



Crossings

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS ✠ EPISCOPAL
875 COTTON STREET, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
JULY 1, 2015

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 9:30 and 11:00 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 12:15 and 6:00 PM

Nursery

Sunday
9:45 AM – 12:30 PM

Choir Practice

Sunday: 9:45 AM

The Vestry

Ginger Paul, Senior Warden
Gerry Brooks, Jr. Warden
Becky Snodgrass, Secretary
Monty Walford, Treasurer
Melissa Fowle
Stephanie Hamblin
Robert Henley
Christine Hennigan
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Deadline

Material for *Crossings* must be received by **12:00 Wednesday**.
Please send to
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Holy Cross Hope House Happenings By the Rev. Sally Fox

MISSIONAL INCENTIVES GRANT:

Our Rector applied for and received a Missional Incentives Grant from our Diocese, which makes it possible for Holy Cross to expand our ministry with Hope House as well as with others in our nearby downtown neighborhood. I am honored and delighted to head up this new missional ministry, which began in early June with my going to Hope House every Thursday morning and getting to know some of the forty to sixty or more clients who go there regularly to enjoy a cool, comfortable, friendly place to spend part of their day inside and out of the typical Shreveport summer: blistering heat, downpours of rain, and everything in between. I chat informally with various people as they come to wash and dry their clothes, take a shower, talk to Donna, meet with their case manager, take a short class, and see what's going on in the neighborhood. When a quieter spot is needed for a more serious conversation with me, we can go to the office upstairs. Then at 11:30 we have Communion for those who desire to receive it.



HOPE HOUSE STAFF: As many of you know, Holy Cross Hope House Manager **Donna Earnest** provides guidance and assistance for the clients in navigating the system of agencies in this area that can help people reconnect with community life. Everyone knows that Donna “runs a tight ship,” where everyone is welcome but is also expected to abide by the house rules. More than just Hope House Manager, “Ms. Donna” is also something of a “house mother” too—a great combination for all concerned! And now we welcome **Larry**



Murff, who recently joined the Hope House staff to assist Donna with the numerous duties necessary to make it the success it is.

HOPE HOUSE DONATION BASKETS: You may have noticed new baskets in the Narthex for Hope House donations. While we at Holy Cross are the founders and sponsors of Hope House, the success of the program also

depends on the donation of items and monetary gifts from others. Along with Holy Cross, various other churches in the Shreveport-Bossier community regularly send checks, bring a lunch meal from time to time, and/or send some items needed by clients. We have long had a general list of items needed at Hope House. However, after being there for a few weeks I have drawn up a longer list of some specific items needed, hoping this will make it easier to pick up a few of these each week. These longer lists are always available next to the baskets. Let's each make it our goal to bring a few needed items every Sunday and put them in the baskets.

THURSDAY LUNCH AT HOPE HOUSE: Being able regularly to serve lunch on Thursdays is a great addition to the Hope House week! It would be wonderful to have Holy Cross members volunteer to do that. Please volunteer to bring a very large casserole-type dish to serve forty to sixty people. Here are some examples of meals:

- Spaghetti with meat sauce and Parmesan cheese
- Red beans, rice, cornbread
- Tuna-noodle casserole
- Cold cuts, sliced cheese, mayo, mustard, pickles, bread
- Chips, cookies, or any other meal of your choice

Jugs of iced tea or other beverages are optional but always welcome. Hope House supplies plates, cups, napkins, plastic flatware, and water.

Meals can be taken to Hope House early Thursday mornings, or possibly even the day before. Call House Manager Donna Earnest at 318-220-7649 to make arrangements.

SUCH LUNCH MEALS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY HOPE HOUSE NEIGHBORS!

Daily Feast: Meditations on the Word, Year B
Louisville: Westminster, John Knox Press, 2012



The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 9

Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Many Christian congregations have made sharp distinctions between “mission” and “evangelism”—between outreach in deeds and outreach in words—sometimes gravitating toward the former out of anxiety about doing the latter. In such a pastoral context, a pastor might explore the false “either/or” dichotomy between mission and evangelism. It is clear that both Jesus’ ministry in Nazareth and that of the Twelve to “the villages” was unitary, encompassing both healing—“mission”—and proclamation—“evangelism.”

Michael L. Lindvall

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12

Amos 7:7-15; Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

As Amos stands before Amaziah and all his believed power and might, he can hear the echo of his earlier words in his mind, “He is so small!” (v.5) We are so small . . . What makes us inherently valuable is our identity as the children of God. When we remember this valuable truth, we are given the freedom of recognizing both how small we are and how cherished we are. From this location we have the wonderful opportunity to keep our eyes peeled to the surprising ways God may be at work in the world.

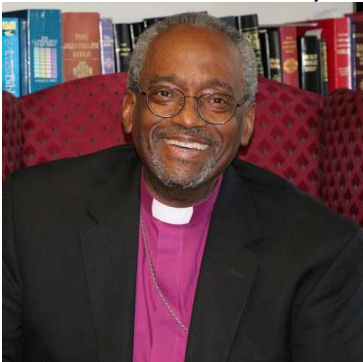
Douglas T. King

Just as there are no little people or unimportant lives, there is no insignificant work.

