

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA)



Sunday, 1 Worship 11 am Coffee Hour after service **Tuesday**, 3 **Teacher Appreciation Day!** Sunday, 8 Mother's Day Worship 11 am Coffee Hour after service Thursday, 12 Circle Bible Study Final Two Lessons 8 & 9 – 10 am Bring a Lunch Sunday, 15 Worship 11 am Coffee Hour after service Saturday, 21 Lion's Club Yard Sale 8 am @ GSPC Worship 11 am Sunday, 22 Coffee Hour after service Thursday, 26 Israel: A Journey of Love -Join Virtually 10 am Sunday, 29 Worship 11 am Coffee Hour after service

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Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Friends,

MAY 2022

Now that the earth-changing events of Easter are behind us, it is appropriate to take some time to look inside – both individually as faithful followers of our risen Lord, and corporately, as Good Shepherd church. How can we be better disciples of Jesus, and how can we unite our service into a cohesive, dynamic ministry to our community. Obviously, Good Shepherd's commitment to educating the young children of Joppatowne is a powerful witness to our love for our neighbors. Can we do more to integrate our young students into our congregation? Are there other opportunities to reach out with our strengths, and our interests and passions? Do we want to focus on worship, or Christian education, or caring for others, or social witness, or eco-awareness, or...? In coming weeks, we will take some time after worship to share ideas and suggestions, so think about these things, and pray for inspiration and wisdom.

So, Friends, may we all discover new ways to be partners in Christ's service!

May God watch over you and give you...

PEACE, Pastor Kerry



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Ms. Meghan

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From the start, to finish, our Living Last Supper was a work of love with amazing results! Neighbors of all ages learned about each of the Disciples who were with Jesus during his last hours. The tableau was carefully designed to duplicate Leonardo DaVinci's famous fresco of the scene at the moment Jesus announced "One of you will betray me." Many thanks to all who made it possible.





Thursday, May 12 10:00 am—Circle Bible Study: Final Two Lessons 8 and 9 Mary in the Faith and Tradition of the Church and What are These Women doing in a Place Like This?



Bring your lunch.

Thursday, May 26 10:00 am - Israel: A Journey of Love

A visit to the land where Jesus lived 2022 years ago. How is He remembered today? Join us on a virtual of the Holy Land.

(Joan Pugh will be the presenter.)

BAGELS & BLOOMS



(AN EVENT SPONSORED BY THE DEACONS)

We're planning a fellowship and "caring" event that involves flowers with soul and heavenly thoughts and wishes!

Sunday, June 12, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

BRING: Vases you no longer need; scissors, ribbon, and flowers from a garden, field, or store.

We're repeating a fun event from last year that involves flowers and food. We will have a lite breakfast of bagels and coffee and juice and get to work making flower bouquets for shut-ins. Our goal is to make enough bouquets for everyone to take at the end of the worship service to someone who needs cheer and our loving thoughts.

Tables will be set up with flowers, with food, and with cardmaking supplies. We will have some flowers and cardmaking supplies on hand, but if you bring some garden or wild-flowers, we think we can make some great arrangements at a low cost. Our food and drink will be easy to enjoy and if everyone pitches in with a few flowers and a vase or two, we should be able to make some stunning arrangements.

All finished bouquets will be placed on tables in the sanctuary, and members may choose one to take at the end of the service.

Please use the sign-up form in the narthex so we know how many to expect.

DEACONS BEACON

<u>Christmas in July</u>- beginning the 1st Sunday in July we will once again be collecting pillows for the Harford Family House. start looking for sales! If everyone could donate two pillows we could set a new record!

The **FOOD PANTRY** needs everything, all donations of canned goods, hygiene items & non-perishable items will be greatly appreciated!

Here is a sneak peek at some exciting future projects:

- Shepherds Market
- Indoor/Outdoor Concert
- •Blessing of the Pets
- Bagels & Flowers

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

We wanted to say THANKS to Elaine Tich for joining the 1st Sunday Coffee Hour team. We could still use one or two congregation members to think about joining the 5th Sunday team.



