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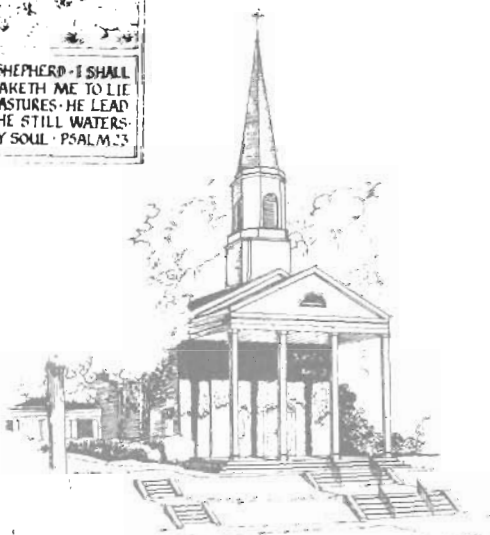
Church of the Good Shepherd, Athens, Ohio

July - August 2004



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In the Interim . . .

ON OUR WAY

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Athens, Ohio, now has five goals that will shape its future and the search for its next rector. Here they are:

1. Continue to build upon a strong heritage of worship and music that is Eucharistically and Prayer Book centered and which strongly involves the Laity.
2. Raise up and strengthen Vestry and other Lay Ministers who can provide consistent and visionary leadership and assist the Parish in understanding and responding to conflict.
3. Develop programs and worship for the Congregation designed to attract young families, their children, college students and other under served groups; where possible we will work cooperatively with other churches.
4. Learn about and foster financial stewardship especially as it pertains to the monetary requirements of a full time priest and other personnel, and to addressing the needs and use of our physical plant.
5. Continue to encourage and support individual and small group ministry in the community, and establish and sponsor new programs.

The Vestry presented and discussed these goals at a Parish Meeting on June 13th. At that time I reviewed for the thirty-six members present the important and significant way to which these goals came "from the Congregation" through a series of meetings from February through April: four Ministry Assessment meetings in February; a reflection on our history and its meaning the last Sunday in February; and a gathering to identify norms, "how we do things at Good Shepherd," on the last Sunday of April.

I further explained that, following each of these gatherings, the Vision Discernment Task Group wrote tentative goals *on the basis of what you said and what was recorded at the gatherings*. By the end of May the Task Group had written twenty-six tentative goals coming from the Parish gatherings and interviews they had conducted with twelve community leaders.

These twenty-six tentative goals were reviewed, combined, and rewritten to form eleven goals that were presented to the Vestry on June 5th for their prayerful review and selection. The time on June 5th was one of much discussion, of personal and group prayer, as the Vestry decided on the five goals listed above which it presented to the parish on June 13th.

At that meeting those present also had opportunity to give their ideas of how the Parish might go about implementing these goals. A quick reading of those results showed a desire to do a better job of engaging Sunday visitors and of shepherding and incorporating new members into the Congregation. They also showed a desire to reach out to students, new families, and the larger community through programs of outreach and service.

The June Vestry meeting came immediately after the June 13th all Parish meeting and the Vestry reviewed the day and the results of the discussion. It has been asked that the Executive Committee (Wardens – Christy Ortman and Allyn Reilly, Secretary – Alex Buckley, Treasurer – Jack Flemming, and me) take the results of the day and develop a couple of activities/programs that we can “get going” soon to respond to our goals and the ideas coming from that meeting.

The Vestry as a whole will also begin working on a ***Mission Statement*** that reflects our goals and the energy and passion in the Parish. That process will begin with the Vestry’s July meeting, will involve the congregation as the Vestry seeks responses to its various drafts, and culminate with a new Mission Statement this fall.

I want to thank the members of the Vision Discernment Task Group for their very excellent work: Geoff Buckley, Karen Evans-Romaine (through March), Ted Foster, T. J. Luce, Carolyn Murphree, Allyn Reilly and Ann Charles Watts (through February). Between January and June they attended and gave leadership in eleven meetings, including one all day and one half day with the Vestry, and led eight engagements with the Parish as well as conducted at least two (and usually three) interviews with community leaders. Together we prayed, listened, struggled to understand, and did it all with the greatest of respect, patience, and care for one another. I am grateful for them and for the experience I shared with them. The Church of the Good Shepherd is blessed to have such servant leaders and, I know, joins me in extending our appreciation to them for their service on the behalf of all.

