

SERVANT ROTATION	ISF	SONG LEADER	COMMUNION PREP
	9/17.....Ralph Mason	9/17.....Cody Chrismon	September.....Chrismon
	9/24.....Kevin Johnson	9/24.....Ross Hendershot	October.....Hendershot
	10/1.....Cody Chrismon/Ross Hendershot	10/1.....Perry Winegeart	November.....TBD
	10/8.....Perry Winegeart	10/8.....Cody Chrismon	December.....TBD

TEACHER ROTATION	SUNDAYS	WEDNESDAYS
SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER	2 years-Kindergarten.....Kathy Winegeart 1st-3rd Grades.....Susan Barnick 4th-6th Grades.....Debbie Fougerat 7th-12th Grades.....Ralph Mason Adult.....Henry Lind	2 years-6th Grade.....Men 7th-12th Grades.....Cody Chrismon Ladies.....Auditorium

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

## Esther the Queen Anagram

**Word List:**

brave, courage, crown, fasting, jealousy, Jewish, Mordecai, prayer, Queen, saved



- aberv \_\_\_\_\_
- acegoru \_\_\_\_\_
- ehijsw \_\_\_\_\_
- eenqu \_\_\_\_\_
- aeprry \_\_\_\_\_
- acdeimor \_\_\_\_\_
- adesv \_\_\_\_\_
- cnorw \_\_\_\_\_
- afginst \_\_\_\_\_
- aejlosuy \_\_\_\_\_

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS	
Bible Study	22
Morning Worship	39
ISF (residents)	8
Wednesday Evening	26
Contribution	\$1,230.00
Special Contribution	\$500.00
Weekly Budget	\$2,098.00

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## September 17, 2017

Welcome, Guests! We are glad you are here. So that we may get to know you better, please fill out a Guest Information card from the pew rack in front of you and place it in the collection plate when it passes.

## Order of Worship

SONG LEADER: CODY CHRISMON

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- #8—*Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing*
- #71—*As the Deer*
- #779—*I Love You, Lord*

OPENING PRAYER

- #615—*He Keeps Me Singing*
- #387—*Tell Me the Story of Jesus*

LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

- #716—*Sing to Me of Heaven*

SERMON: JOHN SCHUMACHER

- #867—*To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way*

CLOSING PRAYER

- MEETING TIMES
- Sunday**  
Bible Study—9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service—10:30 a.m.
  - Wednesday**  
Meal—5:15 p.m.  
Midweek—6 p.m.

- UPCOMING EVENTS
- This Week**
- 18—SJHS VB @ Weimar
  - 20—GJHS XC Invitational
  - 21—SJHS FB v. Falls City
  - 21—GHS XC @ Altair Rice
  - 23—XC @ Islander Splash
  - 23—SJHS VB Tournament
- Next Sunday**
- 24—Fellowship Meal
  - 24—Singing at The Heights

- BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES
- Birthdays**
- 18—Jose Nunez, Phil Sweeney
  - 23—Ross Hendershot, III
- Anniversaries**
- 20—Perry & Kathy Winegeart (37th)

LOCAL MINISTER: CLAY MASON

COMMITTEES

*Worship & Education*  
Cody Chrismon, Kevin Johnson, Clay Mason

*Facilities*  
Zach Babb, Perry Winegeart

*Finance & Benevolence*  
Zach Babb, Ross Hendershot, Henry Lind, Clay Mason

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## *In a small Texas town, a Church of Christ becomes a hub for Harvey relief*

LA GRANGE, Texas — Days after Hurricane Harvey, La Grange Church of Christ volunteers dressed in lime green disaster relief T-shirts fill pickup beds with shovels, cases of bottled water and boxes of cleaning supplies.

Deacons Ted Bell and Paul Vogel — both retired police officers — and 11-year-old Landon Von Minden drive a black, 4-by-4 truck into a devastated mobile home park. Debris and tree limbs are piled high along the roadway.

Red X's painted on the sides of twisted structures identify the date when firefighters checked for survivors or victims and the number found.

Bell and Vogel introduce themselves to residents digging through belongings and ask if they could use any food, diapers or supplies.

"It's the least we could do to try to help. God bless," Bell tells a victim who voices appreciation for the gesture.

"They're letting everybody come in and take out what they can," Vogel explains. "Then they're going to tear everything out with a bulldozer."

The record-breaking rains brought by Harvey washed away a big chunk of this Texas town of 4,600.

When the Colorado River overflowed its banks, more than 350 homes were destroyed in the community between Austin and Houston, said Scott Elliott, minister for the La Grange Church of Christ.

But with the tragedy came an opportunity to show the love of Jesus, Elliott said: The church immediately became La Grange's donation hub.

"Our building has filled to capacity with donated items and volunteers," Laura Elliott, the preacher's wife, wrote on Facebook a few days after the storm. "It's an amazing sight to behold. Every pew in the auditorium is also filled with donated and sorted items as well as every classroom and hallway."

The building filled up so quickly, in fact, that it became obvious a larger facility would be needed, Scott Elliott said. After three days, the church handed over operations to a nonprofit with two warehouses.

Church volunteers then shifted to a different focus of disaster relief, going into devastated areas to distribute food and other items provided by Nashville, Tenn.-based Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort.

By the end of last week, 27 Churches of Christ — including the La Grange congregation — had received tractor-trailer loads of Harvey relief supplies from the national organization, associate director Ken Leonard said.

That number is rising.



"Be patient if a truck hasn't gotten to your congregation yet," Leonard wrote on Facebook. "We'll get to you soon. Pray for Texas and the saints that are helping us."

