



A Multi-Campus Ministry

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Our Savior's Newsletter

May 2021

EAST MESA CAMPUS

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Neil Mattson, Administration

Ruth Parker, Missions

Leonard Schroeder, Evangelism

John Malmberg

Sharon Stinard

Susan Drane

Susie Cavoto

COORDINATING COMMITTEES

Cindy Reichert, East Mesa

Janice Cunningham, Gold Canyon

EAST MESA SUMMER HOURS

9 am to 3 pm Monday—Thursday

9 am to Noon Friday

GOLD CANYON OFFICE HOURS

May 2021

Have you ever watched a newly born, four-legged animal as it stands up for the first time? It is not the picture of elegance and grace that one sees from an adult deer or horse. Yet is amazing that just minutes after being born, up it goes! It really is a matter of survival.

There are times I feel like this as we emerge from this pandemic. While we are still in the midst of it, we are making efforts to stand on our feet and get moving forward again. We see it as schools seek to hold semi-normal graduation or commencement exercises. We see it as major sports and concerts try to reopen in responsible ways. We even experience it as the church.

We continue to re-assess as the situation around us evolves. We are learning new ways of being responsible as vaccinations roll out and information emerges as to how we can safely live with each other.

We also wrestle with our own human brokenness, from individuals to nations. We find that **using broad paint brushes to describe any group of people does not work.** The "isms" that may have been comfortable in the past, when exposed, cause us to look at one another more realistically, growing in our understanding of the experience of others.

I used to like to learn by experiencing things. I have also learned the value of learning from the experience of others. I actually do not have to make their mistakes to learn that they are mistakes. (Perhaps you are learning by seeing my mistakes! If I can save you some pain in the process, so be it ☺.)

We may be learning quite a bit during this time of getting our legs back under us. The Apostle Paul wrote some very wise words to the churches in Galatia: **"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."** (Galatians 6:2 NRSV) It is super easy to criticize one another. It is quite another thing to bear with one another. Stressed people are seldom at their best. Neither are tired people, sick people, grieving people, lonely people, overly busy people, depressed people... you get the pattern.

When we remember that at any given time, but by the grace of God, we could find ourselves in any of these situations. Learning to be patient and gentle with one another as those who are trying to find their feet again struggle to stand would be a good thing. It is **more than a good thing... it is fulfilling the law of Christ** – the law to love one another as Christ has loved us.

By God's grace, may we begin to see those struggling to their feet the way in which we marvel at those new-born animals. Even better yet, may we come along side and help them to get back on their feet. It can be a matter of life and death. Who knows? Perhaps the next one struggling to regain footing may be you/me!

Together on the Resurrection journey,

Pastor Bill Rindy

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES

April 20, 2021 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting

PRESENT: Barb Reurink, Janice Cunningham, Cindy Reichert, John Malmberg, Suzy Cavoto, Sharon Stinard, Leonard Schroeder, Ruth Parker, Neil Mattson

ABSENT: Susan Drane

STAFF: Pastor Bill Rindy, Pastor Tina Mills, Dave Reurink and Kim McCracken

CALL TO ORDER: (7:00 PM) by Janice Cunningham

DEVOTIONS: Pastor Bill Rindy

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ruth Parker moved to approve the amended agenda second by Sharon Stinard. MC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 16, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING: Cindy Reichert moved to accept the March 16, 2021 minutes and was seconded by John Malmberg. MC

STAFF REPORTS:

Pastor Rindy: 1. Easter went well. 2. Thank you for the week of vacation after Easter. 3. Pastor Nancy is heading back to New York. 4. Concluded the book study, "Missing the Point."

Pastor Mills: 1. Synod Assembly is in June. 2. There will be a training session on Zoom for the Synod Assembly. Those who are voting members will get an email as to when this training will be. 3. Easter went well. 4. Bible Study continues.

Kim McCracken: 1. Planning a couple of scenarios for Vacation Bible School. Having a large group introduction meeting and then sending home kits. The second option will allow families to chose what night to be in person. A large group gathering will be held at Skyline Park on Saturday. 2. Passed out large Easter eggs.

