

From the Rector:

For many centuries, every year, forty-seven days before Easter Sunday, all over the world, Christians have gathered together the day before Ash Wednesday for a party.

Not just any party.

In Anglo-Saxon England, believers would enjoy a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. Shrove Tuesday was the last opportunity to use up eggs and fats before embarking on the Lenten fast and pancakes are the perfect way of using up these ingredients.

A traditional English pancake is very thin and is served immediately. Golden syrup or lemon juice and caster sugar have been the usual toppings for English pancakes.

According to writer Ellen Castelow, to this day in the UK, pancake races form an important part of the Shrove Tuesday celebrations – an opportunity for large numbers of people, often in fancy dress, to race down streets tossing pancakes. The object of the race is to get to the finishing line first, carrying a frying pan with a cooked pancake in it and flipping the pancake as you run.

The most famous pancake race takes place at Olney in Buckinghamshire. According to tradition, in 1445 a woman of Olney heard the shriving bell while she was making pancakes and ran to the church in her apron, still clutching her frying pan. The Olney pancake race is now world famous. Competitors have to be local housewives and they must wear an apron and a hat or scarf.

As an Episcopal Church within an hour and a half of the Louisiana state line, at Christ Church we generally follow a different Shrove Tuesday tradition – Mardi Gras. Rather than pancakes, most years we enjoy exceptional southern Louisiana cuisine, accompanied by party beads and – this year – a New Orleans Jazz Band!

It's been quite a season. We are ready for a great Mardi Gras party! Join the fun at Christ Church on Tuesday, March 1. We are due.

Faithfully in Christ Jesus,

David



from the associate rector...

The Rev. Ted Welty / *Associate Rector of Christian Formation*

Keeping a Holy Lent

Here is one of the Proper Prefaces for Lent: *You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.*

I think that this preface that is sometimes said during the Eucharistic Prayer in Lent provides a very good summary of a holy Lent. Lent is about cleansing, preparing, praying, giving, renewing, and growing. The ultimate purpose of Lent is to strengthen our spiritual lives, and in the early Church, it was a time when converts to Christ were taught the faith in preparation for their baptism at the Easter Vigil. Lent prepares us for Easter and our encounter with the risen Lord. It is a time of self-examination and repentance through prayer, fasting, self-denial, alms-giving, meditating on the Scriptures, and participating in the Sacraments. The key, however to keeping a holy Lent is time, time spent with God. Of course keeping a holy Lent assumes regular church attendance.

Here are several suggestions for personal Lenten activities:

1. Give yourself a spiritual checkup. Step back and reflect on how you are living your life and see if there are areas where there is a need for change or in religious language, repentance. I know that Confession is not widely practiced at Christ Church, but it can be good for the soul. It is completely confidential, and remember that you are confessing to God, not to a priest. Let us know if you want to schedule an appointment.
2. Dedicate at least 30 minutes in the morning and 30 minutes in the evening for prayer and reading the Bible. The Daily Office is a great way to do this. This year you can incorporate the readings from the Bible in One Year program.
3. Take advantage of the Lenten Teaching Series held at Christ Church every Tuesday at noon during Lent. This is a good time for prayer, reflection, and fellowship that includes a free lunch.
4. Find a good Christian book and read it during Lent. Some authors I recommend are C.S. Lewis, Dallas Willard, Alister McGrath, Bishop Tom Wright, and Henri Nouwen. A classic that is perfect for Lent is *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis.
5. Give alms. Find some clear need in our church or Tyler and donate.
6. You are probably not going to like this last suggestion. Self-denial. Giving something up for Lent like a food or a drink or an activity can help us focus. At a minimum, I recommend fasting at least for some period of time on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Lent is an opportunity for true spiritual growth not only for us individually, but for our Church. During Lent we can lay a spiritual foundation that will carry us through the entire year. Have a holy Lent!

Blessings in Christ,

Ted+

music at Christ Church

Jeffrey Ford / *Choirmaster & Organist*

T*o talk or not to talk, that is the question.* Every Sunday as we begin the time of worship there is an Opening Voluntary. This is many times just the organ but at times may be an instrument with the organ or a combination of instruments. This is a time that should be used to prepare ones' body, mind and spirit for the worship of God. In this world of unrest and conflict it is a great time to sit, listen and focus on the manner at hand and that is God.

