

THE Shepherd's Fold

August 25, 2024

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost




Our new church year will start this Sunday as we return to four services after the summer break of three services. Each year the church staff, clergy and senior warden craft a short scripture-based statement that proclaims Good Shepherd's vision for the coming months. Our statement for 2024 – 2025 is A NEW CREATION, which comes from Paul's Second Letter to the Church in Corinth (2 Corinthians 5:17).

"So, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation!"

This statement was chosen because a new era is coming to Good Shepherd. After four years we will have a new rector, as The Reverend Porter Taylor and his family will begin their ministry October 1st. The legendary Jim Nord will retire on Christmas day after forty-three years as organist, choir director and much more. It's hard for me to remember when Mary Gail Nesbit was not the chair of the Altar Guild. As Mary Gail retires she will pass the baton to Sharon Enoch.

What we are hoping for in our new rector is a pastor who will lead us to Christ; who will lead us to becoming like Christ; who will lead us to being a people who live for Christ by living for others. When we are in Christ, when we abide in Christ, we cannot help but be recreated over and over again.

We must continue as active partners with God in His redemptive mission in the world.

Peace, 

PARISH REGISTER

Sue Herries passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are with her friends and family.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Rob and Terry Dennis on the death of Allen Jay Dennis, Rob's father, and the children's grandfather.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST RESUMES!

Join us for a home-cooked breakfast of sausage, eggs, bacon, pancakes, and biscuits. Served from 8:30 am - 9:30 am. Price is \$6 for adults, \$4 children, under 3 eat free.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

"INQUIRERS" CLASS starts **Sunday, August 25th** at 10:00 am and will go through Sunday, September 22nd. These classes will be led by Bunny+ and Joe+ and are designed for anyone seeking Confirmation or Reception into the church. That service will take place when the bishop visits us on Sunday, September 29th. For additional information call **Fr. Joe 706-294-2638**.

KANUGA PARISH WEEKEND

The Parish weekend has been changed to October 25-27. Our new rector Porter, his wife Rebecca, and their children, Jet, Case and Ellis will be attending. Plan on spending time with the Taylor family and with your Good Shepherd family in the beautiful North Carolina Mountains! We will have activities for kids and youth, s'mores by the fire, a cabin crawl, drinks and compline on the lake, movie and game night, hiking, and more. This is a fun weekend that you do NOT want to miss. Pick up a form in the lobby or register online: bit.ly/gskanuga. Deadline to register is **September 25th**.



COGS

Thank you to all who volunteered for COGS last Saturday working with Turn Back the Block on restoring residences in Harrisburg. Remember to place orders for COGS T-shirts by **August 30th**. We will be getting out information soon about our next volunteer effort on **September 28th** at Phinizy Swamp Nature Park working on stewardship for God's creation.

EXPERIENCE CURSILLO AT HONEY CREEK

Want to experience a deeper dive into what following Jesus is like for those of us in the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus Movement? An upcoming retreat at Honey Creek will offer you a chance to reflect on the life of faith with other Episcopalians from Central and South Georgia. Cursillo (pronounced 'kur-see-yo') begins **Thursday, September 19th** and ends Sunday evening, **September 22nd**. During those three days the participants engage in listening to talks given by priests and lay people, and small table discussions, while worshipping and playing together. The next Cursillo, #129, will be held at Honey Creek. Please speak to Fr. Joe, if you are interested in attending.

HELP WITH CHURCH EVENTS

If you would be interested in volunteering to help with church events like: picnics,

Lessons and Carols, receptions, etc. Please contact Emily at emily@cogsaugusta.org.

BACK TO THE BIBLE

For the monthly readings pick up a bookmark or navigate to our B2B page: goodshepherd-augusta.org/b2b.



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HERITAGE ACADEMY VOLUNTEER OR MENTOR

Interested in volunteering or becoming a mentor at Heritage Academy? Please join us for an informational meeting on **Thursday, September 5**, from 5:00-6:00 pm at Heritage Academy. The school is located at 333 Greene Street. For questions or more information, please email Debbi Campbell at dcampbell@heritageacademyaugusta.org or call her at **706.821.0034 ext. 107**.

