

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA)

APRIL 2022 YARN

	Sunday, 3	Worship 11 am Live Last Supper Rehearsal Last day for Easter Flowers!
	Wed-Fri, 6-8	Weed Pulling Needed @ GSPC
	Saturday, 9	Spring Cleaning Event 8:30 – Noon
	Sunday, 10	Palm Sunday Service 11 am (Parking Lot) Call to Worship & Palm Parade Costumes Given out after Service
	Wednesday, 13	Live Last Supper performance 7 pm (Participants arrive @ 6 pm)
	Thursday, 14	Circle Bible Study Lesson 7 – Mary 10 am Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm
	Friday, 15	Good Friday Open Sanctuary Noon–3 pm
_	Saturday, 16	Easter Egg Hunt! 10 am
	Sunday, 17	Easter Sunday Worship 11 am
	Thursday, 28	Card Making Workshop 10 am (4th Thursday Program)
	Sunday, 24	Worship 11 am





Friends,

As spring continues to blossom, we enjoy the return of many beautiful things. The daffodils, the crocus, and the forsythia are opening; the Canada geese are returning to their favorite ponds; and the dogwoods are returning to life. I'm sure you've heard the legend of the

dogwood, but it's always nice to revisit this story of Creation's response to the Crucifixion.

The Legend of the Dogwood Tree

(author unknown)

When Christ was on earth, To be large enough for such a tree,

The dogwood grew to a And so slender and twisted

Towering size with a lovely hue. It shall always be with cross-shaped

Its branches were strong and interwoven Blossoms for all to see.

And for Christ's cross

The petals shall have bloodstains

Its timbers were chosen. Marked in brown and in the

Being distressed at the use of its wood, Blossom's center a thorny crown.

Christ made a promise All who see it will think of Me,

Which still holds good: Nailed to a cross from the dogwood tree.

"Not ever again shall the dogwood grow Protected and cherished this tree shall be

A reflection to all of my agony."

I invite you to watch as the now-humble dogwood blossoms this spring. I hope we can all take its fate to heart as we sadly contemplate our role in Christ's sacrifice, and joyously embrace his resurrection.

PEACE, Pastor Kerry

GSPC WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, April 14, 2022 <<<<<10:00 am – 12:00 pm >>>>> Upper Room

WHAT MY GRANDMOTHER'S TAUGHT ME

Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy LESSON 4: Mary

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 1:18-2:223

MAIN IDEA: The biblical account of Mary tells of a young girl, in danger of complete disgrace, who has the courage to say "Yes!" to God. Mary's experience of mother-hood includes a bewildering birth, a risky escape as a refugee and a message from prophets that warns of the death of her son. She meets these difficulties with thoughtfulness and steadfastness.

INVITATION: If you have been unable to join the Women's Circle Bible study this year, we cordially invite you to consider joining us for this study of MARY.



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EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to purchase Easter Flowers in honor or in memory of someone, please contribute \$10 for each plant. They will be used to decorate the sanctuary for Easter after which time you may take home your plant/s.

Please send the donation to the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church with the following information:

I would like to order	Easter Flowers at \$10 each.	
In memory of		
Or		
In honor of		→
Your name(s)		

Orders are due by April 3, 2022.



EASTER EGG WORKSHOP

Thanks to the joint efforts of the Deacons, the Women's Association, and the Children's Center staff, Easter eggs were filled and gift bags assembled at our **March Workshop**.



Many eggs were filled at home, candy was purchased, mores eggs were bought, more candy was purchased, more eggs were filled, and so on and so on until we finally reached our goal of about 2000 eggs!

Thanks to all who donated candy and toys as well as filled eggs for this project!



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THE DEACONS BEACON

(shedding a light on information)

- **#1.** By now EVERYONE should have received the new DIRECTORY dated February 2022. If you have NOT received one, please contact **Clay at** <u>clayton.maas@yahoo.com</u>
- **#2.** As you look through the new Directory, if you see any errors, typos, or mistakes please contact Clay via e-mail and he will see that things get corrected. We already have some updates:
 - **a.** Correct the spelling of Roberta Funkhauser's last name to F-U-N-K-H-O-U-S-E-R and correct her e-mail address to cbcruisers@comcast.net.
 - **b.** Add Joan Pugh's cell phone number is 410-458-8817
 - c. Change Michael Elonge's address to 10 Chadnor Ct, Baltimore, MD 21244 and add his phone number 443-739-0192...his email address is MElonge@umd.edu
 - d. Change Carl Phillips zip code to 34688
 - **e.** Add Lewis Cosner to the Directory. Somehow he got totally deleted (sorry). His address is 9951 Belair Road, Kingsville MD 21087-1450, and phone number is 410-456-1672.
- **#3.** The **EASTER EGG** hunt is back! Hope to see you on Saturday 16 April at 10:00AM. The fun begins with the Easter story as told by Pastor Kerry and then on to the hunt! Followed by Easter treat bags to all the children who participate.
- **#4**. In June we are once again planning our annual **"Bagels and Flowers"** event. This was a huge success last year, more info coming out in the May YARN, stay tuned.
- **#5.** COFFEE HOUR is back! Yes, you heard me correctly. At the last Session Mtng they discussed and approved a return to COFFEE HOUR...here's the plan:
 - a. We reform the teams...maybe 2 or 3 people per tea
 - **b.** We limit the menu. No more Thanksgiving style buffet meals (at least not initially). We're thinking coffee, doughnuts, cookies and/or cake.
 - c. We'd like to start yesterday so if you are interested in being on a team please contact Clay at <u>clayton.maas@yahoo.com</u> and let him know which Sunday works best for you.
 - **d.** Once we get the teams formed we'll discuss plans, rules, procedures etc., etc. I can smell the coffee and taste the cake already...yum, yum!

