



Worship & Study Opportunities

Sundays

The Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. *Lake Wylie*

10:30 a.m. *York*

Morning Prayer is offered at 10:30 a.m. on the Third Sunday of Each Month (York).

Christian Education

(resumes in the Fall)

Wednesdays

11:00 a.m. Healing Service

(Parlor)

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Church Open for Prayer

Saturdays

(resumes September 12)



Monthly Meetings

The ECW will not meet in July.

The Vestry meets at 7:00 pm on
Tuesday, July 21 in the parlor.

Committee reports are due in to
the office by Sunday, **July 19.**



From the Rector

Grace and peace to you from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

As Anglicans and Episcopalians, we are both catholic and reformed. That is, we have retained (among other things) visible elements of catholic worship, the three-fold ministry of bishops, priests and deacons, as well as a protestant understanding of the Bible as the ultimate rule of faith, and the participation of the laity in church governance.

Speaking in general terms, Protestants are somewhat suspicious of the portions of the liturgy (translated literally as the "work of the people") thought of as ceremonial. The idea being that if there is an absence of outward ceremony, more room is provided for an inward experience of worship. It can be argued however, that the use of words, which comprises the majority of the protestant worship service, are themselves an outward expression.

At the Last Supper, our Lord commanded that we "Do this." If we are to obey this sacramental command from our Lord, then it is necessary that we use an external expression of our obedience. Since speaking and listening are external expressions, every church service, from tent revivals to the Vatican, involves ceremony. It is not a question of whether or not we need ceremony, but what type of ceremony should we use.

Catholic worship seeks to involve the whole person in worship (the body as well as the soul, so to speak). Thus, not only are the senses of hearing and speech used in worship, but also the other senses - sight, smell, tasting and touching, and the much neglected beauty of mystical silence.

Would Jesus approve? An interesting question. In the fourth chapter of Luke, Jesus is following the ceremonial of the synagogue as he reads a portion of the Torah and engages in a teaching. Jesus used the Jewish ceremony of the Blessing of Thanksgiving at the Last Supper.

In our liturgy, it should be our intention to offer God the best of who we are and what we have. Even our most simple form of worship should be conducted with dignity and an understanding of what we are doing, and why we do it, as well as an understanding that we are not doing it for ourselves, but for God, as an outward and visible sign of our love for him, and in thanksgiving for what he has done for us.

As we journey through the summer months, it is our prayer that all will enjoy a period of refreshment and renewal, both outside of the church and within.

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. But do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Hebrews 13:15,16)

I appeal to you...by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. (Romans 12:1).

Sing to the Lord and bless his name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day. (Psalm 96:2).

In Christ's love and service,

Antique Show and Sale News

The Summerfest Antique Show & Sale



Is it really time to think about Summerfest and the Antique Show again? Well, almost! Please mark your calendars for Friday, **August 21** and Saturday, **August 22** as the days for the Antique Show.

We will need help of every kind from Wednesday evening, **August 19** through the cleanup on Saturday, **August 22**. Jobs include bakers, parking attendants, kitchen choppers, lunch servers, ticket takers, tour guides and many other jobs. Please take at least one job on as your own! We could not do this without the nearly universal participation of our parish. Please contact the team leader listed below to volunteer at your earliest convenience.

Bake Sale	Elaine Ness	803-831-7380
Booklet	Diane Hanlon	803-684-5349
Church Tours	Lettie Knight	803-684-6673
ECW Pres.	Cheney Baltz	803-628-4064
Jacks of All Trades	Don Kidwell & Frank Van Leer	803-328-3786 803-631-3543
Kitchen	Jill Neff	803-684-2251
Men's Club	John Shiflet	803-628-2760
Organ Concert	Steven Aycock	704-965-4588
Outside Concierge	Jayne Burton	803-831-1978
Parking	Tom Burton	803-831-1978
Publicity	Cheney Baltz	803-628-4064
Security	Framp Harper	803-831-1752
Ticket Sales	Cynthia Edson	803-831-8923

Summerfest Kitchen

The Summerfest kitchen crew needs your help. With food costs rising rapidly, we would like to try to keep costs down and profits up. Your donations to the kitchen would be a great help to us in trying to keep down our costs. We thank all of you who are able to donate both food and/or money to help us out. It would be a great help if you could pick up a couple of extra items when you go grocery shopping and leave the items in the kitchen marked for Summerfest either on the counter or in the freezer depending upon the item. Monetary donations would also be welcome. Please call Jill Neff- home 684-2251 or cell 372-2433 with questions. Thank you in advance for your continued support. The following are the items we will need **right away through August 2:**

Yellow cake mixes, Chocolate Cake mixes, Cool Whip (generic is fine), Candy bars like Kit Kat, Crunch, M&Ms, etc., Chocolate Syrup, Strawberry Jam, Brownie Mix, Eggs, any other bar mixes, powdered sugar, saran wrap, vegetable oil, frozen strawberries, blueberries, peaches.

