



Friday Bulletin

Good Shepherd E-News
9 September 2022

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Good Shepherd in Athens, Ohio

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This Upcoming Sunday

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 September 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship (Bulletin)

Service: Holy Eucharist Rite II-C

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Musician: Marsha Reilly

Lector: Alex Buckley

Eucharistic Minister/Acolyte: Owen
Buckley

**Eucharistic Minister/Prayer
Leader:** Dana Carlson

Altar Guild: Sharon Huges

Coffee Hour Host: Dana Carlson

OUTSIDE SERVICE – Day of Remembrance

LESSONS for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19-Tract 2):

Old Testament – Exodus 32: 7-14

Psalm 51: 1-11 (SAID)

New Testament – I Timothy 1: 12-17

Gospel – Luke 15: 1-10

<https://www.lectionarypage.net>



Sept. 11, 2022 10:30 am Outdoor Service

On Sunday it will be 21 years since the terrorist attacks on the WTC. In honor of this anniversary, we will use special prayers of remembrance and hope during the service. Weather permitting, we will hold the service outside on the front porch to show our desire to pray for and with our community. We hope you can join us.

Why Remember

The act of remembering can be liberating and painful, healing, and hopeful. More importantly, remembering can be a practice that makes people feel closer, connected because of a shared experience, even if their individual experiences are different. I observed this connection in my parents and grandparents when they talked about “where they were” when President John F. Kennedy was shot, or when Pearl Harbor was bombed, or when John Lennon was killed, or when astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walked on the moon. Remembering these historical events together helped them feel connected to each other and to the country. Even though I was not alive for any of these historical events, hearing about them through the memories of my elders help me feel connected to them – the people, the events, and the impact the events had on my country.

Remembering can also help us understand what is happening now. There is value and wisdom to be gained in listening to the memories of those who lived through what we have not. And for those who have lived through major events, there is value in sharing your memories of those moments, and a responsibility to share them honestly.

Historians are beginning to talk about the importance of the impact the tragic events of September 11, 2001 is having on our country and the world. Even theologians like the late Phyllis Tickle (an Episcopalian and author *The Great Emergence How Christianity is Changing and Why*) have written about this event as a major turning point in Christianity. Despite this cultural relevancy, it seems society is reluctant to remember the event, the loss, the strange sense of fear and vulnerability that came from the day that led to new wars and conspiracy theories. Perhaps not remembering contributes to the divisions, distrust, and fear that seem too common in society today.

Part of being a Christian means living counter to society. To embody this, on Sunday we will incorporate remembering a day that has changed all our lives into our Sunday worship service. The intent is not to open old wounds, but an act of hope and healing and connection. For those who were not alive or don't remember the events of September 11, 2001, I encourage you to listen. Listen to how people talk about the day, what they felt, what became important. Remembering and listening to the experiences of others is an opportunity for connection and hope.

Many Blessings,

Mother Deborah

Coming up on the Calendar

Sunday, September 11, 10:30 a.m. - - Outdoor Service with special remembrance for 9/11

Wednesday, September 14, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl at Julie's

Wednesday, September 14, 7:00 p.m. - - Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 15, 7:00 p.m. - - Vestry Meeting

Sunday, September 18, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Sunday, September 25, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl at Julie's

CrossRoads Café is open 9:30-11:00 weekdays & Sundays after church.

Coffee Hour Schedule

Sept. 11 Dana Carlson

Sept. 18 Alex Buckley

Sept. 25 Lois Wagner

Events Looking Forward

Oct. 7-10 (Friday – Monday) College Student Retreat in the Hocking Hills

Nov. 6 (Sunday) Newly Refurbished Organ Celebration 3pm (first in a series)

Nov. 19 (Saturday) Diocese of Southern Ohio Convention Hybrid zoom and in person in Cincinnati

Nov. 24 (Thursday) Thanksgiving Day service 10:30 am

Nov. 24 (Thursday) Thanksgiving Meal for parishioners 1:30 pm

Dec. 24 (Saturday) Christmas Eve 7pm

Dec. 25 (Sunday) Christmas Day 10:30 am

Notes & Announcements

Deep Gratitude

Thank you to everyone who helped make Jody Smith's funeral service a lovely one by your presence and your gifts of time and talent. Thank you for making it a lovely day for her family.

