



The Shepherd's Voice

November 2014

Services

Every Sunday:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
Rite I (Nursery
available)

9:15 am Adult Spiritual
Formation (Nursery
available)

10:45 am Holy Eucharist
Rite II (Nursery
available)

10:45 am Children's
Church (Children go
directly to Children's
Church)

Tuesday:

7:00 pm Healing with
Soaking Prayer

Wednesday:

Noon Holy Eucharist
with Healing Prayer

The Rev. Dr. Bill
Breedlove
Rector

The Rev. Turner Guidry
Deacon

Thanksgiving Dinner

Once again Good Shepherd will host a Thanksgiving dinner after the Thanksgiving service for members and neighbors who wish to celebrate with their church family.

Here is how it works: We will cook up donated turkey, ham, stuffing, bread dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy. We ask that people who plan to come bring a side dish and/or a dessert.

We also need you to sign up so we know we will have enough food. We like to provide generously for dinner and have a bit left to send home for the very

important turkey sandwich the next day. To date we have 4 turkeys and 2 hams donated. Anyone wishing to donate food or money to help provide for the main dish food please call Kathy Wright (828-837-6703).

This is not a celebration which is in the church budget. We still need to purchase ingredients that will make this a memorable feast.

We need help too. Set up and decorate the day before, prep as much as possible the day before, cook, carve and serve food on the day and clean up. A sign-up sheet is in the Information Hallway.

Sharing Christmas

On Sunday, November 23, "Sharing Christmas" will take place in the parish hall from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This is not a new event for Good Shepherd; it has previously been known as "An Alternative Christmas". Why the name change you might ask? Because the event is not alternative to the age-old tradition of giving gifts at Christmas as a way to share what we have with those we care most about. Rather, "Sharing Christmas" is the essence of Christmas itself because it gives us the opportunity to give gifts to those whom Jesus teaches us to care about.

Several of Good Shepherd's ministry partners will be on hand to explain why your gifts are important to

offer hope and brighten the lives of those all too often forgotten in today's secular culture. A special gift to family or close friends is a wonderful expression of love during this Season. Giving a gift in their name is an additional way to remember the gift God gave the world over two thousand years ago.

If you or your family has already included this kind of gift giving in your Christmas traditions, then please continue it this year. If you have not, then here is a chance to add a new tradition to enrich your Christmas experience. And why not be a "whole milk church," as Father Bill calls us to be, and bring a friend or stranger to share this opportunity.

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Christian Education

Sundays at 9:15:

- The Parables of Jesus: Seeking the Pearls of Great Value – “I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world” Matt. 13:3
Would you like to uncover “what has been hidden”? Would you like to experience some powerful “a ha” moments? Then join Geoff Schwartz and Teresa Gribble on a quest to understand more fully the truths Jesus revealed in his parables. The study of a select group of parables will guide the group on its journey, while we learn how we can apply the hidden pearls in our lives. The first meeting of this class will be on October 26.

Children's Church at 10:45 service

Children's Church starts at the beginning of the 10:45 service and there is no Children's Message. The children will still return at the Peace. This will give them more time for their lesson and worship. Please take your children ages 5-12 to the Children's Sunday School room (the former library) before you go to church.

Tuesdays:

- **Bible 102** is a general overview of the Old Testament following the traditional Jewish division of the text into the Torah, the Navi'im, and Ketuvim. Within our journey through the story of the Old Testament as we now receive it, we will examine some of the parallel texts from other Ancient Near East cultures and how they compare with the Biblical text, basic features of Hebrew literary style that aid in the understanding of the original text, and how the text shows a theology in continuing development.

November 11 – Torah

November 18 - Navi'im

November 25 – Ketuvim

December 2 - Theology of the Old Testament

This course is taught by Fr Bill. Please sign up below to let us know you plan to participate.

