

# Lagniappe Country Walk to Emmaus

Spring 2022 Newsletter

## A Word from our Community Lay Director:

Greetings LCWE Community,

Peace be with you! For the last two years many times it may not have felt peaceful. These years have been filled with uncertainty and sorrow and yes, joy! As your CLD, along with the entire board, we have been in prayer for you and our beloved community. We have and continue to pray for the Holy Spirit to guide our every decision. We have had a couple of false starts as you noticed by the postcards mailed to you with excitement of an upcoming walk or gathering only to be cancelled.

We are grateful for many blessings in our community. We have stayed together, with the help of Zoom, allowing our community to worship and praise God together. You have continued to be generous in your donations not only to the kitchen fund, but to our general fund which supports the walk materials and needed groceries. You continued to let us know of the passing of your loved ones so we, as a community, could hold you and your families in prayer. We have been blessed.

At the writing of this newsletter, we are planning for Walk #87 on March 10-17 and Walk #88 on March 24-27. The teams, being led by Stacy Garrett and John Miller, are being spiritually formed by the Holy Spirit. We are thankful to Stacy and John and their teams for their selfless service. To offer Walk to Emmaus weekends there are many key elements that need to be in place. Please review the "Opportunities to Serve" section of this newsletter. I hope as you read this list, you will find your place to serve to ensure a fruitful weekend bathed in the love of Jesus for our newest pilgrims.

Emmaus has a way of building blessings upon blessings for everyone. Please obey the promptings of the Holy Spirit to sponsor those that God has put on your heart. May the love you have received on your weekend spill over to those God is calling you to sponsor. These walks will have a limited number of tables and pilgrims to provide a safe environment for all. Time is running out to get your pilgrim applications in. You will find the application on our website at [www.lcwe.org](http://www.lcwe.org). Remember to complete the sponsor page of the application, too.

May our Lord, Jesus Christ, continue to lead us and transform our individual lives to better prepare us to witness in our homes, workplaces and community. May the participants leave the weekend with hearts on fire to serve in their churches and to share the love of Jesus with everyone. Our world is hurting and there is something we can do. We can each do our part and invite others to this opportunity to build the kingdom of heaven here on Earth. God is love, and Emmaus fills us with His love to share with all.

May we each hold these teams and our community in prayer as we are a beacon of light in this world.

Peace and love,  
Anne Clouatre

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## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

One of the foundations of the Walk to Emmaus experience is servanthood. It is through servanthood that we experience anew, the joy and excitement of the weekend. You don't have to be on conference room team to be a major part of the weekend experience. The support role is the engine that drives the weekend. By contributing your time and talents, the weekend flows smoothly and everyone can experience the presence of God. Not just the pilgrims...EVERYONE!

"How can I serve?" . . .

**PRAYER** - Pray for the pilgrims. Pray for the team. **Visit [www.lcwe.org](http://www.lcwe.org) to sign up for the prayer vigil.** Come to the Prayer Room at least 30 minutes before each talk and pray for the speaker (times of the talks are listed on page 5). Pray at home, pray at work,.....pray without ceasing! The Prayer Room is also a great place to write you're agape letters. Please note the Prayer Room is now located in the **Administration Building** at the corner of Sharp and Mollylea. Contact Gary Buuck for more information.

**KITCHEN** - Why is working in the kitchen during the weekend so much fun? Is it the fellowship, the sense of creating, or just the experience of serving? Whatever it is, it is essential. Your contribution is both needed and appreciated. Contact Ryan Slaton for more information.

**ALTARS** - The altar arrangements throughout the weekend are an inspirational part of each visit to the sanctuary. Help out for one arrangement, a day or the whole weekend! Contact Deb Casalot to find out how you can help.

**FACILITIES** - The weekend involves a lot of setting up, taking down, moving, picking up and putting away. Your help is needed! Wednesday evening at 4:00 and again on Thursday Morning starting at 8:30 AM, set up Conference Room, sleeping areas, Prayer and Dining Rooms. Saturday evening - after Candlelight - move Conference Room. Sunday Morning - arrive by 6:15 AM to convert sleeping areas back to Sunday School rooms. Sunday evening - after Closing to restore the Broadmoor Campus to pre-walk condition. Contact Kevin Babb for more information.

