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Mission Statement:

Increase Christ's footprint beyond our doors through bold witness, nurturing all in fruitful and faithful discipleship.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Electronic Newsletter - If you would like to receive your newsletter via email instead of a paper copy please email : office@cedarbayougrace.org

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Dear friends,

On February 20 our children led in worship with their musical, "Life of the Party." They did a great job telling us of Jesus' teaching and his power to give life. Children are an important part of our worship, not just "cute" bystanders. Sunday by Sunday they give and receive

the Christian message. They glorify God in their worship even if it is at times squirmy.

Parents, let me encourage you to especially bring your children to worship during March and April. These are the "high holy" days of the Christian faith, the days we tell again the most important messages of the Christian faith. During these days we journey with Jesus again from the glory of the Transfiguration down the road to Jerusalem and on to the cross and to Easter. Children are not too young. Don't worry. God meets their unique developmental needs as they experience this journey on their own level.

Carolyn C. Brown writes in her book, *Sharing the Easter Faith with Children*, "Children find different kinds of good news in the passion and resurrection stories than adults find in them. Older preschoolers celebrate God as most powerful super power in the universe and are glad to be allied with God. Younger elementary schoolers, who are moving out into the world on their own more and more, find comfort in the God who knows us and promises to be with us always even after we die. Older elementary schoolers identify most strongly with Peter as he lived through Holy Week. Jesus' forgiveness of the best friend who betrayed him proves to them that God will forgive anything. Adults find comfort in the promise of new life. All these different versions of "the best news" enrich each other when they are woven into the congregation's worship."

And weave them we will. This year during our March and April we will especially join Jesus during his last 24 hours by drawing from a study by Adam Hamilton called *Twenty Four Hours that Changed the World*. Special versions of the study for children and youth will accompany the adult study. Worship will add to our understanding using sermons and music. By the time we reach Easter morning April 24 my prayer is that each of us will have come to know the "best news" in our own way. We want the whole family to come along.

God bless you. See you Sunday.
Carol C. Turner

Announcements



Relay For Life 2011----Cedar Bayou Grace- -Unitng In Hope---
Making It Matter---Conquering Cancer

The #1 RFL event in Texas and the #15 in the World (Yes, that is a fact) is taking place April 8-9, 2011 and we want you to be a part of it. Please help us by doing one or two or all of the following to help us reach our team goals: **Join our team. Purchase a luminary. Order a team t-shirt. Sign up to walk the Survivor's /Caregiver's Lap. Make a donation.** Watch for news of our Fundraiser meal and plan on attending.

Information available at the table in the front hall or see Donna Whitehead (713-305-4343) or Allison Selensky(281-427-1966) --OR Visit our Website <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/cedarbayougraceumc>

175th Texas Independence Day Dinner

Wednesday, March 2

**Grace Kitchen
4:30 - 6:00 P.M**

Down home music and Texas sing along

5:30 to 6:15.

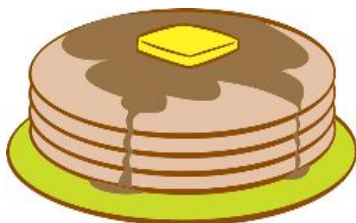
Ya'll come!

Pruett Street fellowship hall.

Bring a friend.

Emmaus Gathering

The Emmaus community will be having a gathering on Friday, March 4 at 6:30 in the Busch Center. Anyone who would like to spend time praising God and enjoying good food and fellowship is encouraged to come. You do not have to have attended an Emmaus weekend to take part in the gathering. We will be serving sandwiches, chips, drinks and desserts and Luis Ramirez will be leading our singing. Child care will be provided. Questions? Contact Patsy Tetting at 832-514-1875 or at patsyt64@hotmail.com

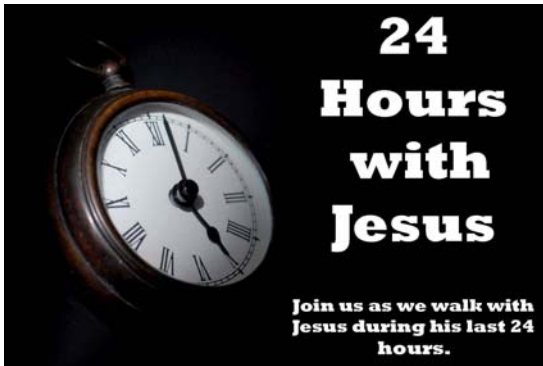


Pancake Supper

Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

You are invited to an
All-you-can-eat Pancake Supper Fat Tuesday,
March 8th
5-7 P.M. in the Busch Center.
All donations will go to support Faith In Action.

