



# THE GOOD NEWS

Growing in Christ together through worship,  
fellowship, ministry and stewardship.

July 2018

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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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.*

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**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*

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY**/

**OFFICE MANAGER**- *Ann Lindsay*

**MUSIC MINISTRY**-*Pam LeBlanc*

**SUMMERTIME**

- Plan to attend church wherever you are on vacation.
- Don't forget to keep your pledge current.
- Have a safe and fun summer!

## Growing Together in Christ

Hi Church –

My wife Joan and I have been a couple for a while now. We flirted for two years in high school, got together at holidays (in our home town) during college, rendezvoused for visits during the early years of our separate working lives; and finally, after all that (and my mission-field and seminary time combined with Joan's developing career), we recognized that we loved one another and needed to get married. All that time – from "first flirts" to "I do's" took us 17 years. We have now been married 28 years making our total time a big 45. What's our relationship like now? Well, we still love each other even though we get angry, frustrated, and disappointed from time to time. But, because we *keep coming together*, our perspective has changed. I still love Joan and she still loves me; but now I have to say - that *I love US* more than I love her or she me. Get the difference?

Growing Together in Christ – is a phrase I hope is becoming familiar to you. It's our mission statement and I'd like to spend some more time talking about it. Good Shep-

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herd needs to grow together as a community of faith. It's an ongoing task because we are always changing, even if you've been here all your life. The more woven the people of Good Shepherd are, the stronger and healthier she becomes as our identity changes from a "they" to a "we".

With this "we/they" idea in mind, Good Shepherd has been talking the last few months about how WE can more effectively "grow together in Christ" especially in our gathered worship, and in our fellowship and fund-raising events. For example, we recently had the focus of our worship and prayers be on our elderly, and then flipped that idea and focused our prayers on our younger families. On July 8<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 service (when we celebrate Milda Fontenot's retirement) our service will be led by children and young adults. I hope to offer this same idea - KIDS DO CHURCH - more regularly throughout the year with kids doing everything possible to help and lead our worship. Penny Haxthausen is leading us in a new event - "Souper Sunday" on October 7<sup>th</sup> - which promises to be fun and tasty while it earns us a little cash. Through these and other ideas yet to be implemented we are trying to help us all have **a special reason to come together** on Sundays - because unless we come together, Good Shepherd will be referred to as a "THEY" and not a "WE".

Whether we are talking about marriage or our congregational involvement, long term relationships are challenging. It's easy to take each other for granted and to stop investing ourselves in one another. Please don't make this mistake. Your involvement in our congregation matters - for you, for us, for people yet to become part of us - for the future of the gospel. By staying connected, by being involved with the life of the congregation; "you" become a "we" and "they" become an "us".

So, how do you feel about Good Shepherd? Do you love her, or do you love US?

Fr. Jack+

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## Summer Choir

Ever wonder what it's like to be in the choir but were too timid to try? Father Jack is extending an invite to any and all worshipers to come forward, sit in the choir, sing and help lead the congregation. Sitting "up there" might be a fun learning experience and you can bring the whole family! The only requirement is that you sing and help all of us enter into the worship experience together! No reservations necessary, just sit up front!

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**Musical talents to share?** On another "note" (ha, ha, ha), do you have an instrument that you play but have never done so in Church? Maybe you play the piano, the guitar, the flute or "juice harp." Why not volunteer to play for us some Sunday? If you would like to share your instrumental talents just let Father Jack and our Music Team (Becky Watson) know that you're out there and we will get you scheduled to play. You don't have to lead us for the entire service, maybe just a prelude or something during communion.

**July 8 - Retirement Reception for Milda & KIDS DO CHURCH** - please consider making a contribution to Milda's retirement purse, join us for church and her reception, and enjoy our kids as they lead us in worship at the 10:30 liturgy! Fr. Jack will be calling families to enlist kids to do everything but call him if you want to volunteer.

Anyone willing to help organize a **Family Square Dance** and Party in the Gym after church at some point this fall, PLEASE SPEAK WITH Fr. Jack!!

