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Newsletter of the Church of the Good Shepherd

Tequesta, FL



Dear Friends,

When I spend summer vacation in Narragansett, R.I., I swim in the ocean every day, rain or shine. There is a nice, mile-long swim, which I take about once a week, which takes me along the long stretch of beach from Sand Hill Cove to the channel which separates Galilee from Jerusalem. There is something spiritual in that swim for me, and it's not simply the name of my destination that makes it so.

When I first slip into that cold water to begin my initial strokes toward Galilee, I know that I will be one with that ocean for a while. Gradually, as I settle in to the rhythm of the swim and the roll of the waves, I sense only the environment in which I am immersed. The occasional flotilla of seaweed which hangs up around my head and shoulders or the sound of a boat engine being transmitted though the water may divert my attention but, for the most part, I am focused on the salt water and the stroke of my swim until I approach and touch the jetty at Galilee. Only then do I drag myself out of the ocean and rejoin the activity of the beach, with the boats passing through the channel and the sounds of activity emanating from the village of Galilee.

So, where is the spirituality in that swim? I feel that a refreshment of my spirit derives from the fact of my separation from the normal activity of my life during that time of immersion in a sea so vast. I think of little else except of the connection I feel with the salt water and the joy I experience in being carried along in it. I emerge from it relaxed and thankful.

This may parallel the advantages to be gained from daily prayer and spiritual centering. People who spend time each day in praying, Bible reading, meditation and spiritual journal-keeping come to experience a deep awareness of their oneness with God. They find a peace and relaxation of body, mind and soul in a time of separation from the normal beat of life, in a time of immersion in the sea of God's presence.

This year we're inviting you to join in a spiritual covenant to spend half an hour daily in focusing on God and your relationship to God. We're calling it *Thirty Minutes for God and Me*. Think of it as something akin to a swim to Galilee. You are invited to spend ten minutes in prayer and Scripture, ten minutes in centering prayer/ meditation and ten minutes in spiritual journaling. "How can I do that?" you ask. On Sunday October 11, we'll explain the process, teach you how to meditate and journal-keep, and offer suggestions as to variations in keeping the covenant. It could be a great experience for all of us.

Consider jumping in the water and taking on the covenant. Galilee and even Jerusalem await us.

In God's love,



TIME AND TALENT – WHAT A SHOW!

The annual Time and Talent Fair was held on Sunday, September 13 and as always, it is amazing and exciting to see how many areas of ministry and how many small groups we have here at Good Shepherd. Thanks to all of you who participated with your booths and information.

Here are a few new offerings for the 2009-2010 season. Please either just show up or call Deacon Mimi if you have any questions at all.

- **Caregivers’ Support Group:** Kick-off Meeting will be at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, September 23 in the Quiet Room. This group is for all who are caring for loved ones. Our goal is to give caregivers a place to come to interact with other people who are in their same situation, to share with each other their experiences and important insights, and to just relax. We will schedule speakers, serve refreshments and offer guilt-free “time-outs”. Call Jo Ann Pflug-Young (404-808-2475) or Deacon Mimi (746-4674) for more information.
- **Dinner Group:** Another dinner group is forming so if you are interested, please call Mimi at 746-4674. The first group reports that they love it!
- **Bunco:** We already have a great list of people who are interested and we may have both a daytime and an evening group! We are having a kick-off/planning meeting on October 7 at 5:30 in the Parish Hall so just come then or call Mimi at 746-4674 for more information. Bunco requires no skill – it is just an excellent opportunity to make new friends!
- **Adult Lenten Mission Team:** We had such a successful and meaningful Mission trip last Lent that we want to do it again! We are planning a six-day trip to Haiti in March of 2010 with an emphasis on environmental sustainability. If you want to be part of this very special group, please contact Deacon Mimi at 746-4674. Also plan to attend the Young at Heart Luncheon in October, when our speaker will be the Reverend Anita Fortina Thorstad, formerly with Food for the Poor, who will talk about Haiti, its culture and its problems.

YOUNG AT HEART! – Hear about Haiti

On Thursday, October 15, our guest speaker will be the Reverend Anita Thorstad, Deacon at St. Gregory’s Episcopal Church in Boca Raton. Anita currently is in charge of short-term mission for St. Gregory’s but she formerly worked for Food for the Poor and has spent a great deal of time and energy in Haiti. She will present the history and culture of that country to us, including some of the activities that St. Gregory is currently undertaking.

