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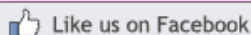
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GOOD SHEPHERD

Good Shepherd E-News (26 October 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 October 2017



Woolsey

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah

Upcoming Church Events

Wednesday Free Lunch - Wednesday, Nov. 1, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 p.m.

Second Sunday Brunch - Sunday, Nov. 12, 12:00 noon

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, November 14, June Wieman

Adult Forum



The Sunday morning group will not be meeting for a while, leaving the 9:00 hour open for other opportunities for adult discussion and study. If anyone would like to propose something for that time, please speak to Mother Deborah, Allynn Reilly, or Marsha Dutton.

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

"José's Weekly
Reflection"

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Special Services

Thanksgiving Day Nov. 23

10:00 am Church Service

1:30 pm Dinner



Advent Festival December 3

4:00 pm (Lessons and Music)



Christmas Eve December 24

4:00 pm Family Service

10:30 pm Traditional Service

Christmas Day December 25

11:00 am Peaceful Celebration

Time to Look and See

A few weeks ago, I opened the church up for a group of college students who wanted to film part of a movie project in our building. I wrote about the positive experience I had with them, but there was something else about that experience I noticed, and it has been nagging at me. While I had the building open, I noticed several students who were not part of the group who came in and spent some time in the church and chapel in prayer. One student remarked he had been looking for a church, but at 3:00 in the afternoon, all the other churches were locked up and no one was around.

This experience opened my eyes to the possibility that on Sundays I am leaving the church just when our neighborhood is becoming active, and while my schedule is certainly a normal one for most parish priests, in this location it may not be one that is present to our neighborhood. So I'd like to spend some Sunday afternoons hanging around the church with the doors open and see if the activity level is similar to what I experienced before and see if that might be a good time for other campus ministry programs.

Thanks to the generosity of our retired priests, the Rev. Katharin Foster, the Rev. David McCoy, and the Rev. Leslie Fleming, who are all willing to celebrate at the 8:00 am Sunday services for the next two months, I will have the opportunity to spend more time at the church on Sunday afternoons without any disruption to our Sunday morning schedule. I am grateful to them for this show of support.

I'm looking forward to this little experiment and sharing what I observe and learn with all of you. Of course, if any of you want to join me, you are welcome to do so.

Many Blessings,
Mother Deborah

Participants scheduled for
This Sunday - Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Altar Guild: Lynn Graham and Julie Nehls

Altar Flowers:

Coffee Hour: Dygas family

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Joanne Larson

Prayer Leader: Earl Stump

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Alex Buckley

Eucharistic Ministers: Gregory Proctor (Prayer Leader) and Jack Flemming

Ushers: Curt and Terrie Sherman

First Crucifer: Peter Buckley

Second Crucifer: Lynn Graham

Lessons: for Pentecost 21 - Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 (sung), I Thessalonians 2:1-8, Matthew 22:34-46. <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 US Congress.

In our diocese,

we pray for Thomas, our Diocesan Bishop, and Nedi, our Assisting Bishop. We pray also for Christ Church, Springfield; St. Thomas', Terrace Park; and Trinity, Troy.

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 Habitat for Humanity and for Marsha Reilly, our music director.

Those for whom our prayers are requested: *

Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Paul, Jackie, Pam, Annette, Jane, David, Dot, Ann

and Bill, Stephen, Mary, the D'Andrea family, Julie, Chris, Sally, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Molly and Mateo, Ivan, Alejandro, Candace, Sharon, Bill, Ron, Clif, William, Patricia, Paul, David, Holly, Robert, Zack, Don, the Sheets family, Reid, Elliot, John, Eleanor, Nancy, Arvin, Sandi, June, Suzan, and Sister Emmanuel, and we pray for all who care for them.

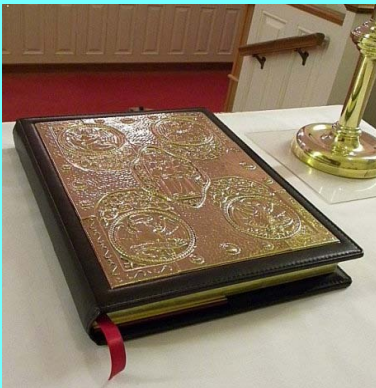
Birthdays: Carolyn Reilly Sheehan (10/29), Kelsey Lackey Becker (10/30), Mark Eaton (10/31)

* 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

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Matthew 22: 34-46



When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

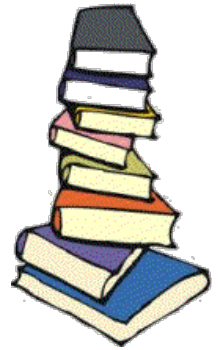
All Saints Sunday (Nov. 5)

All Saints Sunday will be celebrated Sunday, November 5, 2017. If you would like the name of a deceased loved one added to the All Saints' Roll to be read during the service, please notify our Parish Secretary, Barbara Martin, **no later than 2:00 Wednesday afternoon, November 1**, for inclusion in this year's Necrology. The Church Office telephone number is 740-593-6877, or you can submit names by email at barbara@chogs.org.



Book Sale Report

I am pleased to report that our two front-porch book sales this fall earned a combined profit of \$400.50. This is not least because of the large number of books that we had to offer. In fact, we still have so many books on hand that I plan to have another front-porch sale in the spring. I would especially like to thank the people who worked with me at the sale, as well as all the parishioners whose generous donation of books helped make the sale possible.



Thank you for all your help. (Jack Flemming)

Vestry Meeting Highlights

When the church is open for special student projects other students sometimes show up at the church as well. Mother Deborah would like to spend some time Sunday afternoons hanging around the church with the doors open to see if this might be a good time for campus ministry. Our retired priests are all willing to celebrate the 8:00 a.m. service during this trial period. (Please see article above.)



Working with the business schoolclass on the café plan is interesting because both sides are learning about profit and sustainability versus other reasons for the café such connections, employment, etc. It has been decided to submit a one-year startup plan to the Diocese and that the café itself will be closed on Wednesdays with free lunch as normal.

The Stewardship Committee and the Nomination Committee are at work. The appeal process regarding the diocesan assessment is moving along. The Merida trip project has received \$3100 from the Diocesan Faith and Life committee and eight people are slated to travel to Merida in January.

Ted Foster, Secretary

Disaster Relief (via ERD)



There are ways we can help those in the path of disaster. 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 disaster 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.

About Reid Sinclair

Reid Sinclair's son, Rich, reports that Reid is entering hospice care. Reid is doing fairly well, just weak. Hospice care is in Reid's room, so the land mail address and phone numbers in the Directory are correct. Reid no longer does email, but appreciates cards and phone calls from folks he knows.

Nominating Committee Slate

The time has arrived to select new vestry members and the officers. At this point all positions are up for grabs--three vestry members and potentially the Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, and lay delegates to Convention. The Nominating Committee consists of departing vestry members Ted Foster, Lynn Graham, and Lois Wagner, plus Mother Deborah. You may be hearing from these folks, but in the meantime, if you are interested in any of these opportunities for yourself, or have suggestions, any one of us would like to hear from you.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On October 25, Group IV fed 63 people 75 servings.

The main dishes were Texas Hash over rice and Lentil Stew over rice. Slaw, fresh fruit salad, beverages, and cookies were also served.

The volunteers were Alex Buckley, Anne Walker, Ester Hernandez, Louise Moysaenko, and David Burton.

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.

Repeat Material Below

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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