**John 15:10**

**If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.**

**Micah 7:7-15 But as for me, I watch in hope for the LORD, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me. (v7)**

**I ask the same question every morning when I first crawl out of bed, "Is today the day Lord?" I am referring to being cured of Parkinson disease. If the muscles are stiff and rigid and there is a lot of pain, I know it's not the day, so I "watch in hope for the Lord" and wait for another day. Waiting is hard. We all want a healing and we want it now. This Gospel lesson today tells me to remain in Jesus' love by obeying his commands. To know what to obey, I have to read his Word; that's generally the first thing I do after I know if today is the healing day or not. All I know is when I am obedient I am more joyful. Waiting for God my Savior is hard; being patient is hard. But love is patient. Jesus has been so patient with me, should I be less with him? God speaks to me through His Word, prayer, that still small voice, and other people. The question is: Am I listening?**

**By Richard Mead Bible Fellowship**

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**Questions:**

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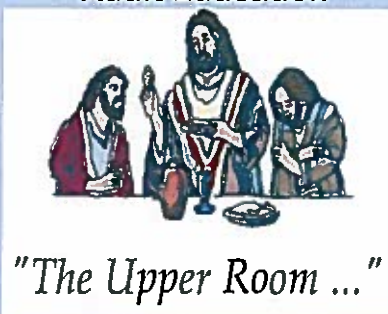
- Ladies Lunch Bunch- All ladies of the church are invited to join us for a Dutch Treat lunch on July 19th at Jo-Jo's at 11:30 a.m. by Target.**

**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.**

**Deadline for the August newsletter will be July 15. View on-line at [www.goodshepherd-lc.com](http://www.goodshepherd-lc.com)**

## Adult Education



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

### Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times by Adam Hamilton

Jesus said: "Do not be afraid." For anyone struggling with fear, worry or anxiety, or who wonders how families and communities can live as peacemakers in troubled times, *Unafraid* offers an informed and inspiring message full of practical solutions. Adam Hamilton explores the worries and fears that all of us experience and examines them in the light of scripture.

July 1 Congregation Conversations in Hardtner Hall

July 8 Apocalypse, Change, Missing Out, and Finances

July 15 Aging, Illness, Dying, and Fear of the Lord

**New Study begins July 22 – Best-selling author Kathleen Norris on "Embracing a Life of Meaning: Discovering What Matters"**

July 22 Belief Matters

July 29 The Bible Matters

## milestones

**Births:** We give thanks for the births of: **Benjamin David Smolken**, son of Caroline and David, grandson of Polly and Jeff Cole; and **Penelope Wrenn Sherbenou**, daughter of Marian and Dan, granddaughter of Marty and Ben Thompson.

**Marriage:** Congratulations to **Annabel Rose and Jed Dinnerstine** on their marriage. Annabel is the daughter of Della and Billy Rose, granddaughter of Kay Blake. *May their love for each other be a seal upon their hearts, a mantle about their shoulders, and a crown upon their foreheads.*

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## ADDRESS CHANGES

Robert and Courtney Dampf  
536 LSU Avenue  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808



Otto and Jo Strasburg  
5400 NW 39th Avenue Apt. C15  
Gainesville, FL 32606



Donny & Jennifer Pitzer  
211 Shell Beach Drive  
Lake Charles, LA 70601

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Father, I receive, welcome and acknowledge each of my children as a delightful blessing from You. I speak your blessings upon them and over them.

Children, I bless you in the name of Jesus, proclaiming the blessings of God, my Redeemer, upon you. May He give you wisdom, a reverential fear of God, and a heart to love.

## July 2018 Calendar

### Sunday, July 1

- † Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
- Congregation Conversations, 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, July 2

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m., - 1 p.m.



### Wednesday, July 4– Independence Day

- Church office closed
- AA in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Saturday, July 7

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, July 8

- † Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed.—9:30 a.m.
- † Kids Worship at 10:30 a.m., reception for Milda Fontenot after church.

### Monday, July 9

- Fellowship & Fundraising meeting, 10 a.m. Everyone welcome!
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m., - 1 p.m.