And of course we will have a lovely luncheon as always, prepared by Ann Ballard and her team of *sous-chefs* and the Good Shepherd Good Guys. The event begins at 11:45am. Look out for that sign-up sheet!



The Good Shepherd



Pub Lunch

Thursday, October 1, 10:00 – 1:00

Seniors’ event every first Thursday of the month featuring pub-style lunch plus games, activities and fun things to do. Call the church office 746-4674 to reserve your seat!

Community Blood Drive

Sunday, October 18 after either service

Looking for a Book Club?

We have **TWO!**
Literary Circle meets every other Tuesday at 7:00pm. Next meeting is October 1.
Daytime Book Group meets at 4:00 on Tuesdays beginning November 10. Call the office for information about either of these groups. 746-4674

Meditation on Mondays With Rev. Wendy Williams

Start your busy week off right.
Meet at 10:30 every Monday in the
Quiet Room for a one-hour session.

Next Guided Labyrinth Walk Thursday, October 15 from 10:00-12:00.



“Divinity is like a wheel, a circle, a whole.” - Hildegard von Bingen

A labyrinth is a circle. It is constructed according to rules of sound geometry. Spiritual seekers have walked labyrinths for centuries, utilizing them as a tool for centering prayer and meditation. Come experience the invitation of wholeness that the Good Shepherd Labyrinth extends to all...

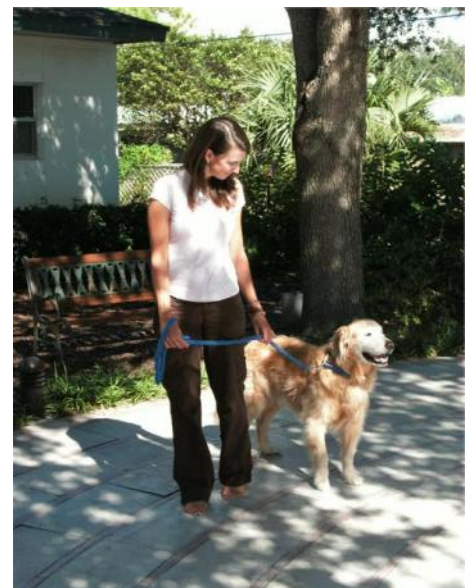
Peace for your path,
Robin Hansel
Labyrinth Committee Chair

Guided walks are held every third Thursday from 10:00 to noon. Our labyrinth takes about 20 minutes to walk and a facilitator will be on hand to answer any questions.



Something New Paws on the Path

Walk the labyrinth with your pet immediately following the Blessing of the Animals on October 4. Find out more about labyrinth walking with your pet on page 8.



Bob Taylor's dog, Mac, walks the path with Labyrinth Facilitator, Robin Hansel.

Food Pantry



- Thank you so much for your continued contributions of protein (meats), shelf-stable milk, peanut butter and jelly, crackers, chunky soups, instant cereals and canned fruits and vegetables. We continue to see families almost every day of the week for emergency food.
- Want to see our pantry? We will have an Open House on **Sunday, November 1**, after both services.
- If you would like information about our Food Pantry or would like to help, please contact Octavia Jabali at 747-8020 or call the church office.



M.O.P.S.

Mothers of Preschoolers meets every first and third

Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. Please join us for information, fellowship and fun! Childcare is provided. Please call the office at 746-4674 for contact information.



Open Monday – Friday
9:00-4:00
Saturday 9:00-noon

The Pennies’ Shop workers would like to encourage “gently used, clean items” when you are sharing your donations with us. Soiled or broken items complicate our sorting and pricing and make it difficult for our volunteers. The shop will be putting out many decorative fall items...stop in and see!

NEW LEADERSHIP FOR LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

After more than 10 years of faithful service as the Chairman of Good Shepherd’s Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEMS), **Robert Boll** is stepping down. We thank Robert for all the scheduling and training and encouragement he has provided over the years – it is a big job and he has done it very well indeed.

And we thank **Peggy Greene** for taking over the reins of leadership for our LEMs. If you might be interested in joining the ranks of those who read and serve communion wine at our Sunday services, please contact either Peggy (575-0230) or Deacon Mimi (746-4674).

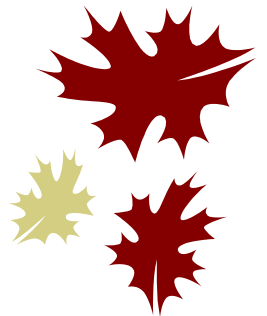


Connie Haas has been elected Director of Daughters of the King for our north Palm Beach Deanery. Congratulations, Connie!



