

CALENDAR

Thursday, September 26

10:00 A BBQ

Sunday, September 29

9:00 A Library Open

9:15 A Bible Study

10:30 A Worship, Communion

Extended Teaching Care

Allison Roark, Sam Oakley, Donna & Sarah Patterson, Erika & Baileigh Futch

11:30 A Youth Jr./Sr. Mission Mtg.
College Lunch

2:00 P *Waging Peace* Concert,
State Capital

4:15 P Teen Ringers

5:00 P Youth Choir

5:45 P Belles and Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Monday, September 30

11:30 A Holy Grill

Tuesday, October 1

9:30 A Yoga

11:30 A Holy Grill

6:00 P First Place, CCR

Wednesday, October 2

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

11:30 A Holy Grill

5:00 P Library Opens

5:15 P Family Dinner

6:00 P Adult Prayer Ministry

Children's Choir

Youth Bible Study

6:20 P Adult Bible Study

6:40 P Children's Missions

7:00 P Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, October 3

10:00 A BBQ

11:30 A Holy Grill

Saturday, October 5

10A-2P Stagg-Tolbert Forum,
UBC

CHILDREN

Children's Choir/ Mission Retreat

October 25-26

Judson Retreat Center

Cost: \$20

Register in the church office by
Wednesday, October 23.

"Trunk or Treat"

Wednesday, October 30

6:20 p.m.

East Parking Lot

Grades 1st-5th

YOUTH

Youth/Parent Mission Trip Meeting

September 29, 11:30 a.m.

Jr./Sr. youth and their parents
are invited to join Dave as he
discusses a possible mission
trip.

All You Can Eat Taco Bell™ & Bowling

October 18, 6-9 p.m.

Cost: \$3 bowling/money
for Taco Bell

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H H A T S



Worship with Us

Communion
Sunday, September 29
10:30 a.m.

Holy Grill

September 30-October 3
11:30 a.m.

The *Holy Grill* is a soup
kitchen sponsored by the
Interfaith Federation of
Greater Baton Rouge.

Stagg-Tolbert Forum

Saturday, October 5
at University Baptist
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Guest Speaker:
Sarah Shelton
*Finding Yourself
in the Biblical Story*

Register at www.cbfla.org



“Chasing an Audience Not Interested in Being Caught”

“We need to grow! And it’s all up to you!” That is succinctly one of the challenges most preachers feel today. Every church implicitly wants its pastor to reverse national trends of declining attendance.

In response the pastor feels an exorbitant pressure to appeal to a growing un-churched population. The response ranges from changes in furnishings (candles!), to adopting new vocabulary (we’re missional!), to affecting a new style (sweater vest with un-tucked shirt), and, of course, tone (please be funny). Our wrestling with a fickle culture is as old as the gospel itself, but at some point we do need to ask, “Are we chasing an audience that is really not interested in being caught?”

The answer is, yes. Over the years various efforts have promised the solution, from the Jesus movement of the 60’s to the Emerging church to the present hipster preacher. Each effort has made its contributions, but each is vulnerable at an important juncture of the gospel and the “self.”

Our preaching today can become inordinately geared toward appealing to the very “self” that the gospel calls on us to deny. If a person is saying “if you were _____” (fill-

in with deeper, more interesting, less formal, more formal, lighter, funnier, more relevant, etc.) “then I would become a Christian and attend your church” aren’t we allowing the “self” to shape the gospel instead of presenting a gospel that should shape the “self?” I apologize for that awkward sentence, but read it again because it contains a truth we all need to hear.

None of this means that we should not try to understand the most effective ways to communicate or mold our ministries to appeal to a slippery audience. It does mean that preachers and churches should accept the fact that sometimes people are not asking the questions for which we have the answers. In that case, we do not change the answers. We simply continue to preach Christ and Him crucified. Do it well, and do it faithfully. The audience needs it.

Grace,
Terry Ellis

ADULTS

Waging Peace Concert:

Encore Performance Sunday, September 29 2 p.m.

at the LA State Capital

Be inspired by the music and lyrics of the original choral work by Robert Kyr featuring lyrics by Baton Rouge residents.

Extended Teaching Session

We are in need of two people to volunteer to serve with our Kindergarteners in our Extended Teaching Care during worship on Sunday mornings. ETC workers are scheduled to work about once every 9 weeks. If you are willing to serve, please contact Fae in the church office. Thank you for your help in providing this important ministry to our young families.

Wednesday Night October 2

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Cake

To Reach an On Call Minister call 328-3474

College Student Events

Lunch: September 29, 11:30 a.m. at Plucker’s Weekend: October 18-19

Fall Blood Drive Wednesday, October 16 4-7:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars to participate in this life saving ministry of our church.

Family Gathering Sunday, October 20 11:30 a.m.

Chicken Fettuccine, Green Salad, French Bread, Cake
Proposed Budget for 2014 will be on the agenda. Please mark your calendars for this time to connect as a church family.

Mama Mia LLL Trip to BRRC Tuesday, October 22 Tickets: \$62

We will depart the church at 6:15 p.m. Please come by the church office to pay and reserve your spot.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Ollie Steele Rehab
Jeanne Wallace

BRG Bluebonnet
Tom Averett
Hugh Bourque

GRACEWORKS

Southeast Ministries

Continue your support of this ministry in our community. Bring food items to the collection barrels at all church entrances.

Keep Watching!

Our church is working to beautify the area across the street in front of Broadmoor Elementary. After months of planning, soon you will see landscaping instead of a muddy side street as part of our outreach to the community.

November

**1-3-Youth Fall Retreat
10 & 17-Southeast Ministry Thanksgiving Food Bags
13-Fall Rent-a-Youth begins
15-LLL Potluck
16-Mission Project Day**

26-Thanksgiving Community Service (St. Thomas More)

December

**8-Hanging of the Green & Children’s Christmas Program, 10:30 a.m.
13-Youth Christmas Party
15-Adult Christmas Program, 10:30 a.m. Church Christmas Dinner, 6 p.m.
18-All-Church Caroling, 6 p.m.
21-The Longest Night Service, 6 p.m.
24-Christmas Eve Service, 6 p.m.**