

DISCOVER 150 YEARS OF PURPOSE

Shepherd's Fold 6th Sunday after Pentecost July 9, 2023

WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN

I was fortunate to be a teenager in the 1950's when Rock and Roll was starting. Many parents and religious leaders thought that the end time was just around the corner! Not only was I a teenager during those great years, I also had a rock and roll band in high school. Our name was The Saints. We chose that name because our theme song was "When the Saints go marching in."

I would like to say that we named our band because we exemplified the qualities that are attributed to saints. We were not bad kids, but we were far from saints! I can, however, report that now, over 65 years later, we all turned out to be good citizens, but will not be considered for sainthood when we go to glory!

"Saints" are on my mind just about every day. For many years part of my daily devotions have included a look at what saint of the church is designated for that day. The church over the years has evolved and developed reference texts, Lesser Feasts and Fasts, Holy Women, Holy Men, and A Great Cloud of Witnesses that lists the saint whose life is celebrated that day. A short biography along with collects and scripture readings completes one's short visit with a historical man or woman whose life, although not always perfect, expressed the many and diverse ways in which Christ through the Holy Spirit was present. For the most part these are regular folks who faced circumstances very different than our own, but with a courage that bore witness to Christ's death-defying love in their lives.

The Zoom Morning Prayer group frequently recognizes the saint of the day and those of you who attend the 7:00 am Wednesday Eucharist notice that from time-to-time Ted and I will feature scripture and a homily focused on the saint on or close to that day.

I, and I suspect you all as well, have known many saints in my life. These folks may have brought you to Christ or said or done something that brought you back to Christ. These folks may have overtly or quietly done something that changed vour life. We are all truly surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses."

Think for a moment - who are the saints in your life?

Peace,

BLOOD DRIVE - JULY 9

Shepeard Blood Center is experiencing a critical shortage of blood. The Bloodmobile will be at the church this Sunday from 9 am - 2 pm. Please consider donating a unit of lifesaving blood before or after the morning services.

THE EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

More than a Bible study, EfM takes a fresh look at life events in the light of church tradition and 21st century culture. Participants study, worship, and engage in theological reflection together in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. The Church of the Good Shepherd offers an EFM group on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. and will begin in late August. Everyone is welcome and we encourage those from all parishes to join us! Sign up is in July! For more information, contact Tom Smyth, tom.smyth@icloud.com. Details about the program are located at https://theology.sewanee.edu/ education-for-ministry/.

BREAKFAST TEAMS

Love to cook? Join a breakfast team! The commitment is only a few hours on Sunday morning every six weeks or so. For more information or to join a team, contact Harriet Deas at 706-373-0780.

WEDNESDAYS AT GOOD SHEPHERD

We still need a few teams for our

Wednesday night suppers this fall! The time commitment consists of only a few hours each month. Teams plan and cook for our Wednesday night programming. This is a great way to get connected into the Good Shepherd community! For more information or to join a team, contact Mary Ashton Mills, **maryashtonmills@gmail.com** or (706) 267-9697.



KANUGA PARISH WEEKEND Join us for a crisp, beautiful fall weekend in North Carolina September 29 - October 1! We will have activities for kids and youth, s'mores by the fire, a cabin crawl, drinks and compline on the lake, movie and game night, hiking, and more. Bring your tennis rackets as we will have a friendly round of tennis play on Saturday afternoon. This is a fun weekend that you do NOT want to miss. Pick up a form in the lobby or register online: **bit.ly/gskanuga.**



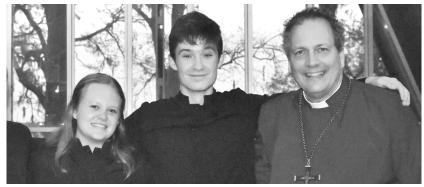
Head to the Shell Newsletter for details & to sign-up for up coming events. For any questions, email mgwynn@goodshepherd-augusta.org.

ACOLYTES

With a month and a half left of the Summer Acolyte Schedule, we need volunteers to add their names to the signup list. Please head to the Shell Newsletter to signup for Sundays you are in town. Thank you for your help!

EPISCOPAL YOUTH EVENT

Join us in praying for all youth currently attending The Episcopal Youth Event this week outside DC, especially Roland Brune, Adair Weston, Spencer Weston, and many more teens from the Georgia Diocese. We pray for safe travels, joyful fellowship, and spiritual growth.



Hello Summer Schedule

The Sunday summer schedule services are at, 8 am, 10 am & 6 pm. Sunday breakfast and Christian Formation will resume in the fall.

Servers of the Shepherd

Sunday, July 9, 2023

8:00 AM

Celebrant	Joe Bowden
Preacher	Ted Clarkson
Organist	Wayne Lord
0	Lynn Tyson, Cissy Bowden

10:00 am

Celebrant	Bunny Simon Williams
Preacher	Ted Clarkson
Organist & Choirmaster	Jim Nord
Verger	Robin Bailie
Lay ReadersHeath	er Wheeler, David Lentz
Acolytes Clayto	n Adams, Porter Adams,
Eliza McCutcheo	on, Caroline McCutcheon
Ushers Sear	n Roche, George Sancken

6:00 pm

Celebrant & Preacher	Ted Clarkson
Organist	Nick Lowery
Lay Readers	.Jim Price, Carleton Vaughn

All Services

Altar GuildTeam III	
Vestry Person of the DayJohn McCollum	





FALL KICKOFF, AUGUST 13

We will bless backpacks at the 10 am service as we collect school supplies for Monte Sano Elementary School. After the 10 am service, we will gather in the Parish Hall for a lunch of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. On the church lawn, we will have games for all ages!