

Anne Lamott tells a story mentioned in her book, *Traveling Mercies*. She writes: “When she (her pastor) was seven, her best friend got lost one day. The little girl ran up and down the streets of the big town where they lived, but she couldn’t find a single landmark. She was frightened. Finally, a policeman stopped to help her. He put her in the passenger seat of his car, and they drove around until she finally saw her church. She pointed it out to the policeman, and then she told him firmly, ‘You could let me out now. This is my church, and I can always find my way home from here.’”

Lamott continues by confessing: “And that is why I have stayed so close to mine – because no matter how bad I am feeling, how lost or lonely or frightened, when I see the faces of the people at my church, and hear their tawny voices, I can always find my way home.”

Many of us feel the same about our own church. We need the kind of friendship we find in church, the sort of relationship expressed in Proverbs 18:24 – “A friend sticks closer than a brother.” Sticking is the key. Many of us have found this “sticky friendship” in the church, and we feel blessed. It is a mutual

“sticking” close, because it takes effort from each party, to be open to relationship, and to move toward it.

There is an interesting quote from the Jewish Theological Seminary that says, “A human life is like a single letter of the alphabet. It can be meaningless. Or it can be part of a great meaning.” Just as a solitary letter needs other letters to be part of a great meaning, we need to be in community, to stay close to our church, and for our church to stay close to us.

Sociologist Parker Palmer is a Quaker, a Christian Church whose members call themselves, “The Friends.” Palmer writes that, “When people look upon the church, it is not of first importance that they be instructed by our theology, or altered by our ethics, but that they be moved by the quality of our life together” – to see how we love one another. Put another way: If you’re feeling lost or lonely or frightened, go to church. And there, you will find it close to home.

*Pastor Leonard*

## ADULTS

### Can You Help?

Southeast Ministries is in need of diapers, Sizes 3 to 5. If you can help, please bring donations to the church office.

### LLL Potluck

Friday, September 28  
11:30 a.m.

### Church Activities Hall

Entertainment by  
Sweet Adeline’s.

### Wednesday Night Family Dinners

5:15 p.m., CAH

September 5

Chicken & Sausage  
Jambalaya, Asian Slaw, French  
Bread, Banana Pudding

September 12

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes  
& Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls,  
Cake

September 19

Red Beans & Rice w/Sausage,  
Mustard Greens, Salad, Corn-  
bread, Brownies

### Broadmoor Baptist Preschool

After lengthy consideration, the Trustee Council has elected to close the BBC Preschool program after September 30, 2018. Enrollment has significantly declined since the end of May 2018. This decline resulted in insufficient funding to support the basic operations. Contributing factors to the closure include low enrollment due to competing programs offered in area schools, and financial demands necessary to maintain licensure requirements and regulations. Questions can be directed to Bobby in the church office.

### “A Missing Piece”

Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.  
Church Parlor

The group meets weekly on Tuesdays and is for anyone who has experienced grief or loss.

### Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Sunday, September 23  
5:00 p.m.

Come and be inspired as the University Baptist Church Choir joins our choir in the sanctuary for a combined concert event.

### Yoga

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.  
Fridays at 9:00 a.m.  
Upstairs in Room 221

### Stagg-Tolbert Forum

Saturday, November 10  
Alexandria, Louisiana

Guest Speaker: John Pierce

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Home from the  
Hospital  
Buddy Drell  
Faith Pfrimmer**

**In Appreciation**  
Words of sincere appreciation  
have been received from:  
**Rusty and Marsha Jabour**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY CHOICES

**September 5** -Bible Study with Dr. Ezell, Me versus Myself versus I (James 1:1-27), CAH

or Estate Planning with Ryan Vivian, SDR

**September 12**-Bible Study with Dr. Ezell, Words and Wisdom (James 3:1-18), CAH

or Estate Planning with Ryan Vivian, SDR

**September 19**-Bible Study with Dr. Ezell, You Gotta Serve Somebody (James 4-5),CAH

or Social Media Help with Dr. James Gilley, SDR

**September 26, October 3 & 10**-Bible Study with Dr. Ezell

or “I Was Sick and You Visited Me” led by Pat Davis, SDR

### Church Council Meetings

#### Full Church Council

Sunday, September 9  
2-4 p.m. in the Activities Hall

#### Executive Committee

Sunday, September 30  
2-4 p.m. in the Small Dining Room

Committee Chairpersons should make every effort to attend. If you absolutely cannot make it, please have a member of your committee attend in your place.

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, September 6

7:00 A Interfaith Prayer  
Breakfast, Boudreaux's

### Saturday, September 8

12:00 P Young Families Tailgate,  
LSU Campus

### Sunday, September 9

9:15 A Sunday School  
10:30 A Worship

#### Extended Teaching Care

Nancy Richardson, Katy Stark,  
Circe Bridges, Lynley & Merietta  
Norton, David Marcase

2:00 P Church Council Meeting,  
CAH

5:00 P Youth Choir

5:45 P Belles and Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

### Monday, September 10

6:00 P Trustees Meeting

### Tuesday, September 11

11:00 A "A Missing Piece" in the  
Parlor

### Wednesday, September 12

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

5:15 P Church Family Dinner

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Children's Programs

6:15 P Adult Bible Study, CAH  
Choices, SDR

7:00 P Sanctuary Choir

8:00 P College Bible Study

### Friday, September 14

TBA College Group leaves for  
Retreat

### Sunday, September 16

9:00 A Library Opens

9:15 A Sunday School

10:30 A Worship

#### Extended Teaching Care

Lindsey Duvall, Kelli Rayburn,  
Jessica Best, Nita & Chris Hannie

5:00 P Deacon Meeting

### Monday, September 17

11:30 A Holy Grill

6:00 P Newcomer Ministries  
Council Meeting

### Tuesday, September 18

11:00 A "A Missing Piece"

11:30 A Holy Grill

## YOUTH

### Fall Schedule

Wednesday Nights

5:15 p.m. Dinner

6 p.m. Bible Study

Sundays

(beginning Sept. 9)

5 p.m. Youth Choir

6 p.m. Bible Study

### Fall Retreat

October 26-28

Camp Istrouma

## COLLEGE

### College Retreat

September 14-16

## YOUNG FAMILIES

### Family Tailgate

LSU Campus

Saturday, September 8

### Dad & Kids

### Campout

November 9-11

Judson Retreat Center

### Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 24

6:00 p.m.

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H H A T S



# Family Tailgate

Saturday, September 8

12:00 pm

LSU Campus between Stubbs  
and Prescott Halls

- bring chairs and a dish to share
- hamburgers and hot dogs provided

## Holy Grill

September 17-21

11:30 a.m.

4 volunteers needed each day.  
Please sign up in the church office.