



The CROSS CURRENT

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Sing to the Lord a new song, for He does marvelous things.

Psalm 98:1



Annual Parish Picnic

Please join us on Sunday, May 19th, for our Second Annual Parish Picnic. We will once again gather at the home of the Shaffers, from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., for Fellowship, fun, and food! The grill will be going with hamburgers and hot dogs. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. If you are interested in helping with this event in any way, please see the sign-up sheet outside the Welcome Center, or contact Ally at lmc@stchrischurch.org.

Parish News



Youth Sunday

This Sunday, May 5th is Youth Sunday! The youth group will be assisting Fr. Brian in the worship services, and we will be honoring our graduates.

Episcopal Church 101

Are you new to St. Christopher? Are you new to the Episcopal Church? Are you a life-long Episcopalian that never knew there were pages in the Book of Common Prayer outside of the Rite I and Rite II services? Then this class is for you. On Sundays, beginning at at 10:40 in the Conference room, we will explore together the history of the Episcopal Church, using the Book of Common Prayer as our guide. Over the course of 3 weeks, we will discover our Anglican history and dive deep into things like Sacramental Theology, The Creed, and the Daily Office. For those who are new to the Episcopal Church, these classes will prepare you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation during the Bishop's visit in August. Come join us!

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Ladies Fellowship Luncheon

Celebrating our Moms, Sisters, Children, and Friends in style! Please join us at the Lakewood Yacht Club (2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Dr. Seabrook, 77586) on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 am. Come dressed in your best. Hats encouraged! Cost is \$20/adult and \$10/child. RSVP and payment are due by this Sunday, May 5th. Look for the sign-up outside the Welcome Center. Please see Alice McCalla for payment options.

Mike Brady Graduates in June

Please keep Mike in your prayers through the month of May and June. His graduation and ordination is approaching



quickly. Stay tuned for specific details.



Youth End of Year Party

All youth are invited to the End of School Pool Party on Sunday, May 26th, from 4-7pm at the home of Phyllis & Jeff Thompson! We will provide dinner, snacks, and drinks; you bring swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen. Please sign up with Meghan by May 19th so we can get an accurate food count.

LWI Mission Trip

Please keep the members of the Living Water Mission Team in your prayers for a successful mission trip. They will travel to Honduras from June 21st through June 27th to drill a well to provide clean water to the people, and to teach good hygiene habits. They will also bring Days for Girls kits to the women.





ECW Convocation Spring Gathering

All women, please consider joining area ECW ladies for the Convocation Spring Gathering on Saturday, May 18th, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. "The Lord of the Dance" is the theme, and will be at St. Thomas the Apostle, 18300 Upper Bay Rd, Nassau Bay. Please join us for a talk, group discussions, crafts, and food. RSVP to Natalie Brady at convo.galv.sowest@gmail.com.



Breakfast/Doughnuts

Schedule for May:

May 5th - Wednesday Growth Group

May 12th - Doughnuts

May 19th - LPA Ministry

May 26th - Doughnuts



Beginning in June, and through the Summer, we will have doughnuts every morning during fellowship. If in the fall you wish to provide breakfast, please contact Ally for schedule of available dates.

Interfaith Caring Ministries

Interfaith Caring Ministries is participating in the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive for May. Please place any donations in the box outside the Welcome Center.





Call for Pictures

Our St. Christopher family is always busy with fellowship, events, and many ways serving our community. There are many of you out there who like to document these happenings. Please share your pictures with us. Send to office@stchrischurch.org.

Thank you!

*For more information on any items listed in *The Cross Current*, please reach out to a [parish staff member](#) or contact our [office](#).*

Upcoming Events

- MAY 05 Youth Sunday
- MAY 10 Youth Group Welcome Night for Incoming 6th Grade Families
- MAY 11 Ladies Fellowship Luncheon
Providence Garden Workday
- MAY 15 Office Angels Luncheon
- MAY 18 Safeguarding Training - People and Children
ECW Spring Spiritual - convocation gathering
- MAY 19 Parish Picnic

MAY 20 Vestry Meeting
MAY 26 Children's Mini-Choir
Youth End of School Pool Party
MAY 27 Office Closed - Memorial Day
MAY 29 Children's Ministry Appreciation Dinner
JUN 08 Providence Garden Workday
JUN 14 Youth Bowling
JUN 17 Vestry Meeting
JUN 21 Children's Movie Night
JUN 16-23 LWI Mission Trip

To see the full church calendar, please [click here](#).

Extended Episcopal Events

Camp Allen, Navasota, TX

- Featured [Events](#) - Spring/Summer

Good Shepherd, Friendswood

- [VBS](#), June 21-23, Yee Haw Celebrating God's Greatest Gift

St. John's, LaPorte

- [Tea at Two](#), June 8, Fundraiser benefiting the St. John's After School Program

St. Thomas the Apostle, Nassau Bay

- [Our Sister's Keeper](#), Opening May 4th, Photography Exhibition
- [Icon Workshop](#), August 5th-9th

Sunday Worship

8:00 Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 Fellowship and Breakfast in the Welcome Center

9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II with Children's Chapel*

10:30 Christian Education for all ages

11:30 Holy Eucharist Contemporary in Buckner Hall*

** A sermon for children is the first Sunday of every month*

Christian Education

SUNDAYS at 10:30 a.m.

Children through 5th grade

- Feasting on the Word

Adults

- The Gospel According to John (Room 1)

SUNDAYS at 5:00 p.m.

Jr. High and Sr. High youth will meet in Buckner Hall from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. for bible study, games, and a meal.

WEDNESDAYS at 9:30 a.m.

Women's Bible Study (Conference Room)

- Entering the Passion of Jesus, by Amy-Jill Levine

THURSDAYS at 7:00 p.m.

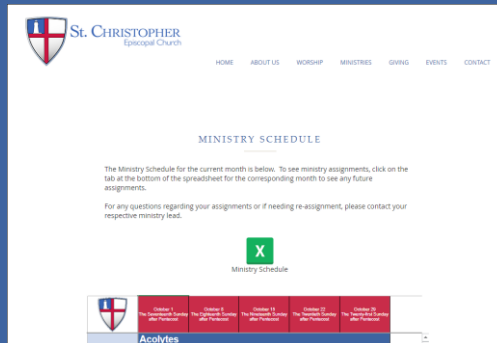
Women's Bible Study (Julie Howell's Home)

- Final Words from the Cross, by Adam Hamilton

For more information on our Christian Education opportunities, please visit the [Children's Ministry](#), [Youth Ministry](#), and [Adult Christian Education](#) pages on our website respectively.

Ministry Schedule

For the current ministry schedule, please [click here](#). It is password protected for parishioner's privacy. To gain instructions and access, please contact your respective ministry lead.



Altar Flowers

If you would like to contribute to the Altar Flowers for 2018, please [click here](#) to send the details and text you would like to include in the bulletin.



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