



The Shepherd's Voice

April 2019

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 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

Holy Week 2019 @ Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

April 14 Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms and Passion
Narrative

HE Rite I at 8:00 am; HE Rite II with
Choir at 10:45 am

April 15 Holy Monday

Morning Prayer at 9:00 am

April 16 Holy Tuesday

Morning Prayer at 9:00 am

April 17 Holy Wednesday

Morning Prayer at 9:00 am
Generational Healing HE at 11:00 am

April 18 Maundy Thursday

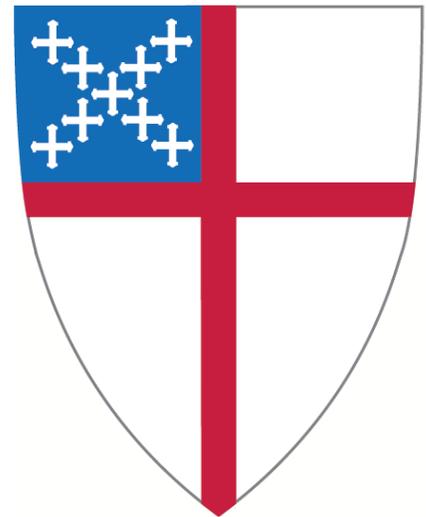
HE with Foot Washing at 7:00 pm
Overnight watch begins at 8:30 pm

April 19 Good Friday

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 am
HE with Veneration of the Cross at
12:00 pm

Hot cross buns in the Parish Hall to
follow

Film: *God On Trial* at 7:00 pm



April 20 Holy Saturday

Great Vigil of Easter at 7:00 pm

April 21 Feast of the Resurrection

HE Rite I at 8:00 am; HE Rite II with
Choir at 10:45 am

Easter brunch and Easter egg hunt to
follow

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Christian Education

Lectionary Bible Study meets on Sundays at 9:15 in the library. This group works through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. All are welcome.

Rector's Bible Study — The Pentateuch on Mondays at 10:00 am in the Library. In April we will be studying the book Leviticus. Bring your Bible and coffee. All are welcome.

Lenten Supper Series 2019

The Palestine of Jesus: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus from Bethlehem to Calvary

This study will continue through April 10 at 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Our evenings begin with a simple supper of soup and salad. Please see the bulletin board to sign up to bring soup, salad or bread to share.

Rector's Brown Bag Book Read –

Tuesday, April 30 at noon in the library. This month the book is *The Screwtape Letters* by C. S. Lewis. Bring your lunch. All are welcome.

Lenten Fish Fry, April 5

It's that time again for the Holy Smokers' Lenten Fish Fry, Friday, April 5, 5:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$10 for an all-you-can-eat plate with children under 12 eating free. A plate contains fish, slaw, french fries, and dessert, with a beverage included. Tickets will be on sale after services on Sundays in the parish hall. Please plan to attend and bring

friends for good food, fellowship and entertainment! Tickets may also be purchased at the door. All proceeds go to Good Shepherd's Outreach Ministries. COME ONE! COME ALL!



Easter Cantata, April 13

The choir will be performing an Easter Cantata on April 13th at 6:30 pm. The Cantata consists of choral pieces with some solos and narration to bring to life the story of Easter. A small reception will follow the Cantata in the Parish Hall. We will be using this performance to raise donations for the Hurlburt Johnson Friendship House.

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHANCEL CHOIR PRESENTS

What Love Is This

An Easter Cantata

Saturday, April 13th
6:30 PM

Cost: Donation to Hurlburt Johnson Friendship House
Good Shepherd Episcopal Church Hayesville, NC
Reception Afterwards

Resurrection

“Don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his.” Romans 6:3-5

Have you ever been told that you should learn something because you will need to know it later on? How often has that been true or not true? Trigonometry, Beowulf, the periodic table, folding that bottom sheet. I realize that much of education is about learning to think and learning how to find and process information, and not just collecting data. Surprisingly, although I did not find it fun and my ability to read the text quickly left me, my two years of studying the biblical languages have continually proven to be helpful. “Boker tov, y’all!” It is not that I remember and use the few hundred words of Hebrew and Greek that I learned, but that I know those words have more meaning than just that suggested by the typical English translation. And I know how to find that information. Getting into the biblical languages, the original Hebrew and Greek, can open up the English text of the Bible to new insights. Bible veterans in particular may appreciate this, but newcomers can do this too. Fortunately, there are now on-line resources that make this an easier thing to do.

Consider an important word for this Easter season - resurrection. There are likely few words equal to and maybe none greater to our faith than resurrection. Easter is about the resurrection and without the resurrection there would be no Easter. Further, without the resurrection there would be no resurrection for any of us. Without resurrection we would have no future, no hope. Most Christians associate resurrection with coming back from the dead.

