



Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Weekly Highlights

May 16, 2025

Christian Education

Lectionary Bible Study –

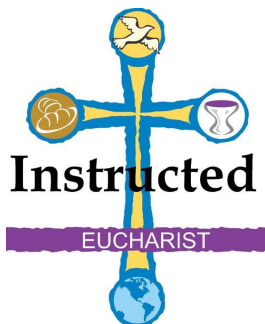
We meet on Wednesdays at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall. This group works through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. Please contact Fr. Bill for more information.

Reading Mark

Mondays at 10 AM, June 9 -30 in the Library

The earliest written of the four Gospels, the Gospel according to Mark provides much material found in both Matthew and Luke. Those Gospels borrow heavily from Mark but reorganize and extend that borrowed text to make their own witness to the mission and ministry of God in Jesus Christ. Mark has been considered lesser than the other Gospels: lesser as a piece of literature, lesser theologically, lesser as a basis for liturgy, lesser as a call to mission. A closer examination of Mark, however, reveals some of its genius and why it is the first among the Gospels.

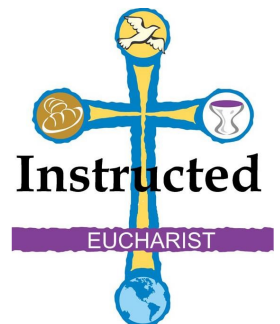
Bring your Bibles as we read Mark and discover some of its riches. This will be the first in a series of short courses on the four Gospels.



Instructed Eucharist

Sunday June 22 and 29 @ 1:00 PM, in the Nave

Eucharist, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, is the principal act of worship in our Episcopal tradition. Understanding its structure, component elements, and some of its history and intentions can add depth of meaning and new or renewed spiritual engagement. Eucharist can mean so much more when through a slow and intentional examination you come to see and understand what is being done and why. All are welcome to this experience of instructed Eucharist.



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Parish Life and Church Community

Coffee Hour- Please join us after our 11am service Sunday morning for a time of fellowship! Reminder: Today being the 3rd Sunday of the month, the Cursillo/3-day renewal folks will sponsor the coffee hour and reserve two tables for anyone who would like to participate in a Group Reunion. All are welcome (even if you have not attended a 3-day weekend)!

On **May 17th**, Parish Life is enjoying a hike at **Riverwalk Park** in Murphy while learning local history, flora, and fauna. We'll **meet at church at 9:30am**, then carpool or caravan to the parking lot located just past Murphy Elementary School. Sign up if you plan to attend.



THEN...

We are meeting at **4:30pm**,
for fellowship at
Crane Creek Stone House Tasting
Room
1040 Crane Creek Rd,
Young Harris, GA 30582



BIG NEWS!

The Stamping (card making) Class is back by popular demand! It will take place **Thursday, June 5th from 12:30 - 4:00pm** in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$15 for 6 handmade cards and all supplies will be furnished. Capacity for 15. Please sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hall hallway or RSVP to Kaye TeRonde at kteronde@gmail.com or Jan Freeman at jansfreeman@gmail.com. Come join us for an afternoon of creativity and fellowship.

We plan to offer 2 more classes later this year.

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Dear Good Shepherd Parishioners:

We will soon be shepherding our Music/Choir Director, Keith Christensen, and Pianist/Accompanist, Carol Smucker, into retirement. As is custom at Good Shepherd, we will celebrate their time and talents at a gathering after the 11:00 service on June 8.

We would also like to include a monetary gift for them, to be shared equally, in gratefulness for sharing their beautiful gifts with this congregation. If you would like to contribute, there are Retirement Gift envelopes in the pew racks for cash or you may write a check made out to Good Shepherd. Please mark your checks "Retirement Gift." Your contribution may be put in the offering plate or taken to the church office. Watch future Highlights and Church Bulletins for more details.



