

THE Shepherd's Fold

October 8, 2023

19th Sunday after Pentecost

COMMUNITY

“[W]e, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.” (Romans 12.5) The Christian faith is a faith that exists in community. My father once told me: “there is no such thing as a solitary Christian.” The creation of community is at the heart of what we do, yet we live in a world that promotes independence, that suggests that we are not dependent on one another, that gives us so many ways that we can exist without having to deal with one another. While it may seem trivial, the invention of air conditioning essentially ended our lives lived on porches with each other as we retreated into our comfortable air conditioned homes. For our children, the invention of video games has glued so many of them to screens rather than having them out playing with friends. More and more, we live in silos separated from each other.

As a Christian community, we at Good Shepherd are called to move in the opposite direction. Much of what we do, whether it is WAGS on Wednesdays, worship on Sundays, Bible Study groups, Morning Prayer on Zoom, etc., is to build up the body of Christ in community. Last weekend-our parish weekend at Kanuga—is a great example. While it involved only a subset of our congregation, 70+ of us spent the weekend eating together, playing together, learning together, and worshipping together. I personally have deepened my connection to parishioners that I did not know well, and I know that to be the case with others. At Good Shepherd, all of us need to take the opportunities, whenever possible, to build the relationships that are at the heart of a community. Solo Christianity is not Christianity.

In addition to our regular activities, we have upcoming events to build community that I hope all will consider. On **October 22**, our Good Shepherd Choir will present Evensong with a reception to follow. On **November 5**, all are invited to share a meal together at our Annual Meeting. On **November 12**, we will gather with our bishop for his annual visitation. On Thanksgiving Day, we will have our traditional service and meal. Community is at the core of who we are at Good Shepherd. May we all take as many opportunities as possible to strengthen those bonds in Christ.

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THANKSGIVING HELP WANTED

Our Thanksgiving dinner at Good Shepherd is **November 23rd, at 11 am**. We need 10 committed volunteers to help cook and clean up! Please contact Robin and/or Kathleen Bailie if you are willing to help: robin.bailie@gmail.com, kathleen.bailie@gmail.com.

KRISTALLNACHT THE NIGHT OF BROKEN GLASS

Each November, countries around the world mark the November 1938 Pogrom, the tragedy also known as Kristallnacht, which means “Crystal Night” or “the Night of Broken Glass.” The Kristallnacht pogrom marked a turning point in the treatment of Jews in Germany. In just two days, hundreds of synagogues were burned, thousands of Jews were arrested, and around one hundred Jews were killed. Any illusions that Jews could even be tolerated in Germany were finally laid to rest. We will commemorate this remembrance with our Jewish brothers and sisters on Thursday, **November 9, at 7:00 pm**. Please join us for this solemn service of remembrance. The service will be followed with a dessert reception in the Parish Hall.

THE SUMMERVILLE TOUR OF HOMES & RECEPTION

The Church of the Good Shepherd has always been at the center of Summerville, both spiritually and physically. The congregation was chartered in 1869 and first met in the Summerville Academy building on William Street. In 1871, Artemas Gould donated the land on which the church sits, and the name “Good

Shepherd” was suggested for the new parish by his son, Johnny. The original wooden structure was replaced by a more substantial brick one in 1880. That building burned in 1896, but the walls and stained-glass windows, with the exception of the Altar window, were saved and used in the rebuilt church. The present structure was reconsecrated in 1898 and has been in continuous use to this day.

On **October 22**, as a close to the annual Summerville Tour of Homes, the Good Shepherd Choir will offer a service of Evensong. Evensong is considered by many to be the “Crown Jewel” of all Anglican liturgies. The service will be taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1789, which was the prayer book in use at the founding of the parish. All the music will be of the period and rendered in much the same manner as it was heard in the early days of Summerville. The service **will begin at 5:30 pm** and last about thirty minutes. **Afterwards join us for a catered reception in the Parish Hall.**

WEDNESDAYS AT GOOD SHEPHERD (WAGS)

Join us on **October 11th** to hear our guest speaker Dr. Salazar from Clinica Latina. Clinica Latina now known as Centro Medico William Salazaar is a free, nonprofit medical clinic for individuals that do not have insurance or live below 200percent of the poverty level. The clinic also provides interpreting services for Hispanic patients but sees patients from all ethnic backgrounds. The clinic has been run for several



years on the campus of Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University with AU donating the clinic space. Clinic Latina has received financial support from Good Shepherd through the Community and World Ministries Commission for years. Also Good Shepherd's endowment fund has helped with funding for this ministry. The Centro Medico William Salazar had a recent grand opening as a freestanding clinic on Merry Street. The Clinic also offers educational experiences to persons that volunteer including PA, dental, and medical students. On the menu is Italian Meatballs with Marinara and Farfalle Pasta, Caesar Salad, Bread/Rolls and assorted Desserts. Dinner begins at 6pm, followed by the program at 6:30pm. You can sign up with the QR code!

