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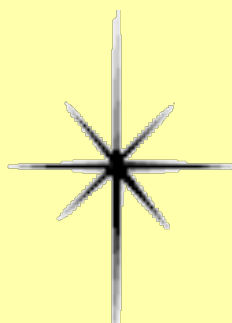
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## Good Shepherd E-News (26 January 2017)

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: 29 January 2017 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany



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

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

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

**9:00 a.m.: Adult Forum**

**No Sunday School this week.**

## Upcoming Church Events

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, Feb. 1, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, Feb. 1, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, Feb. 8, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m.

Second Sunday Brunch: Sunday, Feb. 12, 12:00 noon

Prayer Shawl Meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 14, Zelma Coleman

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, Feb. 15, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, Feb. 15, 7:00 p.m.

Vestry Meeting: Thursday, Feb. 16, 7:00 p.m.

## Gospel



### The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

#### Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness'

## Participants scheduled for This Sunday - Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

**Altar Guild:** Sally Spero

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

**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-D

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

**Lector:** Jennifer Hastings

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gregory Proctor (Prayer leader) and Lynn Graham

**Ushers:** Anne Braxton and Bruce Martin

**First Cross:** Bella Martin

**Second Cross:** Ana Martin

**Gospel Book:** Ella Cottrill

**Lessons:** Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15 (sung), I Corinthians 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12.

<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 all refugees. We pray for Barack, our President, and John, our Governor, Donald our President, 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 Trinity, Hamilton and St. Mary's, Hillsboro.

**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 United Campus Ministry, for the Kairos prison ministry, and for Good Works.

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

Ed and Mary, Kris, Kristi, Weston, Pam, Bill, Stephen, the D'Andrea family, Elizabeth, Gifford, Sally, Patricia, Ann, Jan, Pat, Doris, Sharon, Bill, William, Betty, Roxie, Patricia, Richard, David, Mitchell, Don, Robert, Bonnie, Don, Elliot, John, Jean, Nancy,

sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Arvin, Suzan, Bill, Sister Edith, and Sister Emmanuel, and we pray for all who care for them.

**Birthdays:** Ruth Ann Clever (1/30), Michael Luelloff (1/31), Eli Redfern (2/2), Gordy Ruchti (2/3)

**Anniversaries:** Rev. Henry Millhorn and Jane Unger (2/4)

**The Altar Flowers:** To the glory of God and in gratitude to Harolyn and Chuck Brient.

\* 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).

## Adult Forum:

This Sunday, Jan. 29, we will begin four-weeks' discussion of a chapter of *An Alphabet of Grace*, by Frederick Buechner (pronounced Beekner, if you care). This is a book that addresses the way our daily lives open out to God's presence--if we listen. His book's introductory note "To the Reader" appears below, followed by a link to the first chapter. If you can't open it, tell me and I'll print out a copy to give you on Sunday. I hope you'll join us on Jan 29 at 9 in Hobson Lounge. Marsha Dutton

I am a part-time novelist who happens also to be a part-time Christian because part of the time appears to be the most I can manage to live out my faith: Christian part of the time when certain things seem real and important to me and the rest of the time not Christian in any sense that I can believe matters much to Christ or anybody else. Any Christian who is not a hero, Léon Bloy wrote, is a pig, which is a harder way of saying the same thing. From time to time I find a kind of heroism momentarily possible--a seeing, doing, telling of Christly truth--but most of the time I am indistinguishable from the rest of the herd that jostles and snuffles at the great trough of life. Part-time novelist, Christian, pig.

That is who I am. Who you are I do not know, and yet perhaps I know something. I know that like me you wake up each morning to a day that you must somehow live, to a self that you must somehow be, and to a mystery that you cannot fathom, if only the mystery of your own life. Thus, strangers though we are, at a certain level there is nothing about either of us that can be entirely irrelevant to the other. Think of these pages as graffiti, maybe, and where I have scratched up in a public place my longings and loves, my grievances and indecencies, be reminded in private of your own. In that way, at least, we can hold a kind of converse. And there is always some comfort in knowing that Kilroy also was here.

