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SUNDAY

SCHEDULE

- 8:45 am Praise & Celebration Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- Everyone is Welcome!

CONSECRATION SUNDAY 2008 PLEDGE INFORMATION AS OF FEB. 3

76 FAMILIES PLEDGED A TOTAL OF \$ 231,624.00 - 30 INCREASED THEIR PLEDGE

If you have not returned your 2008 Covenant card, you may bring it or mail it to the church office. Thank you church for your continued support to make ministry happen at St. Philip's.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY AND MORE!

RADICAL RENOVATION: *Living the Cross-Shaped Life*

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6 PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Soup at 6 p.m.; Study begins at 6:30 p.m.

February 13, 2008

Discipleship:

The Design of the Cross-Shaped Life

Scripture: Mark 8:27-38

Leader: Rev. Lisa Callaway

February 20, 2008

Servanthood:

A Peculiar Way to Greatness

Leader: Dr. Bert Hall

Scripture: Mark 9:33-37; 10:32-45

February 27, 2008

Surrender:

Nothing Short of Everything

Leader: Dr. Bert Hall

Scripture: Luke 18:18-34; 19:1-10

March 5, 2008

Love:

The Radical Center

Leader: Joe Little

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34; 1 John 4:7-21

March 12, 2008*

Reconciliation:

Something That Doesn't Love a Wall

Leader: Rev. Lisa Callaway

Scripture: Ephesians 2:12-22

**After the Lenten Bible study you are invited to stay and hear the music from the Indian Children's Choir.*

WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

It is hard to believe that Lent begins this week. By the time you get this newsletter in the mail, we will have already begun the season with our Ash Wednesday service. This is a time for spiritual renewal – a time to commit our lives to following Christ all over again. On Sunday mornings we travel together on an “Amazing Journey” toward the cross. Each week we will face challenges and must decide to continue the journey or not.

Support for the journey can be found on Wednesday nights at 6pm during the fellowship time at our soup suppers and in our study, “Radical Renovation.” On Tuesday afternoons at 1:30, you can join the “God Opens Doors” group using the study “Behold the Lamb of God.” On Sunday mornings at 9:45, “The Other Class” invites you to join them as they study “3:16” by Max Lucado. And on Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m., you can join Bert Hall’s Bible study.



Lisa Callaway, Pastor

This journey of Lent is one that can take us deeper into the dark places of our lives, it can challenge us to change, but ultimately it leads us to new life. It is not a journey to take alone. I look forward to traveling this road to the cross with you.

Lisa Callaway

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES THE AMAZING JOURNEY

Feb. 10	“Deal or No Deal”	Matthew 4:1-11
Feb. 17	“Set for Life”	John 3:1-17
Feb. 24	“To Tell the Truth”	John 4:5-42
March 2	“Identity”	John 9:1-41
March 9	“Bones”	Ezekiel 37:1-14
March 16	“The World’s Greatest Loser”	Philippians 2:5-11
March 23	“CSI: Jerusalem”	John 20:1-8

**You Can
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To Sermons
Via our
website**



INDIAN MUSIC COMING ON WED., MARCH 12



100 years ago, the Hmar tribe in Northeastern India were all head-hunters. Through the efforts of one missionary, and the awesome message in the Word of God, the entire region has been converted to Christianity, and are now Heart-hunters for the Kingdom of God.

A group of children from India would like to share their story with us. They are coming from India and need help with travel expenses (\$500 total from us, food while here, and warm loving homes to stay in. They will arrive on March 11, and on March 12 they will present their musical, “Head-hunters to Heart-hunters,” after the Lenten bible study on March 12.

We need 11 host homes for 1 or 2 nights, 5 meals. Please call Ben in the church office.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Your prayers have been requested for the following:

Andrea Bernard, Dee A. Decuir, Lea Oliver, Jean Behrends, Ken Laster, Jeweldene Gunn, Nita Dawson, Carl Arnold, Jennie Donnell, Vivian Shelton, Victor & Jacque LaValle, David Bonner, Lady Jane Bredt, Karen Rickle



If you have a prayer request, please call Bernice Galloway at 713-729-2096

OFFERINGS

Gifts Given:

Sunday, Jan. 27

\$ 3,454.00

Sunday, Feb. 3

\$ 10,914.19

Thank you for your generous giving.

