



The Shepherd's Voice

September 2016

Services

Saturday:

5:00 pm Holy Eucharist

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

Country Fare — September 9 & 10, 8:00 am-2:00 pm

Drop off schedule:

Small Items – Monday, August 29 - Friday, September 2 between 9:00 am and noon Monday, September 5 - Tuesday, September 6 between 9:00 am and noon

Large Items (flat screen electronics ONLY, gently

used furniture)

Wednesday, September 7 and Thursday, September 8 between 9:00 am and noon

VOLUNTEERS are needed for all aspects of this major fundraiser. Please sign up in the hallway.

Founders' Day Special Speaker

On, Saturday, September 17, Good Shepherd will have a special speaker for our Founders' Day Dinner: Jan Davidson, Director of the John C. Campbell Folk School. Jan's family dates back six generations in Clay and Cherokee Counties. He has been director of the Folk School for 26 years and his vision has guided the school through significant growth to become the leading craft and arts school in the country. Each year the Folk School has a total of about 6,000 students in classes that range from blacksmithing to mountain music, many types of fiber art, woodworking, cooking, painting, jewelry and this is

just a partial list. Jan will speak on the history of the school and its impact on both students and community.

We will have a picnic dinner in the Parish Hall with hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings. Parish Life will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and beverage. The Parish is asked to bring sides and desserts.

Dinner will be a 5:30 pm sharp with Jan Davidson speaking at 6:00 pm.

Health Fair

There will be a community wide health exhibition event sponsored by Murphy Medical Center and Good Shepherd Episcopal Church with over twenty-five exhibitors and health screening stations. The health fair is Friday, September 23, 2013, from 7:00 am to 11:00 am.

All exhibits and screenings are free except for:

- CBC/CMP lab test is \$31.00 including cardiac profile

- A1C (Three Month Diabetic Trending) lab test \$15.00
- PSA test for men \$10.00

Those having the laboratory tests should not eat or drink after midnight except water or black coffee. The blood work is available for cash or check. No insurance will be filed. For more information contact Kanute Rarey, 502-525-7272, kprarey@yahoo.com

Flu Shot Clinic

Mark your calendars for a flu shot clinic following the 10:45 service on October 2. fred's Pharmacy will be

handling this event. See the bulletin board for more information and to sign up.

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Christian Education

Ongoing

- **Lectionary Bible Study** meets in the Library downstairs. Join us each Sunday at 9:15 as we work through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. All are welcome.
- **Fit 4 God** is a healthy lifestyle men's group, based on "The Daniel Plan" by Rick Warren and "Younger Next Year" by Crowley and Lodge. The group gathers at Deacon Turner Guidry's home at 5:30 pm each Tuesday (just prior to The Brotherhood of the Fire) for approximately 30 to 45 minutes to share progress, study the principles of the books and pray together. All men are welcome to join.
- **Summer Sunday School**
 - ◆ September 11 – Verse 3 of Jerry Taylor's class "O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing". This is a stand alone class, It meets at 9:15 in the Undercroft.

Upcoming

- **The Liturgies of Holy Eucharist** — Wednesdays at 10:00-11:00 am September 7-28 in the Undercroft
This short course explores some of the history of the liturgies for Holy Eucharist found in the 1979 Book of Common Prayer; the structure and components of those liturgies and how they fit together as one piece; the theological differences between liturgies; vestments and other instruments often used in the celebration of Holy Eucharist and; the meaning of the various

manual acts performed by the celebrant and acts of piety performed by the congregation. All are welcome.

- **Art, Food for the Soul** — September 18 through October 23
 - The fall season of Sunday school will kick off with a class created by Carol Smucker: "Art: Food for the Soul." It will explore and discuss the ways art (our own and others) nourish our souls. Class members will have the opportunity to "show and tell" their own art (or art they own) and what it means to them. If you have attended Carol's classes in the past you know what a knowledgeable and spiritual teacher she is. The class will meet in the Undercroft at 9:15 am. Sign up sheets will be in the Hallway.
- **Reading Job** — Wednesdays at 10:00-11:00 am November 2-23 in the Undercroft
"It's the greatest thing ever written with pen,"

Scottish essayist and historian Thomas Carlyle (1795-1881).