When we look at the Greek text, we find for resurrection the word ἀνάστασις or anastasis which is a compound of ana + stasis meaning to up + stand. Resurrection is literally to stand up. Going deeper we find that the root of the word stand is ἵστημι or histemi meaning not just to stand, but also to be in balance and to be steadfast. Resurrection is a returning from the dead, but it also is a standing up, a being in balance or what we might call true, and it is being steadfast. Since none of those require one to be dead, I wonder about the possibility of practicing resurrection among us not yet dead. Is resurrection something we can practice before the grave? Standing up for justice, peace, and mercy is resurrection life. Living a balanced life of work, study, prayer, and rest might be resurrection too. Remaining steadfast in loving your neighbor regardless of their worthiness, could that be resurrection too?



Alleluia, Christ is risen. May you know resurrection too.

Fr Bill+

God On Trial

April 19, Good Friday @ 7:00pm
in the Parish Hall.

covenant with the Jewish people
by allowing the Germans to
commit genocide.

This British television play is based on an event described by Elie Wiesel in his book *The Trial of God*. The setting is Auschwitz during World War II and the Jewish prisoners put God on trial in absentia for abandoning the Jewish people. The question is whether God has broken his

The subject matter and content of this 86 minute film are for mature audiences. There will be no introduction to the evening nor discussion following the film. Please observe silence.



2019 General Fund Balance:

General Fund Balance on January 1, 2019	\$35,559
Income year to date	63,452
Expenses year to date	<u>-71,581</u>
General Fund Balance on February 28, 2019	\$27,431
Balance on bank mortgage	\$118,062
Balance on Mt. of Faith loan	\$10,000

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.

Arts & Spirituality Ministry Presents Jake Bennett Exhibition to Open April 7

The Arts & Spirituality Ministry is proud to present the works of parishioner Jake Bennett in what will be the first of several exhibitions of work by our talented parishioners. The show will open on April 7 and run through April 28 in the Parish Hall. Jake will give a gallery talk at 3:30 pm on the 7th, with a reception to follow. The Parish Hall will also be open on Thursday afternoons, April 11 and 25, from 1-4. Plan to bring your friends and neighbors.

The paintings that Jake has selected for this show are inspired by his love of "quiet solitude and moments of reflection." For example, he painted St. Paul's

Cathedral in London on a rainy day in the city to express his appreciation for the architecture of cathedrals. His portrait of Barrabas resulted from his sympathy for this man who is barely mentioned in the Bible. And his portrait of St. Sebastian reflects his sympathy with the saint's persecution.

Join with the Arts & Spirituality Ministry in celebrating Jake's accomplishments before he leaves to study at Oxford Brookes in England.

Writer's Group...Anyone interested?

Do you like to write? Would you love to spend time with an interesting group of folks who share your passion? The Arts & Spirituality Ministry would love to bring this group to life again! If you have an interest or would like more information, please contact Kathy Wright at 828-837-6703 or Kathywright259@gmail.com

From Fr. George:

It seems that so many polite conversations that would usually revolve around the weather are quickly going to quite open and honest conversations this year about the weather. For instance, friends of mine have had property ruined due to erosion of land and seepage of rainwater into their houses.

Typically the Bible portrays water and vegetation in a positive light. For instance, Psalm 1:3 reads, *They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all they do, they prosper.* Additionally, Jeremiah 17: 8 reads, *They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.* These similar Scripture texts immediately follow the result of trusting in the Lord.

My wife and I own a house in Tennessee that is built in the woods. There is some lawn, but it is not difficult to simply look around and find vegetation outnumbering the space dedicated to grass. While nursery-bought bushes are quite common, native trees significantly outnumber bushes. With the considerable amount of rain that we have been having over the past year, the low parts of the yard are beginning to show up in puddles. Those puddles in the relentless rain storms, quickly morph into marshes. Now will be the time for the trees to show what they are made of. What they are made of, you cannot even see. I am referring to their roots. If those roots do not run deep, those trees are going to start toppling over especially when more rain falls and the intensity of the wind picks up. The result will be destruction to both property and house.

How deep do your roots run? Have you already found out when some kind of storm came into your life? Where do seek shelter when the inevitable tragedy comes? I have had the priestly privilege of being with some of you in these times: when health wanes and hospitalization is required; when a family member or friend dies unexpectedly and the funeral is planned; when the school or career-related achievement you were counting on does not occur. These are just some painful, real-life illustrations that do begin to show how deep our roots run.



