



October
2019

Services

Sunday:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
Rite I

9:15 am Adult Spiritual
Formation

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

Francistide Church Newsletter Item

How much do you know about St. Francis?

Fr. Bill blesses animals every year around October 4, the feast day of St. Francis, and many of us place his statue in our gardens to remind us that he loved all God's creatures, as should we.

But there is so much more to this beloved saint. Although St. Francis lived some 800 years ago, even today he inspires people of faith to follow in his path.

Did you know, for example, there are Episcopal Franciscans who live in the world—in their own homes and professions—as lay or clergy, married or single people in the Third Order Society of St. Francis (TSSF)? And that TSSF is an international religious order embraced by Anglicans worldwide? Members of the Third Order dedicate their lives to Christ and live by a Rule of Life patterned on the principles by which St. Francis lived.

If you want to go deeper in your life as a Christian, you owe it to yourself to learn more about the Third Order of St. Francis at tssf.org. Or speak to Amy Nicolson who is a member of the Order and would love to introduce you to what she has learned about

living a life dedicated to Christ in prayerfulness, study, simplicity, and care for creation—and doing so in St. Francis's singular spirit of love, joy, and humility.

What is the Third Order Society of St. Francis? Find out more at tssf.org.



The Shepherd's Voice

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 Brown Bag Book Read – Tuesday, October 22 at noon in the library. This month the book is *The Sunflower* by Simon Weisenthal. Bring your lunch. All are welcome.

St Francis Day Blessing of the Animals



All are invited to bring their pets to Good Shepherd on Saturday, October 5 at 10:00am for our annual St Francis Day blessing of the animals. We do offer drive through blessings for our guests who are either a little too excited or a little too shy to be in public.

Pecans, Pecans, Pecans!!!

Order pecans directly from the South Georgia grower and support women's college scholarships! Great for holiday gifts and baking! Order as many pound packages as you wish! Good Shepherd is partnering with PEO, Philanthropic Education Organization, a 150 year old organization to fund college scholarships for women. Please place your order on the sign up sheet in the hallway. Orders must be placed before Oct 31. Pecans delivered in November. Contact Kathy Rarey kprarey@yahoo.com or 502 525 7256 cell.



Stewardship

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

- 1 Peter 4:10

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Peter, the first leader of the post-Ascension church, offers a word of exhortation to his community that echoes across time and space. Use whatever gift you have received in service of others. In this way we are counted as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. Grace is gift and gift is grace, all from God and taking a variety of forms, and meant not just for ourselves but for the benefit of others. Stewards are not owners, but servants and managers of the property of another, and Peter tells us that proper management of God's property means that we deploy those graces for God's purpose which here is identified as serving others. It may have been harvest time and time for the first stewardship campaign of the early church.

For almost 2000 years, the faithful have been exhorted to share whatever gift they have received for the work of the church in serving others. Those others are fellow church members, those not yet in the church, and those who may not come to know the Lord in this lifetime. I am grateful that we have a highly faithful congregation. All in their own way, as circumstances some times dictate, are using the gifts entrusted to them by God for serving others. For some, it is their time that they generously give to the church. For others, a special gift of talent is used to bless the church's mission. And for others still, it is through generous financial gifts that they express their faithfulness. These forms of stewardship are, of course, not exclusive and those who are faithful stewards are typically generous with their time, talent, and treasure. Is there anything more Christ-like than that? God, through Christ, gave his very best and gave his all to serve others.

Thank you for being Good Shepherds of the gifts you have received and for the gift of time, talent, and treasure you will pledge to the church for its mission in 2020. Please know that your generosity is being matched by the generosity of many, many others who make this a special place in which to serve and to worship. You make St Peter smile. May you know his joy and the joy of our Lord who says to you, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Grace and peace,

Fr Bill+



The Shepherd's Voice

2019 General Fund Balance:

General Fund Balance on July 31, 2019	\$34,605
Income received	31,564
Expenses	<u>-27,275</u>
General Fund Balance on August 31, 2019	\$38,894
Balance on bank mortgage	\$111,354
Balance on Mt. of Faith loan	\$7,000

For any questions, please contact our church bookkeeper, Susan Wyman in the office on Mondays.

The church's financial statements are posted each month on the bulletin board by the office door.

Corn Chowder Recipe

Earle Seaverns was a long time member of Good Shepherd. He contributed this lovely Corn Chowder recipe to the church published Cooking with Friends cookbook some years ago.

