



Harker Heights

METHODIST CHURCH

A Global Methodist Church

Our Message

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*A Monthly Newsletter of
Harker Heights
Methodist Church*

From the Pastor

Dear Church,

During our worship service on Sunday, March 16, we reflected on Paul's words to Timothy, reminding us of God's all-encompassing love. This love compels us to invite others into a living relationship with Jesus Christ.

I challenged our congregation to invite one new person to church each week for the rest of the year. With 40 Sundays remaining and an average weekly attendance of 87, this commitment could lead to 3,480 invitations by year's end. If just 10% of those invited begin attending regularly, we would welcome 348 people for whom God deeply loves into our faith community—more than a 400% increase of our weekly average attendance!

This kind of exponential growth mirrors the movement of the Holy Spirit in the early church, as recorded in Acts. It is not simply our work, but the Spirit's power that transforms hearts. May we embrace this challenge with faith and dedication, for the glory of God!

Brian

P.S. On May 3 and 10 you have an opportunity to attend the International Leadership Institute's History Makers training at Foundation Methodist Church in Temple. This training is designed to empower Christian leaders to effectively spread the Gospel to the world. I **strongly encourage** you to attend, if able. The cost is \$20 and scholarships are available – just let me know. For more information and to register by April 18, 2025 please use this link:

<https://midtexasgmc.jotform.com/250406499102150>

Children's Ministry

April is here and we started a new 4-week lesson called New Life. The resurrection of Jesus heralds a NEW LIFE brimming with hope and joy, a promise that inspires and uplifts. The resurrection of Jesus is not just a historical event; it's the dawn of a NEW LIFE for all believers. This new life is a beacon of forgiveness, eternal joy, and an everlasting bond with God. And guess what? Jesus offers us something even better than a do-over: a NEW LIFE! His resurrection wasn't just a miracle—it's a fresh start. So, this Easter, the kids will discover how Jesus' victory over the tomb opens endless possibilities for us.

Dates to remember:

Mother's Day tea - April 27, 2025,
more information coming soon.

Camp is fast approaching, so do not forget to tell Kimberley you're planning to join.

Vacation Bible School: July 22-25

Weekly Events

Sundays

7:30am Community Breakfast
9:00am Worship
10:20am Sunday School
5-7:00pm Youth

Wednesdays

7:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast – HH IHOP
1:30pm Prayer Group
4:30pm Handbell Rehearsal
5:30pm Community Dinner
6-7pm 1017 Club
6-7:15pm Choir Rehearsal
6:15pm Adult Bible Study

Office

Hours:

9am-12pm M-F

208 Cardinal Lane
Harker Heights, TX 76548
254-699-2671

Brian's Day Off: Fridays

Funds Report

General

Beginning Balance	63,793.87
Income	76,782.81
Expense	-70,405.82
Ending Balance	70,170.86

Restricted

Beginning Balance	62,245.76
Income	18,878.78
Expense	-43,497.10
Ending Balance	37,627.44

Building Fund (G&D)

Beginning Balance	4,083.32
Income	32,271.64
Expense	0.00
Ending Balance	36,354.96

Reserves 10,000.00

Trustees

When scheduling an event at the church, please submit a building use form to Jay Lohman in the church office. Jay will confirm whether, or not, the requested space is available and if a location and/or time change is needed to reserve your desired room before it can be published on the church calendar. Outside groups are asked to complete a building use agreement and make related payments or deposits. Thank you!

Prayer Garden

We are working to restore the flower beds on the church grounds. If you would like to take part, please call **Edie Widell: (254) 394-2919**.

Egg Hunt: April 13

The Outreach Team is making ready a wonderful celebration on Palm Sunday April 13 after worship. They request donations of individually wrapped candy (no peanuts) that can be used to stuff eggs. Donations may be placed in the basket in the church lobby by Fri. Apr. 11.

Contact Diana H.:

papertiggr@yahoo.com

Events

Apr 07:	6:00pm Trustees Mtg
Apr 10:	6:30pm Emmaus Gathering (HHMC)
Apr 12:	8:30am - Breakfast, Sack Lunch Assembly & Distribution
Apr 13:	11:00am Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt
Apr 15:	6:00pm Finance Mtg
Apr 16:	5:30pm Easter Dinner potluck

Apr 17 6:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship

Apr 18: 6:00pm Good Friday Worship

**Apr 20 7:00am Sunrise Worship @ Carl Levin Park
9:00am Easter Worship
No Sunday Night youth**

Apr 21:	Office Closed
Apr 25-26:	FCA Pickleball Fundraiser
Apr 26:	11:30 Women's Lunch (Location TBA)
Apr 27:	12:00pm Mother's Tea (Children's Ministry Hosting) 4:00pm Youth: Bigger or Better Night

**May 4 NEW Sunday Schedule
9:15am Sunday School
10:30am Worship**

May 11:	Mother's Day
May 18:	Youth Sunday / Graduation Recognition

Music

Choir Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6:00pm to 7:15pm. All are welcome; No audition is necessary. If you play an instrument or desire to serve in a musical capacity, please contact Steven at: steven@sekirkpatrick.com.

Targeted Giving Opportunity

We invite you to prayerfully consider helping us to underwrite all or part of our upcoming Easter Sunday Orchestra.

1 Share = \$174

Shares needing support: 10

Youth Ministry

Our students are awesome! Over their spring break they woke up early and served families at the Killeen Food Care Center. What an honor I had to serve alongside them. We had an amazing weekend during the "The Way" retreat at UMHB at the end of March. We joined over 750 students and leaders from Bell County, to come together to worship, serve and learn for the weekend. We were also able to finish up spring planting at the community garden in Killeen.

We are so excited to continue to work with FCA as we finish out the spring semester. Remember if you want to get involved, please reach out. I would love for you to join me one week for lunch at Harker Heights High School or before school at Nolan Middle School to see the impact our church has through FCA. There is also a local Pickleball Tournament and Fundraiser April 25- 26th that will benefit Heart of Texas- West FCA. See details on the next page.

In addition to our pancake fundraiser on Wednesday April 2 that will help fund summer camp, students will be helping serve and distribute Saturday Sack Lunches on April 12th. Our big event for April will be our 2nd Annual Bigger or Better Night on Sunday April 27th. This is an awesome outreach event for students to invite friends.

Thank you all for your support and love for our students. We could not do any of this without you. For more information about Summer Camp and our regular youth programs, check online at:

<https://hhmc.church/students>





Heart of Texas - West

2nd Annual

Pickleball Tournament
& Fundraiser April 25-26



HEIGHTS
ATHLETIC CLUB
Pickleball • Tennis • Fitness • Pool

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$750	\$500	\$250
Name/Logo on all social posts	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vendor Display Area	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Name/Logo on Event Advertising in the Pickleball Circuit	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Place Your Marketing Materials in Goodie Bags	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Name/Logo on Banners	✓★	✓	✓		
Name/logo on Tshirt	✓★	✓			
Pickle Ball Team Registration**	✓	✓			
Goodie Bag Sponsor & Registration Website Sponsor	✓	✓			
Check-in Table Sponsor	✓				
Hospitality Table Sponsor	✓				
Net Sponsor	✓				
Net Sponsor					
Court Sponsor	✓				

Spots Limited!!
Contact Andrea
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