



The Shepherd's Voice

April 2017

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. George Choyce
Assisting Clergy

The Rev. Turner Guidry
Deacon

Moms' Connection



Moms' Connection had a wonderful kick off event on March 17. Moms and their kids got a tour of the church facilities, enjoyed fellowship and refreshments, and one lucky mom won a \$50 gift card to A Unique Boutique!! We are still in need of volunteers and alternates. The group meets on the third Friday of each month from 10:00-11:30 am. Call/see Susan Gray for more information at 828-361-7175.



Holy Week Service Schedule

Saturday, April 8, Palm Sunday

5:00 pm Holy Eucharist Rite I with Liturgy
of the Palms

Sunday, April 9

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I with Liturgy
of the Palms

10:45 am Holy Eucharist Rite II with Liturgy
of the Palms and Children's Church

Monday, April 10

9:00 am Morning Prayer

Tuesday, April 11

9:00 am Morning Prayer

11:00 am Generational Healing Eucharist

Wednesday, April 12

9:00 am Morning Prayer

Thursday, April 13, Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm Holy Eucharist with Foot
Washing

*Overnight watch begins at the conclusion of the Maundy
Thursday service and continues until Stations
of the Cross on Good Friday.*

Friday, April 14, Good Friday

12:00 pm Good Friday service

Saturday, April 15

9:00 am Morning Prayer

7:00 pm The Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday, April 16, Easter Day

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:45 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Easter Sunday Brunch

Join us on April 16 at 9:15 am in the Parish Hall.
Please bring a dish to share.

Egg Hunt will be held immediately following the 10:45
service.

Contact Mary Rose Figura at
maryrosefigura@gmail.com for information or to
volunteer to help.

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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. The group meets in the library at 6:00 pm on Monday. For more information contact David Hourdequin at 828-421-6216.

- **Credo in Deum: What Episcopalians Believe**
Wednesdays, March 8 - April 5 at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall

March 29 The Communion of Saints
April 5 Life Everlasting

- **The Spirituality of Harry Potter - Choosing to Keep on Believing**

March 29 - Harry, Hermione, and Ron
April 5 - What do you believe?

Upcoming

- **Episcopal Summer School, An Outline of the Faith commonly called the Catechism** on Sundays in June and July @ 12:15 pm in the Undercroft

The Book of Common Prayer is a treasury of reference for the faith, worship, and life of Episcopalians. Part of that treasury is a teaching outline of the faith in question and answer format known as 'the catechism.' The very early church used such teaching materials to instruct newcomers, seekers, and those to be baptized, and a catechism has been included in the Prayer Book since the first edition in 1549. Many raised in the Episcopal Church learned the Prayer Book catechism as part of their preparation for confirmation. It may be that some have forgotten what the Prayer Book catechism teaches and that others coming to the Episcopal Church as adults have never studied the Episcopal Church's teachings on questions such as "What is the Church?" "What are sin and redemption?" "What is prayer?" "What is the mission of the church?" and "What is the Christian hope?"

All are welcome. This conversation is facilitated by Fr. Bill.

Arts and Spirituality Ministry Invites You to Build a Picnic Table

When: April 21 and 22 rain date May 5 and 6

Where: The Czarnecki's. 497 River Oaks Drive. 828 389 1172

Cost: \$190.00 for white pine

No previous woodworking experience required. You will need eye protection, earplugs, gloves and your lunch. Class size is limited to 4 people. If there is an interest, we will repeat the class.

There is a class sign up sheet in the hallway.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Did you know our church organist, Jerry Taylor, actually collects old reed organs (Whaaat)? And is a history buff? And is a fantastic storyteller? The Arts and Spirituality Ministry invites you to take a trip with us to Jerry's Organ Loft in Young Harris on Tuesday, May 16, at either 11:00a.m. or 2:00p.m. to experience the sights and sounds of the combined three. Jerry will not only be showing off his 'babies,' but will be playing them while he explains, with humor and passion, about

their history, how and why he purchased them and how they 'got to' Young Harris from far and wide. Jerry owns over 30 reed organs and a player piano that all have unique stories of their own. You won't want to miss this experience, so save the date. More information will follow in next month's newsletter, and a sign-up sheet will be in the information hallway after Easter.

Clay County Food Pantry

Again this year the food pantry has been given a generous grant from Jerry and Wanda Gottlieb to receive a matching gift for every dollar received from March 1 through April 30. They hope that this fundraiser will generate in excess of \$20,000 that is needed to

continue to provide food for families in the county.

All donations of cash or food items will be matched financially. Tax deductible donations can be mailed to the Clay County Food Pantry, PO Box 853, Hayesville, NC 28904.

Remembering Anamnesis

"And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this for the anamnesis of me.'" Luke 19:22

"In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, for the anamnesis of me.'" 1 Corinthians 11:25

Anamnesis is a Greek word with the seemingly simple meaning of remembering. To do anamnesis is to remember, to recollect. Many are most likely familiar with anamnesis as it appears in our Eucharistic prayers: "On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, 'Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.'"

