

# *Steeple News*

## **Bible Studies**

### **Ladies Bible Study 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month**

No Bible study in April. Resume on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Bible Study with Rev. Hans Lillejord**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday - Apr 8 & 22, 10:00 a.m.

## **Game Days at New Sweden Church**

2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays each month at 12:30 p.m.  
All are welcome to join in the fun and fellowship.

## **Lenten & Easter Services**

### **Lenten Services**

Wednesdays, April 2, 9

6:00 p.m. Meal, 7:00 p.m. Service

### **Palm Sunday, April 13**

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

### **Maundy Thursday, April 17**

7:00 p.m. Worship Service

### **Good Friday, April 18**

6:00 p.m. Fish Fry, 7:00 p.m. Short Movie

### **Easter Sunday, April 20**

7:30 a.m. - Sunrise Service at the Cemetery

8:30 a.m. - Breakfast in the Parish Hall

10:30 a.m. - Easter Service

## **Easter Lilies**

Easter lilies can still be purchased. Anything you donate above the \$12.50 will help with purchasing kitchen & bathroom supplies for the Church. The lilies will be displayed on Easter morning, and you may take home the lilies that you purchased after service. You may give your lily in memory or honor of a loved one. Please designate on the envelope (located at greeter stand) how you would prefer it to be listed. Place envelope in offering plate or give to Carolyn Balkum. Thank you

## **Homesteading and Everyday Living**

We are starting a program where we hope to have monthly classes in different categories of projects you may have interests in or would like to learn how to do. The purpose is to share our knowledge and/or talents with each other. **Please see below for more details.**

## **Blessing of the Bicycles**

New Sweden Church

Saturday, April 5

9:00 a.m. gather and tour the church.

Blessing service will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the church steps.

New Sweden will be hosting our 4th Annual Bicycle Blessing on April 5<sup>th</sup>. We will need volunteers to help set up for the Blessing at 8:00 a.m. We will also need cookie donations for the riders. Thanks for your help!

## **Heritage Day**

Saturday, April 26

New Sweden Heritage Center/Parish Hall

2:30-3:30 p.m. Visit Manda School

3:00 p.m. Fun filled activities:

Tour the New Sweden Heritage Center

View the Displays

5:00 p.m. Swedish Meal

\$15 - adults, \$8 - 10 yr and under

6:00 p.m. Program in Sanctuary

"Swedish Homes on the Prairie"

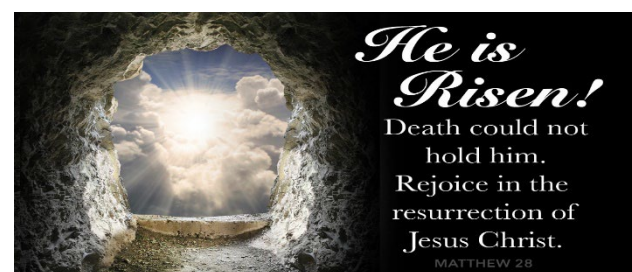
Tickets available from:

Jack Atterstrom 512-281-3767

Carolyn Balkum 512-966-8692

New Sweden Church 512-281-0056

A General Store will be available to purchase items that helps support and maintain the New Sweden Heritage Center. If you would like to donate (preferably Swedish or vintage), please bring it to the church. Thank you.



*"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said." Matthew 28:6*

**Homesteading & Everyday Living Needs**  
**Open for church members and friends to exchange and share!**

We are planning to have monthly classes in different categories of projects you may have interests in or would like to learn how to do. We want to share our knowledge and/or talents with each other.

If you know of someone who would like to volunteer or help with any of these classes, please contact someone on the Evangelism Team. If you are interested in learning about something we have not listed, please let us know and we will add it to the list!

All the classes will be listed on the website and announced each Sunday. There will be a sign-up sheet to attend with the info for the upcoming class. Our plan is to try to have at least one class a month, look for the sign-up sheets! Invite a friend & join us!

The Evangelism Team  
Gayle Anderson 512-670-6945

These are some of the topics:

**Food Making**

Cookies - held March 25  
Jelly & Jam  
Pies  
Candy  
Bread

**Auto Repair Servicing & Safety**

Changing Batteries  
Repair of Flat Tires  
Safety

**Raising Animals & Pet Care**

Chickens  
Livestock  
Pet Care

**Gardening**

Fruits & Vegetables  
Flowers & Herbs  
Landscaping

**Technical**

Phones  
Computers

**Hobbies**

Making Candles  
Knitting, Crocheting  
Coin Collecting

**Entertaining**

Playing & Teaching Ping Pong  
Games  
Music  
Dancing

**Health**

Teaching CPR etc.

## *Church Services*

Sunday School ----- 9:30 a.m. each Sunday

Worship Service ----- 10:30 a.m. each Sunday

*Holy communion -----First and Third Sundays*

***As the church that serves the countryside,  
we commit ourselves to share in Christ's love in action  
through our congregation, community,  
and the world.***

New Sweden Evangelical Lutheran Church  
 12809 New Sweden Church Road  
 Manor, Texas 78653  
 Pastor Rev. Hans Lillejord, Cell 512-947-9044  
 Office Hours: Tuesday & Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm 512-281-0056  
 Office Secretary: Susan Rountree

# April 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 6:00 pm meal 7:00 pm Lenten Service	3 5:00 pm Music & Worship	4	5 9:00 am Blessing of the Bicycles
6 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service <i>Holy Communion</i> Flowers:	7	8 10:00 am Bible Study	9 6:00 pm meal 7:00 pm Lenten Service	10 12:30 pm Game Day 7:00 pm Ping Pong	11	12
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27 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 11:45 am Potluck/Fellowship Flowers:	28	29	30			

**Acolytes:** 6<sup>th</sup> Elena Twohig, 13<sup>th</sup> Jack Sutton, 20<sup>th</sup> Makina Mabry, 27<sup>th</sup> Josh Ojeda

**Altar Guild:** Jenny & Byron Jordan, Natalia Lively

**Communion Assistants:** Terry Johnson, Larry Miller

**Pastor's Communion Assistants:** 6<sup>th</sup> Geoff Zimmerman, 20<sup>th</sup> Kim Strong

**Greeters:** 6<sup>th</sup> Lena Ging, 13<sup>th</sup> Donna Snowden, 20<sup>th</sup> Sharon Robbins, 27<sup>th</sup> Nancy Sutton

**Lectors:** 6<sup>th</sup> Yvonne Carroll, 13<sup>th</sup> Kim Strong, 20<sup>th</sup> Geoff Zimmerman, 27<sup>th</sup> Kendra Silvus

**Ushers:** Kent Heath, Chris Mabry, JJ Strong