

## A New Part of an Old Path

I can still hear my uncle singing “Ave Maria” in the Catholic church in Queens, NY, where my grandparents attended most of their lives. It was my grandfather’s funeral. He was the last of that generation and he is greatly missed. The service was a fitting testimony to the man he was – devout in his faith, faithful to his wife, friendly with every person who crossed his path. I don’t know that he influenced my Christian journey directly because we didn’t spend much time on matters of faith. But, I do know he influenced my character and I do know that I’m stronger in my faith because of him.

Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints Sunday. It’s a day for us to remember that we travel a path that started before we were even born – started by those who have gone before us. For me it is my grandparents, for you it may be a friend or a sibling or a neighbor. But the reality is we don’t walk this path alone and we aren’t discovering a new path never considered. We are taking up the journey of faith that our loved ones traveled before us. We don’t walk in their footsteps as much as we continue to put down our footsteps where theirs have stopped.

One day others will continue to do the same. One day our footprints will stop. How are we helping the next generation prepare to make their part of the journey? How are we helping to shape their character and their faith?

All Saints Sunday is a time to remember those who have gone before us so we can be prepared to help those who come after us. I hope you can be at Asbury that day.

Blessings,



### *Service of Celebration & Communion*

*Wednesday, November 18th  
Peace Lutheran Church  
6435 Fairmont Parkway in Pasadena  
6:30 pm Worship & Communion  
7:30 pm Potluck Dinner*

*Everyone is invited to come celebrate the connection  
between the United Methodist Church  
and the Lutheran Church*



Sermon Series  
Continues through  
November 8th

### *Growing, Leading, Serving...*

**Saturday, October 31st**

**7:30 am**

*Rebuilding Together*

*Houston Mission Project*

**Saturday night, Oct. 31st**

Set your clocks back 1 hour

*Daylight Saving Time ends!*

**Sunday, November 1st**

**Noon**

*Church-wide Luncheon*

*(Judy Barnett benefit)*

**Saturday, November 7th**

**11:30**

*Manna Bag Mission*

**Sunday, November 8th**

**4:00 pm**

*BIG House & UMARMY*

*informational meeting*

**Friday, November 13th**

**10:00 am - 3:30 pm and**

**7:00 pm - 9:30 pm**

*Women of Faith Weekend*

**Saturday, November 14th**

**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

*Women of Faith Weekend*

**Saturday, November 14th**

**8:15 am**

*Medical Bridges Mission*

**Saturday, November 14th**

**9:00 am**

*Dist UMW Meeting*

**Wednesday, November 18th**

**6:30 pm**

*Service of Celebration &  
Communion @*

*Peace Lutheran*



On Sunday, November 1st we will remember and celebrate our saints. At 8:45 & 10:45 am the names of those in our congregation who have died this past year will be read, bells will toll, candles will be lit.

You will also have the opportunity to honor and remember your family members and loved ones who have died (not just this past year, but as far back as you'd like to go). **Stop by the table in the Great Hall to reserve a bell** which will be affixed to a cross that will be carried into our worship services that morning. There is no charge to participate but donations to cover our costs are always appreciated.



For the next few weeks, we will be collecting new and gently used cold-weather gear for distribution by Pasadena Community Ministry. There is a need for coats, sweaters, jackets, hoodies, hats, scarves, and gloves from infant size to adult size. Please check your closets for anything you may have to donate and don't leave a neighbor out in the cold! Thank You!

**To all the ladies of Asbury (age 18 and above):**

The *Women of Faith* conference, "A Grand New Day," is coming to the Toyota Center on Friday, November 13th and Saturday, November 14th. We have a group of ladies who are going and we would like for you come along! We've received a special price for premium seats of \$79, buy one – get one free, including a box lunch both days! That means you can split the cost with a friend, or pay the \$79 and invite a friend for free!

There will be great speakers like Luci Swindoll, Marilyn Meberg, Patsy Clairmont, Sheila Walsh, Lisa Harper and Lisa Wheelchel, and great entertainment from Nicole C. Mullen, Mandisa, Steven Curtis Chapman, and Allison Allen.

The conference runs from 10am to 3:30pm and 7:00pm to 9:30pm on Friday, and 9am to 4pm on Saturday. You can attend just one or all three sessions (with a box lunch both days) for \$79, or about \$40 if you split the cost with a friend. Feel free to invite women from your small group, your family, your friends and your co-workers.

I will be taking reservations and your payment on a first-come basis, so please contact me as soon as possible if you'd like to go. For details on the event, please go to [www.womenoffaith.com/houston](http://www.womenoffaith.com/houston), or contact Jan Lindstrom at [janlindstrom@comcast.net](mailto:janlindstrom@comcast.net) or (281) 991-3786.