That likely sounds familiar and sensible in its plain meaning. "Do this as a memorial, as a refreshing of your memory, of me." Perhaps there is some reminiscing with an emotional response like "Yeah, I remember Jesus' love for his disciples. That must have been a memorable evening. It is worth remembering." While there is value in this, the truth is that there is much more to anamnesis than simply this. Remembering anamnesis and the Jewish context of Jesus' ministry can lead us to a more meaningful and helpful understanding.

In Genesis 9, after the flood, God establishes a covenant with Noah, all living things, and future generations. God says that the rainbow will serve as a reminder to himself of his covenant that he has made with all living creatures. Remembrance is about calling into the present the covenant once established. It is a reaffirmation of that covenant and a reassurance that the covenant still holds in the present. It is a making

present what was in the past and unites history, the past with the present. Likewise, the Jewish celebration of the Passover described in Deuteronomy is a remembrance of the events of Exodus 12. In the rabbinic teaching on the Passover feast we read "In every generation, a person is obligated to see himself as if he himself came out of Egypt; as it is written: 'This is done because of that which God did to me when I came out of Egypt'" (Talmud, Pesachim 116b). This is no mere bringing to mind, but again is making present what was past and uniting the Jews of the Exodus with all Jews of all times in the blessings and salvation of God. This is the sort of anamnesis that Jesus would have had in mind for his followers.

We take and eat the bread and drink the wine to make the moment of the Last Supper present in all its significance and all its saving grace. When we gather and do anamnesis, it is not a merely a refreshing of memory or a reminder to be thankful, through those might be included, but we make Christ present in the same way that the rainbow brings the fullness of covenant into the present moment and the Passover feast brings the fullness of God's exodus salvation. This is a powerful remembering and our hopes and expectations for Eucharistic anamnesis should be equally powerful. I bid you to come to the table with all your hopes and dreams, because it is Christ who truly invites you to come.

Fr Bill+



Saturday Eucharist Ending

In January 2016 we began a trial Saturday afternoon Eucharist. At that time our 10:45 service had exceeded the 80% "full" mark that church growth experts say makes it difficult for visitors to find space. The hope for the Saturday service was twofold. With some Sunday worshippers migrating to Saturday we would have extra space at 10:45 and the Saturday service would also create a new opportunity for worship for those who cannot attend church on Sunday morning. Fifteen months later that Saturday service has come to average between 20-25 attenders, but none of them new to the church. Most attending Saturday came over from the 8:00 Sunday service and so

there was little effect of the Saturday service on space at 10:45 Sunday. Consequently, the Saturday service will end with a last service on April 29. I am grateful to all those who served and who participated in this trial. Your presence gave this service a viability it would not have otherwise had. I look forward seeing you on Sundays as we continue to worship and work together building the kingdom of God at Good Shepherd.

Grace and peace,

Fr Bill+

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Put Your Artistry on Parade!

Do you love to create things? Parade of Tables is the perfect place to share your creative spirit with our parish family. The items made by parishioners always generate a lot of interest; so artists, crafters, woodworkers, photographer and fly-tiers, just to name a few, get those creative minds working and create something special for the Parade of Tables silent auction on Friday, June 16.

Contact Elizabeth Rybicki with questions about donating a piece of your work. Items should be received by the auction committee by June 1. You will be given a tax receipt for your work when it is received.

Join the excitement and host a table. We still need a few more. Sign up in the hallway

Mountain of Faith

The Mountain of Faith Endowment was formed 15 years ago by resolution of the vestry. Several forward thinkers had the vision of establishing an endowment to help Good Shepherd provide for growth and continued ministry.

The endowment has grown and has been able assist in the financing of our facility expansion in 2011 and to add to the funds for the elevator project.

Gifts can be made to the Mountain of Faith Endowment in a variety of ways by direct gifts of cash or using what is often called planned gifts.

While planned giving usually involves financial or estate planning, it is not reserved just for the wealthy. It enables a donor to provide for family members while remembering the church as well. It often reduces taxes.

Look for articles in future newsletters about Mountain of Faith and details on planned giving opportunities. But why wait? Contact any Mountain of Faith trustee – Andy Dickert, Dave Larson, Gayle Graziano, or Jim Redmond.

Financials (February 28, 2017)

2017 General Fund Balance:

Balance January 1, 2017	\$20,513
Income year to date	63,354
Expenses year to date	<u>-63,794</u>
General Fund Balance on February 28, 2017	\$20,073

Balance on bank mortgage \$156,366

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 church bookkeeper, Susan Wyman in the office on Mondays.

