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- Wednesday, 3** **Critter Guy @ GSCC**
- Sunday, 7** **Worship Service 11 am**
Coffee Hour after service
- Tuesday, 9** **Crab Shots Soccer @ GSCC**
- Saturday, 13** **Sharing Table - Fusilli**
Recipe on the Narthex &
Pans in Trista's office!
- Sunday, 14** **Worship Service 11 am**
Coffee Hour after service
- Sunday, 21** **Worship Service 11 am**
Coffee Hour after service
- Sunday, 28** **Worship Service 11 am**
Coffee Hour after service
- Sunday, 31** **Worship Service 11 am**
Coffee Hour after service



Apocrypha – a Greek word meaning “hidden away.” We generally use this word to denote the extra books in the Catholic Bible which aren’t included in the protestant Bible. The Catholics call these books “deutero-canonical,” which means “secondary authority.”

They were written as early as the period following the return from exile in Babylon, and as late as the post-Alexandrian period.

Originally, these documents – containing difficult and confusing doctrine, others just telling some strange stories – were considered possibly too holy for the average believer to understand. They were consequently held back for only the most learned to study. As more people read the apocrypha they realized that some of the material conflicted with the understanding of God and faith that the most accepted scriptures taught us.

Two of the books chronicle a known historical period – the middle 2nd Century before Christ. I and II Maccabees tell the story of the rebellion against oppressive Greek rule, led by the Temple priest Mattathias and his son Judas who was given the name Maccabeus (Hammerhead) for his ferocity in battle. The rebellion was fought between 167 and 164 BCE and was successful in securing independence for Palestine until the Roman conquest in 63 BCE. The liberation and rededication of the Temple is the basis for the Jewish celebration of Hanukkah. Our popular hymn “Thine Is the Glory” is set to the theme of the oratorio “Judas Maccabeus” written in 1747 by G.F. Handel.

On another note, I am just recovering from a COVID infection. I am grateful for the vaccine, the boosters, and the anti-viral medications that made my recovery quick and uneventful. I also think of and pray for those who suffered and the many who died from the early attacks of this disease. We have come through a very strange and difficult time, and I hope you will all continue to successfully weather the storms of this pandemic.

PEACE,

Pastor Kerry

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Choir will be on Summer Break until Sept 25th. We encourage anyone willing to provide a special musical presentation any Sunday during that time to contact our Director, Edie Burns. The presentations may be vocal or instrumental (solo or group) or you may make an alternate suggestion.

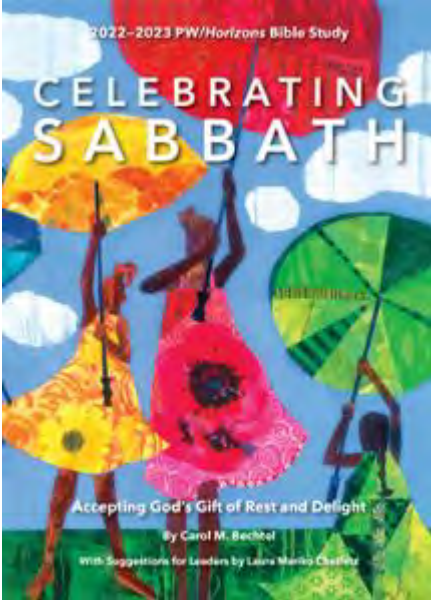
You may also volunteer to be added to our lists of liturgists - contact Sue Thompson for our Children's Time & Tellers - contact Bill Starke.

**Help us make our worship experiences even better. Remember to join us for
Worship in the Park on Sunday, Sept. 11th!**



Good Shepherd's Women's Bible Study - 2022-2023 **Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight**

By Carol M. Bechtel



In the nine lessons of this Bible study—with passages from Genesis, Exodus, Deuteronomy, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke, and Acts—we'll consider Sabbath

- as a celebration, not a day of dreary formality
- as God's intent for all of creation that includes busy women too
- as one day of the week, perhaps a Sunday
- as a time to surrender unhealthy striving and frantic busyness, and instead trust that God will provide
- as a reminder that life is precious and working too much is against God's plans for our precious lives
- as a day devoted to community and justice and not exclusively to self-care.

Ultimately, Sabbath reminds us to honor God who honors us by giving us a day each week to reset our pace, our priorities, and our lives.

COME JOIN THE CELEBRATION!!

Second Thursday of each month beginning September 14th in the Upper Room.

SHEPHERD'S MART

September 10 Shepherd's Mart: Good Shepherd will host a Community Yard Sale, Big Band Concert, and a "Thank You" to medical, safety, and military personnel from **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 10.** Your help is needed in various ways.

Sign up on the Volunteer Sheet in the hallway to lend your support. We will need donations of books and household items for a table of goods to be sold that day. Bring in your items during the month of August. See Chris Bohns, Norma Webster, or Jane Workman if you have questions about your donation.

Pick up a flyer or an invitation sheet in the narthex to share with someone.

Vendor/Table Contracts are required in order to secure a spot on September 10.

Sellers are welcome at no charge, but they must bring their own table and abide by the vendor guidelines a set forth in our contract. **Contracts are in the narthex and should be returned to Chris Bohns.** Spaces are limited so apply early.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD FACEBOOK PAGE:

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

THE SHEPHERD OF JOPPA YOUTUBE PAGE:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmWeD2EBpNUqSr1SI1Qgnhw>



SUMMER CAMP FOAM PARTY

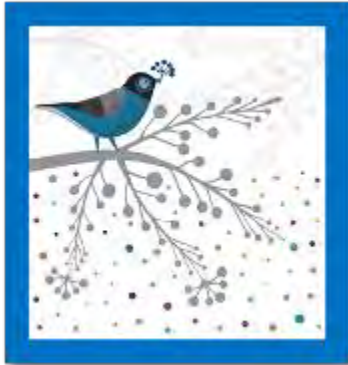


Good Shepherd Summer Camp enjoyed their very first Foam Party!



