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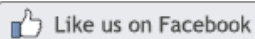
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GOOD SHEPHERD

Good Shepherd E-News (7 June 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: 10 June 2018



Third Sunday after Pentecost:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

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

The Transition Process #2

With question #2 we enter the middle third of the process to move our priest-in-charge to Rector of Good Shepherd. The second question for our consideration is

What is God calling us to be and to do?

Again, we will have three weeks to consider prayerfully our answers. You may place your comments either in the baskets in the Narthex, on the piano in Nehls Hall, or in my mail box in the lobby outside the office. Other options are that you may give them to Barbara, or you may email them to me at drabeja02@yahoo.com.

Thank you for taking the time to write and to send your comments as we move forward, guided as we have been by the Holy Spirit.

David Burton



Sr. Warden

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

"José's Weekly Reflection"

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CrossRoads Café June Hours: Please Stop In



Tuesday - Friday
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

(Closed Friday June 15)

Orientation Special:
All Drinks \$1

New Ministries and Growth

This month we are continuing to move forward with the new coffee shop ministry named CrossRoads. This is an exciting time, as we'll have CrossRoads open and operating for limited hours to coincide with new-student orientation at Ohio University. It is also a good time to reflect on how this ministry started, its intention, and how creating and starting a ministry like this will require prayer, reflection, and the need to adapt as we learn.

History

CrossRoads began about one year ago when the Rev. Jason Leo invited us to partner with Bishop Breidenthal on a new kind of ministry that seeks to make a positive impact on the economy of local communities. Fr. Leo recommended starting a café/coffee shop because of our campus location, our facilities, and our good reputation. The bishop would give

us funding, and we would provide some vision, work, and location. The hope is that what we create together can become a model for other parishes in the diocese. We were chosen by the Bishop and Fr. Leo because of our location, our ministry to our community, and our relationship as priest and parish.

Time to Grow

When Mother Deborah visited other coffee shops, including one attached to a church, she saw a ministry that looked a lot like Wednesday Free Lunch in that many if not most people who come for Wednesday Lunch aren't just there for the food; they are also there for community and conversation. The need for such safe, good places is more than one hour a week. Mother Deborah added to the Bishop and Fr. Leo's idea the vision of growing the Church of the Good Shepherd's ministry of hospitality. Such a change seemed the natural next step for a parish that generously opens its doors to invite its neighbors in.

Intention

CrossRoads is a multi-layered ministry. On one level it is a collaborative ministry with the bishop and his staff. On another level it is a way to create what sociologists call a "third good place" where people can come in and rest from the stresses of life. On another level it is also a ministry that provides the opportunity for people unfamiliar with church to engage church people-if they want to. We know that fewer people come to church than to coffee shops. On yet another level, by hiring staff we are providing employment opportunities in a community where finding a job is hard. While we are not at a stage of providing full-time employment with full benefits, we can be a stepping stone for employees to get a start in that direction. On another level, we are partnering with Deeper Roots Coffee not only to provide delicious coffee, but also by purchasing coffee purchased directly from farmers to help contribute to a better way of life for their families and communities.

Learning

CrossRoads is a different kind of ministry. As a parish it gives us the opportunity to participate in our community in a way that can reflect the love of God while we learn more about the world and how our lives as individuals and parish can have a positive impact. This is also an opportunity to do what many families do when a new family member becomes part of a family by birth, adoption, or marriage: everyone in the family steps back to make room for the new person.

Undoubtedly as we move forward we will have moments where we will have to step back to make room for CrossRoads in the building, in scheduling, in our prayers. This is how CrossRoads will become part of the Church of the Good Shepherd and we all become part of it.

Participate

There are lots of ways we can all be part of this ministry, whether by donating items like mugs, cold drinks, volunteering to serve, learning to use the espresso machine, coming in and buying a cup of coffee or tea, or telling your friends and neighbors to stop by for a cup of coffee.

Prayer

Mother Deborah believes there is another collaborator involved in this new ministry. It isn't just a bishop, a parish, and coffee roasters. God is in the midst of this, calling the Church in new ways that are not separate from the present or the past, but deeply rooted in them. One of Mother Deborah's favorite prayers talks about things that were cast down being raised up and things that have grown old being made new. This prayer is found in both the Good Friday service and the Ordination services. It's a powerful reminder that new is not separate from what came before, and that in God's kingdom nothing that came before is forgotten, discarded, or thrown away. God does not see things as disposable. This is good news, because sometimes when something new happens, some people might feel they are not included because of age or involvement with other ministries. We don't want that to be the case with CrossRoads. CrossRoads would not be possible without all the people and all the ministry that has come before. One important way to be part of CrossRoads is to pray for the ministry. Mother Deborah has invited the bishop and his staff to pray for CrossRoads and invites you to pray too. Prayer is an essential part of this ministry as it invites God into it, even though God started it and reminds us we aren't alone. God is with us, and the work we are doing may be multi-layered, but it is still holy work.

Please pray:

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: look favorably on your whole church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your Providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; bless the new café ministry at Church of the Good Shepherd. By our working together and through your grace, let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up,

and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things are made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever. *Amen*

Participants scheduled for This Sunday, 10 June, Pentecost 3

Altar Guild: Julie Nehls and Sally Spero

Altar Flowers: Ortman and Spero families

Coffee Hour: Dygas family

8:00 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite I
Celebrant: The Rev. Leslie Flemming
Lector: Joanne Larson
Prayer Leader: Earl Stump

10:30 a.m. Service: Holy Eucharist Rite II-B
Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey
Lector: Gregory Proctor
Eucharistic Ministers: Allyn Reilly (Prayer Leader) and David Burton
Ushers: Curt and Terrie Sherman
First Crucifer: Sharon Huge

Lessons: for Pentecost 3 - I Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20; (11:14-15), Psalm 138 (sung); 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35.