Dave Reurink: 1. The water feature at Gold Canyon is working. 2. The fire extinguishers in both Mesa and Gold Canyon have been inspected. 3. The wheelchair at Gold Canyon was moved. 4. Building shelving at EM. Using old lumber to keep the expense down. 4. Contacted Johnson Controls to get bid on security and fire protection for both campuses. 5. Landmark a company in Torrence, CA working with Octagon (cell tower) called and they would like to put up an additional building on our Gold Canyon property. Dave will pass on more information as he receives it.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cindy Reichert gave the Treasurer's report. Suzy Cavoto moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Second by Sharon Stinard. MC

EAST MESA CAMPUS COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Written report.

COUNCIL ACTION: Ruth Parker moved to approve the MOU for a women's 12-step and Big Book AA groups to meet in the Community Room following all Covid-19 guidelines beginning May 1, 2021. Second by Leonard Schroeder. MC

GOLD CANYON COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Written report.

ADMINISTRATION: Neil Mattson has met with most of the staff. Working on Kim McCracken's job description. Will call a personnel committee meeting.

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES**

April 20, 2021 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting

(continued)

MISSIONS: The poster for VBS at Gold Canyon is up and Ruth will work with Dianna on a slide for the ad loop at East Mesa. \$1,624 was given for Concordia Charter School and the Navajo Mission School. The next Missions meeting will be on April 22, 2021, 10am at EM in the overflow room.

WELCA: Sarah Circle will meet next week

NEW BUSINESS:

Barb Reurink, John Malmberg, Suzy Cavoto and Pastor Bill Rindy will begin working with Pastor Nancy on revising the Constitution and By-Laws.

Working with an attorney regarding the Idso house located in Sunland Springs. His suggestion is to not use a realtor from our congregation.

COUNCIL ACTION: Cindy Reichert moved to have the Treasurer as the Enrollment Officer for the mortgage through MIF (Mission Investment Fund) account and to have the ability to give the Business Administrator to have read only rights to this account. Second by Neil Mattson. MC

OLD BUSINESS:

COUNCIL ACTION: John Malmberg moved to hold a Special Congregational Meeting on May 9 at 11:40am at East Mesa for the purpose of establishing a continuing resolution for the Council to receive and sell real and personal property that is deeded to the Church. Second by Sharon Stinard. MC

ADJOURNMENT at 8:30 pm

Pastor Mills led the closing prayer.

Upcoming Meeting on May 18, 2021 @ 7pm Zoom meeting

**Special Congregational Meeting
Sunday, May 9th - 11:40 am
East Mesa Sanctuary**

**to authorize the selling
of a donated property**

**Register at OSLCAZ.ORG
or call 480-984-5555.**

EM COORDINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 12, 2021

The East Mesa Coordinating Committee met Monday, April 12, 2021, at 7:00 P.M.

Attending: Pastor Bill, John Weber, Pastor Tina, Kim McCracken, Dave Reurink, Susan Drane, Janice Cunningham, Robin Tomlinson, Linda Gerke & Cindy Reichert

Absent: Phyllis Edmond

Pastor Bill opened with prayer.

Family Promise – Robin

The next assigned week for our campus is September 19-25. Family Promise is hosting a virtual event

“Night Without A Bed” on Wednesday, June 23 at 6:30 P.M. More information will be forthcoming.

I-Help – Linda

5 women are currently being housed on Monday and Tuesday evenings the first, second and fourth weeks of the month. Discussion was held concerning the possibility of housing the ladies on months containing 5 weeks also as well as providing lunches. These items will be discussed at the next re-gathering task force meeting.

Property Team- Dave

The yearly fire extinguisher inspection has been completed. Working on a time of use plan with SRP

which would reduce the cost of electricity and would financially benefit the church. The new plan would go into effect in June.

Discipleship/Youth Activities-Kim

A scaled down version of Vacation Bible School is being planned for the third week of June. Details are still in the planning stage; however, the goal is to provide VBS for our community as well as for our

Sunday School children, while operating within the COVID protocol guidelines.

An AA group of 12-15 participants is requesting to meet on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 – 3:00. An MOU conforming with COVID protocol guidelines will be presented to Council at the April 20th Council Meeting.

