

# Happy Birthday

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June 12
Susan Hardtner
<b>Brant Lewis</b>
Barron O'Neal
Oscar Berry
Anne Deupree
Barbara Newtown
Katelyn Pavlick
Robert Pavlick
Kaitlyn Stage

13 Lottie McGuire Margaret Texada William Comegys **Betsy Levels** 15 Ione Dean 18 **Brad Massad Bob Ewing** Matthew Smitherman

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# Community

## St. Mark's Vacation Bible School

July 11 - 15 9:00 -12:00

#### **Volunteers Needed**

Leaders- adults willing to teach, lead activities, and help with dismissal

Greeters – adults to sit at the sign-in tables helping with sign in on the first day and passing out t-shirts. Teen Volunteers – assist with younger children and rotations (service hours available)

Please Contact:

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# St. Mark's Summer Music Camp is set for July 11-15!

The camp is for all kids grades 2-12 and meets from 8:45 am until 1:00 pm. The campers will perform at the 10:30 am service on July 17. To register, please visit stmarkscathedral.net. For more information, contact Derrick Meador at derrick@stmarkscathedral.net

We are again looking for volunteers to staff the front desk during the summer. We are looking for someone to work Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 11:00 am till 2:00 pm. You can work every week or once a month, whatever your schedule can fit. Contact Priscilla McLean, priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net

To love and serve Christ.

To love and serve each other in Christ.

To love and serve the world for Christ.

EYC will be meeting occasionally throughout the summer break. Please email Sarah (smceyc318@gmail.com) to make sure you are on our mailing list and check our Instagram (@smceyc) for updates! Enjoy your summer!

Want to enjoy some fellowship and a good book during the summer without any prep?

Join us at 9:30 am on Sunday mornings in the Parlor to read Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World by Henri Nouwen. We will read each chapter together, around the table, and discuss as we go. We will have donuts, muffins, or other pastries each week. We will begin Sunday, June 12. RSVP is not necessary, but we'd love to hear if you plan on coming. Please e-mail Lauren & Seth Thibodeaux at thiblauren@gmail.com. Feel free to join us at any point during the summer.

After a break for COVID-19, the Dinners for Eight program be getting underway again this summer. The purpose is simply to have fun and to get to know others on an informal basis in our homes. Groups of eight people - singles and couples of various ages - are randomly formed for a period of one year. Groups share four dinners throughout the year, each hosted by a different person/persons. The host provides the entrée and asks members of the group to bring other items. Contact Priscilla@stmarkscathedral.net if you would like to participate in one of these groups.

If you are going through a difficult time one of the Stephen Ministers from St. Mark's may be able to help. Stephen Ministers are laypersons who have received special training to listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support for persons who are facing a crisis or going through tough times. After all, there are many difficulties and transitions in this life! Why not give yourself the gift of a Stephen Minister who can accompany you on part of your journey?! The care you receive is confidential, free and very helpful. For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Rowena White by email: Rowena@stmarkscathedral.net.

<u>with Anglican agencies and other partners</u> in order to provide humanitarian assistance to people fleeing the violence in Ukraine. Working with the Action by Churches Together Alliance (ACT Alliance), Episcopal Relief and Development will provide cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needed assistance. You can donate at episcopal relief.org.

# Sunday Readings

The First Sunday after Pentecost:
Trinity Sunday
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31\* Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

# Thoughts from the Dean and the Stewardship Team

Regardless of whether you tithe or use some other method of measure, the return you make to God should come from the "first fruits" of your labor. This means that your return to God comes first, before paying all your other bills. If we give simply from what we have left over after all our needs are met, it is not really sacrificial. If there is no pain in our giving, then we can be sure that we are not giving enough.

# Additional Resources

### Dean Alston Johnson's Blog:

https://thecarpentersnail.blog/

# St. Mark's Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/St-Marks-Cathedral-Shreveport-181096028587074/

# Bishop Jake Owensby's Blog:

https://jakeowensby.com/blog/

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