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Saturday, February 3

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2024 is the 40th anniversary for the **Annual Equipping the Saints (ETS)** sponsored by the Bluebonnet Conference of ELCA Congregations. **Equipping the Saints** is known for its many workshops that provide important insights and Biblically-based practical tools to equip persons to do congregational and community ministry and mission. There will be opportunities for personal and spiritual growth, table fellowship (catered meal) with Christians of area congregations, child care for young children of attendees, and the experience of worship as the body of Christ. While the event is sponsored by ELCA (Lutheran) congregations, it is **open to persons of all denominations**. Join us for this special opportunity, and invite friends and neighbors to attend.

Our world, the culture and people are rapidly changing. There are those who readily embrace developing technology, others overwhelmed about the developments, and others who worry about our dependence and its dangers. How can we lift up the importance of developing and strengthening our relationship with God, one another, and our neighbor in need? The Church struggles with how to best reach persons with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We experience the polarization of America, the growing lack of civility, confusion and conflict, and believers drifting away from a life within the Church. Shall we embrace a fearful uncertainty, or grab hold of a faith-driven future that God will lead us into a hopeful and fruitful future? And what tools and resources are available to us in this journey ahead?

We face a crisis at this point in communities, nation and the world. We have faced so many "storms" and struggles in recent years. So many have come to rely upon lesser things in solving the problems of their lives and society. In a crisis, people either grow closer to or farther from God. Now is a time of opportunity, and that is to invite and challenge people to once again turn to God. The power and presence of Christ, the Cross, and the Church can serve to bring people together, to work for health and healing, and to guide us in caring for ourselves, one another, and our neighbors in need. But we must explore new ways of being present for persons.

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REGISTRATION FORM – ETS 2024

Return registration form to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 248, Cuero, Texas 77954. Preferred registration deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2024. Please register as soon as possible. (This helps with adequate preparations and meal count). **Register NOW!**

While the ETS event is hosted by ELCA congregations of the Bluebonnet Conference, other persons and congregations are welcome to attend. **There is no charge to ELCA members of the Bluebonnet Conference and only a \$15 charge per person to non-members. Non-members make checks payable to Bluebonnet Conference—ETS 2024.**

Name of Registrant: _____ Name of Spouse Attending: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City & Zip: _____

Congregational Name & City: _____ Denomination: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Workshop Session A (10:15 a.m.): _____ Spouse: _____

Workshop Session B (12:30 p.m.): _____ Spouse: _____

Workshop Session C (2:00 p.m.): _____ Spouse: _____

Staffed Nursery for Infants and Young Children (up to age 5)

List names and ages of each child or infant requiring Nursery Care:

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Registration by E-mail: stmarkscuero@stmarkscuero.com

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Registration Materials also available through website: <https://stmarkscuero.com>

If you register by phone or e-mail, it is important to include registrants' names, mailing address, phone number, names of workshops, church affiliation, child care needs and meals as requested.

Schedule for ETS 2024

8:00 a.m. Registration
Hospitality Hour

9:00 a.m. Opening Communion Service

10:15 a.m. Session A Workshops

11:30 a.m. Luncheon for Participants

12:30 p.m. Session B Workshops

2:00 p.m. Session C Workshops

3:30 p.m. Sending Worship Service

ETS 2024 Workshop Descriptions

Session A Workshops – 10:15 a.m.

