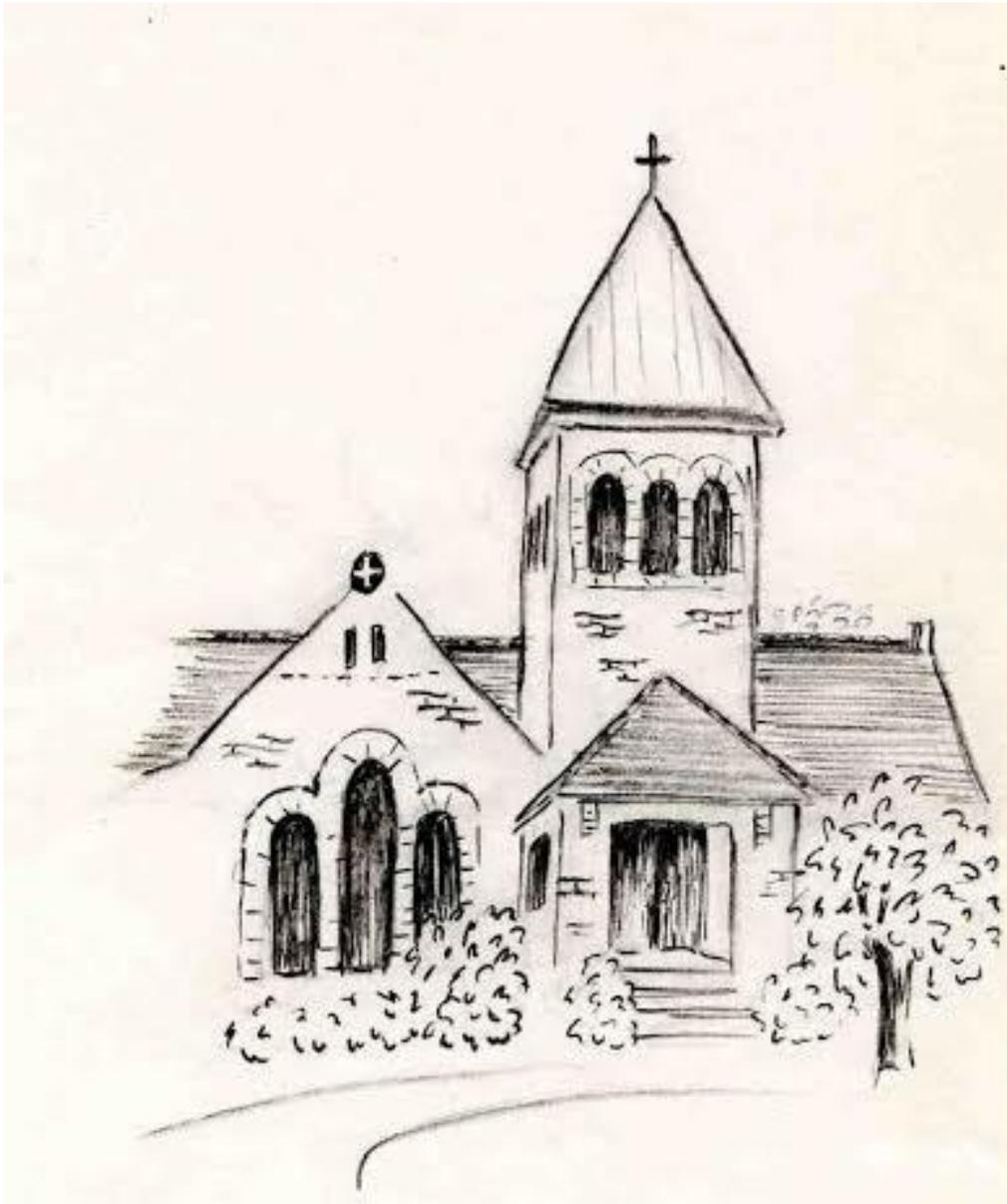


The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

We are a dwelling place
where loving God and neighbor is embraced and lived.



10 Pentecost – Proper 12
24 July, 2016

We welcome all to our parish church, and hope that,
if you are visiting, you will feel at home in this community of faith.

Please sign the guest register near the main entrance
so we may get to know you a bit better,
and please let someone know if you have questions or comments.

Our celebration of Holy Eucharist is open
to all who desire to participate.

The 8:30 am service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
(the smaller of the two books found in your pew)

At the 10:30 am service we make use of this bulletin, plus the BCP, and the Hymnal 1982.
(the larger of the books in your pew in which many of our hymns may be found.)