Haiku as Prayer

Pat Mahon will lead a workshop on November 8, 9:00 am- noon on Haiku as prayer. Haiku is a form of poetry with Japanese origins. Haiku has become a popular art form worldwide. Haiku enables us to focus on our feelings about the present moment. It helps “describe” the indescribable. This workshop will focus on using haiku as prayer. Experiencing a present event or reading a psalm, reflecting on the personal meaning of the event or psalm, and then putting our response

in haiku can center us in the meaning of our experience. Thus, by combining the practice of *lectio divina* (sacred reading) with writing haiku, participants will develop deeper awareness. Participants will practice reading, reflecting and then writing haiku on current experiences and the psalms. Please sign up in the hallway so that he'll know how many to expect and contact Pat with any questions.

A New E-vent for Ad-vent (and it's free)

On Saturday December 6 at 1:00 pm there will be an EVERYONE friendly Advent/Christmas craft workshop in the Parish Hall. There will be several fun things to make, light refreshments, music in the air and lots of laughter. It would be especially nice for adults to bring children of all ages with them. There will be things to do at all skill levels.

Mark your calendars now and watch the Sunday bulletins for updates on activities. Want to help? Call Kathy Wright (837-6703). Want to come? Sign up in the Information Hallway so we have numbers and can get enough supplies.

This event is sponsored by the Adult Spiritual Formation Committee

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Reading and Praying the Bible in the Anglican Tradition

I have recently been doing a lot of thinking about and study of the classical Anglican tradition. It has been a wide ranging project where I have spent some time looking again at how Anglicans read and interpret the Bible, how Anglicans understand the sacraments, and how Anglicans function as a hierarchal church. In this article, my focus on the classical Anglican approach to the Bible, how we interpret the Bible and what we believe the Bible is for. Before getting into that, I should preface my comments with two important thoughts. First, some may be wondering why I am using the term Anglican rather than Episcopal. In the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church is the official representation of Anglicanism in the United States. We simply go by the name Episcopal, as does the Church of Scotland, the Church of Brazil, the Church of the Philippines, and the Church of Jerusalem and Middle East. Second, by using the term classical I am referring to what those who set the foundation for a unique Anglican way believed and taught. That way was one of being both Catholic and reformed. It was one that was intentionally a *via media* or middle way between the faith and practice of the Roman Catholic Church and that of the more radical protestant reform movements like Puritanism, Presbyterianism, and Calvinism.



When Thomas Cranmer wrote the first Books of Common Prayer in 1549 and 1552, he turned to the ancient Benedictine traditions of the monasteries and convents in England. In those places, the Bible was used for *lectio divina* or sacred reading and for the celebration of Eucharist. What Cranmer recognized is that the Bible's purpose in the ancient practices of the monastics, practices that when back to the very beginning of Christianity, is spiritual. The Bible is to be used in prayer and liturgy to help us hear God speak, to shape and maintain our relationship with God. Cranmer's Prayer Book sought to give the common person that same experience and so he crafted a book that is saturated with scripture and meant for use in prayer. We are correct when we say that the Book of Common Prayer is the Bible organized for worship. For classical Anglicanism, reading the Bible is a form of prayer and our Book of Common Prayer facilitates that practice.

What this should also tell us is that classical Anglicanism did not see the Bible as concerned with many of our contemporary debates. They saw the Bible as a vehicle for prayer, not one on which to base morality. For classical Anglicans, God gave us reason and it is by the use of reason that we know the basic principles of morality. The Bible's role in this is to continually reconnect us with the revelation of God's grace. Lastly, it should remind us that contemporary concerns over the validity of Bible - either a fundamentalism that claims literalism, inerrancy and infallibility, or a liberalism that seeks to trim the Bible of what is not scientifically verifiable - are foreign to the classical Anglican tradition. Rather, the classical Anglican approach is to read, pray, and understand the Bible as containing symbolism, metaphorical language, and mysteries that lead us into a deeper relationship with God.

As Episcopalians who are inheritors of this great classical tradition, we are a people of prayer. I encourage you to read and pray your Bible reading. It is through praying scripture that we reconnect with God's grace and with Anglicans throughout space and time.

Fr Bill+

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Flower Guild Luncheon

Flower guild members and anyone interested in becoming a member should save the date Friday, November 14, 11:00 am for the Annual Luncheon.