Fun, Food and Fantastic Entertainment !

SAVE THE DATE: **FALL FEST** **Saturday, November 7**



Fall Fest is a community-wide tradition here at Good Shepherd that brings fun, food, and fantastic shopping for everyone! This year, in addition to our Holiday Bazaar, music, and games for kids, we are planning some new ideas that should be better than ever! If you would like to be part of the planning effort, join our meeting after the 10:00 service on October 4 in the Ryon Building Library. Or talk to Debbie and Dan Gilbert (745-3856), Chairmen for this year’s Fall Fest, or Deacon Mimi (746-4674), about it!



Father Scott Petersen

Jesus came to heal

I was in sales in my former life and to a certain extent, I still am. I believe that Good Shepherd is a wonderful place to be, so naturally I want others to discover it. I believe that Christianity is life transforming, so naturally I want others to come and experience it. Give me a soap box and I'll stand on it.

But, since my arrival to Good Shepherd there has been another ministry that I have been involved with – the Healing Team. Mostly I have been learning from them. They are more quiet... more reserved. They are not about websites, advertisements, parish and community data, sermon series and the like—things that I naturally gravitate to. They are about presence. They are about healing.

Granted, I'm not against healing. Who after all would be? Yet Healing, Healing Prayer and the Healing Team... a ministry my predecessor was and still is deeply into, was new for me. It was not a natural fit for me. When I arrived I did not have either much exposure to or experience with healing and healing prayer. Reike (pronounced rake- e), I thought, what is that? Naturally when I arrived at Good Shepherd, much like any person new to any particular ministry, I prayed to God for help and began. And what have I discovered through my interaction with the Healing Team? I have discovered a wonderful group of parishioners dedicated to one of Jesus' central practices... laying on of hands, prayer, and healing.

Week after week, month after month, year after year a core group of about 8 parishioners... each often involved in other ways... have given themselves to pray with and over the sick, the lonely, the frightened, and the injured. If you look you'll see them first on the altar rail during communion (not for their own benefit) so that they might go and stand in our side chapel to pray with those seeking a closer connection to God through prayer. Sometimes they'll have many come following communion. Sometimes there will be none and they will simply wait and be ready. What always gladdens me however is that they are always there Sunday after Sunday. Maybe you have noticed. Maybe you haven't.

As individuals, there are not two who are alike on the Healing Team. There are both extroverts and introverts. Each however tells a unique and similar story. Each came to this ministry with his or her own set of doubts. Each discovered that healing prayer has changed lives. Each will tell you that the power in the prayer is not their own but from God. Through them I have come to discover the power of healing prayer more deeply... as in the way they present themselves... quietly, gently, and ongoing through persistent presence.

What convinced many of Jesus' followers that Jesus was the real deal was that he healed. He prayed for people and they were made well. I invite you to come discover a little of what has been shared with me through the Healing Team. Come and participate in this wonderful ministry. (If you would like more information about the Healing Team or would like to participate please contact Mary-Beth Lucas at 745-1728 or email at L5231@bellsouth.net)

Good Shepherd Good Guys

**Fridays at 8:00 AM in
the Parish Hall**

All Good Shepherd Men Are Welcome!

Join us...and bring a friend!



The next date for Baptism is All Saints' Day, Sunday, November 1st. Please contact the church office if you are considering this Holy sacrament.

**School is back in session.
Church activities are
gearing up. Can't find a
parking spot?**

**Remember, we have plenty of
parking spots on the north
side of the building.
"At Good Shepherd we have
a parking place for you."**

Good Shepherd Monthly Transitions

Married

Kelsey Liane Hoffman

and

Nicolas James Schmitt

August 29, 2009



Our financial status through August 31, 2009 is as follows:

	Month to Date	Year to Date	Budget to Date
Revenues	\$ 52,224.18	\$ 513,458.63	\$ 521,690
Expenses	\$ 57,972.48	\$ 455,635.33	\$ 521,690
Net Total:	<\$ 5,748.30>	<\$ 8,410.18>	\$ 0

The off-season continues to take its toll on our finances. Please remember to keep your pledges current if at all possible. And also remember that you can pay your pledge or any other expenses or gifts with VISA or MasterCard. Just call Mimi Howard at 561-746-4674 if you would like to explore that option.