***Michael Jupin,
Interim Priest***

AT ITS JUNE 17TH MEETING THE VESTRY ALSO . . .

- Discussed the letter from Leslie Flemming's Discernment Committee and endorsed her application for postulancy for holy orders.
 - For its July meeting agreed to hear the report of a newly organized Parish Health Ministry as it seeks to have the support of the Vestry for its presence and work.
 - Set a special meeting for Sunday, July 11th, after church to select members for the Profile Committee, which will assist in the search for the next Rector.
 - Read "thank you" notes from Julie Spero and Katherine Ziff for the gift certificates given them in recognition of their recent graduations.
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TWO SATURDAY MORNINGS FOR CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

JULY 17TH & AUGUST 21ST

Each Saturday

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| 9:30 a.m. | Coffee, etc., Hobson Lounge |
| 10:00 a.m. | Gather in Church for Prayer |
| Noon | End |
| Leader: | Michael Jupin, Interim Priest |

Sign up in church or call the church office.

News from the Pews

Congratulations to **Allyn Reilly** for receiving the School of Music's Distinguished Teaching Award! **Allyn & Marsha Reilly's** oldest daughter **Caitlin** and husband, **Ben**, will be playing highway robbers at the Renaissance Faire in Sterling, New York, throughout the summer.

Recently **Bill Black** sent Good Shepherd friends copies of letters from faculty at Tufts University; an orange stick-it note read "Talk about bustin' your buttons with pride!" The sentiment was apt, from the three letters from the medical faculty were recommendations that granddaughter, **Aimee Black Hromadka, MD**, be awarded the 2004 Massachusetts Family Medicine Educators Award. One quote explains: "The award's four assessment criteria (medical education, leadership, community involvement, and quality patient care) well describe **Aimee's** diversity of accomplishment here at Tufts." Earlier **Bill** had forwarded a clipping from a Bayliss Foundation publication. An article titled "Scholarship Spotlight" was an interview with son, **David**, who spearheaded construction and regulatory approval for WSUM/Madison."

Tom Walker has been elected to the Board of NAMI-OHIO. **Tom** is a past president and co-president, with wife **Anne**. His leadership has been highly important to the restoration of the cemeteries on the Ridges. Good to see **Anne's** mother, **Dorothy Uribe**, visiting from Colombia.

Libby Shelly, daughter of **Ann & Bob Shelly**, moves this summer from Western Carolina University to Bethany College in West Virginia, where she will be director of student activities.

Commendations to **Jane Ergood** who has moved from the postulant to the novice stage in her journey to become a full member of the Tertiary Society of St. Francis, one of the three orders of Anglican and Episcopal Orders of Franciscans. The **Rev. Katharin Foster** conducted the ceremony.

Richard Dean was one of the actors in **Marj Stone's** "*From Wilderness to Website: The Founding of Ohio University*" drama presentation in May. Speaking of acting, **Carol Patterson** directs the first OVST presentation of the summer, with **Richard Carlson** in a leading role. **Chris Coleman** is the costumer, according to OVST business manager **T. J. Luce**.

Reid Sinclair,
Roving Reporter

Wednesday Lunch Report:

The Wednesday Lunch Group has been expanded! Those interested in working with the Wednesday Lunch Program met on Wednesday, June 16th, for an organizing meeting. There will now be four groups that will work once every four weeks. It's hoped that this will help the burnout problem and will also enable many more people to take part in this worthwhile and rewarding program.

We have people signing up to work preparing the food, others who come in to clean up and other who volunteer to bring in cookies or cake for desert. Anyone interested in helping can call Pat Grean at 592-1960 or Mary Anne Swardson at 593-7613.