\$Dollars and ¢Cents from the Treasurer

Hello to everyone in our church family. I am just now finishing my second full month as your new Treasurer. As with any change such as this, there is always a bit of a learning curve in getting up to speed. My sincerest thanks go out to Fr. Bill, Elizabeth, Lynne, Susan W., the present and past vestry members, and really, to all of you that have done so much for me. Yes, this is a big thank you to one and all!! There are two main parts of any church. There is that part that nurtures and develops faithfulness in each one of us as an individual. Then, there is that part that makes the church run from day to day,

the business side. From this point on, I will be giving you monthly insight into how we are performing financially as a church. At this point in time, I can definitely say that Good Shepherd is financially sound, but it is up to each of us to keep it that way. Remember, no amount given is too small, or too large. It all makes a difference. Thank you!

My Blessings to You!!!
Pat

Parish News

Birthdays in April

- 1 Claudia Mahaffie
- 4 Betsy Reynolds, Linda Wingo, Joe Mamo
- 7 Barbara Boswell
- 8 Nicole Wright
- 9 Alan Armstrong
- 10 Wally Figura
- 11 Randye Williams, Jacob Paul Smith
- 15 Jenny Bethel, Ben Kennedy
- 18 Izzy Kirby
- 21 Carol Dehler, Ann Hourdequin, Larry Howell
- 22 Al Sanford
- 24 Britney Weeks
- 25 Jan Freeman, Kanute Rarey
- 26 Keith Christensen, David Werdin
- 27 Nikki Hughes, Dean Furlong

In Sympathy we are thinking of:

Carole Webber on the death of her husband, George.

Jerry Taylor on the death of his mother, Helen Barrett Taylor.

*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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Anniversaries in April

- 7 Barb and David Field
- 21 Wendy and Greg Walker
- 24 Peggy and Andy Dickert
- 25 Mary and James Ackerly, George Bethel and Turner Guidry
- 26 Kathy and Glenn Marcel
- 29 Brenda and Charlie Gignilliat
- 30 Jenny and Cameron Bethel

Servers for Holy Week services

Palm Sunday, April 8, 5:00 pm, Passion Gospel

Pilate: Heyward Wilson
Jesus: Don Roman
Narrator: Jim Reynolds

Palm Sunday, April 9, 8:00 am, Passion Gospel

Pilate: Gil Nicolson
Jesus: Wally Figura
Narrator: Mary Anne Kooš

Palm Sunday, April 9, 10:45 am, Passion Gospel

Pilate: David Hourdequin
Jesus: Dave Larson
Narrator: Dave Smucker

Maundy Thursday, April 13

EMs: Georgia Bethel, Beth Hitchcock
Lectors: Furie Soles

Good Friday, April 14 Noon

EMs: Kathryn Hoyt, Pat Jordan

The Great Vigil, April 15, 7:00 pm

EMs: Tom Griffiths, Elizabeth Rybicki
Lectors: Georgia Bethel, Deanna DuBose, Mary Anne
Kooš, Pat Jordan, Pam Roman, Keith Christensen

Ministries of Children and Youth

Around the tables at the **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, many commented on the good-hearted, attentive and efficient service provided by Deacon Turner Guidry's young people. Boys and girls from throughout Clay County helped to make the evening a success. The moneys from the event are used for **OUTREACH**. The involvement of so many young people from within as well as from beyond the boundaries of our own parish in groups like the **Brotherhood of the Fire** and the **Order of St. George's Breakfast** are clear manifestations of our outreach programs.

Along with the young people, about twenty adults helped with the setting up, cooking and cleaning up. Special thanks go out to our chef par excellence, David Smucker.

To make preparations for **Moms' Connection**, beginning March 17 and continuing every third Friday from 10:00 - 11:30, Father Bill and Susan Gray met with volunteers. Volunteers interested in working in working in the nursery or with preschoolers can sign up in the hallway or contact Susan Gray at springchic710@gmail.com.

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Lectionary Readings

Lent 5	Palm Sunday	Easter Day	2 Easter	3 Easter
April 2	April 9	April 16	April 23	April 30
Ezekiel 37:1-14	Matthew 21:1-11	Acts 10:34-43	Acts 2:14a, 22-32	Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalms 130	Psalms 118:19-24	Psalms 118:14-24	Psalms 16	Psalms 116:10-17
Romans 8:6-11	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Colossians 3:1-4	1 Peter 1:3-9	1 Peter 1:17-23
John 11:1-45	Psalms 31:9-16	Matthew 28:1-10	John 20:19-31	Luke 24:13-35
	Philippians 2:5-11			
	Matthew 27:11-54			

Cold Mountain Music festival!

Cold Mountain Music at Lake Logan is a festival happening on Saturday, June 3, 2017 on the stunning grounds of Lake Logan Episcopal Center featuring Grammy-award winning band the Steep Canyon Rangers and others. The event will raise awareness and funds for Lake Logan and Camp Henry. In addition to an evening of top-notch musical talent,

the festival will also feature a kids' area, food vendors, and after-party at the Sit 'n Whittle lodge.

The earlybird discount pricing (\$15 off regular price) ends on April 1, so don't delay -- buy yours today! Visit www.coldmountainmusic.org for more info.



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