Announcements



24 Hours That Changed the World

During Lent for worship and study, our church will be using the book *24 Hours That Changed the World* by Adam Hamilton; the series will begin on the 2nd Sunday of Lent, March 20th and continue for 6 weeks. In this book, Adam Hamilton guides us through the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life. Each chapter is designed to help the reader experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a new way. Whether readers are long-time Christians or simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion, they are invited to join the author in retracing the last 24 hours of Jesus' life. The last chapter takes the reader past the crucifixion to Easter Sunday with Christ the Victor.

We invite you to participate in a small group study using this book during the Lenten season. On Sunday mornings you can join one of the Sunday School classes that will be doing the study: the Searchers, the Adult Bible Study, Exploring Faith, the Joy Class and Peace and Love (our Sunday School class for women). You can join one of these classes for the series or attend one of our other small groups. There will be one on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 led by Liz Yolland and one on Thursday night at 6:30 led by Lynette Busch. Sign up for the small group meetings will start on February 27 at the table across from the Guest Center. Books will be available for purchase and cost \$18.



Attention Mothers

Cedar Bayou Grace Players are working on a project for Mother's Day. Please contact Doug Harrison at hdug21@yahoo.com if you would be interested in sharing a story about giving birth, becoming a foster parent, or adopting a child.



On Friday evening March 25 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ferry Road sanctuary Cedar Bayou Grace United Methodist Church will hold a special called Church Conference for the sole purpose of considering whether or not to recommend Ben Burnside as a candidate for ministry in The United Methodist Church. A brief prayer service for our Faith in Action weekend will follow.



February 13

8:15 - 77

10:45 - 274

February 20

8:15 - 96

10:45 - 352

Women's Gathering

The Women's Ministry is now signing up hostesses for luncheon tables for the Women's Gathering to take place on Saturday, April 2nd. Our program will be the Spa girls presenting Spiritual, Practical & Amusing Ways to live the Godly life. Stop by the Women's Ministry table on Sunday to sign up for your table.

Women's Ministry will also be selling tote bags with the church name for \$10 each.



You're Needed!

We are currently looking for volunteers to help with various needs throughout the church. Help is needed with the following: answering office phones during lunch, stuffing bulletins, filling the pews with prayer cards. If you would like to help please call the church office at 281-427-4754 or email office@cedarbayougrace.org.



Giving for 02/06 - 02/13

Budget	\$42,572.21
Other	\$8035.48

Communion Offering
\$618.85

Music Notes



Thank you, children, parents, directors, and everyone who helped with the children's musical. Your hard work paid off, in spite of losing two rehearsals to winter weather.

This year's Easter cantata, "The Seven Last Words Of Christ", will be presented on Good Friday, April 22, at 7:00pm. This is a serious, well-known work written for Soprano, Tenor, and Baritone soloists, choir, and organ. The Chancel Choir has just begun to rehearse it, and would like to invite you to be a part of it. The choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 6:30pm, and childcare can be provided. Please consider committing to just this cantata, which will be rehearsed during the first part of the rehearsal. We would love to include you.

See you in the loft,

Paula

Youth Happenings



U. M. ARMY ~ "United Methodist Action Reach-Out Mission Youth"

July 17th to July 23rd ~~ We are going to Navasota, Texas!!!

Here's what you need to do next.....

- 1.) Pray for our group, the community in which we will serve and for your personal commitment to this mission trip.**
- 2.) REGISTER!!!! Complete the registration form and return to Dani Lamb before March 1, 2011.** Please send a check for \$25.00 made payable to CBGUMC, as your deposit amount for this mission trip. Balance will be due before May 15, 2011. Forms are available in the church office or on the website.

We have only 35 total spots (youth and adults). Please sign up now! We want you!!!

Remember... this mission trip is open from those who have COMPLETED 8th grade and above. We will have another mission trip (SUMMIT) in July for Jr. High.

Cedar Bayou Grace Kids



Mission Maniacs Upcoming Mission Maniac Dates

- Faith in Action on Saturday morning March 26 for families. Sign a single Faith In Action form.
- Hope Village in Friendswood on Sunday April 17.



Day School & CDO Registration

Day School & CDO are now enrolling for the fall. Classes are available for all ages. Registration packets are available in the Day School office and church office. For more information please call 281-422-3449.



*"Let the
little children
come to me"*

MATTHEW 19:14

Children's Valentine's Party



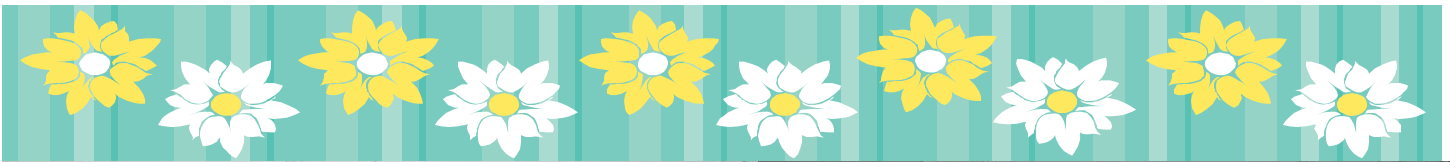
Welcome New Members



Jerrell & Kari Mayfield
Mackenzie, Madison & Megan



Chris & Elizabeth Ellis
Cooper



Boyce & Chris Nelson
Mariana



Sondra Powell

Assisted Living

Baytown Rehabilitation

David Thomas (Homer's Dad)
Roseanne Dacy (Tammy Fayle's Sister)

