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GOOD SHEPHERD

Good Shepherd E-News (13 September 2018)

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Athens, Ohio--seeking to know and serve Christ in loving service to the campus, the community, and the world.

This Sunday: 16 September 2018



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II-D

Bishop's Visit Today, Potluck

Upcoming Events

Bishop's Visit - - Sunday, September 16, and Potluck

Father José, St. Luke's, Mérida, visit - - Monday, September 17 - September 24

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, Sept 19, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal - - Wednesday, Sept 19, 7:00 p.m.

Vestry Meeting - - Thursday, Sept 20, 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Meeting - - Tuesday, September 25, Doris Green, 6:00 for pizza

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, Sept 26, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal - - Wednesday, Sept 26, 7:00 p.m.

Kairos Cookies due - - Friday, September 28, 12:00 noon

The Gospel According to Doctor Who - - Friday,

September 28, 5:30 p.m. Nehls Hall

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Kairos Weekend - - October 4 - 7



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Upcoming 8:00 a.m. Services - - October 7;
November 4; December 2

Prayer for CrossRoads Cafe Ministry

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; bless the new cafe ministry at Church of the Good Shepherd, by our working together and through your grace, let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things are made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

[Altar Flowers How to Order](#)

From our friends
in St. Luke's
Episcopal Church
in Mérida,
Mexico.

"José's Weekly
Reflection"

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September 16 Bishop Visit & Pot Luck

Identity On Sunday, Bishop Breidenthal will be at Church of the Good Shepherd for his regular visitation. The Bishop's presence reminds us that we are part of something larger than just ourselves and the community we create here; we are part of the Diocese of Southern Ohio. It's important to remember that the Episcopal Church is larger than what we see of it here in Athens, and our connections to that larger whole are important. It's also a good time to remember the word *episcopal* means bishop, or under the authority of a bishop.

Relationship A visit from the Bishop is an opportunity to let the Bishop see for himself (or herself) the ministry we are doing, our

neighborhood and connection to it, the condition of our building, etc. It is also an opportunity to listen to the Bishop and learn of the ministry he has been doing, his vision for the diocese, and how he imagines the Church of the Good Shepherd participating in that vision with him. This is how relationships between bishops and parishes works, much like all healthy relationships.

Celebrations There are certain liturgical and sacramental things only a bishop can do. One is confirming and receiving people into the Episcopal Church (BCP page 412). This visit we are celebrating as Johnathan Sweeney will be received by the Bishop. Another function only a bishop can do is bless new ministries like new churches or new church furnishings. Since it was Bishop Breidenthal who originally had the idea for a ministry that would positively impact a local economy and invited the Church of the Good Shepherd to put his idea into practice with the CrossRoads Cafe ministry, he will bless this new ministry on Sunday.

Please make every effort to be present for a day that will be a joyful celebration of our ministries and our place in the Episcopal Church.

Participants scheduled for This Sunday, 16 September 2018, Pentecost 17

Altar Guild: David Burton and Julie Nehls

Altar Flowers: Chris Eaton

Potluck

10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite II-D

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Thomas Breidenthal

Lector: Alex Buckley

Eucharistic Ministers: David Burton (Prayer Leader) and Allyn Reilly

Ushers: Lynn Graham and Bruce Martin

First Crucifer: Bella Martin

Second Crucifer: Ana Martin

Lessons: for Pentecost 17 - Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19 (Sung); James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38.

<http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

Please Include in Your Prayers

In our world, we pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; we pray for peace with justice throughout the Middle East. We pray for all people affected by natural and environmental disasters. We pray also for the people who are suffering from war, especially all asylum seekers, immigrants, and refugees. We pray for Donald, our president, and John, our Governor, the Supreme Court and the members of Congress.

In our diocese, we pray for Thomas, our Diocesan Bishop, and Nedi, our Assisting Bishop.

In our parish, we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Rector-Elect, the Rev. Deborah Woolsey, for our Associate Priests, the Rev. Leslie Flemming, the Rev. Katharin Foster, and the Rev. David McCoy, and for our ministry to students, the university, and the community. We pray for our friends at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Mérida, Mexico. We pray also for the upcoming Kairos weekend and for Johnathen Sweeny, who is to be received into the Episcopal Church on Sunday.

Those for whom our Prayers are Requested: * Chic, Don, Kris, Kristi, Weston, Linda, Pam, Andrew, Jane, Louise, Stephen, Stephen, Zelma, Julie, Chris, Sally, Mary, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Molly and Mateo, Ivan, and Alejandro, Candace, Lalena, Bill, Miriam, William, William, Patty, Sharon, Hank, Monya, Patricia, Dan, David, Doug, Mark, Robert, Andrew, Don, John, Roland, Jeanne, Laura, and Consuelo and family, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays: Roland Swardson (9/16), Julie Maria Dillman (9/17), Ilona Carlson Bond (9/18)

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and for a happy birthday to Julie Maria from Chris Eaton.

