



Seventh Notes

SEVENTH & JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH

May 2010

HOW CAN I HELP?

Over the past week and a half we have heard over and over again, “Let me know how I can help.” Your willingness to step up and help in very specific ways so far has been encouraging. You are helping us move into the beginning stages of the interim in wonderful ways. Here are some broad answers to ways you can help during these days.

As summer begins, many of our members will leave by plane, train and automobile for vacation, camps, summer homes, conferences, mission trips and just-because-we-can trips. We miss you when you’re gone. When you’re here during the summer, it matters that you come to worship and other activities. Your presence helps the spirit of our congregation. As Anne Lamott says, “Traveling mercies. Love the journey. Come home safe and sound.”

Take care of those around you. It is impossible for those of us in the church office to know about and to respond to all the needs of those in our church family. So take seriously the covenant that we have made to be the family of God in this place. Check on people in your Sunday school class. Follow up with those on the prayer list. Linger a little longer in the sanctuary on Sunday to visit with friends. When someone asks, “How are you?” risk telling them the truth. Write a note to a homebound member on Wednesday nights. Visit someone in the hospital. Be on the lookout for who are missing this summer and let them know they are missed.

Pray for our church during these days of transition. Pray for God’s spirit to lead us. Pray for courage to serve in new and unfamiliar ways. Pray for our Administrative Council as they seek ways to lead our congregation through the interim. Pray for those who will proclaim God’s word on Sunday mornings. Pray for the Stewardship Council as they form a slate of search committee members. Pray for the search committee as they seek to make the best decisions for our church.

“How can I help?” Come to worship this week. It’s Sixth Grade Ascension, and the Choristers will sing. Derek Dodson is preaching. Come to programs on Wednesday night. Come to supper and share conversations around the table. Come to lunch and dinner groups. Deliver Meals on Wheels; volunteer to help in Vacation Bible School on Wednesday nights; spend time with our Youth; make a hospital or home-bound visit; take a CD of morning worship to someone who couldn’t come; play on the playground in Extended Session; learn how to run the sound on Sunday morning; volunteer to help collect the offering; stop by the church office and see if there are ways you can help.

In other words...keep doing what you’re doing – ministering to each other (you’re good ministers to *these* ministers!)

Ministering alongside you,
Matt and Leslie

High School Graduates

Berkeley Schleicher Anderson, *Waco High School*
(University of Arkansas)
(granddaughter of Dorothy Schleicher)

Lincoln Crowder, *Midway High School*
(Texas A&M University)

Tannah DeLoach, *Coppell High School*
(granddaughter of Bill & Bobbie DeLoach)

Talj Tatum, *Robinson High School*
(Baylor University)

Erin Rich, *Midway High School (Baylor University)*

Adrienne Steely, *Midway High School*
(Baylor University)

James Wiley III, *Midway High School*
(grandson of Jim & Wanda Wiley)

College Graduates

Ashlyn Berry, *Baylor University*

Tyler DeLoach, *Baylor University*
(grandson of Bill & Bobbie DeLoach)

Andy Dill, *Baylor University*

John Driver, *Baylor University*

Yen Hoang, *Baylor University*

Andrea Johnson, *Southern Methodist University*
(daughter of Kaye Johnson)

Alex Jones, *Trinity University*

Katie Kamperman, *Baylor University*

Katie Musick, *Baylor University*

Trey Peery, *Baylor University*

Natalie Rodgers, *Baylor University*

Meredith Wilkinson, *Gordon College*
(daughter of David & Melanie Wilkinson)

Masters

Sara Hills, *Syracuse University*

**Caleb Cruseturner**

Caleb joins Seventh by profession of faith and was baptized on May 9. Caleb is in fifth grade at St. Paul's Episcopal Day School and is the son of Ashley and Angela Cruseturner.

