

THE GOOD NEWS

May 2017

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 a.m. & 6 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*

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Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School

The Rev. Frances "Boo" Kay

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MINISTER OF MUSIC

ORGANIST/CHOIR MASTER- *Patrick Parker*

MUSIC MINISTRY- *Pam LeBlanc*

May 21, 2017 10:30 a.m.

Bishop Jacob Owensby's annual visitation

Dear People of Good Shepherd –

He is Risen! Did you *hear* me? He is Risen! I know, He has been "risen" for a couple of thousand years now – so what?

It's hard for us to imagine how *fantastically unbelievable* and "game changing" this news, He is Risen, was to the first followers of Jesus. Please take a moment to find your Bible and read the story of the encounter of the two disciples with the Risen One on Easter afternoon along the road to Emmaus found in **Luke 24:13-35**. Jesus, the Risen One, **Was At Large!** He was walking around talking to people, kind of incognito, *because no one was really expecting Him to be alive and risen*. They had seen him on the cross, knew where he was buried and that he had been there three days and nights. I mean, Jesus was the last person they expected to see, even though he had told them he would rise again. But, truth is truth, reality is reality – deal with it, right?! We know that they did *deal with it*, that they started *to live it*, because we are part of their legacy – *we are Believers too, right?!* Actually, we have an advantage over these Emmaus Road disciples in that the Holy Spirit has been poured out upon us and walks with us, empowers us, and lives within us! Jesus is even more present to us who walk by the Spirit than he was present with the disciples following his resurrection.

We are in the habit of not thinking He is here, not hearing his voice, not feeling his encouragement and not seeing him. So, like any other new habit, we have to practice it to establish it Seeing Jesus, feeling Jesus, hearing Jesus, thinking and believing that he is here – must become habitual! The reality of God with us in the here and now through his Spirit's presence *changes everything* no matter how *fantastically unbelievable* it may seem.

Let me suggest that you literally try it. Practice seeing

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Jesus walking down your street, sitting at the next desk at work, talking to you across your fence, praying with you in church, helping you interpret the Scriptures, etc. As you get better at this new habit, it will occur without your conscious effort – that's what habits do!

Saint Paul was talking about this when he said, "Do you not know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8) Try it.....You'll really like it! And, as we all get better at walking with him and talking with him – we (and He) will change the world!

Sorry, Got to go. You know who is on the other line!

Jack+

He Lives Lyrics

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him, He's always near.

*He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.*

In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows weary I never will despair;
I know that He is leading thro' all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last.

*He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.*

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

*He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.*



10:00 a.m. @ Rosewood

Rosewood Nursing Home Schedule

	Eucharist	Lay-led
May	5	19

Please feel free to join us! We have a great time singing old hymns and visiting with the residents. This is a joint ministry with St. Michael & All Angels church and has been ongoing for several years. We look forward to seeing you there! Call Ellie Marquez for more information: 439-4111 or Ellie Lemoine, 474-5876.

Many thanks to Greengate Garden Center-Sallie Dondis, Dave Foster and Jo Strasburg for making the Altar of Repose a peaceful sanctuary for us to rest and watch overnight with Jesus.

Deadline for the June Newsletter is May 15, 5 p.m.
Submit your articles to
church@goodshepherd-lc.com
Go to www.goodshepherd-lc.com to view the newsletter on-line as soon as it is ready to go to print.

milestones

Death: Cloma Loe, grandmother of Cammie (David) Olney, great grandmother of Jett; **Billy LaRocca**; **Carolyn Reed**, mother of **Michelle Watson**; **Jeanne Auen**, sister of Barb King; **Marie McCreedy**, mother of Libby (Guy) Richards, grandmother of John and Abby; and **Daniel Ieyoub**. May they rest in peace and rise in Glory and may light perpetual shine upon them.

Rosewood

Remember to bring in your toiletries from your vacation and donate them for the Christmas ditty bags.

St. Cecilia's Guild 2016-2017

St. Cecilia's Guild is open to all women of the church. No dues! No homework!