If you are new or old and interested in flowers, please join us for a fun time. Our mission is rewarding and enjoyed by all. You do not have to have any flower arranging skills, just a love of them. Classes are available. Please contact Joy Fox at 828-389-4763.

Grazers Christmas Dinner

Holiday greetings to all Grazers and church members. Our annual Christmas dinner is arranged for Friday, December 12 at 6:00 pm at Brasstown Valley Resort. We have a room reserved behind the main dining room where doors can be closed or left open. Join us for their exceptional buffet featuring seafood and chicken options, vegetables, salads and desserts, too numerous to list all! Prices are \$26.95 per person for the buffet, including beverages. Menu-order could be an option. Drinks and wine are available upon request or at walk-up bars.

Individual billing will be done. We will need a count by December 5 so please contact us for sign-up via e-mail at rldickeyjr@hotmail.com or by phone Ray 210-219-7784 or Elizabeth 210-482-0372 or in person. Looking forward to a festive evening. Entertainment ideas are welcomed. If you have never visited Brasstown during the holidays, you are in for a very special treat! We hope for a great response. For any help or assistance we can provide, feel free to contact us!

Choir Christmas Concert

There will be a Choir Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 20 at 7:00 pm. It will be choir anthems in the first half, a "Cookie Exchange" at intermission and then the second half will be a "Christmas carol" sing-along. Watch the bulletin and highlights for more details.

Thank You

The BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE would like to thank the congregation for their generous responses of food for the receptions following memorial services. We depend on you to support our ministry. Thanks.

Contribution statements

The third statement for the year will be mailed this week. If you have any questions please contact Elizabeth Rybicki on Monday or Tuesday when she will be working in the church office. You will receive your final statement for 2014 in January 2015.

Financial Update

September 30, 2014

2014 Operating Account:

Income YTD: \$273,480

Expenditures YTD: \$285,867

Balance in Operating Account: [\$16,184]

Receipts for Debt Reduction — \$23,022

Balance on mortgage with bank — \$216,718

Balance on loan from diocese — \$8,330

Balance on loan from Mt. of Faith — \$25,000

Servers for the Thanksgiving service

LEMs: Pat Jordan, TBA

Lector: Doug Stuart

Intercessor: Jane Stuart

Ushers: TBA

Altar Guild: Pat Jordan

Thank you

I would like to thank my church family for the many prayers during my surgery and recovery. I am so blessed to have such a loving church family. Please continue including me in your prayers.

God bless you,

Adelaide Fullilove

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Newcomer & Oldtimer — Ilse Shepherd



Ilse Shepherd was born March 22, 1922, and raised in Bremen in northern Germany. She enjoyed school, especially geography class. She has happy memories of Christmas at her grandmother's apartment, where she had a bicycle she wasn't allowed to ride outside. Instead, she rode it in the attic which extended across two adjoining houses.

After her Grandmother died when Ilse was 8, she rode her bicycle in the park on a path where elegantly dressed people used to drive their

carriages. Houses fronted by big yards and backed by meadows and cows lined the street which led to the park.

Her world changed dramatically when the war began. "You really change your attitude about everything," was her understatement. More revealing is what she considers her life's greatest accomplishment: "Getting through the war alive." Although her father had a very good job, her most vivid memory is the desperate hunger of those days. Some of her classmates died of starvation. It became an ingrained habit in her family that one never ate food in public or in front of someone who might not have any.

Ilse worked as a food chemist/analyst, useful in work such as testing wines. In 1943 she worked at a laboratory in Poland to improve the nutritional value of German army rations. Toward the end of the war she moved into a rural section of Germany to escape the bombing and

to await the arrival of her daughter Helga.

In 1952, Ilse and Helga crossed extremely rough seas on the Queen Mary to escape the brutal Russian occupation. They headed to Rockford, Illinois, where they had relatives.

In the early '70s Ilse moved to Marathon, Florida. While attending St. Matthews in St. Petersburg, Florida, she worked with the altar guild, flower guild, and also made the nativity set that is still in use to this day. Ilse has an extraordinary talent for painting and photography.

At age 83, Ilse married Gareth "Shep" Shepherd and they traveled the world together, including all the National Parks and a trip around Tierra del Fuego. It was a romance that we dream of. A large bookshelf filled from top to bottom with photo albums gives testimony to their travels, and Ilse loves to show them to visitors.