The following are the list of groups that have volunteered:

Weekly Groups

Betty Larson, June Wieman,
Doris Green, Helen Marsh

Jan Gault, Zelma Coleman,
Carolyn Murphree, Cynthia Kaldis

Joanne Larson, Phyllis Dean, Joanne Worstall,
Dana Carlson, Lynn Graham

Pat Grean, Mary Anne Swardson, Lyn Butrick,
Natsu Taylor, Margaret Romoser, Rachel Adeyanju

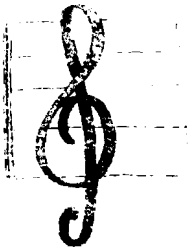
Clean Up Crew

Gifford Doxsee, Randy Purdy, Roland Swardson,
Jim Mowery, Matthew Adeyanju

Send in Deserts

Ruth Cox, Joan Waldron, Alex Buckley,
Carol Adkins, Kelly Romoser, Jane Ergood

**Pat Grean
Wednesday Lunch Crew**



Notes from the Organ Bench

During the next several weeks we will have a guest soloists and musicians at each of the Sunday services. They are as follows:

- July 4th: David Burton, organ
- July 11th: Krista Voorhees, soloist
- July 18th: Tim Norris, soloist
- July 25th: David Turrill
- August 1st: Ce Ci Ruchti, soloist
- August 8th: David Burton, organ

Please plan to attend the 9:30 a.m. service to enjoy the above mentioned as they share their gifts and talents with the parishioners of Good Shepherd.

Marsha Reilly
Music Director

Relay for Life - Quilted Orbs

The Hillard-Watts family & friends group will be participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, July 23, 2004. Ann Charles has created beautiful quilted "Orbs" as a thank you for anyone who donates \$10 or more on behalf of our team (but any amount will be welcomed). Please look for our display at Coffee Hour and help us try to win the race for the cure or call Debbie at 591-2109 and I will come get it.

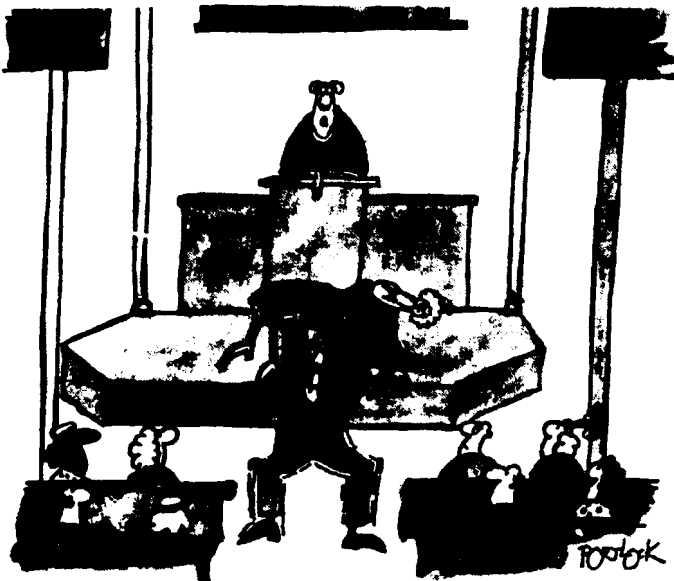
Peanut Butter Sunday

As you may have noticed, Food Pantry Sunday has now become Peanut Butter Sunday. We have not recently been able to get this popular comfort food from Second Harvest, and so it seemed a good way to personalize this effort and to remind ourselves of the hungry people in our midst.

In 1980, Good Shepherd joined a coalition of area churches as a founding member of the Food Pantry with a mission to assist local families in need of emergency food assistance. During that first year the pantry supplied food to an average of 13 households per month. By last year that number has risen to a monthly average of 128 families. The upturn in the economy that we hear about has not reached the families in Athens County with marginal incomes, and the requests for food help are steadily rising this year.

We have been able to supply our distribution centers with donated freezers so we are now able to take advantage of the frozen food supplied by the Second Harvest Food Bank in Logan. Your contributions, whether monetary or peanut butter or canned fruit (also hard to come by) help us to heed Christ's admonition to "feed my sheep."

Betty Larson



Worship Committee Report

The Worship Committee met on Wednesday, June 2nd, to plan worship for the first half of the Pentecost season. The committee decided to use Rite II-A through September 5th. The committee also evaluated the Pentecost service and noted any changes for next year's service.

Rev. Jupin announced the following leadership changes beginning July 1st, 2004: Matthew Adeyanju will become the Acolyte Warden; Curt Sherman will be responsible for Ushers; and Leslie & Jack Flemming will assume responsibility for the Lectors, Prayer Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors.