**AGAPE** - Oven agape is a sweet, warm way to spread God's love. Bring home baked desserts and snacks to the kitchen on Thursday or Friday of the Walks. - **OR** - The upcoming walks will need **50** agape items for each weekend. Some articles are tried and true, but new ones are always welcome. God's favorite hobby is creating, so get Him in on the planning! Contact Stephanie McCray for more information.

**TEAM ASSISTANT** - Learn how the conference room gets set up, rearranged during breaks, cleaned up and taken down during the weekend. Team Assistant is a vital part of the Walk and is loads of fun too. Won't you help? Contact Susanna Seals for more information.

**CANDLELIGHT and CLOSING** - What experiences they are! An opportunity to worship and to demonstrate community spirit to the pilgrims.

**REMEMBER,  
AT 8:00 PM ON  
CLOSING IS AT**

*"...Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to the least of these brothers of Mine,  
even the least of them, you did it to Me." Matthew 25:40*

**CANDLELIGHT IS  
SATURDAY AND  
4:00 PM ON**

## Do we have your email address?

If you have an email address, but haven't been receiving email communication from us, go to the LCWE web site, click on the Contact Us link, and fill out the form with your information. Or email us at [LCWEnews@gmail.com](mailto:LCWEnews@gmail.com) with your name, walk number, preferred email address.

**[www.lcwe.org](http://www.lcwe.org)**

The web site also has pilgrim applications, team service applications (don't forget to fill out annually), links to prayer vigil signup, the community calendar, detailed gathering information, and information on sponsorship and reunion groups.

## CAMPUS TOURS

We will once again be hosting tours of the Broadmoor/Emmaus campus during the walk to familiarize community members with the various service areas and opportunities. The tour will begin after Sponsor's Hour on Thursday night of each walk (meet at sanctuary) . Especially if you've never experienced the "Behind the Scenes" activity, you won't want to miss this exciting opportunity. Wear your walking shoes and come find out where all the servants hang out! After the 30 minute tour, you'll be well-equipped to just show up and get to work on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday of any walk.

## A WORD FROM OUR LAY DIRECTORS

### ***From the Lay Director***

#### ***Lagniappe Country Walk to Emmaus #87***

Hi! I am Stacy Garrett, Lagniappe Country Walk to Emmaus, #29, and I worship at First United Methodist in Baton Rouge, LA. My occupation is a software development project manager consultant along with a child of God, wife, mother of three, sister, daughter; and, a trained spiritual director that allows me to walk side by side other Christians on their path to a deeper personal relationship with God.

The Scripture for Walk #87 is Matthew 6:33, Seek, you first the Kingdom of God.

Seek is Kingdom come. In a moment, in a lifetime, as you thread those kingdom moments, as clarity reveals, safe places renewed, growing edges refined or even listening for God endlessly as God listens for us. God's kingdom comes when you seek.

The women's team represents a bouquet of different paths of service to God. Each of us on the team that have talks share journeys of dilemma's that seem unsurmountable. And, when we go to God..... in anger, fear, lost..... or due to amazement at Christians in their midst that modeled the body of Christ; God shows up for us due to turning to God, a justified grace moment. Sometimes, the circumstances don't seem to change, but with humble continuous Christian disciplines grows our personal relationship with God and our hearts change. We allow the peace of Christ into our hearts and allows us to become more compassionate.

I grew up with a huge extended family of Baptist, Catholic, Methodist and Lutheran cousins. We loved that our parents knew it was important to stop for extended family on Sunday afternoons. Yet, once in a while there were religious debates, that I hated to see. Wonderful Christian adults argue against each other. 'Why can't we just get along.'

Then, in 2002, I was invited to an Emmaus Walk after my husband did his walk. Oh Wow! Wonderful Christian adults of different denominations at a 72 hour Walk, and no one argued! Heaven on earth! Yes, Emmaus' aspiration is to rejuvenate Christians so they can serve their church. I find Emmaus helps to integrate denominations in a community. It allows, those that are called, to continue to provide the Emmaus Walks. The walks called my husband and I to serve every two years. Emmaus creates moments of God's Kingdom come. De Colores!