We pray. We learn. We enjoy each other.

We have fun!

May 8, 7 p.m.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to **Missy Shaddock** for making the majority of the palm crosses for Palm Sunday. Helpers included: **Joan and Rev. Jack Myers, Glenda Williams and Margie Collins.**

Pray One For Another -James 5:16

If you have placed someone on the prayer list and they no longer need prayer...please call Margie in the church office (433-5244) so she can remove them.

Prayers are asked for: Paul Medus, Paul George, Steven Evans, Chrystal Butler, Allen Medus, Elonide Medus, Celeste Bland Eddy, Lorne Mott, Bob Vacha, Megan Rowzie, Bella Hahn, **Lucie Earhart**, Will Reed, Melissa Richardson, Pam Seal, **Elaine Cameron, Ellie Lemoine**, Cole Cormier, **Sandra Leder**, Adeline Jackson, Hannah Linowski, Margaret Owens, Treasure Smith, Cammie Shaddock, Fletcher Pierson, Dr. Charles Smith, Quinton Savoie, Harvey Brown, Larry & Mary Ann Buc, Beverly Mashburn, Martha Schnauder, Lena Myers, Rose Timpa Holland, Dean Collette, Ronald Helmer, Lois Bradley, Karen Crawford, **Kay Noble**, Mary Margaret Leaman, Christopher Graham, Sandra Richard, Joy Smith, Ethel Coulter, Bobby.

Safe Pregnancy: Jacqueline Haxthausen, Katie (Smith) Jones

Our continuing prayers are offered for: **Nancy Draughn, Mildred Abraham, Caroline Hollins, Richard & Shirlene Clark, Gabby Saucier, Buddy Leach**, Luke Burnham, Sara Wood, John Landry, Jenilyn Gibson, Susan & Knel, Carolyn Jones, Mike & Marilyn Kudla, **Ruth Gayle**, Patricia Luff Wood, Carolyn Earhart Whittington, Marjorie Dempsey, Jackie Finch, Deneen Draves, Caroline Hammett, Emily Judice, Everett, Terry Bright, Jude Theriot, 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, **Mavis Raggio**, David Crowe, **Ginger Tatum, Johnny, 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; 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 Dagleish, US ARMY, SGT Ariana Dagleish, US ARMY- son and daughter-in-law of Linda & Charles Dagleish, Chief Petty Officer NAVY Brian Ponder, son-in-law of Penny & Louis Haxthausen.

May Birthday & Prayer Calendar

- 1 Nancy Wyman, John Newman
- 5 Hazel Martin, Louise Marks, Layla Gaar
- 7 Jerry Ruehlen, Rev. Petroula Ruehlen
- 8 Adam Olsan
- 9 Amy Allen
- 10 Erika Evans
- 11 John Polk
- 12 Caroline Reaves, Lynlee Mills
- 13 Stuart Weatherford
- 15 Amanda Pousson
- 16 Steven Hale
- 17 Susan Latil, David Grubb, Max Adams
- 19 Devon Cheaney, Erin Lowe, Gerry LaPreze
- 20 Rett Evans
- 21 Fritz Bennerscheidt
- 22 Derrick Wulf
- 25 Bernice Gani, Wanda Godwin
- 26 Ruth Gayle
- 28 Robin Domingue
- 30 Coral Jones
- 31 Rebecca Carleton



If your birthday is not listed, call the church office so we can enter it in our database. 433-5244

Adult Education



"The Upper Room ..."

Join us Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m.
Five Things God Uses
to Grow Your Faith

Receive BIG Faith from our BIG God!

What adjective best characterizes your faith?

Would you say it's dynamic...genuine...flourishing?

Or would elusive...stalled...ineffective describe it better?

Imagine how different your outlook on life would be if you had absolute confidence that God was with you. Imagine how differently you would respond to difficulties, temptations, and even good things if you knew with certainty that God was in all of it and was planning to leverage it for good. In other words, imagine what it would be like to have PERFECT faith. In this DVD study, Andy Stanley builds a biblical case for five things God uses to grow BIG faith.

