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## Good Shepherd E-News (20 July 2017)

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: 23 July 2017 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost



**8:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Rite I  
**Celebrant:** The Rev. David McCoy

**9:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Rite II-C  
**Celebrant:** The Rev. David McCoy

## Upcoming Church Events

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, July 25, home of Julie Nehls

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

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, August 2, 12:00 noon

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, August 8, home of Zelma Coleman

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, August 9, 12:00 noon

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, August 16, 12:00 noon

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, August 22, home of Lois Wagner

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, August 23, 12:00 noon

OU Classes resume - Monday, August 28

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, August 30, 12:00 noon

Welcome Back Picnic - Sunday, September 3, following 10:30 a.m. service

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**We are grateful for the Rev. David McCoy who is supplying for Mother Deborah who is on vacation this week.**

## Vacation

Mother Deborah and her family will be on vacation Thursday, July 20 - Friday, August 4. While she is vacationing, the Rev. Katharin Foster will be on call for all pastoral emergencies. Please pray for safe travels for Mother Deborah and her family.

## Church Office Closed:

Barb Martin will be out of the office on Wednesday, July 26 and Thursday, July 27. Please have all information for the bulletin submitted before it is printed on Tuesday, July 25.

## Participants scheduled for

This Sunday - Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

**Altar Guild:** Lynn Graham

**Coffee Hour:** David Burton and Julie Nehls

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

**Celebrant:** The Rev. David McCoy

**Lector:** Joanne Larson

**9:30 a.m. Service:** Holy Eucharist Rite II-C

**Celebrant:** The Rev. David McCoy

**Lector:** Zella Nisley

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gregory Proctor (Prayer Leader) and David Burton

**Ushers:** Daniel Dygas and Chris Eaton

**First Cross:** Peter Buckley

**Gospel Book:** Owen Buckley

**Lessons:** Genesis 28:10-19a, Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23 (said), Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43. <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 refugees. We pray for Donald, our President, and John, our Governor, the Supreme Court, and the members of the Congress.

### **In our diocese,**

we pray for Thomas, our Diocesan Bishop, and Nedi, our Assisting Bishop. We pray also for St. Philip's, Circleville; Good Samaritan, Clermont County; St. Edward's, Whitehall; St. James', Clintonville; and St. John's, Columbus.

### **In our parish,**

we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Priest-in-Charge, Rev. Deborah Woolsey, for our Associate Priests, 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 Marthas.

### **Those for whom our prayers are requested: \***

Andrew and Beth, Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Pam, Jeff, Isaiah, Ann and Bill, Stephen, Mary, Bob, the D'Andrea family, Chris, Sally, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Sharon, Clif, William, Patricia, Paul, David, Aletta, Holly, Robert, Zack, Don, the Sheets family, Elliot, John, Nancy, Bonnie, Arvin, Sandi, June, Suzan, Mark, and Sister Emmanuel, and we pray for all who care for them.

**For those have died:** Gifford Doxsee

**Anniversary:** Gregory Proctor and Elizabeth Says (7/27)

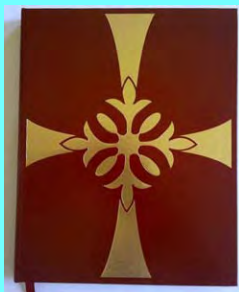
\* Full names for this section are not published online but are in the Sunday bulletin and will be read at the 10:30 service.

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](mailto:grahammowery@aol.com).

## **Gospel**

## **Seventh Sunday After Pentecost**

**Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**



Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at

harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

## Friendship-building trip to Mérida, Mexico

St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Mérida, Mexico has invited a group from Good Shepherd to visit them January 10-15. With Vestry approval to move forward, we're looking for a diverse group of no more than 10 who would be interested in participating in this *encuentro* (meeting) with fellow Episcopalians in Mérida who yearn for a relationship with other, like-minded Christians. This is a trip where we have been invited to stay with families from St Luke's, to deepen our bonds of friendship, and to share in their remarkable journey in establishing a permanent Episcopal church in Mérida. We'll not build houses or churches but rather friendships.