The rest of the items we will need prior to **August 16:** Mayonnaise In Squeeze Bottles, Mustard - Yellow And Dijon, Ketchup, Colored Rotini Pasta, Small Bags Of Chips Or Variety Packs, 16 Oz. Cups, 3 Section Divided Paper Plates, Napkins, Frozen Lemonade, Powdered Lemonade, All Beef Hot Dogs, Coffee And Creamer, 12 Packs Of Canned Soda, Brand Names Only Please, Bottled Water, Ziploc Sandwich Bags, Ziploc Quart Sized Freezer Bags, Italian Dressing, Frozen Pillsbury Biscuits That You Just Heat Through, Bags Of Pre-Cooked Sausages From Wal-Mart, Feta Cheese, Tea Bags, Sweet And Low, Splenda, Equal, Sugar (10# Bag), Lemons

By Tuesday, **August 18**, we will need: Tomatoes, Lettuce, Green, Red, Yellow, and Orange Peppers (not the small ones), Onions, Hot Dog Buns, Lemons, Cucumbers

Antique Show Booklet

Diane Hanlon will be heading up the booklet committee. This is truly a labor of love and a primary way of raising funds. The ads will be \$60 for a full page ad, \$40 for a ½ page ad and \$25 for a ¼ page ad. If you are interested in purchasing an ad or would like to help sell ads, please call Diane at 684-5349. Finally, if you would like to make a donation and become a Friend of the Antique Show, we would love the support. **Booklet deadline: July 15**

Parish News

Guest Preacher and Hot Dog Picnic

On Sunday, July 26 we will welcome The Rev'd D'Rue Hazel, Associate to the Canon to the Ordinary, as guest preacher. The choir will host a light picnic lunch in the courtyard after the service in thanksgiving for a successful choir season.

From the Bishop Search Committee

Because not everyone has internet access, we have posted a hardcopy of the Diocesan Profile and the complete Diocesan Survey Statistics on the bulletin board in the parish hall. For those with internet access, the profile and survey stats are available at www.bishopsearch.edusc.org.

The BSC would also appreciate you making nominations by completing the nomination form. Forms are also located on the bulletin board in the parish hall. The deadline for submissions is **July 3**.

Prayer Service for the Economic Crisis

As a resource for helping our congregations cope with the economic crisis, the clergy of our convocation have developed a short prayer service to be used in our churches. The church will be open for prayer on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. for those who wish to avail themselves to this offering. You may

wish to come if you have lost your job and would like to have folks pray for you (you don't have to let it be known if you don't want it known), or you may wish to come to offer prayers for those who have lost their job, or to give thanks that you still have a job.

Also, if you have lost your job or if your family is experiencing financial strife, please let Fr. Kirkland know. All matters will be kept in strict confidence.

Needle News

Linda Mote created the designs for the 4 small kneelers in the chancel which were stitched by the Pointers Group. She has submitted designs for the 2 small chairs in the chancel. Fr. Robert and the Pointers were pleased and have accepted them. She will paint the canvases and send them with the required yarn soon for us to work. We will be inspired to stitch well for Sudy Dressler has assigned the monies given as memorials to her husband, Sam, to fund this project. His name will be put on the chairs in recollection of the many years of service that he gave to Good Shepherd.



If anyone would like to learn to do canvass work (commonly called needlepoint) call Lettie Knight at 684-6673. We would be happy to teach you to do this kind of handwork – Give it a try!

Christian Formation

By: Doug Clark



Welcome to Rome! This year, our vacation Bible school will give children and adults the opportunity to discover what it was like to be one of the first Christians. They will meet Paul and members of the underground Church. They will see slaves getting their freedom and become a member of a Roman family. They will hear the Bible read from scrolls and be taught what it was like to be a Roman Christian. They will even be given some denarii to spend on things like laurel wreathes and leather wrist bands. Just be careful not to bother the Roman soldiers. They are a little rough around the edges. Most importantly, everyone will learn about God's love as Paul and others teach them.

Rome will be intergenerational and involve crafts, drama, teaching, food and music. Our journey to Rome will begin **August 2-6 from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.** (Dinner will be served.)