Yelena Bonner

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Our New Presiding Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry



History has been made once again in the Episcopal Church. At General Convention in Salt Lake City on June 27, the House of Bishops elected the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry to be its 27th presiding bishop. He received 121 votes of a total 174 cast, and was confirmed by the House of Deputies by a vote of 800 to 12. On November 1 he will begin his nine-year turn, succeeding presiding bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori, and will be the first person of color to hold that position. A liturgy marking the beginning of Curry's ministry as presiding bishop and primate will be celebrated November 1, All Saints' Day, at Washington National Cathedral.

Bishop Curry, 62, is a Chicago native who grew up in Buffalo, New York and graduated from Hobart College and Yale Divinity School. He was ordained in North Carolina and has served as bishop of the diocese of North Carolina since 2000. He and his wife Sharon have two daughters.

In Bishop Curry's words, "We are followers of Jesus . . . and the truth is we've got a message to proclaim, a life to live and something to share and offer the world. There's a lot of suffering in this world. There's a lot of heartache, there's a lot of nightmare. We are people who believe that God has a dream and a vision for this world" and Episcopalians must "struggle to live out the teachings of Jesus in their own lives, and "[be] a voice for those who have no voice." He stressed that Episcopalians must strive to carry out this mission in partnership with Anglicans around the world as well as with people of other faiths and traditions.

Condensed and adapted from episcopaldigitalnetwork.com and nytimes.com.

Calendar for July

Wednesdays	Holy Eucharist (Enriching Our Worship)	12:15 PM	Chapel
Thursdays	Holy Eucharist	11:30 AM	Hope House Back Yard
	<i>Yum-Yum, La-La, Doodle*</i>	11:30 AM	Undercroft, Educ. Bldg.
Saturdays	Holy Eucharist	5:00 PM	Chapel
Sundays	Informal Eucharist	9:20 AM	Rose Garden or Chapel (depending on weather)
	Choir Practice	9:45 AM	Church
	Holy Eucharist II	11:00 AM	Church
Sunday, July 5	<i>The Continuing Feast*</i>	after the 11:00 service	Undercroft

***Please see notice on last page**

Prayer List

Wanda Allen
Margaret Boudreaux
Charlie Campbell
Jay Colvin
Evelyn Corley
Ron Dean
Jean Dooley
Elizabeth Eglin
Shirley Enani
Floyd "Buzzy" Farrar
Lady Martha Garner

Austin Gleason
Elizabeth Joyce
George Love
Mim McCoy
Paige McCranie
Anna Philen
Brady Sessions
Mary Ann Shemwell
Mark Skeesick
Lonnie Smith
Gary Thomas

Jane Thompson
Robert Todd
Cliff Townsend
Mattie Washington
Charlotte Webb
Mike Wise
Bill Wright
Larry Wright
Mary Wright

If you would like to request an addition to the prayer list, please call the church office, 222-3325. Our practice is to keep names on the list for six weeks. If we have an update at that time that we continue to pray for them, we leave the name on the list. If not, we remove it, and you can always call and add it again.

We pray for those who serve and are served by The Caddo Council on Aging;
for all who are homeless or hungry; for the people of Mexico, the Middle East and Ukraine;
for people in all the places where there is war; for victims of terrorism; for all who seek peace;
for the young women in Nigeria and Christians kidnapped and killed,
and for all people persecuted for their faith; for law enforcement officers and the people they serve;
and for our President and Congress, that they may work together to pass legislation to lessen the danger of
violence and injustice in our country and provide for the needs of the most vulnerable.
In gratitude for the blessings of liberty, we pray for our country, that prejudice and racism may die and that
we all may live together and share the goodness of life God intends for all people.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for Holy Trinity, Sulphur, and the Rev. Doris Westfall.

God of our salvation, we know we get easily caught up in the tasks and worries of our daily lives. We pray for the inbreaking of your Spirit to show us the ultimate meaning of our lives, which is our hope in you. May our words, actions, celebrations, and witness of life bring the peace and joy of the Gospel to those around us. *Amen.*

Say Ministries

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 5, 2015

Ezekiel 2:1-5 ☞ Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10 ☞ Mark 6:1-13
Sat. 5:00 PM: Larry Wright, Lector, Eucharistic Minister
Sun. 11:00 AM:
Lector: Maggie Fowle
Prayers of the People: William Raymond
Eucharistic Ministers: Ginger Paul, Kendall Raymond
Acolytes: William Raymond, Hannah Wallace, Ian Wallace
Ushers: Christine Hennigan, Tom Hennigan
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00: Margaret Heacock, June Kirkland
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00: Ginger Paul, June Kirkland

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 12, 2015

Amos 7:7-15 ☞ Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14 ☞ Mark 6:14-29
Sat. 5:00 PM: Larry Wright, Lector, Eucharistic Minister
Sun. 11:00 AM
Lector: Stephanie Hamblin
Prayers of the People: Melissa Fowle
Eucharistic Ministers: Herschel Richard, Jo Ann Horton
Acolytes: Aaron Horton, Hannah Wallace, Ian Wallace
Ushers: Tommie Sue Brooks, Gerry Brooks
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00: Margaret Heacock, June Kirkland
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00: Christine Hennigan, Becky Snodgrass

If you would like to donate altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please call Laurie, 222-3325, and tell her. This is a beautiful way to contribute to the beauty of our worship and give to the glory of God!