FLU VACCINE CLINIC

DON'T LET THE FLU GET YOU!!!
Flu Vaccine Clinic, **September 15th**

8:30 am-12:00 pm. Most insurance and Medicare plans accepted Cash price \$40 under age 65. \$90 over age 65. Provided by Surrey Center Pharmacy, Call **(706)738-4558** for questions.

Save **3** Lives with **1** Donation!
BLOOD DRIVE

Church of the Good Shepherd
CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

ALL DONORS WILL RECEIVE THE LIMITED-EDITION COOLER TOTE AFTER DONATING!

SKIP THE LINE!
SCAN OUR QUICK PASS TO ANSWER SCREENING QUESTIONS THE MORNING OF THE DRIVE.
PHOTO ID REQUIRED.

Shepard Community Blood Center
@shepardblood

YOUTH NEWS

Head to the Shell Newsletter for details & to sign-up for up coming events. For any questions, email Mary Grace Wynn at mgwynn@goodshepherd-augusta.org.

ACOLYTE TRAINING: To acolyte during the 2024-2025 program year, students must attend **Acolyte Training on Sunday, Sept. 15th**, from 1-2pm. The Acolyte Program is open to grades 3rd and up. To serve as Crucifer, please stay for Crucifer training from 2-2:30pm. Open to grades 8th and up.

YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF: Save the date for the Youth Group kick-off party on **September 8th** from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Drew and Andrea Prosser's home. Be sure to wear your bathing suit and bring a side dish or dessert to share! Burgers and hotdogs will be served. See ya there!

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRAYER BREAKFAST: The weekly Middle School Prayer Breakfast will resume on Tuesday, **September 10th**. Students in grades 6th-8th are encouraged to join us from 7 to 7:45 a.m. at the home of the Andersons. We will start with a hot breakfast followed by Bible study. Transportation to EDS and St. Marys will be provided.

Servers of the Shepherd

Sunday, August 25, 2024

8:00 am

Celebrant & Preacher..... Joe Bowden
Organist Wayne Lord
Lay ReaderCamilla Davis, Bobbie Ingenito

9:00 am

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Organist & ChoirmasterJim Nord
Lay ReadersCissy Bowden, Bob Nesbit
Verger..... Ed Enoch
Acolytes..... Anabelle Wilkes, Lillian Wilkes,
Anne Ross Roche, May Roche

11:15 am

Celebrant & Preacher..... Joe Bowden
OrganistJim Nord
Lay Readers Heather Wheeler, Jennie Haynes
Verger..... Mark Burgreen
Acolytes..... Merritt Jones, Clayton Adams

6:00 pm

Celebrant & Preacher.....Sonia Sullivan Clifton
OrganistNick Lowery
Lay Readers Jim Price, Anne Floyd

All Services

Altar Guild Team IV
Breakfast Ministry Team VII
Vestry Person of the Day Ed Enoch

CHRISTIAN FORMATION AT GOOD SHEPHERD

SUNDAY MORNINGS BEGINNING AUGUST 25, AT 10:00

CHILDREN'S FORMATION:

- **Three Year Olds:**

Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Room 305

- **PK-K:**

Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Room 306

- **1st-3rd Grades:**

Level II Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Room 304

- **4th and 5th Grades:**

Weaving God's Promises, Room 302

STUDENT FORMATION:

- **Rite-13:** Lead by Jessica Perry and Taylor McCutcheon, Room 208

- **J2A:** Lead by Katie Wynn and Brice Wright, Room 303

ADULT FORMATION:

- **Exploring Faith: Room 209** Join Matt Matson for a participant-led discussion of the Bible and how our faith impacts our daily lives. Formerly called the "Young Adults Class" this class has traditionally been comprised of people with school-aged children, but all are welcome.

- **Sawmill Theology:** Join Ken Hardy, **September 8th** at 10 am in the Conference Room, as he shares God Stories.