FOOD GIFTS

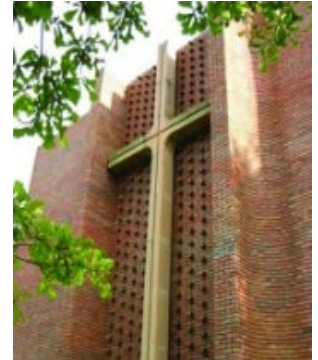
Food Shelf Needs

For Feb. 24

Macaroni & Cheese
Canned Vegetables

Your donations are given to one of our ministries, Braes Interfaith Ministries, helping needy families in our surrounding commu-

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GRAND PIANO DEDICATION

You are invited to celebrate with us on Sunday, February 24, at 3 pm as we dedicate our new grand piano in the sanctuary. Barbara Jennings, Music Director and Ben Hinshaw, Director of Philip's Joy will showcase the new Boston Grand Piano, playing hymn arrangements and contemporary Christian songs. The Chancel Choir will also participate by singing several anthems. Come and celebrate this new addition to our church. A reception will follow in the Narthex.



FEBRUARY CALENDAR

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| 10 Scout Sunday w/Breakfast at 8 am | 17 Youth Lunch Fund Raiser/Servant Auction at Noon (FH) |
| 10 Audio Visual Trng. at 3 pm | 20 Soup & Lenten Bible Study at 6pm FH |
| 11 Finance Cmte Mtg. at 7 pm (103) | 23 Extra Choir Rehearsal 9am-11am |
| 12 UMW Gen. Mtg. at 9:30 am (FH) | 24 Piano Dedication at 3pm (Sanctuary) |
| 12 Worship Cmte. Mtg. at 7 pm (103) | 25 Christian Education Cmte. Mtg. (103) |
| 13 Soup & Lenten Bible Study at 6pm FH | 26 UMW Circles at 9:30 am (FH) |
| 14 Valentine's Day | 27 Soup & Lenten Bible Study at 6pm FH |
| 15 SS Fellowship Class Party at 6:30 pm | |
| 16 VeggieTales Event at 10am-Noon FH | |



BOOK CLUB NEWS!

February's Book Club selection is "The Light in the Piazza" by Elizabeth Spencer. Margaret Johnson is an American woman who has come to Italy with her beautiful but mentally handicapped daughter, Clara, who at 26 has the mind of a 10 year old. When Clara meets Fabrizio, they fall in love and wish to marry. Margaret's dilemma is whether or not to reveal the truth about her daughter. Book Club meets Feb. 16 at 9:30 am in Room 103. All Welcome!

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YOUTH STUFF

REMINDER!



**YOUTH FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON
& SERVANT AUCTION
SUNDAY, FEB. 17 AT NOON IN FH**

It's a Cajun Lunch! Including rice and red beans. Yum!

Tickets: \$5 Adults & \$3 KIDS (under 13 yrs.)

All monies go toward the Mission trip to Puerto Rico.

Need some time to shop or go out on the town without the kids? **After the luncheon**, our youth will auction themselves off to help pay for their mission trip. Come enjoy a delicious lunch, and bring your checkbook to pay for quality labor.

For more information you may contact Ben at the church office.

TRUSTEES REPORT!

Our Sanctuary windows are beautiful and special. We have two windows that need to be repaired.

All of our members have a voice in what we do about our Sanctuary windows. The Trustees have looked at options to replace or repair the two windows. One bidder believes our windows are valuable and should be repaired.

The company we select for repairs will remove the two windows and seal the opening. Our repaired/replaced windows will return in two to four weeks.

One company has bid to repair two windows for \$27,975 and repair the hole in a third window for \$275.

The following list is the costs for replacing two windows:

Stained glass	\$32,500.
Kringle glass	\$11,500.
Clear glass	\$12,000.

Replacement windows would not have the current window design. If we repair the windows, we will save the current design.

Please let us know how you feel about how the Trustees should handle this issue.

Contact Ed Knight , Chairperson