



THE GOOD NEWS

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Monday: 8 a.m.— Episcopal Day School-Chapel

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 8:30, 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m. in the Church.

September-May

Thursday: 2 p.m.— Episcopal Day School-Church

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

Wednesday: 12:05 p.m. With unction in the Chapel

BISHOP OF WESTERN LOUISIANA

The Right Rev. Jacob W. Owensby, Ph.D.

RECTOR—*The Rev. John "Jack" G. Myers*

ASSISTANT PRIEST—*The Rev. Jim Lueckenhoff*

RETIRED PRIEST—*The Rev. Petroula Ruehlen*

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School

The Rev. Frances "Boo" Kay

PARISH SECRETARY—*Margie Collins*

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OFFICE MANAGER—*Ann Lindsay*

MINISTER OF MUSIC

ORGANIST/CHOIR MASTER—*Dr. Patrick Parker*

MUSIC MINISTRY—*Pam LeBlanc*

Book Sale in gym

March 23- 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

March 24-9 a.m.-3 p.m.

March 25-12 noon-3 p.m.

Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. ⁶ Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁷ The Levites—Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan and Pelaiah—instructed the people in the Law while the people were standing there. ⁸ They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear^{al} and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read. ⁹ Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law. ¹⁰ Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength." ¹¹ The Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be still, for this is a holy day. Do not grieve." ¹² Then all the people went away to eat and drink, to send portions of food and to celebrate with great joy, because they now understood the words that had been made known to them. (Nehemiah 8:5-12)

Welcome to Lent! Yippee, hurrah, yahoo!

I know, you're thinking that Myers finally lost it, right? What is there to celebrate about Lent? The short answer is - God: his grace, his mercy, his love, and his commitment to bring humanity back into the fold. Now, if you would rather be depressed and filled with dark and brooding feelings about yourself - that's up to you. I have found that whenever I get too focused on Jack, that Jack can't seem to cut it. Then I get down and bitter and grumpy. However, when I get over myself and focus my mind and heart on Jesus and his incredible life - what he said and did (and what he invites me to join with him in) then I'm OK. I still fail and fall short but, because I'm taking myself more lightly, I'm not such a difficult person to deal with. Try this on for size:

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart." (Hebrews 12: 1-3) In other words - take on Lent as an opportunity to rediscover your love, admiration and thankfulness to our God who came to save us in Jesus.

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Besides, if you're not so down on yourself you might be able to navigate all the turmoil, confusion, and bitterness we are fed in the news each and every day. The most recent shooting massacre in a Florida school has really got our conversations in an uproar. I don't think there is any one solution to stop these incidents from happening. Instead, real improvement will be the result of change on a number of fronts. One thing that I think about is the state of our countries mental, physical, and spiritual health . Again, you or I as individuals can't fix the world, but we can improve ourselves and together raise the cultural bar to a more Godly place.

In the past when this type of change for the better has occurred in the Church, it generally was referred to as a reform, a renewal or restoration. The Reformation was a rediscovery of the truths of scripture that had been forgotten and corrupted. It was a "going back to". A similar story from the book of Nehemiah began this reflection. Historic Anglicanism was a movement to rediscover the truths held by the early Fathers of the Church as they understood Holy Scripture before there was any east/west split. Lent is generally a "getting back to basics", or rediscovering what we once knew but have strayed from.

Here is something that I recently read in Imprimis - a publication from Hillsdale College. The article came from Amy Wax, a professor at The University of Pennsylvania Law School, and it was entitled, "Are We Free to Discuss America's Real Problems?"

We then discussed the "cultural script"—a list of behavioral norms—that was almost universally endorsed between the end of World War II and the mid-1960s:

Get married before you have children and strive to stay married for their sake. Get the education you need for gainful employment, work hard, and avoid idleness. Go the extra mile for your employer or client. Be a patriot, ready to serve the country. Be neighborly, civic-minded, and charitable. Avoid coarse language in public. Be respectful of authority. Eschew substance abuse and crime. (Along with these I would add participation in a scripturally focused community of faith.)