Email Update Form

Good Shepherd is increasing our communications options and so we need to make sure we have your correct, current email address. And we are Going Green, too! If you would like to receive the Newsletter, *Tidings*, via email or on-line, please let us know.

Please fill out this form and put it in the offering plate or mail it in or drop it off at the office. (Please print)

Full Name: _____

Email: _____

Tidings on-line? (Circle one) Yes No

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

At 7:30 pm on Wednesday, September 16, 2009, the Vestry convened its regular monthly meeting in the Robert S. Taylor Library in the office building. The Reverend Robert S. Taylor, Rector, presided. After an opening prayer and centering, we accomplished the following:

APPROVED... the agenda, minutes from the August meeting and the Treasurer's Report for August.

HEARD REPORTS: Bob Taylor presented the financials for the school for June and July, 2009.

The Parish Fundraising Policy document was distributed.

John Prosser reported that we have completed the installation for hurricane protection for the office building.

Mimi Howard presented coming events from September to Ash Wednesday. .

Mark Chittum presented a Stewardship Team report regarding the schedule for the 2010 campaign. Among other things, the Vestry will be asked to take a leadership role in committing financially to the parish.

DISCUSSED & APPROVED: Mike Greene presented the preliminary budget for 2010 as prepared by the Finance Committee. This budget, which projects an overall 5% increase in costs for 2010, was approved by the Vestry.

Progress on the Parish Goals was discussed.

Increasing environmental sustainability (from the MDGs). We will prepare some graphics regarding the solar cookers for Haiti and also the Lenten Mission Team's emphasis on environmental sustainability in their proposed 2010 trip.

Erik Pariseleti gave us an update on the website, which continues to grow and develop and to be useful to both our parishioners and also potential new members.

Bob Taylor presented a concept for a parish-wide spiritual covenant which was developed by Bob and Marcia Pollard. The Vestry was very pleased with this covenant titled "Thirty Minutes for God and Me".

Mimi Howard reported that small groups continue to develop and that the Time and Talent Fair held last Sunday was a support to that development.

John Prosser reported on the progress toward meeting the Urgent Building Needs previously defined and presented to the parish. After discussion, it was decided to take approximately \$6,000 from one of our building-related restricted funds and combine it with about \$3,000 remaining in gifts for Urgent Building Needs to go ahead now with hurricane protection for the old church windows.

Gayle Landen and Bob Taylor presented more details on the charette planning process. This was discussed in more detail, including the need first of all to develop a Steering Committee from both the church and the school. The Vestry suggested that the church's representatives on the initial Steering Committee include Phil Hart, Katharine Murray, Erik Pariseleti, and Bob Taylor.

The Vestry approved Marcia Pollard to be licensed as a Lay Eucharistic Minister.

CLOSED... with our Parish Prayer.

Important Request

Important Request. If you make a stock gift to the church for memorial gifts, for endowment, or for your pledge, please let the clergy know about it. We are unable to identify the source of such gifts unless you have told us. We want to properly recognize and allocate your gift.

Mac to host Good Shepherd Blessing of the Animals on October 4

By Bob Olson

Drop into the church office and you'll be greeted with more than a smile. You'll also receive a wag of the tail and -- if you're lucky -- you might even get your face licked.

Meet the official greeter at Good Shepherd -- Mac, a nine-year-old Golden Retriever owned by our church's Rector, Bob Taylor.

Bob and Marlene adopted Mac when he was four from a family who could no longer keep him. He was strictly a stay-at-home dog until the time of the last hurricane. Since the power was out at the Taylor home, Father Taylor brought Mac to the office to keep him cool. Mac immediately made himself at home.

"The office staff spoiled him. They, and people who visited the office began to sneak him treats until I insisted they stop. I think the Crafty Ladies were especially guilty. I think someone still sneaks him treats when I'm not looking."

When Father Taylor called staff meetings, Mac came along. "At that time, we had an all-female staff, except for me, so I told them I was going to promote Mac to Assistant Rector."

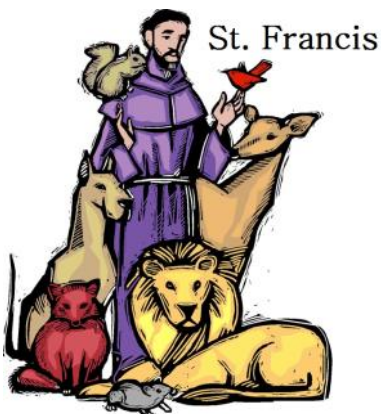


Fr. Bob and Mac in conference.

