



The Shepherd's News

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Fall 2018

I'm getting ready to flip my calendar to September. I always do it with mixed emotions. It's hard to say good-bye to the summer months which are filled with reunions of family and friends, lazy days at the shore and lounging by the lake. But there is also a sense of excitement as our life together begins to shift to our program year.

I know that many of you are also beginning to make the shift as you prepare for school to start, sports practices and games to begin and music lessons to resume. Sometimes it can feel overwhelming. How do we find our way through the thicket of appointments and obligations? When do we find time to breathe?

I invite you to see your involvement in our congregational life not as one more in a series of obligations, but as an opportunity to connect more deeply with others who share the journey of faith and with the source of our faith and life itself. Christ's presence in Word and Sacrament gives us solid ground on which to stand. In the company of Jesus we experience an acceptance that touches the very center of souls and we learn to see each other through compassionate eyes.

Each of us will make choices this fall. I invite you to invest yourself in our congregational life. Choose from among the many opportunities, that you will find in the pages that follow, for connecting to Christ Jesus and to each other.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Julie DeWerth

SPECIAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS FALL

September 2nd—Traveling Mercies

Beginning September 9th we will return to two Worship Services at 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Holy Communion will be offered at both services weekly

September 9th — Rally Day — Blessing of Backpacks and Installation of Sunday School Teachers

October 7th— Blessing of the Animals at 2:00 P.M. in the outdoor Sanctuary

October 28th — Reformation Sunday—Confirmation at the 11:00 A.M. service

November 4th — All Saints Sunday — The names of those who have been baptized at Good Shepherd during the past year and those who have entered the church triumphant this year will be recognized during the prayers of intercession.

November 11th — “Hearts and Hands” will display their handiwork.

Veterans will be recognized during the prayers of intercession.

November 18th— Commitment Sunday — Members will be invited to bring forward their 2019 gift intention to Good Shepherd during the offering at both services.

November 25th—Christ the King Sunday

GOOD SHEPHERD MONTHLY OUTREACH

SEPTEMBER OUTREACH—Silver Springs Martin Luther School. Founded in 1859 as an orphanage, today Silver Springs provides education, nurturing, and healing services for more than 2,300 vulnerable children and families each year, many of whom have experienced significant traumas and losses. Your support during the month of September will go toward Silver Springs “Fund the Mission.” Good Shepherd’s support of the “Fund the Mission” allows them to leverage our gifts to encourage others to support the ministry and the vulnerable children they serve. On September 9th, a representative from the school and the choir will be with us (see pages 3 & 4). *Checks may be made payable to Good Shepherd and designated for “Outreach.”*

OCTOBER OUTREACH —Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia, an independently chartered affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), the largest nonprofit homebuilder worldwide. Their mission is to transform lives and our city by building and repairing homes in partnership with families in need and uniting all Philadelphians around the cause of affordable housing. Your contribution will help fulfill their vision of a city where all Philadelphians live in safe, affordable homes. Good Shepherd sent 3 teams of volunteers to Habitat this summer (see page 7). *Checks may be made payable to Good Shepherd and designated for “Outreach.”*

NOVEMBER OUTREACH —Upper Merion Meals on Wheels, mission is to provide nutritious, well-balanced meals to the aged, convalescent and handicapped in our township without regard to race, religion, creed, nationality or economic need. This non-profit organization operates each and ever weekday, fifty-two weeks each year. Your contributions will go toward providing nutritious meals to the elderly and shut-in people in our community. Many of our Good Shepherd members volunteer for Meals on Wheels. *Checks may be made payable to Good Shepherd and designated for “Outreach.”*

Baptisms

September 23, 2018

Olivia Jean Dingman

Daughter of Daniel and Shannon Dingman



November 11, 2018

Rebekah Olivia Pirani

Daughter of Daniel and FC Pirani

Weddings

September 22, 2018

Gualberto Feliciano & Claritza Jaramillo

September 29, 2018

Megan Elizabeth Wilson & Scott Christopher Watza

October 6, 2018

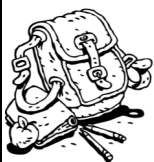
Kendra Lynne Zadrejko & Robert Paul Thomas

October 6, 2018

Jenna Leigh Rackovan & Jonathan Paul Dufresne

WE NEED YOUR INPUT!

