

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

JULY NEWSLETTER

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Vacation Bible School was a Blessing to All!

Vacation Bible School 2023 was pure joy! We were able to spread the Word of God and the light and love of Jesus to 150 children from Good Shepherd, St. James, and beyond! The children, counselors, and adult volunteers were all blessed by this ministry.

Thank you to all of the wonderful adult volunteers and counselors who helped make VBS possible. You shined the light of Jesus through your faith, commitment, and love. We would also like to thank everyone who gave donations to VBS whether it was a monetary donation, donating snacks, or creating our decorations. Everyone in our church community came together in so many ways to bless our children.

























SABBATICAL PRAYER for REV. MILTON BLACK

Please pray for Milton daily. Pray for his faithfulness, for rest and good health, for his family life and friendships, for his wisdom and direction, and for provision. Below you will find a prayer we can all say in addition to our own prayers for him.

Almighty Father, we thank you for your faithful servant, Milton and for our life together at Good Shepherd. We praise you, Father, that your eyes are on him and that your ears are attentive to his prayers. Renew Milton in the Holy Spirit. Place the whole armor of God on him to protect him during this time. We pray for good rest and good health providing him with peace and comfort as you refresh his mind, body and spirit. Give Milton the power of discernment and the perfect wisdom and direction that he needs. Hold him in the palm of your hands as he walks by faith knowing that you will provide for his every need as well as the needs of his family. In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.

Greetings from the Good Shepherd's Corner resale shop!

After over 50 years, with the continued support of our parishioners and consignors, we are able to sustain our mission, which is currently the Acacia program. With help from Metro Ministries and Hope House, we employ sheltered women to help them succeed by providing job training and personal development skills. We are thankful for our interns and

providing job training and personal development skills. We are thankful for our interns and strive to help them experience a loving work environment.

We are **looking for volunteers** to share their time with the Corner. The Corner is a fun, caring place to volunteer. Shifts last only 3 hours! Call 361-883-0281 if interested.

As you are Spring cleaning, please consider donating or consigning items you no longer need to the Corner. Currently we are taking the following items:

Furniture (we are in need of more quality furniture)

Ladies and Men's Clothing

Accessories including purses, belts, shoes, jewelry

Vintage items

Home decor

Kitchenware

Artwork

Visit us in person at 1809 Alameda St., on Facebook or at our website at www.gscornercc.com.

Hebrews 13:16. "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

CHURCH COMMUNITY

Church Office Closed

Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe holiday!

Ordination & Consecration of the 11th Bishop of West Texas

Saturday, July 8 at 11:00 a.m.

All Saints Chapel at TMI Episcopal

20955 W. Tejas Trail, San Antonio

The Right Reverend David M. Reed, D.D. and the Standing Committee request the honor of your presence at the Ordination and Consecration Service of the Rev. Dr. David G. Read on Saturday, July 8th. Registration is not required to attend the Consecration Service, and the service will be viewable online, via livestream.

For more information visit dwtx.org.

Volunteer this Summer

2 Feet Out Ministry

The goal of 2 Feet Out Ministry is to help those in generational poverty get 2 feet out and stay out. Generational poverty is different than situational poverty. It is poverty in families where at least two generations have been affected and they need the tools to move out of their situations. Lack of education can be a main cause of generational poverty. Children in this situation are more likely to follow in their parents' footsteps and are three times more likely to drop out of high school and teen pregnancy is also more likely.

Their Read and Feed Summer Program:

Come volunteer this summer and read one-on-one with children who are struggling with reading. We will also spend some time reading aloud to them so they can see that books can be fun and not just hard work. Dinner will be served to help provide nutrition that many are missing out on because school is not in session.

Go to https://2feetoutministries.aplos.org to sign up for a day to volunteer for reading or providing a meal.

Monday - Thursday July 17th - August 3rd 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at Crossbridge Fellowship Church (3002 Buffalo in Corpus Christi)

(We will be reading with children from Oak Lawn Elementary and Gibson Elementary.)

SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, July 12

Funtrackers 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 18

Hooks Game 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 26

Beach Day 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 2

Capture the Flag 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

HAPPENING #154

August 4 - 6 In Boerne at St. Helena's For all 10th - 12th Graders

Happening #154 will take place at St.

Helena's Episcopal Church in Boerne, August 4 6. Happenings are peer led spiritual renewal
weekends for high school students in 10th 12th grade. Happening begins on Friday at
7:00 p.m. sharp and wraps up around 4:00 p.m.
on Sunday. Registration for Happening and HIS
Love is available at dwtx.org.

NURSERY

Ages 6 months - 2 years Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

We offer nursery in Dobbins Hall during Sunday School hour and the 10:30 a.m. service. *Kid's Zone is also available next door to the Nursery for children age 3 - Kindergarten.

WORSHIP SERVICES & HOURS

Sunday Schedule

8:00 a.m. Traditional Eucharist
8:45 a.m. No Breakfast in the Summer

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Family Eucharist

5:30 p.m. Come As You Are Service

Nursery For the Little Ones

6 months - 2 Years in the Nursery 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon Kid's Zone is available in the summer for 3 year-olds thru Kinder. Both of these are located in Dobbins Hall (next to Munds Hall).

Sunday School Classes

Sundays 9:30-10:15 a.m. in the Summer Living Word w/Rev. Black & Rev. May in the Parlor for Adults

Good Shepherd Summer Office Hours

Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (May 30 - July 31)

Weekday Services

Tuesdays at 12:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Healing Service with Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Monthly Services

We offer a service of Holy Communion at the Trinity Towers/Brookdale retirement community at 3:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of every month.

St. James Chapel Services

Tuesdays at 8:05 a.m. Middle School Chapel
Tuesdays at 8:45 a.m. K- 4th Grade Chapel
Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Preschool Chapels (4 services)
Thursdays at 8:05 a.m. All School Chapel

Parents are welcome at All School Chapel on Thursdays.

St. James is currently on Summer Break and will resume in August.

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