Bible Study –Gospel of Mark study, led by Pastor Tina, continues to meet.

Music & Worship– John

Easter Services went well. The entire worship team, church staff and volunteers are to be commended on a job well done.

Administration/WELCA-Susan

An additional \$1,000 from Roaster Pan donations was distributed to families at Stephenson, Peralta Trail and Desert Vista elementary schools and Skyline High School.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer. Next meeting will be held on May 10th at 7:00 PM.

**Our Saviors Lutheran Church
Gold Canyon Coordinating Committee
April 6, 2021**

Attending: Janice Cunningham, Robert Cunningham, Suzy Cavoto, Ruth Parker, John Malmberg, Karen Howard, Susan Drane

Staff: Pr. Tina Mills, Kim McCracken, Dave Reurink

Absent: Mike Johnson, Leonard Schroeder, Pr. Bill Rindy

Pastor Tina opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer.

Our facilities were closed March 17, 2020. In-person worship services were resumed in September 2020. We have not been holding face to face meetings. This was our thirteenth monthly meeting done by Zoom. Congratulations to for all who faithfully attended during this past year.

Susan moved to accept the March minutes as written. Seconded by Karen. MP

PASTOR AND STAFF REPORTS: Only those with activities are included here:

Pr. Tina said the Lenten services and Holy week went very well. She thanked all the recording teams, those who helped with live streaming and the parking lot services. All were really well attended. Bible study is ongoing. There has been no Discipleship meeting so the plans for Pr. Bill's study have not been made.

Kim Large plastic eggs and worship bags were available for the children and youth this last week. She is getting ready for VBS. Not sure yet how it is going to work. She is continuing to reach out to families on a regular basis. There were 10 people who did a hike in the San Tan Mountains. This will probably be the last hike for some time because the heat is settling in.

Dave – He treated the women's restrooms at Gold Canyon for odors. The filters have been changed. He is meeting with a company that may be able to replace Titan.

MINISTRY CHAIR REPORTS: Only those with activities are reported below:

Administration – Neil Mattson is the new Council representative for Administration. Janice will contact him to see if he is interested in attending the Coordinating Committee.

Care – We still need a Chair for this position. However, the concept of the Care Ministry is still being outlined. Mike Johnson is still in the hospital; Carolyn's daughter Lynn is recovering from a heart attack while Carolyn continues to recover in a care center in Gold Canyon.

Finance – John reported that the contributions for March were below budget. He is hoping that they improve the second quarter. We have applied for a second PPP loan but have not heard anything from Chase Bank yet.

Missions - Ruth reported there will be a Mission meeting April 22nd. Missions are set for the rest of the year.

Property – Robert will be spraying for weeds this week.

WELCA – Susan reported that the collections from the Roaster pans still had some money available. \$2,000 was delivered to the 4 schools we support at \$500 each.

Old Business – Janice suggested that we think about whether we want to have the Summer Celebration this year. Suzy suggested that we may want to combine it with the 10 year celebration that was to be held last December. All of this will depend on whether our facilities are fully open by summer.

Pr. Tina closed us with prayer.

Our next meeting is May 4, 2021 at 1pm by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Cunningham, Chair

Sarah Circle (year-round)
4th Monday of the month.
Next meeting May 24th.
at 6:30 pm via Zoom.
KimM@oslcaz.org



