

# NARTHEX NEWS

## FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 4

*Weekly Email Newsletter from Atascocita Presbyterian Church*



### WORSHIP SERVICE APRIL 4

**Easter Sunday**

**Live streamed and  
in person with limited attendance  
10:20-11:30 am**

Lectionary for this Sunday:  
Mark 16:1-8

**Rev Shelley Craig, will be leading Sunday's worship. You may join the service live streamed on BoxCast or in person at 10:20 am.**

**If you have been worshipping via BoxCast and have thought about when you might return to the sanctuary, be assured that all precautions have been taken to protect every individual. The pews are marked in a way that allows for physical distancing between rows. Hand sanitizers are placed at the front door. Face masks are required (we'll give you one if you don't have one). Please join us if you are comfortable. The Bibles and hymnals are back in the pews!**

**To enhance your Sunday morning worship, you may view or print the Order of Worship from a link on the website.**

**Changes to online viewing of the worship service, classes,  
and meetings are outlined on the last page.**

### EASTER LILIES IN THE SANCTUARY

Easter lilies may  
be taken home  
after Easter  
Sunday worship.



## SPECIAL EASTER WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

### Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service April 1, 7 pm

Rev Lynn Hargrove will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)

### Good Friday Prayer Service, April 2, noon

Aaron Seay will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)

### Easter Sunday, April 4



#### Children's Activities, 9:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt, crafts, and a snack.  
*Bring your basket!*

#### Worship, 10:30 am

Rev Shelley Craig will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)

Children's Faith Formation will meet with Lisa Stacy **in person at APC for an egg hunt and crafts.**  
*Bring your Easter basket!*

### FAITH FORMATION LESSONS FOR CHILDREN

**Children's Faith Formation will return to in-person meetings on Sunday, April 11 at 9:30 am.**

Please contact Lisa Stacy by email ([lisastacy3@yahoo.com](mailto:lisastacy3@yahoo.com)) or by phone (281-852-2986) with any questions or concerns related to APC Children's Ministries.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Join Aaron and the youth group as they return to in-person meeting **Sunday, April 18 in the fellowship hall.**

Aaron may be reached by email ([aaron@apchumble.org](mailto:aaron@apchumble.org)).

**Presbytery of New Covenant Conclaves retreat is Friday, April 9 through Sunday, April 11.** Friday and Sunday are virtual via Zoom. Saturday the 10th will be in person at the presbytery office from 9 am till 6 pm. **See info below.**

The entire weekend will involve everything our youth are used to seeing at Conclaves: small groups, free time, keynotes, worship, music, ENERGIZERS, and even a mission project.

## SIGN UP FOR 2021 YOUTH CONCLAVES!

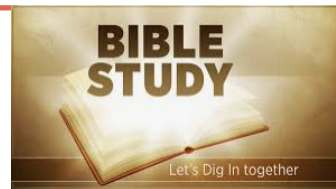
**The best part of the mission project is that EVERYONE from the congregation can get involved!** PYCC is asking each church to gather the donations provided on this list so that each youth group can then bring these items to the in-person portion of Conclaves.

This year's mission project consists of putting together health and wellness kits for those around the Houston area who are experiencing homelessness. We welcome all youth (6th-12th grade) to sign up for Conclaves this year and encourage all who are able to make donations for this mission project to do so!

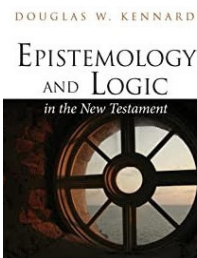
**Mission project items may include:** individually wrapped snacks and drinks, masks, combs, lip balm, face towels, soap, hand sanitizer, toothbrush, toothpaste, plastic utensils, sunscreen, insect repellent, mints, and socks.

Contact Aaron Seay (aseay@pbyofnewcovenant.org) for registration information.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS WITH PASTOR SHELLEY LIVE STREAMED AND IN PERSON



**Class will not meet Easter Sunday, April 4.** Class resumes April 11.



Doug Kennard's Sunday Adult Faith Formation **class will not meet Sunday, April 4.**

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS WITH DOUG KENNARD LIVE STREAMED

Class resumes Sunday, April 11 from 9:15 to 10:15 am through the zoom invite <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83087066050>.

