

**THE MONTH OF
OCTOBER
2026**

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Message from Pastor

7 Deadly Worldviews That Threaten Christianity

Beginning in October, our Sunday Adult Bible Class will start a new series called "Seven Deadly Worldviews." These are the ideas that compete with, and are indeed even trying to kill, the Christian faith. Unfortunately, these ideas have created the overall worldview that dominates our culture.

Over the course of our multi-week study, we will review these seven deadly worldviews:

1. Gnosticism- The rejection of God's Word as insufficient for us to know our true purpose or for our life to have its ultimate meaning.
2. Legalism- A religious system that puts more emphasis on works-based righteousness than on the saving grace of Jesus.
3. Dualism- The belief that good and evil are equal in power and essentially two sides of the same coin.
4. Darwinism- The belief that the universe is the result of random chance occurring completely in the natural world and not the purposeful plan of a creative and sovereign God.
5. Pragmatism- A utilitarian ideology that says something can only be true if the practical consequences of accepting it satisfies our needs, desires, and wants.
6. Syncretism- The blending of two or more distinct belief systems for the purpose of creating a new system.
7. Secular humanism- A belief system that rejects virtually every single principle of God's Word.

Throughout the study we will look at past and present-day examples of each of these worldviews, and what our Christian response should be.

When contending with competing ideologies, we can apply a simple framework:

1. Know why you believe what you believe.
2. Know why others believe what they believe.
3. Know why others believe what they believe about what you believe.

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Come to Adult Bible Class (Sundays at 9:30) to learn more about all of it. Now more than ever, we need to move forward with our faith and be bold about it. To do that, we really need to understand the Christian faith and show our neighbor the truth about Christianity that it is a way of life that promotes life and gives life, not only in this world but in the world to come.

God's peace and all the best,
Pastor Joshua Knippa



You are invited to

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

for the *Installation*

of
Rev. Kevin Peterson

Sunday, November 1, 2026
3:00 PM

1322 9th Street
Winnie, TX 77665
(409) 296-2377
HopeLutheranWinnie@gmail.com

*A meal will be provided
following the service*

Trick or Treat

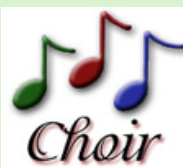


Join us on **Saturday, October 31**
from **5-7pm** in the FLC for **Halloween fun**.
See clipboard for opportunities to
help with booths and candy.



Hello Puppeteers—
We will practice on
Wednesdays
@ 5:30pm through our
November 15th performance.
Any questions contact:
Marla @ 409-728-1363.

If you're interested in joining
Choir or Praise Team
please contact:
Mike Sturgis @ 409-748-0922.



We're still looking for someone to head up
our **Altar Guild**. If you're interested,
call the church office @ **409-722-1609**.

SUNDAYS 9:30AM

Adult Bible Class

9:15am Jeannie Heider,
Conf. Rm. B
Pastor Josh, Conf. Rm. A

**Children's Sunday
School**
Education Building



Join us for a
Women's Bible Study
"10 Women of the Bible"
led by **Jeannie Heider**
Sundays @ **9:15am**
in Conference Rm. B



Thank you to everyone who donated to our **Health Kits & School Kits** with items or money. It was a huge success. We were able to provide **106 Health Kits & 100 School Kits** for OGT. We delivered the items along with quilts to the **Orphan Grain Train** during the **LWML Fall Rally**. **SEE PICTURE BELOW!**

"SPARE CHANGE SUNDAY"
is **last Sunday of each month**.
& will benefit **Orphan Grain Train**.



Fit & Fun Fellowship

will meet **Tuesday,**
October 20th 15th,
from **1-3:30pm** in the
FLC foyer. Bring a snack.



To: Funeral Meals
in memory of
Judy Sturgis
given by:
*Ruth Ann & Walter
Perryman*

To: Memorial Fund
in memory of
Ryan Wolford
given by:
*LuAnn & Tom Hansen
Ida Trojcek*



To: Memorial Fund
in memory of
Sarah Kieschnick
given by:
*Triangle Metals
Keela Johnson
Kirk Cogswell
Greg Fleming
Helga Champagne*

MIDWEEK ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Wednesdays @ 6pm in the conference room. We will be studying the 6-session study: *"Aslan's World"*—Biblical Images & Themes in "The Lion, the Witch, & the Wardrobe", by **C.S. Lewis**. The study will be led by **Joel Pinnt**.

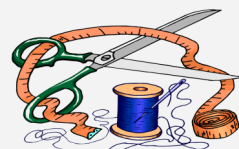


for our **MISSION FESTIVAL**
on Sunday, November 15th
We will have an **Orphan Grain
Train Presentation** and a
Potluck meal after worship
service in the FLC.

