



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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The First Sunday after the Epiphany | 10:30A

JANUARY 12, 2025

# WELCOME

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## WORSHIP

The Holy Eucharist – readings from and responses to the Bible and the celebration of Holy Communion – is the central act of Sunday worship in the Episcopal Church. This leaflet contains the text and hymns necessary to participate in this service.

## HEARING DEVICES

Hearing devices are available at the entrance to the main church on the Windsor campus - please ask an usher for assistance.

## RESTROOMS

Public restrooms are available in the narthex and the Parish Life Center (PLC) atrium.

## PARKING

In addition to on-campus parking, space is available (*Sunday mornings only*) at Tarrytown Shopping Center across Windsor and Wells Fargo Bank one block east on Windsor. If you park on a street, please be sure that you are not parked in a fire lane or blocking a driveway.

## REQUEST PRAYERS

Intercessory prayer is a vital element of our public worship and private devotions. Our parish prays our prayer list during our Sunday services. Additionally, the clergy of the parish regularly remembers by name all those for whom the parish's prayers have been invited, as do members of our Wednesday women's prayer group. We warmly encourage you to invite prayers for yourself and for those you love by scanning the QR code on the right.



## CONNECT

If you are new to Good Shepherd or are interested in learning more about our community, please fill out a newcomer card located in the pew racks, narthex, or Parish Life Center atrium and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or clergy person. You can also fill out a newcomer card online at [GSAUSTIN.ORG](http://GSAUSTIN.ORG) > **I'M NEW > CONNECT WITH US**, or by scanning this QR code.



## CONTACT

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Call if you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other needs.

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# The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

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## The Word of God

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### ENTRANCE RITE

### ENTRANCE OF THE MINISTERS

HYMN 76 *On Jordan's Bank*

WINCHESTER NEW

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Priest* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Priest* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one hope in God's call to us;

*Priest* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People* One God and Father of all.

### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

*People* Amen.

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

43: 1-7

*Lector* Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

- Choir* 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name;  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders;  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people;  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

EPISTLE LESSON *A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

8: 14-17

*Lector* When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Cantor,*  
*then all:*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Cantor* John said: one mightier than I is coming;  
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON The Rev. Mike Wyckoff, *Interim Associate Priest*

## Holy Baptism

### PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Priest* The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Sponsor* I present <N.> to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Priest* Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Sponsors* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Sponsors* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Priest* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Priest* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Priest* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Priest* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

*Priest* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

¶ *Then the Priest asks the congregation:*

*Priest* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

*People* We will.

*Priest* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE...**

**IN NEED OF COMFORT**

Janine Sterritt  
 Isabelle Powell  
 John Vineyard  
 Jimmy Holland  
 Mary Allison  
 Ashley Beeler  
 Ed  
 Ag Meek  
 Sibylle  
 Ed Poole  
 Mike  
 Murray Schine  
 Elizabeth Aubrey  
 Jeff  
 Elaine Ellis  
 Tiffany  
 Julia  
 Val Sikora  
 Bob Ryan  
 Tom  
 Jeff Bodenman  
 Flo Olivier  
 Kent  
 Keith  
 Sunny Blount  
 Kallie Harrington  
 Stanley  
 Michael  
 Ernie Dean  
 Julie Harrington  
 Barbara Eckert  
 Taylor  
 The Dawson family  
 The Owen family  
 The Carter family  
 The Savage family  
 The Miller family  
 The Sharpe family  
 The Bahan family  
 The Riddle family  
 The Tudor family  
 The Ferguson family  
 The Heinze family  
 The Richter family  
 The Thompson family  
 The Schurz family  
 The Kaupe/Vigil family

**THOSE IN CRISIS IN**

Those impacted by the tragedy  
 in New Orleans  
 The Middle East  
 Ukraine  
 The southern border

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Father?  
*People* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

*Priest* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 and born of the Virgin Mary.  
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried.  
 He descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again.  
 He ascended into heaven,  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting.

*Priest* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking  
 of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent  
 and return to the Lord?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the  
 dignity of every human being?

*People* I will, with God's help.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES**

*Priest* Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament  
 of new birth,

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Priest* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Priest* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.

Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise.

In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism.

In it we are buried with Christ in his death.