Blessings,  
Jan Lindstrom



*Thank You...*

Thanks be to God for your wonderful participation in the Pasadena CROP Hunger Walk 2009! The impressive enthusiasm and commitment of your walkers and the generosity of all your sponsors and donations will make a tremendous impact in our Lord's work in fighting hunger and poverty in Pasadena, in our country, and around the world.



Dear Asbury,

I just want to thank Linda Alsobrook for helping coordinate the CROP walk this year, and Matt Black and the Praise Band for performing at the opening ceremony. Everyone enjoyed it. Also a bit Thank You to all the walkers and those who donated money. You helped to make it a big success. Asbury collected \$1916.50 in pledges for the walk.

Yours in Christ, Barbara McFarland

Those who bring  
thanksgiving as their  
sacrifice honor me.

Psalm 50:23



*Turkey Quest - 2009*

Once again Our Help & Hope (Missions) Team is sponsoring a church-wide mission to reach outside our walls and feed the many hungry people searching for God's love. We want to put together at least 65 Thanksgiving baskets to be delivered to families that otherwise would not be able to celebrate Thanksgiving.

For three Sundays, November 1st, 8th, and

15th we will collect canned goods at the church in the Main Hall. On Sunday, November 22nd we will put together the baskets and deliver the food to the families.

There are sign up sheets on the table in the Great Hall for you to sign up if you would like to make a donation of \$25 (for one basket of food), if you would like to help deliver, and a list of items to include if you want to put together your own basket.

If you would like to make a donation, we would like to have it by Sunday, November 15th. Let's take that first step in reaching out to our brothers and sisters of this area. Thank you!

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat,  
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink."*

**Matthew 25: 35**

*We seek to honor our covenant through our prayers, our presence, our giving, and our serving...*

**PRAYERS . . .**

**Anna**, 3 year old, recovering from major surgery  
**Bill Alsobrook**, Ernie & Linda Alsobrook's son, health concerns  
**Judy Barnett**, Kim & Lane Barnett's 15 month daughter,  
recovering from major surgery at Hermann Children's  
**Ross & Bea Bissonnet**, health concerns  
**Debbie Bliese**, Dawn Elliott's nephews wife, terminal cancer  
**Johnny Bonds**, Naomi Lines' friend, renal cancer  
**Doug Brown**, cancer  
**R. C. Campbell**, Sue Janda's brother in law, heart problems  
**Leola Calhoun**, Jackie Williams' mother, Park Manor rehab  
**Betty Carter**, former Asbury member, melanoma in the eye  
**Ralph Champion**, colon cancer  
**Ona Mae Cook**, health concerns  
**Donna Cooper**, Deanna Loven's sister, lung cancer  
**Don Custer**, former Asbury member, health concerns  
**JoAnn Dee**, Leon Dee's mother, health concerns  
**Leon Dee**, recovering from back surgery  
**Helen Domeika**, Gayle Guinon's sister, stroke  
**Mary Ellen Dussouy**, Cindy Evans' relative, breast cancer  
**Patrick Eaves**, kidney dialysis  
**Willis Evans**, recovering from pneumonia  
**Norma Jean Ethredge**, Wallace & Joetta Ethredge's  
daughter-in-law, cancer  
**Mary Farrell**, Sue Bolch's co-worker, fighting cancer  
**Jack Fink**, health concerns  
**Lynn Fisk**, friend of Mona Davis, cancer  
**Ismael Flores Jr**, major medical issues  
**Preston Freeman**, Letha Bissonnet's cousin, brain cancer  
**Hortencia Galvan**, Olga Galvan's mother, heart concerns  
**Geneva Garza**, James Turlington's mother, health concerns  
**Joe Godail**, health concern  
**Caroline Green**, Michelle Glover's niece, leukemia  
**Robert Heath**, Pat Godail's neighbor, diagnosed with cancer  
**Lee & Pauline Hendricks**, Paula Zikogiannis' grandparents,  
health concerns  
**Earl Hester**, Ronny Bolch's cousin, heart problems  
**Tom Higgins**, Joetta Ethredge's brother-in-law, cancer  
**Jerry Hyatt**, Shelia Guettler's uncle, cancer  
**Aidan Immroth**, Olga Galvan friend, brain tumor/cancer  
**Isabella Johnson**, Jeff Jordon's grandmother, fractured hip  
Family of **Rev. Joe James**, recent loss  
**Jean Jordon**, Jennifer Metcalf's friend, loss of husband  
**Jeff Jordon**, Joe and Pat Godail's son in law, medical issues