We are in the process of giving our library a facelift. This space is used by many of our groups and some outside groups. It is a space that is used for meetings, but primarily it is used for lifelong learning which is something that we are very committed to at Good Shepherd. Sunday, September 9th at noon we will be having a meeting about what this space will look like. If you would like to have input, please contact Pastor Julie at juliedewerth@gmail.com and let her know that you are interested and come to the meeting on Sunday, September 9th in the church library. Whatever we decide to do, it will not be funded out of our budget or our capital appeal.



Bring your backpack on Rally Day for a Backpack Blessing at Sunday's services

RALLY DAY—September 9, 2018
Worship Services—8:30 and 11:00 A.M.
Education Hour—9:45 A.M.



Rally Day is the day when the church “rallies” together to launch all of the educational ministries for the upcoming school year. We will celebrate Rally Day on September 9th. All (adults and children) are invited to join us in Founders Hall at 9:45 A.M. for a presentation about the Silver Springs — Martin Luther School. This organization is our Special Outreach for the month of September. A representative from the school will be with us and we will be treated to a performance by the Silver Springs Children’s Choir (See page 4). Of course we will end with light refreshments!

Our Sunday school program will start each week promptly at 9:45 A.M. in our Education Building classrooms and continue until 10:45 A.M. Our program has been designed to provide meaningful Christian education for children and adults wherever they may be on their faith journey. Classes are offered for adults, youth and children from age 2 on up. If you have any questions about the program please contact Karen Lehman at karen_lehman@verizon.net.

Thank you volunteers!

Co-Superintendents: Sue Groff and Karen Lehman

Teachers: Beth Bullwinkle, Pam Kamat, Jen & Karen Lehman, Barbara Petroske and Erin Rackovan

Substitutes: Lysbeth Feliciano, Amanda & Peter Fleischer, Heather Francis,

Lauren & Sue Groff, Donna Montich and Liz Smith

Important dates for our Fall Sunday school calendar are:

9/9/18—Rally Day

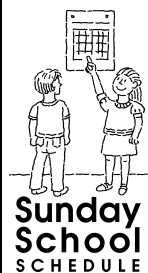
Presentation of Bibles to Kindergarten & 5th Grade Students

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

Blessing of Backpacks

10/28/18—Confirmation of 9th and 10th Graders at 11:00 A.M. service

11/25/18—Thanksgiving Break—No Sunday School



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST and FELLOWSHIP

Saturdays — September 8th * October 13th * November 10th

Join us for the Men’s Fellowship Breakfast in Founders Hall for some food and a time of fellowship with your Christian brothers beginning at 9:00 A.M.



FEEDING THE HUNGRY—CASSEROLE DAY—SEPTEMBER 8th and November 17th

Join us for Casserole Day on Saturday, September 8th and November 17th at 8 A.M. It takes ten to fifteen people to help feed over 200 people. Consider it a great activity to do with the whole family. Even school age children can help in our assembly line by putting together bag lunches. Older kids can help make PB & J sandwiches. You do not need to commit in advance. Join us for an hour or two. Adults and teens can help in the kitchen. We also need 2-3 people willing to drive the casseroles and bag lunches to Germantown and help carry them into the kitchen. Please call Joan Jenaway if you are able to help at 610-337-7264.



GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL

Did you know that Good Shepherd's preschool will start their 30th year in September? We will welcome 50 children to our facility for two, three or four mornings each week to learn and grow in God's love. If you are interested in registering your child for preschool, please contact Diane Smith at 610-265-0733 or email at gskoppreschool@verizon.net.