It was pleasantly far more foamy fun than any of us expected!
A giant cloud of bubbles covered the entire yard with a wave of giggles and smiles!
All ages enjoyed investigating, throwing, and running around in the eco-friendly foam.





THE PARABLE OF THE SMALL BUT MIGHTY... (A note from the Deacon Ministry Team)

Good Shepherd has long been living out the Parable of the Small but Mighty, constantly proving that the seemingly impossible can become something mighty and life changing. In the hands of skilled individuals, who are guided by God's Spirit, many incredible ministries and relationships are built. For sure, we are fulfilling those stories about seeds, pearls, yeast, and even weeds...stories that point out there is a time to sow and a time to grow, if you are faithful.

This Good Shepherd Parable of the Small But Mighty will continue to be told as our church reaches out to the community at an exciting Outdoor Event called the **"Shepherd's Mart" on Saturday, September 10**. We will transform our parking lot and surrounding space into a Community Yard Sale, where people can connect and share. Additionally, we will convert our basketball court into a Concert Stage area, where Big Band music can energize us and help us all enjoy a great day outdoors. We hope you will help us connect and build relationships with our neighbors, thus adding our own story to the list of "Parables of the Small, But Mighty."

So, here are the particulars:

1. There is a way for you to be involved; it can be a small way, but mighty! Check out the Sign-Up Sheet on the hallway bulletin board and see how you can support this event.
2. Vendor/Table Contracts are available in the church hallway or online on the church website. All contracts must be returned to Chris Bohns. There are no table charges...this is a free event, but people must bring their own table and receive a confirmation e-mail from Chris Bohns. Spaces are limited so apply early.
3. Donate household items and books for our Book/White Elephant Table. We are looking for worthy sellable items and children's books, good and easy reads, paperbacks, and unmarked books that we know people will enjoy. Bring your items in during the month of August and leave them in bags on the tables at the back of the church.
4. Help us honor our medical, safety, and military personnel that day. Part of our concert will contain some patriotic tunes. Invite someone (for example, a nurse, an EMT, a fireman or doctor) and at **10:30 a.m., we will pause to say thank you**. Refreshments will be free to our honorees. Pick up an invitation flyer to share with your invitee.
5. Invite a friend or neighbor to attend this event.

Good Shepherd is great at taking seemingly small and invisible things like hospitality, kindness, creativity, and sincerity, and multiplying them greatly. Please help us make "The Parable of the Small But Mighty" known and experienced on **September 10, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

PLAN AHEAD

Sunday, September 11, a Picnic in the Woods, with Worship on the Waterfront...

Our worship service will be held at the Pavilion at Mariner Point at 11:00 a.m. Following our outdoor service, we'll have fried chicken (provided by the Deacons) and sides (provided by the Good Shepherd congregation). More details will be shared in the September Yarn, but put this event on your calendar for a great Homecoming Gathering.





CHRISTMAS IN JULY

PILLOW DONATION

Good Shepherd again collected pillows for the Harford Family House, a worthy cause.

Our total count of collected and delivered new pillows was 38! The gentleman in the picture is John. He met us for the drop-off at the Harford Family House.

By donating pillows we supply much needed and often overlooked items to the families that Harford Family house helps.



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 **everything**: 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.

SHARING TABLE

Dear Friends of The Sharing Table, please remember that **Aug 13, 2022**, is our next opportunity to serve those who rely on receiving meals and bags of limited allotments of non-perishable items for each coming week.

If you can prepare one of the **20 casseroles** we will try to furnish for that day, please use the attached recipe. Baking pans are available in Trista's office - behind the door - top shelf.





REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS



Marcie Jackson's friends DB & Barb; Cindy PreVatte's friend the Late Danielle's mother, & their family; Morgan Hagley, a teacher at Good Shepherd & her daughter Emma; the Late, Michael Mann & his family; Cindy PreVatte's sister, the Late Sandy Kling; Mueller received a swimming award from the Special Olympics, Congratulations! Edie Burns' friend Tom Offidani & his family, the Late Reba, (grandmother of her step-daughter) & her family; Trista's Late cousin Joe & his family, her Dad, Donald, and her Brother, Alexander; Marie Adams' brother, Adam Douglass; Kathy Young's daughter-in-law, Janet Bowman & step-son, Johnny, Kathy's (former) daughter-in-law, Barbara S., and her son, Marc & his family; Jerry & Elaine Tich; a visitor named Gaurav Taylor & his wife, Kimberly Taylor; Kathy Young's friends, George (Sonny) and Kathy Robertson, and her neighbor Debbie Ford's father, Frank; Theresa Manke & Richard Watson's son-in-law, Will; and one of Farrell's extended family members, Jim & his medical team.

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



SPOTTED AROUND JOPPATOWNE

We have not had one of these in a while, but thanks to Clay Maas, we can steal the first glance at our rebuilt fountains new denizen.

I'll let you look for it and then point it out.

Found it yet? The frog in the bottom left corner of the picture? He is just a little guy for now but let's hope he will decide to stick around!



August Birthday's to Celebrate

1 Jane Workman

24 Mike McKemy

3 Chris McKemy

25 Ashley Andrews

4 Cindy Prevatte

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10 Edith Burns

22 Sue Maddox

James Andrews

16 Winsome LaComb

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 @

Joan Douglas

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