We will read Chapter 2 of Matthew in Doug Kennard's *Epistemology and Logic in the New Testament*. Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2016. 978-1-5326-0815-5 or ebook 9078-1-5326-0816-2.

## PRAYERS, CONCERNS, AND CONDOLENCES



We lift prayers to the Lord for friends and family:

- Those who have contracted Covid-19 and family and friends of those affected.
- Frontline and essential workers with increased exposure to Covid.
- Migrant children at the border in overcrowded conditions, seeking a better life and the parents who felt it was their only option to let them go.
- The Mills family.
- Deondra, Ann Owen's granddaughter, and her young clients at CPS.
- Maddy, Ellen & Russ Nipe's granddaughter.
- Mazie Williams diagnosed with breast cancer.
- George Clark at home in cancer treatment.
- Bart Baker with health concerns.
- The Landry family and their missing son, Jason.
- Nominating committee and their decisions.
- David Lasinsky experiencing neuropathy and side effects from chemo.
- Carol Hedgepath with health concerns.
- Richard Munoz with health concerns.
- Sandy Lee's cousin has gone to hospice.
- Carie Anne, Emily Murphy's daughter, medical testing.
- Sine McCarty has been moved to hospice.
- The Kepharts and Bev O'Brien.

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world.

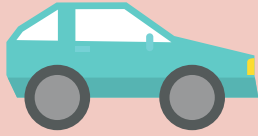
This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing to support the ministries of Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

**Typically received during the season of Lent, your gifts will be accepted now through April 4.**

The Presbyterian Foundation has set up an additional option when clicking on the Give Now button on the church website. There is now a One Great Hour of Sharing fund option to accept your donation. All online giving is subject to a 2% transaction fee. Thank you for your generosity!



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT



## CALL THE SHOT SHUTTLE!

Vaccinations are more readily available and we want to make sure those within our congregation will have transportation to and from the vaccination sites.

**Call the Shot Shuttle** when you receive notification that you have an appointment for a specific time and place to get vaccinated for Covid-19. We will see that you get to your appointment. Don't miss your appointment just because transportation is an issue.

**Call the church office (281-852-8990) to let Carroll know if you need a ride and she will contact a driver.**

## ANCIENT MARINERS WILL SAIL AGAIN!

But not yet.

Currently, there are no activities in the works but our "Captain," Linda Andrus, has been advised by Harris County Precinct 2 when trips are available. Stay tuned!

In the meantime, the May Community Center, 2100 Wolf Road, Huffman, offers free intergenerational programs as a part of the Harris County Precinct 2 educational and recreational commitment to Harris County residents.

See their activities calendar at: [hcp2.com/neighborhood-services/community-centers](http://hcp2.com/neighborhood-services/community-centers). Scroll down to May Community Center and click on "view calendar events."



Have you been spending the pandemic doing jigsaw puzzles? If so, the Spiritual Fellowship Committee would like for you to join us in sharing the ones you have finished with others. If you have adult and/or children's puzzles, **bring them to the church in a bag marked SFC**. We'll wipe the boxes with disinfectant before putting them out on the table in the library.

Rules (always with the rules):

1. Bring only gently used puzzles.
2. Bring only puzzles with all the pieces in the original boxes.
3. Put the pieces in one or two sealable bags so they won't sneak out of the box.

Suggestion: You could put the edge pieces in one bag and the rest in another. (Yeah, some of us are that lazy.)

Enjoy the ones you take home.



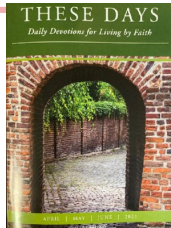


**KIDS  
HOPE  
USA**

Kids Hope USA builds life-changing relationships one at a time: One Child. One Hour. One Church. One School. The program provides structure, training, support, and resources designed for use

in public schools by churches, as well as ongoing materials and a support team for personal assistance.