For the deceased: Callie Crosby, Clif Kittle

* Full names for this section are not published online but are in the Sunday bulletin and will be read at the 10:30 service. If you have a name to be added to the prayer list, Lynn Graham maintains this information. Lynn may be reached at 740-593-5098 or grahammowery@aol.com.

Gospel

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 8:27-38



Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Hurricane Florence Relief

If you would like to donate to help those who will be hurt by Hurricane Florence, you can donate through Episcopal Relief and Development. ERD is one of the leaders in



providing disaster relief both domestic and foreign. They are one of if not the first organizations to arrive and provide immediate assistance, they also are

one of the last organizations to leave because they stay for the rebuilding. 88% of financial donations go directly to help the area you designate.

DONATE TODAY -- You can contribute today by writing a check to Church of the Good Shepherd and writing ERD Florence on the memo line. We will send the total amount collected to ERD. Or you can donate directly to ERD at their website www.episcopalrelief.org

Rhododendron Relief

If you've noticed, the once beautiful rhododendrons along the north side of the church have been suffering for the last few years. They are in great need of some love and care. If you're interested in caring for them, or, if their time has come to replace them, talk either to Dana Carlson, Jr. Warden, or David Burton, Sr. Warden.



Pictured are the rhododendron as they looked in their glory days (Spring 2002)

Holy Hike - a Student Retreat Oct. 6-7 in Columbus

All University students are invited to join with other students in

Southern Ohio for a retreat sponsored by Campus Ministry in the Diocese of Southern Ohio. The retreat will feature a hike through the city of Columbus, stopping at places like the science museum to learn and the Capitol to pray for justice. The retreat also includes opportunities to listen to some of the homeless in the city, and worship with a street church. This retreat is free, including meals and accommodations.

Please contact Mother Deborah if you are interested
revdebwoolsey@gmail.com

Worship Planning

As we move forward with the changes in our secondary service, Mother Deborah is looking for folks who would like to help her envision what that service could be like once it is moved to the late afternoon. If you would like to be part of that envisioning and planning, please contact Mother Deborah.

revdebwoolsey@gmail.com

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On September 12, Group 2 served 61 people
76 servings.

The meat dish was sloppy joes, and the vegetarian dish was egg sandwiches. Salad, fruit, desserts, and beverages were also served.

The volunteers were Zelma Coleman, Anne Walker, Thaddeus Semsel, Esther Hernandez, and Betty Hollow.

Please remember the hungry in our community in your prayers. To become involved in one or more of the four lunch teams, please speak to Phyllis Dean, Zelma Coleman, or David Burton.

Kairos SCC-I #1 set for October 4-7, 2018.

Some of you may recall that the state prison at Nelsonville, Hocking Correctional Facility, later known as Southeast Ohio Correctional Complex-Hocking, was closed last winter. However, volunteers comprising Kairos of Ohio HCF have regrouped and are initiating a first Kairos weekend at SCC-Lancaster, beginning Thursday October 4 and

extending through the weekend.

Since SCC-L is larger than the Nelsonville facility, the need for Agape in the form of prayer, cookies, and monetary donations is even greater than before. We are asking you, therefore, to contribute what you can toward the goal of making Kairos SCC-L #1 an even more joyful and productive weekend than the previous 20 weekends at Nelsonville!

Norman Fox, Gregory Proctor, and I will be downstairs at Coffee Hour for the next two Sundays, until the 30th of September. Please prayerfully consider making a donation of prayer, and/or baking cookies, or making a monetary donation, checks payable to Kairos of Ohio, with "SCC-L #1" in the memo line.

The prisoners at Lancaster will be grateful for your generous donation!

Allyn Reilly

Meet and Greet With Fr. José

The parish will have a chance to meet and greet Fr. José over a meal -- a potluck, Saturday, Sept. 22, 11:30 a.m. in Nehls Hall. If you would like to visit with Fr. José and to hear about St. Luke's growth and ministry in Mérida, bring a dish to share. For details, please see Mo. Deborah or David Burton.

CROPwalk

Good Shepherd needs four (4) volunteers to walk in the CROPwalk on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 2 pm. We'll walk part or all of the bike path beginning at Peden Stadium. Parishioners will be asked to support our walkers with a financial contribution. Funds raised by CROPwalk go to Church World Service, which has staff people all over the world. When disaster strikes or need emerges, we can't be there, but Church World Service IS there to help. Among the projects that CWS helps with are providing improved access to clean water to improve sanitation and water small gardens, giving agricultural knowledge and skills to grow more nutritious vegetables, and buying farm animals (chickens, pigs, cattle). If you'd like to walk or contribute, see David Burton on Sunday.

NAMI Speakers Series (Sep 27 at 6:30 p.m.)
Athens Public Library, 30 Home Street

Topic: Going Beyond Schizoaffective Disorder to a Career and Work

with Peers

Speaker: Katie Feick

Schizoaffective disorder - a combination of schizophrenia and a mood disorder - is a particularly mean affliction. Many sufferers have anosognosia - the sincere delusion that they are not sick. Katie Feick suffers from schizoaffective disorder. She once hung herself before being cut down just in time. Now, in solid recovery, she is a mental health advocate with NAMI Franklin County, NAMI Ohio, ADAMH Franklin County, Mental Health America Franklin County, and both the Columbus and the Athens Police Crisis Intervention Team training. She is a living example that recovery is possible even for those with the most severe disorders. She'll be talking about her experience before recovery, her recovery, and her very productive life thereafter. For a preview of her lecture, listen to her radio interview at namiathensohio.org (click on the radio icon).

