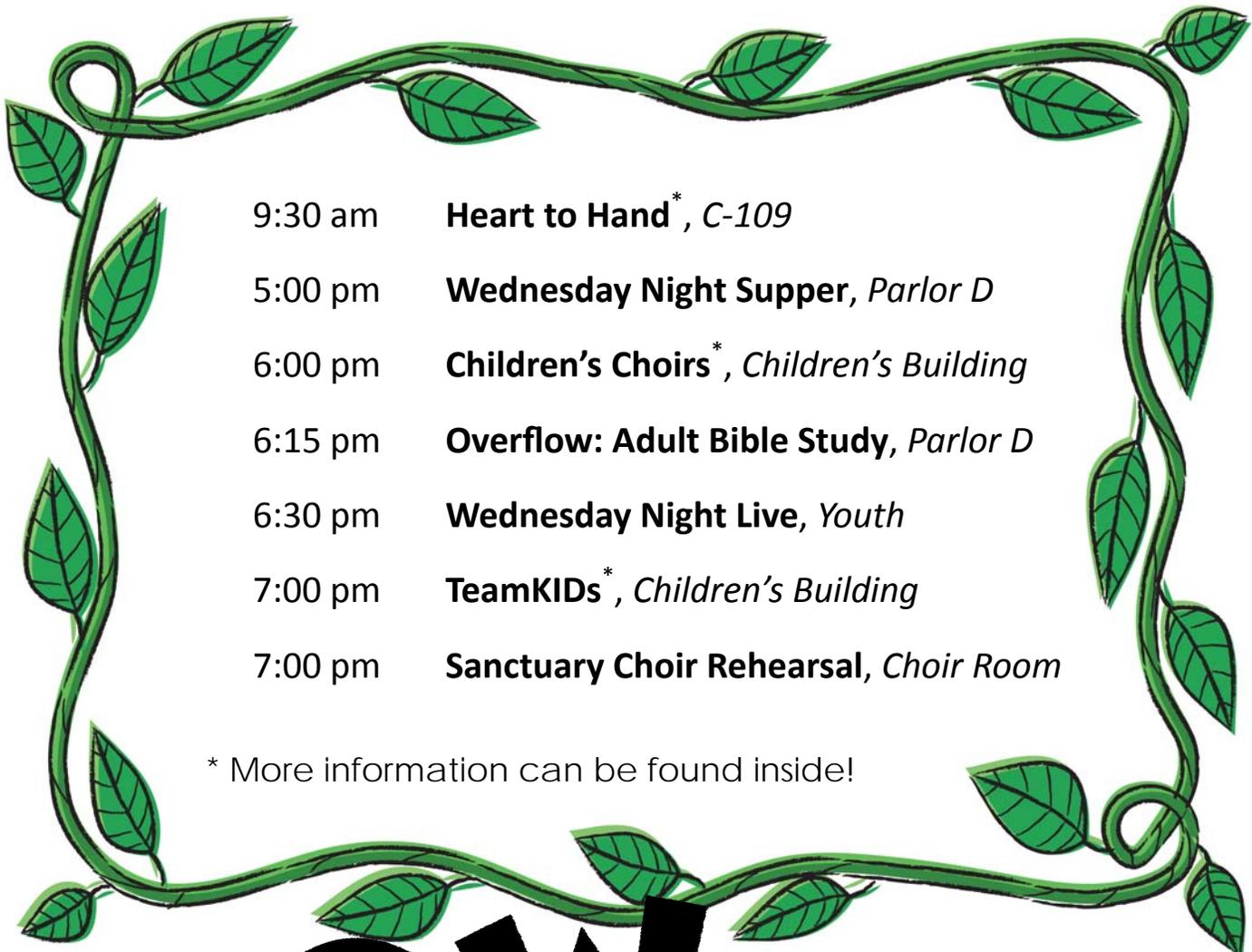


THE Westbury Word

September 2018

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WILD FOR WEDNESDAYS AT WESTBURY BAPTIST!



9:30 am	Heart to Hand [*] , C-109
5:00 pm	Wednesday Night Supper, Parlor D
6:00 pm	Children's Choirs [*] , Children's Building
6:15 pm	Overflow: Adult Bible Study, Parlor D
6:30 pm	Wednesday Night Live, Youth
7:00 pm	TeamKIDs [*] , Children's Building
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

* More information can be found inside!

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WEDNESDAYS AT WESTBURY

**STARTS IN FULL SWING ON
WEDNESDAY, SEPTMEBER 5!**

All are invited to come
engage in community!



*For if the eagerness is there,
it is acceptable according to
what one has, not according to
to what he does not have.*

2 CORINTHIANS 8:12



In Our Hearts

Diane Welch,
July 30, 2018

Max Habegger
August 11, 2018

DEACON FELLOWSHIP

Seeking First the Kingdom of God

September 2 – Ken Kipp
September 9 – Paul Moore
September 16 – John Sandlin
September 23 – Larry Schinzler
September 30 – Kelly Senter

NEXT MEETING

Sunday, September 23, 2 pm, Parlor B

For deacon information, select “What’s Going On”
then “Deacon Ministry Schedule” at wbchouston.org.