**** For Today's Collect, Psalm, and Lessons, see the insert.**

The Lessons are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Children are welcome always! -
the sound of children is precious to God.

Sunday School will resume in September

Restrooms
are located in the hallway between the church and Jewett Hall

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Donna Noller**



Please join us in Jewett Hall for Coffee Hour.

8:30 AM

Holy Eucharist - Rite 2

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION	Book of Common Prayer (BCP), page 355
COLLECT FOR PURITY	BCP p.355
THE GLORIA	BCP p.356
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY	Insert
The First Lesson: Hosea 1:2-10	Insert
Psalm 85	Insert
THE SECOND LESSON: Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19)	Insert
THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13	Insert
THE SERMON	The Rev. Ann Markle
THE NICENE CREED	BCP, p. 358
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III	BCP, p. 387
THE PRAYER FOR TRANSITION:	

Ever-present God, you call us to a journey to a place we do not know. We are not where we started. We have not yet reached our destination. Be among us, we pray. Calm our fears, save us from discouragement, and help us to stay on course. Open our hearts to your guidance so that our journey continues as a journey of trust. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN	BCP, p. 360
THE PEACE	
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS	

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B	BCP p. 367
<i>All who desire communion are invited to receive communion, or you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, just cross your arms across your chest to indicate you desire a blessing rather than communion.</i>	

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP p.366
THE BLESSING	
THE DISMISSAL	

10:30 am

Holy Eucharist - Rite 2

PRELUDE: <i>Elegy</i>	<i>George Thalben-Ball</i>
OPENING HYMN 518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"	<i>Westminster Abbey</i>

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION	
COLLECT FOR PURITY	BCP p.355
THE GLORIA: HYMNAL S-280	Robert Powell
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY	INSERT
THE FIRST LESSON: Hosea 1:2-10	INSERT

Psalm 85

Benedixisti, Domine

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
 - 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.
 - 3 You have withdrawn all your fury *
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.
 - 4 Restore us then, O God our Savior; *
let your anger depart from us.
 - 5 Will you be displeased with us for ever? *
will you prolong your anger from age to age?
 - 6 Will you not give us life again, *
that your people may rejoice in you?
 - 7 Show us your mercy, O Lord, *
and grant us your salvation.
 - 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
 - 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
 - 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
 - 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
 - 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- (second half of chant)
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

THE SECOND LESSON: Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19)	INSERT
SEQUENCE HYMN 674 "Forgive our sins as we forgive"	<i>Detroit</i>
THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13	INSERT
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THE PEACE	
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS	
OFFERTORY HYMN 613 "Thy Kingdom come, O God"	<i>St.Cecelia</i>
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING	
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B	BCP, p. 367
SANCTUS HYMNAL S-129	Robert Powell
THE LORD'S PRAYER	BCP, p. 364
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD	BCP, p. 364
INVITATION TO COMMUNION	
<i>All who desire communion are invited to receive communion, or you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, just cross your arms across your chest to indicate you desire a blessing rather than communion.</i>	
<i>ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD!</i>	
COMMUNION HYMN 711 "Seek Ye first the Kingdom of God"	<i>Seek Ye First</i>
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP, p. 366
CLOSING HYMN 432 "O praise ye the Lord, praise Him in the height"	<i>Laudate Dominum</i>
THE DISMISSAL	
Postlude: <i>Praeludium und Fugue in F Major</i>	J. S. Bach



PRAYERS

For those who are ill or in need: Esther, David Noller, Ben, Jessica, Susan, Veronica, Chuck H, Chuck G, Art, Liz and Jarrett, Ben B, Marie G, Doug, Louie, Vince, Sophia, Kim, Liga, Ken, Bruce Aikman, Billy, Sue Winter, and Michael.

For God's peace in the world, for all affected by war, terror, pain, and loss; that we may reach out in support for all in need; that we may stand up, speak up, and defend all who are vulnerable; that we may embrace all God's people as our family.

We pray for all whose work is caring for others, and for all who work in hospitals and humanitarian agencies, for Jeff Lodinsky, and all who serve the country through the State Department, and for Eli Holden and all who serve in the military, and for first responders everywhere.

We pray for all who have birthdays or special remembrances this week.

We give thanks and pray for the faithful departed and for all who mourn.

We give thanks for the steadfast faith and ministry of our Partners in Ministry, the people of Ascension Church at Good Shepherd and that of our Parish Choir.

Holy God of Love, we offer you these prayers just as we are - - full of hope, full of sorrow, full of ambivalence, full of whatever it is we feel at this moment and in this place - - because what we know, God, is that regardless of where we are and how we feel, you love it when we pray. Amen.



