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Good Shepherd E-News (9 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: 12 August 2018



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

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

Upcoming Events

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

Bishop Visit - - Sunday, September 16

Transition Process Concludes

Congratulations to Mother

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

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Reflection"

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Deborah and to the Church of the Good Shepherd. Canon Jason Leo at the Celebratory Supper last evening announced that the Vestry unanimously voted to call the Rev. Deborah Woolsey as our next **Rector**. He noted that for now Mother Deborah's title is "Rector Elect" until a new letter of agreement is finalized by the Bishop. A big round of applause of appreciation was given to Canon Leo for shepherding us through the process (and for the pizza).

Participants scheduled for This Sunday, 12 August 2018, Pentecost 12

Altar Guild: Sharon Huges and Joanne Larson

Altar Flowers:

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-C
Celebrant: The Rev. Deborah Woolsey
Lector: Richard Carlson
Eucharistic Ministers: Gregory Proctor (Prayer Leader) and Dana Carlson
Ushers: Curt and Terrie Sherman
First Crucifer: Hailey Luellhoff

Lessons: for Pentecost 12 - 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130 (SAID); Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51.

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. Timothy's, Anderson Township; St. Alban's, Bexley; and St. Paul's, Chillicothe.

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 Athens County Food Pantry and Dana Carlson, our Junior 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, Patty, Gayle, Sharon, Monya, Patricia, Dan, David, Doug, Mark, Robert, Andrew, Don, John, Roland, Laura, Consuelo and family, and Arvin, and we pray for all who care for them.

Anniversaries: Ilona Carlson and Taylor Bond (8/14)

Birthdays: Brian Coleman (8/15), Suellen Denton (8/17), Hailey Luellhoff (8/18)

Those who have died: Amos Lowe

Gospel

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be



hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he

now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Overflowing Gratitude

We had a wonderfully restful vacation catching up with family and enjoying the beauty of Lake Superior's shoreline in Northern Wisconsin, something made possible by your generosity as a parish in giving vacation time and especially to the retired clergy who stepped up and served as supply the two Sundays I was away. I am also grateful for the leaders who made sure everything ran so smoothly while I was away, which meant I didn't have a worry while I was gone and could focus on my family and our time together. Thank you Church of the Good Shepherd for the gift of this time. Now I feel renewed as we look toward the start of a new fall semester at OU, new ministries, visitors, and all that we will do together.

Many Blessings,
Mother Deborah

Attention Volunteers!

The first days of class for OU are August 27 and 28. We will once again be giving away free coffee and doughnuts from 7:30 am - 10:00 am. Volunteers are needed to: make coffee, order and pick up doughnuts, pick up "To-Go" coffee cups, set up a table outside, clean up, and give away the coffee and doughnuts and talk with the students. In the past this has been a very enjoyable experience, if you would like to help again, or for the first time, please let Mother Deborah know at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com or sign up on the sheet in Nehls Hall or the church office.

Interested in Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church?

Confirmation: the rite where we express a mature commitment to Christ.

Reception into the Episcopal Church: the rite where we acknowledge membership in the Episcopal Church after participating in a different denomination.

The Bishop will be making his regular visitation to Church of the Good Shepherd on Sunday, September 16. Since only bishops can confirm or receive, please let Mother Deborah know if you are interested or want to learn more about this sacrament at revdebwoolsey@gmail.com. Some instruction is part of the process, so if you are interested, please contact Mother Deborah before August 26.

Save These Dates !!

The Opening Choir rehearsal of the 2018-2019 season will be Wednesday, September 5, at 7:00 p.m. A hearty welcome to all those who like to sing. The Good Shepherd choir is open to all. No auditions are required.

Preparations will begin at this rehearsal for the Bishop's visitation on September 16. It has become our tradition to conclude this rehearsal with the singing of Compline. I look forward to making music with all of you.

And looking ahead - The Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols will be on Sunday, December 9 at 4:30 p.m.



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 8th Group 2 served 22 people 30 servings.

The menu was tuna salad sandwiches and egg salad sandwiches along with salad and fruit, dessert, and beverages.

The volunteers were Helen Chila, Harold Smith, Hailey Luellhoff, Thaddeus Semsel, 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.



Mother Deborah took this photo of a monarch butterfly in the church's little pollinator garden getting some nourishment. Based on its color shade it is a female. Since we are now into August this individual is most likely a member of the generation that will migrate to the Mariposa Monarca Biosphere Reserve site in Mexico to winter over and make it back this Spring. The life cycle of the monarch butterfly is quite complicated, if interested Wikipedia is a good place to look: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Monarch_butterfly

Below are some photos from the Celebratory Supper on Wednesday, August 8, for the successful completion of the transition process. The evening started with a hymn sing before diving into the pizza.





Repeat Material Below

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 artisanship 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

Combining 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.

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 cell number is 937-689-8895.

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 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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