



Aldersgate United Methodist Church

“sharing the living Christ through life-changing service and love”



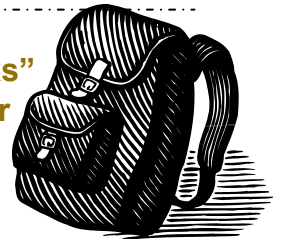
August  
13<sup>th</sup>

It's time to say

# HELLO!

to a brand-new year.

To make sure we start off on the right foot, our annual “Blessing of the Backpacks” will be held on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at both services. This is to bless and pray for all Students, school faculty and staff. Be sure to bring your backpack or bag to church that day.



We will also have the 3rd Grade Bible Presentation at both worship services on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Children entering 3rd grade this year will be invited to come forward during the service to receive their gift and to be held in prayer asking for God's blessing as they read and learn more.



**August 27<sup>th</sup>, Noon, JWC**

If you bought shares from the youth or supported youth mission fundraisers over the past year, please come celebrate an amazing summer with us. Our youth will be sharing their stories and experiences from their summer mission trip.

Something  
**WONDERFUL**  
is coming to  
**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**  
at Aldersgate UMC

- Wednesday Night Dinner 5:30-7pm
- Faith Friends
- Youth Group
- Tutoring Program
- C.O.O.L. Bells
- Adult Bells
- Wesleyan Choir
- Wednesday Night Women's Study

*Stay tuned for more details.....*



# Roll Out Those Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer

Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer  
Those days of soda and pretzels and beer!  
Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer  
You'll wish summer could always be here!

You're welcome! For those of you who know this Nat King Cole classic extolling the virtues of summer, you will be hearing and humming its tune for days!

Thankfully (I think), this affable tune does not describe life here this spring and summer at Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Crazy? Maybe. Hazy? Maybe. Lazy? No way!

- Confirmation Retreat with the Bishop ·
- Sager-Brown/UMCOR "Wise One's" Mission·
- Camp Istrouma Camps · Something's Brewing
- Bible Study· Moving the Pastor · Vacation
- Bible School · Manos Juntos Mission Trip ·
- Camp Summer SONShine · Two (2) Biloxi
- Shuckers · Tuesday Lunch with the Pastor ·
- Weekly Youth and Adult Summer Small
- Groups · Choirs and Special Worship Music

Indeed, this summer has been anything but, lazy! Thank you to our amazing church staff for pulling this off: **Stacey Boerner, Scott Clausen, Suzie Hunt, Cheryl Mann, Sasha Massel, Adam Moore,** and a host of amazing, dedicated, inspirational volunteers who made this summer possible for the children, youth and adults of this church. Undergirding these folks are our very gifted and talented support staff: **Sally Ann Buras, Erin Core, Gary Grant, Karen Smith, and Ashley Smith.**)

The lack of laziness has extended to Jim Fatic and his Epworth Staff and volunteers, who have been working and representing Aldersgate

United Methodist Church in the community. There have been approximately 450 of Epworth volunteers in our midst this summer.

At the present time, we are "gearing up" for a big, active fall!

Sunday School classes are getting "back into the back to" routine of the small. The Chancel Choir is starting back up, as well. AppleTree will, once again, be full of the squeals of children.

The big, new **Something Wonderful on Wednesdays** includes a time of meal and fellowship with one another every Wednesday evening in the John Wesley Center. The invitation is for a place to connect in the middle of the week. We remember the model of the first century church where they engaged in fellowship, participated in the breaking of bread, prayed and studied and held all things in common.

The meal will be served from 5:30 PM- 7:00 PM. The cost of the meal will be \$8 per adult and \$5 per child with a \$25 max cost for families. The meal will include a basic entrée, two sides, salad bar and dessert. Reservations will be necessary to assure that your meal will be ready for you and your family. The menu will be published a week in advance.

Alongside the meal will be various ministry opportunities for children, youth and adults. At present this includes: choirs and bell choirs, youth small groups and Bible studies. This is open to expansion, based upon participation.

...so, thank God, that this summer, although a bit crazy at times, was in no way...lazy or hazy! And, let us pray our way forward that the Fall and Winter will be just as exciting and full!

