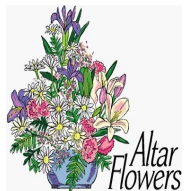


## ❧ ANNOUNCEMENTS ❧



*The Flowers in the sconces today are in memory of Terry Messer, given by The Messer, Fraki and Aro Families.*

*The Flowers in the sconces today are in celebration of Celeste and David's wedding anniversary, given by The Rev. Celeste Geldreich & David Frauenfelder.*

### FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR HEATHER DUMAIS



We have planned a farewell reception for Heather TODAY at 11:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to join us. Heather Dumais will be leaving her positions at Good Shepherd Church and School effective May 31, 2024. She began working at the school in 2007. She and her family have been an important part of this church and school community for many fruitful years. If you would like to donate to a "purse" for Heather, you can make checks payable directly to her, or to Good Shepherd marked, "Dumais Purse." Please keep Heather in your prayers as she prepares to move and begin a new chapter in her life.



**Registration begins June 2 – 16 after the 9:15 service for the Summer Children's Musical.** The musical is June 17-23 and is for children who are going into grades 2-6. Rehearsals are 6-8:30 pm Monday to Thursday. Saturday is our dress rehearsal from 9am till noon. We will present the musical on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

during the 9:15 Family Service. Registration is \$35. You can also register with Joseph Painter during the week. His email is [jpainter@goodshepherdkingwood.org](mailto:jpainter@goodshepherdkingwood.org) or text him at 281-935-7442. We're going to have a great time.

**Coffee Hour needs more food for the families attending the 9:15 service.** Please consider donating breakfast type foods like pastries, fruit, etc. Also, if you are entertaining at home and have leftovers, we are more than happy to take it off your hands!! If you have any questions or donations, please contact Nicole Lowther at 832-977-6495. Thank you.



**The Train Club meets the first Monday of the month. The next meeting is May 6 at 7 p.m. in Rm 205.** Any questions, please call Bill Knapp at 281-358-5422.





**Grief Support** a monthly support program meets at Good Shepherd on the second Thursday of each month for individuals who have experienced the death of a loved one. The program is facilitated by Anne Palmer at [annepalmer2014@gmail.com](mailto:annepalmer2014@gmail.com) and Dave Kerkes at [djkerkes@gmail.com](mailto:djkerkes@gmail.com). The meetings are from 7:00 to about 8:30 p.m. in Rm 205. Interested individuals need to contact either Anne or Dave prior to the meeting. Reservations are required.

**Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group** - A support group for family members and caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and other dementia related disorders, serving the Kingwood and Lake Houston area. Meetings are the second Monday of each month, at 7:00-8:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Contact Barbara Hemphill to learn more and reserve your spot at our next meeting at [barbara@synapsesite.net](mailto:barbara@synapsesite.net) or 281-851-7504.



**Happy Anniversary**

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May 10, Terry & Jeannie Whitney

**Happy Birthday**

May 6 Cheryl Potok  
May 7 Ryan Hayes  
May 7 Sheila Merritt  
May 7 Brody Salazar  
May 8 Micah Grier  
May 9 Sarah Czubik  
May 9 Olivia Johnston  
May 9 Brian Shepard



**The Women's Book Club** invites all readers to join our group as we review enjoyable fiction and non-fiction. Meetings begin at noon in Rms 205-207. The rooms will be open at 11:30 for those who wish to chat with friends prior to our meeting. Coffee & hot tea will be provided. We will be enjoying our Spring luncheon at Amedeo's on May 9th. We will be reviewing The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese on Thursday June 13th. We look forward to seeing you soon. For more information, please contact Judith K. Light at [jkl4slah@icloud.com](mailto:jkl4slah@icloud.com)

**The church will conduct a Parish work day on Saturday, May 11 at 8:00 a.m. This church activity is an opportunity for all at Good Shepherd to contribute.** For more information, please contact Martin Light at 713-557-6953.





**On Pentecost, we wear Red!** May 19 is Pentecost Sunday, the day we call the birthday of the church. On this day, the clergy wear RED vestments to signify the work of the Spirit. It is also a custom in many churches for the people in the congregation to wear RED on the Day of Pentecost as well. We wear RED to remind us of the fire of the Spirit. In addition, a congregation with many dressed in RED is colorful. And perhaps most of all, it is fun!

**The Daughters of the King will meet in Rm 211 at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 20.** Please join us! If you have any questions please contact Janet Mansfield at 281-360-5143.



**Please join us for cake after the 10:15 service Sunday, May 26 To bid farewell to Nick and Kathleen Dyke, who have been with us for many years and are relocating to be near their children in Fort Worth.** We will miss them—They have both been assets to our church community and are an integral fabric of Good Shepherd! There will be a

box for cards.