April 23 Big Faith

April 30 Practical Teaching

May 7 Providential Relationships

May 14 Private Disciplines

May 21 Personal Ministry

May 28 Pivotal Circumstances

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In the parlor Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. A study of Anglican basics is based on the book **Whole Christianity**. This is a great way to remember why we do what we do!"

## SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL IS AROUND THE CORNER!

Get ready.

Reserve your Tuesday evenings in June.

The 30<sup>th</sup> season of the Summer Music Festival will be here soon, and it will provide another outstanding series of concerts right here at Good Shepherd. More information to come!

### Vows to God

#### Confirmation – Reaffirmation – Reception

*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, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

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 teammates 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 the **Youth Confirmation Conversations from 9:15–10 a.m. Sunday or Adult Confirmation Conversations** in the Chapel with Harris Rowzie (every Sunday between services).

When was your last spiritual renewal? Maybe it's time!



## May 2017 Calendar

### Monday, May 1

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, May 2

- Men's Group—MSG, 6 p.m. at Outreach House

### Wednesday, May 3

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist & Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- Treble Choir Practice, 5:30 –6:15 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:30-8 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, May 4

- Secretaries at ARN conference, Alexandria
- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA meeting in the Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Friday, May 5

- Rosewood Nursing Home Ministry, 10 a.m.
- EDS Middle School Musical in gym.

### Saturday, May 6

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, May 7— breakfast by True Grits

- † Services at 8:00 a.m.
- Older Adult Sunday Service and lunch after, 10:30 a.m.
- Confirmation Conversation class, 9:15—10 a.m. Upstairs conference room.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.
- † **Evensong service, 6 p.m.**

### Monday, May 8

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

- Chateau du Lac Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.
- St. Cecilia's Guild meeting, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, May 9

- AARP driver's license training for 65 years old and over. Bring driver's license. AARP members \$15.00, non-members \$20.00, limited to 20 people. 8:30 a.m. registration, 9 a.m.-noon class.

### Wednesday, May 10

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- † Holy Eucharist and Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- Treble Choir Practice, 5:30 –6:15 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:30-8 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, May 11

- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA meeting in the Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Saturday, May 13

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

### Sunday, May 14— breakfast by Broken Yokes

- † Services at 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Confirmation Conversation class, 9:15—10 a.m. Upstairs conference room.
- Adult Christian Ed., 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Daughters of the King, 4:30 p.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

### Monday, May 15

- † EDS Chapel, 8 a.m.
- Study Group, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Men's AA group in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 17

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Hospitality Meeting, 1:30 p.m.
- Treble Choir Practice, 5:30 –6:15 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:30-8 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 18**

- Ladies Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m. Newk's, 339 W. Prien Lake Road.
- † EDS Holy Eucharist, 2 p.m.
- AA meeting in the Outreach House, 6 p.m.

**Friday, May 19**

- Rosewood Nursing Home ministry, 10 a.m.

**Saturday, May 20**

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

**Sunday, May 21– Breakfast by Bloody Marys**

- † Services 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**Bishop Jacob Owensby will be with us to confirm, receive and reaffirm our Baptismal vows at the 10:30 a.m. service**

**Cake reception following the service.**

- Daughters of the King, 4:30 p.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

**Monday, May 22**

- Study Group, 11:30—1 p.m.
- Building and Grounds meeting, 11 a.m.
- Finance meeting, 12 noon
- Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 24**

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Treble Choir Practice, 5:30 –6:15 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:30-8 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 25**

- AA in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

**Friday, May 26**

- **EDS 8th grade graduation, 11 a.m.**

**Saturday, May 27**

- AA in Outreach House, 10 a.m.

**Sunday, May 28– breakfast by Broken Yokes**

- † Services at 8 & 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
- Adult Christian Ed, 9:30 a.m.
- Children's Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.
- Intercessory prayer group, 5:30 p.m.

