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Vacation Bible School - Important Information

(Registration is Closed)

We are excited to host another amazing Vacation Bible School at Good Shepherd! Each year, nearly 150 children get to experience the love of Jesus through music, Bible stories, games, crafts, and movies. Children also enjoy fun snacks and fun surprises throughout the week. Our theme this year is **SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God**. VBS is June 10 - 14 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Important Information for CHILDREN who are Registered:

- **We will begin and end each day in Munds Hall Auditorium this year.** Because of the pipe organ installation, we will not be able to use the sanctuary. You will need to bring your child to Munds Hall (through the pergola entrance) each day and check them in and out.
- **On the first day of VBS, we will have check-in tables set up in the pergola area outside of Munds Hall.** Please check in your child and then walk them into Munds Hall Auditorium to find their group. First day check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the pergola area. (Please do not bring children before 8:30.) T-shirts and a card to download the music will be given out at check-in.
- **Your child should come dressed comfortably each day and wear tennis shoes.** (Tennis shoes are best for playing games and also for playing on the playground, which is where snack time will be held this year.) The VBS t-shirt can be worn whenever they would like.
- **Do not send water bottles with your children.** They get lost and counselors are not able to carry all of them for the children. Water stations will be provided at various locations.
- **Drop off each day after the first day is at 9:00 a.m.** Please **do not** drop off children before 8:45 a.m. There will not be enough supervision before that time.
- **Pick-up each day is promptly at 12:00 noon in Munds Hall Auditorium.** Please be on time.

Important COUNSELOR Information:

We have a great group of counselors signed up to help at VBS! Fifth graders will run snack time on the playground this year (we have tents for shade) and 6th - 12th graders will travel to each activity with a group of children.

Training: Counselors will go through a brief training Monday morning at 8:00 a.m. in Dobbins Hall Adult Classroom (next to Munds Hall Auditorium). It is very important to attend this training. Donuts and kolaches will be provided and t-shirts will be given out.

Counselors will need to arrive at 8:30 a.m. each day after the first and check in in DHAC.

Important ADULT VOLUNTEER Information:

If you are signed up to volunteer, we will need help decorating and organizing in Munds Hall on **Wednesday, June 5th from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** If you are leading an activity, you can decorate your classroom any time from **June 3 - 7 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Come at your convenience.

CHURCH COMMUNITY

Homemade or Store-Bought Snacks needed for VBS

Everyone in our church community can play a part in the ministry of VBS in various ways. One way we could use your help is by providing snacks for our counselor room the week of VBS. Our wonderful counselors volunteer their time to this important ministry so we like to reward them at break time with delicious treats!

They love chips, bars, muffins, popcorn, cookies, brownies... anything yummy!

You can bring store bought treats to the church office the week of June 3 - 7. Homemade treats might stay more fresh if they are dropped off the week of VBS (June 10 - 14). Church Office hours are 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. this summer.

Thank you in advance!



SUMMER



Summer Mode at Good Shepherd

Regular Sunday Worship Services:

8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Adult Sunday School on Scripture Readings:

9:30 - 10:15 a.m. in the Parlor

Nursery and Kid's Zone on Sundays:

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Weekday Service:

Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.

Church Office Summer Hours:

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Breakfast Fellowship, children's Sunday school, other adult Sunday school classes, all choirs, and children's chapels will resume in the fall.

YOUTH GROUP

Celebratory
**BEACH
EUCCHARIST**

#blessed

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

6:30 P.M.

MEET AT THE YOUTH HOUSE
WE WILL WALK TO MCGEE BEACH
(A CCPD OFFICER WILL ACCOMPANY US)

Come close out the school year with a beach eucharist and blessing. We will have a special send-off blessing for our seniors. Afterwards we will go back up to the Youth House and make s'mores by the fire pit. All middle and high school youth and their friends are welcome!

SUNDAYS THIS SUMMER FOR CHILDREN

Nursery

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
infants - 2 year olds

Kid's Zone

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
3 year olds - Kinder

No Children's Chapel or
Sunday school this Summer.

Although we are in summer mode at Good Shepherd, we encourage you to bring the whole family to church each Sunday. Children are always welcome in the sanctuary. If you need a quiet space or "wiggle room" during services, the Side Narthex at the back of the sanctuary is available with rocking chairs and a changing table. The Nursery and Kid's Zone are also available.

Happening #157

Calling all 10th - 12th Graders!

August 2 - 4 at St. John's Episcopal in McAllen

Happenings are spiritual renewal weekends for older high school students, led by their peers. The diocese sponsors three weekends each year in various locations and has sponsored over 145 weekends to date. Each Happening begins Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. sharp, and wraps up around 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Register soon! Spots fill up quickly!

To register go to <https://www.dwtx.org/what-we-do/children-youth/happening>

WORSHIP SERVICES & HOURS

Sunday Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Traditional Eucharist
8:45 a.m.	Breakfast Fellowship (<i>Resumes in the Fall</i>)
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

Sunday School Classes

Sundays 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Children Meet in the Water Street Classrooms - *Resumes in Fall*

Youth Meet in Munds Hall Auditorium - *Resumes in Fall*

Adults:

Living Word w/Rev. Black & Rev. May in the Parlor

All other adult classes resume in the Fall.

Weekday Services

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

(Resume in August)

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.