



# The Shepherd's Voice

March 2019

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

### Services

#### Sunday:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist  
Rite I

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 Prayer  
with Meditation

#### Wednesday:

Noon Holy Eucharist with  
Healing Prayer

The Rev. Dr. Bill  
Breedlove  
Rector

The Rev. George Choyce  
Assisting Clergy

The Rev. Turner Guidry  
Deacon



March 5, 2019 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Don't miss it. Real from scratch buttermilk pancakes (a special recipe made with fresh eggs, buttermilk, butter, special flour). Also local Bitter Creek Extra Lean Handmade Sausage, warm maple syrup, apple sauce, apple or orange juice, great coffee and tea. Gluten Free Pancakes on request.

Brought to you by the youth of the Order of Saint George with help from family and friends.

All proceeds will go to children and youth ministries. Cost is \$ 6.00 for age 12 and older and \$3.00 for 11 and under. Tickets on sale in the Narthex on Sunday March 3 and at the door.

Invite your neighbors and friends for a simple but great meal served by our youth. Best pancakes in Western North Carolina and North Georgia.

## Christian Education

### Ongoing

- **Lectionary Bible Study** meets on Sundays at 9:15 in the library as we work through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. All are welcome.
- **Episcopal Café:** Coffee, Donuts and Questions -- Have you ever wondered what the "S" before a hymnal number in the bulletin means? Or, what is the difference between nave and narthex? What do the colors on the altar mean? Why do Episcopalians \_\_\_\_\_?

Starting February 10th and concluding March 3, there will be an informal fellowship opportunity to ask those and other questions you've always wanted to know but weren't sure how to ask. No book to read. No handouts. No lectures. No signup sheet. Just a time around the table with coffee and donuts to ask and share questions. The group will meet in the rear of the fellowship hall from 9:15 AM -10:15 AM. Facilitators: Robert Schneider and Suzi Herbert

### Upcoming

- **Rector's Bible Study — *The Pentateuch***  
Mondays at 10:00 am in the Library
  - ◆ March — The book *Exodus*
  - ◆ April — The book *Leviticus*
  - ◆ May — The book *Numbers*
  - ◆ June — The book *Deuteronomy*
- **Rector's Brown Bag Book Read**  
Tuesdays at noon in the Library
  - ◆ April 30 — *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis
  - ◆ June 18 — *When Prophecy Fails* by Leon Festinger
- **Lenten Supper Series** — The Palestine of Jesus: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus from Bethlehem to Calvary. Wednesday, March 13-April 10 at 5:00 in the parish hall. In this Lenten series we will visit some of the sites that appear in the Biblical story of Jesus' life and ministry, reviewing the Biblical text and looking at the structures built to memorialize his ministry at those sites. This gathering is led by Fr. Bill. All are welcome.

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## To All the World

A borrowed story: "One Sunday evening, William Booth was walking in London with his son, Bramwell, who was then 12 or 13 years old. The father surprised the son by taking him into a saloon! The place was crowded with men and women, many of them bearing on their faces the marks of vice and crime; some were drunk. The fumes of alcohol and tobacco were poisonous. 'Willie,' Booth said to his son, 'These are our people; these are the people I want you to live for and bring to Christ.' Years later, Bramwell Booth wrote, 'The impression never left me.'"

Some years ago, on a visit to Honduras, I asked to go out with Honduran missionary students to see how they do street level evangelism. I was joined with a young man and a young woman whose English was as limited as my Spanish. That did not seem to matter as we walked the neighborhood near their missionary training school and visited with anyone who cared to talk. There were middle-aged women making tortillas, older women watching over children, men transporting wheel barrows and working on homes, and young people just hanging out. Some conversations were simple exchanges of pleasant greetings, but occasionally someone would engage us in a longer conversation. I learned that they talked about how things were going for that person, what their concerns were, and what they might want prayer for along with a reassurance of God's love. And that is it. Really simple, right? Just walking around, meeting people where they are, talking with them about their concerns, and offering them prayer and reassurance.

Later, a ministry leader shared with me that bars are common places where they do this kind of work. That sounded odd to me, but they explained that many people are often busy and in a hurry to get somewhere when you meet them on the street. People in bars have

time on their hands and are often willing to have a conversation. So, they do bar evangelism. They talk to people about their lives and their concerns and about what help they need. They also go out onto the streets where the women are selling themselves. That is risky, but they are going where there is need, to the people who are in need.