By it we share in his resurrection.

Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

¶ *At the following words, the Priest touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

#### THE BAPTISM

¶ *Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying*

*Priest* <N.>, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*People* Amen.

¶ *The Priest then marks the newly baptized's forehead with chrism oil, making the sign of the cross.*

*Priest* <N.>, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

*People* Amen.

¶ *After the Baptism the Priest gives to the newly baptized a candle lighted from the Paschal Candle.*

#### EXPECTING THE BIRTH OF A CHILD

Maggie Gay  
Megan Wolfrom Trahan  
Morgan Liedtke  
Lorraine Wang  
Cameron Covert Tuttle  
Lauren Pully  
Danielle Lee Langton  
Coco Robertson  
Isabel Walker Gilbert  
Molly Clayton  
Caroline Babb Kapsner  
Sarah Kitchen  
Amy Voelkl  
Taylor See-Smith  
Danika Trierweiler  
Terral Kling  
Lura Moore  
Kirsten Mason  
Samantha Landry  
Chelsea Jenkins Myers  
Willia Jolink Snyder

#### BIRTHS

Evangeline Page Sinderberry  
Eleanor Hollinsworth Dinnella  
Allison Lee Meneses  
Hannah McBride Meneses  
Isla Honorine Buckwalter  
Heidi Elise Roark  
William Franklin Barnes

#### DEATHS

Margaret Owen  
Jimmy Carter  
Virginia Savage  
Ann Bahan

#### SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Richard Mayer  
Kyle Wright  
Gabriel Thornhill  
Sam Mittelman  
Ronald Glenn Dewees  
Ruben Hays  
Alexandra Mauro  
Nico Barrangan  
Jim Lively  
Andrew Gray  
Claten Bechtol  
Zachary Pierce

#### BAPTISM CANDIDATES

Margaret Maren Hawley  
Henry Patrick Higgins  
Margot Blair Nelson  
August Alexander Peter  
Gregory Frances Richter



[ 6 ] *The Holy Eucharist*

**ABOUT COMMUNION**

*We are an open and inclusive community, committed to the unity of Christ's Body, the Church, and to welcoming those baptized in any Christian tradition to the Table of the Lord.*

*Gluten free wafers are available at the altar rail. Please let the priest know if you need one.*

*If you are mobility impaired, you are invited to sit near the front of the church, on the right-hand side. You may remain in your seat and Holy Communion will be brought to you by one of the clergy.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms against your chest.*

*Priest* Let us pray.  
Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

*People* Amen.

¶ *The Priest then says to congregation*

*Priest* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*People* We receive you into the household of God.  
Confess the faith of Christ crucified,  
proclaim his resurrection,  
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS



# The Holy Communion

10:30 am [7]

## THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM *The Blessed Son of God*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

SANCTUS *William Mathias*

S 128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* ...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All* Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

## THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of our baptism candidates

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All* Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

¶ *A period of silence is kept*

*Cantor* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM *I Wonder as I Wander* Arr. John Rutter

HYMN 121 *Christ, when for us you were baptized* CAITHNESS

SENDING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (*As needed*)

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,  
that those to whom you minister may share with us in the Communion  
of Christ's body and blood.  
*People* We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread,  
one cup.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*All* Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

¶ *The Celebrant pronounces a blessing.*

*People* Amen.

HYMN 448 *O love, how deep* DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

DISMISSAL

*Priest* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

- 8:00a – Holy Eucharist, *Windsor, nave*
- 9:15a – Early Church, *Windsor, PLC*
- 9:15a-10:10a – The Sermon on the Mount Bible Study, *Windsor, media room*
- 9:30a – Adult Ed at the Hill, *the Hill, parish hall*
- 9:30a – Children & Family Sunday School, *the Hill*
- 10:00a-10:30a – Children's Choir, *Windsor, education center, children's choir room*
- 10:00a – Nursery opens, *Windsor, nursery*
- 10:15a-11:05a – Edge Kids Bible Study, *Windsor, edge room*
- 10:15a-11:05a – Godly Play, *Windsor, education center, 2nd floor*
- 10:30a – Holy Eucharist with Organ and Choir, *Windsor, nave (livestreamed)*
- 10:30a – Communion Café: Holy Eucharist with acoustic band, *Windsor, PLC*
- 10:30a – Holy Eucharist with acoustic band, *the Hill*
- 12:00p – Youth Group, *Windsor, youth corner*
- 6:00p – Holy Eucharist with Organ, *Windsor, nave*