These norms defined a concept of adult responsibility that was, we wrote, "a major contributor to the productivity, educational gains, and social coherence of that period." The fact that the "bourgeois culture" these norms embodied has broken down since the 1960s, we argued, largely explains today's social pathologies—and re-embracing that culture would go a long way toward addressing those pathologies.

Maybe what we should do in response to the current cultural sickness both as individuals and as a congregation is to **take responsibility for our spiritual, mental, and physical health by actively engaging the Faith we say we believe as we also take steps to prevent dangerous intrusions**; having a basic plan in place to help us protect and defend ourselves. Other additional solutions that come from government and elsewhere can't substitute for our own self-care. The vestry has already equipped our Good Shepherd campus with surveillance equipment that is connected to our security system and, in turn, the police in the event of an incident. **The vestry is also developing a basic security protocol and we will share the details with you soon.**

All this is to say – keep your head up; don't let Lent or anything else get you down. Be careful, be watchful, but remember - our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Jack+

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION AND REAFFIRMATION

Each Sunday in the upstairs conference room- beginning March 11th from 9:30 to 10:15.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil? Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

These are the vows made by those about to be Confirmed, to be Received into the Episcopal Tradition or who are Reaffirming their commitment to Christ as Savior and Lord. Each of us will have the opportunity to renew our vows to God upon the occasion of Bishop Owensby's visit to Good Shepherd on Sunday, April 22nd.

The Vows we make in life form us and guide our steps. We make promises to be "best friends", we promise to "go steady" with our first boy/girlfriend, we promise our team mates that we "won't let them down, no matter what". We may even take vows to defend our country, stay faithful in marriage and be committed parents. Each of these promises helps us to grow in heart and mind to be better people. Confirmation is the same thing except that you are covenanting with your creator who knows you (and who knows who he wants you to become) better than you know yourself!

Vows, especially confirmation can "change your life". Please consider the exciting possibilities and get involved in Confirmation Conversations in the upstairs conference room between Sunday morning services **beginning March 11th from 9:30 to 10:15.**

Pray One For Another -James 5:16

We pray for people suffering due to hurricanes, drought, flooding, tornados, fires and earthquakes; Elaine Davison, Ed Chavanne, Ronnie Borel, Fred Rau, Jean Wagstaff, Lucas Merrill, Danny Johnson, Tabitha Rider, Randy Haight, Phyllis Cole, Laura Miller Drews, Diane Paul, Susan Ardoin, Jo Strasburg, Bryan McKinley, James Hayes, Carlos, David Slaydon, Gordon McNutt, Sarah Currie, Tore Carlberg, Joyce Mack Williams, Dana Ferguson, Polly Cole, Donna Little, Crawford Pernici, Daryl Harper, Josephine Thweatt, Mike, Dean Collette, Trey Rowzie, Suzette Miller, Laura Meche, Sheila & Michael Chisholm, Rosemary, Stephanie Lemoine, Holly Boudreaux, Ty Griffen, Ike Stanfield, Conner Gezell, Chris Clinkscales, Christy King, Paul Medus, Paul George, Jack, Chrystal Butler, Allen Medus, Elonide Medus, Bella Hahn, Pam Seal, Cole Cormier, Adeline Jackson, Hannah Linowski, Fletcher Pierson, Dr. Charles Smith, Quinton Savoie, Harvey Brown, Larry & Mary Ann Buc, Martha Schnauder, Lena Myers, Lois Bradley, Mary Margaret Leaman, Christopher Graham, Sandra Richard, Joy Smith, Ethel Coulter, Bobby.

Safe Pregnancy: Kathryn Dalglish Chambley, Katie Hanudel Miles, Morgia Dampf Holmes, Katie Jones Fruge', Caroline Cole Smolkin.

