



## Mid-Month Connection

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Mid-September 2016

# Queen City Jazz Band

## Oktoberfest

**October 9, 2016 10:45 am Service**

After the worship service, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for more jazz and lunch. Brats, hot dogs and beverages will be served. Free will donation. Beer mugs are \$5.

### Imagine, Inform, Inspire

This past weekend, Pastor John Sproul, our Lutheran Church Extension Fund consultant, introduced our three year mortgage retirement campaign to the congregation. Pastor Abel explained its theme, "Arise!" which comes from Isaiah 60:1-4. In this passage, though Isaiah sees the darkness growing around him, he also see an even brighter future for the people of God.

Our campaign leadership was also commissioned and held its first training meeting with Pastor Sproul following the Sunday worship services. We are thankful for the members who are committing their time and energy toward a successful campaign.

Over the next several months, we will be prayerfully discerning the vision God has for Our Father and how we can help prepare financially for future ministry in an ever-challenging world. By December, we hope each of you will complete a financial commitment card.

To learn more about the four phases of this campaign, and to find the names of the campaign directors, see our linked PDF [here](#). Together, led by the Holy Spirit, we can make this bright future happen!

I WISH

I SEE

I AGREE

I'M IN

## Student Ministries

### Let the CHAOS Begin!

Join us on Wednesday nights to connect with other HS students to live deeply rooted in an authentic relationship with God! We will hang out, catch up and eat! (Food for purchase most nights for \$1 - \$6.) New for this year are surprise nights! Check your [CHAOS schedules](#).

### Confirmation Information

We meet every Wednesday night from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Food is available for purchase most nights. For questions, contact Kelly at [kbruehl@oflc.net](mailto:kbruehl@oflc.net) or Teri at [tevans@oflc.net](mailto:tevans@oflc.net).

### A Deeply Rooted Faith Partnership

For parents of future Confirmands, we will complete our Wednesday class on **September 21**.

### "Meet Your Kids Mentor" Ice Cream Social!

Plan to attend the ice cream social for Confirmation parents and mentors to get to know each other, **Wednesday, September 28, 7:00 pm**.

### Save the Date!

The 2017 OFLC Youth Summer Mission Projects information meeting will be **Sunday, October 9 at 9:00 am and also at 12:00 pm**. (The same information will be shared at each meeting.)

### HS and MS Fall Retreat

The combined fall retreat will be **November 4 - 6** at the Lutheran Valley Retreat. Register and pay [online](#) NOW! Deadline is Friday, October 21.



## Education Sunday Mornings

9:30-10:30 am

### Fall Classes

- **Digging Deeper: The Lord's Prayer**  
Instructors: Pastor Nate Peregoy and Micah Steiner
- **What Does It Mean to Be A Lutheran Christian?**  
Leader: Pastor Scott Abel
- **The Two Greatest Kings of Israel**  
Instructor: Richard Davidson
- **Love and Logic**  
Instructor: Michele Schulteis (cost \$10)

## Children's Education

### Children's Sunday Morning Ministry

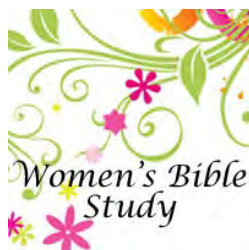
Come to learn some of our favorite Bible stories and do some fun activities based on these stories, Sundays at 9:30 am. See the room list on the south stairway or at the bottom of the stairs.



### Sprouts

During the 10:45 am worship service, children 3 years old through fifth grade leave worship prior to the sermon for an educational experience in the Great Room and return after the sermon.

## Weekday Bible Study



### Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Are you looking to dig into God's Word a little more? Want to connect with other women at Our Father? Whatever the reason - we'd love to see you on

**Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am** in Room 300. We'll start the year off by studying the Lord's Prayer using the LifeGuide Bible Study. This class is led by Michele Schulteis and is a good way to review and dig deeper into the sermon series this fall. All women are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Michele at [mschulteis@verizon.net](mailto:mschulteis@verizon.net).

## Fellowship

**Book Club** - The Book Club meets **Monday, September 19, 7:00 pm**, discussing Wild by Cheryl Strayed in the Library. Any and all readers are invited to join our group! Call Elaine Hamburger, 303-699-7645, for more information.

## Elderberries

Pizza parties aren't just for the younger crowd. So...join us for pizza, salad and fellowship on **Wednesday, September 21 at 1:00 pm**. Pizza and salad will be provided (nominal charge for the pizza - under \$5); bring your favorite salad topping. Hope to see you there.

## Men's Ministry



### Men's Breakfast Features

#### Pastor Travis Hartjen.

**Saturday, September 24 at 7:30-9:30 am** Breakfast and coffee will be served. Cost: \$7. Presentation begins at 8:00 am.

