

A JOYFUL WORD



La Casita Dedication: April 21

Join us immediately after worship on Sunday as we dedicate and bless La Casita de Alegría.

There will be an Ice Cream Social and invitation of special guests including GVEC, LoneStar Home Solutions, Mayor Dodgen and other letter of support writers for La Casita.

* **The festivities will begin at 11:15am, so everyone can get their dessert of choice before the blessing.**



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**SPRING FIESTA
&
JUAN SEGUIN
SCHOOL REUNION**

AT SPIRIT OF JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH // 416 DOLLE AVE.

Street Fiesta: 12:00pm	tacos, hot dogs, kid's activities, and a performance by Teatro's Mariachi Juan Seguin
Program: 1:00pm	Keynote Speaker: Rudy Herrera, Juan Seguin Alumnus
Reception: 2:00pm	for all former students; refreshments & memorabilia

All events and food are FREE and open to the public.
For more info, call 830-272-0040 or visit:
www.spiritofjoylc.com

April 28 2024

Confirmation Class:

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Location: Emanuel's

Time: 1pm to 2:30pm



SCHEDULE TIME PASTOR MEGAN:

YOU MAY NOW USE THE FOLLOWING LINK TO SCHEDULE A MEETING (PERSONAL OR BUSINESS) WITH PASTOR MEGAN.

THIS LINKS DIRECTLY WITH HER SCHEDULE, SO NO WORRIES ABOUT DUPLICATION.

CONTACT CYNTHIA WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

[CLICK HERE](#)

SAFE CAMPUS NOTICE:

SPIRIT OF JOY IS A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY. FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY, OUR CAMPUS IS GUN-FREE, SMOKE-FREE, AND DRUG-FREE BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF ALL BUILDINGS.

THE USE OF ALCOHOL IS RESTRICTED AND PERMITTED ONLY WITH PRIOR COUNCIL PERMISSION.

MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY- A CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP:

May 3rd at 12:00pm

At St. James Church Catholic Daughters' House

Guest Speaker from Seguin/New Braunfels Big Brothers and Sisters Program

Collections: Least Coin Fellowship, Hygeine Items for Christian Cupboard



Key Leaders Update:



Notes from April 10 meeting:

Mission and Outreach

- Water to Thrive: April 18 at SOJ
- Guadalupe Valley Christian Counseling Center (GVCCC) ticket sale for April 25
- Alligator Creek Clean-up Day: April 20
- Spring Fiesta: April 28
- May: provide a meal for Ball ECC staff

Faith Formation

- Vacation Bible School at Friedens: June 17-20
- Emanuels Explorers 3rd through 5th grade: July 15-17
- Summer Movie Nights once a month in La Casita.
- Compass will meet every other week in the summer.
- Sharon Frels and Diana Ball will visit other three congregations to promote Godly Play.
- Graduates Sunday will be May 26.

Hospitality

- Mugs and information will be given to visitors
- A new brochure is being worked on.

Worship and Congregational Life

- Inventoried supplies in other building.
- Continuing to update Breeze.

The next Key Leaders meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8th at 1:30pm.

VISIT US:

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY: 9:00AM TO 1:00PM

FRIDAY: BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

SUNDAY: WORSHIP IS HELD AT 9:30AM IN OUR WORSHIP CENTER

WORSHIP LIVESTREAM LINK:

CAN'T MAKE IT TO SPIRIT OF JOY FOR WORSHIP?

THE 9:30AM SERVICE STREAMS LIVE EVERY SUNDAY ON YOUTUBE AND CAN BE ACCESSED VIA OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.

CLICK HERE

AED/First Aid Kits:

WE HAVE A NEW AED (HALLWAY OF THE WORSHIP CENTER) AND FIRST AID KITS (KITCHEN AND THE HALLWAY OF LA CASITA).

THE SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL SOLICIT VOLUNTEER MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN RED CROSS AED/CPR TRAINING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

*Scan the QR code to watch the 4 minute youtube video demonstrating our AED in use.



New Members Welcome Ceremony:

On Sunday, April 14, 2024 Spirit of Joy welcomed newly installed members Kristen Haener, Mark Shellard and daughter Kaz Shellard.



YARD MAINTENANCE:

***FRIDAY, APRIL 19, FROM 7:30AM TO 11:00AM (GROUP 2)**

***SATURDAY, APRIL 20, FROM 7:30AM TO 11:00AM (GROUP 2)**

***FRIDAY, APRIL 26, FROM 7:30AM TO 11:00AM (GROUP 3)**

***SATURDAY, APRIL 27, FROM 7:30AM TO 11:00AM (GROUP 3)**

CONNECT CARDS:

IN-PERSON GREETERS: PLEASE REMEMBER TO WELCOME SOJ VISITORS/GUESTS ON SUNDAY MORNINGS AND HAVE THEM FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD.

VISITOR INFO IS LOCATED ON THE WELCOME TABLE AS YOU ENTER THE BUILDING.

Save the Date

Vacation Bible School

June 17-20 (6pm-8:30pm)
No Cost/Dinner at 5:30pm Included!
Location: Friedens Church
2501 Friedens Church Rd, Seguin, TX

Volunteers are needed!

*If you are interested in volunteering email Kylie:

secretary@peacenbucc.org



Prayer Requests:

President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris.

MEMBERS:

David Stoimenoff, Patsy Heckmann and Lynna Kraus.

