



The Shepherd's Voice

September 2017

Services

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)

Monday:

10:00 am Morning Prayer

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

Golf Tournament

GOLFERS NEEDED FOR 2017 CHARITY

GOLF TOURNAMENT. Sign up. Come out for a great time of fellowship on Saturday, September 30, 2017, at the Ridges Country Club in Hayesville, North Carolina. Bring your own golf team of four. Join another team. All [individuals](#) who sign up will be placed with a group to make four-member team for the event. Golfing skills optional. Fun is required. The tournament committee and the hosts at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church wish to emphasize that everyone is invited to participate at any level. The Golf Tournament is a **community event** open to all, not solely to members of Good Shepherd. The golf registration is \$100 per player. 12:30 Shotgun Start Best Ball 18 Hole Scramble. Includes 11:00 Golfers Lunch, 5:00 Reception/Cash Bar and 6:30 Celebratory Dinner. Prizes for putting, hole in one, longest drive, closest to pin and lowest gross team score. Extra reception/dinner tickets for \$30.00.

Forms are available on our website:

www.goodshepherdhayesville.org

SPONSORS AND DONORS NEEDED FOR THE DUANE MILLER MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Golf Co-chairman Kanute explains, "To achieve the scholarship fundraising goals of the event, sponsorships are available, needed, and critical for continuing the scholarship program. Small and large sponsors are welcomed." Beginning with a basic \$100 Bronze Sponsorship, those who wish to go that extra mile can select a \$250 Silver Sponsorship, a \$400 Gold Sponsorship, or a \$500 Platinum Sponsorship. Any business, organization and individual may participate as sponsors of this year's tournament. Sponsorship levels range from \$100.00

for recognition signs on individual golf course holes advertising their sponsor name, to larger color recognition signs and added club house leader board recognition. Tournament dinner and registration fees are included in sponsor categories up to \$500.00. Detailed descriptions can be provided on request. There are also sponsor opportunities for the golfers' lunch, the putting contest, the course refreshment cart and golfer gift bag items and merchandise prizes. Kanute Rarey added that those who do not want to be a formal sponsor may make a donation to the event for the Bethel-Guidry College Scholarship Fund by mailing it to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Hayesville.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

- Those at Good Shepherd who don't play golf in the charity golf tournament can have as much fun as those who do by simply volunteering for this worthwhile event. Smiling faces are needed for hospitality and other enjoyable tasks. Great events depend on good people pitching in and working together to do a great job. Our volunteers do lots of simple tasks that add up to all the critical elements getting done for the tournament. Most jobs require no golf experience. We love our volunteers.

Visit www.goodshepherdhayesville.org for information and forms for golf tams and sponsorships. See Jim Redmond or Kanute Rarey or sign up on sheets found on the Parish Hall bulletin board.

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Christian Education

Ongoing

- **Lectionary Bible Study** is on summer break.

Upcoming

- **Praying the Gospel Stories** — Mondays in September at 11:00 am. In this short course, participants will follow and Ignatian prayer practice to enter imaginatively into well-known stories from the Gospels. No prior Bible study nor experience with Ignatian prayer is required. This course is led by Fr. Bill.

- **Rector's Brown Bag Book Read** — More detail available in the hallway.

- * *Conflict and a Christian Life* by Sam Portaro on Tuesday, September 12 at noon
- * *The Celtic Way of Evangelism* on Tuesday, November 21 at noon.

Arts and Spirituality - Angel Wings Project Workshop



Coming.....Saturday, September 16
from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Learn how to unlock your spiritual
and artistic gifts; create your own
angel wings through painting,
journaling, prayer and meditation.

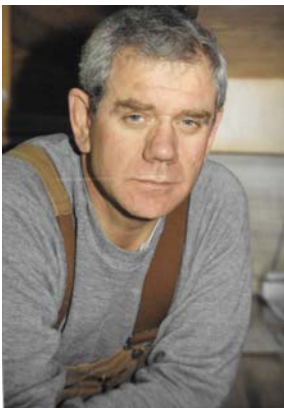
A light lunch will be catered by Evie's Trolley Stop. The cost of the Workshop is \$25 per person.

