

EPISCOPAL CHURCH of the
HEAVENLY REST

God's Love. For All.

Heavenly Rest is dedicated to serving and creating community by proclaiming the good news of God's love for all. New here? Please fill out a welcome card from the back of the pew or on our website at heavenlyrestabilene.org/visit.

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Summer Outreach Opportunities at Heavenly Rest and in Abilene - Join in our Friday hands on outreach at Heavenly Rest this summer! It's a chance to connect with those in the community and fellow parishioners with grocery distribution. Contact Sue McWilliams at smmm@aol.com for more information. All ages are welcome!

Breakfast on Beech Street - There's always a place for you to help with Breakfast on Beech Street, an early morning feeding ministry where folks from several churches and organizations join together to provide free breakfast and sack lunches at First Christian Church-Disciples of Christ, 1420 N 3rd Street in Abilene. There are two ways to serve, either Sunday afternoon or Monday morning. Contact Jody DePriest, BOB's coordinator at (325)669-3312 jody.depriest@gmail.com for more information. All ages are welcome!

Ice Cream Social - There will be an ice cream social at the church this Wednesday, May 31. We'll meet from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. for homemade ice cream and a variety of toppings. There will also be active and carnival games for toddlers through adults in the Courtyard and on the front lawn, and pinatas for children and youth. You are also welcome to sit, eat ice cream, and enjoy some fellowship. You DO NOT need to sign up to attend. We DO NEED HELP, so sign up for: bringing homemade ice cream, or toppings OR helping with setup, with carnival games, or putting games away at <https://heavenlyrestabilene.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1752663>.

Family Vacation Bible School - VBS for all ages, children through adults, is scheduled for June 5-7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Our theme will be "WELCOME!" Our team is planning Scripture, stories, recreation, art, snacks, music, and more for the whole family to enjoy together. We will lead into the annual Children's Art and Literacy Festival (C.A.L.F.) the following weekend using one of the featured books, Wombat Said Come In, illustrated by Brian Lies, as we look at giving and seeking help in times of need. As last year, we will have some children whose adults are unable to attend, so we will need additional adults to help shepherd "family groups" or to help by taking photos, serving snacks, etc. Sign up at heavenlyrestabilene.churchcenter.com. Carol Ann also needs fabric pieces to make 8 1/2 by 1 1/2 inch strips. For more information, contact Carol Ann at cweston@heavenlyrestabilene.org.



Diocesan Summer Camp - The summer camps sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas are scheduled to take place in Ceta Glen, Happy Texas. Theme is "I Came Down from Heaven: The Incarnation."

July 16-22 Camp Quarterman - Youth who have completed grades 7-12. Cost is \$400.

July 23-28 Camp Quarterman Jr - Youth who have completed grades 2-5. Cost is \$335.
(Youth who have completed 6th grade can choose either camp).

Registration deadline is June 15. A \$100 deposit is required to hold each camper's spot, with balance due 2 weeks before camp. Families with more than one child in the immediate family attending camp will receive \$75 per child discount, after one full fee is paid. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available. Please note on the payment page if aid is needed. Registration is open now at <https://form.jotform.com/230962994604162>.

Pack the Pantry - We need your help to stock our food pantry. Every Friday, our Outreach Ministry hands out sacks of groceries to those who are in need. We are currently serving nearly 40 families each week. Contributions can be dropped off at the church office. Financial donations are always welcome. Food coupons can also be donated. If you would like to volunteer your time to pick up food, organize our pantry, and distribute items each week, please contact the church office or Sue McWilliams.



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Summertime at Heavenly Rest

Sunday School - Both Exploring Spiritual Treasure (with accompanying breakfast) and Sunday School for children and youth have ceased for the summer. These programs will resume in the Fall. The "Preaching the Good Word" study at 9:15 am on Sundays will continue. There will be water and coffee in Gerhart Hall and in the Bishop Garrett room.

Wednesday Nights - There will be no Wednesday night programming (supper and lesson) during the summer. It will resume in the Fall. However, the Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing will continue throughout the summer on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.