We need people with all sorts of talents. We need artists to help us plan for and produce murals and others attractive sets. We need decorators to help us make the setting as authentic as possible. We need donations of items. We need funds. We need storytellers. We need teachers. We need food. We need people good at crafts. We need actors.

VBS is a great opportunity for all in the church to serve God and humanity with their talents and treasure. In short, it is an opportunity for everyone in this church to put their faith into practice and show the children and youth of this congregation and the community that they matter. I hope many will find a way to participate in this wonderful opportunity to be relevant to God and humanity.

A list of needed positions and items are posted on the bulletin board outside the DCF office. Further, anyone wishing to offer something not mentioned should tell me or email me. It is likely we can use your talent or treasure for this event. This program is open to creativity and allows for people to serve where they are gifted. The opportunities to serve are both during the week of VBS and in the months and weeks prior. For example, artists don't have to commit to specific times. They simply need to complete their project by the necessary deadline.

I hope many of you will step up and make this a wonderful event for our youth and children and for community outreach and church growth. Please prayerfully consider what you may be able to offer.

For further information, see Doug or visit the website: <http://www.group.com/vbs/rome/>

Please see our website (www.goodshep.net) for a complete list of needed VBS supplies.

Parish Register News

Charles Crittendon, Confirmed at Our Saviour, Rock Hill

If you would like to move your membership to Good Shepherd, please contact the church office at 684-4021 or e-mail to sherryramsey@goodshep.net. We will need the name and address of the last church you were a member of.

Companion Niches are available in our Columbarium

Please contact the church office at 684-4021 or sherryramsey@goodshep.net if you are interested in purchasing a niche.

Stewardship Thoughts for the Month

Stewardship shows our love for our church and its missions.

Make a difference. Give us your time. Let us benefit from your talents. Good Shepherd needs you.

Isaiah 35 ⁸And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. ⁹No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there: ¹⁰And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

It would not be difficult to convince anyone I know, that from time to time, I'm a bit of a fool. Ask anyone in the choir. It's part of what makes traveling through life way fun. You may feel the same of yourself from time to time. I find it easier to embrace than deny.

Sunday mornings are, in a way, like the highway in the passage from Isaiah, a way to aim our lives toward holiness. We join together as the people of God, to offer our common prayers and praises.

John Wesley says of this passage "The way shall be so plain and strait, that even the most foolish travelers cannot easily mistake it."

All of this is to say. If you come to church, pray the prayers and sing the hymns with a heart set toward God, the way is direct and even fools like me are safe in making the right offerings. Our journeys on the way of faith are shaped by all we come in contact with. The Book of Common Prayer and The Hymnal 1982 offer to us the words we can trust to shape our lives of faith.

Shape your faith. Come to church with a heart toward making your offering of prayer and praise. Pray the prayers and sing the hymns. Even those of us who are given to be a little foolish from time to time will still be safe on the way. Joy and gladness await.

Hymns We Don't Sing Often Enough

Here's your chance to help select the hymns you love but don't seem to sing often enough. During August when the choir is taking a break, we sing a hymn at the point in the service where the anthem usually is sung. Send an email (1aycock@bellsouth.net that's a one, not an L) or put a note in my box right by Sherry's office door with the name and number of your favorite hymn. From the submissions, the selections will be made for the five Sundays of August. Happy Singing!

Summer Choir Invitation

The summer months offer a time for those who cannot sing in the choir through the year to sing with us. During July, the choir gathers on Sundays in the choir stalls in the church to rehearse at 9:30 a.m. sharp. (No Wednesday rehearsals) There will be someone you can sit with who knows your part well. This is an excellent opportunity to offer service and leadership in worship. Come Sing!

Prayer Concerns



We pray for the Sick, especially for...

Billie Gabbitas, Emily House, Nadja Hudson, Sylvia Noble, Joanne Lentz, Patricia Rice, Vernon & Joan Sanders, Bettie Matthews, Linda Tiblier, Judy Tomes, Gara Brown, Parpi Von Chrismar, Jenkins Mikell, Helen Dearborn, Anne Fishburne, Jake Mathew, Anna Lee Loving, Keby Johnson, Gary Maynard, Raynor Moore, Nita & Jack Callaham, Jolonda Burton, Mary Durbin, Glenn London, Frank Shields, Elizabeth London, Donna Capell, Stan Burrous, Sarah Shields, Paul Killough, Fr. Steve Miller, Linda Worsham, Judy Smith, Sean Johnson, Erin Neely

We pray for the Shut-ins, especially for....

