

THE PALMER

The latest news and updates from Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church



VESTRY AND LAY DELEGATES



Thank you to all who participated in this year's Annual Parish Meeting. Your presence and engagement matter. Please visit palmerchurch.org/annualmeeting or scan the qr code to view the election results.

PALMER MINISTRY FAIR TODAY

Join us for a chance to connect with parish ministries and learn about opportunities for involvement both within the church and beyond our walls. The fair will take place in the Parish Hall before worship during the 9:00 AM hour and again following the 11:00 AM service. Questions? Contact Sue Howard at showard@palmerchurch.org.

CARNEVALE AT PALMER FEBRUARY 15

Christians the world over celebrate a season that begins with Christmas and ends when Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. The final festival may be called Fat Tuesday, Mardi Gras, Fasching, Shrove Tuesday or, in Venice, Carnevale, each an opportunity to party and eat well before penitential Lent. In honor of Palmer's connection to Venice, home to the church on which Palmer was architecturally modeled, Santa Maria Dei Miracoli, Palmer will celebrate Carnevale following the 10 am service February 15 with Venetian food, masks, art, and music. Come join the fun.

ASHES-TO-GO



Ash Wednesday is February 18! Ashes-to-Go is one of our Ash Wednesday offerings, where Palmers offer ashes and a quick prayer for anyone walking or driving by who could otherwise not attend an Ash Wednesday service to observe the beginning of a holy Lent. We hope to cover both southern corners of the parish grounds, as well as the metro stop, and we want you to be a part of it! Sign-up to volunteer at signupgenius.com/go/ashes2go#/ or sign-up in the church office.

NEWCOMER CLASS

Begins Sunday, February 22 11:00 AM-1:00 PM in the Parish Hall. New to Palmer or the Episcopal Church? Returning, reconnecting, or exploring Confirmation? This welcoming class offers space to learn, ask questions, and connect. Childcare and Lunch provided. Questions? Contact Katherine Tuttle at parishlife@palmerchurch.org

WINTER FORMATION



SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULT EDUCATION, 9:00-9:45 AM

- **February 8** - Ministry Fair
- **February 15** - Architectural Comparison: Palmer and the Church of Santa Maria dei Miracoli in Venice

SUNDAY MORNING PARENTING GROUP

Parenting Group meets from 9-10 AM in the Canterbury Room upstairs in the Autry House Building at Palmer. If you are seeking encouragement and community in your parenting journey, you are welcome here. For info contact [Roger Hutchison](mailto:Roger.Hutchison@cym@palmerchurch.org) at cym@palmerchurch.org.

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

PreK (with school experience) to 5th grade, Sundays from 9 to 9:50 am in Holy Cross Children's Room. Questions? Contact Courtney Daniell-Knapp at acourtneydaniell@gmail.com.

PALMER YOUTH GROUP

Palmer Youth Group meets Sundays 11:30 AM - 1 PM in the Youth Room. Contact [Roger Hutchison](mailto:Roger.Hutchison@cym@palmerchurch.org), Director of Children's and Youth Ministry.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Outreach Council is working on the schedule for outreach events for the year. We are asking you to consider sharing some of your time working with us in our community. There are a variety of opportunities on various dates coming up. If you would like to receive more information as the events are scheduled-please send a quick note to Deacon Mary at deacon@palmerchurch.org and she will put you on the list to receive notifications.

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 in St. Bede's Chapel (Wednesdays 6:00 PM)
- 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)
- Autry House Rice Student Ministry - Services Monday at 7 PM

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.