



# WEEKLY MESSENGER

JANUARY 15, 2017

## WORSHIP NOTES

**Following the benediction**, you are invited to the Harris Room at the rear of the Sanctuary for coffee, tea, and fellowship.

**Deacon of the Week, Ann Madden** is available for spiritual care needs during the week. You may contact her at 985.847.0055.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

**Mid-Week Community Meals:** Join us for our weekly meals each Wednesday. Dinner begins at 5:30 (\$8/adult, \$4/child, \$20 family max). On Wednesday January 18, we will have green salad, baked chicken, roasted potatoes, and green beans followed by committee/team meetings as well as a hymn sing in the chapel. To ensure a plate, reservations must be made through the church office by 3pm on Mondays.

**Book study opportunities:** In the coming months, we have 2 book study opportunities. Please contact the church office if you are interested in either/ both.

**Late January:** We will begin an evening study of Michelle Alexander's *The New Jim Crow* to learn more about racial injustice and think critically about how we as individuals and communities of faith can speak and act against these injustices.

**February:** We will begin a morning study called *Sessions With Philippians: Finding Joy in Community* each Tuesday at 10am in the church parlor. This will be an in depth Bible study of Paul's letter to the Philippians.

**Office Closed:** Please note the church office will be closed on Monday 1/16 in observance of MLK Day.

## COMMUNITY LOSS

We are saddened to learn of the death of Bob Carroll, longtime member of the St. Charles community. We pray for Sharon Carroll as she grieves this loss. Services will be held in the sanctuary on Friday January 27th. Visitation will be from 9:30-10am, and the service will be at 10am. Bob will be laid to rest in the national cemetery in Biloxi, MS at 1:30pm.

## WINTER CALENDAR

<b>Jan. 16:</b>	Office Closed in observance of MLK Day
<b>Jan. 18:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal: Committee/Team Meetings
<b>Jan. 25:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal: The Graduates perform "Won't Bow Down!"
<b>Jan.</b>	Evening book studies on Michelle Alexander's <i>The New Jim Crow</i>
<b>Feb.</b>	Morning Bible study on <i>Sessions With Philippians</i> Tuesdays at 10am in the church parlor
<b>Feb. 1:</b>	Peace Dinner: Carol Spencer Community Organizer with Together Louisiana and Together New Orleans
<b>Feb. 8:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal: Mission Action focus
<b>Feb. 12:</b>	4th Quarter 2016 Business Meeting
<b>Feb. 15:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal
<b>Feb. 22:</b>	No Mid-week Community Meal (Mardi Gras)
<b>Feb. 26:</b>	23rd Annual Jazz Worship with Dr. Michael White and the Original Liberty Jazz Band
<b>Feb. 27-28:</b>	Office Closed for Mardi Gras
<b>Mar. 1:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal: Ash Wednesday
<b>Mar. 8:</b>	Peace Dinner: LeDayne Polaski, Executive Director of Baptist Peace Fellowship
<b>Mar. 11:</b>	Saturday workshop with LeDanyne Polaski
<b>Mar. 12:</b>	Sunday worship with LeDayne Polaski
<b>Mar. 15:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal
<b>Mar. 22:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal
<b>Mar. 29:</b>	Mid-week Community Meal
<b>Mar. 31- Apr. 2:</b>	Women's Retreat

## BIRTHDAYS

January 20: Julia Lott