Blessings, *rev. Stacey Boerner*



## We need YOU!

We need to add your voice (or ringing, or instrument playing, or leading) to our song!  
 We have so many ways for you to get involved.  
 Please think about being part of Aldersgate's Music Ministry!



Curious? Find one that is interesting? Have questions? Ask a team member or Scott Clausen, [scott@aldersgate-slidell.org](mailto:scott@aldersgate-slidell.org)

**Wesleyan Choir**  
 (starting August 9th)  
**Wednesdays,**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Sanctuary**

**CrossWalk**  
**Praise Band**  
**Thursday's**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**In the Sanctuary**

**Celebration Bell Choir**  
 (starting  
 September 6th)  
**Wednesdays,**  
**6:45 p.m.**  
**Bell Room**

## WORSHIP NOTES FOR AUGUST

August 13th Promotion Sunday—Join us in Worship as we have our annual “Blessing of the Backpacks” for all Students, Teachers, Administrators and School Staff.

## Ushers for July



8:30 Tom Williams, Dave Snyder, Al Houghey, Michael Foster  
 11:00 Marty Jackson, Lewis Smith, Antonio Iennusa

We are in great need for additional ushers to fill our rosters.  
 Please consider giving us a few weeks of Sundays to serve in worship!

**Sunday Mornings**

**Traditional  
Worship**

8:30am  Sanctuary

**Contemporary  
Worship**

11:00am  Sanctuary

**Adult Sunday School 9:45 am-10:45 am** → Cokesbury Building, Chapel, Asbury

**Sunday School for Youth 9:45 am-10:45 am**

Youth Sunday School Class (6-12 grade) meet in the Genesis Hall

**Children's "Summer" Sunday School**

9:45 am-10:45 am → Susanna Wesley

(pickup for ALL in Susanna Wesley)



## Creativity Corner

Do you enjoy sewing, painting, note card making? Are you crafty and are looking for a place to share your creative gifts?

Starting August 14, new ministry we're calling for now—Creativity Corner—will be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6 p.m. in Genesis Hall. On these nights, you will be able to take part in a specific craft class or bring your own project with you to work on while enjoying the company of fellow craftsmen.

In August, Suzie Hunt will offer quilt making advice to people interested in making t-shirt quilts. More than a dozen people gathered in July to start on their own quilt projects.

Future programs will include learning how to smock and make ornaments, note card creation and we will also host a sewing bee to produce school supply bags for the depot at Sager Brown.

Creativity Corner nights are free and open to the general public. There may be a materials fee for some projects. If you would like to share your expertise in a certain creative area, please contact Suzie Hunt at the church office, 641-5829 or if you have any questions.



**GET  
EXCITED  
AND  
MAKE  
THINGS**



**Sunday, August 20**

**7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Don't forget to bring your ID and  
Eat Breakfast!**

There is no substitute for blood. Simply, it allows life. If you have known someone with cancer or hemophilia, you understand how truly necessary blood donations are.

I give thanks for the more than 40 people who rolled up their sleeves for an hour and donated so that my Dad had a chance when he fought leukemia.

Here is your chance to give the gift of life. Take an hour before or after church on August 20 and step into the John Wesley Center.

Someone who literally needs your gift of life will be very glad you did.

Many thanks, *Suzie Hunt*

## Van Geaux IX Saturday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> 6 p.m. John Wesley Ctr

You "*Cheddar*" believe it's that time again: Van Geaux IX is upon us! Come join us as we help raise money so that our church bus/vans can "*Cheese on down the road*". Van Geaux IX, our annual cooking competition, is a sampler's paradise. Competing chefs serve their dishes and guests can roam the hall, taste a wide variety of delicious foods and vote for their favorites.

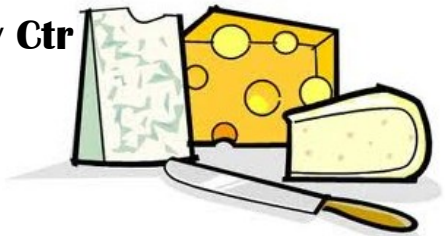
There is no entry fee to attend. The twist is that you vote with money for your favorite dish or dishes. This year's proceeds will help us pay off the loan we took out to purchase our new bus and help with the maintenance of the vehicles.