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13****TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

- 8:15a – Morning Prayer at the Hill, *the Hill*
- 9:30a – Mom's Bible Study, *Windsor, media room*
- 1:30p – Transitions Bible Study, *Windsor, media room*
- 5:00p – Contemplative Prayer Group, *Windsor, reflection room*
- 5:00p – Women's Book Club, *Windsor, parent lounge*
- 6:30p – Men's Bible Study, *Windsor, vestry room*

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**

- 1:00p – Powerful Tools for Caregivers Class, *Windsor, vestry room*
- 5:30p-6:00p – Healing Service, *Windsor, nave chapel*
- 6:45p-7:30p – Evensong Choir Rehearsal, *Windsor, choir room*
- 7:30p-9:00p – Good Shepherd Adult Choir Rehearsal, *Windsor, choir room*

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

- 9:30a – Thursday Bible Study, *Windsor, vestry room*
- 11:00a – Women on the Journey, *Windsor, media room*
- 4:00p – Mobile Loaves and Fishes: Food Truck Prep + Run, *offsite*

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 17**

- 9:00a – St. Brigid's Guild Cook Day, *Windsor, PLC kitchen*
- 10:30a – Prayer Shawl Meeting, *Windsor, art room*

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 18**

- 9:00a – Altar Guild, *Windsor, nave*
- 9:00a – Community First! Village, *offsite*

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**

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**TO FIND MORE UPCOMING EVENTS**

Please visit our website calendar at:  
[gsaustin.org/events](https://gsaustin.org/events)

**✉ WEEKLY EMAILS**

Find more information and upcoming events in our weekly parish-wide email. Please email [dawn@gsaustin.org](mailto:dawn@gsaustin.org) to subscribe.

# MONTHLY DIAPER DRIVE



*El Buen Samaritano, an outreach ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, works to help Austin families access healthcare, workforce development, youth education, and essential resources.*

Good Shepherd is partnering with El Buen through monthly diaper drives on the third Sunday of each month.

Please bring your donation of diapers, baby wipes, and formula to the collection bin in the Windsor, education center atrium.

These items will be distributed to families through El Buen's food pantry program.

**QUESTIONS:** contact Trey Shepherd at [trey.shepherd@raymondjames.com](mailto:trey.shepherd@raymondjames.com)



# GOOD SHEPHERD UPCOMING EVENTS

**12** TODAY  
JANUARY 12

## THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT: SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Explore the teachings of Jesus in Matthew 5–7, delving into Christian values, ethics, and the Kingdom of God. Join us as we learn together how Jesus intended for his Sermon on the Mount to be received and lived out by His followers. The Sunday Bible Study meets on Sundays, today January 12–March 2 at 9:15a in the Windsor, media room. With questions please contact the Rev. Mike Wyckoff, [mike@gsaustin.org](mailto:mike@gsaustin.org).

**15** WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 15

## POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS CLASS

AGE of Central Texas is again offering this series of six classes designed to empower family caregivers of older adults to take better care of themselves. The tools learned from Powerful Tools for Caregivers benefit caregivers by developing a wealth of self-care strategies to better handle the unique challenges faced by family caregivers. Classes meet on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00p–2:30p in the Windsor vestry room, January 15–February 19. To attend please contact Marcia Edwards at [mjhedwards18@gmail.com](mailto:mjhedwards18@gmail.com).

**26** SUNDAY  
JANUARY 26

## PANCAKES & PAJAMAS

Children age 3 years (and potty trained)–5th grade are invited to a pajama party with pancakes during the Annual Parish Meeting! At 11:45a before the meeting begins, please bring your children upstairs to the Windsor, media room. Pickup is at conclusion of the meeting.

