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Ramspiration

**Lunch Bunch @ Los Poncho's Moss Bluff ,
Sunday after service**

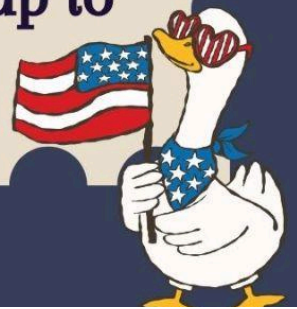
**Bona Vox will be performing - SPIRIT, Water
and Words- in the Sanctuary, Thurs. July 16
@7pm**

**Come make Prayer Beads with us! Wed. July 22nd
at 10 am in Classroom B.**

**July 22-25th is Weekend of the Cross Mission
Trip, Pray for our staff and youth!**

**"The Personal History of Rachel DuPree" July's
Book Club Read. We will meet at the home of Jo
Parker, 301 Pine St., Sulphur. Everyone welcome
—fourth Thursday, 4 PM.**

**July 26th is Youth Sunday, with Youth Group to
Follow.**



Prayer Request

KIM ARDOIN
JERRY BARNHILL
SHARON BARNHILL
TONY BAKER
MARLENE BENOIT
NANCY BOUGELOIS
RENEE BOUZIGARD
MORRIA BOYINGTON
MARION BOWMAN
ALEE BREAUX
TONY BREAUX
BETH BRUNGARD
NORM CABLE
BRANDON CHENIER
LISA CONRAD
BECKY CORMIER
ASHLEY CRAIG
RANDALL DINGER

THE DINGERS
ROB ELLENDER
JEANIE FISHER
ALVIS FONTENOT
LEILAH FRANKLIN
SHIRLEY GUTHRIE
JIM GIBSON
WILDA GINTZ
LOUIS GOODEAUX
MAY GRAY
LAKISHA HAYES
SHIRLEY HOBEN
SUE HOLMES
LOU INGLES
PAM LECTINGBERG
J.C. PICARD
ROBERT MCCLOUD

STEVEN MCCLOUD
JOHN MILLER
CANDICE BRUMFIELD
DEBORAH GATHREAUX
KYNDALL G. JOHNSTON
SANDY & RICHARD MORGAN
HUNTER ROBINSON
MARY ROBINSON
BECKY ROLLINS
PAT SANDERS
REBECCA SEXTON
DONALD SCHATZ
BOO & MARY SCHULTZ
STACEY TRAHAN
JOSH TURNAGE
JOHNATHON WILLIAMS
BARRY ZERANGUE

Family of John Castille Jr.

Prayers for All affected by the Israel/Iran War, our first responders, the hearts and minds of our elected officials, our military, our inadequately housed, our pastor and her family, and our friends at High Hope Care Center.

Travel Mercies for the Robinsons

WORDS OF MEDITATION

"And still, the Gospel frames the feeding of the five thousand as an "exodus moment" to suggest that Jesus' presence and power in the lives of his followers is on par with God's work on behalf of the enslaved Israelites. Specifically, the sustenance that Christ provides is a foretaste of the freedom from sins that he will forecast for his disciples at the Last Supper."

- **Nicholas J. Schaser**



PRACTICE

Read each of the stories of feeding more than a 5,000 people in the Gospels: Matthew 14:13-21, Mark 6:30-44, Luke 9:10-17, and John 6:1-14. Once you have read all four of the passages, journal about their similarities and differences. How does this change your viewpoint of the story that most people know so well?

REFLECTION

Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus sees the great crowd, he does not turn away from their hunger or send them off to fend for themselves; instead, he responds with care and concern for their needs. In doing so, Jesus shows the disciples that compassion is more than feeling sorry for others—it is a willingness to notice suffering and to act with mercy. Even when the resources seem small, Jesus takes what is offered, blesses it, and uses it to feed the multitude. The disciples learn that compassion trusts God’s abundance rather than being paralyzed by scarcity. This story reminds us that God teaches us to open our hearts, offer what we have, and participate in meeting the needs of others with love.

DISCUSSION

1. Jesus goes away to a deserted place after hearing difficult news, yet still responds to the crowd with compassion. What does this reveal about the heart of Jesus?
2. Why does Jesus tell the disciples to feed the crowd when he knows they lack supplies to do so?
3. What do you notice about the actions of Jesus: taking, blessing, breaking, and giving? Why might those actions matter?
4. What is one concrete way this passage calls you or your community to live differently this week?