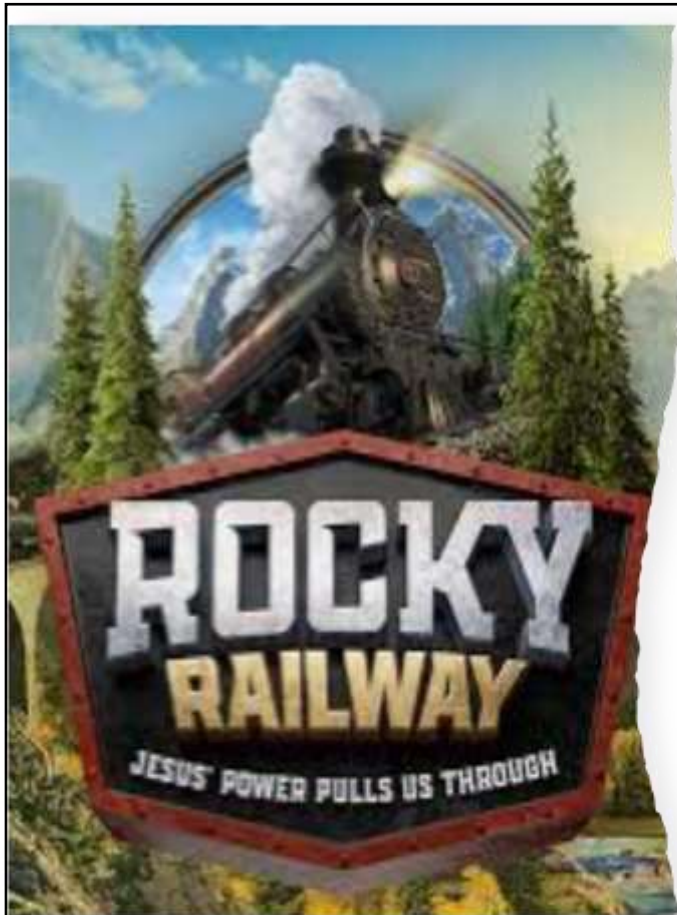
Building Communities, Strengthening Lives

Since 2000, the programs of Family Promise of Greater Phoenix have helped more than 1,400 families. The Family Promise Mission is providing emergency shelter and social services to help families move toward independent housing and self-sufficiency. To learn more about it go to their webpage at www.familypromise.org.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church provided meals from January 17th through the 24th for our assigned families. Because of COVID-19, the families that would usually have come to our campus were housed in Scottsdale at the Earll Drive location. Carol Prellberg and I arranged for hot meals each evening. Carol gathered food items for breakfasts and lunches, too.

Our next assigned week is September 19th through 25th. Hopefully, we will be able to host our families live and in person. Mark your calendars. **Save the Dates.** We will need lots of volunteers.

Contact Robin Tomlinson at 480-396-6174 for further information. Pastors Tina and Nancy can give answers, too.



Join us for
Vacation Bible School!!
June 21st- 27th

For more information
contact Kim McCracken

KimM@oslcaz.org
phone: 480-984-5555
ext. 314

SAVE THE DATE

 Family Promise
of Greater Phoenix



Night 
without
a Bed

Virtual Event
June 23, 2021
6:30pm

FINANCIAL REPORT

Statement of Financial Position For All Funds as of 03/31/2021

Assets

Bank

Chase Business Checking	\$	323,379.76
Chase PPP Loan Checking	\$	2,275.71
ELCA Federal Credit Union	\$	25.00
MIF Investment Acct	\$	5,253.00

Vanguard - OSLC Endowment	\$	749,211.47
Education Portion	\$	8,182.45
Other Portion	\$	14,824.75

Total Vanguard-OSLC Endowment \$ **772,218.67**

Vanguard Capital Projects	\$	369.73
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Total Vanguard Capital Projects \$ **5,844.73**

Vanguard Reserve Account	\$	64,215.07
Petty Cash	\$	172.94

Total Bank \$ **1,173,384.88**

Total Accounts Receivable \$ **500.00**

Total Fixed Assets \$ **5,226,455.05**

Total Assets \$ **\$6,400,339.93**

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$	20,337.86
Payroll Withholding & Taxes	\$	(249.87)
Chase PPP Loan Payable	\$	77,481.00
Mortgage Payable	\$	1,588,900.71

