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## M.O.S.T.

The Men of St. Theodore's will meet on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 in the Parish Hall for breakfast and fellowship.



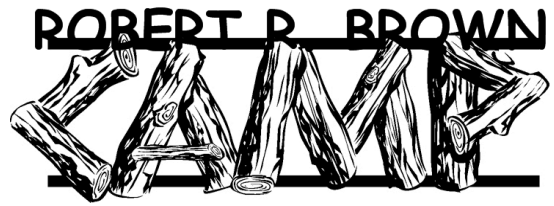
## St. Anne's Guild

St. Anne's Guild will not have our regular monthly meetings in June, July or August, but we are busy planning this year's parish picnic.

Our annual St. Anne's parish picnic will be on **Sunday, September 18th**, after the 10:30 am service. It will be held at the Metfield Picnic Pavilion in Bella Vista. It was decided at our March meeting that we would change the date to later due to the heat and vacations of many in our congregation.

We will, once again, be having brisket with all the trimmings and hot dogs for the kids. More information about the price of the meal will be finalized soon and we will let you know. Tickets for the event will be sold before and after church services starting in August.

Watch for more news to come and mark your calendars for this event!



The Robert R. Brown Camp at Camp Mitchell is a week-long resident camp for adults with mental and physical disabilities. Each year, under the direction of Fr. Ken, a group of volunteers from St. Theodore's and other Episcopal churches attend the camp as support staff. Among the campers' favorite activities are the various arts and crafts projects they create. Craft supplies have increased in price along with everything else. It costs about \$7 per camper to provide the supplies needed for the week. Members of St. Theodore's have a long history of generously supporting worthy causes. You can help support this portion of the camp in the following ways:

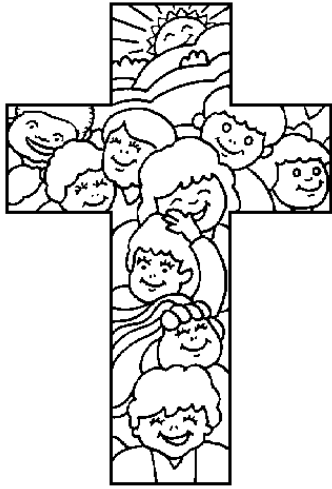
Make a monetary donation to underwrite the cost of arts and crafts supplies for one or more campers (approx. \$7 per camper)

Collect and donate these items:

- Bottle caps (any type of metal bottle cap, not plastic)
- Lace, ribbons, trims, sequins, buttons
- Pony and wooden beads
- Hammers
- Sandpaper
- Markers
- Tacky Glue (in gold bottle)
- Colorful tissue paper
- Clay flower pots
- Shoestrings

There are boxes in the narthex for all donations of supplies. For monetary contributions, checks may be made payable to St. Theodore's with "Robert R. Brown Camp" on memo line.

Your prayers for a safe and enriching camp are the most important donation you can make and essential to our success. Thank you for helping us provide a rich and rewarding experience to the campers.



## ***Summer Sunday School***

Under the direction of Senior Warden Gary Lowe and Summer Christian Education Director Sharon Moravits, we will begin a Summer Sunday School program for our children beginning on June 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 10:15. This is an 8-week program that will end with an International pot-luck lunch on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

The theme of this summer's program is "**We are all one.**" Each week the children will study one of the countries where there are Anglican churches. They will learn something about the culture of the country (s), the games the children play, snack foods, arts and crafts, and at the same time learn songs and prayers familiar to us and to them. While we are in some ways very different, we are also the same – **We are all one.**

The E.Y.C. will be responsible for certain aspects of the program. They will also serve as teachers' aids. Gary Lowe and Sherry Little are coordinating their ministry.

If you have lived in a country other than America for a period of time and want to share some of that culture with our children, please contact Sharon Moravits 268-4396 or Fr. Ken at 855-2715. Our first two sessions will be on South America.

Please complete a registration form in the narthex. This looks like a very exciting summer at St. Theodore's.

## **Adult Christian Ed**

Our Adult classes will continue to meet throughout the summer. The Gospel Truth class led by Jay Ellison and Patricia Clark **will not meet during June.**

# *Pentecost*

On the Day of Pentecost, June 12<sup>th</sup>, we are asking all our children, parents, grandparents, and every member of the congregation to come together beginning at 9:00 a.m. for a pot-luck breakfast and at 9:30 a special presentation by Matt Young, the Principal of Cooper Elementary School and their program director, Amy Collins. We have asked them to speak to us about the opportunities for anyone in the parish to be a volunteer at the school as a mentor, or provide clothing, or other services to the children at our neighborhood school. Thirty-one percent (31%) of these children are living below poverty level.

St. Theodore's has a well deserved reputation for being a church that reaches out to those in need. I am confident that we can and will respond in a significant way to the needs of our neighborhood children.

## ***Why do we wear red on Pentecost?***

We wear red clothing on the Day of Pentecost to symbolize our efforts as God's servants to proclaim the Good News of Christ to all people. We missionaries are sent out into the world week after week "with our souls ablaze," to serve others as we have been served. Karl Rahner reminds us in the book, *Christians at the Crossroads*, that each one of us is a Christian only because someone brought us to be with Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.