Bee Decker, Elsie Castle, Margie Miller, Mamie Miller

We pray for the men and women serving in our military, especially for....

Geoffrey Gibson, Jonathan Morrison, William Stanley, John Kerns, Travis Eusted, Paul Mishoe, Mario Fonseca, Tiffany Eakin, Brian Carnes

We pray for those with special needs, especially for....

York Place Board, Staff and Children, Kayleigh Edson, Mark House, Jack Burton, Sarah Schultz, Ray Dearborn, Grace Amer, Roy & Eileen Critcher, Jeff Burton,

We pray for the repose of the soul of Fannie Marie Mecca, Jennifer Mecca-Lawler's grandmother. We pray for Jennifer and her family as they mourn her death.

We give thanks for the marriage of Rebecca Rock and Logan Ebersold.

We give thanks for the Confirmation of Charlie Crittendon. Charlie was confirmed at Our Saviour during Bishop Henderson's residency on Thursday, June 25.

We give thanks for the ministry of Joe Mills+ on the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the Diaconate. (June 28).

Nursery Volunteers Needed

We are in need of several volunteers to tend the nursery during our worship service. If you are willing to help, please contact the church office.

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd				
York, South Carolina				
2009				
Annual		5 months ending 5/31/09		
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance
INCOME				
Pledge Income	193,000.00	85,317.35	80,416.67	4,900.68
Plate Offerings	3,500.00	916.97	1,458.33	(541.36)
Special Offerings	1,500.00	997.00	625.00	372.00
Interest Income	150.00	161.32	62.50	98.82
TOTAL INCOME	198,150.00	87,392.64	82,562.50	4,830.14
EXPENDITURES				
Worship & Parish Ministry	113,774.00	47,753.35	47,405.81	(347.54)
Diocesan Pledge	33,805.00	13,815.88	14,085.42	269.54
Mission & Outreach	3,700.00	500.00	1,541.67	1,041.67
Christian Formation & Continuing Education	13,700.00	6,510.63	5,708.34	(802.29)
Facility Costs	36,395.00	17,060.38	15,164.59	(1,895.79)
Supplies & Miscellaneous	5,800.00	3,116.92	2,416.67	(700.25)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	207,174.00	88,757.16	86,322.50	(2,434.66)
INCOME OVER (UNDER)				
EXPENDITURES	(9,024.00)	(1,364.52)	(3,760.00)	2,395.48

Reminders

- Continue to bring empty INKJET printer cartridges – they are worth \$2 each to the kitchen Fund. There is a box in the hallway to deposit your used cartridges. Please be sure to place them in the box carefully, they will only be accepted if the tip is not broken.
- All activities that require the use of the building must go through the church office.

- Please fill out a Prayer Request form to add names to the prayer list. Forms are located in the bell tower. You may add names from our web site as well.

Angel Food Ministries

Two ordering dates:

Saturday, **June 27**, from 1-2 p.m.,
Good Shepherd parish hall, 108 E. Liberty St., York

Saturday, **July 11**, from 8:30-9:30 a.m.,
Good Shepherd parish hall, 108 E. Liberty St., York

In person, we accept CASH and FOOD STAMP (EBT) ONLY. YOU PAY WHEN YOU ORDER. NO CHECKS.

Online, you may order with a credit or debit card by going to:

www.angelfoodministries.com/host.asp?id=6753 and clicking on **“Order Online”**.

Pickup date is Saturday, **July 25** 2 p.m., Good Shepherd. Volunteers should arrive at 12:30 or 1:00 p.m. depending on your job.

Pastoral Care Committee

Members of the Pastoral Care Committee will joyfully visit parish members who, due to illness or confinement, cannot attend regular church services. We want to make certain that no one in our church family is overlooked or neglected in their time of need.

To request a visit or phone call from the rector, please call or email the church office to provide some basic details & preferences or please make certain that a family member or loved one contacts the church on your behalf. Father Robert or Sherry will return the contact as quickly as possible, and make arrangements to visit or speak with you. The church office phone number is 803-684-4021. Our email addresses are: rector@goodshep.net or sherryramsey@goodshep.net. If you would like a visit or phone call from a member of the Pastoral Care Committee, please call (803-327-5582) or email (kpm@comporium.net) Kaye McMaster or Frank Van Leer (803-631-3543; k9cr8@comporium.net).

Finally, you can also contact any member of the Vestry; and they will make Father Robert aware of your needs.

Things in General

Church Office Hours:
Monday through Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The church office is closed on Fridays.
This is the Rector's day off.

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. Bulletin Deadline
20th of Each Month Newsletter Deadline

Staff

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