<u>REDNERS TAPES</u>— Continue to use your **Redner's Rewards card** when you shop...the Redner's Rewards cards are **free**, they **last forever**, and **never expire!** You can get yours at the Customer service counter. When you pop in to Redner's for bread, milk or whatever, remember to scan your card. **There is NO personal information stored on the card, you can't be hacked!** There is just a rewards number on the card.

Hang on to your Redner's receipt and bring it to church and place it in the red box in the narthex. We need the ENTIRE receipt from top to bottom just like the clerk gave it to you. Do not write on it, do not circle the total, do not highlight anything...just bring it in.



WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Thursday, April 14 10:00

Circle Bible Study Lesson 7 – **Mary** (We will be meeting in the sanctuary. Lunch out?)

April 16 10:00 - Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 28 10:00 AM (4th Thursday Program) Card Making Workshop -

We will be making our usual "thinking of you" cards that we send to congregation members as well as a few extra for other Deacon projects.

Please bring old cards that have appropriate pictures or words to re-use.

Bring your lunch.



LIVING LAST SUPPER

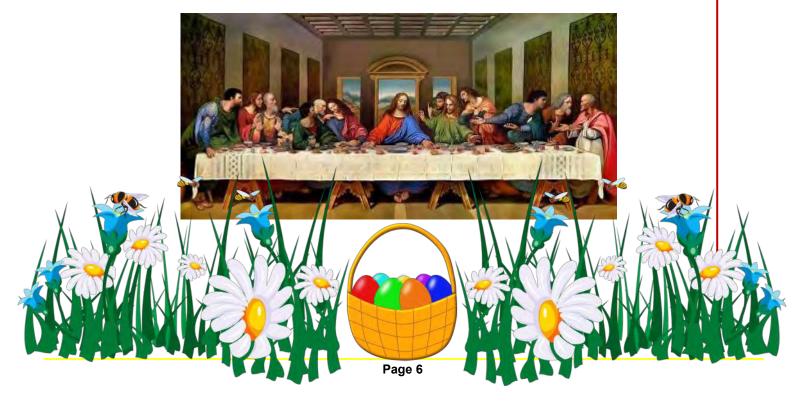
The tables will be set to match Leonardo da Vinci's picture of The Last Supper. It appears we will begin the service as a group in the church parking lot and walk to the front lawn where all of the disciples are already seated (you will be seated in the order on the attached script). Some readings, a hymn, and a short narrative will be read for each disciple. We are asking all to sit at the table while someone else reads the script. A copy of the script is enclosed. The 12 disciples will wear costumes, and you will receive your costume on Sunday, April 10.

Rehearsal

If at all possible, please attend a rehearsal on Sunday, April 3 right after church. We plan to have a very short orientation. give some directions, and even read through the script to get folks situated into their roles. This should last about one hour.

Wednesday, April 13 - Please arrive by 6:00 p.m. so that we can run through any last-minute instructions. You will be seated in the order on the attached script.

Questions? Please call or e-mail me (410.879.0872; susanjeanne@verizon.net).





Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA) FACILITIES COMMITTEE TO DO's



SPRING CLEANING - Saturday, 9th of April @ 8:30AM. Spreading mulch, having fun, window cleaning, having fun, pulling weeds, having fun. All the "regular" stuff we do every spring to spruce up the Lord's House!

All are invited, bring rakes & gloves & anything else you think you might need for SPRING CLEAN-ING. Coffee & donuts will be provided in the morning, and lunch when we are finished!

Hope to see you there & bless you!

NOTE: If anyone wants to start pulling weeds early, the official start date is April 6-7-8th. The flower-bed weeds must be pulled **BEFORE** we can start spreading new mulch! Thanks again!

CHILDREN'S CENTER PROJECT SUPPLIES

Our Children's Center is at it again with yet another amazing and thought provoking craft!

This Summer's theme will be animals! Mrs. Ruth needs your help collecting shoe boxes or shoe box sized boxes for each child to make their own animal habitat inside.







COMMUNITY OUTREACH IDEAS?

"The Session and the Deacons are asking all members to consider ways that we can reach out to the community and be more visible (such as the Nativity Scene & Last Supper)."

You email your ideas to Trista at office@holy411.org

FOOD PANTRY

It has been a while since I posted about the food pantry. However, after cleaning out the expired items, we have bare shelves! Our foot traffic is not what it used to be, but we still get visitors in need, and we should be stocked to help.