A Thank You Note

Thank you for visiting my home and leaving such nice welcoming treats and note. I am a devoted and busy member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church so I guess we work for the same Boss! Keep up the good work!

With blessings,
Nancy MacRoberts

SERMON SERIES FOR SEPTEMBER

I'm perfect



Women's
Pregnancy
Center

**THANKS YOU FOR
PARTICIPATING
IN BABY BOTTLE
BONANZA!**

With 110 bottles returned, our participation brought in \$1,687.65 that will go toward providing Bibles and medical expenses of women in need.



BLOOD DRIVE AT WBC
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
8 AM TO 1 PM, C-114

Flowers for Worship

If you would like to provide flowers for a worship service in celebration, memory, recognition of a person or event in your life—or just because!—remember to sign up on the chart or contact the church office (713.723.6428).

SEPTEMBER 16, 23, 30
OCTOBER 7, 21, 28



Nominating Committee is Taking Names for Vacancies

Our church has councils and committees that are made up of members meeting to make decisions in the areas of church life, administration, personnel, finances, and missions. People serve three-year terms, which are staggered. Therefore, we have some openings for next year.

*If you would like to be considered for serving on a committee or council beginning in 2019, please contact the church office or email:
jennifermccleskey@wbchouston.org.*

LESSONS FROM 40

I remember when my mother turned 40, my father and my uncle threw her a surprise party. We had a trip out to West Texas to visit my father's family just prior to her birthday. The plan was to head back home to Houston on Saturday, which was odd because we always headed home on Sunday. As my father was driving back, he got "lost," which, again, was odd because my father never got lost and had made this particular drive a thousand times. We ended up just north of San Antonio, so my father suggested we stop by my uncle's house for the night. My mother was furious. She hadn't planned to spend an extra day away, and I'm sure, my sisters and I were in the backseat picking at one another. So when our baby blue Volkswagen Beetle pulled up to my uncle's house, we all climbed out like circus clowns and made our way to the front door. There were no lights on in the house, but we rang the doorbell to see if anybody was home. Sure enough, my uncle opened the door to welcome us in. As he turned on the lights, everybody else jumped out of the dark to yell surprise. My father, who was a prankster at heart, stood there soaking it all in. My mother, still furious over "being lost," was speechless as she looked back at him.

I turn 40 myself this month. I have no desire for any surprise parties, as a matter of fact, I've come to enjoy peace and quiet in my later years. But as I approach this milestone, I've often wondered what 40 is going to feel like. There's a part of me that wants to pick up the phone and ask my parents, but I can't. I've asked my sister what it's been like for her, but we're such different people in the way we live our lives. I listen to other people talk about turning 40 and try to pick up clues from them, but I realize that's their story and mine will be different. So, I just continue to put one foot in front of the other as I make my way up the hill to see if I can catch a glimpse of what the other side looks like.

I suppose this same idea is true for us as a church. We have a tendency to want to know what lies ahead, but the reality is we can't know. We are tempted to look at other churches to see what they're doing and try to mimic them in hopes of the same outcomes. But the reality is that God created us to be uniquely Westbury Baptist Church. Out of that uniqueness we have to put one foot in front of the other to continue down the path that God has us on.

In the 2nd century a theologian by the name of Irenaeus wrote this adaptation of Psalm 139:

It is not you who shaped God, it is God who shapes you. If, then, you are the work of God, await the hand of the artist who does all things in due season. Offer the Potter your heart, soft and tractable, and keep the form in which the Artist has fashioned you. Let your clay be moist, lest you grow hard and lose the imprint of the Potter's fingers.

So as we enter into this fall season, we do so with great anticipation of what God is doing in the life of Westbury Baptist Church. We don't know all the details but we can be assured that it will be great. We do know in September the buzz of our church family gathering on Wednesday evenings will begin again. We do know that we will make our way into the community for Faith in Action in October. In November we will celebrate our church's 55th anniversary. And we will conclude this year celebrating the birth of Christ, Immanuel, God with us. I am confident this will be a beautiful season for our church.

May we, without knowing all of the details, continue to put one front in front of the other as we trust God day after day. May we continue to seek to engage in our relationship with God, with one another and with our community. And as God shines light on our path, may we look to Him in awe of His faithfulness and His love.

Grace & Peace,
Brandon

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BAPTIST CHURCH

Join Heart to Hand this Fall!

Wednesday Mornings
9:30 am, C-109

Begins September 5!



A Woman's Heart:
God's Dwelling Place#
by Beth Moore#

What does God want to do through you? God longs to live among His people and in our hearts. Discover the parallels of

the tabernacle's building and your life as a chosen vessel of God with *A Woman's Heart*.