BACK TO THE BIBLE (B2B)

Ten years ago, Good Shepherd started a program of reading the entire Bible in a year in the context of small groups. We will be again offering B2B. Group sign-up information will be available in the coming weeks!

BROWN BAG LUNCH

Bring your own "brown bag lunch" to enjoy as we reflect on a different illumination and scripture from The Saint John's Bible each week. **Tuesdays at 12 noon, September 19 - November 28.** Meets in the Conference Room.



CONFIRMATION/RECEPTION FOR ADULTS

For those adults interested in being confirmed or received in the Episcopal Church when the Bishop comes on **November 12**, or for anyone simply wanting to learn more about the Episcopal Church, we will meet in the Setz Cottage during the Sunday School hour **THIS** Sunday. Fr. Ted will lead the session, which will focus on Episcopal identity and ethos. Later sessions led by all the clergy will explore the theology of the church and practical aspects of worship in the Episcopal Church.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

On **November 5th at 10:00 am**, Join us for worship. After the service, join us for lunch in the Parish Hall. For lunch we will have smoked chicken, sides, and cookies. After lunch we will elect new Vestry, recognize retiring Vestry and have our Annual Parish Meeting. We will have a nursery for the little ones and activities for children and youth. We look forward to being together!



Servers of the Shepherd

Sunday, October 8, 2023

8:00 AM

Celebrant..... Joe Bowden
 Preacher.....Ted Clarkson
 Organist Wayne Lord
 Lay ReadersCissy Bowden, Bobbie Ingenito

9:00 am

Celebrant.....Bunny Simon Williams
 Preacher.....Ted Clarkson
 Organist & ChoirmasterJim Nord
 Ushers Sean Roche, George Sancken
 Verger..... Kathleen Bailie
 Lay Readers Katie Tracy, David Lentz
 Acolytes..... McCord Kilpatrick, Rob Tracy, Camille Jones, Kate Tracy, Wynn Prosser, Gray O'Meara

11:15 AM

Celebrant..... Joe Bowden
 Preacher.....Ted Clarkson
 Organist & ChoirmasterJim Nord
 Ushers Jonathan Adams, Fred Palmer
 Verger.....Ashley Wilds, Fred Palmer
 Lay ReadersYvonne Harris, Heather Wheeler
 Acolytes..... Jackson Evans, Jack Manton, Milly Manton, South Bryan

6:00 pm

Celebrant & Preacher.....Ted Clarkson
 OrganistNick Lowery
 Lay Readers Faith Moore, Carleton Vaughn

All Services

Altar Guild Team III
 Breakfast Ministry Team VIII
 Vestry Person of the Day Brice Wright

YOUTH NEWS

Head to the Shell Newsletter for details & to sign-up for up coming events.

For any questions, email mgwynn@goodshepherd-augusta.org.

YOUTH GROUP

We look forward to another fun evening of fellowship this coming Sunday! Dinner will be provided by Heather Wheeler. For meal sign-up, head over to the SHELL. Youth Group schedule is as follows.

Rite-13 Grades 6th - 8th

Youth Lounge5:00-6:00 PM

Dinner, Grades 6th - 12th

Small Parish Hall.....6:00-6:30 PM

J2A Grades 9th - 12th

Youth Lounge.....6:30-7:30 PM

GOOD SHEPHERD YOUTH

LOCK-IN
OCTOBER 14-15

Schedule:

- 6pm Arrival at COGS
- 7pm Dinner
- Games, Activities, UGA Game, Camp Fire, Smores
- 11pm Compline
- 12pm Lights out
- 8am Eucharist
- 9am Breakfast
- 9:30am Leave for Kayaking Day Trip
- 5pm Arrive back at COGS

RSVP TO MGWYNN@GOODSHEPHERD-AUGUSTA.ORG

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PLEASE RSVP TO MARY GRACE.