**Monday, May 29– Memorial Day**

- Church office closed
- Men's AA meeting in Outreach House, 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 31**

- Bible Study, 10 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist & Healing service, 12:05 p.m.
- AA in Outreach House, 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Study Group, 6:30 p.m.

**May 21, 2017**

## **The Bishop is Coming!**

Bishop Jacob Owensby will be here on **Sunday, May 21st at the 10:30 a.m. service** to Confirm, Receive (from another faith) and Re-affirm. A cake reception will follow the service.

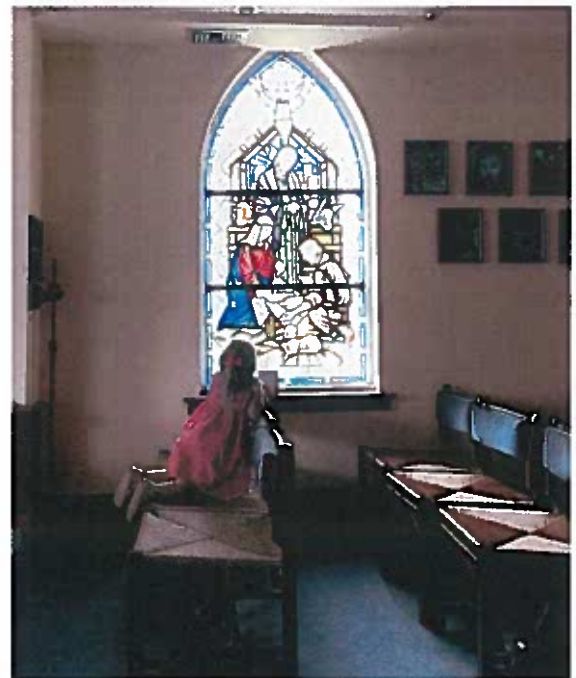
## **Contributions by Credit Card**

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.



Foreign students from McNeese, under the direction of Preble Gerard helped to serve the residents of Chateau du Lac at the Birthday Party held on March 30th.

Palm Sunday—Liturgy of the Palms on the front lawn of Good Shepherd. Parishioners gathered for the blessing and procession into the church.

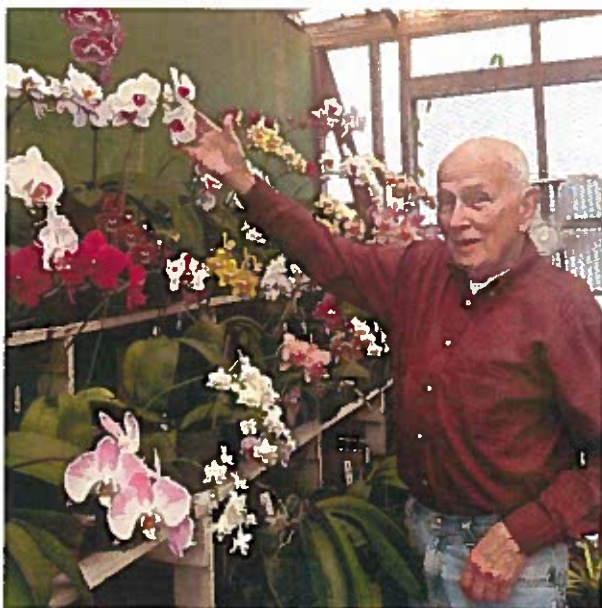


Becky Watson's great granddaughter spends a quiet moment in the Chapel of the Resurrection.





March Ladies Lunch Bunch at 121 Bistro



The theme for this year's orchid show was "Orchids at the Opera." The Calcasieu Orchid Society displayed their beautiful flowers on April 22-23 in the Parish Life Center.

The Lake Charles Police Department would like to introduce you to the Safe and Secure Program.

The goal of the Safe and Secure Program is the prevention of burglaries and thefts, the recovery of stolen property and the apprehension of burglary and theft suspects in Lake Charles.

