
JULY 13, 2025

THE PALMER

The latest news and updates from Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church



WARDENS FORUM SUNDAY, JULY 20

Please join us for a Warden's Forum on Sunday, July 20 in the Nave following the 10 o'clock service. Members of Palmer's leadership will discuss a number of items related to our ongoing Parish Life and the work of the Vestry.

PALMER PLAYGROUND OPEN AFTER CHURCH

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!

THIRD THURSDAY JULY 17: BUFFALO BAYOU CISTERNS

You are invited to join the Buffalo Bayou Partnership's Private Cistern History Tour on Thursday, July 17 from 11:30-12:30 PM! This event is sponsored by Palmer's 55+ Ministry Group but is open to anyone (participants must be over 9 years old). This event will include some stairs, walking and standing. The suggested donation is \$10 for those 55+ and \$15 for anyone under 55 years old. We will meet at The Water Works Visitor's Center 105-B Sabine St. Houston, TX 77007 promptly at 11:30 AM. After the tour, we will have lunch at the POST HTX building located just 5 minutes from the cisterns. Carpooling is encouraged and you can meet at Palmer first! Please RSVP to Katherine Tuttle at parishlife@palmerchurch.org.

NEXT PARISH POTLUCK JULY 27

Palmer's next parish potluck is June 29. Bring a dish and join the company of your fellow parishioners after the 10:00 service in Parish Hall.

ART STUDIO OPEN THURSDAYS 10 AM - 2 PM

In the midst of the heaviness and grief surrounding us, the Holy Cross Art Room at Palmer will be open this Thursday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. You are invited to come, create, and pray—without the need for words. Art materials will be provided, along with written prayers and other resources to comfort and inspire. Take a moment out of your day to tend to your spirit and find rest in sacred creativity.

COME. BE. PALMER.

Summer 2025

FORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULT EDUCATION, 9:00-9:45 AM

- **July 13** - Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Confirmation Katherine Tuttle
- **July 20** - Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Marriage
- **July 27** - Community Partner Connection Gulf Coast Blood Drive
- **August 3** - Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Confession the Rev'd Neil Willard
- **August 10** - Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Healing
- **August 17** - Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Ordination
- **August 24** - Community Partner Connection (Serve Sunday) TBD

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

palmerchurch.org/youth

palmerchurch.org/children

Children's and Youth Sunday school is currently on summer break and will resume in September. Please contact Roger Hutchison at cym@palmerchurch.org for more info about these programs. The Holy Cross Children's Room and the Palmer Playground is open for use during the 9 AM hour and after service.

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 noon 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.