It is a drama of human experience, a questioning of why bad things happen to good people and what is justice, a challenge to the character of God, a model of both good and poor pastoral care, and more. The story of a man called Job invites readers to struggle along with Job in wrestling for the truth of God's goodness and justice.

Participants are asked to read the book of Job before the course and to come with their questions. All are welcome.

Retreats for a Retreat

A Message from Our New Bishop

Please join me at Retreats for a Retreat, the annual fundraising event in support of the ministry of Lake Logan. I'll be attending the Retreats event at Lake Logan on September 9 and hosting breakfast there the following morning. This will be my first opportunity to meet many of you who have worked to preserve this important resource for our Diocese. Places like Lake Logan are vital. In this hectic world, it's important that we have a space where we can come together in fellowship, pause in God's peace, and renew our spiritual commitment. I look forward to gathering with you in support of this mission.

– Bishop-Elect José A. McLoughlin

2016 RETREATS FOR A RETREAT

- Asheville – September 9 at 6:00 pm at the home of John McNabb

- Lake Logan – September 9 at 6:00 pm Lake Logan Episcopal Center
+\$75 for overnight lodging
+\$25 for breakfast w/ the Bishop-Elect on Saturday at 9:00 am
- Highlands – September 10 at 8:00 pm
Blue Jeans and Bow Ties at Church of the Incarnation, featuring a concert by world-renowned pianist Robert Henry in the Sanctuary at 8:00 pm, followed by an Intermission Celebration and Silent Auction.

Purchase tickets online at lakelogan.org.

Questions? Call 828-225-6656 or email mrobinson@diocesewnc.org

Finding our Center

It was years ago that someone brought to my attention that the first four of the Ten Commandments regard our relationship with God and the next six concern our relationships with others. I found that helpful at the time, seeing that those commandments framed the expectations for all my spiritual and natural relationships. I also found it helpful for seeing the heart of God - that my relationship with God and God's with me had a kind priority over other relationships, that God's heart desires that, but also that those other relationships were pretty important as well, and not just to me but also to God. They are so important, in fact, that God thought we needed commandments to guide and protect them, and even more commandments than given for our spiritual relationship with God. I continue to find truth in that sense of a God-first priority because I have found so many times that my relationship with others is affected by how much I give toward my relationship with God. If I am facing a challenging situation that requires extra grace and love, it matters that I have first spent time in relationship with God who is the source of all grace and love. As I have said publicly before, "You cannot give away what you do not have." Making that daily or more check in with God and keeping that the priority is key not just to keeping those first four commandments, but to being prepared to keep the next six and for all our dealings with others.

As Christians, we often seek the pre-incarnate Christ in the Hebrew Scriptures, and so in this God-us/us-other framework of the Ten Commandments we see both the vertical dimension and horizontal dimension of his cross. We recall that in Christ, God came down to earth, and taking on human form joined with our humanity, lifting us

up and making of children of God and co-heirs of the Kingdom. God is God and we are not, but we are now joined through Christ with God and others at the vertical center of the cross. We also remember the words and life of Jesus. He taught that the law is summarized as loving God and loving our neighbor as our self. Loving our neighbor is like loving God. There should be no reservation and no distinction in loving a neighbor or in loving one neighbor over another. In so many ways he taught that status differences and all things that divide us would be overturned in God's Kingdom. On the horizontal dimension that represents our relationships with others, there is no one on the left of us, no one on the right, no one who is to us "other." On the cross, it is not just the vertical dimension that collapses to the center, but the horizontal does as well. All are the same in God's eyes and so it should be all for all who are Christians. Finding our center means that we journey daily to the center of the cross through prayer and it means that we treat others with the God-given love we receive in our daily prayers. It means embracing what God has done for us in Christ and our co-equal identity as children and heirs of all that is our Father's Kingdom, and that we in turn love and share without distinction.