Mac attends Bible Study classes, occasionally Good Guys breakfasts and joins in with pastoral counseling sessions. "We had a parishioner whose dog had died and she asked if she could just sit and talk with Mac. She said when she looked into Mac's eyes she felt as he was offering her both sympathy and love," said Bob. "I think Mac should go for a career in counseling."

On October 4, Mac will take on additional responsibilities when he welcomes both people and pets of all kinds to Good Shepherd's annual "Blessing of the Animals" service at 4 p.m. And, Mac insists that even cats are welcome.

You and your pets can meet Mac, and his friends, at 4 p.m. October 4.



Blessing of the Animals at Good Shepherd 4:00p.m., Sunday, October 4. Bring your pets (leashed or crated) to the courtyard of Good Shepherd for a special Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis.

New this year... Paws on the Path

Walk the labyrinth with your pet immediately following the Blessing of the Animals. Walking the labyrinth together celebrates two entities moving as one -- a partnership. Facilitator Robin Hansel and her dog Lily will be on hand to offer guidance for walking with your animal friend.

Wednesday Bible Study
Meets in the Library at each
Wednesday at 10:30am.

Good News Bible Study
Meets in the Library each Friday at
9:00am.



Why does the date of Easter change from year to year? Are missals and canons really part of church? Why do we have a Book of Common Prayer?

If you have ever wondered about these types of things, **Ask Clergy** will try to demystify some of the customs of church and the Episcopal tradition.

October Question:

“Are there three or seven sacraments in the Episcopal Church?”

There are seven sacraments which act as outward, visible signs of God’s inward, spiritual grace. They are given to us by Christ as sure and certain means by which we receive that grace.

In the Gospel Christ gave the two great sacraments of **Holy Baptism** and the **Holy Eucharist**. By baptism God’s grace renews and fills us, making us members of Christ’s body, the Church, and starting us along the Christian journey. The Holy Eucharist offers ongoing spiritual nourishment for us by means of the bread and wine which becomes for us Christ’s body and blood. In Eucharist we receive forgiveness of our sins, our relationship with Christ and one another is strengthened, and we are reminded of the Christian hope of everlasting life. The two great sacraments are considered necessary for all Christians.

The five other sacramental rites evolved in the life of the Church in the decades and centuries after Christ’s ministry in the world. These sacraments are believed to have been guided by the action of the Holy Spirit. Though a means of God’s grace, they are not considered necessary for all persons in

the same way that Baptism and Eucharist are.

Confirmation is the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop. By **Ordination** God gives authority and grace of the Holy Spirit to those being made deacons, priests or bishops. **Holy Matrimony** is Christian marriage in which God’s blessing and grace are given to the couple to help them in their vows of lifelong fidelity to each other. The **Reconciliation of a Penitent** is the rite by which those who repent of their sins may confess them in the presence of a priest and receive assurance of God’s forgiveness. **Unction of the sick** is the rite of anointing the sick with oil, or the laying on of hands, by which God’s grace is given for the healing of mind, body and spirit.

This response is taken from the Catechism of the Book of Common Prayer, pages 857 to 861. Those interested may wish to read those pages for further information about the seven sacraments.

Email your question to:

Mail@goodsheponline.org with ‘Ask Clergy’ on the subject line. There is no age restriction for asking questions. Your name will not be printed, so don’t be shy!



Bell Tower News *Good Shepherd Episcopal School*

Is it winter yet? I know from experience that once Labor Day has come and gone in the north, Old Man Winter arrives the very next day. Somehow or other I do not think we follow the same rules down here in our very own Camelot. The greatest thing yet this summer, is NO HURRICANES (yet?). I pray that we will once again be spared this force

of nature.

We changed the format of our Parent Nights and it was very well received. Parents got to meet and greet with the head of school, the resource teachers and the school board president before going off the meet with their child's teachers.

We had a very successful Parent Social and it was very well attended. Thank you to Donna Chami for all her hard work.

On Friday, October 02 we are having our Fall Fund raiser at the Tequesta Country Club. This event promises to be great fun. Tickets are \$45 each or 4 for \$140 and this will include a champagne buffet lunch (champagne *and* chocolate fountains!). There will be raffles with great prizes and a silent auction, however the most exciting part is that we will have 20 local vendors who will offer you a variety of wares – expect anything and everything from jewelry, shoes, handbags, children's clothing, unusual knick knacks and much more. The theme this year is *Champagne and Shopping*. Tickets are available at the School or you can call 561-746-5507 for more information.