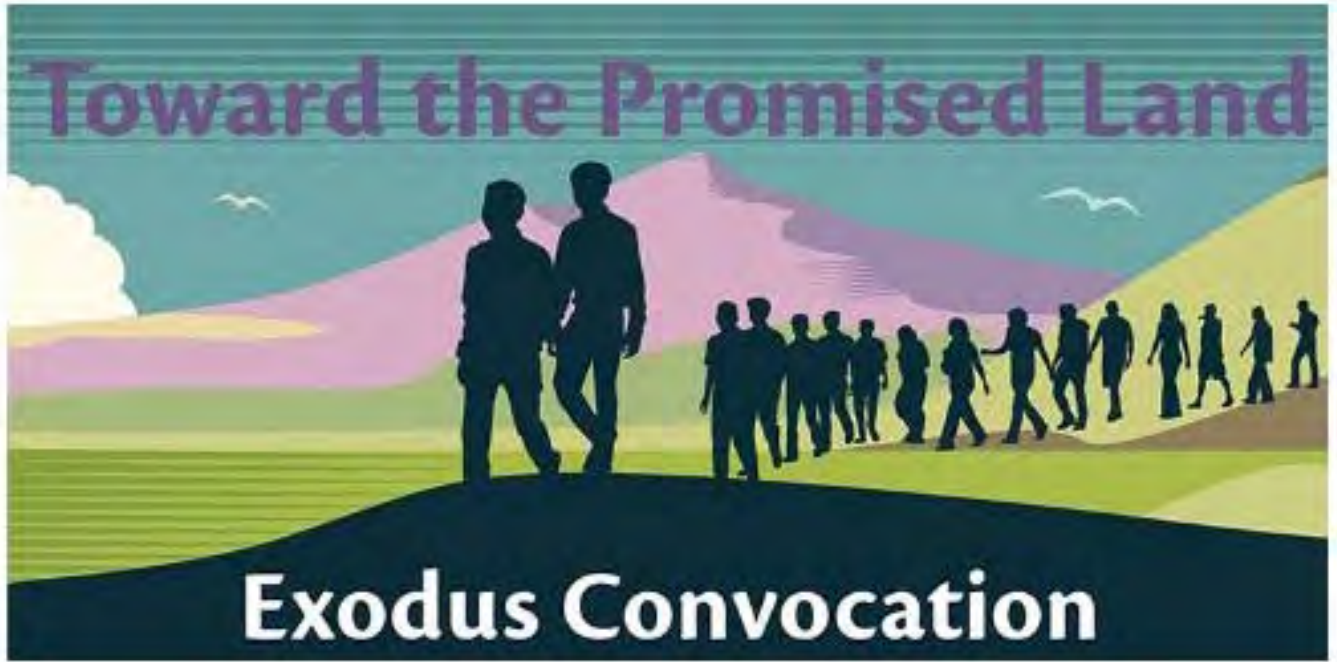
The cost would be only airfare to Mérida and perhaps some extra spending money. We would like to have an idea of participants by August 31. If you are interested, talk either with David Burton or Mother Deborah. See pictures of St Luke's new building (they moved on Pentecost, and there are pictures of Carolyn King with Fr. José and another of Carolyn and Crystal) on their Facebook page: St Luke's Episcopal Church of Merida. Make sure to "Like" it.

## COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED:



The number of teams available to host coffee hour is dwindling, and we are in need of new volunteers. Hosting coffee hour requires the team to set up for coffee hour, serve refreshments, and clean up. There is a guide sheet in the kitchen for set up and clean up. Refreshments may be store bought or homemade. Fruits, cheese, and crackers are also enjoyed by those being served. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Lois Wagner, Parish Life Committee, [loiswgn@gmail.com](mailto:loiswgn@gmail.com).

# Registration now open for Exodus Convocation



Registration is now open for the Exodus Convocation, a unique day of discovery, dreaming and discernment. The convocation will be held on Saturday, September 16, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Procter Center.

Read more at [www.dsoconnections.org](http://www.dsoconnections.org) or see last week's article reprinted below.

## Choral Ensemble July 30



Special music on Sunday, July 30, will be by a Good Shepherd Choral Ensemble

**But - singers are needed!!! All ages welcome.**

Only one rehearsal - Sunday morning, July 30, at 8:45. However, music will be available earlier in the week if you want to get a copy.

Please let Marsha Reilly know if you are able to participate. Email her at [mareilly1@columbus.rr.com](mailto:mareilly1@columbus.rr.com) or text her at 740-818-6475.

## Wednesday Free-Lunch Report

On July 19, Group III fed 38 people 49 servings.