*Yum-Yum, La-La, Doodle!

In our ongoing efforts to minister in and with our community, beginning on July 2 we will offer a camp/class/ time for children each Thursday! Priest Sally Fox and Bruce Power are planning music, bible stories, and art projects, and Stephanie Hamblin, Robert Henley, and Bruce Shaw are planning lunch time. We will give children a healthy lunch and instruction about nutrition (Stephanie is certified in childhood nutrition), age-appropriate songs and hymns, as well as lessons in our faith. We hope our own Holy Cross children will come, and we will reach out to the neighborhood through Hope House and the families we know. Camp will be held on Thursdays, approximately 11:30 - 2:30 in the Undercroft and Education Building. Camp is for children ages 4-8, with older children invited to help. If we get a good group who wants to continue after school starts, we will move the time to after school. We need adults and older children to help with the camp. If you would like to help, please call the church office, 222-3325.



A Taste of Nineteenth-Century America By Bruce Power, Organist and Choirmaster



At the liturgical west end of our nave there is a beautiful Victorian parlor organ (a member of the pump organ family of instruments), bought and donated to the parish in the early 1980s by the Rev. Kenneth Paul, Rector Emeritus of Holy Cross.

The history of the pump organ is varied and interesting, with ancestors and descendants stretching from the United States to a most illustrious heritage in Europe. Our pump organ was designed for home use, hence the ornate case. The back of the organ was not designed to be seen, since the instrument would have been placed against a wall in a well-appointed parlor of the middle- to late nineteenth-century through the early twentieth century. Pump organs designed for church or assembly use were half as high as our instrument, allowing the organist to see a conductor or to conduct from the organ.

Stenciling on our pump organ reveals it to be from Sears, Roebuck and Co. It was probably built by the Beckwith or Adler firms and distributed via the Sears' catalogues. It was quite common for a distributor or music emporium to put their individual brand name on an instrument, although it might actually be built by another company. Indeed, this makes exact dating and research difficult. In perusing a 1904 Sears catalogue, I found a similarly-sized instrument (the largest sold by Sears) with the brand name *Beckwith Royal Grand Organ*. Our organ probably dates from around 1890-1908. Most recently, a parlor organ with an identical case design and number of stops is confirmed as dating from 1901.

On July 5, our parlor organ will be featured in the service. We will hear works from America and France, as the pump organ (called *harmonium* in Europe, with a slightly different sound) had a grand history in nineteenth-century Europe, with well-known composers such as Dvořák, Liszt, and Saint-Saëns writing for the instrument. In America, our ancestors used pump organs in homes, churches, and covered wagons. At our 11:00 Eucharist, you will hear period music on a period instrument.

Since our pump organ has not been electrified and is in almost original condition, your organist is preparing and exercising for all the pumping footwork needed!

*No Kitchen for the Continuing Feast!

The much-needed and much-anticipated repair and remodeling work on the kitchen has finally begun! This means that there will be no kitchen available for the next few *Continuing Feasts*. We don't want to cancel the Feasts, so we ask that you bring **cold dishes** (salads, sandwiches, cold cuts, veggies, desserts . . .) Also, please plan to wash your serving dishes at home or bring disposable dishes, since the sink as well as the stove will be out of commission.

The kitchen crew understands that this is a great inconvenience, and we ask your patience. You'll see that the results will make the sacrifice worthwhile!



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Mission Statement: *The Church of the Holy Cross, Shreveport, Louisiana, strives to be the presence of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond, through worship of Almighty God, open inquiry, sharing fellowship, valued diversity, genuine inclusiveness, and servant leadership—encouraging all to exercise God's gifts and calling as we share the Gospel of Hope in programs, to serve without regard for religious affiliation, race, or economic status.*

If you would like to contribute to the renovation of the kitchen, please send your donation to the church, or place it in the offering plate, marked "Kitchen." We greatly appreciate all donations!

Hope House: There is an ongoing need for coffee, sugar, creamer, laundry detergent, disposable razors, and personal size hygiene products (soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc.). Donations can be taken to 762 Austin Place or to the church office. Thank you for your continued support.

Forward Day by Day for **August- October**, in both standard and large-print editions, is available in the Narthex and the Undercroft.

If you cannot get to church and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit at your residence or the hospital, please call the church office at 222-3325, and Communion will be brought to you.



The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Ph.D.
The Rt. Rev. Dr. Jacob Owensby, Ph.D., D. D.
The Rev. Mary B. Richard
The Rev. Sally M. Fox
The Rev. Kenneth W. Paul
The Rev. Donald D. Heacock
Mr. Bruce Power
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