*Ladies are invited to come for fellowship and Bible study!
We have lunch around the table once a month.#*

FALL CAMPOUT

September 14-16

Lake Livingston State Park



Join us for:

Nightly Campfire Devotions
S'mores
Sunday Service
Sunday Group Lunch
Hiking, Biking, and More

COST

RV/Tent Site: \$60
Screened Shelter: \$70

Pre-Campout meeting on
Wednesday, September 5
6:30 pm in room D-103

Contact Randy Mitchell
for more information or to sign up.
randymitchell@wbchouston.org
713.723.6428 ext. 312



**BRAES INTERFAITH
MINISTRIES DRIVE**
for Personal Care Items

Sunday, September 2

School starts soon! Families served by Braes Interfaith Ministries are in need of basic items such as soap, toothpaste/toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, disposable razors, feminine hygiene items, or toilet paper.



Men's Pancake Breakfast and Project Day

Sponsored by the Deacons

September 22, 8 am in Parlor D



SAVE THE DATE

Festival of Tables WOMEN'S BANQUET

Thursday, October 4

6:30 pm, Family Life Center
Darla Baerg, Speaker

*Tickets will be available for purchase starting
September 12 on Sundays after worship and
on Wednesdays through Heart to Hand.*

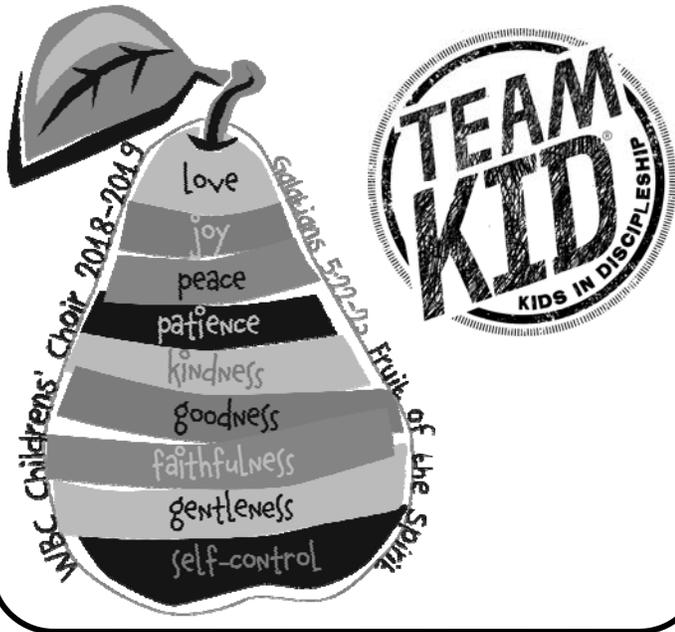
Children's Wednesday Night Activities

Start September 5

For children who are
4 (by September 1) - 5th grade.

Children's Choir: 6 to 7 pm

TEAM KID'S: 7 to 8 pm



A Farewell Note from our beloved Children's Minister



Westbury Church Family,

I wanted to take an opportunity to tell you how much I have enjoyed getting to serve as your Minister to Children over these past nine years. It has been a joy and a privilege to watch your children grow up. It has been fun to walk alongside your families as your children have come to know the Lord and develop their faith. I have enjoyed the times I have spent with you on trips to the valley, ladies retreats, and camps. You all have helped me to grow in my faith. I am thankful for the laughs, the tears, and the time we have spent serving the Lord. You will all hold a special place in my heart. Brian and I will think of you often.

The children's ministry has been placed in good hands and I anticipate great stories of children coming to know the Lord and changing the world.

In Him,
Hope McNeil



A Note from the Children's Choir Coordinator

Galatians 5:22-23 contains a list of desirable character traits: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things, there is no law." This year in children's choirs, we will be helping children understand what these traits look like in action and how they may be able to cultivate them in their lives, with the help of the Holy Spirit. We will begin in September by looking at the whole list and then focusing first on

"love" (especially towards God) as we learn the hymn, "Oh, How I Love Jesus" and as we sing about our love for God (based on Mark 12:30 and/or Matthew 22:37). When you see our children showing love (for God or for each other), please encourage them in their growth! Choir resumes on Wednesday, September 5 (from 6-7 pm) and the children are planning to lead in worship on Sunday AM, **September 30**.

Tronie Gunn

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THE CHURCH ENGAGED

A church that seeks to be engaged
must be a church that is aware of
its opportunities to engage.

We have **29 volunteers in our
Children's Ministry** on Sunday mornings.

We have **6 volunteers in our
Student Ministry** on Sunday mornings.

We have **45 volunteers in our
Adult Ministry** on Sunday mornings.

We have **35 volunteers in our
Worship Ministry** on Sunday mornings.

We have **15 volunteers on our usher/greeter/
welcome center teams** on Sunday mornings.

Since January of 2018, we have had
667 individuals enter the doors of WBC
to be ministered to on Sunday mornings.

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:15 am Bible Study
10:45 am Worship

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

5:00 pm Wed. Night Supper
6:15 pm Overflow: Adult Bible
Study

SUBMIT
YOUR
ARTICLES
for **OCTOBER**

WHO?
WHAT? WHERE?
WHEN? HOW?

BY
TUESDAY,
Sept. 11!

Submit to:
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