Ilse and Gareth moved to Hayesville in January 2014, but sadly, Gareth passed away four months later, on April 4. His ashes are interred in the Good Shepherd Memorial Garden. When asked what makes her feel special, her only comment was, "Garet made me feel special." But, it is her daughter Helga who gave and still gives her life meaning.

When asked how she would compare America and Germany, she said "People are people, the same here as there ... they all cook with water!" But she loves America, and she loves Good Shepherd. One favorite piece of music is the tune written by Franz Joseph Haydn which appears as Hymn 522, also known as the German national anthem.

She said she would like to be remembered as "simply an average citizen." The most significant lesson she was taught by her father and which she hopes she has passed along is, "Never, never tell a lie, no matter how bad things get or what you have done. Never lie."

Interviewed by Stephanie Forbes

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Parish News

Birthdays in November

- 1 Doris Etlar
- 3 Jan Ratchford, Betty Weiland
- 5 Peggy Epton, David Gribble
- 6 Mary Rose Figura, Dave Larson
- 8 Karen Sirmans, Linda Walters, Joe Martin
- 9 Dean Harshbarger
- 10 Linda Milt
- 14 Susan Morgan, Julie Schreiber
- 16 Claudia Kennedy
- 17 Yale Citrin, Bill Rutledge
- 18 R. J. Kautz, Michael Whitehead
- 20 Bob Stillwell
- 21 Eleanor Owen
- 24 Judy Bourne, Ken Persson
- 26 Beej Hampton
- 27 Laurel Adams
- 28 Laurie Bruce

Anniversaries in November

- 3 Barbara and Rex Boswell
- 11 Audrey Bell and Jeff Crane
- 20 Pam and Marion Rivers
Meg and Fred Whitley
- 23 Ruth and Carl Zimmerman
- 29 Marilyn and Bill Clark
- 30 Violet and Larry Howell

Congratulations to:

Dr. Alyssa Tilly and Ian McLamb who were married on August 31.

Jessica Wikstrom and Seth McLamb who were married on September 27.

Carol Clements and Clyde Taylor who were married at Good Shepherd on October 4.

Barbara Connors and Richard Stumpf who will be married on October 25. Barbara is the granddaughter of Barbara and Dave Hansen.

In Sympathy we are thinking of:

Howard McDaniel on the death of his wife, Joyce.

Bob LeKites on the death of his wife, Sue.

Give rest, O Christ, to Thy servants with Thy saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

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Directory Updates:

Please note the following changes in your directory.

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Save the Date

- November 14-16: Diocesan Convention
- November 23, 9:15 am and noon: Sharing Christmas
- November 27, 11:00 am: Thanksgiving service with dinner following
- December 6: Advent Family Craft Day
- December 12: Grazer's Christmas Dinner
- December 20: DeSoto Square Christmas party & Choir Concert
- December 28: Lesson and Carols at both services

Order of St. Luke

Many of us have been convinced through experience that God still heals today. Healing compromised at least a third of Jesus's ministry, and if you would like to enter into his contemporary work of healing a good place to start is by studying the biblical record. If you would like to join a new class just forming, please contact Anne Mitchell or Rachel Baughn.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8:30am Men's Association 5:00pm Stewardship dinner
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends Stewardship ingathering 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist 5:00pm Requiem Mass	3 8:00am Exercise class	4 7:00pm Healing Prayer service	5 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	6 7:00am Order of St. George 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	7 8:00am Exercise class 3:00pm Centering Prayer	8 9:00am Haiku as Prayer 7:00pm Emmaus
9 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist	10 8:00am Exercise class 11:00am Adult Spiritual Formation	11 7:00pm Healing Prayer service	12 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	13 7:00am Order of St. George 12:00pm Altar Guild meeting 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	14 Diocesan Convention 8:00am Exercise class 11:00am Flower Guild brunch 3:00pm Centering Prayer	15 Diocesan Convention
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23 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 9:15am Sharing Christmas 10:45am Holy Eucharist 12:00pm Sharing Christmas	24 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry	25 6:00pm Bible 102 7:00pm Healing Prayer service	26 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	27 **Office Closed** Thanksgiving Day 11:00am Thanksgiving service 12:00pm Thanksgiving dinner	28 **Office Closed** 8:00am Exercise class 3:00pm Centering Prayer	29 9:30am Flower Guild Advent set up
30 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist						

