

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL 14, 2019

Today, in your bulletin, you received a bookmark with prayer requests for the PNC committee. If you would like more bookmarks to give to family, or did not receive one, there are extra bookmarks on the welcome desk in the narthex.

All ESPC church offices and Bayshore Christian school offices will be closed on Good Friday.

The church has received a thank-you from the Beall family:

"Our family was blown away by your support of our recent adoption fundraiser yard sale. The whole Body of Christ at ESPC--young men and women from the youth program, church members and staff, pastors, deacons and elders along with their wives and families--all came together to love and support us in too many ways to count. We know, too, that so many more were praying for us. God blessed all of your efforts by providing more than double what we were expected, but the better blessing by far was how He loved us and confirmed our calling to adopt through you. The words "thank you" seem inadequate for what all of you did, but we will say it, anyway: Thank you!"

The Eastern Shore United Appeal Fund (UAF) is currently conducting its fifth annual fundraising appeal. ESPC's Mercy Ministry and Bayshore Christian School Foundation are the beneficiaries of the UAF fundraising. As a beneficiary, ESPC receives an exemption from state and local sales, use and utility taxes. **Please consider making a tax-deductible gift to the UAF this Sunday, or before the appeal ends May 26th.** Checks can be made to Eastern Shore UAF, and placed in the offering plate (envelopes are attached to the blue donation cards in the back of the chairs), or mailed to Mrs. Wanda Philson, Eastern Shore UAF, 23050 US Highway 98, Fairhope, Alabama 36532.

Please see a list of the classes that your family can be a part of during our Spring Family Quarter:

- CORNERSTONE: Advanced study: Biblical Interpretation with Andrew Colbert in Disciple Center 404
- ENCOURAGERS: *Proverbs, Ways of Wisdom* in room 9
- FIRST FRUITS *Pray with Your Eyes Open*, by Richard Pratt with John McMenamin in Disciple Center 408
- MAN TO MAN: *A Meal with Jesus*, by Tim Chester with Dan Mosely and Steven Sprayberry in Disciple Center 403
- TOLLE LEGE: A study of Hebrews with Joe and Scott Kearney in Disciple Center 401
- WOMAN TO WOMAN: Parables and Proverbs with Dianne Balch, Sarah Hope, Lisa Snead, and Kimmie Sprayberry in room 8
- ELECTIVE: Theological Foundations II with Jay Colbert and Bo Wheeler in Disciple Center 402

An Easter Celebration is planned, rain or shine, for this Saturday, April 20th at 11:00 a.m. A sack lunch will be provided, along with an Easter devotional and egg hunt. Please RSVP by emailing Anna Davey at adavey@easternshorepca.org, or filling out an RSVP form in the narthex.

A VBS Work Day is scheduled for Thursday, April 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. with childcare provided. Volunteers are needed! Please sign up online at the church website, or contact Anna Davey at adavey@easternshorepca.org.

The next visit to the William F. Green Veteran's Home will take place Wednesday, April 24th. We gather at the CVS Pharmacy at the Whispering Pines Road in Daphne to carpool to Bay Minette at 1:00 p.m. We welcome all members and visitors to celebrate with us! Please call Fran Jones at 251-621-0462 for more information.

The next Sojourner's Luncheon will be held Thursday, April 18th in room 8 at 11:30 a.m. The Sojourner's meet on the third Thursday of every month for lunch, Bible study and fellowship.

If your family is looking for any Easter resources, please visit www.risenmotherhood.com/easter for food ideas, games, and family devotional suggestions.

The Kairos Prison Ministry needs your help to bake cookies! This ministry will be visiting 42 inmates at the Fountain Correctional Facility on April 25th through 28th. If you are interested in making cookies, please bring cookies by noon on April 24th and place them in the kitchen freezer. The men serving in this ministry greatly appreciate the financial support and prayers from our church. If you are interested in serving with Kairos, please contact Ted Clayton at tedclayton734@gmail.com.

Created For A Purpose Camp is open for registration through May 4th. Camp dates are July 15th-19th and open to rising 3rd through 8th grade girls. Camp Fee is \$200 per child. To register please go to easternshorepca.org. For questions or to apply for a scholarship, email Chris Griffith at CFAP100@gmail.com.

All ladies are invited to "Ladies Who Lunch" on Saturday, May 4th at 11:30 a.m. in the church gym. Marjorie Searcy will be sharing her story of how God turns ashes into beauty. You don't want to miss this! Cost is \$10. Sign-ups begin in the Narthex next Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact the Women's Ministry at wm@easternshorepca.org.

The next New Member class will meet on Friday, May 31st from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 1st from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. New members will need to attend **both sessions**. The class will meet in Room 8 in the white building. This class is required for membership at ESPC, but attendance does not obligate you to join. Please email Eileen Marsh at emarsh@easternshorepca.org to register for the class.

Our 2019 Vacation Bible School, "The Wild West VBS", is June 3rd through the 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All children going into K5 through 6th grade are invited to join us! To register your child for VBS or to volunteer, please sign-up on the church website, easternshorepca.org. A PreK class will be available for church members and volunteers only.

Please continue to pray for Mac McInnis as he undergoes treatment for throat cancer. Jackie and Mac's mailing address is: Mac McInnis, 1 Hermann Museum Circle Drive, Apt. 3098, Houston, TX 77004, if you would like to send them notes or letters of encouragement!

Please continue to pray for Joyce and Sam Goodson as they are still in TIRR Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston, Texas. A great way to encourage them is by writing a note. Their address is TIRR Memorial Hermann Hospital, 1333 Moursund Street, Houston, Texas 77030. **They are now in Room 605.**

Children's Sunday night activities, as well as Community groups, will not meet on Easter Sunday, April 21st. The last Sunday for these activities will be Sunday, April 28th.

On Sunday, June 2nd, all children will be promoted to the appropriate Sunday school class grade that they will be going into this fall.

Sunday school teachers are needed for the summer quarter for all children's classes. Please contact Anna Davey at adavey@easternshorepca.org if you are available to teach!

Youth announcements:

Youth d-groups will meet tonight at 4:00 p.m., and the ESPC youth group is helping with the children's ministry from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please meet in the sanctuary at 5:15 p.m.

Tonight, we will have two guest speakers coming to speak to the high school students from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tate and Aaron Roberts (Tina's mom and brother) will come talk to the high school group about depression and anxiety, and Aaron will be sharing his testimony. They both partner with NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Health) and have spoken at several schools. We invite all high schools and parents to attend and hear a Christian perspective on mental health!

The youth group is now meeting at the Rotary Youth Club in Fairhope on Wednesdays from 4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please contact Chris or Tina if you are willing to help drive and chaperone!

There will be no youth activities next Sunday, April 21st. We hope you enjoy celebrating the life of Christ with your family on Easter Sunday!

The youth group needs lady chaperones for summer youth trips in July, ages 25 or older. Please contact Tina at tparmer@easternshorepca.org if you are interested in being a volunteer chaperone!

Please be in prayer for our team going to England on a mission trip this spring. If you are interested in helping support the team financially, please prayerfully consider giving to the general team fund.