Shut-in Visits w/ the Pastor

May 28th ~ Tuesday

7:30 AM ~ Men's Breakfast
in the Narthex

Call Dwight Barnett (830-285-9354)
for information

Sunday Mornings:

Biscuits & A Bible ~ 9:00 AM

Church Service ~ 10:00 AM

**Services are streamed each
Sunday Morning**



100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On June 2, we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Gaddis Church in a formal building. After church service there will be a potluck and it would be wonderful to have any old members or previous members. A committee has been formed to organize this event. Also, if you have any old photographs that you would like to share and have displayed, please bring them to the church office.

Happy Anniversary, Gaddis!

Pastor's Thoughts for May 2024

What is the month of May known for - April showers bring May flowers, Cinco de May, May 5th, Mother's Day, May 12th, and Memorial Day, May 27th are just a few things. May also brings Graduations and Baccalaureates. For the Christian Calendar it is also the celebration of the birth of the church - Pentecost.

May 19th is Pentecost Sunday, the day the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit turned a small group of men who were fearful of their fate for following Jesus into men of courage going out to all the world and sharing the Good News of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. We claim this as the birth of the church. Traditionally we wear red for the color of the flame of the Holy Spirit that landed on each disciple's heads and gave them the ability to speak with passion about God's fulfillment of God's promise through Jesus the Christ.

The stories of Moses and the burning bush, Mount Sinai, the tabernacle, and the temple all include fire that shows up when God's presence arrives and marks his dwelling space or temple. In Acts 2, Luke is hyperlinking to these previous divine-fire scenes to give a background to the Pentecost story. The divine fire has previously rested on Yahweh's temple spaces, so where does it rest in this scene?

"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them." Acts 2:1-3

It's a temple made out of "each one of them." It's made of people. People will meet with God not in a geographic place or constructed space but in connection with those who choose to trust and follow Jesus. God's fire shines with power and harms nobody, and it ignites a cosmic revolution, the Church.



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<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Average</u>
In Church Worship	43
Online	17
Biscuits and the Bible	10

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 on the Gaddis website

The story tells us that God now dwells within the community of Jesus followers. This living temple is made of people who operate like Jesus, ending fear and oppression with love and peacefully teaching humanity how to love and bless one another. In this sense, Pentecost marks the beginning of a new world.

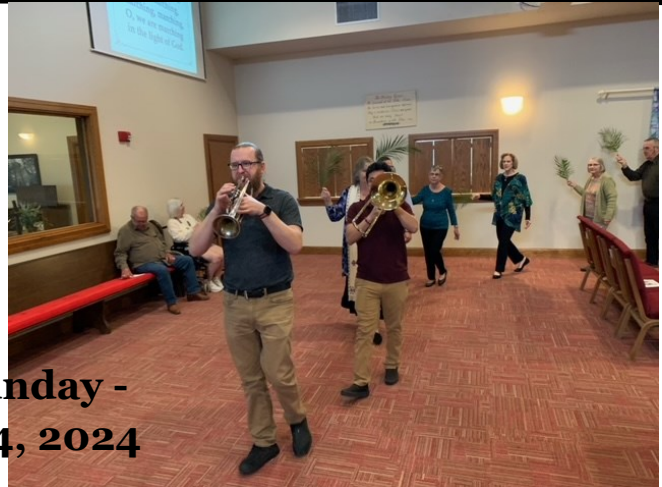
We need to pray, "Come Holy Spirit, Come, set us on fire to transform your creation by your love and mercy we have received through Jesus Christ our Lord. "

Goodness gracious, great balls of fire!

God bless,
Pastor Barbara



The Bishop has appointed Pastor Barbara to a new church. Her appointment in La Vernia will begin July 1st. Please be in prayer for her in this transition and also pray for the cabinet as they make a decision for our new pastor.



**Palm Sunday -
March 24, 2024**

BIRTHDAYS:

- 5/3 Julie Hughes**
- 5/15 JoAnn McCaleb**
- 5/19 Richard Busbee**
- 5/22 Susan Durden**
- 5/24 Lois DUEWALL**
- 5/27 Don Kirchhoff**
- 5/30 Jay Stovall**



Wildflowers planted last year

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Prayers for Comfort and Healing:

Linda Woodard

Hunter Rust

Larry Baldwin

Bryan Koehn

Adrianna Stovall

Janice Tiner

Laura Lozano

Nancy Parker

Continued Prayers:

Pastor Barbara

Bishop Schnase

Rev. Sanderford

April Langston

Mary Sansom

Victor Lesh

Sally Clogston

Amy Lanterigne

Irene Morgan

Eva Bell

Kat Bingham

Jon Stephens

Erin Dennis

Jim Earls

Jane Holdsworth

Gail Glover

Laurie Adkins

Ellie Wilemon

Bridget Bilici

Dorothea Booth

Harriet Kirchhoff

Sue & Jack Wilson

Bill & Bonnie Vernor

Sue Wiedenfeld

Dennis Wigginton

Jay & Karen Stovall

Curtis & Margaret Morris

Prayers for concerns:

Peace in the World

Fighting in Israel & Palestine

The Women of the United States

The border

The Children of Russia

Gaddis Memorial United Methodist Church

PRAYER REQUESTS: There are several ways to make prayer requests. You may email Amy at the church office at gaddischurch@gmail.com or go to the Gaddis website, gaddischurch.org, and click on the tab at the top, "Prayer Requests". You may fill out the form and an email will be sent to the church. You may also call Amy at (830) 995-3813 to let her know about any prayer requests you might have. Thank you, Amy

Comfort Pantry Food Drive For May

Cooking Oil (Canola & Vegetable), Coffee, Masa Harina

Please put "Gaddis Church" on sacks and place them in the box at the front of the church.