I have actually used the phrase that it is my *priestly privilege* to have been with you in your pain. It is so much of a spiritual issue at its core. And we discover how much we need one another at that time. And we also discover how much we need Jesus in that time. The truth is that we need one another, and we need Jesus all of the time.

It is still the spiritual season of Lent, which is an appropriate time to dig a little deeper to see how deep our roots go. The *Big Red Doors* are always open here. I know that I met Jesus here when I least expected to do so. I also continue to meet Jesus here through all of you. The sign out there at the intersection of 64 and Herbert Hills Drive has those two significant words on it - **Welcomes You**. Tragedy or not in your life, you are always welcome here.

Save the Date! Sunday, May 19, 2019

Come celebrate! Our annual Founders Day Celebration has moved to May 19. There will be a luncheon following the 10:45 am service with opportunities to remember all of our founding families. The children of church founders, Monroe

and Ellie Wilson hope to worship with us on that day in honor of what would be Ellie's 100th birthday. Please watch your weekly Bulletin and the Parish Life Bulletin Board for more information and opportunities to serve.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Good Shepherd's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was once again a great success!

Thank you for coming.

Thank you servers and workers for making it happen.

Thank you to the youth for serving.

Thank you for all who helped cook about 120 pounds of pancakes, 75 pounds of sausage plus coffee, tea and juice.

Thank you for the newspaper articles, posters about town and all of the other work that made this happen.

The kitchen help was great, from cooking sausage, mixing batter to the 3 hours of hot work flipping pancakes.

Hardest job of all was Larry dishwashing and general clean up – a great team work effort. Thank you all!

We had wide community attendance and raised a total of \$2614.25 in ticket sales and many donations. All of the funds will go for children and youth ministries.

Easter Memorials

Envelopes are in the pew pockets and narthex for your contributions to the Easter floral decorations.

Note on the back of the envelope for whom the contribution is in honor or memory. The deadline to get your memorial in the Easter

bulletins is April 12.

You may also mail your donation to the church. Be sure to tell us who you are honoring or remembering.

Newcomers: Tawanna & Ron Dutton

Tawanna and Ron met 5 years ago on a hike at Bear Creek near Ellijay, after having independently joined the same hiking club. They were married on New Year's Day 2016. Tawanna has two sons, Bart and Blake and four grandchildren, Eli, Gracie, Lucas and Jimmy. Ron has one daughter, Mallory and two sons, Chase and Ethan and is expecting his first grandchild in September. They also are the proud parents of a giant and goofy golden doodle named Leo and a silly Border Collie mix named Elli.

Tawanna and Ron moved from Roswell, GA to Hayesville in February, 2018 after visiting over several months and falling in love with the western North Carolina mountains. Shortly after moving to

Hayesville, they found and purchased their home in the Tusquittee Valley.

Ron is an Accessibility Engineer with United Healthcare and Tawanna recently became the Parish Administrator here at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church.



Parish News

Birthdays in April

- 1 Claudia Mahaffie
- 4 Betsy Reynolds
- 4 Linda Wingo
- 4 Joe Mamo
- 7 Barbara Boswell
- 8 Sharon Faircloth
- 8 Nicole Wright
- 9 Alan Armstrong
- 10 Wally Figura3
- 11 Jacob Paul Smith
- 11 Randye Williams
- 13 Andrew Eagan
- 15 Jenny Bethel
- 15 Benjamin Kennedy
- 21 Anne Hourdequin
- 21 Larry Howell
- 25 Jan Freeman
- 25 Kanute Rarey
- 26 Keith Christensen
- 26 David Werdin

Directory Updates:

Please note the following changes in your directory.



Joy Fox email address—

jpfox22@frontier.com

Elaine Merkel email address—

etmerkel@outlook.com

Kaye Teronde—Remove 828-378-7018

Add Kaye's Cell—828-347-3719

Anniversaries in April

- 7 Barb & Dave Field
- 21 Wendy & Greg Walker
- 24 Peggy & Andy Dickert
- 25 Mary & James Ackerly
- 25 The Rev. Turner Guidry & Georgia Bethel
- 26 Kathy & Glenn Marcel
- 29 Brenda & Charlie Gignilliat
- 30 Jenny & Cameron Bethel

Sunday Lectionary Readings for April

5 Lent April 7	Palm Sunday April 14	Easter Day April 21	2 Easter April 28
Isaiah 43:16-21	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Acts 10:34-43	Acts 5:27-32
Philippians 3:4b-14	Philippians 2:5-11	1 Corinthians 15:19-26	Revelation 1:4-8
John 12:1-8	Luke 23:1-49	John 20:1-18	John 20:19-31
Psalms 126	Psalms 31:9-16	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-16, 22-24	Psalms 150



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