This year our new bus has been to Mexico, Biloxi, the UMCOR Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, the Methodist retreat Center in Woodworth and all over Slidell and the Northshore. The bus has been used by the Grown-ups, VBS, the youth and children's ministry, the Apple Tree staff, and for mission trips.

Competition categories include appetizers/soups, sides/salads, meats, seafood, desserts, kids (k-6 grades), youth (9-12 grades), People's Choice award and this year's special category (if you haven't guessed by now) is **CHEESE**. A winner will be chosen in each category based on votes (\$\$\$\$) and an "Iron Chef" prize will be awarded for the most overall votes.

If you are interested in cooking, please contact Kathryn McKenney, #504-231-1151, [kmckenney@charter.net](mailto:kmckenney@charter.net). Pick a category and join in. Come fellowship with us and support a great cause.

***"Sweet dreams are made of Cheese. Who am I to dis a Brie?"***





### Share the Love

Just down the road from our church is Anderson Memory Care, located on the campus of Summerfield Senior Living. Anderson is for residents with memory loss due to Alzheimer's Disease.

Phyllis Mitchell directs a bell choir there each month. We have received a request to host a Sunday School class there and are looking for volunteers.

The class could take place on Sunday or really any day. It would need to involve a simple study, much like a children's program. Phyllis says they enjoy doing crafts and delight in singing classic old hymns like Amazing Grace and This is the Day.

We are looking for several people willing to commit to sharing the love of God with this group. A team of two people would be needed at each class.

If you feel this is a way you can serve and share God's patience and love, please contact Suzie Hunt at the church office, 641-5829 for more details.



### Food Team Members Needed

Aldersgate's Food Team steps up at those times in a church member's life when the tangible gift of a meal meets both a practical and spiritual need. It is a concrete way we can care for each other.

Meals are supplied by team members when someone is experiencing a crisis period such as an illness, recovery from surgery, death of a loved one or the joy of a new child.

When the need arises, team members are asked, on a rotating basis, to provide a home-cooked meal or a single dish (an entrée', side dish and dessert) to be added to others to complete the meal.

If you are interested in providing this service to others, please contact the church office at

**641-5829** to sign up for the Food Team.



### FOOD DRIVE UPDATE Keep Up the Good Work!



Baskets are at the front door **EVERY SUNDAY** for your donations. Beans, tuna, peanut butter & jelly are always needed. **CCC Pantry Food Drive Year to Date Total Weight is 589 Pounds (as of 7/23)**



Family Promise

*Family Promise is a ministry of transitional housing for families*

### Aldersgate will once again host families from September 10-17

Once a quarter, Aldersgate opens the church doors to provide overnight housing to homeless families in the Family Promise program. What a gift to be part of this ministry in transforming lives of families!

If you can help provide an evening meal, volunteer for an evening of activities with the families, or spend a night and help with breakfast in the morning we would love to hear from you! **985-641-5829**

*\*\*Please note that there is a required training and information session for all activity and overnight volunteers. Contact Donna Lew, [dmnlew@charter.net](mailto:dmnlew@charter.net), and she can offer you a one on one training.*



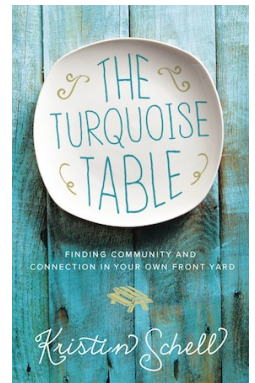
## New Wednesday Nights Women’s Study Begins on Sept. 6

In our fast paced, digital world, connecting with people for more than a quick hello is getting more and more difficult. Join Cheryl Mann as she gathers women around her to make connections and learn from author Kristin Schell as they dive into Schell’s book “The Turquoise Table—Finding Community and Connection in Your Own Front Yard”.

