



Friday Bulletin

Good Shepherd E-News
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Good Shepherd in Athens, Ohio

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This Upcoming Sunday

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 23, 2022

Inside service, please wear a mask and
follow Order of Worship guidelines.

10:30 a.m. Service ([Order of Worship](#))

Holy Eucharist Rite II-A

Celebrant: Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Norm Fox

Prayer Leader: Dana Carlson

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Huge

Altar Guild: Sharon Huge

LESSONS for the third Sunday after the Epiphany: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19, I Corinthians 12: 12-31a; Luke 4: 14-21.

<https://www.lectionarypage.net>

Volunteers Needed to Help with Sunday Services

· **Counter**

We need your help counting the financial gifts given during the church service. All you have to do is stay a few minutes after the church service on Sundays and count the money collected during the service, fill out a form stating what you counted, then put the money in a pouch and put the pouch in the closet in the church office. **Time:** it will take approximately 15 minutes to accomplish. How often you are asked to do it depends on how many people volunteer. Volunteers will be put on a schedule. If you are interested, please contact Mother Deborah at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com

· **Greeter**

We need your help greeting people when they enter the church for the service. All you have to do is arrive 10 minutes before the church service starts, stand or sit by the door or on the porch, warmly greet people as they enter, remind them to put their mask on if they forgot or offer them one of our free masks, and answer any questions like where the bathrooms are if they ask. Once everyone has arrived, you have no other duties. How often you are asked to do this depends on how many people step up to volunteer, all volunteers will be put on a schedule. If you are interested, please contact Mother Deborah at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com

Thank you for your help, it is by working together that we can offer in-person Sunday morning church services.

Coming up on the Calendar

Sunday, January 23, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, January 26, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl Meeting at Julie Nehls

Sunday, January 30, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Sunday, January 30, 3:00 p.m. - - All Parish Annual Meeting, ZOOM

Sunday, February 6, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, February 10, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl Meeting

Sunday, February 13, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Thursday, February 17, 7:00 p.m. - - Vestry Meeting, ZOOM

Sunday, February 20, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, February 24, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl Meeting

Sunday, February 27, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

CrossRoads Café is open on Sundays after church.

Mother Deborah's January Office Hours Canceled

In light of the updated Covid guidelines and Bishop Smith's well founded concerns with the increase in new Covid cases in Ohio and Athens County, Mother Deborah will not be doing office hours in January. The Bishop expressed a healthy practice of having as few people in the building as possible, which makes sense during this spike in cases. Mother Deborah is readily available via phone call, text message, and email. Matters that require in-person meeting can be made via appointment.

Thank you for your continued understanding and patience.



Annual Meeting of Church of the Good Shepherd Sunday, January 30, 2022 Zoom video conference at 3:00 p.m.

Every year every parish in the Episcopal Church meets to elect leadership for the year, approve the budget for the year, and receive reports of the active ministries in the parish.

In light of the high number of new Covid cases in our county and the most recent communication from Bishop Smith about meetings should be done via video conferencing due the surge in Covid across the state and with consultation with the Senior and Junior Wardens, we decided to change the Annual Meeting of Church of the Good Shepherd to a Zoom video conference. This change might be disappointing to some of you. The intention is not to punish anyone. The intention is to make the meeting as accessible as possible for everyone.

If you are still unfamiliar with zoom or video conferencing technology, we suggest you go to a friend in the parish who is familiar with it and attend the meeting that way.

The Annual Meeting of Church of the Good Shepherd will be Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 3:00 pm on Zoom video conferencing. **You will receive an email with a link to the meeting closer to the date.**

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding as we continue to navigate this unique time in our lives together.