Liturgical Servers

July 24

8:30 am

Chalice: Zoe Koston

Lector: Nancy Cich

10:30 am

Crucifer: Renee Lalonde

Chalice: Meachem/Spina

Lector 1: Pat Lalonde

Lector 2: Jo Meachem

Intercessor: Kathleen Niles-Overton

Altar Guild: Mount/Torrell/Lalonde

Ushers: Longo

Counters: Meachem/Grant

July 24

8:30 am

Chalice: Zoe Koston

Lector: Alice Cammarata

10:30 am

Crucifer: Charlene Gottfried

Chalice: Wiesner/Barry

Lector 1: Joe Spina

Lector 2: Andrea Adema

Intercessor: Charlie Ohl

Altar Guild: Mertens/Schoen

Ushers: Barber/Cumbo

Counters: Longo/Mileham

Around the Parish

Mid-Year Pledge Statements

Mid-Year Pledge Statements for 2016 are in the narthex. Please pick them up, and check them to make sure they are accurate. If you have any questions, you can contact Janice Beam at officegoodshep@gmail.com.

Greeters/Ushers Needed! Please Help!

We are in need of people willing to serve as Greeters/Ushers on Sunday Mornings, to distribute bulletins at the door as you greet people, pass the collection plate, assist folks in getting to the communion rail...if you are interested in serving your parish and community through this ministry, please see Joe Spina for a more detailed "job description".

Our Little Roses

We are beginning the run up to the Our Little Roses Tea, which takes place this year on October 1. This mean means starting to work on our Raffle Basket. Church of the Ascension is working with us this year, and they are doing two baskets – one that is Cat themed, and one that is Dog themed. Good Shepherd's Beer themed basket has been very popular over the last few years, so we will go with that again this year! (Especially since it encourages people to buy lots and lots of raffle tickets!) Items that we could use for this basket are Beer Snacks (Beer Nuts, Buffalo Wing Peanuts, etc.) and a couple of Beer Glasses; we will also accept donations toward Beer, cheese, and dips, as well as the basket and "filler". (Anything perishable will be bought at the last minute!) A sign-up list will be up in Jewett Hall soon, and then I will remind everyone when it comes time to actually put the basket together! We will start selling Raffle Tickets some time in September!



Around the Diocese

Summer Hours

The Diocesan Offices will switch to summer hours beginning June 20. After June 17, the office will be open

- Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Friday, 8:30 a.m. to Noon.



Thursday Evening Prayer will resume in the Fall.

Education for Ministry

Education for Ministry is a four-year program that students commit to only one year at a time. It is a distance learning course in which the members of a group meet each week to discuss reading materials which provide a basic education in the history of Christianity and contemporary theological issues. It is never too early to enroll for the coming year that begins in September. Contact the Rev. Deacon Polly Bowen, Diocesan Coordinator, at 716.652.0377 or email her at stmatthiasdeacon@gmail.com for registration information.



Save these Dates!

Look for more information to come about the following events:

- September 10 – Invite, Welcome, Connect – Diocesan event
- September 11 – Episcopal Day at Darien Lake

Family Camp

Mark your calendars for Family Camp! Join with fellow Episcopalians from all over the Diocese for a weekend of fun, fellowship and prayer.

Family Camp will happen Friday night, Saturday & Sunday morning of Labor Day weekend, September 2 - 4. Family Camp takes place at Camp Asbury in Silver Lake, near Perry.



There will be activities for all ages. Camp starts Friday evening. Lodging is in rooms with two to three single beds with a bathroom shared with the next room. Camp ends with Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Franklin at 9 am on Sunday.

Seeing the Face of God in Each Other

Anti-Racism and Diversity Training will be offered in the fall. Two 2-day sessions of Seeing the Face of God will be offered:

- Saturdays, September 17 & 24 at the Diocesan Ministry Center in Tonawanda. Register at www.bit.ly/diversitysept2016
- Saturdays, October 15 & 22 at St. James Episcopal Church, Batavia. Register at www.bit.ly/diversityoct2016



To register, call Alice Brown ([716-881- 0660](tel:716-881-0660)). Anyone may attend.



Around the Parkside Neighborhood

Shakespeare in Delaware Park



The Taming of the Shrew

July 28 – August 21 Directed by Steve Vaughan

Lucentio, son of Vincentio, of Pisa, arrives in Padua to attend the university. His priorities soon change when he sees Bianca, the younger daughter of wealthy Baptista Minola. Bianca already has two suitors, the old fool Gremio and the young Hortensio, but her father has decreed that she shall not wed until her older sister, Katharina, the legendary shrew of Padua has found a husband.