1. **Israel and Gaza--How Did It Come to This? The Formation and History of the State of Israel through the Abraham Accords of 2020.** This class will give a basic outline of the events that led up to the formation of the modern State of Israel and the major events that have occurred since then. The purpose of this class is to provide the basic pool of information for discussion with others about the current events that are unfolding at this time and to give a basis for making decisions and understanding the issues that will have to be addressed as the war comes to an end. There will be no solutions offered. As Sergeant Friday always said, “Just the facts, Ma’am”. We will also provide resources for further study. **Presenter: Rev. Sharon Wiggins.**
2. **American Alternatives to War:** For discussion in this workshop, it is suggested that every one of the wars that we have experienced in our history could have been avoided if different actions had been taken, including the wars in which we are involved in during the year 2024. **Presenter: Rev. Dr. Norm Beck.**
3. **Staying Healthy for Young and Old**—dealing with numerous respiratory issues - flu, asthma, pneumonia, COPD, Covid, and recent China virus or others. Breathe. What can we do practically? Can we trust taking the shots? **Presenter: Dr. Maurice Wilkinson.**
4. **Where is God in my suffering?** We personally and as a nation have been through so many “storms” along with the normal difficulties that come our way. When bad things happen in our lives, is it my fault, the fault of others, or God’s will? Does God really care? Sometimes, I feel so alone and overwhelmed. Has God forsaken me? What does the Bible have to say about human suffering, giving attention to some Old Testament and New Testament stories that touch upon the struggles and challenges of human beings. Finding help and hope, and discovering the presence, power and assurance of God for ourselves and those we love. **Presenter: Rev. Dr. Larry Green.**
5. **Introduction to Fresh Expressions: Catching the Vision for your Congregation.** Many congregations keep waiting for people to show up at their doors on a Sunday morning, but fewer and fewer people are doing so. What if you stopped waiting and started following Jesus into the connecting opportunities all around you? Fresh expressions is about taking the Church that Jesus loves closer to the people that Jesus loves. Come find out how your congregation--no matter your size or the size of your town--can begin to reach out in your community in new ways. **Presenter: Pastor Patrick Melton.**
6. **Stories of Hope for a Hope Hungry World.** In a chaotic and contentious world such as ours, **hope** is often hard to find. There is one book, however, filled with stories of hope and it sits on a shelf in our homes as it has since we were kids, The Bible. This workshop will explore those stories. We will also visit stories of hope told by some of the great minds of our history. Bring your own stories to share as we reclaim **hope in a hope hungry world.** **Presenter: Lane Johnson.**
7. **Leadership in the Church.** Understanding the roles of the various kinds of leaders in the Church—the rostered or ordained leaders and our lay leaders in the local congregations. A biblical basis for our calling (baptism, priesthood of all believers, servant), responsibilities, equipping persons for their roles in doing church and community ministry, the importance of giving affirmation and guidance, identifying the right person(s) for particular ministries, understanding everyone as a “minister.” The current need and training for lay persons to become more involved in visitation, outreach, worship, service and other ministries of the Church. **Presenter: Rebecca Guengerich.**
8. **Raising Tough Men and Tough Women:** It’s important that our children be raised with certain core values. It’s important for them to have a positive attitude. No one wants to be around grumpy, negative, moaning and groaning people. Competition is not bad. Yes, there will be winners and losers. Compete with yourself, and do your very best in every endeavor. We need mental and physical toughness. We may encounter challenges, but we learn to get up and go to work. Intentional camaraderie and family are important for our well-being. Developing a strong spiritual foundation. Discipline, whether we are children or adults, will take them places, as students, employees, in marriage and family, and as people of faith. Start what you finish. Have fun. **Presenter: Levi Montgomery.**
9. **Connecting People through Stories.** You know persons who are really great, loving people who have touched lives in powerful and positive ways. The unfortunate thing is that there are generations who’ve never had the opportunity to know them, unless you write down their stories and share them. They are members of our families and communities. Because of our busy lives and living greater distances from one another, there is the danger of cherished stories and history getting lost. Stories serve to connect individuals, families, and communities. Understanding rural and small-town life, and being inspired by the dignity of lives well-lived. There are people all around us who have served God and Country—our veterans, farmers and ranchers, people of faith. It’s important to know their journeys and the impact they make upon the churches, communities and families. The Bible is full of stories about God’s People. Jesus uses stories in the form of parables to teach us truths about ourselves, God and

the Kingdom, generosity, unconditional love, love of neighbor, and forgiveness. What can we do to capture and celebrate the essence of an individual's life or an organization's history? **Presenter: Elaine Thomas.**

