

THE

Shepherd's Fold

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March 8, 2019***A God Whose Glory is Mercy***

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, through Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen

What is glory and what do we mean when we speak specifically of a glorious God? Perhaps we know it when we see it, but it is difficult to describe. Sometimes our worship is glorious, or we describe the sun's rising and setting as glorious. Kipling wrote that "the glory of the garden shall never pass away." All of these expressions seem to reach out for something that defies description, something beautiful, wonderful, great and magnificent.

Frederick Buechner says glory is to God what style is to an artist. The style of an artist brings you as close as it is possible to get without actually shaking hands with him. To behold God's glory then, is as close as we can get to him this side of heaven.

The collect for the Second Sunday in Lent addresses a God whose glory is always to have mercy. God's mercy is shown to all who fear him, which is a way of saying to all who rightly apprehend the relationship that exists between God and ourselves. God shows mercy to all of us, not because we earn or deserve it, but because it is a property, a characteristic of God to have mercy. God shows his glory by setting aside his might and power and acting in mercy.

We ask God to continue showing mercy to all who have gone astray. As we do this we need to remember that this petition applies to all of us! The prophet Isaiah has written, "all we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way." But thanks be to God, mercy is not just offered to us, but it pursues us. The shepherd searches for the sheep, the father waits for the lost son, the woman looks for the lost coin, and God who hates nothing he has made, forgives and redeems us that we might have life.

This Lent, may God grant us the grace to see his glory as we experience his love and mercy.



Read about staying healthy this flu season with tips from Dr. Joe Bowden, and our new Flowing Wells campus, *A Place to Grow*, in our online newsletter this week. <https://www.goodshepherd-augusta.org/media/newsletters/>

Daylight Savings Time

Begins March 8

Don't forget to set your clocks forward this Sunday. Make it to the church on time!



Help girls shine at their proms with Augusta Dream Center's Cinderella Day.

www.cinderelladay.com

Donate your gently used prom or formal dresses, shoes, and accessories. Donations will be received in the church lobby through March 8. Especially needed are accessories, jewelry, plus size dresses, and extra large and small size shoes.

Help with the Easter Egg Hunt!

- Look for the blue wagon full of bags of empty Easter Eggs near the nursery. Take one or two bags to fill with hard candy. Complete the sign up list and return the filled eggs to Jinny by March 29th.

Easter Sunday morning beginning at 8:30am:

- Help put out signs.
- Mark off the area for younger children using with yard stakes and ribbons beginning at 9:00am help hide eggs.
- Clean up.



Congratulations to Adam Austin, Mary Bryson Wright, Bennett Wright, and Roland Brune – Good Shepherd Students at Davidson Fine Arts Magnet School who were chosen to participate in the Georgia Music Educators Association All State Chorus event last week in Athens. (Shown here with Philip Streetman, program director.)

KEEPING A HOLY LENT AT GOOD SHEPHERD

WAGS in Lent (*Wednesdays at Good Shepherd*)

Supper at 6:00 pm · Lesson 6:30 pm · Parish Hall

The Way of the Cross, The Way of Life: 6:30 pm

March 11 - I Have Been Crucified With Christ - Joe Bowden

March 18 - But it is Not So Among You - Andy Menger

March 25 - If You Have Been Raised With Christ - Robert Fain

Wednesday Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays · 10:00 am & 6:30 pm · Conference Room

Join us as we learn from the life of Abraham. For more information

please contact Lynn Prather: lbprather@goodshepherd-augusta.org or

Bunny Simon Williams: bunny@goodshepherd-augusta.org

The Stations of the Cross are walked every Friday in Lent at 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall.

National Vietnam War Veterans Day

March 29th

Join us on the Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 29th, as we observe the National Vietnam War Veterans

Day by unveiling a plaque remembering 1st Lieutenant William Ahouse, a parishioner who died in the Vietnam War. His surviving brother and sister will be with us to honor their brother on that day. The St. Martin's Ministry invites all Vietnam War Veterans to join us at the 11:15 am service and to wear your service ribbons so that you may be recognized.



2.7 million Americans served in Vietnam from November 1, 1955 to the end of American involvement on May 15, 1975. Over 58,000 were killed, 304,000 were wounded and 1,253 are still missing.

We are most grateful for all who have served our country in Vietnam and in other times of war and armed conflict.

Servers of the Shepherd

Sunday, March 8

8:00 am

Celebrant..... Lynn Prather
Preacher..... Robert Fain
Organist..... Nick Lowery
Lay Readers..... Camilla Davis, Cissy Bowden
Verger & Altar Server..... Stovall Walker

9:00 am

Celebrant..... Andy Menger
Preacher..... Robert Fain
Organist & Choirmaster..... Jim Nord
Choir..... St. Gregory
Verger..... Jean Chadwick
Lay Readers..... Kelley Norris, Gerry Chambers
Ushers..... Trey Hargrove, Matt Martin
Lead Acolyte..... Team Jones

11:15 am

Celebrant..... Joe Bowden
Preacher..... Robert Fain
Organist & Choirmaster..... Jim Nord
Choir..... Good Shepherd
Verger..... James Jones
Lay Readers..... Jack West, Yvonne Harrison
Ushers..... Jonathan Adams Lewis Baird
Lead Acolyte..... Andrew Daniel

6:00 pm

Celebrant and Preacher..... Robert Fain
Organist..... Wayne Lord
Lay Readers..... Nancy Greenwood, Andrew Austin

All Services

Vestry..... Ashley Pritchett
Altar Guild..... Team VI
LEV..... Ginger and Stewart Flanagan
Breakfast..... Rose Ann Moore, Kristy Olive,
Vivian Thornton, Steve Glover

Monday, March 9

Morning Prayer..... 8:00 am..... Eileen McCraney

Tuesday, March 10

Morning Prayer..... 8:00 am..... Mary Howard
Bible Study..... 10:00 am..... Andy Menger
Healing Service..... 11:00 am..... Robert Fain

Wednesday, March 11

Holy Eucharist..... 7:00 am..... Lynn Prather
Morning Prayer..... 8:00 am..... Sandy Vantrease

Thursday, March 12

Morning Prayer..... 8:30 am..... Allan Roy Andrews

Friday, March 13

Morning Prayer..... 8:30 am..... Claire Zealy
Stations of the Cross..... 12:00..... Joe Bowden

Saturday, March 14

Morning Prayer..... 8:30 am..... Kathleen Barnhart

Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121;
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

Parish Register

Our thoughts and prayers are with Annelly M. Hill, Blake Hill Leverett, and Andrew Hill, on the death of Annelly's Mother and Blake and Andrew's Grandmother, Annelly Middleton Hayes.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Betty Snellings on her death on February 29.

Parish Picnic on the Grounds

March 21 · 3-5 pm

Join us for hamburgers, hot dogs, games, treats, and music. We will be joined by Tara Scheyer and the Mud Puppy Band and an ice cream truck.

Craft beer will also be available for purchase. We will provide tables, but feel free to bring picnic blankets.

RSVP to office@goodshepherd-augusta.org so we can have a count.