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Good Shepherd E-News (2 August 2018)

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: 5 August 2018



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

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

Upcoming Events

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, August 8, 12:00 noon

Vestry Meeting - - Wednesday, August 8, 5:00 p.m.

Celebratory Supper - - Wednesday, August 8, 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl group - - Tuesday, August 14, home of Julie Nehls

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, August 15, 12:00 noon

Vestry meeting - - Thursday, August 19, 7:00 p.m.

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, August 22, 12:00 noon

Classes resume - - Monday, August 27

Free Lunch - - Wednesday, August 29, 12:00 noon

Labor Day - - Monday, September 3

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

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DON'T FORGET

The Rev. Jason Leo is coming Wednesday, Aug. 8, to meet with the Vestry at 5, and then, at 6 pm, to meet with all in Nehls Hall, to have a Celebratory Supper. He will provide pizza, and we will individually provide salads and side dishes. (see Transition)



**Participants scheduled for
This Sunday, 29 July 2018, Pentecost 10**

Altar Guild: Julie Nehls and Sally Spero

Altar Flowers: Leslie Savage

Coffee Hour: Bonnie Savage and Lois Wagner

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-C
Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey
Lector: David Burton
Eucharistic Ministers: Marsha Dutton (Prayer Leader) and Jack Flemming
Ushers: Daniel Dygas and Lynn Graham
First Crucifer: Sharon Huges

Lessons: for Pentecost 11 - 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-13 (SAID); Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:24-35.

<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 Congress.

In our diocese, we pray for Thomas, our Diocesan Bishop, and Nedi, our Assisting Bishop.

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. 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 the Prayer Shawl Ministry and David Burton, our Senior Warden.

Those for whom our Prayers are Requested: Chic, Don, Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Pam, Andrew, Jane, Louise, Stephen, Stephen, Zelma, Mary, Julie, Chris, Sally, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Molly and Mateo, Ivan, and Alejandro, Candace, Bill, Miriam, Clif, William, Gayle, Sharon, Monya, Patricia, Dan, David, Doug, Mark, Robert, Don, John, Roland, Laura, Consuelo and family, and Arvin, and we pray for all who care for them.

Anniversaries: Jacob and Carolyn Sheehan (8/6), Doug and Michele Parsons (8/8), Tyler and Megan Shannon (8/10)

Birthdays: Paul Hillard (8/7), Ana Martin (8/7), Caitlin Reilly Schave (8/7), Jean Fieler (8/10)

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and with thanksgiving for Arthur L. Savage and all of Good Shepherd by the Savage family.

Gospel

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:24-35

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five

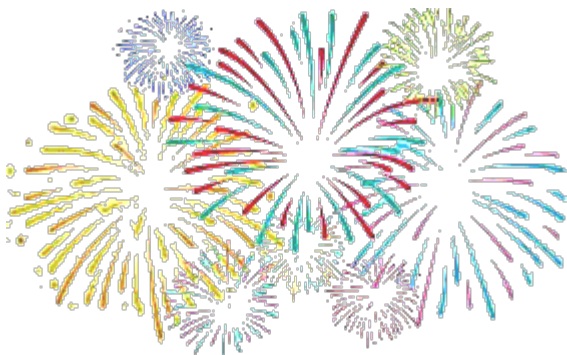


thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Transition Process Concludes



The Rev. Jason Leo has asked that we conclude the Transition Process next week. It's rather quick, but his schedule is full, and he would like for Good Shepherd to move forward. He will come on Wednesday, Aug. 8, to meet with the Vestry at 5, and then, at 6 pm, in Nehls Hall, to have a Celebratory Supper.

So mark your calendars to attend a

Celebratory Supper on Wednesday, Aug. 8, at 6 pm in Nehls Hall. Following supper, Canon Leo will lead a short Q & A session about the process. If you have questions for Canon Leo, you may ask them at that time.

Canon Leo has said that he will provide pizza for the supper. We are asking that you bring, to share, either a salad or a side dish that will go with pizza. In the best of Good Shepherd traditions, we'll have a cake to make the occasion even more celebratory.

In order for us to be prepared, please let me know that you will attend by Tuesday, Aug. 7. A simple email (drabeja02@yahoo.com) will suffice.