- 10. Financial Plan for My Best Future.** Financial planning with an eye toward retirement. Whether you're young, single, married, or with a family, it's important to develop a financial plan with a look toward the future. What should you be doing for the sake of financial health and well-being based on core values and one's religious faith. Too often, people put themselves in crushing debt, buying stuff they don't need, don't use, instead of being wise and intentional. Financial health can impact a person, marriage and family in either a positive or destructive way depending on priorities and making good decisions. Examining patterns of spending, giving to Church and charity, saving and investing, considering the now and also looking to the future with excitement instead of anxiety. **Presenter: Christine E. Brown.**

Session B Workshops – 12:30 p.m.

- 1. The Bible, Peace, and Just War Tradition.** What does the Bible say about peace? Which Bible verses are used to justify war? We will examine these two questions and touch on the traditions of Just War Theory. We may come to some conclusions, but definitely we will plant some seeds for future thought and prayer. The purpose of this class is to help deepen and to enrich our prayers for peace. Class handouts will include several sets of questions for further meditation and consideration. **Presenter: Rev. Sharon Wiggins.**
- 2. Double Meanings in the Healing Stories in our Four New Testament Gospel Accounts:** For our discussion in this workshop, it is suggested that our understanding of the healing stories in our Four New Testament Gospel Accounts is enhanced when we are aware that the healing stories in our New Testament Gospel Stories are intended to have double meanings, only one of which is obvious. **Presenter: Rev. Dr. Norm Beck.**
- 3. The Church as a place of Hurt or Healing?** People have enough problems in life without Christians giving people a taste of "Hell". Giving people a taste of "Heaven." The role of repentance, forgiveness, love, confession, in bringing healing to the whole person. **Presenter: Dr. Maurice Wilkinson.**
- 4. Death, Dying and Hope.** In our communities, there is a lot of religious and cultural diversity in terms of how people understand death and dying. What are some of those diverse religious beliefs about death and the after-life, customs, and how to best care for those who are like us and our neighbors who may be very different from us. And what of those persons who have no faith or who have been disconnected from the religious community for some time? **Presenter: Rev. Dr. Larry Green**
- 5. Identifying Opportunities for Fresh Expressions in your Setting.** How do fresh expressions of Church get started, particularly in small and rural settings? Where are there open doors or opportunities for your congregation to start a fresh expression? Come join in a conversation and an exploration of how a fresh expression could take root in your community. **Presenter: Pastor Patrick Melton.**
- 6. Ten Truths About Being Human.** We talk a lot about diversity and how different many of us are from each other. But there is a common denominator regardless of who we are, where we come from, and what we believe. We're all human. As humans we have some common truths about us that drive how we experience, understand, and process life. This workshop will teach you Ten Truths about being Human. It will explain a lot about you. It may also help you better understand your neighbor. **Presenter: Lane Johnson.**
- 7. Along the Border.** Fears and concerns of persons on both sides of the Texas border—persons fleeing for their lives because of violence and corruption in countries to the south of the United States, seeking a safe place, others searching for a better way of life, and others concerned about human trafficking, drug cartels bringing deadly fentanyl, and terrorists. So much discussion about the issues has been politicized and emotionalized with tensions in communities over open borders, limited resources and the strain placed on officials, citizens, and the Church. Here is an opportunity to understand what is really happening. **Presenters: Mike Garcia and Amerika Grewal.**
- 8. Telling Your Church's Story.** Church public relations is simply your church's ability to relate to the public, to create a favorable impression, to tell your story. It is taking hold of any message the church is trying to communicate to the public and making sure it's conveyed accurately. A church's ability to share their message and mission with their surrounding area will make a huge difference in how they are perceived. Bring awareness to the activities and ministries of your church. Imagine people knowing more than the name of your church, but knowing the important things you offer the community. Developing a strategy in telling your story in such a way that is inviting, that touches people's hearts, changes lives, meeting the need for people to connect and belong, and discover purpose in their lives. What are the strengths of your congregation? In our day, so many persons have never been connected to a Church, or for a variety of reasons have become disconnected. And yet, we are made for relationships, the kind that are loving, caring, that serve to build us up and encourage. **Presenter: Elaine Thomas.**

9. **Tickle the Ivories for the Lord.** Playing music for worship is an important and joyful responsibility. This workshop will cover basic principles for piano and/or organ playing for worship, focusing on accompanying congregational song. There will be time given to demonstrate these principles. **Presenter: Pastor & Musician Jonathan Mollenkopf**

Session C Workshops – 2:00 p.m.