We need <u>everything</u>: Juice, crackers, cereal, canned veggies (corn, green beans, peas, asparagus, carrots, mixed veggies), canned meats (tuna, chicken, spam, etc.), canned soups, instant potatoes, Mac n' Cheese, fruit (canned or cupped), applesauce, cookies, pasta, pasta sauce (White & Red), toothbrushes (for adults and children) & toothpaste, vitamins, hair brushes, sandwich bags, laundry detergent, dish soap, paper towels, toilet paper, shampoo, and anything else you can think to donate. We cannot store refrigerated or perishables. SNAP (food stamps) cannot be used to buy nonfood items such as: soaps, paper products, household supplies, grooming items, toothpaste, vitamins, medicines, and hot foods that are ready to eat.



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The Good Shepherd Worship Committee invites you to several inspiring worship experiences in the remaining weeks of the Lenten season. Several committee groups at Good Shepherd (Deacons, Worship, and Women's Association) have been partnering to reach out to our community in a more concerted effort so that our ministry might be noticeable and understood by those in our neighborhood. To this end, you will see that some of our events and worship services are outward-directed and then some are planned for the purpose of our own congregation's spiritual nourishment.

HOLY WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

- April 10 11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Service. Meet in the church parking lot for an opening Call to Worship and Palm Parade.
- April 13 Outdoor Living Last Supper at 7:00 p.m. We will celebrate with an outdoor panorama by our front sign where we will hear special words about the 12 disciples and their night in the Upper Room. We are participating in the Susquehanna Parish Lenten Worship series; this service will be livestreamed. Good Shepherd participants will be in costume and the "Last Supper" scene will be visible to our immediate neighborhood.
- April 14 7:00 p.m.- Maundy Thursday Service in the Round in the Sanctuary....a Night of Remembrance, with special readings. The "Lord's Supper" is part of our gathering.
- April 15 Good Friday Noon to 3:00 p.m. The Worship Committee has decided to open the sanctuary for prayer and meditation, as we symbolically stay with Christ through his crucifixion. We are looking for a few people to sign up for 15-minute segments so we are assured of having someone on hand in the sanctuary during this special time. There will be music and prayers available and an activity or two that can be done individually by anyone who visits.
- April 16 10:00 a.m. An Easter Story, Egg Hunt, and special visit from the Easter Bunny. This much-loved event will be outdoors and sure to be enjoyed by all ages.
- April 17 11:00 a.m. Worship Service...a Joyful Resurrection Service! Ring Alleluia Bells and help decorate our outdoor cross with flowers.

The Deacons and Worship Committee provided "Lenten Bags to Go" again this year, and one of the activities asked people to decorate the puzzle piece provided with a symbol that reminds them of Lent. We plan to make a Puzzle Mural with all of the puzzle parts that have been returned, so we hope you will return yours so it is included in the mural to be displayed during Holy Week. A special thank you to our pastor, our musicians, and those leading in worship who make each of these services holy and meaningful.

Worship Committee: Bill Starke, Chair: Delores Barr, Edie Burns, Ryan Shuttlesworth, Sue Thompson, Jane Workman, and Gail Wronowski.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD FACEBOOK PAGE:

https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdPC/

THE SHEPHERD OF JOPPA YOUTUBE PAGE:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmWeD2EBpNUqSr1Sl1Qgnhw



A PUZZLE FOR YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Spot the Differences in Jesus Is Alive!

Compare the picture on the top with the picture on bottom. Circle the 13 things that are different.







Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA) REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

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Winsome Lacombe's friend, Ted; Kady Howe; Trista's friend, Shelly, & her daughter, Lexi, & Trista's Dad & family; Theresa Manke's son, Will & Family; Terry & Sandy Mateer; Bill & Alethia Strake's friend, Teresa; Mary Kaye Kent; Kathy Young's, friend & client Betty Lineberry; Mike & Chirs Bohns' son-in-law, Brian Oswald, his family & medical team; Frieda Cofelt, her medical team & family; Carla Cathcart's friend, Lorraine Bick; Gail Wronowski's friends, Anne & Gil Perrone, their Late Son & family; Sue Thompson, her family & her Late sister, Ellen; Deborah Phipps; and Linda Link's niece, Annie Collins.

If you or someone you know has a need and you would like to submit a prayer request, please reach out to our prayer team at:

gsprayers@juno.com



DID YOU KNOW?

Legend has it that soft pretzels were created during the 600s by a monk, as food to eat during Lent. At this time, Catholics weren't allowed tot eat eggs, fate or milk during the 40-day fast for Lent. Pretzels require only flour, salt and water. Their shape is said to represent a common prayer position of the time (arms crossed in front with hands placed on shoulders). They are a traditional Lent food in many parts of the world, even thought the fast rules have now been significantly relaxed.



April Birthday's to Celebrate

9 Robert Walko

12 Victorine Elonge

18 Mildred Fike

The Deacons would like the church family to know your important day! If we do not have yours in our file, please notify

Kelly Donelson @

410-961-9275



25 Debi Carey

30 Sue Thompson

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