### Wednesday, July 11

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Saturday, July 14

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, July 15

- † Services 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, July 16

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Wednesday, July 18

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, July 19

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. JoJo's by Target

### Saturday, July 21

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, July 22

- † Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, July 23

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

### Wednesday, July 25

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

### Thursday, July 26

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. at JoJo's by Target

### Saturday, July 28

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, July 29

- † Services 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, July 30

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

### A Psalm of David

Psalm 18:19– He brought me forth into a broad place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

## August 2018 Calendar

### Wednesday, August 1

- Men's Breakfast at Big Daddy's, 7:30 a.m.
- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Healing Service and Holy Eucharist, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Saturday, August 4

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, August 5

- † Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed.—9:30 a.m.

### Monday, August 6

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m., - 1 p.m.

### Wednesday, August 8

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Saturday, August 11

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, August 12

- † Services 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, August 13

- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Tuesday, August 14— EDS RETURNS TO SCHOOL

### Wednesday, August 15

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, August 16

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. TBA
- † EDS Eucharist, 2 p.m.

### Saturday, August 18

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, August 19

- Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, August 20

- Study group, 11:30 a.m.— 1 p.m.

### Wednesday, August 22

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

### Thursday, August 23

- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.

### Saturday, August 25

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, August 26

- † Services 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, August 27

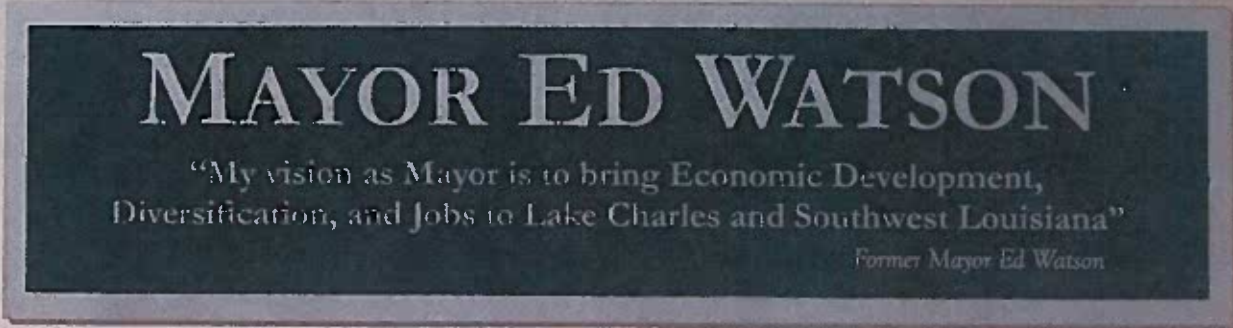
- Building & Grounds meeting, 11 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Finance meeting, 12 noon
- Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, August 29

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.