Silver Springs Children's Choir Will Be Singing for us on September 9th



The children served by the Residential Treatment Program at Silver Springs – Martin Luther School have come to us in need of healing and nurturing. They are boys and girls between the ages of six and fourteen and most have experienced traumas that might include physical abuse or sexual abuse, abandonment, or neglect. Many of the children have witnessed domestic violence and been affected by parental mental illness, the effects of poverty, and other very challenging situations. Our program helps children to heal from the emotional aftermath of these experiences and improve their ability to manage their feelings and behaviors. We also provide the children with opportunities to experience childhood joy.



The children's gospel choir is one of these opportunities. Since its inception, more than 100 children have participated in the choir. They have performed at several churches, Silver Springs' events, and twice at the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly. A highlight for the children was performing during the Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia last year! Their joy is obvious in their smiles when they sing and each performance has had listeners enthusiastically clapping and singing along!

We are grateful to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for your caring partnership in the ministry of Silver Springs and for your support of our children's choir. Thanks to all of you, we are able to bring the healing powers of music to "our" boys and girls!

Amanda Bryant joined the Development Office at Silver Springs – Martin Luther School in 2014 and is an integral member of the department that is responsible for fundraising and friend-raising activities to support the ministry of Silver Springs. As Development Officer, along with providing overall support for the Development Office activities, Amanda's primary responsibilities are coordinating volunteers, managing donations of items for the children and families we serve (gifts in kind), as well as outreach and engagement with congregations. Each year Good Shepherd provides 100 gifts to the children.



FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE

Saturday, September 15th—9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars for this year's flea market. There will be tables to rent (\$20) for anyone who chooses to display and sell his/her own crafts or wares. Space is available outside. Set up for inside tables will be Friday, September 14th 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Set up for outside ta-



CALLING ALL BAKERS!!!

Hearts and Hands needs baked goods for the bake table at the Flea Market on September 15th. Baked goods can be dropped off at Founders Hall on Friday September 14th from 10:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. There is a sign up sheet on the credenza in the Narthex or contact the church office with any questions (610-265-4545).



Adult Study! *Living the Questions*

September 19th and October 10th

(Wednesdays from 7pm - 8pm in the church library)

Participants will be invited into a safe environment where they can ask the questions they may have been afraid to ask. After watching the video, we will open the class up for discussion.

THE TOPICS WE WILL BE DISCUSSING ARE

September 19th- "Prayer, Intimacy with God" * October 10th- "Embracing Mystery"



The Music Ministry of Good Shepherd



We are about to start a new year of music and there are opportunities for you to get involved in our Music Ministry. If you have *thought* about joining us.....well, what are you waiting for? Come speak with me and let's get you plugged in and offering your talents here at Good Shepherd!

Here is all the start-up information:

The Chancel Choir

will resume rehearsals on **THURSDAY, AUGUST 30th, 7:30pm-9:00pm.**

All are welcome to join us for the year or even seasonally.

The Chancel Ringers

will resume rehearsals on **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 6:30pm-7:30pm.**

If you are interested in ringing to God's glory, please speak with me.

The Good Shepherd Orchestra

will resume rehearsal starting in October.

The music is accessible for folks of all musical ability. If you play any instrument, let's get you a seat!

Instrumental or Vocal Solos

Anyone who feels led to do either of these is welcome to do so here at GS – let's talk about how you can offer your talent.

Parents: If your child has started learning how to play a musical instrument, I would LOVE to know about it! It's important to me to provide opportunities here at church for them to, as Philippians 4:9 says "put into practice what they've learned." Perhaps they could play an introit or join us in the orchestra. Let's talk about it!

As always, if you have questions about our music ministry or perhaps are still hesitant to join us, please contact me at: (484) 369-1017 or through GoodShepMusic@yahoo.com. Let's make a joyful noise!

CALLING ALL SEWERS

We will not have a "Sewing Day" this year; but still need volunteers to sew pillowcases for "Ryan's Case for Smiles." If you would like to help out, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Fabric will be provided; washed, cut and ready to sew. There are ten pillowcases in a package, including directions.

You do not need to put them in plastic bags; just return the completed pillowcases to Linda Mack (or leave labeled in the Narthex) **before September 23, 2018**. If you have any questions please call Linda at 484-328-8403 or email: lzermack@aol.com. Thanks for your help!