**Anne Dudley**

Anne joins Seventh by letter. She is a retired missionary and has returned to Waco to be close to family. Anne joined Seventh for the first time when she was 16. We're glad to welcome her back.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEACON OFFERING COORDINATORS

DATE	DEACON
May 16:	Daryle Echols
May 23:	Chris Grant
May 30:	Becky Griffin
June 6:	Mary and Bob Darden
June 13:	COMMUNION

WORSHIP CARE & EXTENDED SESSION VOLUNTEERS

Date	Worship Care Leuschner 102	Extended Session Leuschner 104
May 16	Annette Lindsey	1) Marie Cleverley 2) Beverly Walker
May 23	Missy Kittner	1) Amanda Sturgill 2) David Sturgill
May 30	Carolyn Keathley	1) Angela Cruseturner 2) Ashley Cruseturner
June 6	Mike Jones	1) Missy Kittner 2) David Kittner
June 13	Becky Griffin	1) Donna Kennedy 2) Joy Marshall
June 20	Donna Kennedy	1) Paula Hoover 2) Mike Jones
June 27	Sharon Hynan	1) Jeanne Ryden 2) David Ryden
July 4	Bert Wilson	1) Sandy Bureson 2) Frank Mathis

WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAMS

During the interim the Education Council will be responsible for scheduling our Wednesday Evening Programs. If you have an idea or suggestion for a speaker or a topic, please see a member of the Education Council.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, JUNE 5
8:30 AM



HARPER HALL
\$6.00

PLEASE INVITE A FRIEND!

Sunday School Fellowship

Join us for goodies in Harper Hall before
Sunday school on

Sunday, June 6th from
9:15-9:45am

If you would like to bring a dish to share,
please contact Leslie Rosencrans.

Food From the Faithful:
Please bring donations of canned meat
(tuna, chicken, etc.) to be donated to
Caritas for families in need in Waco.

SEVENTH'S SENIORS

May 27 • 10:30
Potluck & Dominoes

COUNCILS

Administrative Council

Ray Deaver (10) (CHAIR)
Keith Hartberg (10)
Carolyn Keathley (10)
Sylvia Stockton (11)
Bruce Dyer (12)
Joy Marshall (12)
Tom Newsom (12)

Missions Council

VACANT (10)
Doris DeLoach (10)
Glenn Gilbert (10)
Jay Belew (11)
Elinor Mazé (11) (CHAIR)
Sherrie Dodson (12)
Camden Schobert (12)

Stewardship Council

Linda McManness (10)
Rita Purdy (10)
Missy Kittner (11) (CHAIR)
Jamie Burnett (12)
Ann McGlashan (12)
Daythene Schaeper (12)
Dorothy Schleicher (12)

Education Council

Marie Cleverley (10)
Naymond Keathley (10)
David Kittner (10)
Keith Sanford (11)
David Sturgill (12) (CHAIR)
Wanda Wiley (12)
Sandy Wilson (12)

Outreach Council

Bert Wilson (10)
Derek Dodson (11) (CHAIR)
Barbara Hills (11)
Paula Hoover (11)
Beverly Walker (11)
David Wilkinson (11)
Ann Sims (12)

Children & Youth Ministry Council

Angela Cruseturner (10)
Sharon Hynan (10) (CHAIR)
Kathryn Steely (10)
Janet Sheets (11)
Wade Rowatt (12)
Jeanne Hill Ryden (12)
Kelsey Dodson, *Youth Rep.*
Megan Kittner, *Youth Rep.*

Worship Council

Rosalie Beck (10)
Bill Hillis (10)
Matthew Schobert (10)
Ruth Belew (11)
Paul Hagelstein (11) (CHAIR)
Robert Best (12)
Pat Wilson (12)

Inreach Council

Louis Mazé (10)
Melanie Wilkinson (10)
Hilary Grant (11)
Carrolle Kamperman (11)
Judy McCracken (12)
Barbara Reis (12)
Ron Stanke (12)

At-Large Cabinet Members

Lai Ling Ngan (10)
Mike Jones (11)

Church Officers

Moderator: Michael Long
Vice-Moderator: Sharon Rollins
Church Clerk: Rosalie Beck
Church Historian: Michael Long
(11)

Deacon Officers

Chair: Ashley Cruseturner
Chair-Elect: Bert Wilson
Secretary: Carl Hoover
Communion: Mike Jones