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Good Shepherd E-News (27 April 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: 30 April 2017 Third Sunday of Easter



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

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Adult Forum: 9:00 a.m.

Upcoming Church Events

Kairos weekend: April 28-30

Adult Forum: Sunday, April 30, 9:00 a.m., Hobson

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, May 3, 12:00 noon

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, May 3, 7:00 p.m.

Spring Clean-Up Day with Lunch: Saturday, May 6, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Adult Forum: Sunday, May 7, 9:00 a.m., Hobson

Prayer Shawl Group: Tuesday, May 9, home of Julie Nehls

Wednesday Free Lunch: Wednesday, May 10, 12:00 noon

Choir Picnic: Wednesday, May 10 (no rehearsal)

Adult Forum: Sunday, May 14, 9:00 a.m., Hobson

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Easter Lilies:

The Easter lilies are available for good homes. If you would like to take an Easter lily home, they are available in Nehls Hall.

Adult Forum (April 30 - May 14)

Adult Forum: The Spiritual, Historical, and Missional Episcopal Church April 30, May 7, and May 14 at 9:00 am in the Hobson Room.

Curious about the Episcopal Church? Want to learn more about the Episcopal Church and the people who contribute to it? Please join the clergy of Good Shepherd--the Rev. David McCoy, the Rev. Katharin Foster, and the Rev. Deborah Woolsey--as together we share spiritual journeys, the history of the Episcopal Church, and ways in which the Episcopal Church is unique among Christian denominations.

This forum is for anyone who wants to learn more about the church. Anyone desiring confirmation or reception in the Episcopal Church when the Bishop visits on June 18 is strongly encouraged to attend.

Parish Spring Workday (May 6)

Break out your gardening gloves and pruning shears, put on your gardening togs, and come join us on Sat., May 6, 9-12 am, for a workday to spruce things up around the church. The Marthas will provide a light lunch for those who participate. Some of the tasks are to weed the flower beds, weed around the columbarium, prune/trim dead branches from the holly bushes in the yard, mulch the flower beds, and do some deep cleaning in the kitchen and the back choir room. There'll be a sign-up sheet in Nehls Hall after church for the next two Sundays. Jr. Warden David Burton will try to answer your questions.



Participants scheduled for

This Sunday - Third Sunday of Easter

Altar Guild: Sally Spero and Hailey Luellhoff

Coffee Hour: Phyllis and Richard Dean

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-A

Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

Lector: Bella Martin

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

Ushers: Zelma Coleman and Terrie Sherman

First Crucifer: Peter Buckley

Gospel Book: Pely Brient

Lessons: Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 (sung), I Peter 1:17-23, Luke 24:13-35. <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. Anne's, Westchester; St. Matthew's, Westerville, and St. John's, Worthington.

In our parish,

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

Those for whom our prayers are requested: *

Andrew and Beth, Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Pam, Bill, Stephen, the D'Andrea family, Elizabeth, Gifford, Chris, Sally, Ann, Sally and Sambu, Jan, Pat, Doris, Sharon, Clif, William, Patricia, Paul, David, Mitchell, Holly, Robert, Don, the Sheets family, Elliot, John, Mark, Nancy, Arvin, Sandi, Suzan, and Sister Emmanuel, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays: Pam Rollins (4/30), Amelia Dygas (5/1), Carol Patterson (5/4), Lois Wagner (5/5), Margaret Kennedy Dygas (5/5), Therese Lackey (5/6)

Anniversaries: Lia Knox and April Almond (5/6)

For those who have died: Mark Thamert

The Altar Flowers: To the glory of God and in memory of Edward and Goldie Nehls by Julie Nehls

* 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.

Godspeed to our Graduates !!



This weekend Ohio University seniors graduate and as one phase of their lives end, another begins. It's a big change, for the students, their families, and for the community they leave.

While I haven't met all the students who are graduating, I can feel their tension and excitement as they enter this new transition. Their energy reminds me of the transitions in my life, and inspires me to pray for them as they live into their nervous excitement. In times like this, the word "goodbye" does not quite seem to fit my prayers, blessing, and wishes for the grads. Instead I wish them Godspeed their journey, be with them in all their days, show them the beauty and wonders of the world, shore them up when they face challenges, and hold them in God's Hand all the days of their lives.

Please join me in praying for OU's graduates. - Many Blessings, Mother Deborah

Regional Confirmation & Reception (June 17)

On Saturday, June 17, The Church of the Good Shepherd will host the Regional Confirmation and Reception, and we will welcome Bishop Breidenthal and members of area Episcopal parishes for a Confirmation and Reception service. If you feel it is time for either Confirmation or Official Reception to the Episcopal Church, please let Mother Deborah know by emailing her at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com.

Gospel

Third Sunday of Easter Luke 24:13-35

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They



stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On April 19, Group 4 fed 63 people 79 servings.

The menu was chicken pasta salad and Greek pasta salad. Fresh veggie salad, greens, fresh fruit, cookies, and juice beverages were also served.

The volunteers were Alex Buckley, Ester Hernandez, Jean Thomas, Anne Walker, Gio Esquivel, 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.

Around the church this week



Above: Soaking up some nice spring sun.

Below: Flowers 'round an about' the churchyard.



Below: Guess which one was not found at the church.



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).
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