

AGLC COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR APRIL 2025 AS REPORTED IN MARCH 2025

Christian Education

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The elementary Sunday school group performed a skit and song during Palm Sunday worship this past Sunday. We had 14 kids participate with the help of 8 adult leaders (even more in rehearsal leading up to it!) and under the direction of Julie Nelson. It was a lovely start to worship for Palm/Passion Sunday. The children will perform another song on the last day of Sunday school, mother's day, May 11th. Early planning for VBS has begun, dates are set for June 16-19, and a theme will be revealed in the coming weeks. More volunteers are still needed for VBS and for planning. The next planning meeting will be April 27th after worship.

Submitted by: Vicar Christine

Communications

Communications Committee

The Communication Committee met for a second time on Thursday, April 3, via Zoom. Attendees were Arthur Anderson, Chris Babione, newly appointed Council liaison Claudia McWhorter, and John Nelson.

The primary focus of the meeting was an in-depth discussion of our current Breeze Church Management System and the potential benefits of integrating it with Tithely.com. We believe this combination could offer a more cohesive and streamlined approach to church communication and administration. Additionally, this integration could replace many of the standalone tools we currently subscribe to, potentially lowering our overall monthly expenses.

We have included an informal proposal document outlining the potential benefits, cost considerations, and recommendations for moving forward. At this stage, we are seeking the Council's approval to initiate a conversation with Breeze and Tithely to explore the possibilities.

While we anticipate that the ongoing financial commitment will be roughly in line with our current expenditures, we do expect some overlap in costs during the transition period. There may also be a need for professional services to support website development or platform migration, as noted in the proposal (with a suggested allocation of \$1,000 to \$3,000).

Submitted by John Nelson, Chair

Fellowship

Fellowship Committee

Fellowship April 2025

May 10th Mother's Day Brunch

The Dudes will make the food

Secret Sisters will be revealed

drawing for Secret Sisters for this year.

May 3rd Men's Breakfast

June 8th Christine Ordination

The Dudes are going to cook

June 20th Game Night

Chairmen Dee Rose and Carol Court

Member Care

Member Care AGLC Council Report

MARCH 2025

Attendance

*Attendance Counts – binders collected by ushers that members and visitors sign during the church service. Usher count is the “official” count. Jo Kruzel, AGLC Office Manager, inputs the attendance count into Breeze which is the website to identify the number of members and visitors that attend church each Sunday.

*Visitors – visitors are signing into binders but may not include their contact information in binders so while they can be added into Breeze to track their frequency of visiting. It is not possible to send “thank you” for attending note/message if they choose not to provide contact information.

*Online numbers are probably under-represented as it is based on people who sign in online or who check in on Facebook live in the comments section.

*Total Count: In-person (members and visitor) plus online worshipers (that can be counted)

| | March 2 | March 9 | March 16 | March 23 | March 30 |
|-----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| In Person | 145 | 162 | 110 | 148 | 180 |
| Online | 13 | 6 | n/a | 16 | 12 |
| Total | 158 | 168 | 110 | 164 | 192 |
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| visitors | 6 | 13 | 13 | 16 | 22 |

MEMBER CARE COMMITTEE: Committee met on March 23, 2025.

Discussion on what our committee will serve for the Lenten Dinner on April 2, 2025. Each committee member signed up what they will bring for dinner: casserole, salad, dessert.

ENCOURAGEMENT (HOMEBOUND MEMBERS): Committee will send Easter cards to homebound. Further discussion on baskets that will be made for the Homebound members on Great Day of service. Linnea Wolters made a list of items that will be included in the baskets. Members contributing to this basket will bring their items to the next meeting. We will meet again in April and have members sign up who on the list they will deliver a basket to. Two more members were added to the Encouragement list: Pam Scholtz and Shirley Neiswonger.

Discussion on gathering information for setting up budget for next year.

Member Care Committee will meet next on April 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Our goals accomplished are determined by the needs of the congregation and what information is passed on to the Member Care Committee. We continue to receive

prayer requests and share the requests with congregation members who help to support the prayer ministry. The Stephen Ministry Group continue their monthly meetings to promote continuing education and supervision. A number of committee members have offered respite to a member of AG periodically who cannot leave a family member alone. The encouragement team has added more members that are going through health struggles to the list of homebound members. These members continue to receive support from the committee by notes/cards and visits.

Submitted by Marie Klym, Chair of Membership Care

Outreach

Outreach Report

GRACE Take One Leave One Adoption

We have expanded our “oil for GRACE” to better support GRACE community by adopting one of their Take One Leave One boxes located at Feed Our Kids site (610 Shadybrook Drive, Grapevine) to fill with canned/boxed foods for families to access outside of pantry hours. List of items on sign next to collection box and also in Wednesday Connections. There is also opportunity for individuals/families to adopt the TOLO each month to help with delivering donated food to the TOLO site.