**APC needs a volunteer program director in order to get our program going again in time for the 2021 fall semester.** Someone who will lead volunteers and serve as the key point of contact with our school partner. In Humble ISD there are two or three elementary schools from which we can choose. Please volunteer by calling the church office (281-852-8990).



## THESE DAYS DAILY DEVOTIONAL

*These Days* daily devotionals (April -June) may be picked up in the narthex. The online pdf is not available yet. (I'll post as soon as possible.)

## CALENDAR



### **Monday April 5**

- 9:30 am Yoga - fellowship hall
- 5:00 pm Children's Ministry Committee - Zoom and in person

### **Tuesday April 6**

- 10:00 am Mission Crafters - craft room
- 10:00 am Worship Committee - Zoom

### **Wednesday April 7**

### **Thursday Apr 8**

- 7:00 pm Adult Christian Education Committee - Zoom

### **Friday, April 9**

- 6:00 pm Conclaves - Zoom

### **Saturday, April 10**

- 9:00 am Conclaves - Meet at Presbytery of New Covenant office, 4803 San Felipe, Houston

### **Sunday, April 11**

- 9:00 am Conclaves - Zoom



## MAKING YOUR PLEDGE OR DONATION BY ONLINE GIVING

Click on the "Give Now" button on the APC website ([apchumble.org](http://apchumble.org)) and you'll be taken to a giving page with our church photo at the top. You can set the frequency of your gift, proceed as a guest, or create a profile, and charge the gift to your checking or saving account or to your credit card.

**During this time, you may also select three other funds in which to contribute - Esther Crosby Memorial Fund, Easter Lilies, and One Great Hour of Sharing.**

Your gift will be electronically deposited in our checking account on a regular basis. You may also cover the cost of the fee charged to APC along with your donation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Forrest Craig ([finance@apchumble.org](mailto:finance@apchumble.org)) or Will Nees ([seen27@embarqmail.com](mailto:seen27@embarqmail.com)).

## CONTACT APC STAFF

Carroll Hebert ([apc@apchumble.org](mailto:apc@apchumble.org)) is in the office Monday through Thursday, from 9 am until 2 pm. Aaron Seay may be reached by email: [aaron@apchumble.org](mailto:aaron@apchumble.org)

## PASTORAL CARE

Please contact your deacon or elder for the month of March is Susie Shelton, phone 832-483-6120.

## ONLINE VIEWING OF WORSHIP SERVICES, CLASSES, AND MEETINGS

### **Sunday worship is through BoxCast, a professional live streaming application.**

To get the BoxCast video: From the website home screen ([apchumble.org](http://apchumble.org)) –click on the "Our Next Live Broadcast" link or anywhere on the picture with the count-down clock showing the time remaining to the start of the broadcast. When the play button appears in place of the count-down clock, click on it and the broadcast begins.

Click on the red "HELP – How to View BoxCast" if you need assistance. Note that you can put the mouse cursor on the video (on a computer) or touch the video (on a phone or tablet) to show the control bar and from there you can enlarge the video to full screen, pause it, or adjust the volume.

If you're a little late arriving or want to watch later, you can view the entire broadcast from the beginning. Use the chat screen to the right of the broadcast or email us ([youbelong@apchumble.org](mailto:youbelong@apchumble.org)) to let us know that you're watching or give us feedback.

If you would prefer to watch the worship service on your big screen TV and have a Roku, Apple TV, or Amazon Fire TV stick attached, you can add the BoxCast Channel, open that channel, and search for "Atascocita" to view the broadcast.

**All meetings and Faith Formation classes are via ZOOM.** A change in their security protocols require either a passcode or a waiting room to gain entry.

Shelley's and Doug's Faith Formation classes now have waiting rooms when you first enter the meeting. The meeting host will release you from the waiting room and admit you to the meeting.

All other ZOOM meetings require a passcode. The meeting passcode is shown next to the meeting link on the church website.

**Any time there are technical difficulties in connecting to the Wednesday devotion or worship, please know that those services are available for viewing on the website on the "Worship" tab, drop-down menu, "Worship Services and Devotional Archives."**