QUILTING CIRCLE

If you'd like to join us—come on
Thursdays @ 9:30am-3pm in Conf. Rms.

Call **Rosemarie** if you know
someone who needs a quilt
@ 409-543-3928.



Deadline for

November Newsletter
is Monday, October 19th!



OCTOBER

Birthdays

1—Lauri Ford
Norman Hempel

4—Ashley Lindsay

5—Tyler Dunlap
AnnMarie Landry
Kelly Meriwether
Makenzie Philen

6—Shele Bergeron
Kristal Spinks
Sharon Wright

7—Avery Kotz

8—Farrell Herring

10—Brooks Van Noy
Ronnie Vize

11—Kim Barron

12—LuAnn Hansen
Lola Rice

14—Jim Lavespere
Kathy Pinnt
Donna Reue
Cain Shaw

15—Donna Thornton

16—Mickey Kieschnick
Kathleen Tate

17—Ken Ludwig

18—Becky Neeb
Trace Trahan
Pam Williams

19—Slade Hicks
Kyler Terrell
Trina West

20—Josie Gunter
Kyler Spinks
Aiden Trevino
Pam Wolfe

21—Susan Cassill
Amanda Seale

22—Adam Richard
Chelsey Gallagher
Kelsea VanBrocklin

23—Ann Huebel

24—Stefanie Boudreaux
Hannah Torres

25—Lindsay Caswell
Jeff Louvier

26—Beau Blackwell
Jo Ann Vize

27—Daryl Williams

29—Steve Vincent

30—Laynie DeSerrano
Saige Kieschnick

31—Will James

Anniversaries

5—Elise & Nicholas Bogucki

8—Melanie & Kris Halbert

10—Jeannie & Rick Heider

12—Tricia & David Trevino

16—Marla & Wade Kieschnick

20—Melody & Eddie Gack
Natalie & Ryan Terrell

21—Ashley & Wade Beagle

22—Lauri & Troy Ford

24—Reine & Brett Becker

Find us on Facebook
to keep up with our
activities, announcements
& information



UBM Needs You!

United Board of Missions
is in need of Volunteers
(stocking & organizing pantries).



If you're interested, please
contact either—

Pam or **Steve Vincent** @ 409-718-5767
or **Carolyn Barras** @ 409-963-7866 or
Lori Halbert @ 409-719-6235. Thanks!

UBM Pantry is in need of: pasta, rice, canned
fruit, & canned meat. Cash donations accepted.

See additional flyers on our bulletin Board in the
Narthex of different opportunities & services that
UBM provides. We've got several representa-
tives who are members & on the Board.



Please contact the church office
at **409-722-1609** upon the
illness, hospitalization, and/or
death of a member or loved one.

Please update us with the status of prayer
requests. We try to notify members via FB
page and text messages of deaths &
funeral arrangements.

ECE NEWS

Happy October! Our school will be
closed on Monday, October 12.

We will have school pictures on Wednes-
day, October 21 & Thursday, October 22.

Lunch Fundraiser and class party
are on Wednesday, October 28 &
Thursday, October 29.

God's Blessings,
Veronica Ochoa
& ECE Staff





October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Elders: Todd Shuford 409-300-0575 Dannis McCullough 409-239-3444 Altar Guild: Lisa Richard Sandra Erickson	Lay Readers: 4—LWML 11—Ron Gribnau 18—Mike Sturgis 25—Ronnie Vize	Ushers: 4—Ronnie Vize Daryl Williams 11—Ken Ludwig David Smalley 18—Stuart Kieschnick Jim Lavespepre 25—Chad Ford Charles Schrader	Acolytes: 4—Brant McCullough Rachel Shuford 11—Greer Smalley Hugh Smalley 18—Bryson Molbert Jackson Katz 25—Brooklyn Riley Carrigan McCullough	1 9:30am Quilting	2	3 Private Baptism
4 9:15am Ladies B.S. 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship with Communion LWML Sunday wear purple	5 6pm 70th Anniversary Planning Meeting	6	7	8 9:30am Quilting	9	10
11 9:15am Ladies B.S. 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	12 6pm Board of Education	13	14	15 9:30am Quilting	16	17
18 9:15am Ladies B.S. 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship with Communion Votes Meeting after Worship	19	20 Pastor Conference, Roundrock 1-3:30pm Fit & Fun Fellowship	21	22 9:30am Quilting	23	24
25 9:15am Ladies B.S. 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Spare Change Sunday	26	27	28	29 9:30am Quilting	30	31 5-7pm Trick or Treat 