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Good Shepherd E-News (1 December 2016)

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: 4 December 2016 Second Sunday of Advent



8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite I
Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

9:00 Adult Education, Hobson

9:30 Sunday School, Nehls Hall

10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite II-C
Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Upcoming Church Events

Advent Music Festival/Holiday House: Sunday, Dec. 4, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, Dec. 7, 12:00 noon

The Sounds of Christmas (Soul Biscuits): Dec. 9, 2016, at 6:00

Second Sunday Brunch: Sunday, December 11, 12:00 noon

Poinsettia order deadline: Sunday, December 11

Community Band Holiday Concert: Sunday, Dec. 11, 4:00 p.m., Mem. Aud.

Prayer Shawl Meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 13- Breakfast at Bob Evans

Vestry Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 15, 7:00 p.m., Hobson

Greening of the Church: Friday, December 23, 9:00 a.m.

Donate

Gospel



Second Sunday of Advent

Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned

Family Christmas Eve Service: Saturday, Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m.

Traditional Christmas Eve Service: Saturday, Dec. 24, 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Service: Sunday, Dec. 25, 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Day Service: Sunday, January 1, 11:00 p.m.

Participants scheduled for

This Sunday - Second Sunday of Advent (Dec. 4)

Altar Guild: Lynn Graham and Julie Nehls

Coffee Hour: Dygas family

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector/Prayers: Doris Green/Joanne Larson

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Richard Carlson

Eucharistic Ministers: Marsha Dutton (Prayer leader) and David Burton

Ushers: Curt and Terrie Sherman

First Cross: Bella Martin

Second Cross: Ana Martin

Gospel Book: Ella Cottrill

Lessons: Isaiah 11:1-10, Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 (sung), Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12.

<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 the Syrian refugees. We pray for Barack, our President, and John, our Governor, the members of the Supreme Court, and the members of the U.S. Congress.

In our diocese,

we pray for Thomas, our Diocesan Bishop, and Nedi, our Assisting Bishop. We pray also for Christ Church Cathedral, Cincinnati; Grace, College Hill; and Holy Trinity, Kenwood.

In our parish, we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Priest-in-charge, the Rev. Deborah Woolsey, for the Rev.

you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Katharin Foster, for the Rev. David McCoy, and for our ministry to students, the university, and the community. We pray also for David Burton, secretary of the vestry.

Those for whom our prayers are requested: *

Ed and Mary, Kris, Pam, Bill, the D'Andrea family, Elizabeth, Gifford, Sally, Patricia, Ann, Jan, Pat, Sharon, Bill, William, Roxie, Patricia, Richard, David, Mitchell, Don, Robert, Don, Nancy, Arvin, Suzan, Bill, and Sister Emmanuel, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays: Jesse Pyle (12/10)

For those who have died: Adam Marsh

* 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.

Adult Education

From now until Christmas, on Sunday mornings we are exploring the brief hymns known as "O Antiphons," which celebrate the approaching incarnation of Christ, using such different names as Wisdom, Root of Jesse, and King. During the Advent Festival on Dec. 4, these antiphons will punctuate the longer hymns sung by the choir, so these Sunday morning discussions will allow us all to familiarize ourselves with them. This Sunday, Dec. 4, Jack Flemming will lead discussion of Antiphon 4, O Key of David's House. We meet from 9 to 10 on Sunday mornings in Hobson Lounge.

Adam Marsh

Dear Church of the Good Shepherd members and friends, please join me in prayer for Adam Marsh. Adam died this past Wednesday. His passing will be deeply felt by his children, John and Sarah, as well as by all of us at the parish. We will continue to be pleasantly reminded of Adam because of the many objects around the church he crafted, including the crosses in the Nave we see during every service. A memorial service will be held this coming summer.

Blessings, Mother Deborah

O God, you are full of mercy and ready to forgive; receive our prayers for the soul of your servant Adam, whom you have now called to depart out of this world: deliver him out of the hand of the enemy, hold him in everlasting remembrance, and command your holy

angels to receive him and bring him into paradise: that as his hope and faith were in you, he may without fear or suffering enter the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. - St. Augustine's Prayer Book

Pre-order Christmas poinsettias now through December 11

Anyone wishing to pre-order a poinsettia to decorate Good Shepherd for the Christmas season may do so by completing an order form along with a check or cash. Checks should be made payable to Church of the Good Shepherd. Order forms and envelopes are available in the Narthex. Each poinsettia will cost \$18 and need to be paid for in advance. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Huges at huges@ohio.edu or 740-592-5178.



What Can We Do?

