



Crossings

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS ✠ EPISCOPAL
875 COTTON STREET, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
JUNE 7, 2017

Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 9:30 and 11:00 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM

Book Study and Eucharist

Wednesday: 11:00 AM

Nursery

Sunday
9:45 AM – 12:30 PM

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday: 9:45 AM

Sunday School

Sunday: 10:00 AM

The Vestry

Reece Middleton, Senior Warden
Gerry Brooks, Jr. Warden
Steve Snodgrass, Secretary
Shirley Enani
Maggie Fowle
Jo Ann Horton
John Hughes
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Ginger Paul

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Deadline

Material for *Crossings* must be received by **12:00 Wednesday**.

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Come, Holy Spirit . . .

It seems like the Holy Spirit gets overlooked most of the year. The Sundays leading into the Day of Pentecost and Trinity Sunday would be the exceptions, and the closing of most of our prayers during the year do include her. But if we look at the entire year, the Father and the Son are given much more “press” in the Sunday lectionary—and in Scripture as a whole.

The Holy Spirit is described in several ways in Scripture: as Paraclete (advisor, helper), the breath of God, the comforter, the advocate, counselor, encourager. The Church understands God’s Spirit to be the source and inspiration for true prophecy, both in the Hebrew Scriptures and in the life of the Church. This is important because as we believe Scripture to be the *living* word of God, we believe that God’s revelation did not end with the last of the writings chosen to be preserved for us as Holy Scripture. Thus, inspiration continues, revelation is renewed in every age and culture, and God’s word is constantly offered to us and available to us. The guidance of the Spirit is never ending.

One caveat: Revelation cannot be understood as every “word” every person believes given to them by God. The truth of a revelation must be validated in the life of the community. This is one function of the Church: we discern together, not in tangent. This is also the reason deep change seems most often to take a long time. If a word is of God it will endure; if not, it will die. We must see the fruition of God’s word to come in God’s time.

The Holy Spirit is also known as the giver of gifts. There are several lists of gifts of the Spirit in the New Testament epistles; we are familiar with them. We believe each of us has been given a few gifts; not all the gifts are given to one person. All gifts necessary for God’s purposes are given in abundance. God has a definite purpose for our use of God’s gifts: the building up of the community. We understand “the community” in two ways: the community of the Church and God’s mission in the world; and the community of Creation, the reconciliation of which is the mission the Church has been given. So God has provided for progress toward the fulfilment of God’s kingdom.

But lest we think we are given all the power and all the burden of responsibility, we remember that the Holy Spirit is with us to empower,





encourage, guide, and counsel us in all we do. We are not alone; we are not left “comfortless.”

In the seasons from Advent through Easter, comprising roughly half the year, most of our attention is on the events of Jesus’ life. The Season after Pentecost focuses on our lives as followers of Jesus. Anyone who has ever taken seriously living the Christian life knows that constant prayer is needed to keep us in “the Way.” And we know that the Holy Spirit is the giver of the strength and guidance we need. So why not pray directly to her? That would be one way of keeping her persistent presence in our consciousness. The Holy Spirit is a

bottomless well of comfort and encouragement in the trials of our own personal lives and in the life of God’s world, where we can so easily become discouraged.

So we might grow in awareness of and reliance on the Spirit, let’s begin to think of the Season after Pentecost as the “Season of the Spirit.”

The Rev. Mary B. Richard

O God the Holy Ghost ...

Evermore enlighten us. Thou who art Fire of Love, evermore enkindle us.

Thou who art Lord and Giver of Life, evermore live in us ...

—Christina Rossetti.

Daily Feast: Meditations on the Word, Year A

Louisville: Westminster, John Knox Press, 2012



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on the **WORD™**

The First Sunday after Pentecost

Trinity Sunday: June 11, 2017

Genesis 1:1-2:41 Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

(Genesis 1:1-2:41) Humans are given dominion, not domination; they are caregivers, not exploiters (cf. Ps 72: 8-14). We do unto creation as God has done unto us; we express love and care toward the world. Being image-bearers of God is also at the heart of how we see other humans, which results in treating them with dignity, regardless of race, age, gender, social or economic status.

Dave Bland

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 6: June 18, 2017

Exodus 19:2-81 Psalm 100

Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8

(Psalm 100) This psalm is not primarily about the responsibilities associated with belonging to God, but rather about the joy—joy in God that the psalmist believed should be expressed with great fervor, zeal. words like “gladness,” “singing,” “thanksgiving,” and “praise” indicate that the people of God should worship God with everything they have—their bodies, voices, spirits, and minds. Worship of God should be a celebration.

Debra J. Mumford



Calendar for June

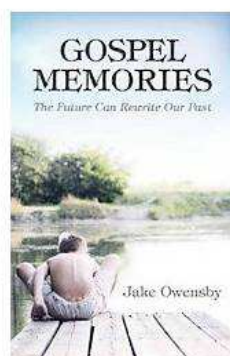
Saturdays	Holy Eucharist II	5:00 PM	Chapel
Sundays	Informal Eucharist	9:20 AM	Rose Garden or Chapel (depending on weather)
	Choir Rehearsal	9:45 AM	Nave
	Nursery	9:30 AM – noon	Education Building
	Sunday School	10:00 AM	Education Building
	Holy Eucharist II	11:00 AM	Nave
Saturday, June 10	St. Luke's Fundraiser Sporting Clay Shoot	8:00 AM	Los Paloma Sporting Range, Benton
Sunday, June 11 Trinity Sunday	Summer Music Festival Opening Concert	3:00 PM	Nave
Tuesdays, June 13 and 20	Inquirers' Class	6:00 PM	Undercroft
Wednesdays, June 14, 21, and 28	Book study: <i>Gospel Memories</i> and Holy Eucharist	11:00 AM	Education Building Library
Tuesday, June 27	Interchurch Conference: <i>Bread or Stones</i> meeting	TBA	TBA

Gospel Memories continues . . .

