

GOOD SHEPHERD
E.Y.C.

SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- Turkey Drive By
- Happening & YES
- Ice Skating
- Calendar of Events
- Taco Sunday

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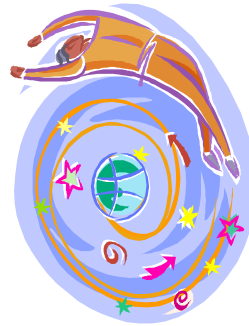
November Lunch Meetings

As I approach my retirement, I see that things change, but they seem to stay the same. I have seen many kids through the years. All of them are searching for the same thing—happiness, love, and acceptance.

At times we think life tells us that to be happy we must have the acceptance of our peers. Growing in your Christian belief will tell you that you don't need anyone's acceptance but God.

When you truly believe that God is the center of your universe, you will be better able to find that happiness that you are searching for.

Question of the Month



What part of the body of Christ are you?

We are a body with each person serving as a special part. God talks about us being a body to show how Christians should treat each other and work together. God has given each Christian special gifts. Like the parts of the body, we need each other. All of our gifts are important.

There are many parts to our bodies. It is the same with Christ's body. It takes every one of us to make it complete. We each have different work to do.

Romans 12:6-8

November Meetings

11:30 am—2:00 pm

November 1

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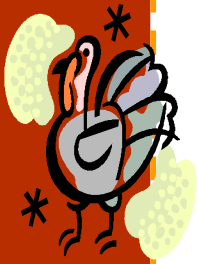
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Mission Payments Begin

Summer Mission trip payments start up in the month of November. If you are registered for the Jr. High trip to Austin or the Sr. High trip to Canada, you will receive in the mail a payment schedule.

The letter will outline what scholarship you are eligible for and what

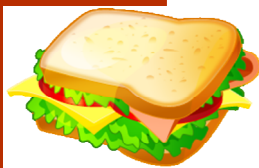
your bi-monthly payment will be. The payments are scheduled for November 15, January 15, March 15, and May 15. Please pay on time because when you don't it puts stress on the E.Y.C. fund to cover your spot. The full balance for airline and camp fees are due by June 1 and E.Y.C. must cover this amount!



How many turkeys fit in your trunk?

Do you believe because it is your parent's belief?

No Lunch Meetings, but never fear—we will still eat with the parish on Nov. 15 & Nov. 29!



The Great Turkey Drive By

What is your favorite memory of Thanksgiving dinner? Is it the dressing and gravy? Is it the pumpkin pie? Is it sitting down with your family to a table full of food and feeling full later sitting in front of the T.V. watching football? Doesn't everyone have these same memories?

The answer is "no"! That is why we try to make it happen for someone who is looking at a dismal Thanksgiving with very little food on their table. We need you to help with this service

project on Saturday, November 7. Meet at Good Shepherd at 10:00 a.m. You will be assigned an adult driver who will be ready with a stack of maps.

You and your team will take the maps and go to all the houses that have donated a frozen turkey to you to pick up. After you have gone to all the homes on your list, your team will deliver the frozen turkeys to Christian Helping Hands in Pearland.

Christian Helping Hands will load up their walk-in freezer with your

turkeys which they will hand out to families who come by their ministry looking for help this Thanksgiving.

Ask your parents to volunteer to be one of the adult drivers. We cannot do this service project without their help.

After we have delivered all the turkeys, we will go to lunch together at Sonic on Friendswood Drive. Be sure to bring your lunch money. Your parents will pick you up at Sonic at 12:30 p.m.

Please help with this worthwhile service project. You will benefit with community service hours., as well as, do a good thing!

Happening #129 & YES #96

There is still time to sign up for Happening (for 10th-12th graders) and YES (for 7th—9th graders)! The registration fee is \$65 per person, but is covered 100% by E.Y.C. funds.

These retreats are at Camp Allen near Navasota. They are full of fun, good food, great guitar music, and Episcopal kids from all over Texas.

The YES weekend centers on

how unique God made you. Through small groups, games, crafts, and witness, you will start on your walk with Christ.

Happening is peer led with the same format, but the talks are centered more on you taking responsibility for your relationship with God.

Both retreats will be a memory that you will never forget and I encourage you to sign up.

Paige Abowd, Suzy Spencer, and Steve Warwick will attend the November Happening. Pray that they will have a true encounter with Christ.

Adults can attend these retreats, as well as youth. If you have any questions about Happening or YES, you can read about them at the following website:

www.epicenter.org

Only Two Lunch Meetings in Nov.

Some months we have less Lunch Meetings because of special occasions at church. This is one of those months.

No Lunch Meetings:

- Nov. 15—Special church meet-

ing to vote on new Vestry members with a lunch

- Nov. 22—Happening and YES closing at Camp Allen at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.
- Nov. 29—5th Sunday One Service Only at 10:00 a.m. with lunch

That means that the only

Lunch Meetings in November will be on Nov. 1 and Nov. 8.

The usual Lunch Hosts and Jr. High Mentors will be given a day off.

Winter Ice Skating at Space Center Ice Station

We have been many times to Space Center Ice Station to play Broom-ball, but this month we are going to ring in the “hopefully” cold winter with a fun day ice skating.

For those of you who are not going out of town for the Thanksgiving holiday, come to Space Center Ice Station on Saturday, November 28, 12:30—2:40 p.m. and strap on some ice skates!

The cost is \$5.00 per person and your whole family is invited to join in on the fun! Ask your friends to come, as well, and their cost is \$6.

Dress warm and wear some padding!

You know that you wish for the holiday from school and then all of a sudden you are at home and bored saying “what is there to do?”