Our continuing prayers are offered for: Bel Painter, Chuck Lemoine, Kay Noble, Gabby Saucier, Nancy Wyman, Nancy Draughn, Mildred Abraham, Caroline Hollins, Richard & Shirlene Clark, Buddy Leach, Luke Burnham, John Landry, Jenilyn Gibson, Susan & Knel, Mike & Marilyn Kudla, Patricia Luff Wood, Carolyn Earhart Whittington, Marjorie Dempsey, Deneen Draves, Caroline Hammett, Emily Judice, Everett, Patricia Reeves, Cliff DeRousselle, Jaxon Sellers, Kayla DeRoache, Emily Carleton, Bobbie Holder, Jason Trahan, Bobby Thomas, Rocky Cormier, Charmaine Hufstedler, Riley Soder, Ollie Cavin and Katie Hoffman, David Crowe, Ginger Tatum, Sylvia Seals, Ruth & Bob Kickel, Danny O'Flaherty.

We pray for those serving in our armed forces: Major Christopher Ryan, US ARMY, brother of Heather Kelley; Petty Officer 3rd Class Cole Remy, NAVY, son of Kristi Smith; SPC Craig May US ARMY; Danasia London, NAVY; Chief Petty Officer Justin Phillips, NAVY, nephew of Margie Collins; SSGT John Dalglish, US ARMY, SGT Ariana Dalglish, US ARMY-honorably discharged, son and daughter-in-law of Linda & Charles Dalglish, Chief Petty Officer NAVY Brian Ponder, son-in-law of Penny & Louis Haxthausen.

We pray for those involved in disaster relief: prayers for safety for Kirk Harmon who will be assisting relief efforts in Puerto Rico.

Lenten Program at Good Shepherd for 2018

This year we are inviting folks to “come early and stay late”! Our program has four possible components that can string together to offer participants a full mid-morning through lunch experience.

On Mondays at 10:00 and Wednesdays at 11:00 Sarah Harmon (Good Shepherd choir member and fitness instructor at Gigi’s) will lead a low impact exercise class combining strength training with bands, stretching, balance work, and a little spiritual reflection. If you want you can even sit for the exercise. Please sign up in Hardtner Hall to give Sarah an idea of the class size. She is excited to combine these various components into a 45 minute period that will bless you – body, soul, and spirit!

On Mondays following time with Sarah you can continue with an ecumenical women’s study led by Ellie Marquez beginning at 11:30. This gathering of fun ladies follows a video course with conversation, prayer, and a brown bag lunch. They are currently enjoying Rick Warren’s, 40 Days of Love. On Wednesdays the 11:00 exercise class will end a few minutes before our mid-week healing Eucharist. Once again we are inviting participants to sign up to make a pot of soup (see sign-up in Hardtner Hall).

Additionally, Father Jack is inviting folks to get and read Bishop Owensby’s latest book - *Your Untold Story: Tales of a Child of God*. We can discuss the book’s chapters while we enjoy lunch together or stay a while longer and visit. The book can be found on the diocesan web site (diocesewla.org) or the office can order it for you.

All in all we should have a real fun, fit, spirit-filled fellowship! Hope you can join in. The sign up sheet for soup donation, book order and exercise class can be found in Hardtner Hall.

Lenten Lunch Program – 2018

Monday - 10:00 Exercise with Sarah
11:00 Women’s study w/brown bag lunch

Wednesday - 11:00 Exercise with Sarah
12:00 Eucharist with prayers for healing
12:30 Soup Lunch
1:00 Book study on Your Untold Story: *Tales of a Child of God*, by Bishop Jake Owensby.

CHANGE

First Sunday morning service is now
8:30 a.m.

The Sunday evening service will change
to 5 p.m. beginning March 4. It will be
held in the chapel.

The Labyrinth will be available
in the gym on
March 29th, Maundy Thursday
at 6 p.m. until March 30, Good
Friday, 10 a.m.

Adult Education



"The Upper Room ..."