In the mobile home park, Michael Chaney is helping a friend, Pattie Chilek.

"It could be a lot worse," says Chaney, who escaped the floodwaters.

He pauses and nods toward his friend.

"This lady, she has nothing now," he says.

After distributing the boxes, Bell takes off his cap. He wipes the sweat from his brow.

The day before, he had driven to Houston — about 100 miles east of here — to offer assistance to two of his four adult daughters. Both of their homes flooded.

"I tell you what," he says, "it takes it out of you going to see so many people who are hurting."

But amid the heartache, he has seen many people at their caring, giving best — and that inspires him. At the local Walmart, he bought \$152.90 worth of cleaning supplies to take to his daughters. A woman who noticed the items in his shopping cart insisted on paying for them.

"What's your name?" he asked her.

"My name doesn't matter," she replied. "I just want to help."

- Bobby Ross, Jr. — *The Christian Chronicle*, Sept. 2017

## PRAYER LIST

- **Pauline Alvarez** (recovering from surgery)
- **Lauren Babb** (health)
- **John Beiler** (health)
- **James Bohannon** (Rex Boggs's cousin—health)
- **Keith Brown** (Wayne Brown's son—health)
- **Jim Carpenter** (Cody Chrismon's great uncle—health)
- **Betty Cox** (Brent Barnick's sister—homebound)
- **Dixie** (Debbie Faires's mother—Alzheimer's)
- **Jake Faires** (Air Force, deployed to Jordan)
- **Steven Faires, and Lexi**
- **Family and friends of Leon Giesecke** (Jan Moerbe's father, Jennie Chrismon's grandfather)
- **Nelle Hahn** (health)
- **Gordon Hoffman** (Rex Boggs's friend—spiritual/physical health)
- **Debbie Jalufka**
- **Molly Lind** (The Linds' daughter-in-law)
- **Clay Mason** (health)
- **Orvan Muelker** (Kathy Winegeart's father—health)
- **Norman Pennock** (Debbie Fougerat's step-father, health)
- **Ada Powell** (Sharron Mason's sister—health)
- **T.J. Reid** (Nelle Hahn's brother—health)
- **Jean Rice** (Rex Boggs's cousin—health)
- **Julie Rodriguez** (Babbs' friend—health)
- **Nancy Tuttle** (Peggy Walls's sister—health)
- **Edwin Weaver** (broken leg)
- **Catherine Winegeart** (Perry's mother—health)

**Julie Rodriguez**, Lauren Babb's friend who has attended our morning ladies class, suffered a stroke on Sunday night and was care-flighted to Austin from Hallettsville. She is alert and doing okay. Please also keep her husband, Ron, and son, George, in your prayers.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CLAY WILL BE ON LEAVE FOR HEALTH AND PERSONAL REASONS FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP CLAY AND MARY IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

### Fellowship Meal

Please join us **next Sunday** for our monthly fellowship meal immediately following morning worship. Anyone who is able is asked to bring a dish to share.

### Singing at The Heights

Please join us **next Sunday at 3:30 p.m.** for our monthly singing at The Heights of Gonzales nursing home.

### Country Store Donation Drive

The Heights of Gonzales nursing home is in need of donations for their Country Store. Suggested donations include toiletry items (soap, shampoo, lotion, etc.) for both men and women, gently used purses and jewelry, and word find books. You may drop off donations in the box in the foyer through **October 8**.

### Wednesday Evening Meal & Bible Study

Please join us **at 5:15 p.m. this Wednesday** for dinner in the annex. Anyone who is able is asked to bring sides to share, but please do not let that prevent you from joining us. Classes for all ages follow at 6 p.m.

### Volunteers Needed: Wednesday Night Meals

Volunteers are needed to prepare the entrée for meals on Wednesday evenings. To help, please sign up in the foyer. **If you signed up to prepare a meal, please send Victoria your menu by Wednesday the week before.**

### Volunteers Needed: Communion Prep

Volunteers are needed to prepare communion in the coming months. This task takes very little time and is a great service to the congregation. Please sign up on the large bulletin board in the foyer.

### Sunday Night Small Group

There is a small group that meets in the annex each Sunday evening from 6-7 p.m. The Lord's Supper is available.

### Tuesday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast

All men are invited to the annex each Tuesday morning at **6:20 a.m.** for a time of breakfast, prayer and fellowship.

## YOUTH ZONE



**MONDAY, SEPT. 18**  
JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL  
SHINER @ WEIMAR, 5 P.M.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20**  
JUNIOR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY

**GONZALES INVITATIONAL, 4 P.M. (INDEPENDENCE PARK)**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 21**  
HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

**GONZALES @ ALTAIR RICE CONS. INVITATIONAL, 4 P.M.**

**JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL**  
SHINER V. FALLS CITY, 6:30 P.M.



**SATURDAY, SEPT. 23**  
HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY  
GONZALES & SHINER @ ISLANDER SPLASH, 8 A.M.  
(CORPUS CHRISTI)  
JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL  
SHINER TOURNAMENT

Caden Chrismon—Shiner Jr High Cross Country, Football  
Jacy Chrismon—Shiner HS Cross Country

Megan Epley—Shiner Jr High Cross Country, Volleyball  
Coach Kevin Johnson—Gonzales Cross Country

If you have any announcements or prayer requests you wish to have included in the bulletin or to sign up for weekly e-mail updates, please contact Victoria Johnson: 325-518-9205, [victoria@gonzaleschurchofchrist.org](mailto:victoria@gonzaleschurchofchrist.org).