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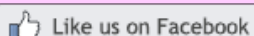
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Good Shepherd E-News (21 September 2017)

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: 24 September 2017



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Upcoming Church Events

Vestry Meeting - Thursday, Sept 21, 7:00 p.m.

Adult Forum - The Big Read, Sunday, Sept 24, 9:00 a.m.

Prayer Shawl Meeting - Tuesday, Sept 26, Julie Nehls

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, Sept 27, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, Sept 27, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

CROP Walk - Sunday, October 8, 2:00 p.m., Peden Stadium

Adult Forum - The Big Read, Sunday, Oct 1, 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, Oct 4, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, Oct 4, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Crop Walk (Oct. 8)

The annual CROP walk with take

place on Sunday, October 8, 2:00 p.m. at Peden Stadium.

A coordinator from Good Shepherd is needed to recruit volunteers from our church to walk.

Volunteers will be required to ask people to pledge money for their walks. A donation form will be coming soon so that each volunteer can begin fund raising.



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

"José's Weekly
Reflection"

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Adult Forum, Exodus, The Big Read this Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Please join us at 9:00 a.m. in the Hobson Room.

Vestry Meeting Tonight 7:00

Leaders Needed for the Journey

We will all be able to participate in the Big Read on Sunday mornings in the Adult Forum, from 9 to 10, in sessions led by a variety of leaders. We invite you to volunteer to take your turn in leading for three weeks each, using the resources provided by the diocese. If leaders are interested, we could schedule an opportunity for group planning. Please speak to Mother Deborah, Allyn Reilly, or Marsha Dutton if you are willing to lead!

Participants scheduled for

This Sunday - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Altar Guild: Zelma Coleman and Lynn Graham

Altar Flowers: Lois Wagner

Coffee Hour: Marsha Dutton and Martha Hansgen

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Joanne Larson

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Jane Unger

Eucharistic Ministers: Dana Carlson (Prayer Leader) and Jack Flemming

Ushers: Anne Braxton and Bruce Martin

First Crucifer: Bella Martin

Second Crucifer: Ana Martin

Lessons: for Pentecost 16 - Exodus 16:2-15, Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 (sung),
Philippians 1:21-30, Matthew 20:1-16. <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. Mary Magdalene's, Maineville; St. Luke's, Marietta; Ascension, Middletown; and St. Barnabas, Montgomery.

In our parish,

we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Deborah Woolsey, for our Priest Associates, 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 music ministry and the choir.

Those for whom our prayers are requested: *

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

Birthdays: Cita Strauss (9/24), Isabella Martin (9/29)

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for my two daughters by Lois Wagner.

* 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

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 20:1-16



Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Reading Exodus Together: Sunday, September 24

E X O D U S

The Episcopal Church is larger than a single parish. Groups of parishes (usually by geographical region) are called dioceses. The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd is located in the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio. The diocese has invited all of us in the parishes to read the Book of Exodus together. You can read along at home, and in church every Sunday you will hear and read a portion of Exodus. It's one way

we can feel connected to the other parishes in our diocese.

This Sunday's reading: Manna in the Wilderness

No sooner had the People of God finished celebrating their freedom from Egypt than they started to get hungry and complain. Complaining seems to be part of human nature. We can see in today's reading that God responds to the people's complaints by giving them food.

Questions for Reflection:

How do you feel about complaints?

What does God's response tell you about God?

Why do you think the people complained instead of trying to find food themselves?



You are invited to share your reflection on the special pages found in your pew. These reflections are just for you; you do not have to share them. If you choose to share your reflection, please put it in the box near the door marked "Exodus." Thank you for being part of the journey.

The reflections will be posted on the bulletin board in the stairwell by the office.

Here are reflections from the Diocese -- Wisdom of the diocese: [Articles, podcasts, and reflections on Exodus from the week of Sept. 10th.](#)

Panic Disorder From the Inside Out (Sept. 28)

NAMI Athens Speaker Series at The Athens Public Library, September 28, 2017, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

An OSU Master's candidate in Public Health and a writer/communications specialist at NAMI Ohio, Rachel Gearing has experienced panic attacks since early in her undergraduate career. One of the anxiety disorders, panic disorder is typified by recurrent uncontrollable panic attacks that can cause those afflicted to shake, pass out, have symptoms similar to those of a heart attack, and, in Ms.

Gearing's case, even suffer from depersonalization and derealization (feeling out of the body), etc. In addition to defining and discussing her experiences with panic disorder, Ms. Gearing will tell how she combats and lives with her disorder.



For a preview of her talk, listen to her NAMI interview at

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

.15 CEUs available for Athens Public School Teachers

1.5 CEUs available for Social Workers and Counsellors

Recital (Oct 14)

Please join Louisa Oswald, our alto Choral Scholar, for her recital. It will take place on Saturday, Oct. 14, 4:00 p.m. in the music Recital Hall.