Join us Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Embracing Forgiveness

In *Embracing Forgiveness*, storyteller, Episcopal priest and teacher Barbara Cawthorne Crafton leads a group of adults in a revealing and helpful exploration of what forgiveness is *not*, first of all, and then what it *is* and how to find it in our lives, on both the personal and communal level. Warm, honest, realistic and practical, *Embracing Forgiveness* offers tonic for troubled souls – yours and mine.

Mar 4 Conversations in Hardtner Hall

Mar 11 How to Start

Mar 18 Why Forgive?

Mar 25 Palm Sunday – to be announced

O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need your fellowship and ours, and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. God, make the door of this house the gateway to your eternal kingdom. Amen.

milestones We pray for those who have died: Jack Thielen, father of Chad (Jan), grandfather of Morgan, Carson and John; Leland Fox, father of Megan (Gina) Knox; Richard Duplechian, Jr; Margaret Butler Owens. May they rest in peace and rise in Glory and may light perpetual shine upon them.

Here I Am, Send Me

There are lots of ministry opportunities at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Would you like to be a Lector, Chalice Minister, Oblationer, Greeter on Sunday mornings and for special services? We could use your help!

Volunteer opportunities abound in the areas of Book Sale, Faith and Friends Food Pantry, Altar Guild, Christian Education, Home-bound ministry, Nursing Home Ministry, Front desk Receptionist, Shepherd's Staff, COR, Hospitality....talk to Fr. Jack or see Margie or Ann in the church office to become involved!

Deadline for the April newsletter will be March 15. View online at www.goodshepherd-lc.com

March 2018

Thursday, March 1

- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.

Friday, March 2

- Rosewood Nursing Home ministry, 10 a.m.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m. Outreach House

Saturday, March 3

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, March 4- breakfast by Quackers, 9:30 a.m.

- † Services 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
- Congregational Conversation, 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 5

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Exercise with Sarah, 10 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.–1p .m.

Wednesday, March 7

- Men's Breakfast at Vicki B's, 7:30 a.m.
- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Exercise with Sarah, 11 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- Soup Lunch and Program, 12:30 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 8

- Safe Church Minister Training in Lafayette, 10 a.m.-12 noon
- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.

Friday, March 9

- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m. Outreach House
- CLEY Weekend at Camp Hardtner through Sunday

Saturday, March 10

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Sunday, March 11-breakfast by True Grits, 9:30 a.m.

- † Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. , 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 12

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Exercise with Sarah, 10 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Chateau du Lac Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- St. Cecilia's Guild meeting, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14

- Exercise with Sarah, 10 a.m.
- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Healing Service and Eucharist, 12 noon
- Soup Lunch and program, 12:30 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 15

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. at Outback, on 2616 Derick Drive.
- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.

Friday, March 16

- Rosewood Nursing home ministry, 10 a.m.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m. Outreach House
- Order of St. Luke Healing Conference at St. Michael & All Angels, 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 17

- Order of St. Luke Healing Conference at St. Michael & All Angels, 9 a.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Sunday, March 18- breakfast by Bloody Marys, 9:30 a.m.

- † Services 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 19

- EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Exercise with Sarah, 10 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, March 20

- COR meeting, 10 a.m. , upstairs conference room

Wednesday, March 21

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Exercise with Sarah, 11 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:00 p.m.
- Soup Lunch and program, 12:30 p.m.
- Hospitality meeting, 1:30 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 22

- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.

Friday, March 23

- BOOK SALE- 8 A.M.-6 P.M.
- NA in Outreach house, 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 24

- CONVOCATIONAL PALM CROSS FOLDING AT ST. ANDREW' CHURCH IN MOSS BLUFF, 10 A.M.
- BOOK SALE-- 9 A.M.-3 P.M.
- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Palm Sunday, March 25- breakfast by Road Kill

- † Services 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- BOOK SALE—NOON—3 P.M.

Monday, March 26

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.— 1 p.m.
- Building & Grounds meeting, 11 a.m.
- Finance Meeting, 12 noon
- Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 28

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist & Healing Service, 12:05 p.m.

