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## Good Shepherd E-News (25 August 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: 28 August 2016 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



**8:00 a.m. Service:** Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
**Officiant:** The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

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

## This Sunday is Welcome Back Sunday !!



We return to our 8:00 and 10:30 AM worship schedules and celebrate the return of OU students with a picnic following the 10:30 service on the grassy area behind the concrete food-truck pad.

Please join us; all are welcome!

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Got a Backpack? Computer bag?  
Shoulder bag? Travel bag? Instrument case?

During the 10:30 service we will bless bags for anyone and everyone who is a student, a teacher, a professor, and a life long learner.

## Gospel



### Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Luke 14:1,7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be

## Upcoming Church Events

Welcome Back Sunday and picnic: August 28

(Note the return to regular hours.)

Choir rehearsal: Sunday, August 28, 10:00

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, August 31, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, August 31, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, September 5, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, September 5, 7:00 p.m.

Second Sunday Brunch: Sunday, September 11, 12:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Meeting: Tuesday, September 13, June Wieman

Prayer Shawl Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, Lois Wagner

## Participants scheduled for This Sunday - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (28 August 2016)

**Altar Guild:** Sharon Huges and Joanne Larson

**Coffee Hour:** Welcome Back Picnic

**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-C

**Officiant:** The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

**Lector:** Alex Buckley

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Marsha Dutton (Prayer leader) and Gregory Proctor

**Ushers:** Anne Braxton and Lynn Graham

**First Cross:** Peter Buckley

**Second Cross:** Owen Buckley

**Lessons:** Jeremiah 2:4-13, Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (sung), Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14.

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humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

### **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 Holy Trinity, Oxford; St. Andrew's, Pickerington; and St. James, Piqua.

**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. We pray also for the Vestry.

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

Ed and Mary Lou, Kristi, Pam, Marg, Bill, the D'Andrea family, Chris; Norman, Mary and Eddie; Gifford, Sally, George, Jan, Pat, Sharon, Ginnie, William, Amanda and family, Patricia, Douglas, Richard, Robert, Dorothy and Don, Nancy, Arvin, Suzan, and Bill, and we pray for all who care for them.

**Birthdays:** Sarah Parker-Clever (828), Pat Grean (829), Richard Dean (8/31), Lynn Butrick (8/3)

**Anniversaries:** Tom and Anne Walker (8/28)

**Those who have died:** Jan Black Mortensen

\* 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).



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## Make a joyful noise and come into his presence singing!!

First choir Sunday: this Sunday, Aug. 28-10:00 in the chapel ,to prepare for the 10:30 service.

Next rehearsal is Sunday, September 4 at 9:45 in the chapel.

Then the first full rehearsal is Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 7:00 p/.m. in the nave. The service of Compline will be sung after the rehearsal, at about 8:15.

All are welcome. The service of Compline is open to anyone.

**Dates to keep in mind:**

Sunday, September 11, 5:00 p.m. Interfaith choral rehearsal at Good Shepherd in preparation for the Evensong at 6:15 prior to the Peace Walk.

Sunday, December 4, 4:30 p.m. Annual Festival of Lessons and Music for Advent.

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**Just a few days remain to register for Jubilate 2016: a conference on worship and music focusing on Advent. Go to [dsojubilate.org](http://dsojubilate.org) to read about the conference and to register. Please contact Marsha Reilly after church on Sunday for more information.**

## Education News (Aug. 28 . . . )

Church school will start on August 28, Welcome Back Sunday, at 9:30. This fall we will be talking about the stories Jesus told and how we understand them. Again this year the class will meet in Nehls Hall from 9:30 till 10:15 on Sunday mornings. After beginning on August 28, we will meet again the **very next** Sunday, September 4, but after that we will meet every other Sunday during the fall: September 4 and 18, October 9 and 23, November 6 and 20, and December 4 and 18. Then we will take a three-week break until January 8. All children are welcome.



If you have questions, please call or email Marsha Dutton, 740-594-5121 or [dutton@ohio.edu](mailto:dutton@ohio.edu). A note about Adult Education is below.

## Jubilate 2016 - Re-imagining Advent (Sept. 10)

This September our Diocesan Commission on Liturgy & Music welcomes you to a day of practical reflection and visioning for a renewed and reimagined Advent. We will gather at **Procter Conference Center from 9:30 - 3:30 on**

**Saturday, September 10.** Our keynote speakers will be the Very Rev. Dr. William Petersen and the Rev. Dr. Elise Feyerherm, both active leaders of the North American Academy of Liturgy's Advent Project. In addition to our speakers, we'll enjoy break-out sessions geared toward practical application in our communities and congregations. Please see Marsha Reilly for more information.