The Death of Elizabeth II Queen of England

"There is someone who has no fear of death, has hope in the future, knows the rock on which she stands." – Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury describing Queen Elizabeth.

The collective sorrow so many people in the Episcopal Church feel because of the death of Queen Elizabeth is evidence of our connection to the Church of England and Anglicans all over the world. She has been the queen my entire life. Even though she has no authority or role in the Episcopal Church or in the United States, her death still has an impact. Perhaps because her long reign came to represent stability in a time when it can feel like changes are overwhelming. Even if we aren't subjects to the crown, there may have been some comfort in her presence and perseverance. Her death is not only the death of an individual, but it also marks the end of an era. This may account for the sadness the world is expressing as the news of her death was released.

Whether you feel admiration for a person who dedicated herself to a life of service and sacrificed many freedoms and choices to do so, like the Archbishop of Canterbury, or struggle with monarchies, or simply feel the sorrow of our fellow Anglicans in England, this is one of those moments where it is okay to slow down and acknowledge the grief people are feeling. Especially for the people of England who will be crowning a king who will inevitably bring changes to the UK.

Another way to grieve together is to pray together. Here is a prayer from the Church of England on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Perhaps we can pray this prayer for our siblings in the UK as they go through the changes and transitions of loss and welcoming a new king.

Gracious god, we give thanks for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith and her dedication to duty. Bless the UK as they mourn her death and may her example continue to inspire us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Statement from Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry on the death of Queen Elizabeth II – [The Episcopal Church](#)



CROP WALK

Crop Walk will take place on **Sunday, Oct. 2 at 1:45 pm** at the Athens Community Center. Interested walkers should contact David Burton (740-593-5634 or email: drabeja02@yahoo.com).

If you are not a walker, that's OK. Donations are joyfully welcomed. In the past Good Shepherd has been quite generous in helping feed the hungry through this program. Athens receives 25% of the total raised. This year that amount will be divided equally between the Athens County Food Bank and the Community Food Initiative. Stay tuned for more information as we get closer to October 2.

Retreat for College Age Adults

Take a weekend to rest and relax with other college age adults at a cabin in

the Hocking Hills. Enjoy a variety of restorative activities like hiking, making art, and having conversations while preparing meals to share. Thanks to the generosity of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio this retreat is free. To learn more or register, contact Mother Deborah at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com



OCT 7-10
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NOURISH
RETREAT

**Feeding our souls through
connecting, restoring, & relaxing**

**Location: Hocking Hills,
"Lazy Bear Cabin" in Logan, Ohio**

**FOR STUDENTS
AND YOUNG ADULTS**

**CONTACT YOUR CAMPUS
MINISTER TO REGISTER BY
SEPT. 30TH**

FREE!

Part Time Position Available: Digital Worship Assistant

We are looking for someone who can help us record portions of the church service and upload them to church YouTube channel and help us improve our on-line content. The position pays \$10,000 a year, requires some experience, and we will purchase equipment needed. If you know of someone who might be interested and qualified, please share the job description with them.

[Follow this link to the full job description.](#) (Printable pdf file.)

For Bishop Transition News and Updates

-- [Follow this link](#) --

Diocese of Southern Ohio 80th General Convention

Saturday, November 19. Delegates and clergy may attend in person or via zoom. For more see the [DSO E-Connections newsletter](#). Keep up with the latest [Convention information HERE](#).

[Follow this link](#) if you want **HELP WITH EASTERN KENTUCKY FLOOD RELIEF** directly vis the Episcopal Diocese of Lexington.

[Follow this link](#) to support Humanitarian Response to the Crisis in Ukraine via ERD.

Alternatively if you want to help the folks who have been negatively impacted by climate disaster and war **anywhere** in the world please consider contributing to [Episcopal Relief and Development \(ERD\)](#) which is the official ministry of the Episcopal Church.

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

[DONATE to Good Shepherd](#)

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by e-mail at macbuck@yahoo.com.

For maintenance matters, please leave a note at the office or contact Dana Carlson, Junior Warden, at 740-664-2022 or by e-mail at carlsondana@hotmail.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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purpose of the donation—e.g. Covid Memorial, plate collection, etc.

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

The Diocese COVID Guidelines request all persons wear masks inside the church building regardless of vaccination status.

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