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE—Friday, September 21, 2018

Good Shepherd will be hosting this important mission on Friday, September 21st from 2:00—7:00 P.M. In addition to the regular blood donors in the King of Prussia area, the Red Cross would like to find some 'new blood'! We ask that you consider becoming a blood donor and if you are not able, perhaps there is another family member, neighbor or friend, who you know that may be a willing donor. Please do not wait to be called to volunteer! If you are willing and able, contact the church office as soon as possible and we will schedule a time for you to donate. Kendra Zadrejko is coordinating this event and can be reached at 484.213.7023 or email kzadrejko@gmail.com.



MANNA MONDAY

Miss eating with your church family? Looking for one less meal to cook? Can't wait until Lenten Soup Suppers each year? We have a solution for you —Manna Monday! Come eat with your Good Shepherd family on the fourth Monday of the month four times a year.

**September 24, 2018 * October 22, 2018 (Haunted Hallways)
January 28, 2019 (Chili Cook-off) * April 22, 2019**

**The topic for September 24 will be
*It's Complicated; the Israeli Palestinian Conflict***

The evening's presentation is being given by Adam Kessler, the immediate past Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of Philadelphia, which is part of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia. JCRC is dedicated to improving intergroup understanding and enhancing a just and pluralistic society. JCRC serves as a common table for public policy debate and builds coalitions among diverse members of the broader community in pursuit of common goals.



Adam is currently consulting in support of interfaith leaders seeking ways to work together to promote peace between Israelis and Palestinians by investing in partnerships among the two societies.

Pastor Julie and her husband, Tim, traveled with Adam and a group of faith leaders to Israel in 2017.

**Meals will begin at 6:15 P.M. (note time change from previous years!) followed by a speaker or activity at 7 P.M.
Cost is \$5 per person with a maximum of \$20 per family.**

Come enjoy Family, Fellowship and Faith with your Good Shepherd Congregation. September's menu will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes, Mac & cheese and green beans. Thank you to the Bubeck Family for providing dinner. *Please contact the church office at 610-265-4545 or email at gskopstaff@verizon.net if you plan to attend so that we know how much food to prepare. As the dates gets closer, there will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex.*

**CALLING ALL COOKS AND BAKERS,
WE ARE COLLECTING RECIPES FOR A NEW GOOD SHEPHERD COOKBOOK!**

We would like to include your favorite recipes and will be collecting until **Sunday, September 23rd.**

There is no limit to the number of recipes that you can include, however, it is requested that you include the following information in your submission(s):

Type of dish (appetizer, soup, main dish, etc.)

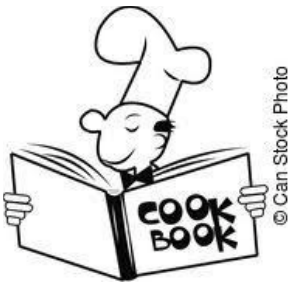
If there is a story that goes with your recipe, feel free to share.

This is your cookbook, too! Your name! We need to know who to credit.

Recipes can be submitted to Heather Francis.

They can be placed in her folder or e-mailed to heatherfrancis1@comcast.net

All funds raised through the sale of the books will go toward our Capital Appeal.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS — SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th



This special event will take place in the outdoor sanctuary (Founders Hall if raining) on October 7th at 2:00 P.M. (please note time change from prior years). We will have a short liturgy. No pet is too big or too small, too slimy or too furry. Even if you don't have a pet, come out and enjoy other people's special friends!

**FALL DINNER for the WOMEN OF GOOD SHEPHERD
Wednesday, October 24, 2018—6 P.M.**



Hearts & Hands will be hosting our Annual Dinner for all ladies of Good Shepherd and their friends. Please see upcoming bulletins for additional information. Our speaker for this year's Hearts and Hands Dinner will be Pat Jordan, who will be taking us back in history, to colonial times. She will bring to life, **Betsy Ross**, the story of a true patriot and maker of the Stars & Stripes.