The Program will accomplish these goals by targeting areas with the highest burglary rates, making contact with the citizens in those areas, providing those citizens with information and tools for preventing a burglary at their home and if a burglary or theft occurs the quick recovery of their stolen property and apprehension of the suspects who committed the crime. Contact with the residents will be made through Neighborhood watch meetings or other similar groups.

Some of the topics covered are:

Home security survey.

Home inventory list.

Information on marking property.

Information for reporting suspicious persons.

For additional information please email Detective Kirk Farquhar at [kfarquhar@cityoflc.us](mailto:kfarquhar@cityoflc.us) or your community Police officer.



**Dinners for 8**

Powell and Kristi Smith, Elizabeth and Field LaMotte, Larry and Deb Fontenot and Otto and Jo Strasburg enjoyed an evening together.



## May 7, 2017 Older Adult Sunday

What did you look like in your teenage or young adult years? Were you beautiful? Handsome? Were you awkward? Did you have lots of hair? Would we recognize you today?

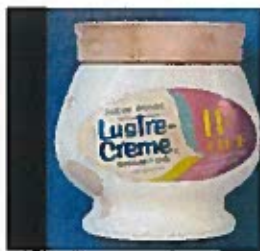


Our church has designated **May 7** as Older Adult Sunday – and the Connecting Our Roots committee wants you to take us back to those years. We will recognize all our older congregants at the service, have lunch together, and have a contest to see how many people can recognize you from your old photos.

So bring us or send us your photos before April 30. We will make posters. During our luncheon, we will ask people to identify you from that photo. The person who gets the most correct IDs wins – or maybe we should make it that the person who gets the *fewest* IDs wins. We haven't decided.

And about that **lunch** – **please bring a salad and/or dessert to church to share.** ALL parishioners are invited to bring food, not just our older people. Young people, this is a good way to honor those who have gone before you. Bring them something good to eat!

**Bring your photos to the office, or email them to Margie Collins at [administration@goodshepherd-lc.com](mailto:administration@goodshepherd-lc.com).**



## It's All about the People

We have been going to Chateau du Lac for several years now. They no longer look at us as strangers; they are now friends. They welcome us and offer to help. They help us gather groceries for the Food Pantry and smile when they see us downtown or at an event in the community. They pray with and for us.

March 30 we hosted another Birthday Party with the help of McNeese Students from Foreign Countries. Preble Girard, who works with these students, and Flora opened their hearts and hands to serve the food to our Chateau Friends. Their smiles and eager attitudes were so appreciated by the residents and our faithful Good Shepherd Ministry Team. They were amazing. We are so grateful for the gift of time.



Thanks to some special folks at Good Shepherd: **Courtney Dampf**, who prepared the party invitations, and **Charles Dalglish** and his granddaughter, who posted them on each apartment door. This is the only event at the Chateau where every resident receives a personal invitation. **The Phillips Family**, who help deliver the birthday gifts, serve the food, manage the door prizes and keep me from going crazy. All of you who donated special prizes, especially **Coral Jones** who made pillows and small blankets for each of the 10 birthday persons, and **Libby Schneider**. Our dependable helpers: **Anita and Bill Luff, Jane and Bryan Storozyszyn, Anne, Eddie and Jimmy**

**Phillips, Coral Jones, Charles Dalglish, Wade Shaddock**, and of course **Fr. Jack Myers**. Thanks too, to **Sylvia Seals**, who made a donation used to buy fruit for the party. Our Lenten Bible Study, "The Final Words from the Cross," has inspired all of us. **Bob Cain** made beautiful wooden crosses which were given to each person who studied with us. So remember to pray for our Chateau friends and bring household items and gently used clothing for those in need. God Bless each one of you...today and always. **Missy Shaddock**



## Good Shepherd Book Sale - Great News



Ten years and still growing.... The 2017 book sale was the best yet! More dollars were raised, more books were sold, and fewer books remained after the sale. **This year we made \$20,033.73!**

Volunteers: **Polly Cole, Pam Clark, Annette Ballard, Megan Knox, Amy Allen, Courtney Dampf, Pam Spears, Karen Garber & Debbie Fontenot** sorted through thousands of books between July and the first part of March in preparation for the Annual Book Sale.