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Join us for this year's Annual Parish Meeting at 12:00-1:00p in the Parish Life Center after the 10:30a services at Windsor. Hear about the state of the parish and plans for 2025, and participate in the election of a new vestry class. Breakfast tacos will be served in the PLC after 10:30a worship.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WOMEN OF GOOD SHEPHERD RETREAT 2025

Join us for *Women of the Wilderness: Spiritual Practices from the Desert Mothers* from February 21-23, 2025 at the Retreat at Balcones Springs. The annual Women of Good Shepherd retreat encourages spiritual nourishment, relaxation, support, and connection for women of all ages. With the guidance of the Rev. Mary Earle, *Episcopal Priest, Author, Poet, Retreat Leader, Spiritual Director* we will come together as women of the wilderness to grow closer to God and one another. We will explore the way of the desert 'ammas' (mothers) and practice gently paying attention to God's presence with us in all places and through all things. Scan the QR code to [register through February 1](#).



### GODLY PLAY CORE TRAINING

Godly Play Core Training is the recommended training for those leading Godly Play sessions. Taking place February 15-17, participants experience all aspects of the Godly Play method and begin to become fluent in the Godly Play core stories and fundamental practices. This Core Training is open to all current and new Godly Play teachers from Good Shepherd and other Austin-area churches practicing Godly Play. Training will take place in the Windsor, education center. For more information, please contact Kellie Brewer, [kellie@gsaustin.org](mailto:kellie@gsaustin.org). Register by Thursday, February 13 by scanning the QR code.



### YOUTH CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Join Good Shepherd Youth and friends for a weekend of discernment and preparation for confirmation in the Episcopal Church! Participants must be at least in the 9th grade and ready to seriously consider the Christian Faith as it is expressed in the Episcopal tradition. Those who attend the entire retreat will be prepared to be confirmed by Bishop Kai Ryan at the 10:30a Windsor nave service on April 27. We will enjoy time together, fun activities, an outreach/service project, and teaching on the basics of Christianity and the Episcopal Church. Those who attend do not need to be "sure" that they are ready for confirmation, but do need to be ready to honestly and sincerely ask important and reflective questions about their life with God. This retreat will prepare students not only for confirmation, but will also equip them with tools to consider their faith in all aspects of life. The Cost is \$125 (*scholarships are available*). With questions please contact the Rev. Jonathan McManus-Dail, [jonathan@gsaustin.org](mailto:jonathan@gsaustin.org). To register please scan the QR code to the right by April 23.



### SUMMER YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

Rising 9th grade–graduated seniors are invited to join the Good Shepherd High School Youth Group for a pilgrimage to our nation's capitol Washington D.C., July 10–14, 2025. On the itinerary – touring monuments and museums, serving our neighbors in DC, and worshipping at the Washington National Cathedral. We will use our experiences in DC to reflect on what it means to be Christians who "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being" (*The Book of Common Prayer, Holy Baptism, 305*). Don't miss out on this opportunity to strengthen friendships with other Good Shepherd youth, have tons of fun, and deepen your faith in Christ. With questions please contact the Rev. Jonathan McManus-Dail, [jonathan@gsaustin.org](mailto:jonathan@gsaustin.org). To register please scan the QR code to the right by March 12



### MONTHLY DIAPER DRIVE

El Buen Samaritano is an Episcopal organization that works to help Austin families access healthcare, workforce development, youth education, and essential resources. Beginning this month, on January 19, Good Shepherd is partnering with El Buen through monthly "El Buen Samaritano Sunday" diaper drives. Please bring your donation of diapers, baby wipes, and formula on the third Sunday of each month to be distributed to families through El Buen's food pantry program. A collection bin will be located near the donuts in the education center atrium. With questions, contact Trey Shepherd at [trey.shepherd@raymondjames.com](mailto:trey.shepherd@raymondjames.com).

### AUSTIN AREA CIVIL RIGHTS PILGRIMAGES

A choice of two civil rights pilgrimage trips is being offered during the Spring of 2025 to Episcopalians and their friends throughout the Austin area. One will be a 9-day bus trip experiencing sites in Tulsa, Little Rock, Memphis, Montgomery and more, and one will be a 5-day trip flying into Birmingham and visiting Montgomery and Selma. Leaders from Good Shepherd, St. Matthew's, and St. John's have teamed up to plan these trips. Participants will reflect on events of the past and the present and how they inform our faith. Please consider joining us on one of these inspirational opportunities. For more information or to pre-register scan the QR code.