Corn Chowder

- 1/2 cup diced salt pork
- 1/2 cup chopped onions
- 2 diced potatoes
- 2 cans corn
- 2 Tbsp butter
- 2 cans evaporated milk
- 1 Tbsp parsley
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg

Fry salt pork gently until deep brown. Remove to paper towel. Saute onions in salt pork fat until clear. Put potatoes, onions, pork drippings and 2 cups boiling water in saucepan. Cover and cook until tender, not mushy (15 minutes). Add the corn. Season to taste and simmer 5 minutes. Add remaining ingredients. Heat. Add salt port bits and serve. Makes 7 to 8 cups. Can be frozen.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PUNKIN CHUNKIN

It's that time of year again when the pumpkins go flyin' and Good Shepherd's Holy Smokers go to cookin' for their biggest fundraiser of the year. Clay County's 11th Annual Punkin' Chunkin' event takes place Saturday, October 19, 10:00am – 5:00 pm and Sunday, October 20, noon – 5:00pm. Holy Smokers will be serving brisket and pulled pork plates for the attending crowds to purchase and need volunteers to help with greeting customers, cashiering and/or serving food and water. There are sign-up sheets to volunteer in the information hallway.



Please join us as we team up to have fun and also raise money for our community outreach programs. There is a \$3 parking fee for the event, and a \$5 entrance fee, but we will reimburse you for your entrance fee. Please contact Betsi Wilson with any questions.

Knowing and Enjoying Creation: Meditations for Lent



Knowing and Enjoying Creation: Meditations for Lent is the theme for a booklet to be assembled by your Arts and Spirituality Ministry for the 2020 Lenten season. You are invited to submit your reflection, poem, meditation, or art for the booklet. As Father Bill has reflected, "Lent reorients us to our created selves and the created world of which we are made. We remember that we are dust and to dust we shall return. It is by the gift of our five natural senses and our sixth spiritual sense that we know and enjoy God's creation and worship the God who became one of us to redeem all creation at Easter." Your contribution should express how you know and enjoy and worship God through creation and creative activity.

Your text can be one sentence or several paragraphs--however you are inspired--but no more than 500 words please. If you quote from another source, please give

credit to the person who wrote it. You may submit a Word document, email, text or submit a hard copy to the Arts and Spirituality mailbox in the hallway outside the church office. Photos should be in jpeg format or sent from your phone. The deadline is December 15, 2019. The Arts and Spirituality Ministry reserves the right to edit materials.

Submissions should be made to Kathy Rarey at kprarey@yahoo.com or Kathy Marcel at kfmarcel@gmail.com. If you have any questions or need clarification, contact Kathy Rarey or Kathy Marcel.

Arts and Spirituality Ministry chair Kathy Marcel says, "Let us begin our Lenten journey by sharing our talent with our parish community."

Parish News

Birthdays in October

10/01 Kaye TeRonde
10/02 Mary Ann Miller
10/04 Lily Roberts
10/04 Sariah Roberts
10/04 Jason Lee Edwards
10/04 Bob LeKites
10/04 Del Walter
10/07 Jaime Pierson
10/07 Braden Bethel
10/08 Eileen Adams
10/08 Clark Bourne
10/09 Elaine Merkel
10/11 Mary Ann Strider
10/11 Susanne Treacy
10/11 Jim Reynolds
10/11 Kelly Williams
10/12 Bobbi LeHoullier
10/12 Judy Mamo
10/14 Mary Breedlove
10/14 Liz McLamb
10/14 Jake Bennett
10/14 Bud Edmondson
10/15 Michelle Smith
10/16 Kathy Rarey
10/16 Alan Sirmans
10/19 Abby Bethel
10/19 Joan Norris
10/20 Mary Stewart King
10/21 Mary Strange
10/21 Jane Stuart
10/22 Kathi LeKites

Birthdays in October (Cont'd.)

10/24 Bob vander Meer
10/25 Estelle Rice
10/28 Dick Reynolds
10/29 Angela Martin
10/30 Jose Arias

Anniversaries in October

10/03 Mary & Bill Monahan
10/06 Robin & Bob Kolar
10/08 Suzy & Keith Christensen
10/10 Loreli & Oliver Gray
10/12 Rachel & Harry Baughn
10/12 Jaime & Bill Pierson
10/14 Sandra Smith & Nick George
10/20 Mary Rose & Wally Figura
10/24 Kathi & Bob LeKites
10/25 Vicki Lake & Nick Garpetti
10/27 Joan & Del Walter
10/29 Trish & Jim Reynolds
10/30 Signe & Jake Ehrhart

Directory Updates:

Please note the following changes in your directory.



Janet Beall's email address—
janet.brivia@gmail.com

Bruce Beall's email address—
bbeall53@gmail.com

The Shepherd's Voice

Sunday Lectionary Readings for September

17 Pentecost	18 Pentecost	19 Pentecost	20 Pentecost
October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
Lamentations 1:1-6	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Joel 2:23-32
2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14
Psalms 37:1-7	Psalms 66:1-11	Psalms 119:97-104	Psalms 65



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