



THE PALMER

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM PALMER MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

SECOND SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION

Today we are gathering **nonperishable food items** including: canned fruit, Vienna sausage, soup with protein (such as chicken or beef), canned beans (please no garbanzo beans), spaghetti sauce, and Chef Boyardee meals. Thank you for your generosity and for helping care for our neighbors in need.

JERUSALEM PEACEBUILDERS EVENT

Everyone is invited to a **special interfaith event with Jerusalem Peacebuilders on Tuesday, August 11, at Palmer**. A program of Jewish, Muslim, and Christian music will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the nave, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and visit with Jewish, Muslim, and Christian youth from Jerusalem and Houston who have participated in this year's Jerusalem Peacebuilders camp. **Please RSVP at the link below TODAY, so that we can prepare a place for you.** <https://palmerchurch.org/jpb/>

INSTRUCTED EUCCHARIST

On Sunday, August 16, 2026, during our 10:00 am worship, we will have an **"Instructed Eucharist,"** where our clergy will guide us on the history, meaning and symbolism of our liturgy. Have you ever wondered why we stand, sit, or kneel during specific parts or the service or about the meaning of the words we use? Whether you are a life long Episcopalian or new to Palmer, there is always something new to learn about our rich liturgical tradition. Please join us.

PARISH ART SHOW

Next Parish Hall Art Show Deadline is September 7, 2026. Details: <https://palmerchurch.org/arts/>

SUMMER FORMATION

SUNDAY ADULT FORMATION

9:00-9:45 am | St. Bede's Chapel

8/9 - Music and the Early Church with Allie Kieffer

8/16 - Parish Life Check-In with Roger Hutchison and The Rev'd Katherine Tuttle

8/23 - Campus Ministry Check-In with The Rev'd Beth Anne Nelson

8/30 - Atonement Theories with The Rev'd Katherine Tuttle and The Rev'd Allen Juneke

Children & Family Ministries Swim Party

Join Palmer's Children & Family Ministries for our **End of Summer Swim Party on Sunday, August 16**, from 4:00–6:00 pm. Enjoy an afternoon of swimming, food, and fun as we celebrate the end of summer together. All are welcome! We are already up to 30+ people! **RSVP and Other Details:** <https://www.greenvelope.com/event/a-swim-party-for-palmer-children-and-families>

Welcome Rice Students

Rice students will be moving into the neighborhood

August 16–23. Welcome bags will be available in St. Bede's Chapel throughout the week. If you see a new student, take a moment to introduce yourself, offer a warm welcome to the neighborhood, and share a welcome bag.

Third Thursday

3rd Thursday Service Day—Join us for Palmer's 3rd Thursday Service Day at the Houston Food Bank on Thursday, August 20, from 8:00 am–12:00 pm. Help sort and prepare food for families in need while serving alongside fellow Palmer members. A carpool will leave Palmer at 7:30 am, or you can meet us at the Houston Food Bank (535 Portwall St., Houston). If you're interested in participating, please contact The Rev'd Katherine Tuttle for the registration link: parishlife@palmerchurch.org. We're also planning to gather for lunch afterward—come serve, then enjoy some fellowship together!

Sunday Worship & Bible Studies

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00 am and 10:00 am

Bible Studies

Tuesday Men's at 7:00 am

Tuesday Women's at 7:00 am and 3:30 pm

Wednesday Parish-wide at 12 pm

For locations, Zoom links, and contact information, scan the QR code or visit palmerchurch.org.

More Ways to Connect

Women's Spirituality • Meditation • Yoga • Writing Group • Rice Student Ministry

Monthly Gatherings

Potlucks • Social Hour • Dinner & Discussion • Reel Theology • Creative Arts • Photography • Third Thursdays

Nursery

Palmer's Nursery is located in the front office at the end of the staff hallway, with access through the breezeway. It is open on Sundays and for special events.

Explore More at Palmer



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Large-print editions of the Book of Common Prayer are now available at the Welcome Table.

Questions about The Palmer insert? Contact Roger Hutchison, Director of Communications and Family Ministries at roger@palmerchurch.org