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	All Saints' November 2	22 Pentecost November 9	23 Pentecost November 16	Christ the King November 23	1 Advent November 30
Sunday, 8:00 am					
LEMs	Mary Anne Kooš David Hourdequin	Heyward Wilson Kathy Wright	David Hourdequin Amy Nicolson	Kathy Wright Heyward Wilson	Amy Nicolson Mary Anne Kooš
Lector	Pam Roman	Kurt Hoffman	Harold Lawrence	Jim Redmond	Guy Hunter
Intercessor	Harry Baughn	Michael Wright	Susanne Treacy	Pat Jordan	Virginia Hunter
Usher	Don Roman	Paul Jordan	Harold Lawrence	Jim Redmond	Nick George
Altar Guild	Susan Kelley	Susan Hoffman	Michelle Lawrence	Barb Redmond	Virginia Hunter
Nursery:	Susan Hoffman	TBA	Barb Lanwermyer	TBA	Pam Roman
Coffee Hour	Romans	Wrights	Lawrences	Redmonds	Hunters
VPOD	Chuck Van Gorder	Kurt Hoffman	Deanna DuBose	Jim Redmond	Jane Oliver
Sunday, 10:45 am					
LEMs	Lois Ann Wentzel Elmer Wilson	Kathryn Hoyt Tom Griffiths	Jim Reynolds Barbara Hansen	Barbara Brewton Kathryn Hoyt	Elmer Wilson Georgia Bethel
Lector	Karen Campbell	Laurel Adams	Dave Larson	Geoff Schwartz	Keith Christensen
Intercessor	Andy Dickert	Carolyn Cline-Griffiths	Bev Larson	Jim Reynolds	Deanna DuBose
Acolyte	Odin Rice	Hannah Whitehead	Mary Breedlove	Georgia Bethel	Hannah Whitehead
Torch bearers	TBA TBA	Laurel Sanford TBA	TBA TBA	Mary Breedlove TBA	Laurel Sanford TBA
Ushers	Kathy Rarey Kanute Rarey	Jim Reynolds Joe Rybicki	Deanna DuBose Jon Czarnecki	Elizabeth Dickey Ray Dickey	TBA TBA
Greeters	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Jean Gora Mike Gora
Altar Guild	Pat Hicks Carol Dehler Linda Lucas	Georgia Bethel Carolyn Cline-Griffiths Karen Neumann	Pat Halloran Mary Stewart King Betsi Wilson	Ruthanne Chesebro Kathryn Hoyt Mary Strange	Ruthanne Chesebro Kathryn Hoyt Mary Strange
Children's Church	Dwain Zagrocki Judy Steinbauer	Judy Steinbauer	Amy Nicolson	Judy Steinbauer	Judy Steinbauer
Nursery	Barb Lanwermyer	Marilyn Pierce	Meliss Czarnecki	Jenny Bethel	Paula Whitehead
VPOD	Elmer Wilson	Suzi Herbert	Dave Smucker	Judy Bourne	
Flower Guild	Barb Redmond	Barb Redmond	Barb Redmond	Beth Hitchcock	Advent-Joy Fox
Counters	Jim Redmond Chuck Van Gorder	Deanna DuBose Suzi Herbert	Jane Oliver Elmer Wilson	Kurt Hoffman Judy Bourne	Dave Smucker Kurt Hoffman
Tuesday Service:	November 4	November 11	November 18	November 25	
Prayer Ministers	Pat Hicks	TBA	TBA	Harry Baughn	
Meditation	TBA	TBA	Michelle Lawrence	Rachel Baughn	
Wednesday Service:	November 5	November 12	November 19	November 26	
LEM	Lois Ann Wentzel	Pat Hicks	Judy Steinbauer	Pat Hicks	