MILITARY:

Scott Boswell (US Army)

Jordan Kranda (Grandson-in-Law of Craig/Lorna Wagner)

FAMILY OF MEMBERS:

Family of Rhonda Behal, Emily Eastwood (Sister of Sharon Villalpando), Jan Bailey (Sister-in-law of Sharon Villalpando), Emily Ongstad (Granddaughter of Lynna Kraus), Dawn Elliott (Mother of Megan Elliott), Michele Buckley (Sister of Patty Buckley), Mary Lee Alexander (Aunt of Denise Crettenden), Carol Alex (Sister of Susie Winterhalter), Nolan Petrosky (Grandson of Mary Petrosky), Jennifer Bulgerin (Niece of Bobbie Maddox), Judy Semmler, (Sister of Chris Frels), Amie Calhoun (Niece of Nancy Kempf and Lynna Kraus).

FRIENDS OF MEMBERS:

Gerry Richardson (Friend of Karen Wallock), Doris Ermel (Friend of Karen Wallock), Shirley Shortridge (Friend of Mary Ruby), John Albert (Friend of Sharon Villalpando), Emma Wolter (Friend of Sharon Frels), Alma Dominguez (Lynna Kraus' Friend and Helper), Angela and Bruce McConnell and Morgan Lemke (Friends of Barney and Leah Matocha), Megan Neville (Friend of Denise Crettenden), Shirley Germann (Sister-in-Law of David Stoimenoff and Jim Germann).

Ongoing Opportunities:

Caregiver Cafe: First Thursdays at Spirit of Joy in La Casita at 9:00am. Third Sundays at Emanuel's in the Family Life Center at 2:00pm.

SOJ Women's Circle: Every 3rd Tuesday at 2:00pm.
Location: SOJ La Casita

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: 7:00am, Location: El Olvido Hacienda Restaurant, 623 E. Kingsbury St.

Pastor's Bible Study on Zoom: Wed. afternoon at 3:00pm
(Contact Pastor Megan for link).

Choir Practice in the SOJ Worship Center: Wed. evening at 6:30 pm

Yoga in La Casita: \$5.00 per class—Bring your mat. (See calendar for schedule)

SOJ CALENDAR:

WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON AT SOJ THIS MONTH? CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO ACCESS THE SPIRIT OF JOY PUBLIC CALENDAR:

WWW.SPIRITOFJOYLC.COM/CALENDAR

PRAYER LIST:

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD ANY NAME, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO THE CHURCH OFFICE. WE WILL INCLUDE ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH HEALTH, EMOTIONAL OR FAMILY/WORK ISSUES FOR A PERIOD OF TWO WEEKS.

AT THE END OF THAT PERIOD, THEIR NAME WILL BE REMOVED IF A CALL/ EMAIL HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED REGARDING THEIR CONTINUED INCLUSION.

THANK YOU.

Volunteer Schedule:

April 21:

Assisting Minister: Karen Wallock

Lay Reader: Heidi Franzen

In-Person Greeter: Beth Bronk

Online Greeter: Patti Buckley

Ushers: Nick Franzen, Jim Germann

PrayGround: Bobbie Maddox

Altar Setup: Grace Mueller, Connie Meyer

Communion Assistants: Kathy Yandell, Helene Stadtmueller, Judy Hoffmann

Dieter Duty: Bobbie Maddox

Flowers: Kathy Yandell

Refreshments: Bob and Dayna Cantu

Kitchen Manager: Diane Lippe

Council Member Unlock: None Needed

Council Members Lock-Up: Bruce Clark, Martha Rinn

April 28:

Assisting Minister: Dayna Cantu

Lay Reader: Mason Jones

In-Person Greeter: Cynthia Points

Online Greeter: Sharon Frels

Ushers: Chris Frels, Mike Peters

PrayGround: Jennifer Ehlers

Altar Setup: Helen Mycue, Kathy Yandell

Communion Assistants: Denise and Eleanor Crettenden, Cathy Cordes

Dieter Duty: Rick and Jennifer Ehlers

Flowers: The Shellards

Refreshments: The Shellards

Kitchen Manager: Diane Lippe

Council Member Unlock: None Needed

Council Members Lock-Up: Need Two People

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY:

SPIRIT OF JOY IS COMMITTED TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD. WE CREATE OR JOIN EVENTS THAT WILL MEET THE NEEDS OF A VARIETY OF INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

SPIRIT OF JOY WANTS TO HELP YOU GROW IN CHRIST AND WE HAVE MANY DIFFERENT MINISTRIES IN ORDER TO HELP FOSTER THAT GROWTH. WE OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN TO GROW IN THIS DISCIPLESHIP OF JESUS.

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AV COORDINATOR: Tim Clark

MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS:

Hospitality: Dayna Cantu

Worship & Congregational Life: Leah and Barney Matocha

Faith Formation: Diana Ball

Mission and Outreach: Grace Mueller

Finance Team: Cathy Cordes, Heidi Franzen, Jim Germann

FACILITY TEAM LEADERS:

Facilities: Tobin Hoffmann

Facility Use (calendar): Pam Sagebiel

Grounds: Arlynn Hartfiel

Maintenance: Chris Frels, Helen Mycue

VOTING MEMBERS OF THE 2024 SWT SYNOD ASSEMBLY:

Mark and Robin Shellard

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER BOARD:

Pam Sagebiel, Karen Clark

2024 SPIRIT OF JOY COUNCIL:

TIM CLARK: PRESIDENT

MARK JOHANSEN: VICE
PRESIDENT

CATHY CORDES: TREASURER

MARTHA RINN: SECRETARY

MEMBERS: ALFRIEDA
LEITER, BRUCE CLARK,
MASON JONES, AND SANDRA
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