Well, this is the answer to your prayer. What is more fun that skating around the ice rink with friends and family?

If your parents drop you off, you will need to have them sign a permission form before they leave. Have them pick you up at 3:00 p.m.

You must send me an email letting me know how many are coming to this event—you, family, and/or friends. This price is based on group rates and I will need to let Space City know how many people are in my group.

So after all the turkey is eaten and all the football games are over, spend a Saturday afternoon with E.Y.C. at the ice skating rink. I hope that we see some of our friends who have been off to college join us that day. We miss them so much and want to see them!



Mark your calendars ahead for these activities!

What is coming up in the months ahead

Are you one that wants to plan ahead and make sure you don't miss something? Here is a list of important dates to keep you from double booking:

- Dec. 13—EYC Christmas Party
- Dec. 19—Sweet Jesus Season
- Dec. 20—Taco Sunday
- Dec. 28-30—Mid Winter at Camp Allen & YES #99 at Camp Allen
- Jan. 22-24—Happening #131 & YES #98
- Feb. 26-28—Inter. & Jr. High Retreats at Camp Allen
- Apr. 16-18—Youth Ministry Conference at Camp Allen
- Apr. 23-25—Happening #132
- Jun. 13-18—Jr. High Mission trip to Austin
- Jul. 10-17—Sr. High Mission trip to Canada
- Jul. 23-25—Wessendorff Hill Country Trip

Taco Sunday is 8th; Moved Up One Sunday

We are moving Taco Sunday up one week this month because there is a special lunch on the third Sunday. Since we can't use the kitchen on our usual day, we will meet at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 8th to do our usual magic in preparing a ton of delicious breakfast tacos.

Last month we were blessed with a big crowd that showed up early and

it took us no time to get the tacos in the warmer.

Our new schedule for Taco Sunday is as follows:

- 7:00 a.m.—Hit the door ready to cook & assemble tacos
- 9:30 a.m.—Go to rooms to watch one-half of movie of the day
- 10:45 a.m.—Go to Sunday School

11:30 a.m.—Go to worship service and sing with Toast Williams

12:30 p.m.—Go to Youth Center to get lunch and go to rooms to watch last half of movie of the day

2:00 p.m.—Parents pick you up to go home



Scholarship money is made when you work Taco Sunday



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Upper Room E.Y.C. News

E.Y.C. stands for Episcopal Youth Community. It includes everyone 11 years of age and up. We share our belief in Jesus Christ while having crazy fun activities. The program is led by the Youth Minister, Nancy Browning and is assisted by many adult volunteers. Friends from all faiths are always welcome. If you need additional information about any of the activities listed in this newsletter, please feel free to contact us.

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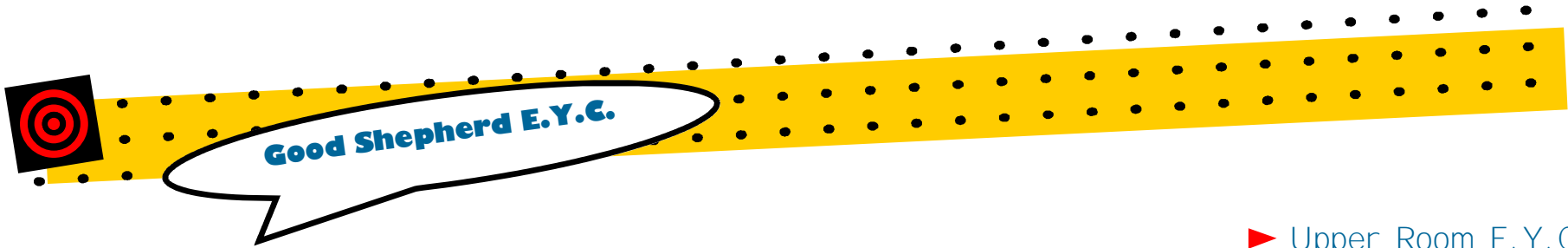
Lunch and Mentor List for November

Lunch should be delivered to the Youth Center by 11:30 a.m. Plan for 20-25. E.Y.C. furnishes drinks and paper goods. Suggested meals are:

- Casseroles
- Spaghetti
- Sloppy Joes
- Chili Pies
- Queso Dip & Chips
- Lasagna
- Sandwiches & Chips
- Soup & Crackers
- Taco Salad
- Pizza
- Taco Bell Tacos
- Chicken Nuggets & Fries

Lunch Hosts	Jr. High Mentors
November 1 Parrack/Weaver	November 1 Woolard Family
November 8 Tiller/Stilwell	November 8 Stilwell Family
November 15 No Lunch Meeting	November 15 No Lunch Meeting
November 22 No Lunch Meeting	November 22 No Lunch Meeting
November 29 No Lunch Meeting	November 29 No Lunch Meeting

*Thank God for the blessing
of volunteers!*



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Lunch Meeting 11:30-2 pm	2	3	4	5	6	7 Turkey Drive By 10 am-12:30 pm
8 Taco Sun. 7 am & Lunch Meeting 2 pm	9	10	11 Youth Minister's Retreat @ Camp Allen	12 Youth Minister's Retreat @ Camp Allen	13 Youth Minister's Retreat @ Camp Allen	14
15 No Lunch Meeting Today	16	17	18	19	20 Hap. #129 & YES #96	21 Hap. #129 & YES #96
22 No Lunch Meeting Today-Hap. & YES	23	24	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving Day!	27	28 Ice Skating 12:30-3 pm \$5.00
29 No Lunch Meeting Today-5th Sun. Lunch	30					

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