Here is the link:

[Frederick Buechner, An Alphabet of Grace](#)

## Eucharistic Prayer D -- a brief introduction

During the Season of Epiphany we have been using Eucharistic Prayer D at the 10:30 am service. The Book of Common Prayer gives us several options when it comes to Eucharistic Prayers; all of the Eucharistic Prayers in the BCP are authorized, and clergy and parishes are free to use them when they see fit. I believe it is important to use all the Eucharistic Prayers so that we are familiar with the rich diversity in the Book of Common Prayer. Eucharistic Prayer D represents the most historical and most widely used of the Eucharistic Prayers. It was adapted from the fourth-century Liturgy of St. Basil (Basil the Great, d. 379). You might recognize a point in the Eucharistic Prayer for intercessions, a common practice in the Eucharist in the 4th century. (We won't be doing the intercessions in the Eucharistic Prayer because we say them during the Prayers of the People.) Many elements in Eucharistic Prayer D are from the earliest known manuscript of the prayer. Besides the Episcopal Church, Greek, Slavic, Roman Catholic, and Coptic Christian churches around the world use Eucharistic Prayer D, or a version of it, making it the most ecumenical Eucharistic Prayer in the BCP (taken from *Commentary on the American Prayer Book* by Marion Hatchett).

We will be using this prayer for the remainder of the Season of Epiphany. I believe it is an appropriate prayer for the season and invite you to give it prayerful attention as you hear and read the words of the prayer. Notice what word or phrase jumps out at you and take that with you as part of your prayers and meditations during the week. I hope it helps bring some illumination into this season of light, appearing and revealing, and helps you feel a little closer to other Christians near and far who are using this same prayer. -- Mother Deborah

## This week



**Right:** Michael Installing a window valence for Hobson. **Left:** This past Monday evening an organizational meeting was held at Good Shephard about a new LGBTQ center and to

chart its future course.

## Memory Book

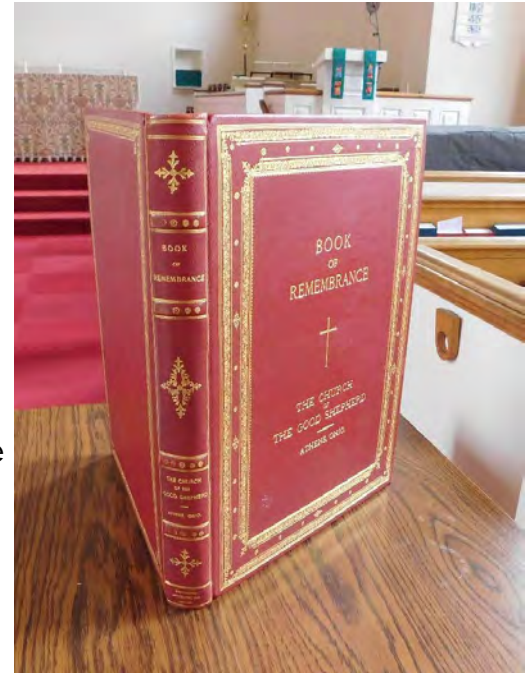
You may have noticed the locked little display case in the narthex which contains the Church of the Good Shepherd's "Memory Book."

Beyond memories, this book contains some truly outstanding calligraphy. For insurance inventory and to make this fine book more accessible as well, I have made high quality images of the the book's pages.

On an occasional basis I will reproduce pages in the newsletter.

Below is the first page.

Ted Foster







his Book of Remembrance  
and the Repository

is given

To the Glory of God  
and


In Loving Memory  
of

Henry A. Frost

by  
his wife,

Anna L. Frost

and many of his Friends.



## Student Retreat February 17-19, Chicago, IL

**For all university students** -- Explore the beauty & mystery of both science & religion. This retreat will explore connections between faith and science, with the Rev. Dr. Lucas Mix as our featured speaker, and the Museum of Science and Industry's Future Energy exhibit

(<https://www.msichicago.org/explore/whats-here/exhibits/future-energy-chicago/>).

The registration cost is \$100 for students needing lodging, \$40 for Commuting Students who do not need Lodging.

The registration page is here:

<https://episcopalchicago.formstack.com/forms/provincevcampusministryretreat2017>

and the Facebook event is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/262340100849175/>

For more information, please contact Mother Deborah [revdebwoolsey@gmail.com](mailto:revdebwoolsey@gmail.com)

## Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



Sirlei Martin.

On January 25th, 2017, Wednesday Lunch group IV provided 72 people 81 servings. The meat dish was Texas hash over rice, and the vegetarian dish was lentil stew over rice. Slaw, fresh fruit, brownies, and beverages rounded out the menu. The volunteers were Alex Buckley, Anne Walker, Maryann Gunderson, David Burton, and

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.

## Repeated Information Below

### "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.



## 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>

## [Your Kroger Card can Help the Church](#)

## 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](mailto: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.





# Make the Connection

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 Lia Knox (Junior Warden) at 484-868-2731 or by e-mail at [knoxliam@gmail.com](mailto:knoxliam@gmail.com).

**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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