1. **Breaking Cycles of Violence to Walk Jesus' Path of Peace.** Sometimes it seems like the cycles of violence we see in the world are simply “the way things are”, maybe even set in stone. Jesus broke those cycles and teaches us how to break them in our own lives. In one short hour, you can learn the secret; it may take a life time to perfect, but join us and take the first step. If you think of it, bring a rock you like. If not, we will have some for you to use. **Presenter: Rev. Sharon Wiggins.**
2. **What Does This Mean?** For discussion in this workshop, it is suggested that within our Biblical accounts that which can be historically and scientifically verified should be understood and interpreted literally, and that expressions of faith should be understood and interpreted as expressions of faith, intended to increase faith. **Presenter: Rev. Dr. Norm Beck.**
3. **Yes, You May be Getting Older,** but it doesn't mean you're old, dead or done. Staying active, vital, energized and living a purposeful life. **Presenter: Dr. Maurice Wilkinson.**
4. **Celebrating Your Journey.** All of life is preparation for what is coming down the road—our faith, struggles, losses, victories, the persons who cross our path. Reflecting on and celebrating that journey with those we love. It is difficult at times to deal with the brevity of our lives and the fact that we won't always be here. Having honest conversations with family and friends in anticipation of our departure, long before its time. Crafting a “Celebration of Life” instead of a funeral that is dark, depressing and dreary. How do we want to be remembered? What will be our legacy to family and community? A life of regrets or a life well-lived? Making known our wishes instead of family not knowing what to do. **Presenter: Deacon Leo Sharron**
5. **Sharing the Fresh Expression Vision with Your Congregation.** How do you share the heart of the Fresh Expressions vision with your congregation? How do you help your congregation see the value of reaching out when it sometimes seems there are hardly enough volunteers to keep the existing church going? Come find out how to navigate the common concerns and misconceptions about Fresh Expressions, and learn how to inspire your congregation into some simple mission experiments. **Presenter: Pastor Patrick Melton.**
6. **Dealing with Difficult Persons.** Life would be easier if we didn't have to deal with the few (or many) difficult people. You can't avoid them, and yes, they are sometimes encountered in the church. And sometimes they have left casualties and caused pain for years in a community. Negative behavior has worked for them as long as it's been allowed to. We must be intentional in how we respond to such persons in order to put a stop to their intimidation, controlling and manipulation. The Bible gives us practical guidance in dealing with difficult and disruptive persons in a community shaped by love and grace. In the midst of conflict, what can we learn about God, ourselves and others? **Presenter: Rebecca Guengerich.**
7. **Changed Demographics, Opportunities for Outreach.** A few years ago, Texas became the fourth minority majority state in the United States. Now, the Hispanic or Latino/Latina population makes up the greatest percentage of residents. The change is not only seen in the big cities, but also evident in small town and rural areas of our area counties. We can't assume that such persons are churchied or currently connected with Roman Catholic or Pentecostal communities of faith. It's important to understand the variety of cultures and the importance of family and faith among such persons that are in our communities and how we can connect with them. And can we have open hearts, a spirit of hospitality, and a welcoming community of faith to which they could relate and experience God's love and grace? **Presenters: Mike Garcia and Amerika Grewal**
8. **The Importance of Faith:** How are we going to make it in our journey in life? Each of us face moments that can place us in a valley of despair or bring us to mountain top experiences. Managing disappointments, and not being satisfied with mediocre. Aiming for excellence. Where is God in the journey, looking at the role of prayer and Bible study, and the encouragement we can find within that community of believers we call Church. **Presenter: Levi Montgomery.**
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ETS 2024 – Workshop Leaders