Total Liabilities \$ **\$1,686,469.70**

Net Assets

Restricted

Adult Education Materials Fund	\$	913.90
Angel Tree Fund	\$	1,433.00
Capital Projects - Vanguard	\$	5,844.73
Chase PPP Fund	\$	(92,097.11)
CYF General Fundraisers	\$	2,053.64
CYF Noisy Offerings	\$	2,988.74
CYF Trunk or Treat	\$	(279.54)
CYF VBS	\$	384.21
CYF Youth-Sunday School	\$	1,142.80
CYF Youth Gatherings	\$	470.67
CYF Youth Scholarships	\$	422.15
Designated Offerings	\$	54,251.82
EM Chapel Organ Fund	\$	66.34
Endowment Fund - Vanguard	\$	772,218.67
Family Promise Fund	\$	2,968.37
Food Shelf Fund	\$	240.00
GC Choir Fund	\$	574.00
Holiday Flowers Fund	\$	70.84
I-Help Fund	\$	6,437.97
Legacy (debt reduction) Fund	\$	4,172.00
Local Emergency Aid Fund	\$	17,252.61
Mesa AV Project Fund	\$	557.84
Mesa Sign Project Fund	\$	56.59
MIF Investments	\$	5,253.00
Music Fund	\$	(163.32)
Parking Lot Fund	\$	930.00
Property and Equipment	\$	3,634,129.26
Reserve Fund - Vanguard	\$	64,215.07
Snack Pack Fund	\$	13,135.77
Thrivent Sponsored Events	\$	2,908.96
Undesignated Memorials	\$	2,557.17
WELCA Fund	\$	50.00

Total Restricted \$ **4,505,160.15**

Total Unrestricted (Gen'l Fund) \$ **208,710.08**

Total Net Assets \$ **4,713,870.23**

Total Liabilities + Net Assets \$ **6,400,339.93**

Weekly Devotions

- **Devotions: Live Mondays at 1:30 pm on Facebook (AZ time)**
- **Available any time on Facebook!**

