

THE PALMER

The latest news and updates from Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church



TODAY IS SERVE SUNDAY

Today is Serve Sunday! Join fellow Palmers in serving our community in projects on and off campus. If you weren't able to sign up for a service project ahead of time, there are some on campus ones available for you to join in. Visit palmerchurch.org/servesunday for a list of service projects.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE PALMER NEWCOMER CLASS

Are you new to Palmer? Or to the Episcopal Church? Are you a long time member who would like to reconnect or learn more about being Episcopalian? Are you seeking community or feeling called to the sacrament of Confirmation? Then you are invited to the Palmer Welcome Class offered Sundays from 11:30 AM - 1 PM Sept. 7, 14, 21, and 28. Childcare will be provided. The room location will be determined based on the class size. Please complete this registration form at palmerchurch.org/formation. Please contact the Rev'd Katherine Tuttle, parishlife@palmerchurch.org if you have any questions or need more information.

PALMER DOWNTOWN LUNCH MEETS THE 4TH TUESDAY

Please join us for Palmer Downtown Lunch on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 12 Noon at Treebeard's inside Christ Church Cathedral. If you work, live, or otherwise find yourself downtown on Tuesday, please join us! Look for the reserved tables in the back. Our next get-together is August 26 at noon.

PARISH POTLUCK AUGUST 31

Palmer's next parish potluck is August 31. Bring a dish and join the company of your fellow parishioners after the 10 AM service in Parish Hall.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE MEN'S RETREAT

The Palmer Men's Retreat will be October 3-6 at Camp Allen, all Palmer men and FRIENDS are invited. We will gather on Friday for dinner and leave on Sunday after morning service. Join us the whole time or even for just the day! Register now at palmerchurch.org/mensretreat.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT

Save the date for the Palmer Women's Retreat! We would love for you to join us in the piney woods of Camp Allen in the new year January 23 - 25. In the meantime, keep an eye out for our annual wreath sale starting in September and our Cookie Exchange hosted by the Westin Family in December.

Summer 2025 FORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULT EDUCATION, 9:00-9:45 AM

- **August 24** - Al Massey, Executive Relations Manager, Prison Entrepreneurship Program
- **August 31** - Q and A with the Rev'd Allen Junek
- **September 7** - Rice Campus Ministry - the Rev'd Beth Anne Nelson and Carrie Willard
- **September 14** - Panel Discussion about Meditation

POPSICLES ON THE PLAYGROUND, 11:00 AM-NOON

Children and their families are invited to POP over to the Palmer Playground on Sundays after church for Popsicles on the Playground! Join us every Sunday in July and August as Palmer's Children's Ministry provides organic frozen fruit popsicles. It's a fun and refreshing way to connect with other families after church!

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

- **October 3-5** - Men's Retreat
- **October 5** - Blessing of the Animals
- **October 26** - Parish in the Park
- **November 7-9** - Parish Retreat
- **November 16** - Covenant Sunday
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HELP NEW HOPE HOUSING KIDS SUCCEED AT SCHOOL

Most local schools start in August and many sale prices begin in July, so now is a great time to look for school supplies bargains. The children and families living in New Hope Housing communities can use our support. We can help ensure that these children have what they need to succeed in school. Please bring only NEW items to the bin placed in the coffee room in the church office. Palmers' generosity can make a big difference in helping young students participate fully in their classes. More information is available at www.newhopehousing.com. Questions may be directed to Joan Glover at gloverjb@live.com.

SUNDAY WORSHIP AND WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Tuesday Men's Bible Study

meets at 7 AM in person and on Zoom. Contact The Rev'd Neil Willard rector@palmerchurch.org

Tuesday Women's Bible Studies

meet at 7 AM in person and on Zoom and at 3:30 PM on Zoom. Contact info@palmerchurch.org

Wednesday Bible Study

(open to everyone!) meets at 12 Noon on Zoom and in-person in room A102. Contact The Rev'd Neil Willard at rector@palmerchurch.org

OTHER WEEKLY MEET-UP GROUPS

- Women's Spirituality (Mondays 1 PM in A102)
- Meditation on Zoom (Mondays and Wednesdays, palmerchurch.org/meetinglinks)
- Gentle Yoga Every Thursday (except Third Thursday) in St. Bede's at 9:30 AM
- Palmer Writing Group (On Zoom)

For Children's and Youth Ministries
contact Roger Hutchison at
cym@palmerchurch.org

MONTHLY EVENTS AND MEET-UP GROUPS

- Parish Potlucks or Community Meals
- Third Thursday Outing Hosted by the Older Adults Ministry (All are invited!)
- Social Hour with the Rector at Valhalla on the Rice Campus at 5 PM (Second Thursday of the month)
- Dinner and Discussion (One Friday of the Month)
- Downtown Lunch, Noon at Treebeard's in the Cloister (Fourth Tuesdays)
- Reel Theology Movie Discussion at 7 PM on Zoom (First Sundays)
- Creative Arts Community
- Photography Group
- Palmers Assisting Reentry (PAR)
- Daughters of the King Prayer Group
- Board Game Group (Last Wednesday of the Month)

Palmer's Nursery is located in the front office at the end of the staff hallway. You can also access it by the door in the breezeway that leads to the offices. It is open Sundays and for special events.