Pastor Patrick Melton is a second career pastor, having worked previously for 16 years as a manager, project manager and Unix Administrator. The *UNIX Corporation's* line of business includes developing and modifying computer software and packaging. He currently serves as a United Methodist pastor at First United Methodist in Hallettsville and Mossy Grove. He earned undergraduate degrees in English and History from the University of North Texas and a Master of Divinity degree from Southern Methodist University, Perkins School of Theology. As a lay person, he served on two building committees, Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, taught Sunday School for adults, children and teens, led bible studies including Disciple studies and ALPHA, organized and led mission trips both local and abroad, and participated in Charge Conferences. He served as a Youth Director and previously served as associate pastor at First Methodist, New Braunfels.

Rev. Dr. Norm Beck is Professor of Theology and Classical Languages at Texas Lutheran University and the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Stockdale (Denhawken). He has a Ph.D. from Princeton Theological Seminary, a B.D. and an honorary D.D. from Trinity Lutheran Seminary, and a B.A. from Capital University. He teaches Introduction to Theology, Old Testament Studies, New Testament Studies, History of Religions, Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Greek, and other courses at Texas Lutheran University, and is the author of ten books and of a movie script titled "Jesus, the Man."

Lane Johnson, M.Div., LPC-S, has lived, learned, and worked in Victoria, Texas for the past 50 years and has been a regular presenter at Equipping the Saints since 1995. He has practiced as a Licensed Professional Counselor since 1983. In addition to private practice, Lane also serves as the Chief Clinical Officer at Gulf Bend Center. He is the founder of *The Head Coach*, a counseling and life coaching business dedicated to improving performance through mental attitude and mental preparedness and is widely sought after to present on stress management and self-care. He writes a column, "From the Head Coach", which has appeared in journals, newsletters, and newspapers. Lane is also an ordained pastor having served churches in Seadrift, Victoria, Yoakum, and Yorktown.

Elaine Thomas is an award-winning non-fiction writer and drawn to country people from Texas and Western Canada whose lives resonate with purpose, courage and hope. With a lively, fresh perspective as a storyteller, Elaine captures people's memories to help us better interpret the past, understand the present and shape the future. She painstakingly crafts easy-to-read, pleasing personal stories that entertain readers and become precious family treasures. Through her work, Elaine connects individuals, families and communities. A seasoned writer, Elaine views her mission as saving stories from the slow lane that otherwise might be lost. Elaine honed her skills in a long public relations career with a major Texas energy company and through running her own public relations business. Her client roster includes energy companies, regional and small businesses, non-profit organizations and consumer magazines and newspapers.

Mike Garcia is co-presenter with Amerika Grewal. Mike helped found Iglesia Luterana San Lucas in Eagle Pass in the 1980s and has been a driving force behind the Border Vigil. Mike, a retired insurance agent, is a graduate of Howard Payne University and a graduate of Our Lady of the Lake University with a Masters in Social Work. After working with juvenile delinquents, Mike decided to invest time, talent, and treasure in community service and youth development and outreach such as Little League, Babe Ruth Baseball, and civic organizations, including 41 years at the Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce. Mike is saddened by the needless deaths on our southern border and is encouraged by the recognition of our common humanity and the support that he's found in the Border Vigil.

Amerika Garcia Grewal is Director of Business Development Interactive Transitions. She is a resident of Eagle Pass, Texas and is very active in current advocacy efforts and knowledgeable about the border situation and the changing demographics in Texas. Open door intercultural and leadership advisor that creates resourceful and timely solutions. Extensive experience in counseling, career development, technology integration, training, social media, and CRM in the fields of higher education and community engagement. 15+ years of advising, capacity building, and project management ranging from one off single day events to multi-year multi-site activities. She graduated from Texas A & M with a degree in Business Communication and from Mays Business School of Texas A & M with a Master's degree in Management Information Systems. Amerika is a Texan dedicated to democracy, the inherent worth and dignity of every person, and a free and

responsible search for truth. The 2023 bulldozing of the banks of the Rio Grande and the record-breaking number of people dying while trying to make it to the United States spurred her to action. Her experience living and working around the world and witnessing different immigration policies and approaches first hand convinced her that there is a better way to handle border safety. She now works to spread the message, beginning with her local city council.

