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Good Shepherd E-News (15 February 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: 18 February 2018

First Sunday in Lent



8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist
Rite I

10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist
Rite II-A

PARISH ANNAUL MEETING following 10:30 Service

Upcoming Church Events

Vestry Meeting - February 15, 7:00 p.m.

Annual Meeting - Sunday, Feb. 18, following 10:30 service

Free Lunch - Wednesday, February 21, noon

Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 p.m.

Spiritual Retreat in Lent - Saturday, February 24,
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl meeting - Tuesday, February 27, June Wieman

Free Lunch - Wednesday, February 28, noon

Lenten Soup and Bread Supper - Wednesday, February 28,
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.

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Participants scheduled for

This Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018 - First Sunday of Lent

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

"José's Weekly
Reflection"

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Altar Guild: Sally Spero and Hailey Luelloff

Altar Flowers:

Coffee Hour: Phyllis and Dick Dean

8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Joanne Larson

Prayer Leader: Earl Stump

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Alex Buckley

Eucharistic Ministers: David Burton and Lynn

Graham

Ushers: Chris Eaton and Norm Fox

First Crucifer: Sharon Huge

Second Crucifer: Pely Brient

Lessons: Lent 1 - Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-9 (sung); I Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15.

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

VESTRY MEETING TONIGHT

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 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. We pray also for St. Philip's, Northside.

In our parish, we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Priest-in-Charge, 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 Marsha Reilly, our

music director.

Those for whom our Prayers are Requested: Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Paul, Linda, Pam, Jane, Louise, Ann and Bill, Stephen, Mary, the D'Andrea family, Julie, Chris, Sally, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Ann, Molly and Mateo, Ivan, and Alejandro, Candace, Emma, Bob and Sharon, Bill, Clif, William, Sharon, Vergie, Sr. Faith, Ernst, Monya, Angie, Patricia, Julie, Paul, David, Mark, Holly, Robert, Don, the Sheets family, Bob and family, Ann, John, Eleanor, Nancy, Laura, Consuelo and family, Joe, Arvin, Sandi, and June, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays: Luisa Lescano Brient (2/18)

Anniversary: Luisa Lescano and Thaden Brient (2/18)

Gospel

First Sunday in Lent Mark 1:9-15



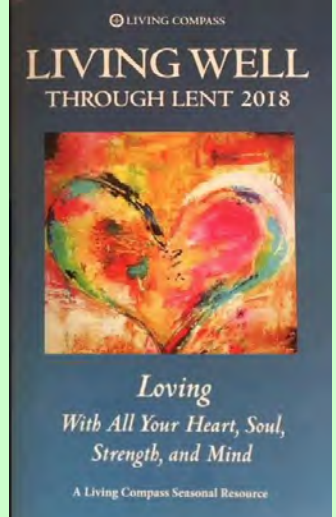
In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Gift for YOU this Lent

The Lenten devotional Living Well Through Lent 2018 Loving With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind is now available. This year's devotional will explore love, and how for followers of Jesus love is "not a feel-good concept, but an urgent call to radically incarnate love in how we relate to God, our neighbor, and ourselves." Featuring contributors from all over the Episcopal Church, this booklet is free to us because of Mother Deborah's relationship with Living Compass ministries. We hope you will use this resource this season of Lent and that it helps you reflect on what it means to live a Christian life.



Living Well Through Lent Group Study

Starting Sunday February 25, Mother Deborah will be facilitating a discussion group based on the Lenten resource Living Well Through Lent, Loving With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind on Sunday afternoons at 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm in Hobson. Please join the discussion!

Invitation to Help Plan Great Vigil of Easter

Our Director of Music Marsha Reilly and Mother Deborah invite you to help them plan this year's Great Vigil of Easter. This dramatic service is one of the oldest services still in use in the Episcopal Church and dates back to the early church. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about this service and work with Mother Deborah and Marsha to make this lovely service even more beautiful.