To register, follow this link: <http://dsojubilate.org/>

Below is the program:

9:00 coffee and fellowship

9:30-10:20 Plenary session in the Bishop Hobson room upstairs  
"Reimagining Advent: The End of a new Beginning"  
The Very Rev. William H. Petersen  
The Rev. Elise Feyerherm

10:30-11:30 Morning Workshops

1. Music Workshop "Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding - Singing through Advent"  
The Rev. Feyerherm and Marsha Reilly  
The focus of this workshop will be on congregational music.  
The group will meet in the chapel
2. Lectionary Workshop: " Furthering Formation in Christ: Advent Scripture, Prayers, and Preaching"  
The Rev. Petersen
3. Advent Decor: Banners, wreaths, and vestments  
The Rev. A. J. Stack, Jennifer Bell and Rev. Deborah Woolsey  
Ideas for intergenerational activities will be a part of this workshop.

11:40 - noon Noonday Prayers

Noon - 1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:00 repeat of workshops. This music workshop will focus more on music for choirs.

2:10-3:00 Plenary - Question and Answer session in the chapel

3:00-3:30 Closing worship

## Adult Education (Sept 11)

Adult education will start on September 11, with Gregory Proctor leading a three-week unit in a close reading of the Lord's Prayer. -- Nehls Hall, 9:30 to 10:30. Everyone is invited!

## Gifford Scholarship

**We received a very nice letter from Haiden English, the recipient of this year's Eleanor Gifford Memorial**



## Scholarship.

Haiden's letter is reproduced below.



Dear Rev Deborah Woolsey:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity in funding the Eleanor Gifford Memorial Scholarship. It is an honor to be the recipient of this scholarship.

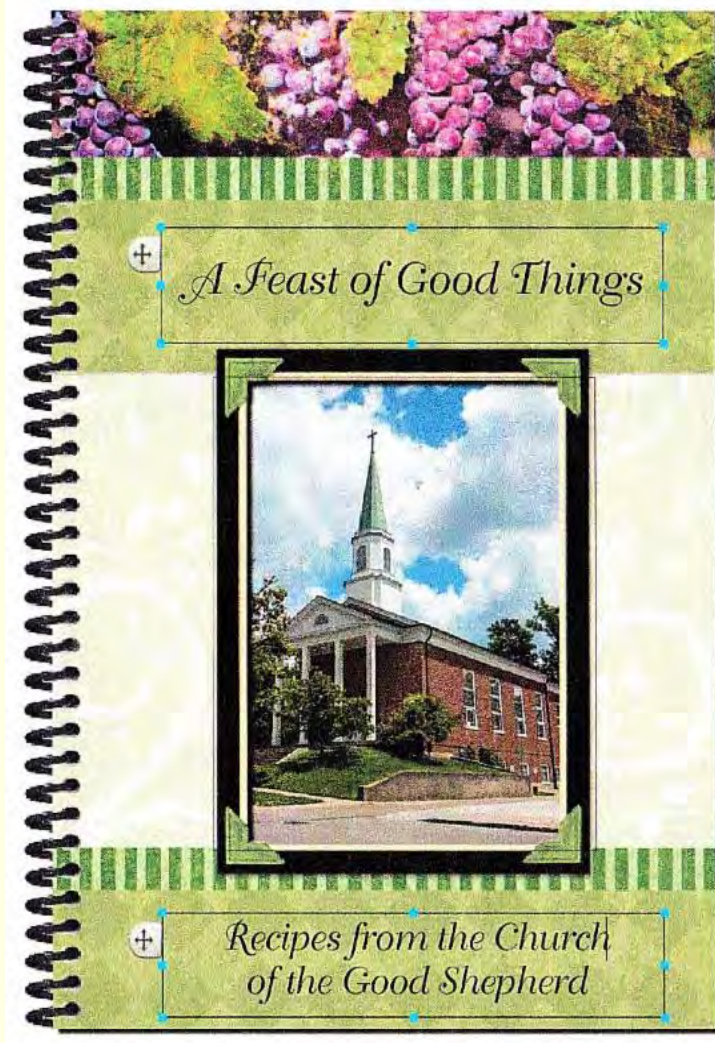
My name is Haiden English, I graduated from Meigs High School in the top ten percent of my class and also with Honors. I played basketball, track, cross country, and also band throughout my high school career. Honestly most of my hours were spent at the school, being there from 7:30 to almost 9:00 most days, this was because of my dedication to volunteering in many programs at my school. These programs included: The Animal Care Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, Drama club, and many more. I enjoy participating in my school and look forward to doing the same at Ohio University.

While attending OU, I will be majoring in Business with a focus in Entrepreneurship and Business management. I can assure you that the funds donated went to a very hardworking, intelligent, nice young woman who is dedicated to making the best of her future and will not let anyone or anything get in the way of that. Philippians 4:13 states "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." I've used this verse as a constant reminder throughout my whole life and I vow to continue to use this as my motivation. With God on my side, all things are possible. Hopefully someday I can give back to my community just like you did. Thank you!