David Burton,
Sr. Warden

Former Rectory -- Exploring Options

Over the past few months, the Executive Committee and the Vestry have been exploring options over what to do with the former Rectory. Our major concern has been the high costs of maintaining an old building. In late Spring, we had a professional house inspector look at the house and point out things that we need to address. He found that the house is in better repair than many of us had thought. In addition, he found that there are a few things that need to be addressed at some point, but nothing is too serious.



Following that, we looked into the possibility of selling the house, of tearing it down to create more parking, or of continuing to rent it as a dwelling. We decided against tearing it down because of the cost to tear it down and to pave, as well as considering that the parking spaces gained would be negligible. We have explored the possibility of selling it to OU for office space. That option is still under consideration. Should we sell to OU, we will need time to prepare paperwork to get permission from the diocese. OU will also need time to prepare documentation. In the meanwhile, in order not to lose valuable rental income, we have signed a one-year contract with The Athens Real Estate Company for them to act as property manager for us.

In July, Athens Real Estate found a family eager to rent the Rectory for one year. At this writing, a Saudi family has taken occupancy. Right now, the husband and his parents are living there. In a few weeks, his wife and three children will arrive, and his parents will return to Saudi Arabia. So, in our best tradition of Anglican hospitality,

if you see our new neighbors, reachout to them, say hello, and welcome them to Athens.

As things develop over the course of the year, the Vestry will keep the parish informed as to our decisions.

David Burton
Sr Warden

The Parish Directory



Ted Foster and I are about to begin the process of providing the next edition of the Parish Directory. It will not be published until September in order to allow newcomers arriving next month to be included. But there is work that needs to be done beforehand.

For the next few Sundays a copy of the current Directory will be set out at the coffee hour. We would like you to review your information and either change it as needed or **initial the information if it is correct**. If you were not listed in the last edition and would like to be listed in the next one, please provide your current information, including e-mail address(es). After August 12th Ted will be available for taking photos.

Our Directory is an important way for us to strengthen our community by maintaining our mutual contact, and it is essential that we all keep our listing information current.

Thank you for your continued support of Good Shepherd.
Jack Flemming

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report



On August 1st Group 1 served 31 people 46 servings.

The menu was gazpacho, ham and cheese sandwiches, egg salad sandwiches, and fruit, dessert, and beverages.

The volunteers were Norm Fox, Thaddeus Semsel, Gregory Proctor, and Phyllis Dean.

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.

WANTED: Take Home Food Storage Containers



Wednesday Lunch is in need of clean containers for Wednesday Free Lunch take-out, such as cottage cheese cartons, etc.

Rapt Attention and a Focused Life



Most dear Momma deer was on her way to eat pears that have fallen on the ground. If you count little ears and divide by 2 you will note that Momma has THREE fawns! Even though everyone is quite far away and Katharin and I are inside the house they could see our movements as we scrambled to get a good picture.

Art of Our Appalachian Woods

The Dairy Barn Arts Center has opened **Art of Our Appalachian Woods** exhibition, which runs June 30, 2018 - September 3, 2018. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Sunday 12-5 p.m. Admission is \$5, free for members. Free admission for all every Wednesday.



This exhibition is devoted to the creativity and artanship of artists working with wood found in the Appalachian region.

For more information on this exhibit or any of the Dairy Barn's visiting artist workshops and lectures, please visit <https://dairybarn.org/appalachianwoods/> or email dairybarnarts@gmail.com.

Listening Ministry: Another Volunteer Opportunity



Combing the practices of presence, listening, discernment, and prayer, listening ministry is the opportunity to be fully present to another human being in a way that is non-judgmental, loving, and kind. In a world where loneliness is often named as one of the major problems in society, a listening ministry seeks to counter the misconception that God is absent and doesn't care by offering to be fully present to someone, maybe even someone you don't know.

This ministry is one we'd like to offer once CrossRoads Café opens in the fall. Volunteers who feel called to serve as listeners would be asked to commit to being present during café hours as you are able and to be available to anyone who comes into the café who might want someone to listen to them. This ministry will require some special training, so if you are interested, please contact Mother Deborah at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com.

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 (<https://facebook.com/deborah.woolsey.12>) and on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/DeborahWoolsey>).

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 David Burton, Senior Warden, at 740-593-5634 or by e-mail at drabeja02@yahoo.com

For maintenance matters, please leave a note at the office or contact Dana Carlson, Junior Warden, at 740-664-2022 or by e-mail at carlsondana@hotmail.com. **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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