Spiritual Coach: Carolyn Cline Griffiths

Artistic Coach: Jennifer Sutherland Cline

.....More information coming soon

Celebrating Our Deacon



Since 1997, parish priests, interim priests and supply priests have come and gone at Good Shepherd; parishioners have joined and parishioners have moved away — many to their eternal home; children have grown up and gone off to continue lives elsewhere; the parish hall/kitchen was torn down and rebuilt; bathrooms and an elevator were added; ministries have come and gone. Good Shepherd has experienced nothing but change and

transformation throughout its history, but there are four persons who have been an abiding presence — Father, Son, Holy Spirit -- and Turner Guidry!

Okay, so I may be guilty of blasphemy (but reportedly, I'm in good company with this summer's campers at Camp Henry). But think about it: Turner has been a constant presence at Good Shepherd throughout good times and bad, gracefully assisting each priest at the altar during Eucharist, and supporting them behind the scenes in ways we will never know. He has preached powerful sermons and privately counseled unknown numbers of youth and adults through the crises in their lives. You may think you haven't been impacted directly by

Turner Guidry, but believe me, everyone one of us has benefitted from his ministry at Good Shepherd and in the community.

There are three ways you can help celebrate Turner's 20-year milestone as a deacon: You can write a note of your appreciation or send in a picture or story -- especially if it's humorous! You can attend the Turner Guidry Roast and Dinner at 5:30 on September 23rd. And, you can contribute to the Bethel-Guidry Scholarship fund in his honor.

The September 23rd "Roast" will be a Louisiana-themed dinner to honor Turner's heritage. Jambalaya and beverages will be supplied by the church with suggested side dishes and desserts to be provided by the congregation. A sign-up sheet will be posted soon. Wine and beer will be available. Doors will open at 5:30 with supper to be served at 6pm. The dinner will include opportunities to write a note to Turner as well as to contribute to the scholarship fund if you have not already done so.

The Rev. Dr. Delmer Chilton will be Master of Ceremonies for the program, so you know we are in for an evening of laughter and surprises. We need more photos and stories to go into a scrapbook and DVD for Turner to keep. Please send your contribution to rachel.baughn@gmail.com or put it in her Vestry mailbox. And, of course, *Dog Breath* will be worked into the celebration in several ways. (If you don't know what that is, come find out!)

Your Father Who Sees in Private

When I was a college professor one of my regular classes was research methods. In that course we spent considerable time on survey design and consideration of what methods worked best for highly sensitive topics. One might wonder what topics fall within the category of highly sensitive. If you guessed money, you guessed correctly. People would rather tell you about a host of personal beliefs and practices than disclose how much money they earn and how much they are worth. You have likely seen the outcome of this where surveyed income is reported in broad income categories. In another course on inequality we would consider the social conditions that led wealthy people to conspicuously consume their wealth and the non-wealthy to engage in practices where they tried to pass as a member of the leisure class. My students were going to have to swim in our collective cultural pool, but I wanted them to do so as somewhat informed participants. A few, perhaps, were able to find their way in life less stressed by norms of material accumulation.

You have likely heard many times that Jesus had much to say about money. In Matthew 6, Jesus tells us to give alms, to pray, and to fast without making a show of it all. These three acts of piety - of ways of honoring God and coming closer to God - are of one body of a lived faith. Giving alms, for example, is a faithful response to prayer and prayers answered. Fasting supports alms giving by redirecting resources from personal use to the needs of others and prayer supports fasting. We should, of course, pray about our giving. Note that Jesus does not say, "if you decide to do these" but he assumes that all will and that there is a right and wrong way for doing so. In all three acts, we are to do so in private, and God will see because God knows all. Jesus understood that people used their wealth conspicuously to gain the admiration of others. He understood that

money could take the heart captive and that it could come to be one's master. So he said this like, "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." And, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. ... But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Christians, including church leaders, are probably not so different from others. They also do not like to talk about money, certainly not their own. I doubt many would volunteer to report their income to their church, though some do, and I doubt many would want their priest or pastor to look at the financials and see how much they give to the church. Be assured that that does not happen at Good Shepherd. Later this month you will receive your 2018 pledge card. What I ask is that all of us take Jesus at his word and pray about our giving. I ask that you consider where you might fast in order to increase your gift. What you decide to give to the church is what you and God have come to in prayer. That is a sacred vow that you will make with God in private, trusting that God will help you fulfill that vow.