- Daughters of the King meeting, 1 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Group, 6:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday, March 29

- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- † Service at 7 p.m.
- Labyrinth in the gym beginning at 6 p.m.
- Altar of Repose in the Chapel, 8 p.m. until 8 a.m. Good Friday

Good Friday, March 30– Church office closed

- † Service at 12 noon
- Labyrinth in the gym until 10 a.m.

Holy Saturday, March 31

- Altar Guild decorates church, 9:30 a.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

Easter Sunday, April 1

- † Services at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- † Big Lake Services begin, 11:00 a.m.

Monday, April 2– Church office closed

- Ladies Lunch Bunch– March 15, 11:30 a.m. at Outback, 2616 Derick Drive

All youth and adults are needed to make palm crosses for Palm Sunday. We will bring palms to St. Andrew's in Moss Bluff for 10 a.m. Lunch will be served!

Contributions by Credit Card

Based on our Annual Budget it takes almost \$2000.00 /day to run Good Shepherd. We don't talk about it that much but the Offertory -when we bring forward our offerings of bread, wine and money- is a big deal, spiritually and materially! What if you forgot your check book or only have a few dollars in your purse or wallet? Not to worry – Good Shepherd now takes plastic! You can make your donation in Hardtner Hall after each service. If you'd like to be trained to help handle donations speak with Ann Lindsay today.

Bookies are ready for the Book Sale, March 23,24 & 25



Quacker members: "Fred, Fred and my other brother Fred. (just kidding) Richard with friends and family enjoyed the silent auction and fish fry for Haiti.





Tend My Lambs Fish Fry

Great fellowship, delicious food,
wonderful entertainment



ROSEWOOD

Eucharist	2018		Lay Led
Mar.	2 nd	16 th	(Ellie M.)
Apr.	6 th	20 th	(Anita)
May	4 th	18 th	(Ellie L.)

Men's Fellowship Breakfast on the first Wednesday of the month. Our new location is Vicki B's Cafe, 1201 Lakeshore Dr. (on the corner of Lakeshore and Clarence). We will meet on **Wednesday, March 7 at 7:30 a.m.**

St. Cecilia's Guild Meetings

All women of the church are invited to join in the fun!

March 12- Regular meeting, 6 p.m.

April 2- Easter Egg Hunt at Sandra Leder's, Time TBA

May 14- Regular meeting, 6 p.m.

CONGREGATION CONVERSATION

Revised Schedule – First Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

March 4 - Power of Attorney and Wills

(To be determined)-April 29, May 27, June 10, July 1, August 5



Connecting Our Roots– April 10, 2018

Dr. Eric Snow will speak on nutrition at the next Connecting Our Roots (COR) meeting on Tuesday, April 10. Registration will begin at 9:30 and the program will begin at 10 a.m.

Dr. Snow says his philosophy is simple - “A body with a properly functioning nervous system that is provided the specific nutrition that it needs, will heal in seemingly miraculous ways, thanks to its innate healing ability.”

Given proper nutrition, according to Dr. Snow, the human body has an amazing ability to heal itself. “If properly fed and given the right nutrients, the human body is designed to repair itself. But to do so, we need to eat a healthier diet, exercise, and take high-quality supplements made from whole foods,” he says.

Dr. Snow received his chiropractic degree from Texas Chiropractic College, Pasadena, TX, in August 2005. He completed Applied Clinical Nutrition post-graduate studies from Texas Chiropractic College in 2008.

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Contact person: Libby Schneider (337) 477-8137

Place of meetings: On a rotating basis

Purpose: To provide an opportunity for the ladies and friends of our church to share fellowship and a meal at different restaurants. We gather the 3rd Thursday of every month at 11:30 a.m. The meal is Dutch Treat with separate checks. Bon Appétit!