**Aunt Joy**, Glenna Tolley's aunt, hospice  
**Carrie Knapp**, recovery from brain surgery  
**Maurine Liles**, Paramount Rehab.  
**Noah Melcher**, Diane Peppo's student, brain tumor  
**Denise Mexicano**, Andrea Mann's friend, chemo treatments  
**Jean Milburn**, recovering from pneumonia  
**Corey Monzingo**, Dixie McAdams' family friend, age 20, cancer  
**Jim & Betty Moore**, Christina Gordon's parents, health concerns  
**Michael Parrish**, auto-immune disease  
**Warren Pfender**, Debbie Heckman's friend, cancer  
**Pinner & Salinas Family**, sudden and recent loss of loved ones  
**Justin Pitchford**, Sheila Guettler's cousin's son, leukemia  
**Chris Romero**, traveling with work  
**Carol Rose**, Lisa Deen's mother, recovery from serious illness  
**Rollin Rosser**, Kelsey Voss' grandfather  
**Jack & Billie Schmidt**, health concerns  
**Harriet Setrella**, Darlene Pettit's mother, Hospice care  
**Tiffany Smith**, unable to walk  
**Raymond Smith**, son of Sam & Mildred Gay, health problems  
**Gerald Soulier**, Molly Browning's father, recovering from a stroke  
**Matty Steen**, brain tumor  
**Connie Temple**, health concerns  
**Lillian Thompson**, Carol Halliday's sister, multiple myeloma  
**Laura Tyler**, Glenna Tolley's stepsister, cancer  
**Jose Valdez**, health concerns  
**Melissa Voss**, Kelsey Voss sister, guidance  
**Georgia Wisby**, health concerns  
**Miriam Williams**, Jackie Williams' mother-in-law, broken hip,  
recovering from surgery

**Our pastor, staff & church**

*Prayer requests will be printed for a period of 30 days  
unless an update is received in the church office.*

**Please pray for those serving our nation, especially:**

Michael Chopcinski, Jeremy Cauley, Corey Ellis, John Ethredge, Doug Goecke, Christopher Grantham, Derek Greer, Damon Gregory, Jessica Hamilton, Drew Hargus, Drake Inkster, Jeremy Jernigan, Jason Kelly, Todd Lockhart, Sean Lowe, Johnny Lozano, Carl Mann, Donald Meyer, Jesse Patterson IV, SFC Eric Quellhorst, Ronnie Randolph, Blake Sammons, Amy Southard, Jason Tisdale, Travis Waller, Andy Waller, Calvin Waller, Jason Williams, national & world leaders.

**PRESENCE . . .**

**Sunday, October 11, 2009**

8:45 a.m. Worship Service 73  
Sunday Small Groups 141  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service 145  
Sunday Evening Activities 41

**Sunday, October 18, 2009**

8:45 a.m. Worship Service 78  
Sunday Small Groups 147  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service 171  
Sunday Evening Activities 47



**Reminder...**  
**Daylight Saving**  
**Time ENDS next**  
**weekend.**  
**Remember to set**  
**your clocks**  
**BACK on Saturday night October**  
**31st so you will be on time for**  
**worship on Sunday.**



An acronym for **B**elieving In **G**od and **H**elping **O**thers **U**nderstand through **S**ervice **E**verywhere. ***It is for Jr. High youth (completed 6th - 8th grade.*** Work projects for BIG HOUSE include painting churches, doing landscaping, handrail repair, preparing meals, stocking food at a food pantry, etc. (bighousetx.org)



U.M.A.R.M.Y. is an acronym for **U**nited **M**ethodist **A**ction **R**each-Out **M**ission by **Y**outh. It is for Sr. High Youth **having completed 9th - 12th Grade.** Every year Asbury, along with other United Methodist Churches in the Texas Conference, send out a group of senior high students, college students, and adults to different towns in the Texas Conference area to paint, build porches, build wheelchair ramps, and much more for those who are not able to or cannot afford to make the improvements themselves. (umarmy.org)

There will be an informational meeting on ***Sunday, November 8th at 4:00 pm in the Youth room.*** All parents, youth, and ANYONE interested in participating in BIG House and or UMARMY is invited to attend. We cannot send our youth on either of these Mission opportunities unless we have adults to send also. Thank You.

*Our Church Office hours are:*

**9:00 am - 3:30 pm  
Monday - Thursday**

**9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Friday**

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***Our next edition...***Asbury's next Circuit Rider will be published Friday, November 6th. Please submit articles or information to the church office or via email at [asbury@asbury-umc.com](mailto:asbury@asbury-umc.com) by Tuesday, November 3rd.

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