The menu was a veggie salad with stuffed celery, fresh





fruit, cake, and beverages. The other option was beans and franks.

The volunteers were Kelsey Gerard, Lois Wagner, Lynn Graham, and Joanne Larson.

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.

## Windmill Blade



Last Sunday Katharin and I watched the interesting procedure of a team exiting this huge windmill blade from Interstate 80 and maneuvering it to cross an overpass over the highway. The rear carriage portion (to the right) of this special rig can be controlled independently from the cab (left) allowing the tip the blade to swing and back up on the cross road.

Not sure how this will work out until we try it, but posted the image sideways to better convey the size of this monster and allow scrolling the image on cellphones.



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### Exodus in our Time -- a note from the Diocese

# *Adult Forums & The Exodus Big Read*

Together, as a diocese, we will have several opportunities to ponder the questions raised in the Book of Exodus and how they apply to us, here and now.

Beginning August 27, 2017, and running to April 7, 2018, we are invited to come together to read the Book of Exodus. Follow this link to more information: <http://diosohio.org/exodus/>

### **One part of this a series of Adult Forums**

We are in the process of creating five video classes for adult forums. The first class is up and ready to use. You can see it by going to <http://adsobigread.org/forum-adult-forums/>. There you will also see working titles for the other four classes in the series. We suggest that you wait until after August 27th to begin using these classes.

The forum format that these videos are designed for is simple: watch the fifteen minute video, then spend thirty to forty minutes talking about the three discussion questions. All that's needed to lead a forum like this is a computer, projector (unless your group is small enough to gather around the computer screen), and someone to hit play.

The videos are streamable through Youtube and are also downloadable. Links to both streaming video and download are available at <http://adsobigread.org/for-adult-forums/>.

Visit [adsobigread.org](http://adsobigread.org) to explore resources we have available for individuals, for meetings, for adult forums, and for diocesan-wide events. And please don't hesitate to offer suggestions and helpful critiques by emailing me or using the forms available on the site. For questions or comments please contact Rev. Karl Stevens [kpbstevens@gmail.com](mailto:kpbstevens@gmail.com).

## **Another part is the Exodus Convocation**

**Toward the Promised Land  
Saturday, September 16, 2017  
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Procter Center**

Join us for a unique day of dreaming and discernment. Help to shape the direction of the diocese as we learn to leave behind what holds us back and move out into our neighborhoods.

If you are passionate about making our Church/the Gospel relevant to our neighborhoods and the world today, this is the day for you! Come together for a day of deep discussion and practical learning about identifying our "Egypt" and how to allow the Holy Spirit to guide us out of our buildings and into connection with the people around us.

Several workshops will be offered by people who have already done it-gone into their neighborhoods and listened and engaged with both institutions and individuals. Talk with and learn from those who are already embracing connection with old people, young people, homeless people, people of different faiths and cultures. They will share wisdom and resources that will inspire and redefine our own ministries.

There is no cost to attend the Exodus Convocation, but registration is required. Registration will open July 17. <http://diosohio.org/convocation/>

## **Altar Flowers -- how to order**

I have placed a calendar on the church bulletin board in the stairway across from Hobson Lounge. There is a pen on a string that you can use to add your name to an open Sunday of your choosing. I need at least one week in advance to get the flowers ordered and to make sure the wording of your dedication is as you choose.





### **The procedure:**

- 1) Write your name on the calendar;
- 2) Email me ([huge@ohio.edu](mailto:huge@ohio.edu)) or phone me (740-592-5178) to give me your dedication.
- 3) I will order flowers through Hyacinth Bean Florist and give your name and address for billing. The cost is \$60 for the arrangement; \$10 delivery fee; \$4.90 tax. Total: \$74.90.
- 4) I will relay your dedication so that it appears in the e-news and bulletin.

Thank you for your generous donations to keep our altar flowers coming.

Sharon Huge

If you wish to have special colors or specific flowers, you may call Polly Creech, our florist, 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. Keep in mind that this MAY increase the cost.

## **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 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](mailto:revdebwoolsey@gmail.com)>, and the email through the church is the Rev. Deborah Woolsey <[revdeborah@chogs.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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).  
The parish office administrator is Barbara Martin (740-593-6877 or [barbara@chogs.org](mailto:barbara@chogs.org)).

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