A gift of Summer Camp is a gift your children will remember forever

Now is one of the more exciting times of the year when we really begin preparing for 2018 Summer Camp! It may be cold outside, but we are focused on those hot but fun-filled summer days that will soon be here.

Our 2018 Summer Camp dates and rates are now available and you can get Camp on your calendar. Camper registration will open in January through our online system.

You may notice that we have re-evaluated and shifted our grade groupings. This does a couple things that we believe will enhance our programs.

First it means that the sessions offered will draw from three grades instead of two. This equates to more campers per session. We know from experience that there is more excitement and energy generated when sessions are larger, and we are confident everyone will enjoy this boost.

2018 Summer Camp Schedule

Registration opens in January!

First Camp <small>Grades 7 and 8 with parent/guardian</small>	June 1 - 3	\$200
Primary Camp <small>Grades 4, 5, and 6</small>	June 18 - 23	\$475
Jr. High Camp <small>Grades 7, 8, and 9</small>	June 27 - July 3	\$575
Mid. High Camp <small>Grades 10, 11, and 12</small>	July 9 - 15	\$575
Sr. High Camp <small>Grades 11, 12, and special students</small>	June 7 - 14	\$675
Camp Able <small>Grades 7 and 8 with special needs</small>	July 19 - 23	\$400

www.camphardtner.org Text to learn more: 318.765.3794

We are going to avoid conflicts with the beginning of school by ending our season earlier. This benefits our campers, volunteers, and counselor staff especially. Ending earlier means more are going to be able to serve our campers for the entire summer. We anticipate seeing the most positive effect on Camp Able as our pool of staff and volunteers will not have as many scheduling conflicts.

Recruiting for the 2018 counselors is underway. You might also hear them referred to as the "permanent staff" for the summer. We will be hiring 20 young adults to serve as cabin counselors, one head driver, and one head counselor.

One last thing — this Christmas season consider for your children, grandchildren, or a pal you've made at church, the gift of an experience of summer camp at Camp Hardtner. It's a gift they won't outgrow or get bored with. It will stick with them forever.

2018 Events for Youth

- March 9-11 CLEY for Jr. High students. Register with the diocese at www.dioceseswla.org
- March 24 Deanery Youth Palm Cross Folding at St. Andrew's, Moss Bluff
- April 21 Big Lake Chapel Service & Picnic hosted by Good Shepherd

GOOD SHEPHERD- YOUTH STUDY WITH FATHER JACK

Grades 6-12

Every 3RD & 4TH SUNDAY

MORNINGS In the upstairs conference room

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS
MARCH 11



OSL- Imperial Calcasieu Order of St. Luke the Physician-Lake Charles

Speaker: Rev. Paul Feider

When: March 16-17, 2018

Where: St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, 123 W. Sale Road

Contact: Malcolm Self at 337.478.2646 or osregionv@gmail.com

March Birthday & Prayer

Calendar

1 Louie Barbe	26 Jett Olney
2 LeLe Mericle, Philip Winters	27 Maura Cole
5 Floyd Burton, Joel Werner	28 Butch Maze, Linsey Vincent, Maggie Walker
7 Nancy Khoury, Eloise Duty	29 Cole Remy, Katie Remy, Scarlet Faylor
9 Bel Painter	30 Claude "Buddy" Leach, Lucille Rumsey, Renee Rumsey
11 Caroline Hollins, Richard Walker, Laurie Riquelmy, Jimmy Phillips	31 Edgar McCanless
12 Jake Reeves	
13 Courtney Dampf, Suzanne Reeves	
15 Sam Pruitt	
19 Roy Paul	
22 Kay Blake	
25 Penny Haxthausen, Catherine Pitzer	



It's Our Treat!"
Young Adult Dinner and "ID-That-Photo" Contest
Sunday, June 3, 11:30 a.m.
Good Shepherd Gym

June 3 has been named "Seniors Salute the Young Congregants" Day by COR (Connecting Our Roots). We seniors know you are busy, so have lunch with us after church. Put your feet up while your kids play.