Liturgy at Lyndale - The "Liturgy at Lyndale" program will continue through the summer on the fourth Sunday of the month. For more information contact Deacon Karen Boyd at kboyd@heavenlyrestabilene.org.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, May 28th

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite I (Nave)*
9:15 AM Preaching the Good News*
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite II (Nave & livestream)
Combined English and Swahili Service*
11:45 AM VBS Registration in Gerhart Hall
2:00 PM Liturgy at Lyndale

Monday, May 29th

5:30 AM Breakfast On Beech Street
8:30 AM Offices closed all day

Tuesday, May 30th

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
10:00 AM Staff meeting
11:00 AM Clergy meeting
4:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
8:00 PM Unity Group AA

Wednesday, May 31st

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
10:30 AM Hands-On Assistance (online)
5:30 PM Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing
6:30 PM Ice Cream Social
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 1st

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
9:30 AM Bible Study
12:00 PM CODA meeting
12:00 PM Men's Brown Bag Lunch
12:00 PM Do-Gooders Club
8:00 PM Unity Group AA

Friday, June 2nd (offices closed at noon)

8:30 AM Morning Prayer
9:30 AM Grocery Distribution
10:30 AM Hands-On Assistance (online)

Saturday, June 3rd

9:00 AM Altar Guild
4:30 PM Alleluia Choir rehearsal

Sunday, June 4th

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite I (Nave)*
9:15 AM Preaching the Good News
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite II (Nave & livestream)*
1:00 PM Worship in Swahili*

*nursery care is available for ages 0-4

View a detailed schedule at heavenlyrestabilene.org/calendar.

PRAYERS

THANKSGIVINGS

For those celebrating birthdays this week: Mark Waters, Emily Procopio

INTERCESSIONS

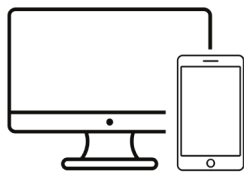
Bryson Hodge, the Dacy family, Juan, Connie, Virginia Wright, Frank Sims, Ricky Mitchell, Robert O'Dell, Gary Goodnight, Teresa West, Cynthia Akin, Linda Taubert, Ken Majkut, Kathy Curtis, Drew Fooshee, Adley Burden, Mike Lanier, Fred Cavazos, Carrie Parkey, Gerry Lawler, Jim Raffel, Elizabeth Webber, Smick Fletcher, Susan Pratt, Nichole Evans, Jenna Dozier, Scott & Taylor Ledbetter, Bill North, Dana Vickers, Susan Stack, Nancy Capra, Donald McDonald, Calvin Fuller, Karen Holligan, Kim, Baylor Brown, Greg Morris, Vanessa & Jon Hale, Sandy Graham, Lindsey Family, Jim McBride, Russell McKeever, Michael McShan, Ray Pyeatt, Janet Jergins, Angie Whitten, Carolyn and Frank Sheffield, Virginia Morrell, Britt McIntire, Jerry Bell, Roger Mees, Kade Parmelly, Patrick Reedy, Vanessa Reedy, Ken Kruger, Carol Porter, Anna Rolen, John Barbee, Ricky Martinez, Addie VanKirk, Felacitas Paradez, Jamie Dunn, Linda Estrada, Charlie Teague, Elon Mues, Maria White, Mark Lamb, Michael & Rebecca Kinnebrew, Helen Andrews, John Best, Jamie Sargisson, Arianna Kenyon, BJ Madrid, Norma Labarthe, Linda Lantz, Ken Reed, Chris Choate

For deployed military and first responders: Gordon Hodgkins, Trenton Closson, Michael Paisley, David Broyles, Jr., Health Care Workers, Members of the Abilene Fire, Police, and Sheriff's Departments

For the recently departed: Dorothea Ernest, Dick McCallum, Susan Sonntag Hughes, Nichole Evans, Charles Stenholm

Haven't seen your birthday listed?! Update your information in our church database:

Connect with your Church family online! - We are developing several streamlined ways to connect with your church family. Discover how you can interact more efficiently with your ministry groups and fellow parishioners. Our online directory is now available to access on a platform called Church Center. You must log in to heavenlyrestabilene.churchcenter.com/directory to update or create your profile. You can use your phone number or email to gain access. Please make sure to update your profile with the latest information. You also have control over what information is shared. Contact the office with questions at info@heavenlyrestabilene.org.



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Is there something you would like to share with the church? Please submit announcements and materials to the Communications office.
Contact Austin Hackel at ahackel@heavenlyrestabilene.org.