We have begun recruiting volunteers to adopt a month for 2025 and so far January, February, March, and June are adopted.

GRACE Mentorship Housing

We will be hosting three work days in April to get our unit ready for next client:
Saturday, April 5th from 9:00am - 12:00pm (breakfast provided)
Saturday, April 12th from 12:00pm - 3:00pm (lunch provided)
Wednesday, April 30th from 12:00pm - 3:00pm (lunch provided)

Kim Haggerty is retiring from this ministry and Christine Riggs is retiring from her place of work that provided much support in updating units so we have decided to retire this ministry for now. This will be our last time to fix up our unit for a client.

For those unable to help with work days, there is also a list of items we need donated for the unit that members can sign up to bring by April 27th.

Good Shepherd Community Breakfast

We had 5 volunteers: Kim Saunders, Marcy McTaggart, Christine Riggs, Lori and Arthur Anderson help serve at Good Shepherd community breakfast on March 29. We helped prepare and serve breakfast to approximately 60 people.

March Special Offering:

Birthday Party Project: \$1,180

Upcoming Events:

Great Day of Service: Saturday, May 3

Feed Our Kids: June 2-6

Submitted by Lori Anderson, Outreach Chair

Personnel

No report submitted

Property Committee

AGLC Property Committee

AGLC Property Committee Minutes 4/7/25

Attendees: Alan Kohutek, Guy Griffin, Ray Morrell, Craig Williamson, Tim Scheutz

Old Business

- Lights for the cross in front of the Church: Hire an electrician in May if still needed.
- Youth building porch cover: Tim will transplant a section of siding.
- Sanctuary lighting and control panel: The wrong panel was shipped, we are awaiting a replacement.
- Vendor Folder: Tim will request members provide information on any other AGLC vendors.
- Mole and gopher infestations: Repeat the March Grubex application in April.
- Power wash the North side of the Office: Purchase a new unit from Harbor Freight.
- Sanctuary exterior fire emergency light: Tim is calling with the vendor to confirm the new light is working.
- Coat hangers for the vestibule. The Committee reviewed the proposal. Craig will seek the Pastor's input.
- Water line to the Pavilion: Tim will work with Jerry to develop a plan.
- Install a large fan in the Pavilion: Tim will provide a drawing of the planned fan and conduit installation for Alan to present to the Council.

New Business

- 2025-2026 Budget Items: Alan suggested we include lawn care, tree trimming, and gardening worker.
- Review the status of Property Projects: Completed for April, include on the monthly agenda
- Grinding several stumps on the property: Requested 3 quotes from Angi
- Repairing or replacing the donated power washer: Not economical to repair, replace from Harbor Freight.
- Additional removal of mistletoe: Add to the 2025-6 Budget
- Removal of the 4' fence: Ray and Craig will ask men to stay after the 5/3/25 Men's Breakfast.
- Trimming trees along the SouthEast hedge: Craig will work with Ethan to complete.
- Repaint the Education Building porch: Guy will complete.

Submitted by Craig Williamson

Stewardship and Endowment

Stewardship Committee Report

Looking to assist other committees in filling positions and assisting with scheduling.

Continue to look for individual to assist with improving electronic media and church website to better communicate with all of church...possibly utilizing the Stewardship annual budget of \$2,500 for part time assistance.

Discussed new approach to annual pledges. Thought being that pledge cards often turned in and then forgotten about.

Looking into church marketing "swag" - t-shirts, refrigerator magnets, golf shirts --- spread the word - spread the AGLC name.

Submitted by Michael McClement

Vision

Next meeting – quarterly review: May 4, 2025

Worship and Music

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The committee met to discuss the budget for next year and any new items to be included. It was decided to increase the budget for communion consumables by 25% due to food and wine increases. We brainstormed some ideas that will probably be moved to property, including adding some kind of screens / coverings to the kitchen windows, track lighting over the bells practice area, and a solution for the door on the chancel that is behind the banners. (the banners are in the way of the door and get moved frequently)

The Music department is working hard on the cantata pieces for Easter with one piece per service during Holy Week.

Easter decorating is planned for the Saturday before Easter. W&M is looking into sourcing some additional bells and chimes for the bell choir and brainstorming either a fundraiser or applying for the endowment fund for this project.

The W&M department is also organizing a social event in the next couple of months at the Ft Worth Botanical Garden.

Submitted by Vanessa Crixell

Youth Group

Youth Committee Report

The youth is planning to serve at Miracle League baseball on May 3rd for the Great Day of Service. Confirmation and youth group meet every Sunday night with an average of 6-7 kids at youth and 13 kids at confirmation. They are planning to redo the youth rooms over the summer.

Submitted by: Parker Kruzel