Pastor Travis is a church planter in Allen, TX where he helped launch Tangible Grace in the fall of 2010. Prior to that, Travis was a DCE and focused on the discipleship of families and students. He speaks around the country weaving the truth of Jesus with humor and anecdotes from his own life. He has been married to Tara for over 18 years and together they have four kids.

## Community Outreach

### IMPACT 2016

#### Outreach Painting for Family Homestead

Our Father helps Family Homestead with light cleaning and painting at an apartment for a homeless family. Our next painting event is on **Saturday, October 1 from 8:00 am to noon**. Please consider helping with this event as a way to help our community! Sign up at the Reception Desk.

## Special Ministries



### Mothers of Preschoolers

Our next MOPS gathering is on **Friday, September 16** and will meet on the first and third Fridays of every month from 9:15 - 11:30 am in the Community Room. Our theme this year is "We Are the Starry Eyed." A program for the children is also a part of this! Contact Christene Woodward at [dcwoodwards2000@gmail.com](mailto:dcwoodwards2000@gmail.com) with any questions or check out the MOPS website at [www.oflc.net/mops-mothers-of-preschoolers/](http://www.oflc.net/mops-mothers-of-preschoolers/). Try out one session for free. Join us for great support and encouragement.

### September Food Drive

Let's be neighbors to those in need and help fill the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Please bring non-perishable foods to church through September 25. Bags are available in the Narthex for your convenience.

**Professional want ads**  
**Resumes**  
**Careers**  
**employment**  
**LinkedIn**  
**Job Seekers**  
**networking**  
**Interviews**  
**Recruiter**  
**search**

***Don't do your job search alone!***

If you are unemployed, underemployed, or just looking to change jobs, this group is for you.

**Job Seekers**

**Wednesdays 8:00 - 9:30 AM**

**in the OFLC Community Room**



**OFLC Information**

**Celebration Ringers**

The Celebration Ringers will be starting practice on **Monday, September 26, 6:30 pm**. Mark your calendars!



**Thanksgiving on the Border, 2016**

For the 22<sup>nd</sup> year in a row, families, youth, and adults from OFLC will serve the hungry in El Paso and Juarez over Thanksgiving Break, **November 23 - 27**. We are seeking a team of 10-15 volunteers for this affordable mission trip. If you are

interested in joining or learning more about this long, rewarding tradition, please sign up prior to October 16 in the event notebook on the Reception Desk in the Narthex. More information is provided for you there. Should you have questions, please contact our organizer, Tom Stuebe, by email at [tdstuebe3@comcast.net](mailto:tdstuebe3@comcast.net) or 303-797-7871.

**Save the Date**

The Epiphany party will be **January 7, 2017**. We are in need of new location due to travel plans of the Cunninghams who have graciously hosted us the in the past. We need a large home or club house available that evening, (rental fee under \$100 preferable). Contact Joanne Wille, 303-797-6511 with any information. Thank you.

**Need-Based Care Ministers are Here for You**

Are you struggling with any of life's countless challenges? Could you benefit from meeting with a caring person from Our Father who would be there for you during this time? Everyone goes through tough situations - there is no need to make this journey alone. Consider allowing a Need-Based Caregiver (NBC) to come alongside to offer prayer and support as you work through a crisis or difficult time. Contact Larry Bettermann at 303-346-9496 or Pastor Nate Peregoy at 303-779-1332 x 218 to learn more.

**Members Remembered In Our Prayers:**

- *Hospitalized:* Doug Rowlett, Dick Stotler, Atlanta Dye
- *Those struggling:* Candace Daberko, Curt Becker, Carol Carnahan (began new treatment), Dorothy Schmid, Gerda Hess, Jody Hinrichs (last month of chemo)
- *Sympathy with:* Cheryl Grothe, at the death of her husband, Ron
- *Rejoice with:* Todd and Sarah Wickam at the baptism of Jacob Todd, Andy and Cat Wise at the baptism of Henry Thomas and Abby and Travis Haselhorst at the birth of their daughter, Emily Kim

**Financial Information**

**GENERAL OFFERINGS**

**Through August 31, 2016**

Offerings received .....	\$ 894,496
Offering budget.....	\$ 871,000
Overage through August.....	\$ 23,496
Annual offering budget .....	\$ 1,431,800
Remaining offerings needed.....	\$ 537,304

**Music Rehearsals**

🎵 **Celebration Ringers** - 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays at 6:30 pm

🎵 **tenfortyfive Band** - Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

🎵 **Jubilate Ringers** - Thursdays at 6:00 pm

🎵 **Adult Choir** - Thursdays at 7:30 pm

Please call or email Matt Hoehne if you have any questions or would like to participate in our Music Ministry. He would be delighted to speak with you. Contact him at [mhoehne@oflc.net](mailto:mhoehne@oflc.net) or 303-779-1332.