Sincerely, Haiden N. English



# COOK BOOK



**NOW** is the time to order your Good Shepherd cookbook, ***A Feast of Good Things***.

Besides being a terrific addition to your own kitchen, the book will make a great gift. Mock-up copies of this new publication, with recipes from parishioners, family, and friends, will be available for inspection in Nehls Hall every Sunday after church until September 25. The firm order deadline is September 25, but we strongly encourage early orders. The book will be available before Thanksgiving. Copies will cost \$11 each. Pre-paid orders only, please.

For further information, see or call David Burton by September 25 (740 593-5634) or Jean Thomas before September 10 (740 593-8416).

All proceeds will go to support the activities of the Marthas.

## Embodying Presence



I'm sure most all of you know by now classes at OU started on Monday this week, and the sidewalks and streets are now teeming with students and faculty. That includes the sidewalk and streets outside our own church doors. This week, for a few hours on Monday and Tuesday mornings, a group of parishioners let me join them in greeting the people who pass by our church by offering them free coffee and donuts.

Why? The purpose of this activity was to embody our presence and, we hope, point to God's Presence, simply by being out where the people are. Giving away coffee and donuts made sense as we are a parish that is so very good at feeding people. We hope being where the people are helped identify us as a church, especially an active church that is here for them.

What happened? Much as I experienced with Ashes to Go on Ash Wednesday, most of the people passed us by. Many were polite, some ignored us completely, a few walked out of their way to avoid us.

But we did give away 10 dozen donuts and countless cups of coffee, so there were people who stopped and took us up on our offer. Everyone who stopped by said thank you. A few people called us "awesome," "kind," and "wonderful." Two young women said our presence and free coffee and donuts were the best part of the day, as their first day wasn't going well-they had gotten lost and gone to the wrong class. It worked out, but they were feeling terrible about it. Another young woman stayed and talked with us a while and told us that she felt scared. Our volunteers were wonderful listeners who were able to offer the comforting presence needed in those situations.

We were asked directions to halls, and I am so grateful to our volunteers, who were great



at giving encouraging directions.

A few people asked why we were giving away coffee and donuts. One or two asked what we were really after, and seemed surprised when we said we just wanted them to have a good day.

About three or four people asked what time our church services are.

One person said she had heard good things about our church.

One young woman announced she is Roman Catholic and we won't be able to get her to change her faith. After we assured her that was not our intention, she asked us about the differences between the Episcopal Church and Roman Catholic Church. After everyone shared their views with her, she said she had to go and thanked us for the nice conversation.

## Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On August 24, 2016, Wednesday Lunch group IV provided 65 people 73 servings. They served a chicken pasta salad and a Greek pasta Salad. Tossed salad, fresh fruit, cupcakes, and beverages rounded out the menu. The volunteers were Alex Buckley, Jean Thomas, Ester Hernandez, David Burton, Maryann Gunderson, Geoff

Buckley, and Sirlei Martin.

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.

## Janis Black Mortensen

Many of you will remember Janis and we are sad to learn of her passing. Below is the news release from the Diocese. There will be a graveside service here at Good Shepherd on Saturday, October 1st, with a luncheon following in Nehls Hall. Her husband, Dave, is grateful that Jan's remains will rest here in the columbarium because of all the many happy memories Janis and her family have growing up in Athens.

**Janis (Black) Mortensen, daughter of the late Rt. Rev. William and June Black, passed away Monday, August 22 at a convalescent care facility in Naperville, IL, at the age of 67.**



**Jan was a graduate of Athens High School, class of '66, and Ohio University, class of '70.**

**She grew up in Athens on University Terrace, behind the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, where her father was the rector from 1962-1973.**

**Jan is survived by her loving husband Dave and her brothers Greg (Ginny) and Dave (Kari) Black and their families. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 27 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 22W415 Butterfield Rd., Glen Ellyn, IL. The family will receive visitors from 2 to 5 p.m. at the church prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the CNA Educational Fund at St. Patrick's Residence, 1400 Brookdale Road, Naperville, IL 60563.**

**Jan's ashes will be interred at the columbarium at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Athens. The date and time of that service have not yet been established.**

## **Mental Health First Aid Training:**

On Wednesday, October 5, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Duplin will be hosting an interactive 8-hour certification course that presents an overview of mental illness and substance-use disorders. This program helps participants to learn how to help in a mental-health crisis, to be there for friends, family members, or colleagues, and to help people with mental



illnesses, who often suffer alone. The cost is \$30. Registration is limited. If you are interested, check out the fliers on the church bulletin boards.

## Good riddance to some wild grape vines!!



This summer Jack Flemming has taken stewardship of several yard projects (besides painting) which is much appreciated. Here one of those pesky wild grape vines is on its way to it's "great reward" of returning to the soil from which it came.



# Repeated Information Below

## 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 Hugel (740-592-5178 or [hugel@ohio.edu](mailto:hugel@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 Hugel 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 will not be available during the summer. However, children of all ages are 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](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 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](mailto:barbara@chogs.org)).

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