### ***From the Lay Director***

#### ***Lagniappe Country Walk to Emmaus #88***

**Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)**

**For I know the plans I have for you, "plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.**

It is almost impossible for us to imagine the world like it was prior to Covid, and it will probably never look the same as it did just two short years ago. I tell you what does look the same to me is our Emmaus community. I see hope, fellowship, comradery, support, friendships, blessings, celebrations, and love. I see a willingness to do everything that we can control to make this walk happen.

This team is a spirit-filled group, who love the Lord and cannot wait to serve the pilgrims God calls. I know now more than ever that God's timing is perfect....it always is. We must trust and obey, and the good Lord willing, the timing is now.

The men of Walk 88 want to thank the community for their unwavering support. We are very grateful for your willingness to say yes to the call to support these teams. We would never be able to do this without you. It makes me think of the song "Here I am Lord." All I can say is thank you.

DeColores,  
John Miller

## Teams for the Spring 2022 Walks

### Women's Walk #87

### Men's Walk #88

<p style="text-align: center;">Stacy Garrett Rev. Renee Deaton Rev. Connie Saizon, Rev. Ken Graham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Becky LeDuff Christi Sykes Twila Perniciaro Shanan Schatzle Pattie Riche', Susie Hahn, Sharon Lanius Nancy Waller</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Christi Sykes Rev. Ken Graham Lorrie Rogerson Rev. Joy Comeaux Melissa Montgomery Sandra McLauren Rev. Renee Deaton Carolyn Pittman Rev. Renee Deaton Tracy Bethley Becky LeDuff Rev. Ken Graham Cynthia Schmidt Stacy Garrett Twila Perniciaro</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sandra McLauren, Cynthia Schmidt, Carolyn Pittman, Lorrie Rogerson, Amy McRae</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Melissa Sanchez, Melissa Montgomery, Tracy Bethley, Janis Weber, Tamara Bello</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Susanna Seals</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Gary Buuck</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kevin Babb</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deb Cazalot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ryan Slaton</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Stephanie McCray</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lay Director Spiritual Director Assistant Spiritual Director</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Assistant Lay Director (ALD) Assistant Lay Director (ALD) Assistant Lay Director (ALD) Board Representative Music Team Media Leader</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Talks</u></b> Priority Prevenient Grace Priesthood of All Believers Justifying Grace Life of Piety Grow Through Study Means of Grace Christian Action Obstacles to Grace Discipleship Changing Our World Sanctifying Grace Body of Christ Perseverance Fourth Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Table Leaders</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Assistant Table Leaders</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Team Assistants</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Prayer Room</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Facilities and Setup</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Altars</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Kitchen</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Agape</u></b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">John Miller Rev. Brady Whitton Rev. Russ Clunan, Rev. Frank Akin</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Walter Wolfe Bart Kennedy Ken Garrett Jay Coats Tre' Wharton, Kyle Johnston, Trey Williams Bill Drake</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bart Kennedy Rev. Russ Clunan Scott Kogler Rev. Russ Clunan Stuart Gilly Kyle Johnston Rev. Brady Whitton Charlie Cooper Rev. Frank Akin Walter Wolfe Jess Holland Rev. Brady Whitton Jim Sandifer John Miller Ken Garrett</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scott Kogler, Jess, Holland, Charlie Cooper, Stuart Gilly, Jim Sandifer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scott Courtwright, Bob Smith, Bill Poulter, Bryant Graves, Chad Spillers, K.E. Matthew</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Susanna Seals</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Gary Buuck</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kevin Babb</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deb Cazalot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ryan Slaton</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Stephanie McCray</p>
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**THE PILGRIMS OF WALKS #87 and #88 - Spring 2022**