Blessed be our God,

Fr Bill+



Hayesville Pet Celebration on the Square

On Saturday September 10 at 8:00 am Good Shepherd is once again having a booth at this event! Harry Baughn is providing a table and tent.

Dwain Zagrocki A/K/A DR. Z. will be bringing his portable ultra sound unit so the children may view the insides of their dogs! The children will also be able to look into the ears of their dogs and listen to their heartbeats!

Fr. Bill is doing the Blessing of the Animals.

There is going to be a contest for the most "angelic looking animal."

We are sponsoring this and presenting a gift to the winner.

Also, we're providing a watering station for the pets and will be handing out 200 goodie bags (with our business cards attached) to the participants.

If you are able to volunteer at this event, there is a sign-up sheet in the hall. All we ask is that you be in our tent to hand out treats. Carole Webber is coordinating this event. 828 389 1026 --- webber42@frontier.com.

Thank you ahead of time if you are able to help in any way!

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First Bethel-Guidry Scholarship Awarded

The first Bethel-Guidry scholarship has been awarded to a meritorious student. Now we are challenged to continue building the fund for the future.

The scholarship fund was established last September to honor Georgia Bethel and Turner Guidry, both of whom were retiring from the Clay County School System. This award is one more example of the way we at Good Shepherd seek to share God's blessings with others.

According to Jonathan Bethel, who chairs the scholarship committee, 19 well-qualified students from Clay and Towns County applied.

Jonathan says that the winner, Hunter Reaux, is a community-driven young man who showed real seriousness in his volunteer services and wrote one of the best essays. His record shows volunteer work at Murphy Medical Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Valley River Humane Society. In addition, he did a Beta Club service project and cleaned trash along the roads near his church. Jonathan describes him as "a fine example for his classmates and future applicants. He has distinguished himself as a leader in making our local communities and the world a better place." Hunter plans to attend Clemson University, where he will study engineering.

Hunter's scholarship has a value of \$500 the first year and is renewable at \$500 per year for the next three consecutive years, for a potential of \$2000. Any student graduating from Clay or Towns County High can apply. The scholarship is awarded to the student who has the most distinguished record of making the world a better place through volunteer service and who, through his or her academic record, shows a high likelihood of completing a college degree.

Besides Jonathan, the committee that chose Hunter this year comprises Georgia and Turner, Jim and Trish Reynolds, Sanford Freeman, and John Breazeale. Jonathan says that he accepted Father Bill's nomination as chairman "to honor my parents and the legacy they built at Clay County Schools. Our church has always needed more youthful involvement, and my doing this, I hope to glorify God."

Just as we did last year when the fund was established, we will use Founders' Day, September 17, to solicit donations to grow the fund. Parishioners can donate at Founders' Day or at any time by making out a check with Bethel-Guidry scholarship in the memo. In this way, we can continue sharing the many blessings that God has given to us.



Jonathan Bethel presents the Bethel-Guidry scholarship to Hunter Reaux.

Community Plan Discount for Propane

Heritage Propane is offering \$1.64 per gallon on propane purchases for the next 12 months to our parishioners. Just call Heritage Propane and tell them you wish to enroll in the plan for Good Shepherd church

members. If you are not a current customer and switch to Heritage, the church receives a \$100.00 credit. Call Jim Redmond at 248-425-0307 if you have questions.

Why we have a Kitchen and Parish Hall Checklist



This pan was found on a Monday morning in one of the ovens of our kitchen. It smelled worse than it looked!! It was forgotten from a dinner served on Friday night and by Monday looked like this.

In all honesty, a check list was filled out for this dinner and this item just got missed. Things like this do happen, but going through the check list helps a great deal in limiting this kind of oversight.