Music chosen for this time has been selected to help in this process. Many times it is rather quiet in nature but can also be rather joyful and robust. Here at Christ Church you will find that it varies.

While the music is playing one may just sit and enjoy the beautiful Nave with it's windows, dark wood and radiant sunlight or one can also read from the Book of Common Prayer as the music is playing to prepare yourself for this time of worship.

Talking and socializing should be kept to a minimum out of respect for the musicians that have prepared the musical offering, the other worshipers that are in the Nave and are trying to prepare in body, mind and spirit.

WINTER MUSIC SERIES

February 20, 2022 | 9am & 11am Downtown

Music to include The Heavens are Telling from Creation, Haydn & Church Sonata in F K. 244, Mozart

SUE BUGG, flute

Adjunct Flute Instructor at UTT, ETBU, & SFA

MARGARET P. FAY, bassoon

Instructor of Bassoon & Music History at SFA

GRAHAM MACKENZIE, oboe

Instructor of Oboe at SFA

The Music Ministry along with the Children's and Youth Ministry present...

MARDI GRAS

Tuesday | March 1 | 6-8pm Christ Church | Downtown

*This will be an evening for the whole family.
Fun activities for the children & youth!*

Plan now to come hear this fantastic music combo,
as well as, eat amazing gumbo.

Tickets:

christchurchtyler.org/mardi-gras-2022

\$10 age 11 & up | \$5 children 4-10 yr (free 3 & under) | \$25 family

Tickets may be bought ahead of time or at the door.

Includes: Robin Hood's Lafayette Style Cajun Turkey Gumbo & Seafood Gumbo

New: Father Bob's South Carolina Style Seafood Gumbo

Served over rice, with garlic, bread, salad & King's Cake. Cash wine bar.

Hot dogs & chips for children.

All proceeds go to the music department for new choir robes.

Guest Musicians:

GEORGE FABER
piano

J.T. PUNDT
trumpet

JOE MONK
drums

children's ministry

Tina McGee / Director of Children's Ministries



CHILDREN'S CHAPEL is a fun way for children to experience worship.

Children's Chapel is offered during the 9 am service at CCD and during the 11:05 worship at CCS.



VBS 2022

June 20-24

All Saints Episcopal School

June 27-July 1
Promise Academy

CHILDREN'S CORNER BIRTHDAYS!

youth ministry

Laura Albea / Director of Student Ministries



I look for authors to show me one thing: ***change is possible***. And where do we see change occur most? Relationships.

One character meets another and new opportunities emerge, or one meets another and kindness, even clumsy kindness, begins repairing hidden, deep wounds, etc... Books, fiction and non-fiction alike, show change is possible. With that said, I am looking for change in our youth programs. There are no Christ Church adults helping right now that can help after this school year. The students and I need you. Yes, **Y O U**. One of the greatest gifts of change you can give someone is for you to show up and continue showing up.

*So! If you are someone who has a genuine interest in being a blessing without any agenda other than consistently **showing up** and letting the youth know **there is a God who loves them**, will you call me for more information and pray about committing to this simple, life-changing work Sunday mornings/Wednesday nights?*

-Laura Albea-

lalbea@christchurchtyler.org

2/13 Reid Herron, 2/16 Oliver Finney, 2/18 Levi Albea,
2/18 Ethan Haan, 2/20 Zoe Young

thanksgivings & supplications

In Our Prayers

Please consider including the Prayer List in your daily devotions:

Lisa, Cynthia, Christi, Charles, John, Jim, Diane,
Jennifer, Virginia, Dalton, Kirby, Chris, Sally,
Rhonda, Isaiah, John, Gregory, Russell, Mike, Mark,
Linda, Marian

The Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of North Karmoja (Uganda)

The Episcopal Church:

Dioceses of Maryland & Massachusetts

Diocese of Texas: *Hope Episcopal Church—Houston &
Christ the King—Houston*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact The Rev. Stephen Stine with prayer
list changes or additions 903.530.8168.

In Memoriam

Our sympathies to the family & friends of

Chuck Wentworth,

husband of Jan Wentworth.

&

Martel Shuttlesworth

father of Mark Shuttlesworth.



Adult Confirmation Course

Sundays, January 23 - April 3, 2022
10:00am, in the Ascension Room
on the Third Floor of the Grelling-Spence Building
Christ Church Downtown.