Nominating Committee Report 2022

Senior Warden - Alexandra Buckley

(1 year term, able to serve for 3 consecutive years)

Junior Warden - Dana Carlson

(1 year term, able to serve for 3 consecutive years)

Treasurer - Allyn Reilly

Secretary - David Burton

Vestry - David Burton and Gregory Proctor

(2 people, 3 year term)

Student Rep Vestry - none for 2022

(1 year term)

Delegates to Convention - Alex Buckley and Dana Carlson and Jack Flemming and Allyn Reilly

Alternates to Convention - Norm Fox and Anne Walker

Respectfully submitted by the Rev. Deborah Woolsey, chair,
Anne Walker, Preston Denton, Mike Wootton, Alex Buckley committee members.

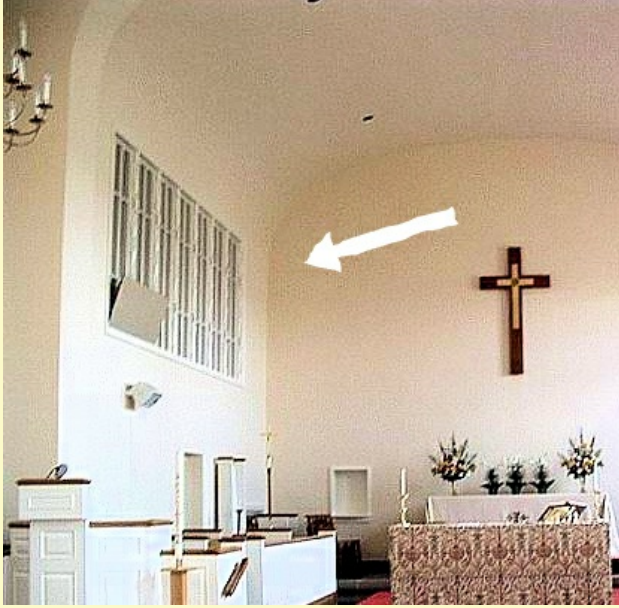
Annual Parish Meeting Agenda January 30, 2022

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval Vote for Video Conference Meeting
3. Acceptance of Minutes from January 31, 2021 Annual Meeting
4. Opening Remarks from Senior Warden
5. Nominating Committee Report
6. Rector's Remarks
7. Presentation of 2022 Parish Budget
8. Closing Remarks
9. Closing Prayer

All items and reports needed for the Zoom meeting will be included in the *Parish Annual Reports 2021* (30 January 2022 meeting) document which will be available via a link in the **E-News** before the annual meeting. You will also receive an email with a link to the meeting closer to the date.

Report on Organ Restoration Project

I am delighted to report that we are under contract with Muller Organ Company for the long awaited completion of Phase 3 of the organ project. This will involve taking



everything out of the chamber (see arrow) and transporting to their workshop.

What is the chamber? It is the screened area across from the organ console. This is the location of all the pipes, bellows, etc. It will be interesting to watch the way in which they remove all these components.

We are next on their list of projects. The original start date was going to be February 2022 with a projected time to completion of 2-3 months. However, because I was concerned about having the organ for Easter and because they were concerned about supply problems – an issue which

caused problems with another just completed project– we opted to push the start date back to just after Easter.

This means the 5th and final payment will not be due until later this summer. Due to the amazing generosity of people both in the parish and around the country we are very close to having the full amount needed without using any of the Diocesan loan that has been promised to us.

Thank you all very much.

Marsha Reilly

The Prayer Shawl group has changed it's meeting days to the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Please join us. Don't worry that you may not knit or crochet. Come and enjoy the yummy goodies and fellowship.



The next meeting will be January 26, 9:30 at Julie Nehls.