Nurses can submit social work certificates to the nursing board for full credit.

.15 CEUs available for Athens Public Schools Teachers

1.5 CEUs available for Social Workers

MONEY



Senior Warden David Burton and Mother Deborah are looking for someone to join them in planning and executing this year's stewardship program. The opportunity this year is we don't have to do it the way it's been done before. This ministry is important because it is how we fund the other ministries we are engaged in and can continue to grow.

Please contact David Burton drabeja02@yahoo.com or Mother Deborah revdebwoolsey@gmail.com if interested.

'Mother' of all fungus



Look what was growing out of a log -- 21 inches across!

Repeat Material Below

Book Sales



For several years we have been selling books on Amazon which you have donated to Good Shepherd. We are on track to sell 150 books in 2018 at an estimated profit of \$5.00 per book. And given the number of books we have on hand I am hopeful we can earn another \$500 from our off-the-porch sale in October. What we earn from selling books, along with our sale of coffee at Christmas, helps fund the community outreach ministry, which is one of our most important parish functions.

So, thank you again for your generous support and Keep Them Books A-Comin! (Jack Flemming)

Meet the CrossRoads staff
Eleanor (manager) Dylan (barista) Naomi (barista)



CrossRoads Cafe Menu and Prices

Sizes: one fits all

Brewed coffee (de cafe, brew of the day) \$1.85

Iced Coffee: \$1.90

Homemade Iced Tea (unsweetened, add your own sweetening) \$1.50

Latte: \$3.50

Cappuccino: \$3.75

Espresso: \$2.50

Seasonal coffee drinks (not available at this time): \$3.95

Hot Tea: \$1.75

Tea for 2 or more (available once we acquire tea pots) \$3.50

The GOSPEL According to Doctor WHO: Finding God in All of Time and Space

If you are a life-long Whovian,
a fan new to the series, or



have never seen the show, please join Mother Deborah for a series of adventures with Doctor Who, as she explores the Christian themes she sees in this popular television series.

All sessions will meet from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm in Nehls Hall with a light meal included.

Sept. 28 Rings of Akhaten/Sing to the Lord a New Song

Where the Doctor and Clara meet a remarkable young girl named Merry Galel whose song brings to mind that of another young woman named Mary whose remarkable song we still sing. We'll explore similarities to Mary of Galilee in Luke's Gospel and learn more about her magnificent song.

Oct. 12 A Town Called Mercy/God's Judgement

This time it's the Doctor with Amy and Rory who visit a town in the Old West that lives by its name of Mercy. We'll explore the theological definition of mercy and justice as we consider what those terms mean to us and how we do or do not live into them as we watch how the Doctor and his companions do the same.

Nov. 16 The Husbands of River Song/Believing God Loves You

A rollicking good Doctor Who Christmas special that features River Song, a character who loves The Doctor but does she believe someone like The Doctor can love be vulnerable enough to love her back? Our conversation will look at scripture and parts of the episode to help us ask the same of God. Jesus says God loves us, but is that an easy thing to believe?

Pastoral Care

Because of health care privacy laws, hospitals are no longer able to call your priest or parish when you are in the hospital. That means that if you want a visit from Mother Deborah or a Lay Eucharistic Visitor (a parish member who has some training) you need to call and ask for a visit. For emergencies please call Mother Deborah's cell phone 937-689-8895. If you would prefer prayers instead of a visit, just call and ask for prayers.



Mother Deborah's cell number is 937-689-8895.

Her personal email is the Rev. Deborah Woolsey <revdebwoolsey@gmail.com>, and the email through the church is the Rev. Deborah Woolsey <revdeborah@chogs.org>.

Mother Deborah has found that people like to communicate in many ways, so she is reachable on Facebook (<https://facebook.com/deborah.woolsey.12>) and on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/DeborahWoolsey>).

Also, here is the link to the Church of Good Shepherd's **Facebook** page:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Episcopal-Church-of-the-Good-Shepherd-45701/554345594588086?fref=ts>. Once you get on the page, just LIKE it if you are already a Facebook person. Otherwise you will need to create a Facebook account first.

And the Church of Good Shepherd's Twitter account:
<https://twitter.com/CHOGSofAthens>.

Contact Information

For pastoral needs, please contact The Rev. Deborah Woolsey at 937-689-8895 (C) 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 David Burton, Senior Warden, at 740-593-5634 or by e-mail at drabeja02@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.

NOTE: NON-emergency messages can be left on the church answering machine (740-593-6877).

Office Hours:

10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday (closed Friday and Saturday). The parish office administrator is Barbara Martin (740-593-6877 or barbara@chogs.org).

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