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Good Shepherd E-News (24 March 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: 27 March 2016 Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day



8:00 a.m. Service:

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:30 a.m. Service:

Holy Eucharist, Rite II-A

Officiant:

The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast and Flowering of the Cross

Starting at 10:15 a.m. fully staffed nursery care is available.

Upcoming Church Events

Maundy Thursday Service, Thursday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.

The Watch, Thursday-Friday, March 24-25

Community Good Friday Worship, Friday, March 25, 12:05 p.m.

Good Friday Service, Friday, March 25, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil Saturday, March 26, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Breakfast and Flowering of the Cross, Sunday, March 27, 9:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Services, Sunday, March 27

Easter Parish Potluck, Sunday, March 27, 1:30 p.m., home of Ted

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Gospel

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday



John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled

Participants scheduled for This Sunday - Easter Sunday (24 March 2016)

Altar Guild: Lynn Graham, Sharon Huges, and Joanne Larson

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

Officiant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector/Prayers: Doris Green/Joanne Larson

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

Officiant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Richard Carlson

Eucharistic Ministers: Dana Carlson (Prayer leader) and Lynn Graham

Ushers: Julie Nehls and Terrie Sherman

Thurifer: Kate Dygas

First Cross: Peter Buckley

Second Cross: Bella Martin

Gospel Book: Ana Martin

Lessons: Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118:1-2; 14-24 (sung), I Corinthians 15:1-11, John 20:1-18

<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 for Christ Church, Xenia; and St. James', Zanesville.

In our parish,

we pray for Good Shepherd's continued growth, for our Priest-in-charge, the Rev. Deborah Woolsey, for the Rev. Katharin Foster, for the Rev. David McCoy, and for our ministry to students, the university, and the community.

Those for whom our prayers are requested: *

Catie, Lydia and her mother, Michael, Suzie, Pam, Jim, Berry family, Winston, Wanda, the D'Andrea family, Gifford, Nona, Jan,

up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my

Pat, John, Ellen, Ray, Beverly, Hannah and Colleen, Connie, William, Kathy and Phil, Rachel, Adam, Andy, Molly, Patricia, Carolyn, Douglas, Richard, Blanche, Ed, Jennifer, Holly, Robert, Dorothy, the Schave family, the Shultz family, Earl, Nancy, the Rev. Tim, Arvin, Suzan, Loretta, and Bill and Karen, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays:

Julie Nehls (3/27), Amy Larson Dinger (3/29), Zella Nisley (4/1), Jody Smith (4/2)

Thanksgiving for the birth of Brogan Reilly Shannon

* 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.

Holy Week Schedule (Cont.)



Join us on this remarkable week as we share Jesus' journey to the Cross and Resurrection through liturgy and prayer.

Maundy Thursday service, March 24, 7:30 pm

The Watch, Thursday - Friday morning

Athens Community Good Friday Service, March 25, 12:05 pm (at Good Shepherd)

Good Friday service, March 25, 7:30 pm

Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, March 26, 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday, March 27, services 8:00 am & 10:30 am, Breakfast at 9:00 am

Athens Community Good Friday Service

This year the Church of the Good Shepherd will be hosting the Community Good Friday Service at 12:05 pm on March 25. This is

brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

an ecumenical service of prayer, music, and Scripture readings and includes representatives from area churches. We could use volunteers to help welcome people at the door and give out service books. If you are interested in helping, please let Mother Deborah know at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com. If you are interested in helping with music, please contact our music director Marsha Reilly.

We will still be having our evening Good Friday service at 7:30 pm on March 25.

Decorating For Easter (March 26)

All are invited to come Saturday, March 26, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to help clean and decorate the church for Easter. There is plenty of work for all ability levels. We may need a couple of strong men to bring up the lectern from the chapel for the Easter Vigil and then put it back in the chapel after the Vigil. If you have any questions please contact Sharon Huge (huge@ohio.edu) or Sally Spero (s_spero@hotmail.com).



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Vigil Bells 7:30 pm Sat., March 26



Don't forget to bring a bell to the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday. Let's all make this year's Resurrection announcement ring out with joy; it's such a glorious announcement: let's not keep it to ourselves.

Easter Breakfast (Mar 27)



Yummy!!

Easter Breakfast will be served Sunday, March 27, 9:00 a.m. Lois Wagner and Lynn Graham will be coordinating the breakfast. Help will be needed to cook, serve, and clean up as well as to bring food donations for the breakfast. All are invited to attend the breakfast.