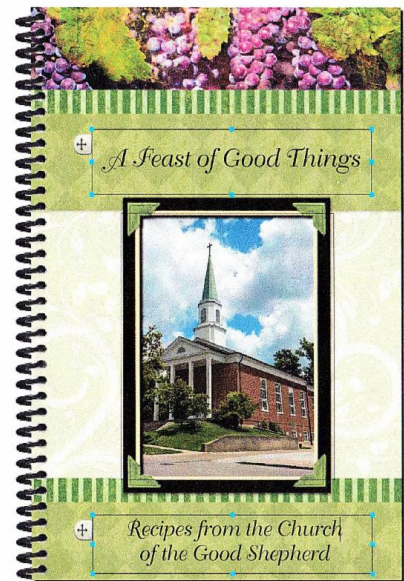
CrossRoads Café Now Open

CrossRoads Café returns from break and is now open Sundays after church service and Monday - Friday 9:30 - 11:30 am.

Now that winter weather is with us, CrossRoads will be in Nehl's Hall at the end of the ramp near the chapel entrance. Due to the rise in Covid-19 cases in the county, there is no seating and coffee and tea are To-Go only. Masks/Facial coverings are mandatory.

A Feast of Good Things

Do you need to give a hostess gift or an occasional birthday/anniversary gift? The Good Shepherd cookbook *A Feast of Good Things* is filled with all manner of scrumptious recipes from the kitchens of CHOGS parishioners and friends. It is, indeed, the perfect gift! And the price is just right at only \$10 per copy. Please see Barbara during office hours to buy your copies.



Epiphany Now by Diana Butler Bass

It's worth [clicking this link](#) to read Diana's insightful reflection on the season we are in and how it is everything but ordinary.



Monday Food Deliveries to Mineral, Volunteers Needed.

For the past several years, Good Shepherd parishioners at 10:30 on Monday mornings have picked up produce and surplus food at Community Food Initiatives (CFI) on Columbus Rd and taken it to the Feed My Sheep food pantry in the village of

Mineral, on St. Rt. 356. This pantry is located in a recently built, small church, the 'Faith Believers' Ministry, and serves more than 300 families a month. Each Monday afternoon, in a well-organized manner, the Feed My Sheep food pantry distributes food boxes to clients who come by once a month to pick up food.

We invite anyone who is interested to help with deliveries to check out this opportunity. Requirements include the ability to drive and able to lift 35 pounds. Recently Bonnie retired from this ministry and Ted and Katharin will soon be moving away to a retirement community leaving two empty Monday slots in need of someone or a couple to deliver. If you are interested or would like to learn more about this important Good Shepherd ministry please contact Phyllis Dean (Phyllis.d.dean@gmail.com) or Alex Buckley (macbuck@yahoo.com).



Coats Again

After the success we had last year, we are starting the coat give away again. If you got a new coat for Christmas and have a perfectly good older coat you no longer wear, or didn't get around to going through your coat closet last semester, now is the time to find a new home for your old coat. It could be doing good. Please drop off winter coats at the church. We will put it on a rack and put it out in front of the church for passersby who need a winter

coat to help them get through the winter.

Thank you for helping keep our community warm!

Contacts, Information

Contact Information

For pastoral needs, please contact The Rev. Deborah Woolsey at 937-689-8895 (cell) or 740-593-6877 (church), or by e-mail at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com.

To find out more about Good Shepherd and other matters, please contact Alex Buckley, Senior Warden, at 740-593-5513 or by e-mail at macbuck@yahoo.com.

For maintenance matters, please leave a note at the office or contact Ted Foster, Junior Warden, at 740-593-8615 or by e-mail at foster.theodore@gmail.com.

For emergencies, please call The Rev. Deborah Woolsey at 937-689-8895.

NON-emergency messages can be left on the church's answering machine (740-593-6877). The parish office administrator is Barbara Martin (740-593-6877) or barbara@chogs.org.

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This takes you to the Parish Home page where you can donate on line via PayPal. If you have a preference, please indicate on the the "Add special instructions to the seller" section the purpose of the donation —e.g. organ fund, plate collection, etc.

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Pandemic Note:

Office Hours: 10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

The Diocese COVID Guidelines request all persons wear masks

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**inside the church
building regardless of
vaccination status.**