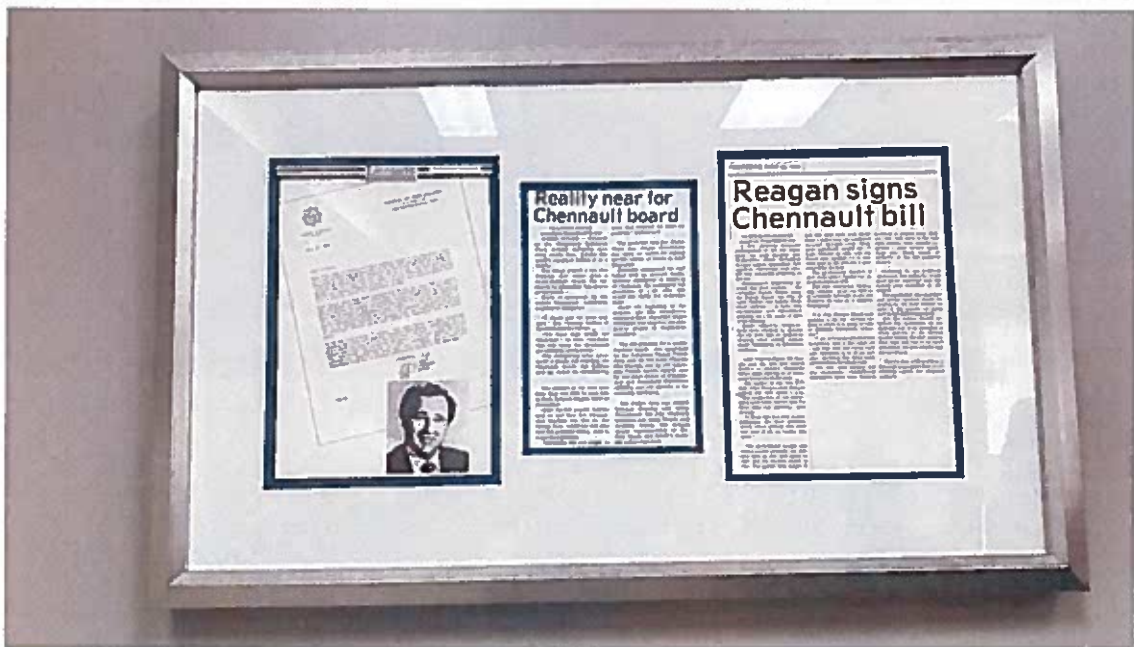
### Thursday, August 30

- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.
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Becky Watson unveils the plaque honoring Ed Watson at Chennault International Airport.

Executive Director Kevin Melton said "As leaders of Chennault we stand on the shoulders of people like Ed Watson, who believed in our future at a time when few did."







Congratulations to Annabel Rose and Jed Dinnerstine on their marriage.



It's not too late to sign up for school at Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School.

Contact Lisa Luebner at 433-5244.



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Great Reasons  
to join our  
family

- Academic Excellence
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- Outstanding Technology Program
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- Successful, Confident Graduates
- Individual Attention
- Spiritual Growth
- Leadership

## RED WHITE BLUE AND YOU, 2018



KPLC reports

The City of Lake Charles will present their annual Red White Blue & You celebration on Wednesday, July 4, according to Matt Young, spokesman for the city.

**A parade will begin on Mill Street, traveling down Ryan Street to Dr. Michael Debakey Drive at 6 p.m.** Young says Commander Daniel Cost of the Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Lake Charles will serve as Grand Marshal in the parade.

**A patriotic program will follow the parade at 6:45 at the Lake Charles Civic Center Arcade Pavilion with concessions and face painting.** The program will include music from Hailey and Brett Cooley and a sing-along with the Lake Charles Community Band and the Louisiana Choral Foundation and Friends.

**Young says the largest fireworks show the city has ever seen will be featured at the event, starting at 9:15.**

“We have many new sponsors this year and some of the current sponsors have increased their level, therefore we will have the largest fireworks show Lake Charles has seen,” said Mayor Nic Hunter.

Event Director, Denise Fasske said, “Because the fireworks are shot from a barge over the lake, we are able to shoot larger cannons for a more spectacular show than most cities.”

The fireworks show will be choreographed to music on 88.3 KBYS.

Young says audience members are encouraged to bring blankets or lawn chairs.

Parade information and registration forms are available at 337-491-1382 or

[www.cityoflakecharles.com](http://www.cityoflakecharles.com).

1. **Make caring for others a priority.** Happiness and success do not trump concern for other.
2. **Provide opportunities for children to practice caring and gratitude.** Learning caring and gratitude is like learning any new skill. It takes regular practice.
3. **Expand the circle of concern.** Help children learn to care about people outside their normal circle of friends or family – such as people in different countries or of a different economic class.
4. **Be a strong moral role model and mentor.** Do some kind of community service regularly with your child. Make it a priority.
5. **Guide children in managing destructive feelings.** Teach basic breathing skills like long deep breaths through the nose, slowly exhale through the nose, count to five and repeat until calm.

<http://triblive.com/lifestyles/morelifestyles/6482833-74/caring-care-feelings#axzz3AHc7KjM6>

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## CONGREGATION CONVERSATION

**First Sundays at 9:30 a.m.** For the next few months we will take our **FIRST SUNDAY – Congregational Conversation** to expand the Vestries work on our new Mission Statement: Growing in Christ Together. Please come and give us your thoughts and ideas about Fellowship, Worship, Mission and Stewardship at Good Shepherd and how we can better Grow together in Christ!