Should you know of someone who is still looking for a great school, please call and we will arrange for a tour of the school. We have a few select spots left in the three year old program.

Christine Vanderwesthuizen – Head of School
Good Shepherd Episcopal School

Share
The
Love



Let's show our
community how much
Good Shepherd cares!

Good Shepherd would like to prepare hot Thanksgiving meals for our family, friends & neighbors facing difficult times. If you know anyone who could use some comfort food on Thanksgiving Day or if you would like to know more about how to be involved in our "food" raising efforts this fall please email Rob Steiner at rasteiner@bellsouth.net or contact the Church Office at 746-4674.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Fri. Oct. 2nd—3rd Confirmation Come Together
Starts Fri. @ 7:00 PM—Ends Sat. @ 9:30 AM



Thurs. Oct. 15th—17th—High School Retreat in the Keys
Leave Thurs. Oct. 15 @ 5:30 PM—Return Sat. Oct. 17th @ 1 PM
St. Columbia Episcopal Church, Marathon MM 50

Fri. Oct. 30th - Oktoberfest Youth Mission
Parish Hall—6:00 PM—9 PM— German attire encouraged!

Wednesday Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28—Rite 13 Junior High Youth
Junior High youth room—6 PM—8 PM—dinner served!

Wednesday Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28—J2A/YAC Senior High Youth Group
Senior High youth room—6PM—8PM—dinner served!



What is Prayer? Prayer can be spoken or silent, whispered or shouted; it can be active or contemplative, still and motionless or action-packed. Prayer can be joy-filled or sorrowful, triumphant or angry; it can be individual or collective; prayer can be public or private. Prayer is the very center of our Christian life. At our annual Walk-With-a-Purpose, we experienced all types of prayer—it was every type you can think of and more. Everyone found their way to be in prayer with God as they walked their 1.8 mile journey stopping to pick up prayer cards at the two prayer stations along the way. From the runners to the walkers, the strollers to the bikers to our four legged pets, we all worshiped and walked side by side—all were experiencing a form of prayer with God.

There was a moment during our walk where we were asked to listen for God—between the prayer stations people walk in silence so they could hear God. In our busy lives we don't always stop long enough to hear God speak to us. Our walk also included an opportunity to walk the Labyrinth or sit quietly at a bench near the Labyrinth. The youth warmed up on the Labyrinth with Robin, our resident Labyrinth leader, just before start time. They wanted to get "centered" before they took off for their "run" with a purpose.

Each year this group grows in number and grows spiritually. This year's crowd was about 60 people strong! We closed the morning off with a Contemplative Eucharist and wonderful music. This is becoming one of my favorite events with the youth—you're all done by early morning and the remaining part of the day seems so easy. Could it be the quiet time with God? I think so!

The youth also found time to travel to Universal for another annual tradition. Playing, laughing and taking on new challenges—roller coasters to be exact! We shared this experience with five other churches. It was one of those unforgettable moments, about eighty youth sleeping in parish hall, the sounds of adult leaders snoring and the smell of popcorn—while we attempt to get a good night's sleep on air mattresses. The 6 AM wake up call came way too fast. Then we were off to Universal via luxury bus for a full day at Island of Adventures and then back to church late that night. My own bed never felt better.

Julie





Sunday School News

Happy Fall! Although the temperature outside is still pretty warm on most days, I can tell that Autumn is here...because it's getting very busy around here at Good Shepherd!

Mark your calendars:

Sunday, October 4th - Blessing of The Animals - 4 pm in the Courtyard - Bring your family pets (leashed &/ or caged of course!) to receive their annual blessing in honor of St. Francis Sunday. What a special day we get to share with our extended families!

Sunday, November 1st - All Saints Sunday - Sunday School All Saints Celebration.

Saturday, November 7th - Fall Fest - Come celebrate Autumn at Good Shepherd's Annual Fall Festival! Food & Drinks, Children's Games & Duck Pond, Bounce Houses & Slide, Live Music & Entertainment, Crafts, Bake Sale, Jewelry Sale, Raffle Baskets and more. Volunteers Needed in all areas!! Contact Michelle @ 561-222-7712.

Sunday School Raffle Baskets

Every year the Sunday School classrooms each donate a themed basket to Fall Fest! This year the baskets are as follows:

Nursery - 'Baby & New Mommy' - Diapers, Bottles, Pacifiers, Bibs, Blankets, Scented Candles, Relaxing Bath Soaps, Handheld Massagers, Massage Gift Certificates, Publix or Babies R Us Gift Certificates, etc.