At the end of his ministry, Jesus says to his followers "Go." I think the church has made the going into all the world too "churchy." By that I mean, we have made it too much of asking "Do you know Jesus" and "Have you been saved?" or "Do you have a church?" and "Would you please come to mine?" By that I mean, we have made it too much about bringing people into the church instead of getting church people out of the church and into meeting, being present with, and maybe even serving others. What I have seen and what I believe is Christ-like evangelism, is to simply go and be with people where they are and to show them the love and support of Christ by helping them accomplish their dreams. Evangelism is just that. You and your family can do that in your neighborhood. You and a friend can do that around your town square. You can do it at the café area of Ingles. I have March 30 marked on my calendar for going out. Maybe I'll check out the town square. I hope to see you around.

Grace and peace,

Fr. Bill+

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## Seniors Lunch and Storytelling

Two dozen parishioners turned out Saturday for a delicious chili lunch prepared by Helga Reaves. The chili and dessert warmed everyone on the cool afternoon. Kanute Rarey led a round table discussion on reminiscing and threw in several stories about mountain living and a tall tale about his favorite dog Sport. Folks were encouraged to capture and share personal history with family and friends and start today with the time we have now. What a joyful day of reminiscing! We invite any of our



parishioners to add your story to our Autobiography book for Good Shepherd. You may write your own or contact Cindy Nodine and she can set you up with an interviewer to assist you in telling your story.

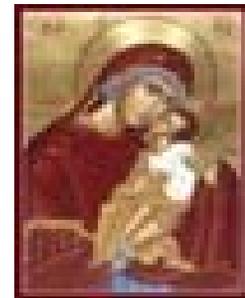
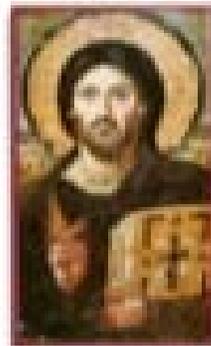
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## Icon Writing Class

- The Arts and Spirituality Ministry is preparing for the Icon Writing class, March 25-29. We are pleased that renowned iconographer, Teresa Harrison, will be the instructor for the second year. This year's participants are coming from as far away as Iowa and Kentucky.

Icons are visual two-dimensional images, "prayers without words," meant to help us open ourselves to God's love and presence. Writing an icon is meditative and a form of prayer. This is joyful experience for the Icon writers. Each participant will choose either "Christ of Sinai" or "Mother of God" to paint during the weeklong class.

There are a few openings in the class. Contact Kathy Marcel at 225-937-2030 for more information.



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## From Fr. George

What is it about dust that is so spiritual? Don't so many of us think of *spiritual* in the context of flickering candles, glowing sunlight flooding through windows, voices united in hymns, reading through the Bible, etc. I have been caught up in those moments when it felt that I had left my current earthly surroundings and was given a glimpse of heaven. In other words, all of those previous experiences are spiritual moments - at least they are to me.

But what about dust? Dust is dirty. It simply feels weird. It has a strange look to it. If you did a search for the word *dust* as it is found in the Bible, it would be mostly associated with dirt, death, as well as punishment. There are, of course, a few exceptions to this understanding of the word *dust* as it is found in the Bible. Furthermore, even our own [Book of Common Prayer](#) uses the line, *earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust* as a part of the Burial liturgy for the Committal portion of the service. This is *while earth is cast upon the coffin*. (BCP, page 501)

So many of you know that my wife and I are in the arduous, yet somewhat satisfying, process of getting our house in Tennessee ready to sell. During a recent long stretch of such preparation, I chose the responsibility of looking for and cleaning dust. I confess that I thought this was going to be an easy job. Ha! Once you start the search, you begin to see dust almost everywhere: light bulb globes, fan blades,

crown moldings, even the tops of picture frames. Thank God (literally) dust comes off fairly easily; nevertheless, you have got to start dusting in order for the dust to come off. I am going back week after week to finish the dusting job.



We are now just on the precipice of the Church season of Lent, which many of us find to be quite a positive challenge to our spiritual growth. Spoiler alert - a portion of the plot of Lent is that dust in your own life will be revealed. Let this be the year, beginning on Ash Wednesday (March 6), that we discover the dust in our own lives.

What will the dust be? I do not know. I do know, however, that you will have come to the right place to find it and to clean it. Who knows what will happen? Come and see.

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## Members' Trading Post

For sale, wanted to buy, services, free to good home, etc. Have a need? Want to get rid of something? Check on the new bulletin board in the hall by doors to Parish Hall. For more information, contact

Helga Reaves

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## Newcomer Mike Campbell

I'm married to Mary Carol Campbell.