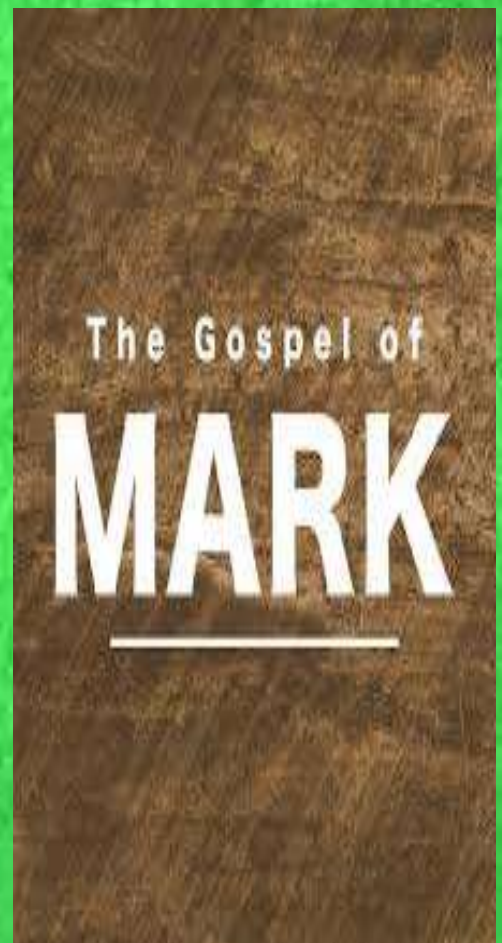


Bible Study on Gospel of Mark

**Tuesdays at 10:30 am
(Starting March 16th)**

**Saturdays at 9:00 am
(Starting March 20th)**

**Email Pastor Tina at
Tina@oslcaz.org**



Happy Birthday

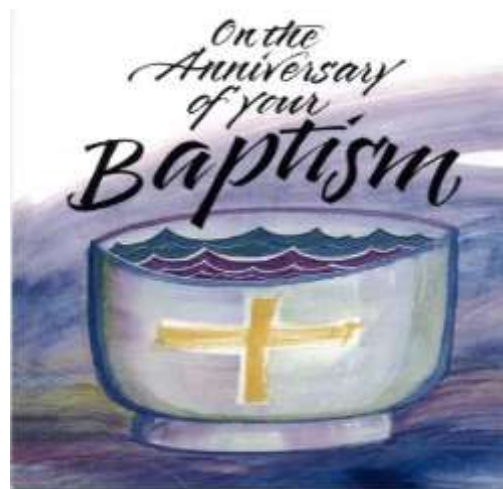
05/01	Kurtis Berndt	05/11	Roger Syverson	05/21	Jill Bolte
05/02	Marie Snow	05/11	Della Neumiller	05/22	Twila Gottlieb
05/02	Pam Moser	05/11	Tom Wall	05/22	Eric Timmons
05/03	Gary Feldt	05/11	Lynn Vig	05/22	Sue Fry
05/03	Marilyn Johnson	05/11	Aaliyah Janz	05/23	Dean Jensen
05/03	Macey Castle	05/12	Dave Burden	05/23	Maxine Zempel
05/04	Joanne Jones	05/13	Paula Cooper	05/23	Jeannie Anderson
05/04	Geraldine Murphy	05/13	Nancy Joy	05/23	Matt Vig
05/04	Gayle Ahlbrecht	05/13	Judy Klapperick	05/23	Kerry Mae Kenley
05/04	Charles Wilson	05/13	Maryanna Hall	05/24	Jamie Kenley
05/05	Blaine Janz	05/13	Lexi Hess	05/24	Betty Egglund
05/05	Roger Ringer	05/13	Rylee Anforth	05/24	Darlene Brokke
05/05	Cheri Wagner	05/13	Margo Shell	05/24	Jerrine Jacobsen
05/05	Tyler Hinrichs	05/14	Bob Druckrey	05/24	Lisa Walth
05/06	Joan Kyro	05/15	Marjorie Johnson	05/25	Ruth Lazur
05/06	Arnie Schenck	05/15	Sandy Tebelius	05/25	Esther Martin
05/06	Scot Herman	05/15	Christopher Jentz	05/25	Alex Ust
05/07	Mark Firgens	05/16	Don Zimmerman	05/26	Betty Clavelle
05/08	Jack Gibson	05/16	Keith Barrow	05/27	Eloyce McGillivary
05/08	Barb Rockwell	05/17	Barb Hofmeister	05/27	Donna Johnson
05/08	Jane Wise	05/17	Joan Tuttle	05/27	Cindy Nelson
05/08	Curt Larson	05/17	Karen Christophersen	05/28	Donna Haugen
05/08	Lonnie Benson	05/17	Jackie Steffens	05/28	Linda Krueger
05/09	LeVine Olson	05/17	Jane Weber	05/28	Tammy Dalton
05/09	Marlene Unger	05/18	Sharon Amundsen	05/29	Nita Sperling-Crimins
05/09	Landen Miller	05/19	Thomas Holz	05/29	Kelsey Wise
05/10	Marlys Mehring	05/19	Mayvis Jallo	05/31	Joyce Doescher
05/10	Merrill Wondrow	05/20	Shirley Vogl	05/31	Connor Mault
05/10	Linda Rohrbach	05/20	Madeline Overlie		

Wishing You a Happy Anniversary!



05/10 Moen, Layner & Reva
 05/10 Buckhouse, Ron & Diane
 05/11 Wise, Daniel & Kelsey
 05/13 Cooper, Carroll & Paula
 05/13 Nathan, Lee & Kevin
 05/14 Massari, Michael & Judith
 05/15 Lommel, Jim & Shirley
 05/15 Thiede, Cindi & Bob
 05/18 Levenske, Jerry & Viv
 05/19 Holz, Elsie & Thomas
 05/19 Justmann, Max & Betty
 05/25 Nordberg, LeAnn & Dennis
 05/26 Cooper, Wayne & Judith
 05/26 Heitland, Sarah & Cris
 05/27 Firgens, Paige & Mark
 05/29 Gilman, Lil & Paul
 05/29 Collis, John & Carolyn

5/29/2005 Brandon McCracken
 5/29/2005 Sarah McCracken
 5/19/2007 Miranda Kill
 5/27/2007 Nicholas McCracken
 5/1/2010 Grace Real
 5/9/2010 Gracelynn Roscoe
 5/13/2012 Roman Norgaard
 5/5/2013 Zaidon Washington
 5/17/2015 Charles Wilson



May 2021



Mission Items

FOOD SHELF:

In place of food shelf donations,
buy a gift package at the grocery store.

FINANCIAL:

Heat Respite



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Saturday Service
4:00pm

Sunday Services

7:30am
9:00am
10:30am

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5301 S. Kings Ranch Road
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Sunday Services

9:00am

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