Pre-K - 'Play With Me' - Puzzles, Books, Balls, Play-dough, Board-games, Checkers, Chess, etc.

Kind/1st Grade - 'Let's Play Ball' - Sports equipment; Football, Soccer Ball, Basketball, Frisbees, Nerf balls, Baseball & Glove, etc.

2nd/3rd Grade - 'Crafty Kids' - Kids craft kits, Jewelry-making kits, Paints & Brushes, Sewing kits, Model Cars & Airplanes, etc.

4th/5th Grade - 'Family Movie & Entertainment Pack' - Family-friendly DVD's & CD's, Popcorn & Candy, Blockbuster Gift Cards, I-tunes Gift Cards, etc.

Thank you so much for donating an item for your child's class. These Raffle Baskets are such an exciting part of our Fall Fest celebration!

A complete Calendar of Events is available in your child's classroom and also on our Sunday School Bulletin Board in the Ryon Bldg. Be sure to get one! We have so many exciting activities throughout the Fall & Winter here at Good Shepherd!

Many Blessings,
Michelle Pariseleti

See you in Sunday School!

SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN – TRAINING NOW ONLINE

The Episcopal Church takes very seriously the safety of its children or other vulnerable members. Therefore the National Church has instituted an eye-opening program titled "Safeguarding God's Children" which addresses the prevention and detection of situations of abuse and highlights the importance of ensuring that our churches and schools are places where all persons can be safe.

"Safeguarding God's Children" training is required for all clergy, church and school staff and Vestry members. It is also required for all persons who minister to our children, youth, or other vulnerable people in any capacity. For Good Shepherd, this includes all Sunday School teachers, Youth volunteers, Nursery volunteers and workers, Vacation Bible School volunteers, Eucharistic Visitors, and other related pastoral ministries.

In addition, however, this training is also available to parents or grandparents or others who would just like to learn more about detection and prevention of predatory activities.

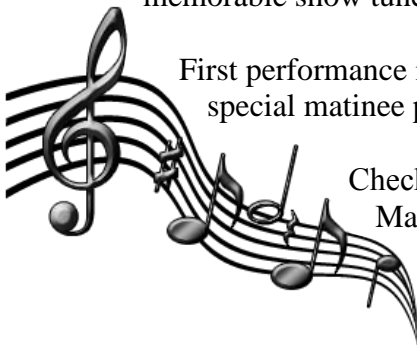
Now this training is easier than ever to receive. It is online in a series of short video modules so you are able to access it whenever it suits you. To do so, you need to contact Deacon Mimi at 746-4674 or mhoward@goodsheponline.org with your name, social security number, and email address. She will enroll you and then provide instruction to you via email. When you have taken the course, you will be automatically recorded with the Diocese as having done so.

Good Shepherd Players Musical Extravaganza Planned For October 24 & 25—Don't Miss It!

It's Fall -- when New York City celebrates the start of a new Broadway season. And Good Shepherd is doing the same!

On October 24 and 25, the Good Shepherd players will present a two-day (only) premiere of a new production -- "**Broadway Goes to the Movies**" -- a celebration of music from famous musicals that have thrilled audiences both on Broadway and the Silver Screen.

Just think of some of the productions that have made that transition and brought memorable music to thousands. "Music Man," "Mamma Mia," "Sweeney Todd," "Kismet," "My Fair Lady," "Oklahoma," "Fiddler on the Roof," -- those are just a few. What better way to spend a Fall afternoon or evening than enjoying memorable show tunes presented by people you know and have enjoyed in previous productions.



First performance is at 7 p.m., Saturday, October 24. On Sunday, the Players will present a special matinee performance at noon, following the 10:00 church service.

Check for further details each Sunday in the church bulletin. But, don't miss out. Make your reservation today by contacting the church office.

Good Shepherd group helps those who need it most at St. George's Center

On the second Wednesday of each month, a group of parishioners travels to St. George's in Riviera Beach and serves up to 250 meals to the homeless and disadvantaged people from this area.

The church has been providing food, serving supplies and labor for over a decade. It is estimated that between the Reaching Out Lunch ministry and St. George's, our volunteers have prepared and served over 41,280 meals over the past 10 years!

Workers either meet at church or St. George's at 4:30pm on the second Wednesday of every month. After a whirlwind of preparation, serving and cleanup, everyone leaves by 6:45pm.