When God Makes a Way

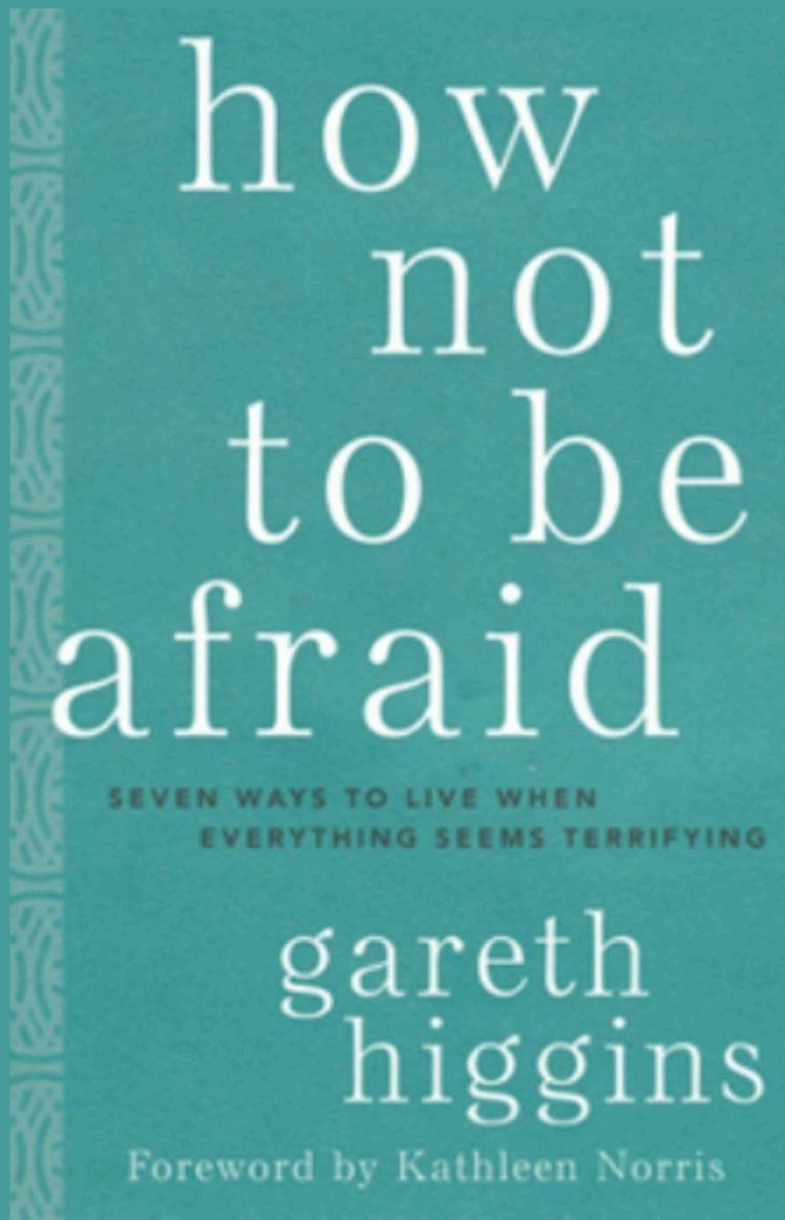
A Sermon Series in July



CHURCH WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

June 21st- July 26th All Sunday School Classes taught
by Rev. Lauren, all materials will be provided.

Classroom A, 9am



HELP WANTED



Rev. Lauren, and Crystal are bringing our youth to Weekend at the Cross in July.

We need two volunteers, for two days, to answer phones. Please sign up below.

Wednesday July 22
9 am to 1 pm

Thursday July 23
9 am to 1 pm

Filled

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Thank you for helping us take the youth to do special service work this summer.

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**BONA
VOX**

* **Thursday July 16**
7:00 PM

Westlake United Methodist Church
Westlake, LA

* **Friday July 17**
7:00 PM

* **St. Luke Simpson**
United Methodist Church
Lake Charles, LA

Saturday July 18
7:00 PM

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
Lafayette, LA

More Info!