Pat is a Theatre/CA graduate of Villanova University. She is a professional actor, playwright and director whose passion for history has led her to bring the stories of Famous American Women to appreciative audiences in many venues throughout the country. The **Betsy Ross** story is so interesting that people always say, "Wow, I thought she only sewed the flag!"

CONGRATULATIONS TO GOOD SHEPHERD MEMBER THERESA HAENN!

Theresa has just been hired by *Lutheran World Relief* to be the Regional Representative/Donor Advisor for PA, NY, DE and NJ. She will be helping individual donors and congregations to make contributions to LWR's mission to end poverty, injustice and human suffering. LWR accomplishes this by funding small scale farmers (family farmers) through sustainable agricultural efforts such as environmentally friendly crop practices, soil conservation and sustainable water access and use. In addition, they respond to communities in need before a natural disaster by identifying potential risk factors and preparing for them. By doing that, LWR can be more effective in responding to needs following the natural disasters. LWR works in developing countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East.

**THANK YOU TO OUR GOOD SHEPHERD MEMBERS FOR
VOLUNTEERING THEIR TIME FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY THIS SUMMER**



**You are invited to celebrate
the installation of**

The Rev. Patricia A. Davenport

**as Bishop of the
Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod**

Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 2 p.m.

New Covenant Church of Philadelphia
7500 Germantown Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19119

If you are interested in singing in the choir, please arrive by 12:00 pm.

Thank you from Vicar Rachel

Dear Good Shepherd Friends

*Thank you for the lovely
farewell on my last Sunday.
I am so grateful for your kind
words, generous gifts and sweet
spirit. It was a blessing to
have been able to work with you
for two years.*

Fondly -

Rachel Schei'ld

2018-2019 Youth Group Activities Grades 5th – 12th

This year we have a great series of events planned so mark your calendars now!

Sunday School begins September 9th 2018

Beyond the Road to Emmaus – The Road to The Hill in King of Prussia!

We hope to see you at Sunday School each week to explore the lives of Peter and Paul through movies, bible readings, games and discussions. Class meets in the Youth room in the Education Building



October 14th 2018

Can you master the Corn Maze at Hurricane Hill Farm? This will be a fun family event with specific Youth Group Activities.



November 3rd and 4th 2018

We're making plans to go to the Junior High Lutheran Youth Gathering at the Tel Hai Camp & Retreat Center, Honeybrook PA. The theme is "Thy Kingdom Come" for Grades 6th - 9th.



December 16th 2018

Pam has some new skits for the Christmas Pageant.



January 18th 2019

Bowling Lock-in! That's right – it says lock-in! Will you be able to make it through the night? Will Jen?



February 9th 2019

We're going to bake Valentine Cookies for a Youth Fundraising Event. While we're baking the cookies which we'll sell that Sunday, we'll have a fun time with Erin as she tells us about some funny animal mating rituals!



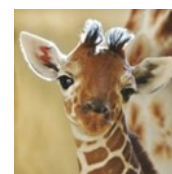
March 24th 2019

Should we do *Get Air* or an *Escape Room*? You decide!



May 19th 2019

Elmwood Park Zoo! This will be a fun family event with zip-lining, feeding the giraffes, feeding the birds, and Erin giving us a private show with Noah the Eagle!



Paradise Lake - Date to be Determined

Anyone interested in going to Paradise Lake? We're still looking at dates for either the fall or spring.



Look for additional information for these events in the Weekly Blast and Church Bulletins.



PUB THEOLOGY RETURNS

Please join Good Shepherd Church for **God on Tap**
First Monday of the month, beginning
Monday, October 1st from 6:30pm to 8:00pm
The topic for this month will be
“Is prayer for us or for God?”

McKenzie Brew House, 324 West Swedesford Road, Berwyn, PA 19312
(only 5 miles from Good Shepherd)

All ages are welcome who are interested in engaging in this conversation.

The Saison Room at McKenzie Brew House has been reserved starting at 6:30 PM for anyone ordering food. At 7:15 PM we will begin the discussion. If you can't join us for a meal, please come at 7:15 for the discussion.