Please take the time to go through the check list. Read the items, don't just check them off. Also walk around and really check that things have been done, items put away and equipment has been turned off. The next ministry to use the Kitchen or the Parish Hall will thank you.

Parish News

Birthdays in September

- 1 Bree Kirby, John Covode
- 2 Hunter Roberts
- 4 Lauren Geda
- 5 Bob Billedeaux
- 6 Riley Bender, Chosh Dacey,
- 8 Mack Ratchford
- 9 Helen Naismith
- 12 Kurt Hoffman
- 13 Jack Reis
- 14 Doris Soles
- 15 AJ Martin
- 16 Sandi Persson
- 18 Rick Sanderson
- 20 Kelliann Kaphers, Helen Mulcahy
- 21 Rachel Baughn, Mac Pinner
- 22 Pat Fox
- 24 Bill Pierson, Paul Smith
- 25 Holley Calmes, Olivia Martin
- 26 Sandra Smith, Paul Jordan
- 27 Peggy Dickert
- 28 Sara Stone
- 29 Helga Reaves, James Owen
- 30 Vicki Lake, Nick Garpetti, John Owen, Dick Welton

In Sympathy we are thinking of:

Judd McCarthy on the death of his wife, Kay.

Bobby Lucas on the death of his wife, Linda.

*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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Financials (July 31, 2016)

2016 General Operations Fund:

Balance Dec. 31, 2015	[\$5,933]
Income year to date	250,105
Expenses year to date	<u>-221,153</u>
Balance in Operating Account July 31, 2016	\$23,019

Balance on bank mortgage \$162,400

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

The church's financial statements are posted each month on the bulletin board by the office door.

For any questions, please contact our new church bookkeeper,

Outreach Allocations

The following amounts were given to outreach partners for second quarter:

- 1 Diane and Dick Welton
- 4 Lauren and Stan Geda
- 7 Jane and Doug Stuart
- 8 Michelle and Harold Lawrence, Jenny Montgomery and Dean Harshbarger
- 11 Pam and Don Roman
- 12 Mary Ann and Sam Strider
- 13 Michelle and Paul Smith
- 15 Debbie and Al Sanford, Denise and Dwain Zagrocki
- 16 Doris and Furie Soles
- 19 Sharon and Charlie O'Dell, Stacey and Kenny Waldroup, Carole and George Webber, Debbie and Dan Wickersham
- 27 Pat and Paul Jordan

Matt's Ministry	\$800
Clay County Food Pantry	600
Towns County Food Pantry	200
REACH	400
St. Vincent de Paul	400
H.A.V.E.N.	200
Communities in Schools of Clay County	800
Town County Family Connections	200
Durgapur Medical Clinic	200
Lamb Institute Honduras	<u>200</u>
Total	\$4,000

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Lectionary Readings for September

16 Pentecost	17 Pentecost	18 Pentecost	19 Pentecost
September 4	September 11	September 18	September 25
Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Exodus 32:7-14	Amos 8:4-7	Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm 1	Psalm 51:1-11	Psalm 113	Psalm 146
Philemon 1-21	I Timothy 1:12-17	I Timothy 2:1-7	I Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 14:25-33	Luke 15:1-10	Luke 16:1-13	Luke 16:19-31

Calling All Quilters and Wanna-bes!

The Quilts for Honduras team is making great progress but we need more help! Any skill level is welcome. Willingness to learn is the key!

Please join us in the undercroft on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:55 am. Please call Helga Reaves for more information at 727-418-2239.

Golf Tournament

Mark your calendars. Third Annual GSEC Golf Tournament to be held Saturday, October 22 at Ridges Country Club. Invite friends. Form a team. Find a sponsor. Join us for dinner. Fun, fellowship and prizes.

For information contact Kanute Rarey at 502-502-7272, kprarey@yahoo.com or Jim Redmond 248-425-0307, drjor@frontier.com.



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