This is a question I've heard and asked after the tragic attack on OSU's campus on Monday, November 28. I have heard from the Rev. Karl Stevens, who is okay. He participated in a vigil service on Monday for the OSU community and has voiced concern that the Muslim students he spoke to felt afraid. On Tuesday I saw a student here at OU raising funds to help the victims of the OSU attack. He told me his brother is a student at OSU; his brother is okay and he wanted to do something to help.

Those of us involved in Campus Ministry in the Diocese of Southern Ohio are undoubtedly concerned about this event and its aftermath, even if it didn't happen on the campus we are on or near. In the life of the church, an event that happens in one place can impact parishes and Christians in other places because we are all connected; we are all One Body. Therefore, it should not be surprising if we have a deep urge to do something to help, and at the same time not have a clear idea of what exactly it is we can do. In situations like this it is important to remember the things we can do that are part of the connection we share.

We can pray. Despite recent criticism, the practice of prayer or saying we are going to pray has received, I do believe prayer can be a powerful and effective way to stay spiritually connected. Remember prayer isn't a tool to control any situation; it is simply lifting up our thoughts, worries, hopes, emotions, etc. to God.

We can keep doing what we do well. The longer I am here, the more I hear about Church of the Good Shepherd's excellent reputation as being a safe place for people who do not always feel safe in other places in the community. Wednesday Lunch and keeping the Bishop Black Chapel open during the week has helped enhance that reputation, and I see evidence of people from all walks of life stop in the

chapel. A few of them come and talk with me. It can be easy to forget what we do well, and tragedies like the attack at OSU can help us remember, and help strengthen our resolve to keep doing what we are doing.

We can pay attention. Look around, notice the people around you, let people see you, be present and show signs of awareness. Smile. Don't be afraid.

We can pray for the OSU community and at the same time keep being welcoming and present here in the midst of OU. We live in times when it is becoming clear that we need to show our faith by showing the Love of God. I am proud of the ways Church of the Good Shepherd embraces the Loving Presence of God and shows that Love. I am honored to join in expressing the Love of God to our community and the world. Keep it up.

Many Blessings, Mother Deborah

Delivery of Christmas Coffee (Dec. 11)



I spoke with the nice lady at Silver Bridge Coffee. In past years she has delivered to Athens on Friday, but she has changed her delivery day to Tuesday. She was not able to fit us in this week but will deliver the coffee next week. This means your coffee order will be available at Good Shepherd on December 11. Thank you for your support of this fundraising project. (Jack

Flemming)

Stewardship (Treasurer's take)

Oh, they are talking about Stewardship again; that means money. No, I am talking about stewardship. Yes, we always need money to run the church, but as Treasurer, I am talking about the care of the money you provide.

Most of our income comes from pledges and Sunday plate offerings. A chunk comes from interest on endowment and restricted funds in the bank. It would be ideal if we could have a big enough endowment to provide for the needs of the church, but we are far from that. At times in the past we have had to hit the principal in the endowment. That is a bad idea since, as the principal goes down, there is less interest coming in: a Catch-22.

I have heard members in long standing and of unquestioned generosity to the church indicate that they supposed some donation they made went into what amounts to the black hole of church finance.

There is no black hole. There is no mystery to our finances. Every January, at our annual meeting, we get to see what has been budgeted and what has been spent

in clear budget lines, and we get to vote on the projected budget for that year. Our expenditures are ultimately up to you, with the vestry, your elected representatives, making detailed decisions about initiatives and allocations. This process seems to be forgotten, though, once the annual meeting is past. To correct for this, the vestry has decided once again to post vestry meeting minutes in summary form after they have been approved, together with the monthly financial statement after it has been received by the vestry. The format for this monthly financial statement tracks the format of the budget for the year but indicates activity for that month and for the year to that point. This is all public information anyway, and you may see it whenever you like.

It is your church; it is your money.

There are occasional little surprises that show up unexpectedly along with the expected expenses. The past two years, for example, show abnormal amounts spent on maintenance of the physical plant, both church and rectory, as well as the organ. This has pushed us to the limits of our current checking account.

Whatever we raise in income has to be a little over 10% of what we need, in order to satisfy our mission share to the diocese. This amount has recently increased beyond our expectations.

In the past year, pledge income has been flat but consistent, and plate income has gone down significantly. Two years ago, we made a strong, successful, push to increase pledges in order to move toward a full-time rector. We are not there yet, but we have Mother Deborah thanks to a campus ministry outreach grant from the diocese and her part-time position as campus ministry coordinator for the diocese. Her current contract for this position ends in a year and a half. One of our primary goals ought to be the setting aside of sufficient investment to guarantee that, some time in the near future, we have enough set by to have a Rector regardless of subvention by the diocese.