Please Note: The servers will issue a separate check for each person in attendance with an 18% gratuity added on. Appetizers range from \$8 to \$12—Burgers & Sandwiches range from \$10 to \$18—Entrées range from \$18 to \$33

For a full menu please check their website at www.mckenziebrewhouse.com

Please contact Karen Reimet with any questions: karenreimet@gmail.com
Pub Theology description from website: pubtheology.com

DRIVERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers who would be available to drive members to doctor's appointments during the day. We have a number of members who can no longer drive and could use our help occasionally. Please contact Janice Rackovan at 610-715-2601.

OPERATION SHINING STAR

Our Shining Star gift gathering for the children at Martin Luther Silver Springs School will begin November 4th. Look for the tree in the narthex and help make a child's Christmas a little brighter. For more information please contact Diane Smith at teach2tots@aol.com.

CAPITAL APPEAL UPDATE

The Capital Appeal Committee is pleased to let you know about the response to our request to support the appeal. To date we have received commitments totaling \$221,990, which is 55.5% of our goal. Contributions dedicated to the campaign are being received and kept in reserve to be used to pay down the loan and make improvements to our church home.

In a perfect world, we would love to be closer to our goal at this point, but we are bolstered by the support we have already received for this appeal. We are on our way to *“Renewing God’s House”* and are deeply appreciative of the prayerful consideration you gave to our request for support.

We will keep you informed of the progress we make on the projects we described in the appeal materials. We are very early in this process and welcome any and all support you can offer. If you have a little “extra” on any given week, please feel free to include that with your regular contribution and just put a note in the envelope to let us know how much is for the appeal and how much is for your regular offering. Every gift, regardless of size is gratefully welcomed.

Together, we are renewing God’s house and making our church on the hill a warm, welcoming and spiritually uplifting home.



BRING JOY TO A HOMEBOUND MEMBER AND BE REWARDED TENFOLD!

I recently visited one of our homebound members, June Bachman, in my role as a Lydia's Visitor. I know that she was good friends with Ruth and John Richardson and I asked if they would like to join me on my next visit. They were excited about seeing June again. We surprised June while she was out to lunch with people from her assisted living community. I wish I could have captured her face when she saw them! We all had such a wonderful time as she reminisced with them. When we went back to her room, I shared communion with everyone. June is a delightful person and always makes me smile when I visit. When I left (as she was thanking me again and again), I knew that my little effort to bring together old friends created a memory they will always have!

Our current Lydia's Visitors, Hele Vondra and Stella Lyons have similar stories to tell. Please ask yourself if you can spare just a couple of hours once a month to bring joy and to reap rewards by visiting a homebound member. We have several more people to visit than we have visitors and could use more help. Please contact Janice Rackovan at 610-715-2601.

MEMORIAL & GIFTS

This summer Good Shepherd was blessed by gifts given in memory of Paul Petroske, Robert Locker, Marian Glennie, and Paul Herrmann.

Paul Herrmann was fondly remembered by gifts from the following members, relatives and friends: Linda Mack, Patricia Freed, Elizabeth Locker, The Philadelphia Belt Line Railroad Co., Jen & Karen Lehman, Rich Lachenmayer, Mr. & Mrs. Erich Lucas & The Groeber Cousins, Susan Syty, Pastor John & Joanne Kerr, Eva Wynn, Al & Barbara Schneider, The Zadrejko Family and G.T.V. Almrausch.

Gifts were given in memory of Marian Glennie by members Linda Mack, Linda Quam, Dorothy Polinka, Patti Freed, Ken & Marie Hofmockel, Harry & Betsy Smith, Kim & Bob Irwin, Betty Locker, Bob & Cynthia Burke, Eva Wynn, Jen & Karen Lehman, Pastor John & Joanne Kerr, Janice Rackovan, and Barbara Petroske.

Additional gifts in memory of Paul Petroske came from Bob & Cynthia Burke, Estelle & John Dolan, Bob & Kim Irwin, and Barb Petroske.

Other money received by Memorial & Gifts was received from Robert & Cynthia Burke in memory of Bob Locker.