May Rail Offering --- Golden Age Center

The mission of the Golden Age Center is to enrich the life for older and aging adults to enhance their well-being and social interaction. They serve over 270 seniors per year through over 20 different programs and activities. They also partner with the Center at Kronkosky Place in Boerne to implement Meals on Wheels-Kendall County in this part of the county. Through this partnership, over 80 meals are delivered each day in and around Comfort, as well as serving hot meals daily at the Center. Gaddis provides ice cream each month for the birthday meal. If you would like to go serve ice cream one day a month, please let Amy know.

The Comfort Golden Age Center is here to provide fun, food and friendship to those who are 55 or older in the Comfort Texas area.

Open from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Daily

Monday - Friday

(830) 995-3032



**Wednesdays 5- 6:30 PM
(or until sold out)
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall**

May 1st

Dotti's Taco Salad

May 8th

Gail's Lemon Chicken

May 15th

**Reidun's Mediterranean
Chicken Pasta Salad**

May 22nd

**Pastor Katie's Salpicon de Res
(Mexican Shredded Beef Salad)**

May 29th

Pastor Katie's Picnic Dinner



HOPE, FAITH, TENACITY

By Dusty Bruns

Storms of life occasionally present themselves, sometimes interjecting misfortune upon a multitude of living entities. But it is not through God's will that these misfortunes occur.

A storm came with high winds. A lone walnut tree was rooted in the shallow, rocky soils of a ridgeline, in the way of the approaching storm. A strong gust of wind pushed the tree backwards, causing several roots to break. The walnut tree ended up on its back, seemingly destined to die. But the walnut tree did not give up. The remaining roots - although stressed - still held, sustaining life. The storm occurred months ago, prior to winter. This spring, the tree has leafed out and is resuming life. Down, but not defeated!

As with all life here on earth, we sometimes suffer a life event which pushes us down. Our need lies in trusting God to help us get back up. God does not cause adversity. God is here to help us through adversity and to overcome.

From time to time we all experience problems for which we have feel we have limited solutions. We need Devine intercession in our situation. **Hope** gives us the ability to confront our problems and the opportunity to ask for Divine intervention through prayer.

Faith is the fervent belief that our prayers will be received by God. In Mark 9:24, a father brought his epileptic son to Jesus, begging Him, "Please heal my son!" Jesus replied to the father, "All things can be done for the one who believes." Many of us can relate to the father's reply, "I believe; help my unbelief!" It is one thing to pray, but we must have faith to understand that God will be with us and see us through our adversity.



Communion ~ Pastor Barbara, Nancy Moorman, Leslie Ellis, Tucker Ellis, Jane Brown, & Others



Chuck Converse helping Pastor Barbara

STAFF & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Pastor	Barbara Dyke
Admin. Assistant	Amy Dee Hawley
Custodian	Andrew Collins
Council Chair	Chuck Converse
PPR Chair/Lay Leader	Donna Satterwhite
Music Director	Alexis Korbe
Music Assistant	Brandon Pauley
Treasurer	Bill Heczko
Community Awareness	Fred Collins
Trustee Chair	John Bohnert
Finance Chair	Irene Morgan
Missions/Worship	Nancy Moorman
Outreach	Amy Dee Hawley
Annual Conf. Delegate	James Halsell

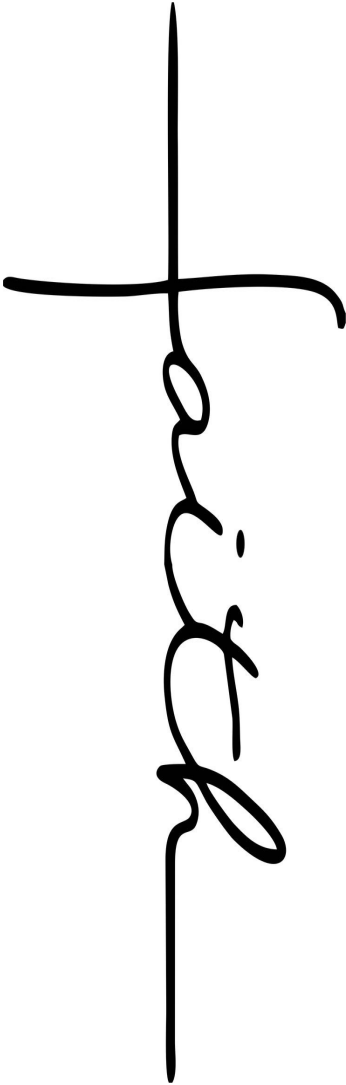
PASS IT ON RESALE SHOP

Have you experienced the wonders of Pass It On? This amazing resale shop works with volunteers so the funds raised can go to scholarships for our local youth. All profits go to provide scholarships for Comfort students. These scholarships help seniors start college or trade school and help adults who want to go back to school. Donations of household goods and clothing in good condition are accepted. All donations make a difference in the community. You would be amazed at how much goes to help the youth of our community.

Come join this amazing group of volunteers. There is a huge need for someone to “man” the cash register! Contact the Church Office for more info. (830-995-3813)

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Return Service Requested



INVITATION

At Gaddis our regular schedule is one service at 10:00 am with adult Sunday school classes at 9:00 am. We play your hymnal favorites with a few newer pieces of music when appropriate to the message. All of our songs and messages are designed to enhance your worship experience. Come, join us each Sunday for a warm, spiritual gathering of down-home friendly folks. Everyone is welcome.

Our normal service includes Communion each Sunday. Our Communion Table is not a United Methodist Table; it is open to all who want to receive Christ into their lives and love God.