Much that we do is done by volunteers. We have a small paid staff--three people who are outstanding in what they do. A few years ago, we even had a cadre of volunteers who cleaned the church for several months in lieu of professional contracted cleaners because of budget shortfalls. Similarly, we are going to move to a voluntary nursery monitor system. Volunteer work is all around you, every day. In any case, cleaning must be done; snow removal must be done; heating and lighting must be covered; salaries must be paid.

The vestry and I are committed to transparency in all our operations. Check the financial reports; check the vestry minutes. Ask us when you have a concern. Once again, we are stewards of your contributions.

God bless you, and God guide us.

Gregory Proctor, Treasurer

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On November 30th, 2016, Wednesday Lunch group III provided 65 people 75 servings. The main dishes were beans and franks and/or beans, corn, and tomatoes over rice. Veggie salad, fresh fruit, celery, peanut butter celery sticks, dessert, and beverages rounded out the menu. The volunteers were Jean Thomas, Don Frazier, Lynn Graham, Lia Knox, Joanne Larson, Lois Wagner, and Joanne Worstall.

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.

DSO Convention Note

We are called The Episcopal Church to signify that we are in communion with a Bishop whom we recognize as our spiritual leader. It is easy to forget this on a week-to-week basis because we spend nearly all time interacting on the parish level, but the fundamental unit in the Episcopal Church is the diocese, and our Bishop is a direct spiritual descendant of the Apostles.

Even the time spent at the Convention arguing over resolutions, many of which are pretty inconsequential, makes me aware that as followers of Christ we are expected to speak to the issues of the larger world around us. I always enjoy attending the Diocesan Convention because it helps to reconnect me to the church as it exists in the larger world.

Jack Flemming

Editor's Note: Let me some convention details in support to Jack's report:

There were three resolutions and all three passed.

The first was the good news to change the designation of St. Andrews, Pickerington, from mission status to a parish.

The second resolution was that the Mission Share Plan for the years 2017-2021 apply equally to all parishes solely based on operating expenses and income. Good Shepherd was one of the only seven parishes that saw an increase of mission share. Most effected were mid-size parishes like us working hard to sustain a full-time priest. (Our treasurer, Gregory Proctor, can explain this better than myself.)

The third resolution was to add our Diocese's moral voice in support of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers boycott of Wendy's restaurants. Most major fast food and supermarket chains (including McDonalds and Walmart), but not

Wendy's, participate in the Fair Food Program by not purchasing tomatoes from labor camps associated with modern day slavery, child labor, substandard housing, etc., and these chains other than Wendy's also support the 'additional penny per pound premium' program to distribute to farmworkers and their families.

Another convention highlight was Bishop Breidenthal's sermon/address to the convention - check it out here: <http://youtu.be/BJdFoa9GOBY>

Ted Foster

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd presents an

**Advent Festival of Lessons and Music Sunday,
December 4, 2016, 4:30pm**

A reception and Holiday House with handmade seasonal items will be for sale following the program.

A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the June Black Music Fund.

**At The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
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Athens, Ohio 45701**

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The Sounds of Christmas (December 9, 2016, at 6:00)

**Come and settle
into the holiday
season with an
evening of classical**

The Sounds of Christmas



December 9, 2016
6:00pm

Episcopal Church
of the Good Shepherd



Come and settle into the holiday season with an evening of classical Christmas music. A free family-friendly concert where you can listen to your favorite Christmas carols and join in the spirit by singing along with us!

Performed by students and faculty from Ohio University

Ashley Andrews, soprano
Calle Fortun, soprano
Michaela Jones, soprano
Alexandra Bruno, mezzo-soprano
Emily Wanamaker, mezzo-soprano

Devante Brown, tenor
Kyle Berkley, tenor (music director)
John Faulconbridge, baritone
Gregory Hofmeister, baritone

and

Wendy Blackwood, piano
Marsha Reilly, organ

Featuring such music as:

Ding Dong Merrily on High, Joy to the World, Jesus Christ the Apple Tree,
In the Bleak Mid Winter, O Holy Night and many more.



Join us for wine and cheese at 5:30pm



Presented as part of the Soul Biscuit Series at the

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Performed by students and faculty from Ohio University

A Soul Biscuits event; wine and cheese at 5:30 p.m. in Hobson, and the performance begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Nave.

Greening of the Church



Everyone is invited to join the Altar Guild for the cleaning and decorating the church for Christmas, from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, December 23. There is plenty of work for all ability levels. Come join the fun and make our building shine for the celebration of Christmas. If you have questions please speak to Sharon Huge (huge@ohio.edu) or Sally Spero (s_spero@hotmail.com).