Flowering of the Cross (Mar 27)



Everyone is invited to come at 9:30 a.m., Sunday, March 27, and help the children of the parish flower the Easter Cross. Flowers will be needed for this event. Flowers may be dropped off at the church on Saturday, March 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. while the Altar Guild is decorating the church. Receiving donated flowers that morning will tell us how many flowers we need to purchase for Sunday morning.

Easter Parish Potluck (March 27)

The Fosters will again host the traditional Easter potluck at their home. The potluck will begin at about 1:30 on Easter Sunday afternoon. Ham and fried chicken will be provided. Those attending can bring beverages, side dishes, or a dessert. All are invited. Plan to come, because it is a great time. There is plenty of room inside if the weather is inclement and outside if the weather cooperates. Outside there are opportunities for hiking.

The Fosters' address is 7919 N. Coolville Ridge Road, Athens. For directions, please use your GPS or speak to Ted or Katharin (740-593-8615). Maps are available in Narthex.

Egg Hunt ???



If an Easter egg hunt has not been organized at the Church itself this year, weather permitting, if anyone wants to bring some supplies, probably those plastic shells with candy inside, to the potluck for an outside Easter egg hunt for everyone (young & adultish) this might be fun. Pictured is an egg where a squirrel got there first.

Watch & Pray

For centuries the night between Maundy Thursday and Good Friday has been for Christians all over the world a time for intentional prayer and meditation. This year our church building will be open all night so that we all can have that same opportunity, one that can not only be a time of prayer for us but connect us to Christians all over the world and Christians in ages past. As I enter the quiet and still church building every year I often remember coming to the Watch with my mother when I was a child and how this special time has helped me grow. I also remember hearing my aunt and grandparents talk about the Watch, and how we all felt closer during Holy Week even though we lived far apart.

I invite you to come and watch and pray, even if you didn't sign up for the Watch. You might want to bring prayer materials with you, or use some of the materials that will be provided. Or you might want to take advantage of the opportunity just to be still. The hours for the watch are 9:00 pm Thursday to 10:00 am Friday in the sanctuary. When you enter or leave please do so in silence. Stay as long as you can, and let yourself be part of this part of Holy Week.

Dioramas





Last Sunday's Sunday School discussion was about considering Lent as a wedding day, as the bride (all of us) wait for the coming of Christ the bridegroom. The top diorama, by Ella, shows the church prepared for the wedding, as Jesus the bridegroom stands beneath the empty cross. The bottom diorama, by Eli, shows the dead Jesus, on the ground, with the risen Jesus in the left corner, in a tie and his underwear. In the right-hand corner stands a one-eyed alien. The 5 on the wall may point to the fact that Eli is 5.

Choir Members circa 1985



Some of these faces are familiar indeed and still in the choir. On the bulletin board in Nehls is a large reproduction of this picture from the 1985 Church Directory. Jody Smith

brought one last Sunday which inspired me to see if we can collectively name everyone in this group picture. On the bulletin board below the large reproduction is another with each person numbered where folks can write in names. Let's see if we can name everyone (for the church archives). Ted

Bishop's Visit, Sunday, April 17

One of the things bishops get to do is visit every parish in their diocese; it is one way bishops stay connected to the people in their diocese and the people to the bishop. Bishop Breidenthal will be making his official visit on Sunday, April 17. Another role of bishops is to confirm people's baptism and receive individuals into the Episcopal Church. If you feel you are ready for confirmation or would like to be officially received into the Episcopal Church, please let Mother Deborah know revdebwoolsey@gmail.com.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



This Wednesday, March 16, 2016, Wednesday Lunch Group III had 75 people and gave out 83 servings. The menu was ham and beans or beans, tomato, and corn with rice, along with fresh fruit, veggie salad, peanut butter in celery,

and cake.

The helpers were Don Frazier, Lynn Graham, Lia Knox, Joanne Larson, Lois Wagner, Joanne Worstall, and Dan Pearlman.

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.

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 Huges (740-592-5178 or huges@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 Huges 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.

A Fully Staffed Nursery: Nursery care is provided downstairs for children age 5 and younger on Sundays beginning at 10:15 a.m. However, should parents prefer, children of all ages are of course always welcome throughout the entire service.



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?ref=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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