***We want to make this a BIG, special day,
so we need Roast and Toast Volunteers!!!***

Please signup to assist in celebrating Keith and Carol. We need volunteers for setup on June 7th, as well as cleanup on June 8th. We also are asking for your amazing side dishes to go with pulled pork and ham that the church is providing. Don't forget if you've got some stories you'd like to share about our beloved Keith and Carol, please have them ready. Sign-up sheets for the Roast and Toast are in the Parish Hallway.

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Good Shepherd Men's Retreat

July 11, 2025 - July 13, 2025

@ Monastery of the Holy Spirit

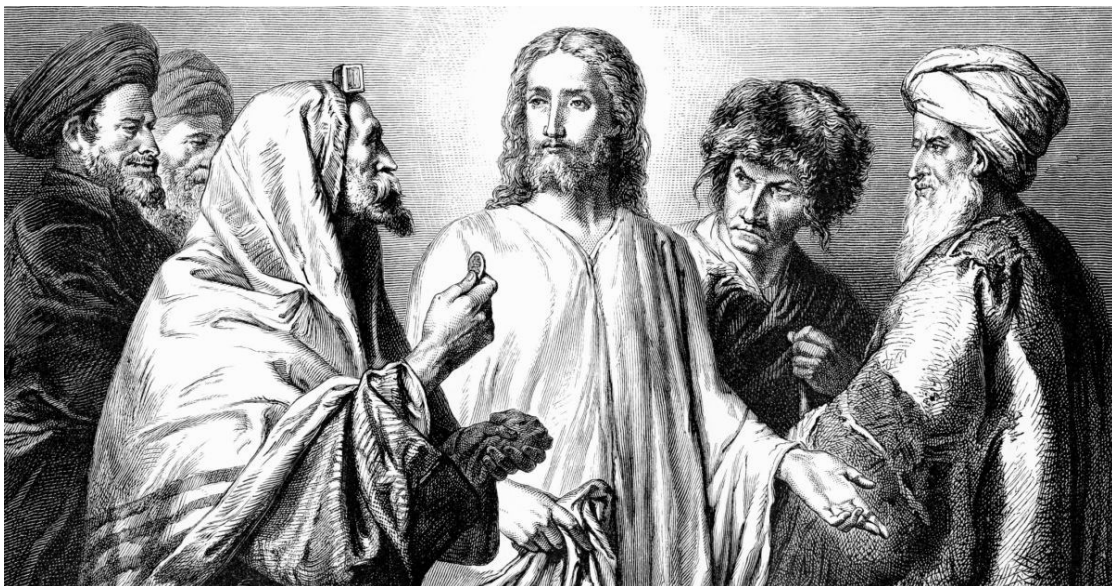
Conyers, GA

Exploring Jesus' Gospel Teaching

led by Fr. Francis Michael

Fr. Francis Michael will lead us in an exploration of the four Gospels, looking specifically at those things Jesus asked us to do, like and love your enemy, do not judge, welcome strangers, be humble, and asking ourselves if we are actually doing any of these things. While this is a silent retreat outside of the conference room, we will have opportunities to gather and share after each conference. The cost is \$200.

To make your reservation, please call the Monastery,
Monday-Friday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, at 770-760-0959.



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Deadline for Sunday Bulletin Announcements and Weekly Highlights –

No later than Wednesday of each week at noon.

Service

Matt's Ministry – Contact Joe Rybicki

Meal Ministry – Contact Kathy Wright

Medical Loan Closet – Contact Helga Reaves

The Order of St. George – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

Brotherhood of the Fire – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

Meals For Friends – Contact Aline Conley at 504-214-1909

Drivers on **May 20, 2025** are:

Town: Jan Freeman
City: Aline Conley
Tusquittee: Dave & Barb Field



In Our Prayers

Those in Need of Comfort and Healing-

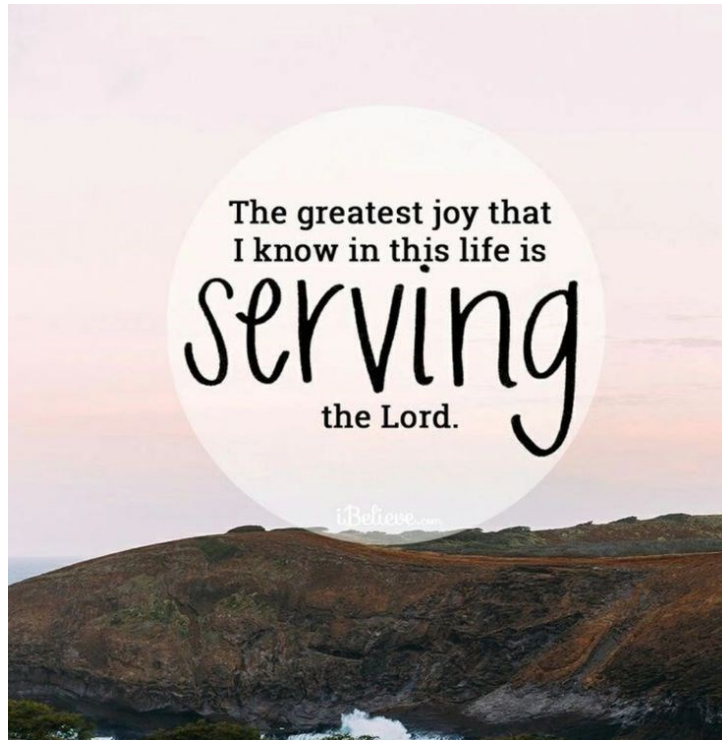
Pat Fox, Pat Halloran, Chosh Dacey, Linda Wingo, Pat Hicks, BJ and Bob Schweikert, Bev Larson, Patti and Chuck Underwood, Chris Mulholland, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Rich Broszeit, Gayle Cox, Ann Wolf, Wally Figura, Ella Angelillo, Philip Bannister, Kathy Wright, Frank Burdo, Helen NaiSmith, Doris Etler, Teresa and David Gribble, Phil Klenke, Mary Strange, Cooper Godfrey, OV Lewis, Karyl (Carol) Davis, Jason Guidry, Shiloh Farmer, Jon Czarnecki, Warren Clayman, Jeremy Edwards, Tim Ryan, Carole Stringer, Barb Redmond, Kathy Wright

Good Shepherd Ministries –

This week we pray for the *Good Shepherd Women's Retreat*.



Those Who Serve



Sunday, May 18, 2025

9:00 am:

EMs: Amy Nicolson, Elizabeth Rybicki; **Lector:** Kanute Rarey;
Intercessor: Michael Wright; **Usher:** Deanna DuBose;
Altar Guild: Gail Criss; **VPOD:** Patti Brownlee; **Ingles cards:** Dave Field

11:00 am:

EMs: Jane Boritz, Janet Beall; **Lector:** Jan Freeman;
Intercessor: Sandy Freeman; **Usher:** Jean Gora; **Altar Guild:** Pat Halloran, Beth Hitchcock, Mary Stewart King; **Altar Linens:** Mary Stewart King;
Flower Guild: Jeff King, Betsi Wilson; **VPOD:** Betsi Wilson;
Videographer: Mike Gora; **Ingles cards:** Jan Freeman;
Greeter: Jose Arias

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Leader: Harry Baughn
Prayer Minister: Joe Rybicki

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Altar Guild: Gail Criss

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday **May 19**

9:00 am	Exercise Class
10:00 am	Women Walking, Women Talking @ Chatuge Dam

Tuesday **May 20**

10:00 am	Yoga
5:00 pm	Cancer Support Group
6:00 pm	Brotherhood of the Fire
7:00 pm	Soaking Prayer

Wednesday **May 21**

9:00 am	Exercise
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist w/Healing Prayer
1:00 pm	Lectionary
6:30 pm	Choir Practice

Thursday **May 22**

6:45 am	Newsletter Articles Due! Order of St. George
10:00 am	Yoga

Friday **May 23**

9:00 am	Exercise Class
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Saturday **May 24**

No Activities Scheduled

Sunday **May 25**

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II





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OUR UNCHANGING
GOD, NOT YOUR
EVER-CHANGING
CIRCUMSTANCES.



Bible Study Tools

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