Photos

Making of Christmas ornaments for the Holiday House sale this Sunday.

Below:

Thanksgiving dinner.



Repeated Information Below

Your Kroger Card can Help the Church

Advent



Welcome to a new season and a new Church year.

The church begins every year with a season called Advent. For the Church Advent is not just a time to get ready for the celebration of Christmas; it is a time the Church has set aside to remind us that Christians are waiting for the return of Christ and that when Christ returns he will usher in the reign of God over all creation. Advent is a season of hopeful waiting, of expectation; it can teach us a lot about how to live a life of faith in all the seasons of our lives.

First Sunday in Advent: a Day of Hope in a Season of Waiting: Every Sunday in Advent, part of how we begin our church service is by lighting a candle on the Advent Wreath. The Advent Wreath is our clock, our timepiece, a way to help us discern where we are in this season of waiting. Waiting can feel never ending, and one way to help make waiting easier is to pay attention to the time. This Sunday we light the first candle. There are several interpretations of what each candle symbolizes. The first candle can symbolize prophecy or hope. It reminds us of the prophecies from the Old Testament about a savior, a savior who we believe was born, died, and is coming again. This is a hopeful prophecy for us, because we are waiting for Christ to return to earth and restore all creation to God's initial intention. It means judgment and reminds us that God's judgment is God's mercy. As we light the first candle in our Advent Wreath today, we pray for hope as we wait.

Symbols of Advent: The Church has put on the symbols of the season. Look around you, and you will be able to tell the time and theme of Advent.

Color: Gone is the green of ordinary time and white of celebration time. Now the Church is wearing purple. Purple is the color of royalty, the color of kings. Purple reminds us that Jesus is our king, that he will return to reign--and yet we are reminded by Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension that he is a different kind of king. While monarchies rise and fall, the reign of Christ is marked by God's ultimate claim on creation.

Advent Wreath: added to the worship space is a ring or wreath of candles. The Advent Wreath is a sort of timepiece, like a clock, that helps us mark the days and tells us where we are in the season. Each Sunday we will light a candle or candles and say prayers. Pay attention to the direction in which we light the candles: we will light the candles in a counter-clockwise direction to symbolize that the church is counter-cultural. The Church is headed in a different direction from the world.

Jesse Tree: In Nehls Hall, the Worship Committee has brought out another symbol of Advent. The Jesse Tree is a way to tell the story beginning in the Old Testament, that God's promise of sending a Messiah was fulfilled in Jesus and will still be fulfilled in Jesus' return. It is called a "Jesse Tree" because of the prophecy in Isaiah 11:1 and Jeremiah 23:1-6 that speaks of a branch rising up from the stump of Jesse. The Jesse Tree, therefore, is usually a branch; throughout the days of Advent symbols are hung on the tree. These symbols can be of Old Testament stories that point to the Messiah or of the O antiphons, which represent the aspects of the season of Advent. Either way, the Jesse Tree is an invitation to explore the season and faith a little deeper.

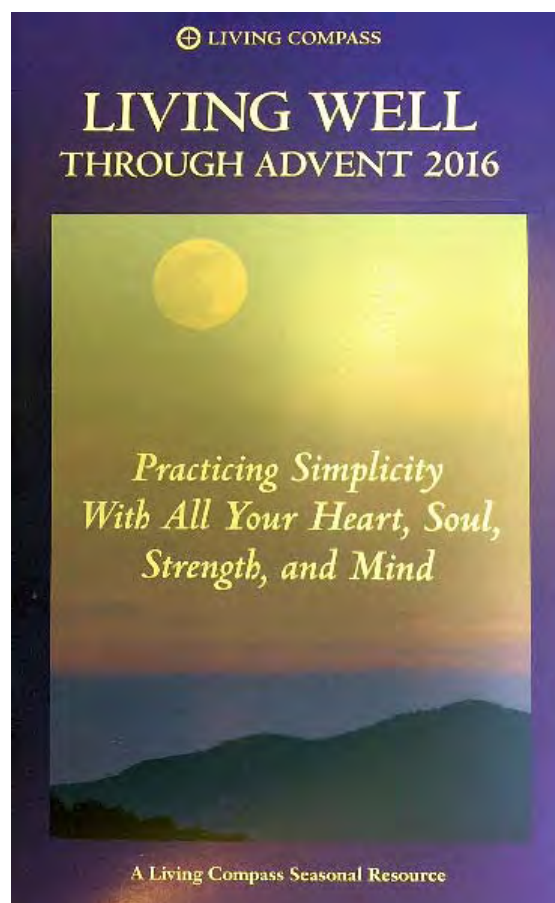
These symbols do not have to be just for church; you can have your own Advent Wreath or Jesse Tree at home to add to your observance of this season.

