

Events at First

Presbyterian Church- Shreveport

March 21– April 4, 2010

Sunday, March 21

8:30—Worship
9:45—Sunday School
9:45—The Text This Week
11:00—Worship
12:00—Church Lunch At the Highland Center
4:15—Children's Choir
5:00—Officer Exam
6:15—Youth Groups

Monday, March 22

5:30—Table Talk/ Robinson Film Center in Abbey Singer's Bistro

Tuesday, March 23

9:00 Disciple II-C-22
4:00 HEEP- CE
4:00 Disciple I-C-22
5:30-Parents of Young Children-C 18-20

Wednesday, March 24

10:00—Program Staff
11:00—Church Staff
12:00—Mid-Day Prayer
3:30—Grief Group-C22
4:00—HEEP-CE
6:00—Session—C 18-20

Thursday, March 25

9:00—Choir Rehearsal
11:45—Lectio Divina C-22
3:00—Knitting-Parlor
6:00—U of FPC—Elizabeth I L-6

Friday, March 26

7:00—Enneagram- C 18-20

Saturday, March 27

9:00 Enneagram-C-18-20

Sunday, March 28

8:30—Worship
9:45—Sunday School
9:45—The Text This Week
11:00—Worship-Children's Palm Processional
4:15—Children's Choir
6:15—Youth Groups

Monday, March 29

5:30 Table Talk/ Robinson Film Center inside Abbey Singer's Bistro

Tuesday, March 30

9:00—Disciple II
4:00—Disciple I
5:30—Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, March 31

10:00—Program Staff
11:00—Church Staff
12:00—Mid-Day Prayer
3:30—Grief Group

Thursday, April 1

9:00—Choir Rehearsal
9:45—LINK Fold- L 6
11:45—Lectio Divina
6:00—Mandy Thursday Worship—Chapel
7:00—Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 2

12:00—Good Friday Worship—Chapel
5:30—Taize—Chapel

Saturday, April 3

10:00—Easter Egg Hunt—Jim and Betsy Fritze
6700 E. Ridge Drive

Sunday, April 4

8:30 Worship
9:45—Sunday School
9:45—Text This Week
11:00—Worship

The LINK



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PARKING CHANGES

ENTRANCE

- The west driveway from Jordan near the Chapel is now both an ENTRANCE and an EXIT. Members and Visitors using this area to park are asked to use caution.
- BOTH lanes between the C.E. Building and the main building are ONE WAY ENTRANCE ONLY from Jordan.

EXIT

- Exit the parking lot behind the church onto STONER. It may be easiest to turn right onto Stoner from the parking lot.
 - Exit the west driveway onto JORDAN **Please exercise caution.
- *Members and Visitors are encouraged to call the Church Office 222.0604 if they have any questions or concerns. Visit fpcshreveport.com under 'Construction Updates' for more information.

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- **THE TEXT THIS WEEK**-Beginning March 21 from 9:45-10:30 AM/ Pastor's Office-Register by calling Lona Lockard at 222-0604 or llockard@fpcshreveport.com.
- **TABLE TALK**-Mondays March 22-April 26 at 5:30 PM/ Robinson Film Center-Abbey Singer's Bistro-Register by calling Lona Lockard at 222.0604 or llockard@fpcshreveport.com
- **SEEDS FOR CHANGE**- Thursdays April 8th, 15th & 22nd from 6:00-7:30 PM/ Sci-Port IMAX Theatre 820 Clyde Fant Pkwy/ \$5 Registration Fee Per Session- FREE to Sci-Port Members. Register by calling Sci-Port @ 318.424.8660.
- **QUESTIONS OF FAITH: ENGAGING IN CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR CHILD**-Saturdays, April 10-May 1 from 10:00-11:30 AM/ First Presbyterian Church, Shreveport in the Christian Education Building. Brunch and childcare are provided. Register by calling Lona Lockard at 222.0604 or llockard@fpcshreveport.com.



The Flowering of the Cross



This tradition dating back to the 6th century is a striking and beautiful symbol representing the new life that emerges as a result of Jesus' sacrifice. Traditionally, the entire cross is covered with flowers and placed prominently at the front of the church to symbolize the new life in our risen Lord to all the worshippers on Easter Sunday.

Please participate in this rich tradition by bringing flowers or greenery from your garden to place on the bare cross at the front of our sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning before worship. There will be plenty of space to be covered, so if you can't decide from your favorite blooms this spring, bring them all!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 31—Stories of Hope and Healing from Haiti—Dr. Joe McCulloch will share his experiences from a recent visit to Haiti with a team from LSU-MC in room C 18-19, following a pot-luck supper. Plan to join us at 6:00p.m. and bring something to share—salad, sandwiches, or a dessert.

Tuesday April 6— Women's Meeting Presbyterian Women and Honorary Lifetime Membership service to be held Tuesday, April 6 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Lunch following the service in C 18-20.