You may have noticed we've recently added and/or updated eleven new emergency exit signs throughout the sanctuary, the hallway, the Children's Center, the stairs to the Upper Room, the Upper Room and the back stairs.







RN Thank you, thank you, thank you to the Deacons, the Women's Group and all the congregation members for donating time, money, eggs, candy & prizes. Special "thank you" to Gail for a new twist on the Easter story.

We had 98 people show up for the Easter egg hunt. It took 8 adults an hour and a half to hide 2,339 eggs and it took the children 13 minutes to find them!

A special thank you to Meghan & Chrissy for having the children in the Children's Center decorate 125 Easter "to-go" bags filled with goodies.



Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA) GSPC WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY



Thursday, May 12, 2022 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Upper Room WHAT MY GRANDMOTHERS TAUGHT ME

Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus THIS WILL BE OUR FINAL LESSON. WE ARE COMBINING THE FINAL TWO LESSONS

LESSON 8: "Mary in the Faith and Tradition of the Church"

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-52 and John 2:5; 19:25-27

MAIN IDEA: Mary is the model disciple for all followers of Jesus. As someone who understands the fears and grief of motherhood, she has been a sympathetic figure to women through the ages. She allowed God to work in her despite the risk and pointed others to faith in Jesus.

<u>LESSON 9:</u> "What are These Women Doing in a Place Like This? SCRIPTURE: Matthew 1

MAIN IDEA: The final lesson summarizes what the grandmothers of our faith have taught us and imagines what they may have taught Jesus. Through the stories of outsiders and marginalized people we see the kingdom of God, in which the last are made first.

PREPARATION FOR LESSON: Who are your "grandmothers" in faith. How have their stories inspired and strengthened you? How did they overturn expectations and shake up the way things are? **BRING A LUNCH**

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.



C.C. PROJECT SUPPLIES

Our Children's Center is stocking up on supplies for Summer Camp crafts and could use your help!

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.

* The Center also needs about 60 cleaned and dried water bottles for the Summer crafts ahead.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

"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 Live Nativity, Easter Egg Hunt, and Last Supper)."

You email your ideas to Trista at <u>office@holy411.org</u>



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Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (USA) REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

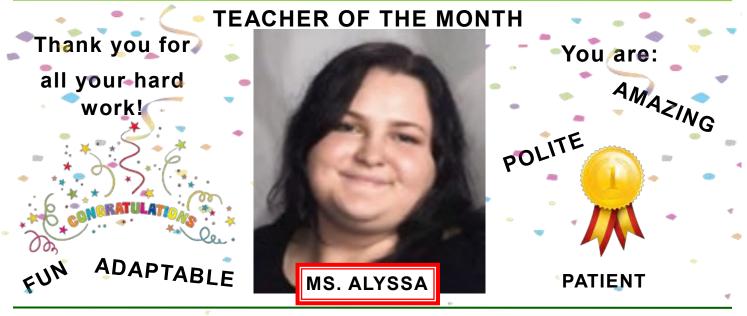
Linda Link's Late niece, Annie Collins & her family; Marcie Jackson's daughter-in-law, Joselin Jackson; Millie Fike & her friend, Nancy Schaeffer; Edith Burns' friends, Sheila & Dave Tenney; Kathy Young's friend, Marcie Jackson's daughter-in-law, Jocelyn Jackson & Kathy's friend George Zepp, his wife Pat, his family, & medical team; and Betty Lineberry.



MAY 2022

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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**



LION'S CLUB YARD SALE



Come support (or join) our local Lions Club's Yard Sale at Good Shepherd on **Saturday, May 21st @ 8 am**. There will be many community members paying for tables at this event to sell their treasures, crafts, and other goods. *All table rental fees support our Children's Center!*

If you have any questions contact Meghan @ <u>CCDirector@holy411.org</u>