<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. We pray also for St. Mark's, Upper Arlington and

St. Andrew's, Washington Court House.

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 Marthas.

Those for whom our Prayers are Requested: Chic, Don, Kris, Kristi, Mary Lou, Weston, Pam, Jane, Louise, Stephen, Stephen, Mary, Addison, Julie, Chris, Sally, Norm, Jan, Pat, Doris, Molly and Mateo, Ivan, and Alejandro, Candace, Emma, Bill, Clif, William, Mia, Sharon, Monya, Patricia, Paul, Dan, David, Teddy and Eleanor, Mark, Robert, Don, Bob, Steve, John, Nancy, Laura, Consuelo and family, Beth and George and their daughters and families, and Arvin, and we pray for all who care for them.

Birthdays: Curt Sherman (6/12)

For the Deceased: David Michael Durrant

The Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Eva Virginia and L. C. Baker, Bette and Carl Clifford, and Gerald and Helen Stauffer by the Ortman and Spero families.

Gospel

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 3:20-35



The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a

kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man;

then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"- for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Upcoming Events

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, June 12, at the CrossRoads Café (Lois Wagner hosts)

Free Lunch - Wednesday, June 13, noon

Summer Band Concert - Wednesday, June 13, 7:00 p.m., College green

Free Lunch - Wednesday, June 20, noon

Summer Band Concert - Wednesday, June 20, 7:00 p.m., College green

Vestry Meeting - Thursday, June 21, 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Group - Tuesday, June 26, at the CrossRoads Café (Julie Nehls hosts)

Free Lunch - Wednesday, June 27, noon

Summer Band Concert - Wednesday, June 27, 7:00 p.m., College green

Summer Band Concert - Wednesday, July 4, 7:00 p.m., College green

Flea Market

(This Saturday, June 9)



The Marthas will have a flea market on Saturday, June 9, 8-1, at Julie Nehls' driveway (16 Cable Lane). If you have any "fleas" to contribute, you may take them to Julie's by Thursday, June 7. Helpers are needed to price, sell, and collect money. Let Julie know if you are contributing or will work (740-593-7354).

Confrontation Training: (June 15)

While very few instances of confrontation occur in our parish, nevertheless a few mild instances have popped up in recent months. Since we are embarking on our new Café, and our Wednesday Lunch continues to attract numbers of people, and since there is always the possibility of confrontation in every gathering, we have asked David Malawista, who is a retired clinical psychologist with the Athens Mental Health Center and now employed by the Athens City Police, to conduct a training session for those interested in knowing how to defuse volatile situations if and when they occur.

This class is scheduled for Friday, June 15, at 5:15 PM, in either Hobson Room or in Nehls Hall, depending on turnout. Members of the **Vestry**, those who serve at **Wednesday Lunch**, and those who wish to be active in the **Café** are especially urged to attend.

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Worship 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Sunday



CrossRoads Café.
Stop in for a cup
of refreshment.
(Look for sign.)

**Bring in this card
for 1 free drink.**

This card will be available for new students at Orientation.

"Under the Elms" concert series:

The "Under the Elms" Summer Band Concert Series will be with us again this summer as part of the Ohio University Summer Band Clinic-Workshop. The concerts are Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. on the College Green beside the Templeton-Blackburn Alumni Memorial Auditorium; the rain location will be inside the Auditorium. Below is a quick summary of dates. Bring your lawn chairs.



Dates left:

Wednesday, June 13: Concert - "Sousa on the Green"

Wednesday, June 20: Concert - with OHIO Summer Music Campers.

Wednesday, June 27: Concert - "Music of the Night": Music from stage and screen with John Schlabach and Josh Nightingale, trumpet.

Wednesday, July 4: Concert - "Celebrate America!"

Athens Pride Fest Parade (June 9)



Invitation to march with a Multifaith Group for Athens Pride Fest Parade: The Church of the Good Shepherd has been invited to participate in this year's Athens Pride Fest Parade on Saturday, June 9, at 2:00 pm. Lacey Rogers, the new Assistant Director of United Campus Ministry, has invited us to march in the parade with members of other faiths and denominations as a way to show both our support for the LGBTQ+ community and our commitment to walk with other people of faith as partners in support of the LGBTQ+ community. If you are available and interested, please contact Mother Deborah at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com or Lacey Rogers at lr270306@ohio.edu.

Wednesday Free-Lunch Report

MEALS



On June 6 Group 1 served 40 people and 53 servings. The menu was Mexican lasagna with turkey for the meat dish and Mexican lasagna for the vegetarian dish. Fresh salad, fruit, dessert, and beverages were also served.

The volunteers this week were Thaddeus Semsel, Norman Fox, Hailey Luelloff, Gregory Proctor, and Michael Luelloff.

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.



For Free Wednesday lunch yesterday Thaddeus Semsel prepared the main dishes -- Mexican lasagna with turkey and a vegetarian Mexican lasagna.



Like most teenagers, Hailey Luelloff is good multitasker (note her cell phone and the sheet of paper for design reference besides working the chalk), and the finished product until it rains or the end of June.

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 (<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 drabeja@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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