July 1 - Vestry on Mission Statement – Growing in Christ Together

*How can we better “Grow in Christ together” –Stewardship*

August 5-Vestry on Mission Statement – Growing in Christ Together

*How can we better “Grow in Christ together” – Mission*



**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!

<b>First Camp</b> <small>Dates 2 and 3 are per quarter</small>	June 1 - 3	\$200
<b>Primary Camp</b> <small>Dates 4, 5, and 6</small>	June 18 - 23	\$475
<b>Jr. High Camp</b> <small>Dates 7, 8, and 9</small>	June 27 - July 3	\$575
<b>Mid. High Camp</b> <small>Dates 10, 11, and 12</small>	July 9 - 15	\$575
<b>Sr. High Camp</b> <small>Dates 13, 14, and 15</small>	June 7 - 14	\$675
<b>Camp Able</b> <small>Dates 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23</small>	July 19 - 23	\$400

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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.*

Father Jack will be calling all acolytes to prepare for the Fall season. If your child is 8 years old or older and would like to join, please contact Fr. Jack. September schedules will be prepared soon.

Have you been thinking about ways to enrich the life of the parish?

We would like interested parishioners to come together to help give us some ideas.

Here are some of the things we have come up with:

- Hymn sing
- Souper Sunday fundraiser in October
- Hootenanny– Two-step dance class, square dance class, line-dance class, hayride, cookout
- Making Thanksgiving blessing bags or baskets to give out to those in need.
- Making Advent wreaths or nativity scenes
- Cookie exchange fundraiser at Christmas
- Making Valentines

Please come to a meeting on July 9th at the church, 10 a.m. to share your ideas.

## *July Birthday & Prayer Calendar*

1 Anne Collette	17 Judith Smith, Lucie Earhart, Brent LeBlanc, David Rau
2 Jo Strasburg	19 Cayla McQuiston, Nadia Gunderson
3 Gail Lognion, Cammie Olney, Sherri Fastabend, Bryce Williams	21 Kelsey O'Donnell, Ellen Carleton, Caroline Martin
5 Holley Kelley	24 Libby Schneider
6 Jeff Bass	25 Barb King
8 Jennifer Foster, Jonathan Allen	26 Jeremy LeBlanc
9 Rachel Lyons, Declan Kelley	27 Jay Winters, Anna Duplechin
10 Mason Lindsay	28 Harry Latil
12 Mason LeBlanc	29 Libby Richards
13 Phyllis Cole, Luke Saucier	30 Bruce Matte
15 Sarah Harmon, Abby Richards	31 Gayle Polk, Kambry Shahon
16 Nancy Pledger, Jack Duplechin, Katelyn Morrell	



### Pray One For Another -James 5:16

**We are honored to pray for you but we would also love to know when you are well. Please call us and tell us when we can say "Thank you Lord!"**

**Prayers for healing:** John Johnson, Melody Luff Hannon, Nancy Noble, Jeanne Meek, Kathryn Douglas, **Libby Richards**, Paula Rogers, Doug Lindsay, Laura Fletcher Lindsay, Jane Myers, **Robin Domingue**, **Lindy George**, Jean George, Polito family, Donna Little, Gayle Polk, Debbie, Marcie, Allen Desormeaux, MaryAnn Kiser, Daniel Brownfield, Ginger Walker, Ron Futrell, Michael Miller, Bob Theaux, Elaine Davison, Ed Chavanne, Jean Wagstaff, Lucas Merrill, Tabitha Rider, Randy Haight, Laura Miller Drews, **Diane Paul**, James Hayes, **David Slaydon**, Gordon McNutt, Joyce Mack Williams, **Polly Cole**, Brian McKinley, Crawford Pernici, Daryl Harper, Suzette Miller, Laura Meche, Sheila & Michael Chisholm, Rosemary, Stephanie Lemoine, Holly Boudreaux, , Ike Stanfield, Conner Gezell, Chris Clinkscales, Jack, Chrystal Butler, Bella Hahn, Pam Seal, Cole Cormier, Adeline Jackson, Hannah Linowski, Fletcher Pierson, Dr. Charles Smith, Martha Schnauder, Lena Myers, Lois Bradley, Mary Margaret Leaman, Joy Smith, Ethel Coulter, Bobby.