*Are you consumed with a busy life but unsure how to slow down? Do you desire connection within your community and think, “Absolutely, but I don’t have time for that” or “I can’t create that”? What if there was another way through it all, a way to find those moments of peace and to create a time for honest, comfortable connection? What if meeting neighbors and connecting with friends was as simple as showing up and being available?*

This edition of **“Pause”** will begin Wednesday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. in Cokesbury, Room 206. Women of all ages are welcome to participate and a free nursery will be available with reservations. Books are \$12 and are available at the church office.

Come and sit around the table and make new connections in your own community as well as strengthen existing friendships.



## Input for Church-Wide Mission Projects Sought at Planning Meeting on Aug. 15

The WISE Ones on their inaugural mission to UMCORs Sager Brown Depot.

To serve others is to serve God. It can be as simple as preparing a meal or going cross country to rebuild a flooded home. The key is hearing the call to act and then following through.

A new focus on missions is alive at Aldersgate. A trip to UMCOR’s Sager Brown Depot in May was the first of many mission ministries to be undertaken in the coming year.

The WISE Ones—Willfully Inspired Serving Enthusiastically, an enthusiastic group of mission minded adults ages 50 and older, made a difference in the lives of hundreds of people through their volunteer efforts at Sager Brown. Over the course of their time together, ideas for future efforts were discussed.

It’s time to move forward and plan our next service ministry.

All adults interested in serving locally and beyond, are invited to a planning meeting on Tuesday, August 15 at 6 p.m. in Genesis Hall. We will discuss prospective projects and attendees are encouraged to bring ministry ideas to the meeting as well.

**“Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men.” Ephesians 6:7**

## Grown Ups to Hear of Safari Adventures

Our guest for the August “Coffee and Conversation with....” will be Dr. Jay Hunt. Dr. Hunt has recently returned from a safari to Mozambique and South Africa and will share information about his adventures as well as the active role hunting plays in wildlife conservation practices in these countries today.

This program will be held in Genesis Hall on Thursday, Aug. 24 at 10 a.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Coffee and Conversation with ..... is held every 4th Thursday of the month for seniors 50 years of age and older and is open to the public.







### Something's Brewing this Fall!



#### **Romans**

If you could have access to only one book for the rest of your life, which would you choose? Many of our most beloved church fathers lauded the book of Romans as a cornerstone of gospel understanding. Martin Luther boldly declared, "This letter is truly the most important piece in the New Testament. It is purest Gospel." John Wesley came to assured faith through the impact of Romans.

Join the Something Brewing Women's group, **Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 9 am** in Genesis Hall, as we explore what makes Romans so unique.

All scripture is God-breathed and equally valuable, but Romans is distinct in that it reaches back deep into the Old Testament to walk us through the origin and problem of sin, the reality of guilt, and the impossibility of saving ourselves and the ultimate rescue we're given in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Lean in close as the author Paul presents his longest letter in Scripture, a sermon on what it means to be a Christ follower in this life. Listen as he tells of God's holiness, justice, and compassion.

You won't need to buy a book. Just bring the "Good Book" you already have. We will simply be reading through the book of Romans. Whether this is your first walk through Romans or it's one of your favorite stomping grounds, read this book as though it is telling a single story—the story of how God rescues us through the sacrifice of Christ.

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

***Kathryn McKenney—Study Leader***

**\* Something's Brewing is open to all ladies interested in sharing the word of God.**



### **Footloose & Faithful Women's Cruise Deposits Due**

Now is the time to register for women interested in taking the Footloose & Faithful Women's Cruise in February. This retreat on the high seas, slated for February 4-11, will offer guest speakers and seminars geared toward celebrating faithfulness in mid and later life.

Several women from Aldersgate UMC, as well as members of First UMC and others have registered to attend and are ready to pack their suitcases. Space is still available to join them.

The 7 day cruise will feature guest speakers on At Sea days. While traveling on Royal Caribbean's Liberty of the Seas ship, the cruise will also make port stops in Cozumel, Mexico, Georgetown, Grand Cayman and Falmouth, Jamaica.

Writer/Author Missy Buchanan is a writer/author and has been published by Upper Room Books, Presbyterians Today, Ministry Matters and others.

Dorothy Roberts has spoken on faith issues to many groups. She is also a jewelry designer and owner of Robin's Nest in Pass Christian, MS.