And send of your photo from your elementary school years. We want to know what you looked like when you were 5- to 10-years old. Did you have braces? Did you have pigtails? Were you cute? Already handsome? Would we recognize you today?

We'll combine the photos in an unnamed photo-sheet and during our lunch we'll see who can correctly identify one another! The person who gets the most correct IDs wins a fabulous prize... So mark your calendars for June 3, and bring in or send your photographs to Margie Collins at administration@goodshepherd-lc.com before the deadline of April 29.



Join an ECW fellowship gathering at St. Alban's in Monroe March 3

Please join for an ECW gathering on March 3, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. for fellowship and fun at St. Alban's in Monroe.

Mother Rowena from St. Mark's Cathedral in Shreveport will be speaking on upcoming ECW events at Camp Hardtner and about the importance of forgiveness.

Mother Rowena became a priest in 1995 and has been on staff at St. Mark's since 2011. She has been trained in spiritual direction along with being a teacher and supervisor in Stephens Ministries.

We hope that you can join us!

Advancing to General Convention: Registration open for Young Adult Festival

Registration is now open for the Episcopal Church Young Adult Festival scheduled to run concurrently with the 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church. The Young Adult Festival is designed for young adults 18-30 years old to meet peers from the globe, pray and learn together, engage in the church's legislative process and help discern God's call for the Episcopal Church. The 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church will be held Thursday, July 5 to Friday, July 13 at the Austin Convention Center, Austin, Texas (Diocese of Texas).

"The Young Adult Festival will include a General Convention 101 session, worship, workshops, and networking opportunities for everyone- from first-time General Convention attendees to advocates and leaders who have attended for years," noted the Rev. Shannon Kelly, Staff Officer for Campus and Young Adult Ministries. "We look forward to welcoming young adults from the Episcopal Church to Austin. "

The cost for the event ranges between \$300 and \$675 depending on the housing choices. Registration deadline for those traveling to Austin is May 1 and includes five nights of housing, a Sunday morning brunch, General Convention registration, and all Young Adult Festival programming. Registration deadline for commuters is May 31. Space is limited for each registration choice; registration will close when spaces are filled.



The Altar of Repose

Maundy Thursday, March 29, 8 p.m. until Good Friday, March 30, 8 a.m.

The Altar of Repose is the place where the elements of Christ's body and blood, consecrated during the Maundy Thursday Eucharist, are reserved for Holy Communion on the following day, Good Friday. The liturgy of Good Friday which observes Christ's death on the cross, does not include a prayer of consecration, so communion must be given from the reserved sacrament consecrated on the

previous day. It is the custom at Good Shepherd to take the opportunity to sit for an hour before the reserved sacrament on the altar of repose. This is a special time of quiet thought, prayer and meditation. The hour refreshes that spiritual connection many of us need to continue faithfully in our walk with Christ. We invite you to sign up for an hour or more of time alone with your thoughts and your God. The opportunity is before you now. Sign up on the poster in Hardtner Hall.

Seeing God's Face in Each Other: A Beloved Community Workshop

**Friday, March 16 at 12 noon until Saturday, March 17, 3 p.m.
At Camp Hardtner**

Given the realities of racial injustice across the world and the call of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, many Episcopal dioceses, seminaries, and networks have discerned a fresh commitment to racial justice, reconciliation, and healing. Perhaps because of this church-wide stirring, the 78th General Convention of The Episcopal Church urged the whole church to take a major stride forward by passing Resolution C019 (Establish Response to Systemic Injustice).

This workshop will equip participants with tools to work toward eliminating racism through the encouragement of cultural diversity and recognition of the enriching gifts brought into our world by all people of all races and cultures. Through a generous grant from the Constable Fund, there is **no charge to attend**.

I urge all clergy and laity to take advantage of this opportunity to engage in God's mission "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ" (Book of Common Prayer, p. 855).

Sign up at: bmontgomery@ascensionbluegators.org

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