Crestview - Bryan, TX

Aletha Van Netter*

Cedar Bayou Rehab

M.D. Pumphrey*

Clarewood House

James & Rowena Parker *

Forum at Park Lane (Dallas)

Maxine Susong (Suzannah Moorman)

Hearthstone (Houston)

Bob Kirk (Carolyn James' Brother)

Green Acres - 2000 Beaumont

Murl Cannon (Curtis Smith's Aunt)
Tamara Reddell (Jolene & Ronnie
Whitehead's Daughter)

Remington Park

Vincent Adams (Diane Gillet's Father)
Gertrude Alpha
Erlene Bramlett*
Bettie Edwards (Cindy Fulton's mother)
Martin Griffith*
J.O. & Maggie Horn
Janie Kolb
Dorothy Leonard*
Toby Madison
Vivian Moore
Willie Mae Moore*
Betty Schiller*

Lamplighter Nursing Home (Bryan)

Lennie Walker (Johnny Walker's Mother)

St. James House

Harold Barber*
Lucille Cagle * - Rm. 108
William Wayne Herndon* - Rm. 409
Clara Hollis (Daniel Heyen's Grandmother)
Jean Robertson (Lee Robertson's Mom)

Swan Manor

Esther Horton*

Homebound

Jack Baker
Connie Barrientes*
Floyd & Louise Bishop*
Tricsilee Burns*
Pauline Christy*
Aline Crawford* (Woody Crawford's Mother)
Elmer Douty*
J.C. Doyle*
Lois Fulton*
Jack Havis*
Albert Hill*
Lola Hooper*
Allen & Jan Hoover*
Dorotha Hurst*
Bobbie Mann*
Jean Massey*
Elizabeth Muennink*
Edna Mulkey*
Rankin Smith*
Caroline Troy*

Cancer

Holli Baker*
Cecilia Chavez (Kate Hunt)
Mike Courville (Lori Tadlock's Uncle)
Sal Divita (Brandy Davis)
Bill Fontenot*
Leslie Green*
Ramecia Hair (Evangeline Williams' Daughter)
Ann Lawrence*
Ruth McElwain*
Joyce Martin (Mary Ann Cobb)
Willie Mae Moore*

Edith Pitti (Kristen Gunderson's Aunt)
Rev. Leonard Rodde (Friend of Thomas')
Becky Robertson (Susan Tolleson's Sister)
Carla Schaefer*
Loretta Shaw (Debbie Busch's Sister)
Jean Smith (Karen Rios)
L.C. & Eva Smith (Friends of Busch's)
Jennifer Stelley (Leigh Anne Spell)
Amanda Thomas (Gayle Standard)
Bill Trahan (Buddy & Claudine Bender)
Breana Turner (Cousin of Paige Speer)
Patricia Turner (David Turner's Sister-In-Law)
Doris Whitney

Hospital

Methodist

Lori Contella (Randy Barton's Sister)

Select Rehab

Terry Adcock*

San Jacinto

Doris Whitehead (mother of Ronnie
Whitehead*)
Patsy Sappington*

Sympathy

To the friends and family on the
passing of Sophie Miller (Roy Wim-
mer's Sister)

To the friends and family on the
passing of Mrs. Forse (Rosie Harris'
Mother)



Military

Pvt. First Class Justin Agee, US Army (Kate
Hunt's Brother)
2nd Lt. John Busch, US Army (son of Deb-
bie & Al Busch)
Capt., Carl Nathan Howard, USAF Andrea
Metzger's Son-in-Law)
Lance Cpl. Logan Huffman, USMC, in Af-
ghanistan (Nephew of Bill Fontenot)
Charles Husak III, US Navy, (Teen Still's
nephew)
Lance Cpl. Corey Jacobson, in Afghanistan
Wayne Keeler U.S. Army (Kingman's
Nephew)
Christopher P. Lochridge, Capt, USAF
Trey Mesa, USMC, (Teena Still's nephew)
Charles Perry, Us Army, in Georgia
(Sharon Fowler's Nephew)



PRAY
FOR OUR MILITARY

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Women's Gathering
Saturday, April 2

Sign-up to
host a table now!

Ash 
Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Services
Wednesday, March 9

12:10 in the Sanctuary
7:00 P.M. in Sanctuary

Sack lunches from The Mustard Seed will be available for take-out or eat in The Busch Center. Cost \$5. Sign up for a lunch by calling the church office by March 6.