Levi Montgomery—a member of the United Methodist Church, husband and father—is an Educator, Athletic Director and Head Football Coach for Hallettsville ISD. He served as an Infantry Fire Team Leader in the 15th Infantry Regiment of the United States Army, attaining the rank of Sergeant and serving in the hostile fire zone of Bosnia in 1996. Upon completing his military service, Montgomery graduated from Texas State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science and a minor in history. He is also a graduate of Liberty University with a Master degree of Education— Educational Administration and Supervision. Montgomery has coached for nearly 20 years with stops including Bay City, Pflugerville Connally, Canyon Lake, Bracken Christian, Cuero, and currently in Hallettsville. He is also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Rev. Sharon Wiggins, a retired ELCA pastor, lives in Pflugerville. She's done transitional ministry in congregations of the Bluebonnet Conference. Her background includes living in Okinawa, England, Saudi Arabia, three months in Bethlehem, Appalachia, and of course Texas. Sharon spent three months in Bethlehem as part of the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Accompaniment Program in Palestine and Israel, made trips to the Holy Land with Lutheran Pastors' group and with the Christian Peacemakers, and lived in Saudi Arabia for two years. During this time, learning and promoting peace—peace within our hearts and with our neighbors—has become very important to her. She has been a mom, a teacher of emotionally disturbed children, an accountant, and a pastor. She is currently working on what her children refer to as "Mom's Theory of Everything". She welcomes invitations to speak about Palestine, and our faith and its place in our lives.

Pastor Jonathan Mollenkopf has been playing piano and organ for worship for over three decades. He was a professional church musician before having a "mid-life crisis" and becoming an ordained pastor. He is married and has five grown step-children, five grandkids, cats and fish. He is currently the pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Nordheim.

Dr. Maurice Wilkinson graduated from Texas Tech Medical School in 1976 with high honors and was recognized as a distinguished alumna from medical school in 1993. She received the National Rural Health Practitioner of Year 1995. Dr. Wilkinson is a Family Practitioner for 46 years and the Chief of Staff at the Lavaca Medical Center.

Rev. Dr. Larry Green— Larry is a full-time pastor, serving God's Church, Victoria and Goliad Country Fellowship, Goliad. For 14 years he has worked full-time for Hospice of South Texas as a Chaplain. He has also served for the last 3 ½ years as Chaplain for the Victoria Police Department. He received his Doctorate of Education from the University of St. Francis, Joliet, Illinois in 2018.

Deacon Leo Sharron has over 17 years of experience working with individuals and couples seeking meaning and purpose in life as well as those coping with grief and loss. He has been with Hospice of South Texas for 13 years as Chaplain and currently serves as bereavement counselor/coordinator. He is a Catholic deacon and a Licensed Professional Counselor and holds a B.S in Psychology and a M.Ed. in Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

Christine Brown is a Financial Advisor and Certified Exit Planning Advisor with Edward Jones. Hers is a client-centered practice seeking to provide excellent service and total commitment to understanding the situation of her clients. She is a graduate of Sam Houston State University, and comes from a communications background. Christine is involved in church and community organizations, including Rotary International ("service above self").

Rebecca Guengerich is an educator and spiritual director. She is a graduate of the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest and currently works at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran in Austin as Director of Spirituality and Wellness. Rebecca also serves in the elected position of Leadership for Rostered and Lay Leaders in the Southwestern Texas Synod.

Bishop Sue Briner of the Southwestern Texas Synod will be the preacher at the morning communion service, and **Pastor Herb Beyer** of the Tri-County Cooperative Ministries will be the preacher at the sending worship service.

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