



Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Weekly Newsletter

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FEBRUARY 19, 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS BY DATE

- Mon. 2/20**
Honduras Mission
Team Leaves
Church Office Closed
- Tue. 2/21**
Pancake Supper
- Wed. 2/22**
Ash Wednesday
Imposition of Ashes
Services
- Fri. 2/24**
39 and Holding
- Sat. 2/25**
GSES Auction
- Sun. 2/26**
EvenSong
- Mon. 2/27**
Mission Team Returns
- Thur. 3/1**
GSWG Meeting (10:45)
- Fri. 3/2-3**
Diocesan Sr. High
Retreat
- Sun. Mar 4**
Adult Confirmation
Classes begin
- 3/6**
Leadership Gathering
POSTPONED

Lenten Activities

Pancake Supper
Tue., Feb. 21 | Parish Hall 5:30 - 7:30
\$3/person or \$10/family

Hosted by and supports the Episcopal Youth Community (EYC). Come and go as your time permits.



February 22

Imposition of Ashes Services

7:00 am **Noon 7:00 pm**

EvenSong
Sun., Feb. 26 | 5:00 pm | Sanctuary
Hosted by the FLOCK and Senior Choirs

Evening Prayers
Sundays | 5:00 pm | Sanctuary

Holy Week Schedule

4/1	Palm Sunday Services	8:00/10:30am
	Liturgy of the Palms	10:15am
4/2	Evening Prayers	7:00pm
4/3	Evening Prayers	7:00pm
4/4	Dinner	6:30pm
	Stations of the Cross	7:00pm
4/5	Maundy Thursday	
	Holy Eucharist	10:00am
	Holy Eucharist	7:00pm
	All Night Prayer Vigil	9:00pm
4/6	Good Friday Svc	12:00-3:00pm
	Children's Svc	12:00pm
4/7	Great Vigil of Easter	7:00pm
4/8	Easter Services	6:30/8:00/10:30am
	Reception and Egg Hunt	12:00pm

WHY ASH WEDNESDAY?

By *Father Tony Welty*

Ash Wednesday is a tradition in the Christian church dating back to at least the 8th century. It marks the beginning of Lent, a season of penance and fasting when Christians seek to draw closer to God. The Lenten season is directly connected to Easter. The ashes used to mark each forehead on Ash Wednesday are produced by burning the palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday. This material connection

"One cannot get to Easter without going through Good Friday."

Sunday and

Ash Wednesday serves as a reminder of the deeper spiritual work taking place within the heart of each Christian.

As each forehead is marked with the sign of the cross, a minister exhorts the penitent to *'remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return'*—sobering words that invite us to count our days aright, to consider how our daily thoughts and actions affect our relationship with our Lord and with those around us. As we remember and turn away from those things separating us from an intimate walk with God, we are reminded anew of God's extravagant grace in accepting us as His children through his own beloved son. Thus, the ashen sign of the cross on Ash Wednesday is a symbol of the Christian soul's identification with Christ, both his death (Good Friday) and in his risen life (Easter Sunday).

May God bless you this Lenten season with a fruitful, heartfelt time of repentance so that your experience on Easter Sunday may be one of a renewed, passionate acceptance of God's amazing grace in his Son Jesus Christ.



Tame Game Dinner

Sat., May 19

*Go to BeingSheepish.org
for daily updates from our
mission team in
Honduras.*

Buy Easter Lilies and help send The FLOCK to the National Cathedral this summer!



The FLOCK (Good Shepherd's youth choir) is taking orders for Easter lilies – 5-7 beautiful blooms per 6" pot – to raise funds toward the cost of their trip to Washington DC to participate in a youth choir festival at the National Cathedral!

Your support is needed to ensure that all eligible choir members can afford to participate in this wonderful opportunity for music and mission

Place orders outside the Bride's Room on Sundays until March 11. Orders sent to people in the care of our pastoral care ministry will be delivered free of charge.

Flowers will arrive by April 5.

You should know....!!



We gave over 70 winter coats to homeless people last week—**five times more than any coat drive in recent memory.**

Thanks so much to the following individuals who will be transporting the Honduras Mission Team to DFW at 4:00 am on the 20th: Kelly Hurt, Erin Simons, and Pat Snyder.

Chad Kersting, Dick Robinson, and Jessica Allen have volunteering to pick us up on the 27th at 6:30 pm.

Scout Out 2012

Mar. 30, 31 - Apr. 1

Lake Ray Roberts State Park

Hosted by Boy Scout Troop 124 & Cub Scout Pack 124

Scout Out is an opportunity for any and all members of the Good Shepherd community to participate in outdoor activities and learn more about Scouting.

Come for a short time or the entire weekend. Boys through 5th Grade may attend with their families. Boys 6th Grade and up may attend as guests of the Troop or with their families.

Go to BeingSheepish.org for complete information or email Ben McCall at ben@8fdtexas.com.

Interested in knowing more about Christianity, Anglicanism (Episcopalians), or Good Shepherd?

Sign up for confirmation classes, Sundays, 9:15 a.m. March 4—May 6. Email Stephanie at Stephanie.Pappas@gsecd.org

STATS FROM LAST WEEK (2/5)

Attendance

8:00 Worship..... 54
Sunday School..... 123
10:30 Worship..... 216

The church office is closed Monday

RECURRING EVENTS

Monday

7:30pm-Boy Scouts - EYC

Tuesday

7:00am Men's Bible Study

10:00am Women's Bible Study

11:30am Grief Recovery Group

Wednesday

11:30am Beth Moore Study Group

6:30pm ALPHA

7:30pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

10:00am Holy Eucharist-Library

Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite II*

8:20am FLOCK Rehearsal

8:30am Junior Choir Rehearsal

9:15am Christian Formation

Classes/Sunday School

10:30am Holy Eucharist: Rite II *

*childcare available

Office Hours: 9 to 4, Mon - Fri.

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