The committee will meet again on Wednesday, July 14th, at noon in Hobson Lounge.

The members of the committee are happy to hear comments and receive suggestions for committee review regarding the worship at Good Shepherd. The members of the Worship Committee are Matthew Adeyanju, Leslie Flemming, Glenda Frost, Lynn Graham, Rev. Michael Jupin, Julie Nehls, Christy Ortman and Marsha Reilly.

Lynn Graham
Worship Committee Chair

HIYO, SILVER (TARNISH), AWAY!!!

Do you have sterling silver or silver plated flatware? Does it tarnish? Did you know that every time you use silver polish, you take away a small layer of silver? Would you like to get rid of the tarnish without losing the silver?

If you would like to learn how, you can have the instructions laminated in plastic for the LOW, LOW price of ONLY five (5) dollars. If you would like a copy, see Jack Flemming. All profits will be deposited into the Search Fund.

This will help your silverware and it will help Good Shepherd. Everybody wins!

July Birthdays:

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| Randy Purdy | 7-1 |
| Jeroch Carlson | 7-2 |
| Jamie Tevis | 7-2 |
| Beverly Denton | 7-3 |
| Gifford Doxsee | 7-4 |
| Bill Kaldis | 7-4 |
| Megan Reilly | 7-4 |
| Ann Shelly | 7-5 |
| Ruth Cox | 7-6 |
| Max Carney | 7-7 |
| Mark Shelly | 7-7 |
| Matthew Adeyanju | 7-9 |
| Keith Burk | 7-9 |
| Alex Karageorge | 7-10 |
| Jessica Smith Fox | 7-10 |
| Jim Grooms | 7-15 |
| Ryan Burk | 7-18 |
| Nora Sullivan | 7-19 |
| Michael Adeyanju | 7-21 |
| Coretta King | 7-29 |
| Libby Shelly | 7-30 |

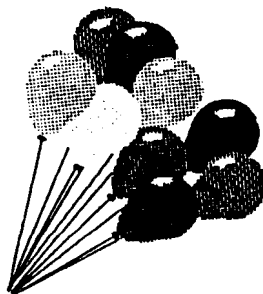


July Anniversaries:

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| Richard & Jane Paynter | 7-8 |
| Richard & Dana Carlson | 7-11 |
| Preston & Suellen Denton | 7-17 |
| Dutch & Bonnie Savage | 7-21 |

August Birthdays:

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|-----------------------|------|
| Marsha Reilly | 8-2 |
| Hank Dean | 8-6 |
| Paul Hillard | 8-7 |
| Dutch Savage | 8-7 |
| Caitlin Reilly-Schave | 8-7 |
| Earl Funk | 8-8 |
| Jean Fieler | 8-10 |
| Ginny Isele | 8-10 |
| Brian Coleman | 8-15 |
| Larry Burk | 8-15 |
| Patrick Palmer | 8-16 |
| Suellen Denton | 8-17 |
| Liz Sinclair | 8-19 |
| Tom Daniels | 8-21 |
| Irene Gevas | 8-21 |
| T. J. Luce | 8-22 |
| Paul Denton | 8-23 |
| Reid Sinclair | 8-24 |
| C. J. Auflick | 8-25 |
| Cynthia Kaldis | 8-26 |
| Alania Miller | 8-27 |
| Pat Grean | 8-29 |
| Richard Dean | 8-31 |



August Anniversaries:

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| Ted & Katharin Foster | 8-1 |
| Andrew & Susan (Culp) Saunders | 8-3 |
| Gene & Virginia Kaufman | 8-7 |
| Doug & Michelle Parsons | 8-8 |
| Ron & Ginny Isele | 8-11 |
| Richard & Lyn Butrick | 8-12 |
| Randy & Cita Purdy | 8-15 |
| Jim & Jan Gault | 8-19 |
| Terry & Betsy (Larson) Wetmore | 8-21 |
| Michael & Barbara Jupin | 8-24 |
| Allyn & Marsha Reilly | 8-24 |
| Bruce & Jane Ergood | 8-25 |
| Mark & Susan Enlow | 8-26 |
| Tom & Anne Walker | 8-28 |
| Arvin & Jeanne Wells | 8-29 |