Save These Dates



Saturday, September 30 at 3:00 p.m. A Choral Celebration Choir: Members of the downtown churches will gather at 3:00 p.m. for a time of making music together with the new OU Director of Choral Activities, Bradley Naylor. At 5:00 there will be a brief public program. Each choir is invited to sing a favorite anthem as well as to participate in the combined choir. The event will take place at First United Methodist Church.

Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 p.m. 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Hymn Festival at the First Lutheran Church in Parkersburg, WV. Singers who wish to participate in a combined choir should arrive at 2:30 p.m.

Choir Announcement:

The soprano and alto sections of the choir are most happy to welcome more voices. Please give choir participation your prayerful consideration. Rehearsals continue on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m.

Patio area for chair and bench seeking bricks

Michael Luelloff is seeking paving bricks and/or paving stones to lay out an area under the evergreens on which the chair and bench can be placed.

Parishioners can bring bricks they would like to donate or get in touch with Michael at (262-349-2014) (michael.luelloff@hotmail.com) for more information or for him to pick up the bricks.



Michael also welcomes volunteers to help with the project.

Hurricane Relief (via ERD)



There are ways we can help those in the path of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, José, and Maria. 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 natural disasters; it is able to provide immediate rescue and relief 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.

Fall Book Sale

We will be holding the first installment our annual front porch book sale on Wed - Friday (October 4, 5, & 6). We have enough books available that we can have more selling days. And we can also use the added income that more selling days will provide.

But I can't do this all by myself. I need people to help me in the setup and putting away, as well as in the actual selling. I will have a signup list available on Sunday and I urge you to volunteer for a morning or afternoon in this important fundraising effort.



Thank you for your help. (Jack Flemming)

UCM Assistant Director Position Announcement

After eighteen years at United Campus Ministry and thirteen years



United Campus Ministry

Center for Spiritual Growth and Social Justice

as its Executive Director, Melissa Wales is leaving the organization at

the end of September to assume the new position of Chief Operating Officer of Stuart's Opera House in Nelsonville.

The Rev. Evan Young, UCM's Campus Minister, will assume the role of Executive Director on October 1. UCM is opening a search for an Assistant Director; plans are to fill that position by November 1.

United Campus Ministry (UCM), an ecumenical and interfaith ministry serving the Ohio University and Athens communities, is seeking an energetic, committed, justice-seeking individual to fill the newly configured position of Assistant Director.

UCM is a 501c3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to engage the Ohio University and Athens communities in spiritual growth, work for social justice, and community service guided by socially progressive and interfaith values.

The duties of the Assistant Director will include

- * Assisting the Executive Director with fundraising and donor development, doing community & campus networking, program development, and overseeing/assisting with events
- * Primary responsibility for operation of our two weekly free-meal programs
- * Managing building & rentals
- * PR and publications
- * Managing UCM's website

Qualifications (required):

Bachelor's degree

Some experience working in the nonprofit sector

Experience supervising paid employees and/or volunteers

Excellent written and oral communications skills

Some availability for evening and weekend work

Patience, flexibility, and a sense of humor

(desired):

Some experience in fundraising and development

Some theological education

A history of involvement in social justice and activism work

Expected salary: \$25,000 to \$30,000

Applications accepted until October 3. Seeking a start date of November 1. To apply, send a resume, cover letter, and contact information for two references to Jennifer Kelly at

Jennifer@ucmathens.org.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On September 20, Group III fed 60 people 70 servings.

The meat dish was beans and franks (over rice); the vegetarian dish was corn, beans, and tomatoes (over rice). Also served were stuffed celery, veggie salad, fresh fruit, beverages, and dessert.

The volunteers were Kathleen Gilkey, Lynn Graham, Joanne Larson, Zella Nisley, Jody Smith, and Lois Wagner.

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.

Planning Your Celebration-of-Life Service

We want to make every Celebration-of-life service beautiful. It can be a tremendous help to your family if you take the time to plan your celebration-of-life (funeral) service. Such thoughtful planning, no matter your age, helps your family know your wishes, favorite readings or hymns, the type of service you want, even where you would like the service held. Planning the church service is different from plans you make with a funeral home. To help you with this process, we have worksheets available for you to fill out. Both Mother Deborah and Marsha Reilly are willing and available to meet with you and go over the worksheets together, or you can fill them out on your own. Please email Barb Martin, our Parish Administrator, at barbara@chogs.org for the worksheets or call the church office at 740-593-6877. Please return a copy of completed worksheets to the church office so we can keep them on file; you may want to keep a copy for your own files. Thank you for prayerfully considering making these plans now; God willing, it will be a long time before another funeral and when the time for another does come, having something like these plans in place can be a help.

Also, please remember the church in your will. Thank you.

Mérida Church Trip:

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 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.



St. Luke's Anglican mission in Mérida, Yucatán

If you are interested, talk with either 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 Mérida. Make sure to "Like" it.

Two weeks ago several interested people met with Carolyn and Crystal to discuss this proposed trip.



Repeat Material Below

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) 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>, 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).
The parish office administrator is Barbara Martin (740-593-6877
or barbara@chogs.org).

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