This year the community recipients will be:

- **Faith and Friends Food Pantry**
- **Truth Facts and Lies (an educational program for teens focused on current life and social issues)**
- **Moss Bluff United Methodist Church's Weekend Back Pack ministry**
- **Dewanna's Closet (provides clothes to more than 2,300 needy students)**
- **Catholic Charities' Beat the Heat program**
- **Calcasieu Community clinic**
- **Hobo Hotel**

Special thanks goes to: **Susan Ardoin, Coral Jones, Jane Storzyszyn, Cade Storzyszyn, Becky Watson, Martha Hoskins, Penny & Louis Haxthausen, Kent Howrey, Sandra Williams, Virginia Webb, K.K. Bennerscheidt, Karen Taussig, Glenda Williams, Annette Sole, Gayle Polk, Bill & Anita Luff, Ann Eisen, Bonnie Anderson, Nancy Czejkowski, Allison Ash, Jacob Reeves, Missy Shaddock, Guy Richards, Caroline Reaves, Martha & Jamie Whelan, Jeff Cole, Robert Dampf, Mike Garber, St Louis PE classes, Joan & Fr. Jack Myers**, and all others that helped to set-up, man and clean-up after the book sale.

We are going to take a break and then start collecting books for the 2018 sale beginning in **July**. When you start your spring cleaning, set aside the books you no longer need and reserve them for the sale. Remember, no encyclopedias or textbooks. But we do take cassettes, movies, record albums and DVDs.

"The Bookies"

## TEND MY LAMBS

The Tend My Lambs committee wants to thank all the people who came out for our third annual Fish Fry for Haiti on March 3. We were pleased by so many things – but especially the feeling of camaraderie in that room!

We are pleased to announce that proceeds for the night exceeded **\$20,000!** This puts us well along the path to raising our yearly pledge of \$24,000 for our school of Bégin.

(We hope to raise the remaining amount at the annual chicken barbeque dinner on Pentecost, June 4. Mark your calendars!)

### **THERE WILL BE ONE MORNING SERVICE ON JUNE 4TH**

**10:30 A.M. ONLY**

I know you are all proud of your commitment of 25 years to this school! We have done great work there through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glenda Williams, chair, TML

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.

## Pentecost Sunday Worship and Chicken Feast



Holy Spirit



Holy Chicken

Pentecost is the Christian holy day that falls on the fiftieth day of the Season of Easter. Pentecost is always on that Sunday which follows seven weeks after Easter Sunday—on the 50<sup>th</sup> day.

The first Pentecost occurred while the Disciples were observing the Jewish Feast of Weeks which commemorated the giving of the Law to Moses at Sinai. On this day the promised Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, and the Church- the body of Christ- was “born”! After the Spirit was poured out Peter preached his first sermon and over 3000 souls were added to the Church. The presence of the Spirit in and through Christ’s followers is the Church. Without the Holy Spirit we have no strength of conviction, no power, and no godly love.

About twenty years ago, that power of God’s love alive in the Church inspired the congregation of **Good Shepherd to reach out to the people of Haiti**. Since then, **our Tend My Lambs ministry of education to children** and care for their community has been the saving grace of God in action.

**Each year at Pentecost the Good Shepherd Church community renews its commitment to the school ministry and its surrounding community of Begin, Haiti**. As God’s Holy Spirit fills us with renewed power, so we in turn send a fresh breath of hope in the form of student scholarships, school supplies and special needs.

Please attend our Pentecost celebration on **June 4th**, enjoy our chicken dinner fellowship, and send a new wave of Holy Spirit love to Haiti.

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**Acolytes Max Adams, Grace Adams, Megan Grubb and Brennan Ash were all smiles on Palm Sunday.**