

2026 Pig Pickin' at Tara Farm

The Church of the Good Shepherd is delighted to announce that the *Mike Beard Annual Pig Pickin'* will return on Saturday, May 2, from 4-7 PM. This family-friendly BBQ and picnic is one of our parish's signature fellowship events of the year.

The Pig Pickin' will once again be held at Tara Farm, a majestic horse farm owned by the Pugh Family, our gracious hosts. Located off Falls of Neuse Road next to Ravenscroft School, Tara's reception facility boasts a beautiful open-air pavilion, a pond with a sand beach, and all the natural beauty you could want.

A team organized by Frank Fee and Ed Sharp will fire up the pig smokers on Friday night and keep them running for 24 hours. While the pork and other fixins will be provide, the congregation is invited to bring salads, desserts, and other sides to fill out the potluck table.

An ideal event for families, the Pig Pickin' will feature organized kids' activities, field games, and a bounce house. Young people will also enjoy exploring the expansive grounds at Tara Farm.

All those who play string instruments are strongly encouraged to bring them along and join a pickin' circle.

If you are planning to attend the 2026 Pig Pickin', please click on the link below and RSVP. While this event is free to all, donations are certainly encouraged. Also, don't hesitate to invite your family and friends to join the festivities.

On the registration page, you can also sign up to contribute to the potluck and/or volunteer to help with set-up, clean-up, and kids' games.

See you on the farm!

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