We are enjoying reading and discussing our Bishop's book, *Gospel Memories*, so much that we've decided to continue through June. Each chapter stands alone, and you do not have to own the book to participate. Discussion questions are included, although our group is so eager that we've found as we discuss the first question we've usually covered most or all of the others. We follow our study with Communion, using the liturgy "Common Cathedral," written at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Boston.

Wednesdays, June 14, 21, and 28
11:00 AM
Education Building Library

Please join us!



Prayer List

Wanda Allen
Debbie Atwood
Michael Atwood
Michael Breedlove
Tommy Breedlove
Cary Rhea Brooks
Evelyn Corley
Ron Dean

Shirley Enani
Floyd "Buzzy" Farrar
Ann Fellers
Luke Fry
Lady Martha Garner
Charles Griffith
Christine Hennigan
Kenneth Jordan

Lisa Martin
Mim McCoy
Pat McCoy
Paige McCranie
Bob Morris
Reed Nations
Brady Sessions
Tommy Simrall

Jack Theurkauf
Sonny Thomas
Robert Todd
Mattie Washington
Bill Wright
Mary Wright

We have recently updated our prayer list. If you or someone you know wants to request prayers, please call the church office, 222-3325. Your request will remain on the list for six weeks, unless you indicate that you would like it to remain longer.

We pray for those who serve and are served by Holy Cross Villas and Holy Cross Villas West; for the people of our country, that we may work with renewed purpose to overcome our fears and prejudices; for law enforcement officers and the people they serve; for people in all places where there is war and fear, and for those who seek peace; for migrants in Africa and Europe, for all immigrants seeking acceptance and safety; and for the leaders and the people of our country, that a spirit of hospitality and respect for all people may lead us to work for the common good.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Luke's, Jennings, the Rev. John Clark (Phyllis); and for Trinity, Crowley, the Rev. Herman Ogea (Kathi)

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for Northern California (VII, The Episcopal Church), the Rt. Rev. Barry Beisner; and for Northern Territory (Queensland Australia), the Rt. Rev. Greg Anderson

O God the Holy Ghost. . . . Evermore enlighten us. Thou who art Fire of Love, evermore enkindle us. Thou who art Lord and Giver of Life, evermore live in us. . . .

Christina Rossetti

Lay Ministries

The First Sunday after Pentecost June 11, 2017

Sat. 5:00 PM: Lector, Eucharistic Minister: Larry Wright
Sun. 11:00 AM:
Lectors: Nathaniel Means, Hanna Wallace
Prayers of the People: Becky Snodgrass
Eucharistic Ministers: Herschel Richard, Kendall Raymond
Acolytes: Hannah Wallace, Aaron Horton, Jo Bob Evanson
Ushers: Lynn Walford, Monty Walford
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00 PM: June Kirkland, Margaret Heacock
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00 AM: Becky Snodgrass, Tommie Sue Brooks

The Second Sunday after Pentecost June 18, 2017

Sat. 5:00 PM: Lector, Eucharistic Minister: Larry Wright
Sun. 11:00 AM:
Lectors: Jo Ann Horton, Maggie Fowle
Prayers of the People: Melissa Fowle
Eucharistic Ministers: Jo Ann Horton, Monty Walford
Acolyte: Steve Snodgrass
Ushers: Lynn Walford, Herschel Richard
Altar Guild Sat. 5:00 PM: June Kirkland, Margaret Heacock
Altar Guild Sun. 11:00 AM: Jo Ann Horton, Ginger Paul

Service Music

The First Sunday after Pentecost

Trinity Sunday: Morning Prayer and Eucharist

Introit: *Praise to the Trinity* Hildegard of Bingen

Canticles: 377 *Jubilate* S 231 *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini-A Song of Creation* Hymn 427
Benedictus es, Domine S 231

Mass: Proulx and Hurd

Anthem: *Let all mortal flesh keep silence* anon. 17th cent. French; arr. Stephen Cleobury
Christ be with me Rawsthorne

Hymns: 362 Nicaea 367 Rustington 423 St. Denio

Organ: *Prelude and Fugue in E Flat, BWV 552* J. S. Bach *Trinitas* Wannes Vanderhoeven;
Meditation VI on the Mystery of the Holy Trinity Messiaen

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Mass: Mathias and Hurd

Psalm 116:1, 10-17: metrical setting

Anthem: *Morning has broken* A. Clarke, arr.

Hymns: 535 Paderborn 540 *Dir, dir, Jehovah* 528 Rowthorn 539 *Tidings*

Organ: *Hour of Consecration, Hour of Joy* Bossi *Toccata per elevatione*, Frescobaldi

Celebrate Dad
with an Entry in the
St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry's
SPORTING CLAYS



Los Paloma Sporting Range

Saturday, June 10, 2017

- Registration : 8:00am
- Teams of Four
- Shoot Starts : 9:00am
- \$400 per Team

Grandfathers, Fathers, and Youth Aged Children invited to enjoy a day at a beautiful facility enjoying some friendly competition while giving back to our own Northwest Louisiana Community.

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Raffle tickets are available in the church office,
and from Marshall Middleton or Priest Mary.

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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.*

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 Austen Place or to the church office. Thank you for your continued support.

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



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