

# THE Shepherd's Fold

August 4, 2024

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

## WHAT IS IT?

The Old Testament reading for this coming Sunday is from Exodus. It begins with the complaint by the Israelites that they have no food. God rains bread from heaven for them with instruction on how to gather it. When the Israelites first saw it, they were unsure of what exactly it was. It looked like coriander seed, was white in color, and tasted like wafers in honey. Unlike anything they had ever seen, they said to one another, “What is it?” They named it manna, which is a playful reinterpretation of their question, “what (Heb ‘man’) is it” to its answer, “it is ‘man’”. (Berlin & Brettler, *The Jewish Study Bible* Second Edition, 132).

Sometime over the next few weeks when you enter the church, you may notice a cabinet attached to the wall to the right of the altar. And you may ask, “What is it?”

A month ago, I wrote an essay on the liturgy. I differentiated the two parts of the liturgy: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Table. I also explained how we care for the consecrated elements that remain after everyone has been served. “As with any family meal, there are often leftovers. Remember that this bread and this wine have been consecrated. They are sacred and must be honored as such. The remaining wine and bread are covered and placed on the credence table. After the service, the consecrated elements are secured in a cabinet, the aumbry, in the sacristy. They are then brought out to be used at the next communion.”

The antique cabinet that serves as our aumbry was given by long time church and altar guild member, Joan Tabb. It is a 19th century Sheraton mahogany stamp box repurposed and blessed to safely secure the sacred elements. It has been located in the sacristy since it was gifted to Good Shepherd.

This past week the decision was made to relocate our aumbry from the sacristy into the chancel. Now, the consecrated elements can be placed directly into the aumbry by the priest immediately following the Eucharist. In time, we hope to hang a red light above or next to this cabinet. When the light is lit, it signifies that there are consecrated elements within. When sacred elements are contained within the aumbry, it is appropriate to either

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genueflect or bow before you enter your seat.

So, now you know what it is.

keep on keeping....

*Sunny+*

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### PARISH REGISTER

Our thoughts and prayers are with Patrick, Angelina, and Lilly Belle Gemme on the death of their mother and grandmother, Barbara Gemme.

### COGS UPDATE!

Our next COGS outreach opportunity will be on **August 17th** from 10:00am until 12:00pm with the Turn Back the Block ministry. This ministry is revitalizing Harrisburg one block at a time and through volunteers as well as donations is creating much needed affordable home ownership opportunities for persons by cleaning up abandoned homes and vacant lots.

**We will meet at the Turn Back the Block office of Ashley Brown 1924 Battle Row for orientation**

with coffee, doughnuts, and fruit as well as parking across the street. Please e-mail Lynn Tyson **ltyson517@gmail.com** or call/text at **706-833-7415** to volunteer. Children are welcome to come if they come with and are supervised by parents. What a great opportunity to spread Good Shepherd's mission in the community. More to come on T-Shirts!

### WEDNESDAYS AT GOOD SHEPHERD (WAGS)

We are gearing up for a wonderful season of WAGS this fall. If you would like to join a cooking team please email

**maryashtonmills@gmail.com**  
**or blake.leverett@gmail.com.**

Joining a cooking team is an excellent way to get involved! We are currently seeking new teams to round out the schedule.

### EfM

Are you interested in the Education for Ministry program? More than a Bible study, EfM takes a fresh look at life events in the light of church tradition and 21st century culture. Participants study, worship, and engage in theological reflection together in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere.

The Church of the Good Shepherd offers an EFM group on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. and will begin in late August. Everyone is welcome and we encourage those from all parishes to join us! You can sign up now!!

For more information, contact Tom Smyth, **tom.smyth@icloud.com.**

Details about the program are located at **<https://theology.sewanee.edu/education-for-ministry/>**.

### EXPERIENCE CURSILLO AT HONEY CREEK

Cursillo #129. 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 the following Sunday evening on **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.

**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](mailto:emily@cogsaugusta.org).

## Fall Kickoff and Backpack Blessing

We will bless backpacks at the 10 am service, **August 18**, as we collect school supplies for Monte Sano Elementary. After the 10 am service, we will gather in the Parish Hall for a lunch of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. On the church lawn, we will have snow cones and games for all ages!



*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  
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Shepard Community Blood Center  
@shepardblood

*Senior Recital*  
**MARY BRYSON WRIGHT**

AUGUST 11 2024  
3 O'CLOCK  
CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD  
IN THE PARISH HALL  
2230 WALTON WAY  
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

FROM THE STUDIO OF  
*Patti Myers*  
ACCOMPANIMENT BY  
*James Ward*  
WITH  
*Bonnie Wright*  
*Charlette Vaughn*

undie *Meeting a practical need in our community*  
**SUNDAY**

Most of us would not consider underwear to be luxury items, but when you are financially challenged and are faced with the choice of buying underwear or food, this is exactly what it becomes.

**Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>**

We are collecting women's, men's and children's underwear for families in need. All sizes of new underwear, boxers, briefs, T-shirts, and training pants will be collected for distribution by volunteers at the Byllesby Center in Augusta.



# Servers of the Shepherd

Sunday, August 4, 2024

8:00 AM

Celebrant.....Joe Bowden  
Preacher.....Bunny Simon Williams  
Organist.....Wayne Lord  
Lay Readers.....Mitzi McCoy, Camilla Davis

6:00 PM

Celebrant & Preacher.....Sonia Sullivan Clifton  
Organist.....Nick Lowery  
Lay Readers.....Faith Moore, Jim Price

10:00 AM

Celebrant.....Joe Bowden  
Preacher.....Bunny Simon Williams  
Organist & Choirmasters.....Jim Nord  
Lay Readers.....Lynn Smith, Andrew Austin  
Verger.....Stovall Walker  
Ushers.....Alex Wier, George Sancken

All Services

Altar Guild.....Team II  
Vestry Person of the Day.....Beth McCutcheon

## MOMS, DADS, AND FRIENDS

You have a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the spiritual lives of our young children by assisting in an atrium each Sunday morning from 10:00-11:00. We are blessed with dedicated catechists who have completed the Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) formation course and who take responsibility for presentations each week. However, we are in need of men and women who will assist the catechist and the children during this hour. Assistants have nothing to prepare, and you do not have to teach.

We invite you to learn more about CGS by attending an orientation meeting Saturday, August 3rd from 9:30-11:30 am in the conference room. CGS is a unique children's formation program that provides an environment for children age three to eight to "fall in love with God."

Speak with catechists or assistants, or give Jinny a call if you have any questions. We hope you will give prayerful consideration to becoming a part of this ministry.

\***Catechists:** Lucy Roth, Katrina Selby, Alyson Getchell, Linda Wier, Mary Margaret Adams, Renee Austin, Lydia Bliven Smyth, Ashley Pritchett, Katie Tracy, and Nancy Thompson.

\***Assistants:** Laura Irwin and Pam Wynn