Grace and peace be yours,

Fr Bill+



The Shepherd's Voice

From Fr. George

I will sometimes describe myself as an *Episcopal Evangelist about Epilepsy*. People tend to remember that description, if for nothing else, because of the alliteration. The reason that I will say (or write) that phrase is because Epilepsy – or for that matter other neurological issues – are frequently swept under the carpet as something *that we just don't talk about*.

Well, I talk about it. I preach about it. I am not ashamed of it. I pray that when you have the opportunity to do so, you will say something akin to this – Yes, *one of our priests does have epilepsy*.

There are famous people who have or had epilepsy. Here is just a partial list of which most of us will identify one name or more: 1) Lil Wayne – Rap Star, 2) Theodore Roosevelt – 26th President of the United States, 3) Dai Greene – British Olympic track and field hurdler, 4) Danny Glover – Academy Award-winning actor, 5) Jason Snelling – Former Atlanta Falcons running back, 6) Neil Young – Legendary singer-songwriter, 7) Susan Boyle – “Britain’s Got Talent” winning singer, 8) Rick Harrison – star of “Pawn Stars”, 9) Hugo Weaving – Australian actor, 10) Alan Faneca – former NFL guard for three football teams.

I encourage you to look them up on the Internet; you will find that almost all of them had to overcome the stigma associated with their epilepsy. Many of them were told that they were not trying hard enough to overcome their epilepsy, or that their epilepsy was the result of simply being stupid, or that epilepsy is something to hide. At some point in their lives, they used this hurtful feedback as a catalyst to go forward with their lives instead of giving into the negative stigma that those of us with epilepsy receive on a regular basis. Yes, we even receive damaging comments from the church. I did.

Any Episcopal signage includes the loaded phrase **Welcomes You**. So, I hold us to our printed, public theology. Good Shepherd **Welcomes** better than any other parish that I have ever found. It's not a matter of the cliché *We practice what we preach*. It's far more profound than that - we exercise Christian hospitality. For example, Jesus frequently was found in the company of those who were considered the outcasts of their society. Jesus welcomed them. In this way, Jesus showed us some of the character of his Heavenly Father.

Let's always keep this as a part of our identity. It's a lonely world out there for those of us who have epilepsy, or other brain issues, or any other health issues, and even for those of us with the complex vocation of living this life. Period. Christian hospitality involves inviting **all** to be a part of Good Shepherd, even those who are the outcasts of society into this faith community. [The Book of Common Prayer](#) has this prayer on page 826:

Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome to everyone. Period.



September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist	4 OFFICE CLOSED 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am Praying the Gospel 7:00pm Higher Calling	5 7:00pm Soaking Prayer	6 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	7 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	8 8:00am Exercise class 2:00pm Centering Prayer	9 9:00am Assemble dog treat bags
10 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist	11 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Crafts Group 10:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am Praying the Gospel 7:00pm Higher Calling	12 12:00pm Rector's Brown Bag Book Read 7:00pm Soaking Prayer	13 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	14 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	15 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Moms' Connection 2:00pm Centering Prayer	16 9:00am Arts and Spirituality Class - Angel Wings
17 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist	18 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am Praying the Gospel 7:00pm Higher Calling	19 7:00pm Soaking Prayer	20 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers 1:00pm Stamping Group	21 10:00am Boat Ramp clean up 1:00pm Arts and Spirituality meeting 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	22 8:00am Exercise class 2:00pm Centering Prayer	23 Pet Festival on the Square 5:30pm Celebration of Turner Guidry's ministry
24 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Sunday School 10:45am Holy Eucharist 12:00pm Flu Shot clinic	25 8:00am Exercise class 10:00am Prayer Shawl ministry 10:00am Morning Prayer 11:00am Praying the Gospel 6:30pm Vestry meeting 7:00pm Higher Calling	26 7:00pm Soaking Prayer	27 8:00am Exercise class 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers	28 12:00pm Healing Prayer ministry 12:30pm Red Cross Blood drive 7:00pm Choir rehearsal	29 8:00am Exercise class 2:00pm Centering Prayer	30 Golf Tournament

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Sunday, 8:00 am:

	September 3	September 10	September 17	September 24
Eucharistic Ministers	Amy Nicolson Kathy Wright	Mary Anne Kooš Heyward Wilson	Beth Hitchcock Pat Jordan	Kathy Wright Mary Anne Kooš
Lector	Gail Criss	Kathy Rarey	Kanute Rarey	Gil Nicolson
Intercessor	Gil Nicolson	Pat Jordan	Michael Wright	Pat Jordan
Usher	Nick George	Wally Figura	Kanute Rarey	Chuck Van Gorder
Altar Guild	Gail Criss	Pat Jordan	Susan Kelley	Barb Redmond
Coffee Hour	Wrights	Jordans	Rareys	Wrights
VPOD	Beth Hitchcock	Jerry Taylor	Kanute Rarey	Tom Wilkerson

Sunday, 10:45 am:

	September 3	September 10	September 17	September 24
Eucharistic Ministers	Deanna DuBose Jim Reynolds	Kathryn Hoyt Stephanie Forbes	Elmer Wilson Georgia Bethel	David Hourdequin Lois Ann Wentzel
Lector	Andy Dickert	Georgia Bethel	Dave Larson	Rachel Baughn
Intercessor	Karen Sirmans	Deanna DuBose	Bev Larson	Harry Baughn
Ushers				

Greeters	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Jean Gora Mike Gora	Hattie Sheehy Kathy Wright	Hattie Sheehy Kathy Wright
Altar Guild	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Altar Linens	Betsi Wilson	Carolyn Cline-Griffiths	Mary Stewart King	Barb Redmond
Nursery	Georgia Bethel	Marjorie Hobkirk	Peggy Dickert	Barb Lanweremeyer
VPOD	Teresa Gribble	Rachel Baughn	Karen Sirmans	Mary Ackerly
Counters	Teresa Gribble Barb Field	Beth Hitchcock Rachel Baughn	Karen Sirmans Jerry Taylor	Mary Ackerly Randy Williams
Flower Guild	Carolyn Cline-Griffiths	Liz McLamb	Betsi Wilson	Helga Reaves

Tuesday 7:00 pm:

	September 5	September 12	September 19	September 26
Prayer Ministers		Beth Hitchcock		
Leader		Carolyn Cline-Griffiths	Harry Baughn	Rachel Baughn

Wednesday 12:00 pm:

	September 6	September 13	September 20	September 27
Eucharistic Minister	Stephanie Forbes	Beth Hitchcock	Kathryn Hoyt	Lois Ann Wentzel
Altar Guild	Stephanie Forbes	Becky Van Gorder	Kathryn Hoyt	Becky Van Gorder

Parish News

Birthdays in September

1 John Covode
2 Hunter Roberts
6 Chosh Dacey
8 Mack Ratchford
9 Helen Naismith
12 Kurt Hoffman
14 Doris Soles
15 AJ Martin
17 Fr. George Choyce
18 Rick Sanderson
20 Kelliann Kaphers, Helen Mulcahy
21 Rachel Baughn, Glenn Marcel, 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
30 Vicki Lake, Nick Garpetti, Dick Welton

Anniversaries in September

1 Diane and Dick Welton
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
27 Pat and Paul Jordan

Financials (July 31, 2017)

2017 General Fund Balance:

Balance January 1, 2017	\$20,513
Income year to date	216,652
Expenses year to date	<u>-212,804</u>
General Fund Balance on July 31, 2017	\$24,361

Balance on bank mortgage \$150,474

Balance on Mt. of Faith loan \$23,500

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.

Hayesville Pet Celebration on the Square

On Saturday, September 23 beginning at 8:00 am, Good Shepherd is once again having a booth at this event. Dr. Z. and Fr. George will be there. We're providing a watering station for the pets and will be handing out 200 doggie goodie bags to the participants. We need 1) DOGGIE TREATS to be put in the goodie bags (please put them in the blue bucket in the Parish Hall and 2) VOLUNTEERS to fill the bags on Saturday September 9 at 10:00 am in the Undercroft as well as on the day of the event. Carole Webber is coordinating this event. Contact her at 828 389 1026 or webber42@frontier.com. Thank you!



Lectionary Readings

13 Pentecost

September 3

Exodus 3:1-5

Psalms 105:1-6

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

14 Pentecost

September 10

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 149:1-5

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

15 Pentecost

September 17

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalms 103:8-13

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

16 Pentecost

September 24

Exodus 16:2-15

Psalms 105:37-45

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16



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