I have three children and five grandchildren. Two grandkids live in Jersey City, NJ and three live in Marietta GA. I met my wife, Mary Carol, in Savannah. She grew up in Swainsboro, GA.

I was a music professor at Armstrong State University in Savannah. We fell in love with the mountains and moved here in 1992. I'm currently a music professor at Young Harris College where I teach saxophone, advanced conducting and direct the Jazz Band.

I've been a music educator and professional musician since my college days. I have a BS in Music Education from Lebanon Valley College in PA, an MA from Trenton State College in NJ and a doctoral degree from Ball State University in Indiana.

My interests include antique cars, especially Fords and my Scottish heritage.

I'm a life-long Presbyterian, ordained Elder and Deacon, but found satisfaction in worship at Good Shepherd.

I have been involved in church music having served as Music Director at Independent Presbyterian and the First Presbyterian in Savannah.



## Newcomers Sandy and Barry Benson

*Tell us about yourself and your family. Children, grandchildren, parents, spouse/partner.*

Barry and Sandy Benson. No family in the area, but we have two adorable (but naughty) dachshunds.

*What brought you to this area?*

We fell in love with the Hayesville area while passing through in 2017 and 2018.

*What is your background...ie, occupation?*

Barry has a background working in maintenance at a hospital, and prior to that he worked in an industrial hose plant. He currently works part time for the Hinton Center. Sandy is a forester, currently working full time (mostly from home) for the Nebraska Forest Service, preparing community wildfire protection plans for the state of Nebraska. Her job has travel requirements so, being more of a homebody, she is looking to fully transition to NC as a writer, grant writer, or in another writing/publishing-related field.



*What are your interests? Hobbies?*

Both of the Bensons enjoy music, contra dancing and hanging out at the John C. Campbell Folk School.

Barry enjoys working and playing outdoors, NASCAR racing, and watching football. Sandy likes gardening, hiking, reading, and hopes to eventually finish writing a couple of books.

*How did you first come to Good Shepherd and what attracts you to stay?*

Finding a great church was one of our criteria for choosing a place to retire. We aren't yet old enough to retire, but when we found Good Shepherd we immediately felt welcomed, and that contributed to our decision to move here prior to retirement.

*Anything you wish to share with us?*

Thank you for welcoming us!

## Parish News

### Birthdays in March

- 2 Delmer Chilton
- 3 Patricia Champ, Cameron Bethel, Joe Rybicki
- 4 Jonathan Bethel
- 5 Barbara Wood
- 6 Krystyna Wilson
- 7 Charlie Gignilliat
- 8 Cheri Pinner, Gini Reynolds, Suzanne Wagner
- 9 Deborah Sellers
- 10 Julie Overlin
- 11 Beth Hitchcock
- 12 Barb Redmond
- 17 Benita Esposito, BJ Schweikert, Pat List
- 18 Pat Mahon
- 23 Marilyn Pierce
- 24 Stephanie Forbes
- 25 Jane Oliver
- 26 Kathy Wright
- 27 Logan Turner
- 28 Krista Strain, Jack Bethel, Jon Czarnecki
- 29 Steve Champ, Sanford Freeman

### Anniversaries in March

- 3 Kaye & Paul TeRonde
- 16 Judy & Clarke Bourne
- 21 Bev & Dave Larson
- 22 Judy & Joe Mamo
- 31 BJ & Bob Schweikert

## Newcomers Harry Lloyd and Joanne Wampler



Harry Lloyd and Joanne Wampler

Met and married after each had been happily married for over 48 and 50 years. Harry retired as Athletic Director, coach at Westminster School in Atlanta. When we decided to buy a lake house, our search took us to

this area. Harry had operated summer baseball camps in Young Harris during the 80s and 90s and was familiar with the location.

We decided to redo our house and relocate to Hiawassee. We love our cottage and beautiful lake. Fishing, boating, cooking, reading and

entertaining family and friends keeps us busy.

We have 7 children, 12 grandchildren and soon to be 7 great grandchildren.

Joanne's youngest daughter and husband, Libby and Mark Coker, recently bought a home in Hiawassee and joined the Good Shepherd family. Together we're rediscovering golf, bowling, game nights antiquing and making new friends.

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## Lectionary Readings for March

Last Epiphany March 3	I Lent March 10	Feast of St Patrick March 17	Feast of the Annunciation March 24	4 Lent March 31
Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-43a	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13	Ezekiel 36:33-38 Psalm 97:1-2,7-12 I Thessalonians 2:2b-12 Matthew 28:16-20	Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 40:5-11 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38	Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32



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