If you are looking for a meaningful opportunity to help those who really need it, please call the church office for contact information.

Spiritual Covenant discussion set for Sunday, October 11, following both services

Bob Taylor will discuss opportunities for spiritual growth with "30 Minutes for God and Me". Everyone is invited to stay after each service for practical suggestions and information about this meaningful way to deepen your personal connection with God.



Worship Server Schedules Now Available for October and November on the web

If you have a scheduling conflict, please notify the office of the replacement you found so we are able to adjust the bulletin accordingly. Call Merike at 746-4674.
www.goodsheponline.org

Walk with a Purpose 2009



Good Shepherd
Youth Group

Where will it take YOU?

Time and Talent Fair 2009



Marion Downing talks to Suzi Heithaus about our knitting ministry.



Artie's Party committee members Peggy Greene and Catherine Oenbrink dress the part for the 2010 event "An Evening in the Orient".



Jean Smith and the Crafty Ladies prepare their showcase of hand-crafted items for all to see.

Katharine Murray was on hand to speak about the Adult Lenten Mission Group. The upcoming mission trip will be to Haiti, with an emphasis on environmental sustainability.



Coming in October

October 1

10:00am Pub Lunch
7:00pm Literary Circle

October 2

10:00am Good Shepherd School
"Champagne & Shopping" Fundraiser

October 2-3

7:00pm Confirmation Come Together

October 4

St. Francis Sunday
11:20am Episcopal 101
11:30am Fall Fest Meeting
4:00pm Blessing of the Animals &
Paws on the Path Labyrinth Walk

October 6

6:30pm M.O.P.S.
7:30pm Outreach Meeting

October 7

3:00pm Healing Team
7:00pm Newcomers Committee Mtg.

October 9

4:30pm Cursillo Ultra

October 11

9:00am and 11:15am
30 Minutes for God and Me
11:20am Episcopal 101

October 14

4:00pm St. George Ministry

October 12

5:30pm Artie's Party Meeting

October 15

11:45am Young at Heart Luncheon
5:30pm Youth to the Keys

October 18

Community Blood Drive
(All Morning)
11:30am Confirmation II Parent Mtg.
11:30am Fall Fest Meeting

October 20

6:30pm M.O.P.S.

October 21

7:30pm Vestry Meeting

October 24&25

"Broadway Goes to the Movies"

October 30

Youth Mission Oktoberfest Dinner



Tidings is the monthly newsletter of The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd. The deadline for submissions is the 15th of every month. Submissions may be emailed to mail@goodsheponline.org

Deadline for bulletin inserts is the Monday preceding the date of the announcement.

Please visit our website www.goodsheponline.org for information and details.

Coming in November

November 1

All Saints' Sunday
Baptism
Food Pantry Open House

November 5

Seniors' Pub Lunch

November 7

Fall Fest

November 8

UTO Ingathering

November 10

4:00 Afternoon Book Group

November 13

Diocesan Convention Begins

November 19

Young at Heart Luncheon

November 21

Pre-advent Quiet Day

November 22

Youth Mission Trip Breakfast
M.O.P.S. Pre-holiday Pie Orders

November 25

Pre-Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

November 26

Run For the Pies
Thanksgiving Day Eucharist

November 29

Advent 1

Are you new to Good Shepherd?

Episcopal 101 is a three-week short course designed to introduce people to information about who we are and where we came from. On **9/27** we will examine "Our Foundation." On **10/4** it will be "Our Episcopal Faith." On **10/11** our class will be "Our Church- The Community of Good Shepherd." This is a great way to begin to know others. Please contact spetersen@goodsheponline.org to learn more or request childcare. It will be our pleasure to make sure your children are cared for so you may attend.

Meeting times are at 11:20 on the listed Sunday mornings.

Service Schedules

Sunday

8:00 AM
Holy Eucharist—Rite I

9:00 AM
Jitters

9:45 AM
Sunday School
& Nursery

10:00 AM
Holy Eucharist—Rite II
Jitters 11:00 AM

Wednesday

9:30 AM
Holy Eucharist & Healing

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**A celebration of music from famous musicals
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Broadway and the Silver Screen.**

**Saturday, October 24, at 7:00 p.m.
Sumptuous hors d’oeuvres at intermission**

**Sunday, October 25, at 12:00 p.m.
Light lunch before the show,
coffee and dessert at intermission**

All tickets \$15.00 available beginning October 4