Sally-Ann Roberts, co-anchor for Channel 4's morning news, co-hosts "Your Power Is On!", an inspirational radio show.

Gayla Nelson is handling reservations for our group and can be reached at 985-290-5585 or at nelnest@charter.net. A preliminary reservations deadline of August 7 will allow our attendees to have accommodations as a group. Cruise prices begin at \$699 plus port fees. A deposit of \$200 is required to secure your reservation.



Please join us in Worship on  
August 13th for...

*Blessing of the Backpacks*  
for all Students & Teachers.

We will also present our 3rd graders with  
their new BIBLES!

All children will promote to their new Sunday School class!



Calling ALL 4th-6th  
graders!

We will begin  
meeting again on  
Wednesday  
September 6th  
at 6:30pm

 **Confirmation Lock-In**  
Friday, August 25th from 6 - 9pm in JWC!



**SUNDAY  
SCHOOL**

PreK–Kindergarten

SWC Rm 606

1st & 2nd grade

SWC Rm 602

3rd grade

JWC Rm 101

4th & 5th grade

JWC Rm 104

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PRESCHOOL

## Parent/Student Orientation

for those 6th & 7th grade students Confirming  
Sunday, August 13th @ 9:45am in Genesis Hall

**Apple Tree Preschool 985-641-0184**

Apple Tree Preschool and "Little Lambs" Mother's Day Out will soon welcome all of our Returning families (as well as New families), along with teachers & staff, to the beginning of another GREAT school year! Parent Orientations will be held on Tuesday, August 8th and "Little Lambs" MDO on Monday, August 14th, both at 7pm, in the Sanctuary. Our First day of school will be Thursday, August 17th and Friday August 18th. It's Great to be in Preschool!

Contact Cheryl Mann, Director [appletreeslidell@gmail.com](mailto:appletreeslidell@gmail.com) or  
Marsha Hubbard, Administrative Assistant [appletree@charter.net](mailto:appletree@charter.net), for more information







## August Dates for Youth!

August 3-5 Youth Back to School Retreat

August 10 Back to school coffee at Starbucks  
6:30am for 9 - 12 grade

August 10-11 College Freshman send off Retreat  
Starts at 3pm

Promotion Sunday is

August 13!

August 27 Share Sales Lunch after Worship on  
Sunday Noon till @2pm in John Wesley

## Thursday Morning Coffee with High School Youth



We will meet at Starbucks  
(I-10 & Gause) at 6:30am.

All 9th-12th graders are invited to start your day with us! Our first Thursday Coffee is set for Thursday, August 10th. See you there!



We are looking for youth leaders to assist our existing leaders with:

- Wednesday night small groups,
- Sunday night Big groups,
- Service projects,
- Retreats/Mission Trips
- Fellowship events.

Will you partner with us in ministry to lead, support and love our youth?

Please contact Sasha Massel at  
youth@aldersgate-slidell.org or at  
504-458-9604.



## August 27th, Noon in JWC

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## August 2017

- August 4-6 Back-To School Retreat
- August 10-11 High School Graduated Senior Retreat
- August 13 Promotion Sunday / Blessing of Bibles and Backpacks  
Parent/Student Confirmation Meeting
- August 8 Apple Tree Parent Orientation
- August 10 First day of Public School
- August 14 Craft Night (second and fourth Monday of each month)  
Little Lamb Parent Orientation
- August 17 First Day of School for Apple Tree (Monday-Friday & Tuesday/Thursday)
- August 18 First Day of School for Apple Tree (Monday/Wednesday/Friday)
- August 20 Blood Drive in John Wesley Center
- August 24 Grown Ups Coffee & Conversation  
Financial Peace Preview Class
- August 25 Confirmation Lock-In
- August 27 Youth Shareholder Lunch
- August 28 Craft Night
- August 31 Financial Peace Class *starts*