At just this moment, Hortensio's friend, Petruchio of Verona also arrives in Padua. Upon hearing of Hortensio's plight, and the richness of Katharina's dowry, he declares that he shall make her his wife.

Undaunted in his quest for fair Bianca, Lucentio and his servant Tranio hatch a plan to get closer to her. They learn that Baptista is looking for teachers to educate his daughters, so Lucentio will present himself as Cambio, the Latin teacher. Meanwhile, Tranio will play the role of his own master, Lucentio, and begin to confer with with Baptista about his own suit to marry the lovely Bianca. Hortensio gets the same idea, and appears at the Minola home disguised as Latio, an instructor of music. Both imposters are hired and begin to compete for fair Bianca's affections.

Petruchio, having been warned of Katharina's horrid disposition, finally meets her and the two engage in a furious battle of wits. Sparks fly and the chemistry between this unlikely pair is obvious. But Petruchio sees that he will need a plan to tame this shrew. The scene closes with Petruchio's pronouncement, despite Kate's protestations, that the two shall be wed on Sunday.

Upon hearing this news, Baptista can now turn to Bianca's suitors to determine which can bestow greater wealth upon his young daughter. Tranio, disguised as Lucentio, promises wealth far greater than that which old Gremio possesses. Baptista is impressed, but skeptical. So, Tranio decides he must produce a false father, to assure the promise. Meanwhile, the real Lucentio, in the guise of Cambio, the Latin teacher, declares his love for Bianca. For her part, Bianca is far more interested in Cambio than in Latio, the musician.

On the morning of the wedding, Kate is forced to consider the possibility that she will be left waiting at the altar and endure life as an old maid. At long last, Petruchio arrives in bizarre and inappropriate attire to wed his betrothed. After the hasty wedding, he announces that they will leave for Verona before the wedding feast. Kate refuses to leave whereupon Petruchio tells all present that, as his wife, she is his property and he will do with her as he pleases. It is his plan to 'tame' her with behavior worse than her own. In the name of love and kindness, declaring nothing good enough for his bride, he allows her no food or sleep.

Back in Padua, Hortensio ends his suit for Bianca and declares that he will marry a wealthy widow instead. Lucentio must now aid Tranio in finding the false father. They find an old sea dog to play the part, bringing him to Baptista to assure the promises of wealth for Bianca. Baptista is convinced, and allows the marriage plans for his younger daughter to go forward. At this point, the real Lucentio and Bianca decide to elope.

In the meantime, Kate is not faring well at all in her new home. Her behavior, compared to that of her husband is becoming more cordial and gracious. Petruchio decides that they will travel back to Padua, and en route continues his scheme to tame the shrew, contradicting all she says until she is content to agree with him completely and unconditionally, which she does. It is at this moment, Kate begins to understand and accept Petruchio's plan, which will lead them to a potentially happy marriage.

All performances are Tuesday through Sunday at 7:30pm



The comparisons Jesus makes in [Luke 11:11-12](#) are ridiculous. No one is going to give their child a snake or a scorpion for breakfast. A parent, even an imperfect one (which we all are), is going to give the child the wholesome food the child needs. The analogy here is between imperfect human parents and a perfectly loving God. It is a "how much more" argument. If an imperfect parent gives the wholesome gifts a child asks for (rather than something harmful to the child) how much more God...

But Jesus is also saying you need to ask. And keep asking. Ask for what you need. The assurance in [Luke 11:9-10](#) is that if you ask, you will receive. That's not a blanket promise for any self-serving request a human being might have in mind. The British essayist and humorist Oscar Wilde once said, "When the gods wish to punish us, they simply answer our prayers." The particular request that will never be denied is for the Holy Spirit ([Lk 11:13](#)). When you ask for the Holy Spirit, it will be granted to you. This is the "one thing" Jesus tells Martha she needs to focus on instead of the multiplicity of distracting tasks in the story that immediately precedes this passage ([Lk 10:42](#)). Have you ever realized, too late, that help was available, if only you had known? If only I had known that the breakfast buffet was included in the cost of the room, I wouldn't have gone next door and bought an overpriced cup of coffee and a muffin. If students only knew that four counseling sessions per semester are available to them for free, they wouldn't struggle through their college stress without a valuable source of emotional support and guidance. If only I had known that there was a ski patrol to help injured skiers, I wouldn't have skied down the remainder of the mountain with a broken leg. This information is available, but apparently we have to be paying attention. We've got to read the fine print, the brochure or the sign. [Luke 11:13](#) is the notification of availability of the Holy Spirit.

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