The choir will begin its summer break after Pentecost Sunday. There will not be any more Wednesday evening rehearsals until we resume on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Through a memorial gift, we have purchased some new scapulars to be worn over our white choir robes. We will now have additional colors to wear during different seasons of the church year. We should receive them in time to wear and have them blessed on Pentecost Sunday.



# Medical MISSIONS

In March, through an unexpected turn of events, I was given the opportunity to return to Ecuador for another two-week surgical mission. This trip will include sixteen people traveling to Ecuador, including five from NW Arkansas who will join up with an Ecuadorian medical team. Together our team will include missionaries, interpreters, medical and dental aides, lab personnel, nurses, three family practice doctors, an anesthesiologist, a gynecologist, a surgeon, and two dentists.

The trip is the last two weeks of July, so I'm starting to put together medications and supplies. When we took this medical mission trip in 2009, many of you were very generous in your support allowing us to purchase adequate supplies of medications. This allowed the group to treat over 1,200 people, which we hope to exceed this time. I know that financial times are tight, but any assistance will be appreciated.

Al Addington



St. Theodore's day to work at Helping Hands is Saturday, June 25th. Men and Women are needed for the following shifts:

8 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., 2-4 men for back door receiving.

12 p.m. until 4 p.m., 3-4 men for the back door and 4 people for cashiering plus 3 or 4 people to work the floor and help assist customers. Your

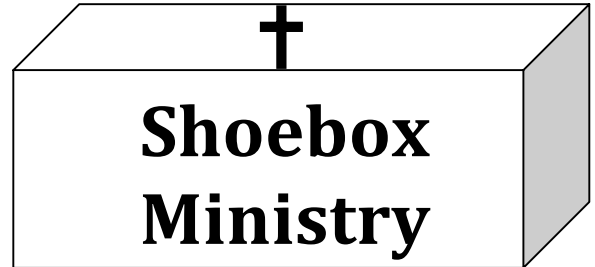
participation in this stewardship for St. Theodore's will be greatly appreciated!

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Gathering Area.

Thank you for your help.

Mike Bryson

Helping Hands board member



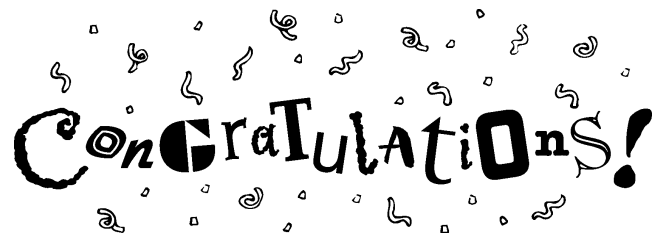
Headed out on vacation? Don't forget our neighbors in need, here in northwest Arkansas. When you travel it is so easy to pick up unopened toiletry items from your hotel/motel room, bring them home, and donate them to the Shoebox Ministry.

Haven't left on vacation yet? Still need to pick up those sample sized items to pack in your suitcase? Why not pick up a few extra items for The Shoebox Ministry. A toothbrush, or toothpaste, or even a sample sized shampoo can seem like such a small item. However, no donation to this ministry is too small. It's the little things that can make a difference in someone's life.

As Mother Teresa once said, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

A heartfelt "thank you" for everyone who supports this ministry.

Colleen Whitney, Chairman



... to Ryan Spooner who has been accepted into Governor's School. This is both an honor and a splendid opportunity for Ryan. I know that this will be an exciting educational opportunity for him.



# Sunday Lectionary

## June 2011

### June 5<sup>th</sup> - Ascension Sunday

Acts 1:6-14

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

John 17:1-11

During the traditional school year the school lunch program provides breakfast and lunch for many children. However, there are an ever increasing number of children who do not eat a meal from Friday lunch until Monday breakfast.

The Good Samaritan Center, in conjunction with Rotary and other groups, provide a weekend snack pack that fills in the weekend gap. However, the school lunch program ends when school ends and does not begin again until school starts again in mid-August. Helping Hands, Good Samaritan House, and a variety of food banks try and take up the slack but are just being overwhelmed with requests.

Let's keep this in mind when we are buying food for the food bin that is taken to Helping Hands. Peanut butter and jelly and crackers help as do other similar foods for children. Let's remember these children in our prayers and in the food we are going to give.



We are making plans for a night at Arvest Ball Park in July. We are looking at a Friday evening - July 15th or 22nd. We know we have a lot of baseball fans, and this will be a great night of fun, fellowship and fireworks for us to enjoy together.

Watch for more details. There will be a sign-up sheet for you to indicate your interest in attending and which date(s) you would be able to attend.



### June 12<sup>th</sup> - Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:25-35, 37b

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

### June 19<sup>th</sup> - Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

### June 26<sup>th</sup> - 2 Pentecost

Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm 13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42



**JUNE MESSENGER**

**DEADLINE**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>**