## September 2017

- Sept. 4 Church Office Closed for Labor Day
- Sept. 5 Something's Brewing Women's Bible Study *starts*
- Sept. 6 **SOMETHING WONDERFUL ON WEDNESDAY** *starts*
- Sept. 6 Wednesday Night Women's Study "Pause" *starts*
- Sept. 7 Financial Peace meet every Thursday in September
- Sept. 10-17 Family Promise Hosting Session
- Sept. 11 Craft Night
- Sept. 21 Apple Tree Open House
- Sept. 23 Van Geaux IX
- Sept. 25 Craft Night
- Sept. 28 Grown Ups Coffee & Conversation



	June 2017	2017 Year to Date
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$ 46,798</b>	<b>\$ 314,364</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>\$ 73,690</b>	<b>\$ 372,189</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$(26,892)</b>	<b>\$(57,825)</b>

The Communion Rail Offering for July, Native American Ministries, came to \$169.

## ~ Stewardship Moment ~

A couple of weeks ago I told the following story from Chuck Swindoll's book, **Growing Deep in the Christian Life**: *A typical American family was driving home from church one Sunday. Dad was fussing about the sermon being too long and sort of boring. Mom said she thought the organist played too loudly during the second hymn they sang. Sis, who was a music major in college, said she thought the soloist sang about a half a note off key during most of her song. Grandma said she couldn't hear very well - since they were sitting toward the back. As they pulled in the driveway, little Timmie, who had listened to all of this, started to fuss about the woman who sat in front of him with that big hat. Then he paused, nudged his dad, and said, "But, Dad, you gotta admit, it was a pretty good show for a nickel."*

You see, Timmie was the only one in the family who had anything to put into the offering plate. When the plate came around, he dug into the depths of his pocket, pulled out the only thing that he had in his pocket... a bright, shiny nickel... and plunked it loudly into the brass offering plate. One of the things that I like about this story is that little Timmie gave all that he had into that offering plate.

And, we remember the life of the earliest Christians:

### Life among the Believers

<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds <sup>[a]</sup> to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home <sup>[b]</sup> and ate their food with glad and generous <sup>[c]</sup> hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts 2:43-47 (NRSV)

"Koinonia", shared life in Jesus Christ... This is our story...our journey...our life...

**We are called to share and hold all things in common.**

## PRAYING WITHOUT CEASING

Our church family is our best source for names of those persons in need of care. Please contact the pastor at (641-5829) or a Care Team member when you know of a need. You can also email your prayer request to [prayer@aldersgate-slidell.org](mailto:prayer@aldersgate-slidell.org) Our Care Team coordinators are: Rhea Snyder, 643-3945; and Charlotte Clifford, 847-0966.

**Condolences:** Family and Friends of Kevin Pichon.

**Joys:** Dianne and Al Hughey celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Care Team Summer Social.

**Hospitalized:** John Pericone, Mary Massaker, Pat Doyle, Rae Williamson

**Recovering at Home:** Jessica Black, Vickie Helmstetter Palermo

**Prayers:** John Johnson, Blanche Copeland, Rylee, Susan Jenkins, Barbara Jones' son-in-law, Tim, David Kidder, People who are traveling this summer, Anise Goodwin, Marvalyn Van Eman, Kim Kralemann, Andrea Blalock, Fred Oberkirch, Janice Fink, Kathryn McKenney, Our Country and our Military, Our President, The Unemployed, Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Homebound members and Rev. Tracy MacKenzie

**Continuing Concerns:** Mary Felder, Tom Foozer, JoAnn Maria Traise, Kevin, William Brumfield, Johnnie Lou Whitman, Larry Hamm, John Ford, Frances and Lloyd Grafton, Jimmy Farmer, Kay Felkins, Kristen Vanleusden, Barbara Walker, Joanne Parker, Clint Crosier, Zachary Cheek, Susan Grant, Rachel Cochrane, Rev. James Biedenharn, Bill Fink, Luke Smith, Kurtill Bell, Patrick LeBlanc, Lissa Jordan, Esther Stephens, Eugene Victor, Huey Gardner, Rick Saluga, Lesa Raia, Mary Gramlich, Sara Delaha, Faye Hammer and family, Nancy Wood, Lucian Grass, Bobbie Stephens, Loretta Moore, Brycen Newman, Camille Callais, Dr. Bill Nelson, David Nezat, Derek and Lauren Whitty Webber



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Spotlight

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