Marilyn Loos will be remembered by the new high density foam in the needlepoint kneelers at the altar rail. Money held in the account of Tom Gorman was allocated to the Capital Appeal. Loan payments will be made from the accounts of William Sansalone, Marilyn Loos, Richard Stambaugh, and Selma Smith.

We are extremely grateful for all those families who designated Good Shepherd to receive the memorial gifts made in honor of their loved ones. A heartfelt thanks to all members who gave so generously to remember these friends.

Come Out and Celebrate the Installation of the Rev. Joe Varsanyi as the Pastor of Saint Michael's Lutheran Church in Kensington, our partner congregation, on October 11, 2018!

This summer Good Shepherd began a partnership with Saint Michael's Lutheran Church in the Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia. On Thursday, October 11 at 7 P.M. Pastor Joe Varsanyi will be installed as their pastor by our new Bishop, Patricia Davenport.

Pastor Julie DeWerth will be the preacher for the service and Ross Boerner will be directing the Good Shepherd Choir.

Dinner will begin being served at 5:30 P.M. in their fellowship hall and the worship service will begin at 7:00 P.M. Everyone is invited! Please come out and celebrate!

If you would like to carpool from Good Shepherd, please email the church office at gskopstaff@verizon.net.

Saint Michael's Lutheran Church, 2139 East Cumberland Street, Philadelphia, PA



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT
For the Women of Good Shepherd and their Friends
March 29-30, 2019

The retreat will begin on Friday evening at 7:00pm and end Saturday afternoon at 2:30pm. It will be held at the Franciscan Spirituality Center, 609 S. Covent Road, Aston, PA - about 25 miles from Good Shepherd. The cost is \$80 which includes lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Space is limited, so please contact the church office at gskopstaff@verizon.net to make your reservation!

The theme this year is Hospitality Today--what does "hospitality" mean today? How can we be more hospitable in our homes, our families and our churches? We will study the Biblical understanding of hospitality and how it applies TODAY, in our current culture of abundance and expectation. Join us!

This year's speaker is Pastor Sarah Stobie from St John's Lutheran Church, Blue Bell, PA 19422

Pastor Sarah Stobie began serving at St. John's Lutheran in Blue Bell on August 16, 2015. Pastor Sarah has her Master of Divinity from Western Theological Seminary, and she also attended the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago. Pastor Sarah enjoys leading worship, preaching, and teaching young and old about the Bible and theology. A Youth and Family director for many years, she believes that churches should be welcoming of families with children of all ages. Currently, she serves as Chair of the Candidacy Committee, as well as a board member of our WELCA Unit for our synod. She is married with 2 adult daughters.

SAVE THE DATE TO UNWIND AND PAINT

A new and fun fundraiser for the member of Good Shepherd and their families and friends.

On February 10th immediately following the 11:00 am service we will do a personal painting party in Founders Hall.

We will have basket raffles and a 50/50. All proceeds will benefit the Capital Appeal.

We will also have a covered dish lunch. Please check your bulletins and Winter Newsletter for updates.

If you have ever attended a personal painting party before, spread the word about how much fun it is.



Monday's at Good Shepherd

First Monday of the Month is Pub Theology.

October 1st, November 5th and December 3rd
 (Christmas Caroling)

Second Monday of the Month is Committee Meetings

Please check if your committee is meeting.
 September 10th, October 8th and November 12th

Third Monday of the Month is Council Meeting

September 17th, October 15th and November 19th

Fourth Monday of the Month is Manna Monday

September 24th, October 22nd, January 28th and February 25th

SAVE THE DATE
LOOK FOR DETAILS IN THE
MONTHS TO COME

Saturday, December 15, 2018

Breakfast with Santa for all ages
 From 10:00 A.M.—11:00 A.M. in
 Founders Hall

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Annual Congregation Meeting with lunch
 Immediately following the second service in
 Founders Hall

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Unwind and Paint
 Immediately following the second service
 in Founders Hall.



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Monday—Thursday 9:00 A.M. - Noon Through Oct.

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 and 11:00 A.M. Services Of Holy Communion

Education Hour—9:45 A.M.

(This schedule begins Sunday, September 9th)

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