NAME TAGS

"I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME AND YOU ARE MINE." Isaiah 43:1

Please remember to wear yours anytime you are at church, so that you may greet one another in Christian fellowship!! If you are without a nametag, please fill out a slip in the office to request one (replacements/extras - \$3.00; replacement MAGNETS - \$1.00). Check back in several weeks to

Volunteers Needed for Brighter Beginnings Program

Broadmoor United Methodist Church will be the location of a new program co-sponsored by VYJ (Volunteers for Youth Justice) and the LSU Ag Center beginning in April. Brighter Beginning works with elementary students from second through fifth grades and their parents, targeting problem areas such as cursing, inappropriate language, aggressiveness, low self-esteem, fighting/bullying, and difficulty maintaining friendships.

Counselors at elementary schools will give informational program flyers to the parents of students who may benefit from participation. Both parents and counselors will select problem areas for the student (s) and return the flyer to VYJ where programs will be determined for the parents and the children attending.

This program, run by volunteers, will be free to attendees. If you are a teacher or counselor now, or have been one in the past and could devote three hours per month as a volunteer to work with these students and parents, please call Sylvia Newman at 219-1817 or email her at snewman@newmaninc.com for more information.

Meetings will be held on Thursday nights from 6:15 to 7:30 pm two times per month at Broadmoor United Methodist Church, 3715 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105. We will not meet in the summer months.

Church Family Album

DEATHS

We express sincere sympathy to . . .

The family and friends of Dena Muzette Gallagher who died March 4, 2010.

The family and friends of Mary Jane Haygood Fouche' who died March 10, 2010.

Announcements

Get Connected @ FPC Shreveport

Youth Ministry Seeks Easter Egg Donations



The Youth Ministry is collecting large plastic Easter eggs for the 2010 Children's Easter Egg Hunt. Donations can be dropped off outside the office by Thursday, April 1st. Your donation will help ensure this year's Easter Egg Hunt is 'eggstravagant'!

SUNDAY OFFICE

WORKERS NEEDED!

On Sundays, 9:30-12:00 we need someone to be in the church office to answer phone calls, etc. Each volunteer would work once a month.

Please call the church office (222-0604) if you are interested in this opportunity!

Young Adults at Noel Methodist Food Pantry

Each **THIRD SATURDAY** of the month we gather volunteers and head to the Noel United Methodist Food Pantry from 12-2 PM. The job is simple- we bag groceries, stock shelves, fill ziplock bags with rice and cornmeal, greet guests, and well, just about anything they need us to do we do!

This is a great activity for kids and adults. Look ahead at your calendar and find a time to join us! **Our next opportunity is Saturday, March 20.** Please contact Ces McLelland (frlondon2@aol.com) or Sarah Cooper Searight (ssearight@fpcshreveport.com) if you are interested in checking it out!

TAXI! TAXI!! Need a ride to church?

You may now call

Yellow cabs taxi service (425-7000)

and sign a voucher and the church will pick up the tab.

A "need a ride" area is being established in the breezeway fellowship area following the 11:00 worship service,

so it will be easier to catch a ride home (or you may request that the cab return for you at 12:15).

ALL MEMBERS TAKE NOTE:

if you'd be willing to offer someone a ride home, please stop by this area for a time of fellowship and offer service to others!!

ARE YOU CARING FOR THE ELDERLY, DISABLED OR SICK?

Free Workshop

WHEN? April 8th, 2010

WHERE? LSU-Shreveport

HOW? Must Pre-Register @ <http://www.ce.lsus.edu>

Call (318) 798-4177

WHO? Sponsored by Hospice of Shreveport/
Bossier

WHAT? Information about: Caregiver Support, Alzheimer's Disease, Lewy Body Dementia, Financial Resources, Community Resources, Hospice.

Learn To: Give a Bed Bath, Give Oral Care, Lift and Transfer, Use Medical Equipment.

The HAT LADY is still hard at work to eke out a meager living, although the market for her hats and mufflers is now behind us with the cold weather. Please keep in mind the fact that she also creates lovely afghans and throws which make lovely wedding, graduation, and new baby gifts. Give a gift that gives twice! contact Cathie Dodson(dodsons3@aol.com)

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SAVE THE DATE! HOLY WEEK 2010 EVENTS

- **Sunday, March 28/ Palm Sunday**– Palm Processional with children. Meet in the Narthex at 10:55. Parents are welcome to procession with their children.
- **Thursday, April 1/ Maundy Thursday**– service with communion. Service begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Children are encouraged to attend this service and sit with Mary Ann Whited and Karen Day (if you wish) during the service.
- **Friday, April 2/ Good Friday Tenebrae Service**– Held in the Chapel at 12:00 noon.
- **Friday, April 2/ Holy Week Taize Service**–Held in the Chapel at 5:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 3/ Children's Easter Egg Hunt**– 10:00-11:30 a.m. Held at the home of Jim and Betsy Fritze 6700 E. Ridge Drive.
- **Sunday, April 4/ Easter Service**– with brass music and communion at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Bring your flowers or greenery to the Flowering of the Cross.