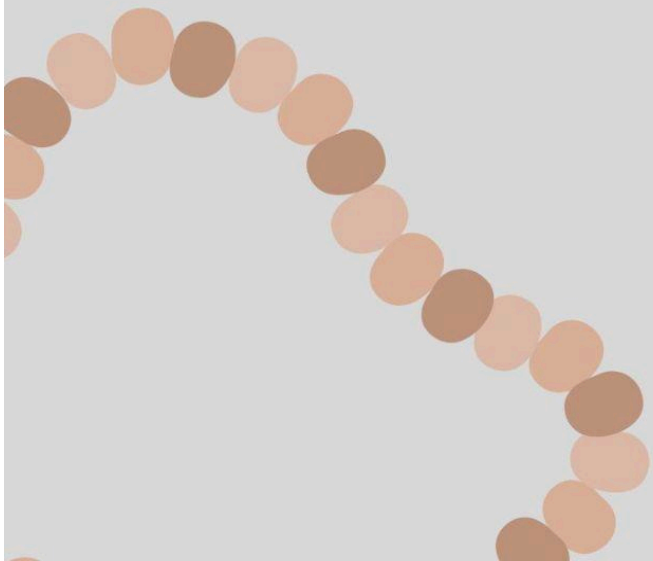


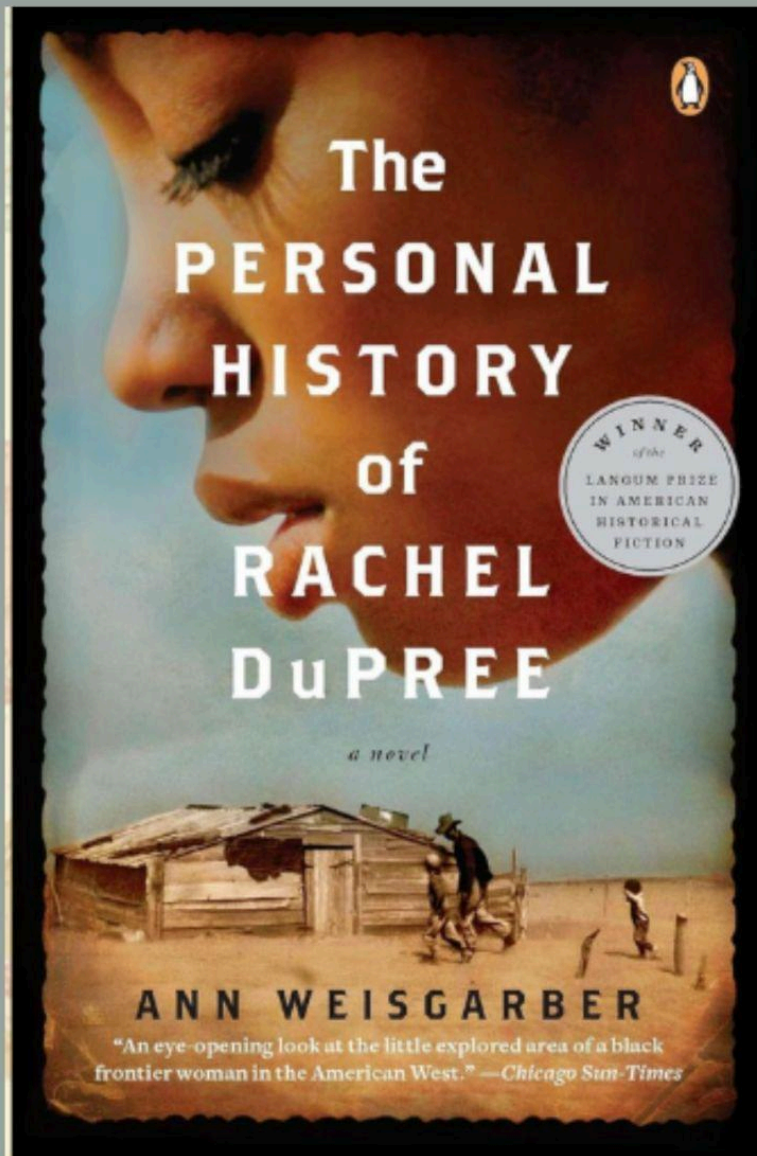
SPIRIT
WATER AND WORDS



COME MAKE PRAYER BEADS WITH US!

Wednesday, July 22nd
we will make Prayer Beads in
Classroom B at 10am.





Book Club

Westlake Library

July 23rd

4 PM

**WATCH US ON FACEBOOK,
10 AM LIVE, OR CATCH UP
ANYTIME!**



**CLICK THE LINK BELOW FOR
THE MOST RECENT SERVICE.**

Enjoy Rev. Lauren's Sermon, Here's the link!

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