

WELCOME!

We want to welcome all those who have joined our church and youth ministry over these last few months, including our new 6th graders! Let's all be sure to welcome everyone who visits and joins our amazing youth ministry!

AREA-WIDE RETREAT

I am excited to announce an Area-Wide Retreat with our sister churches of Georgetown, Eastside, and Brentwood Oaks! Our retreat is on Dec. 5-7 and will cost \$175/teen



(scholarships available). More details are still to come, but please register by Wednesday, Nov. 19. Scan the QR code to register now!

ENCOUNTER LE

It's time to register for Encounter LE on Nov. 21-23! This weekend trip is at Lubbock Christian University in Lubbock, TX and is for all students in 6th-12th grades. The cost is \$140 - \$60 is paid to LCU Camps upon your registration with them, and \$80 is paid to the church upon your registration with us to help cover the cost of hotels. Scan the QR codes to register now!





LCU Registration

Leander Registration

Join us on Wednesday, September 17 as we kick off our Huddles for the new school year! We will meet from 6:45-8:00 in the Brick House and will be led by our leaders, Brandon & Sarah Johnson and Matt & Kera Lowery! We hope you can make it!

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FALL BIRTHDAYS

- 9.3 Brooklyn Salazar
- 9.10 Zeb Schoen
- 9.13 Turner Lowery
- 10.14 Katelyn Smith
- 10.23 Rhys Bailey
- 11.3 Owen Brady
- 11.5 Will Prewett
- 11.10 Ka'miyah Cunningham

SAVE THE DATES

9.17 - Huddles Kickoff

10.12 - Discipleship Breakfast

10.26 - Trunk or Treat

11.21-23 - Encounter LE

More details can be found on page 3

FAMILY MATTERS

It seems like for teens, back to school is a chance for a fresh start; each yer can be a reinvention. No successes or failures yet; they get to start back at square one. What conversations are you having as a family that help your teens take advantage of that fresh start? Read Colossians 3:1-11 as a family and discuss these guestions:

- What do you like about the start of a new school year? What do you dislike about it?
- In what ways can a new school year give you an opportunity to be a different person than you were last year?
- What informs your identity? What labels were you wear, either given by yourself or others?
- Can we change our identity? How would that work according to Paul in Col. 3?

Note that in Col. 3, we are first being made brand new to look like Jesus. Second, the labels we put on ourselves or given by others don't matter. For followers of Christ, there's only one that matters - "Beloved Child of God!"







Summer Highlights

We had another busy but awesome summer! First, we welcomed our summer intern, Adam Anderson, and then we returned to our favorite camps of Kadesh and Pine Springs! For our Mission Trip, we

returned to Camp Beloved & Beyond to serve some amazing campers, and for our Mystery Road Trip, we ended up at Big Bend National Park! We also had some service opportunities along the way.



FALL QUARTER SUNDAY CLASS OUTLINE

Families are encouraged to read through the texts either before or after class as an opportunity to develop a pattern of family discipleship. Alan will teach the Middle School class and someone else TBD will teach the High School class.

<u>DATE</u>	MIDDLE SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL
Sep 7	Combined Marriage Class in Fellowship Hall	
Sep 14	Combined Marriage Class in Fellowship Hall	
Sep 21	Combined Marriage Class in Fellowship Hall	
Sep 28	Wisdom in Proverbs	Galatians 1:11-24
Oct 5	Topics in Proverbs	Galatians 3:15-29
Oct 12	Combined Class - Discipleship Breakfast	
Oct 19	Ecclesiastes 1:1-2:26; 3:9-14	Galatians 5:1-6, 13-15
Oct 26	Ecclesiastes 4:9-12	Galatians 5:16-25
Nov 2	Job 1:1-2:10	Philippians 1:19-30
Nov 9	Job 4-25; 38-42 (various passages)	Philippians 2:1-18
Nov 16	The Psalms	Philippians 3:4b-14
Nov 23	Combined Class - Encounter LE	
Nov 30	Song of Solomon	Philippians 4:2-9

REMINDERS

Leander CoC App

Our church launched a new app that has a lot of awesome capabilities for you to use to help stay connected. One of the main features we will use is the messaging feature! So, if you haven't done so already, download our church app in the Apple Store or on Google Play and create your SubSplash account. Just search for "Leander CoC." We will still send out emails, but for quick announcements and reminders, we will use the messaging feature on the app. So if you want to stay up to date, get the app now!

Snack Sign Ups

Scan the QR code to sign up online to provide a breakfast snack on Sunday mornings. It could be donuts, fruit, kolaches, breakfast tacos, granola bars, or whatever! Our teens thank you!





Youth Group Tees & Hoodies

We have several youth group t-shirts sizes small - 3XL in various colors available for \$15 each. Additionally, we have several youth group hoodies in small - 2XL sizes available for \$25 each. If you would like to purchase any t-shirt and/or hoodie, please let Alan know.

Youth Events Calendar

Be sure to grab a hard copy of our annual youth events calendar in Alan's office. This has all our events through August 2026! You can also view upcoming events and registration on our youth webpage.

Upcoming Events

HUDDLES

Huddles kicks off on Wednesday, September 17 and will meet every Wednesday from 6:45-8:00 when Leander ISD is in session. We will not meet during Thanksgiving Break, Christmas Break, and Spring Break. On the first Wednesday of every month, we will have time just to hang out and have fun, whether it's game night in the Brick House or heading out to Chick-fil-A or DQ for some tasty treats! Hope you can join us at Huddles this year!

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 26

We need all hands on deck to help make Trunk or Treat another success! This is a great community outreach and an opportunity to show off your creative side. This year, it's on Sunday, Oct. 26 from 5:00-7:00. We would love to have 3 or 4



trunks put together by our teens, so find 2 or 3 friends and start planning! Let Alan know if you need help purchasing anything for your trunk. We also need volunteers to monitor bounce houses and our train line. If you're able to do any of these things, please scan the QR code to register!

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