If you are interested or want more information, please contact Mother Deborah revdebwoolsey@gmail.com or Marsha Reilly mareilly1@columbus.rr.com



This has been a very busy week!



..... Burning of Palms Pancake Supper Ashes to Go
..... Little sign of Spring New Benches from Recycled Pew



From Bondage to Liberation: 2018 Lenten Series

Bishop Thomas E. Breidenthal, along with the Rev. Karl Stevens and Rabbi Daniel Bogard, will lead a Lenten Series, "From Bondage to Liberation," at Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday evenings beginning February 21. The cathedral, in

conjunction with the bishop's staff, is pleased to offer the series to the entire diocese via livestream technology. More information about this exciting learning opportunity is coming soon.

NAMI Family-To-Family Class for Spring 2018 (03/06/2018 - 05/08/2018; 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm)

Do you have a loved one with a mental illness? The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Athens Ohio affiliate is offering a course for family members of adults who have a mental illness. NAMI Family-to Family is a FREE, 12-session education program, for family, partners, friends, and significant others of adults living with mental illness. The course is designed to help all family members understand and support their loved one living with mental illness, while maintaining their own well-being. The course includes information on illnesses such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression, and other mental health conditions. Thousands of families describe the program as life-changing. The program is taught by trained teachers who are also family members and know what it is like to have a loved one living with mental illness.

The spring class begins March 6, 2018. Registration is a requirement to attend this FREE class. Please call 740-593-7424 or email namiathens@gmail.com for more information and to register.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On February 14 group 2 fed 55 people 78 servings. The main dish was veggie bean chili and rice for everyone. Salad, fruit, dessert, and beverages were also served.

The volunteers were Zelma Coleman, Anne Walker, Betty Hollow, Helen Chila, and Brad Handlin.

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, Joanne Larson, or David Burton.

Repeat Material Below

Disaster Relief (via ERD)



There are ways we can help those in the path of disaster. One way is to pray. Another is through Episcopal Relief and Development. ERD is one of the first relief organizations to arrive at locations hit by disaster and to stay to help with recovery. They have an excellent reputation for fund distribution and volunteer coordination.

Please visit their website, episcopalrelief.org, to donate, volunteer, and learn more.

Lay worship leader training in Gallipolis, OH

Dear Friends,

The Diocese will be offering a two-day training for those who are interested in becoming lay worship leaders (or who are perhaps interested in further developing their own spiritual practices but not necessarily in leading worship!) on April 28th and May 12th, 9am to 3pm. It'll be held at St. Peter's in Gallipolis (541 Second Ave., Gallipolis, OH 45631), which is much more convenient for many of us than Procter.

Please consider announcing these trainings during announcement times and including them in e-news or newsletters. The training needs 6 or 7 people to be viable, but we'd love to have more! The cost is \$20/session, and then they ask that each person provide a \$10/session donation to the church to cover food costs.

Link to the calendar event that gives a description and has the registration form: <http://diosohio.org/events/event/lay-worship-leader-training-part-1/>

Link DIRECTLY to the registration form: <https://diosohio.wufoo.com/forms/sf0lejg1a35d82/>

NOTE THAT YOU ONLY REGISTER AND PAY ONE TIME FOR BOTH SESSIONS

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (see below)

Peace to you all!

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Priest Associate, Christ Episcopal Church (Ironton, OH)

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 home phone is 740-249-4497, and her cell number is 937-689-8895, for emergencies.

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 (<http://facebook.com/deborah.woolsey.12>) and on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/DeborahWoolsey>), and you can check out her blog at (<http://www.revvedupwoolsey.com/>).

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 740-249-4497 (H) or 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 Allyn Reilly, Senior Warden, at 740-592-2596 or by e-mail at reillya@ohio.edu.

For maintenance matters, please leave a note at the office or contact Allyn Reilly, Senior Warden, at 740-818-5476 or by e-mail at reillya@ohio.edu.

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).
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