**Safe Pregnancy:** Marcy Landry Hanudel, Stacy Anne Butler, Ally Jade Holtzman.

**Thank you Lord for healing:** Kim Solari

**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, Josephine Thweatt, John Landry, Jenilyn Gibson, Susan & Knel, Patricia Luff Wood, Carolyn Earhart Whittington, Marjorie Dempsey, Deneen Draves, Caroline Hammett, Emily Judice, Everett, Patricia Reeves, Cliff DeRousselle, Jaxon Sellers, Kayla DeRoache, Bobbie Holder, Bobby Thomas, Rocky Cormier, Charmaine Hufstedler, Riley Soder, Ollie Cavin and Katie Hoffman, David Crowe, Ginger Tatum, Sylvia Seals, Ruth & Bob Kickel.

**Traumatic Brian injury:** Luke Burnham, Jason Trahan, Ty Griffen, Damani James

**We pray for those serving in our armed forces:** SPC Craig May US ARMY, Danasia London, NAVY, Chief Petty Officer Justin Phillips, NAVY, nephew of Margie Collins. SSGT John Dalgleish, US ARMY, son of Linda & Charles Dalgleish, Chief Petty Officer NAVY Brian Ponder, son-in-law of Penny & Louis Haxthausen.

DIOCESAN UPDATES

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018

The EPISCOPAL CHURCH in Western Louisiana

WE HAVE A NEW MAILING ADDRESS!

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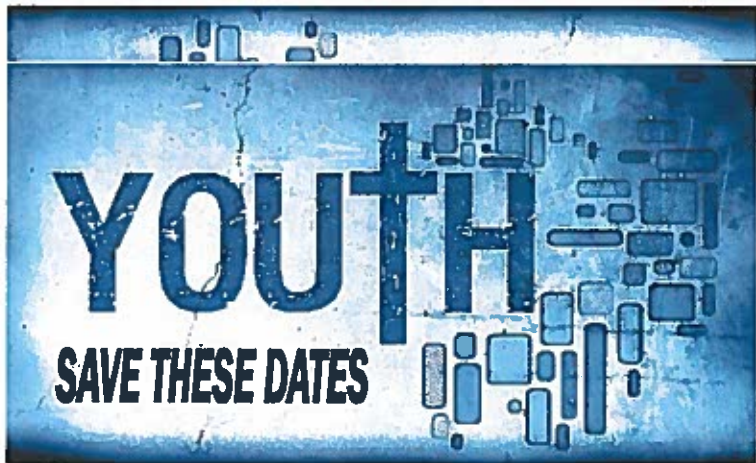
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EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018



Mark your calendars for these youth events!

JEYL Middle School Retreat, Grades 6-8, November 16-18, 2018

Happening #57, Grades 9-12, January 18-20, 2019

CLEY High School Retreat, Grades 9-12, March 22-24, 2019

All programs will be held at the Hardtner Camp and Conference Center.

**Discipleship Workshop coming this Fall!- Reimagining Faith Formation for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**Workshop Leader: John Roberto**

**Cost: \$15 per person**

**Date: September 15, 2018**

**Time: 9:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m.**

**Location: St. James, Alexandria**

**Sponsored by Christian Formation Commission and CVI**

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John Roberto will present examples and strategies for intergenerational, family, age group, and missional faith formation that your church can use to reach and engage people at church, home, in the community, and in their daily lives!

**Mark Your Calendars and Plan to Attend!**

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**Bishop Jacob Owensby: Stewardship Summit– October 6, 2018**  
**Camp Hardtner, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**

“This summit is the first in a series of efforts to strengthen each congregation’s ability to secure the financial resources needed not only to sustain current ministry but to grow and thrive. To that end, I have assembled a Stewardship Task Force who will be helping to share knowledge, strategies, and techniques. A guest speaker will kick off this day with a talk focused on the “why” of our financial ask to congregations and a suggestion about strategies for addressing differences in giving patterns in younger generations.

This is not merely a how-to for your fall annual fund campaigns this year. Presumably, you will have already kicked these off and will be well underway by the date of our gathering. This is the beginning of a longer range effort to strengthen our stewardship ministries. We will be drawing on the materials and ideas provided by Project Resource. The Stewardship Task Force attended the most recent four-day session. I would like to send another team soon, and we will discuss this at the Summit as well. Lunch will be provided.”

Members of the Vestry, Stewardship team, Wardens and interested individuals are encouraged to attend with their clergy. Sign up in Hardtner Hall.

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