**Women's Walk #87**

Colette Blanchard	First UMC - Baton Rouge
Gina Brown	St. Andrew's UMC
Jan Byland	Zachary UMC
Camille Carmena	Blackwater UMC
Tammy Carroll	Blackwater UMC
Jenny Cohn	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Elizabeth Collins	Clear Creek UMC
Michelle Connelly	Broadmoor UMC
Mona Cox	Searching for a church
Jamie Engels	Zachary UMC
Kim Gilly	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Katie Goodson	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Kristen Jacobs	Blackwater UMC
Andi Kirkpatrick	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Donna Lavergne	First Baptist Church - Basile, LA
Sarah LeDuff	Blackwater UMC
Terry Little	Blackwater UMC
Beth Mahaffey	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Sandy Maurice	Franklin Ave Baptist Church
Annette Mire	Broadmoor UMC
Tamie Norwood	Healing Place Church
Jackie O'Keefe	Healing Place Church
Meg Walker	Luke 10:27
Taylor Whitaker	Searching for a church
Katie Williams	South BR Presbyterian
Cindy Williamson	First UMC - Baton Rouge

**Men's Walk #88**

Matt Byland	Zachary UMC
Jim Byrom	Trinity Episcopal Church - Galveston, Tx
Wayne Garig	First Baptist—Wilson, LA
Gabe Jacobs	Blackwater UMC
Justin Jett	Luke 10:27
Erat Joseph	St. Patrick Catholic Church
Anthony Lee	Blackwater UMC
Jessie Lee	Blackwater UMC
Tim McGinty	First UMC—Baton Rouge
Ryan McKnight	Blackwater UMC
Rico Melancon	Healing Place Church
Randy Robinson	Searching for a church
Shan Schatzle	First UMC-Baton Rouge
Colin Smith	First UMC-Baton Rouge
George Spalding	Live Oak Baptist
E.H. Spillers	Grace Community Church
Stephen Thompson	Broadmoor UMC

**Schedule of Talks**

Please pray for our speakers as they give their talks. The talk schedule is listed below.

If you plan to pray in the Prayer Room with a speaker, please arrive at least arrive 30 minutes prior to the time Talk is to be given.

<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b>Priority 9:15 AM</b>	<b>Prevenient Grace 11:15 AM</b>	<b>Priesthood of All Believers 1:45 PM</b>	<b>Justifying Grace 3:15 PM</b>	<b>Life of Piety 6:30 PM</b>
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b>Grow Through Study 8:45 AM</b>	<b>Means of Grace 10:15 AM</b>	<b>Christian Action 2:45 PM</b>	<b>Obstacles to Grace 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Discipleship 7:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b>Changing Our World 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Sanctifying Grace 9:50 AM</b>	<b>Body of Christ 10:45 AM</b>	<b>Perseverance 12:45 PM</b>	<b>Fourth Day 1:45 PM</b>

**Meal Schedule**

There is always room for help in the kitchen!

<b><u>Friday</u></b> <b>8:00 AM - Breakfast</b> <b>12:30 PM - Lunch</b> <b>5:30 PM - Dinner</b>
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<b><u>Saturday</u></b> <b>7:30 AM - Breakfast</b> <b>12:00 - Lunch</b> <b>5:40 PM - Dinner</b>
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<b><u>Sunday</u></b> <b>*The Community will no longer serve breakfast or lunch.</b>
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*The Focus of Emmaus is God as Known in Jesus Christ and how that finds expression in the local church. The objective of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, and places of work. Emmaus lifts up the way for our grace-filled life to be lived and shared with others.*

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### LCWE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Women's Walk #87 - March 10-13

Send-off - Thursday, March 10 @ 6:30 PM  
Candlelight—Saturday, March 12 @ 8:00 PM  
Closing—Sunday, March 13 @ 4:00 PM

#### Men's Walk #83 - March 24-27

Send-Off - Thursday, March 24 @ 6:30 PM  
Candlelight—Saturday, March 26 @ 8:00 PM  
Closing—Sunday, March 27 @ 4:00 PM

#### 4th Day Gathering/April Gathering

**Saturday, April 9th**

Broadmoor UMC

New Members - 5:30 PM

Community - 6:30 PM

\*Be sure to bring snacks and/or soft drinks to share\*

Wear your cross and nametag

Child care will be provided

#### Future Monthly Gatherings

**Saturday, May 14th, First United Methodist Church, Baton Rouge**

**\*All gatherings are held on the second Saturday of every month\*  
Check the website or Facebook for locations**