FREE Advent Resource Practicing Simplicity with all your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind

Please accept a gift to help bring you a deeper experience of Advent this year from Mother Deborah and Living Compass, an Episcopal ministry Mother Deborah used to work with.

While working with Living Compass, Mother Deborah had the joyful experience of putting together their first Advent book of daily readings; it became their most popular publication. Today it has grown to include guest authors from the Episcopal Church. It is Mother Deborah's hope that this year's theme of simplicity and its suggested practices will help you slow down and discover the beauty of simplicity.

(Copies in the Narthex)



"Intersections"

Check out - -

"Intersections: Where the Holy Meets Us,"

a blog through the Church of the Good Shepherd started by Mother Deborah.

It is still a work in progress in terms of functionality, but take a look: click the link above.



Celebrating 175 Years !! (Dec 10)

Saint Peter's Episcopal Church, 541 Second Ave., Gallipolis, Ohio cordially invites you to share with us in celebrating 175 years of ministry in the community on Saturday, December 10, 2016. Holy Eucharist at 11:00 AM with the Rt. Rev. Thomas Breidenthal, Bishop of Southern Ohio, followed by a festive luncheon. Please RSVP for the luncheon by November 21 (740-446-2483 or stpeter541@sbcglobal.net).

Young Adult Gathering 2016 (December 16-17)

God's Glory Shines Through Us "We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone." - Marrienne Williamson

Location: Procter Center

Join us for our annual young adult gathering--a space for reconnecting with God, friends, and your own story. This year, we will explore creativity as an expression of God's glory in our midst. We will have opportunities to engage in the art of improv, visual art, music making, poetry, and whatever creative gifts you have to share. We invite you to join us and bring your playful and creative spirit with you. We will be joined by artists, musicians, and improv actors who will lead us in a variety of workshops and help us explore our own creative gifts. We will also spend time in prayer and reflection on how God is made manifest in us. Come ready to play!

We begin on Friday night, December 16th at 5 pm, and will conclude on Saturday, December 17th, around 3 pm. This retreat is free for young adults ages 18-35. For more information and to register please click [HERE](#) .

Many Ways to Give *

There is a new addition to the www.chogs.org website and to the E-News. Like many other parishes, our website now has an option labeled DONATE, which allows anyone to make a financial donation to Church of the Good Shepherd. We added this feature to make it easier for anyone who wants to give financially to the parish to do so.

Here are a few good things to know about this feature:

PayPal - This feature uses the PayPal program, which is a safe and secure method to make a financial donation. However, as we also have to pay for PayPal's services, approximately 6% of each donation goes to PayPal.

Tax benefit - People who give via the PayPal option will receive a receipt so they can claim their donation on their taxes.

Intention - The real intention in setting up this option is to make it easier to give financially for people who may not attend regularly and are interested in one-time or infrequent financial giving to Good Shepherd. It is not intended to be a means of regular giving for active members.

You Don't Have to Use It. You can continue to pay your pledge or make your financial contribution in the way that works best for you: direct deposit through your bank or credit union, personal check (mailed to the church or put into the offertory plate on Sunday), or cash (placed in offertory plate on Sunday).

If you have any questions or want to learn more about on-line giving, please talk to our Treasurer, Gregory Proctor.

* This announcement addresses financial giving only. We do not intend to diminish other types of giving, but we do want to bring attention to something new and explain it.

Sermons on the Website:

Miss a sermon? Out of town? Or maybe you just want to read it yourself? Thanks to our technological team, the sermons from Sunday are posted on the Church of the Good Shepherd website a few days after they are preached. Check out the ones you missed, go over a favorite, or share. <http://www.chogs.org/sermons.htm>

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.

Altar Flowers

To reserve flowers in memory of someone or in thanksgiving, please



Speak to or contact Sharon Huge (740-592-5178 or huge@ohio.edu).

Hyacinth Bean Florist provides our arrangements for the back altar on Sunday. A single arrangement in a triangular design is \$60 plus \$9 for delivery. Sharon Huge coordinates, providing our florist with the name and address of donors for

billing purposes. If you wish to have special colors or specific flowers, you may call Polly at Hyacinth Bean (740-594-9302) to discuss your wishes. If you want to go to the shop to discuss special arrangements, Hyacinth Bean Florist is located at 540 W. Union St. in Athens. There is ample free parking in the lot outside the shop.



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 building and maintenance matters, please leave a note at the office or call Ted Foster (Junior Warden) at 740-593-8615.

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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