The course is open to any adult seeking confirmation in
The Episcopal Church or any confirmed Episcopalian
desiring a refresher course.



Set your minds on things that are above

The Epistle to the Colossians

Bible Study with the Rector

Winter 2022

Men > Tuesdays 8:00am | Women > Thursdays 10:30am

Christ Church Downtown > Parish Hall

**It's not too
late...
you can still
start!**

Have you
ever read
the Bible from
start to finish?

Start a new chapter
Bible in One Year

Let's do it together in 2022!

How? find more info on our website

christchurchtyler.org or

scan the QR code>>



All Christian Formation in 2022 will be based on this
Bible in One Year Program. BIBLEINONEYEAR.ORG

SCHEDULE:

Tues, Feb 15

8:00am | Men's Bible Study with the Rector CCD

Wed, Feb 16

7:15am | Wednesday Men's Bible Study CCD Undercroft

10:00am | Wednesday morning small group

6:00-7:30pm | EYC

6:00-8:00pm | Women's Depth Group CCS

Thurs, Feb 17

10:30am | Women's Bible Study with the Rector CCD

6:00pm | Loaves & Fishes

Fri, Feb 18

6:00pm | Supper Club

Sun, Feb 20

9 & 11 | Winter Music Series CCD

Tues, Feb 22

8:00am | Men's Bible Study with the Rector CCD

Wed, Feb 23

7:15am | Wednesday Men's Bible Study CCD Undercroft

10:00am | Wednesday morning small group

6:00-7:30pm | EYC

Thurs, Feb 24

10:30am | Women's Bible Study with the Rector CCD

6:00pm | Loaves & Fishes

Sun, Feb 27

Baptisms | if interested contact the church office

Supper Club

Join us!



Friday, February 18

contact Kim Meyer (903) 530-6186 or Stacey McKinley (903) 939-0125

Women's Depth Group

1st & 3rd Wednesdays starting in January
6:00 - 8:00 pm @ Christ Church South

Sensible Shoes A Story About The Spiritual Journey
by Sharon Garlough Brown

Contact Karen Courville for more info:
casey@reagan.com

Returning this Lent

Lenten Teaching Series
Tuesdays at Noon
March 8 - April 5, 2022
Christ Church Downtown

followed by a light lunch

The Bob Rowlett Memorial Open Golf Tournament

Friday, May 6, 2022
Pine Springs Golf Club
5630 CR 334 | Tyler, TX 75708

www.christchurchtyler.org/golf-tournament/

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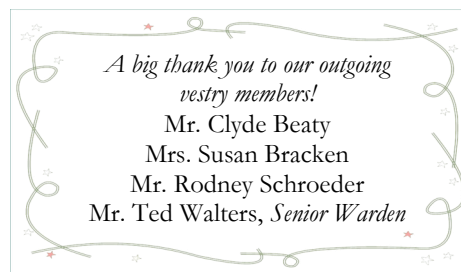
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In the event of a pastoral emergency, you may reach The Rev. David Luckenbach, Rector, at 903-279-8777, The Rev. Dr. Matt Boulter, 903-944-8494, The Rev. Ted Welty, 903-714-7052 or The Rev. Stephen Stine at 903-530-8168. You may also call the church office, 903-597-9854, during normal business hours.

Lectionary for upcoming Sundays Year C BCP 1979 Lectionary

Sunday, February 13

The 6th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-10, Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

Sunday, February 20

The 7th Sunday after the Epiphany

Genesis 45:3-11, 21-28, Psalm 37:1-18

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50, Luke 6:27-38



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Worship Schedule

Sunday Schedule

7:30 am CCD: The Holy Eucharist *Rite I*
9:00 am CCD: The Holy Eucharist *Rite II*
11:00 am~ CCD: The Holy Eucharist *Rite I*
11:05 am~ CCS: The Holy Eucharist *Rite II*
~live-streamed christchurchtyler.org

CHRIST CHURCH: ONE CHURCH—TWO CAMPUSES

CCD: Christ Church *Downtown*, 118 S. Bois d' Arc, Tyler, TX 75702 (office address)

CCS: Christ Church *South*, 15747 Old Jacksonville Hwy, Tyler, TX 75703

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to be recognized as a joyful,
spirit-filled community of
apostles reaching out and
transforming lives for Christ.*