**Please join us Tuesday May 28th as we prepare lunches for White Oak apartments.** We will meet at 10:30 in the Great Hall to make the sandwiches etc and then leave to deliver them. Please let Maureen know if you will be there to prepare and or deliver [gibmo5961@gmail.com](mailto:gibmo5961@gmail.com). We will be taking a break over the summer months but hope to see you on the 24th of September.



**Fellowship Committee** - I am forming a Fellowship Committee and looking for interested volunteers to join! I need help looking for fun ways and opportunities for church members to spend time together in order to foster relationships with each other and with God. We will meet once a month on Zoom for an hour and go from there. If interested or have questions, please reach out to me, Nicole Lowther 832-977-6495

### Children's Christian Education

**Senior Sunday will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> at all services.** If you have a senior that would like to participate, please contact Heather Dumais or Corky Foltz.



**Good Shepherd Vacation Bible School will be July 8, 2024- July 11, 2024 from 9:00 am- 12:00 pm.** Registration is online at: [Good Shepherd VBS :: VBS Pro :: Group Publishing](#)

## Adult Sunday Morning

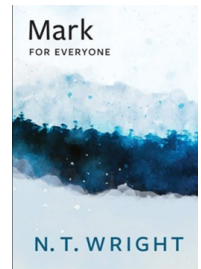
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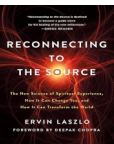
**Adult Education Sunday Mornings at 9:10am: *Passionate Spirituality*** Do you think that some people are just naturally more spiritual than others? Do you wonder how to develop a deeper sense of your own spiritual side? Join us in Rm 208 from 9:10 to 10:00 a.m. on Sundays to explore what spiritual practices might work best for your personality.

This class will meet on May 5th and 12th, but not on Pentecost Sunday or the Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend.

**A new adult Sunday School class will be offered starting on June 2nd, at 9:10 am in Rm 206.** The class will be at least 6 weeks long but may be extended to cover all the material available. This class will be studying the Gospel of Mark and will be led by Art Nolting and Peggy Booth. The primary reference for the class will be the book, "Mark for Everyone: 20th Anniversary Edition, with Study Guide", 2023, by N.T. Wright, former Bishop of Durham, England, a well known and popular educator and teacher. A personal copy of the book is not required for the class; however, paperback, large print paperback, and Kindle versions are available at most book sellers.

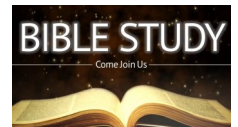


## Adult Weekday Classes and Groups



**Mondays 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. (Zoom) Spirituality and Mysticism now reading:** *Reconnecting to The Source: The New Science of Spiritual Experience, How It Can Change You, and How It Can Transform the World* by Irvin Laszlo.

**Tuesdays 9:30 – 10:45 a.m. Rm 208 (& Zoom) Adult Bible Study:** This is an open, ongoing Bible study led by Bill Richter. We read and discuss a selected book of the Bible in its entirety and move on to another. There is always good fellowship and lively discussion.



**Wednesday 6-7:30 p.m. "Struggle" with Sister Joan.** Each Wednesday, the group will watch a video about struggle featuring Sister Joan Chittister, a Benedictine nun, best-selling author, and advocate for peace, human rights, women's issues, and monastic and church renewal. The video presentation will be followed by discussion. Kipp and Bill Richter are facilitating the class. Email Fr. Bill to get the Zoom link.



**Thursdays 10 to 11 a.m. Lectio Divina:** We are now meeting in person (as well as Zoom) each week in Rm 215. This is an open, ongoing group that gathers to pray and meditate with scripture. There is no need for preparation and all are welcome to join us at any time. We do a new reading each week which I will send out on Wednesdays. Please contact Janet Mansfield for more information at 281-360-5143. Contact Judith Light for Zoom instructions at 832-723-4422.

**Saturday 9:00 -10:00 a.m. (Zoom) Christian Meditation:** This open and ongoing group is a part of the World Community for Christian Meditation. We gather at 9:00 and spend a few minutes for check-in and introductions. We listen to a presentation on a meditation related topic for 15-20 minutes and conclude with a 25-minute silent meditation. Facilitated by Kipp and Bill Richter. To learn more, visit [www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org).



For more information or to join a group please e-mail Bill Richter at [wtrbout350@gmail.com](mailto:wtrbout350@gmail.com).

### **2024 Budget Update April 22, 2024**

Vestry approved a 2024 total expense budget of \$1,048,584. Latest projected revenues (including pledges and estimated Spring Fling proceeds) are \$968,694, resulting in a current deficit of **(\$79,890)**.

**The current budget only funds the second priest position and paid secretarial staff through June and combines the Youth and Christian Education positions into one position at mid-year.**

**Retaining staffing at current levels through the entire year will increase our deficit by the following amounts unless additional funding is received:**

Second Priest	\$42,181	Total Deficit	<b>(\$122,071)</b>
Secretarial	\$12,410	Total Deficit	<b>(\$134,481)</b>

Respectfully,  
Good Shepherd Finance Committee