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| Sunday, 4    | Worship Service 11 am<br>Coffee Hour after service   |
| Tuesday, 6   | First Day of School Send Off<br>8:15 am  |
| Thursday, 8  | GSWA Bible Study 10 am   |
| Saturday, 10 | Shepherd's Mart 10-2 pm<br>Medical, Safety, Military<br>Thank You 10:30<br>Ain't Misbehavin' Big Band<br>11 am |
| Sunday, 11   | Worship in the Park 11 am<br>Picnic after service  |
| Sunday, 18   | Worship Service 11 am<br>Coffee Hour after service   |
| Sunday, 25   | Worship Service 11 am<br>Coffee Hour after service<br>Choir Returns!   |



Calling all life-long learners!!

I am happy to announce that we will be starting a **Bible/Religion/Spirituality Seminar** which will meet on the **second Thursday of the month at 10:00.**

I am trying to set things up for both in-person and ZOOM participants. Our seminar will correspond time-wise with the women's Horizon study (this year's Horizon focus is understanding SABBATH). I am aiming the seminar toward the men of the church, but it will be open to all.

I originally intended to begin on September 8, however, I received news that my uncle Charles Scott just passed away and the services for him will be on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Uncle Chuck was the last of his generation and all my cousins who can make it are gathering (as they say...) from north, south, east, and west, in Tennessee in his honor. I'll have to tell you about Uncle Chuck sometime.

So, the first gathering of our seminar will be **October 13, 10:00am**. Hope to see you there!

Fall's arrival always brings a great deal of activity to Good Shepherd. The Children's Center is in full action mode, and it will be so nice to once again have the various classes winding their way down the hallway. One of the special things we will do this fall is celebrate the **"Blessing of the Animals"** in honor of St Francis of Assisi. That will be celebrated on **October 16** during our regular worship slot. So, plan to bring your pets and grand-pets and we will make the service as pet-friendly as we can -- and invite the neighborhood as well. Come and celebrate "all creatures, great and small."

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!**

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD FACEBOOK PAGE:**

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

**THE SHEPHERD OF JOPPA YOUTUBE PAGE:**

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



# SHARING TABLE

On Saturday 13 August 2022 the following members of GSPC set a new record while serving meals at Sharing Table

The previous record was 280 (two hundred eighty) meals served...the new record is now 320 (three hundred twenty).



Kudos to Bud Baranowski, MaryKaye Kent and Sue Thompson for contributing casseroles to this event.

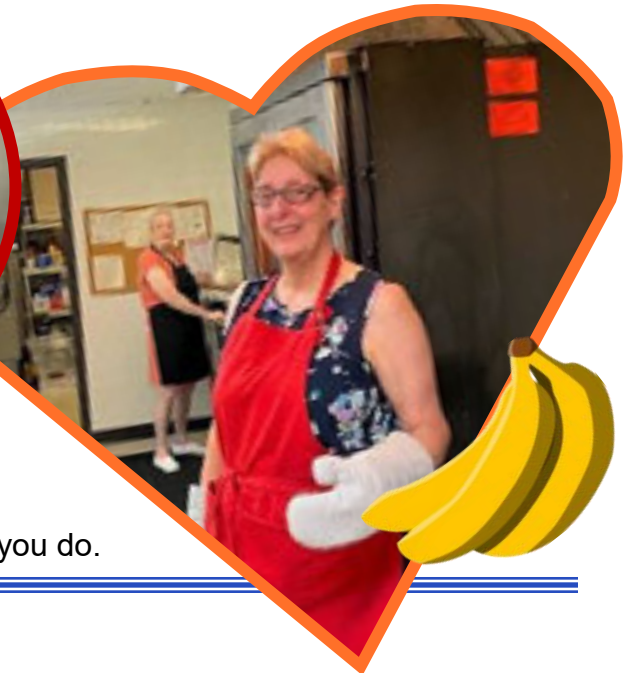
Way to go team!



Special thanks to Allison Jones and the staff at Jones Family Farm located at the corner of Edgewood Rd & Philadelphia Rd for continuing to support our efforts by once again donating a bushel basket of beautiful tomatoes to supplement the salads.



Congrats go to Bob & Delores Barr, Chris Bohns, Clay & Vickie Maas, Cindy PreVatte, Bill Starke, Norma Webster, Gary & Jane Workman and Kathy Young for preparing casseroles and serving.



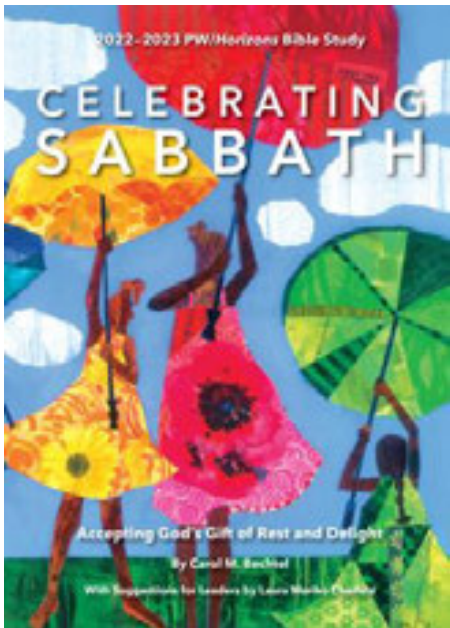
Thank you, thank you, thank you to EVERYONE for all you do.



## 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 8<sup>th</sup>** in the Upper Room.

### 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.

### A MESSAGE FROM CLAY

#### #1. COFFEE HOUR:

Week #1 needs two people.

Week #3 needs one person.

Week #4 needs one person.

Don't be bashful, sign up for one of the vacancies, it's fun!

**#2.** Do **you** have a copy of the GSPC DIRECTORY dated February 2022? When was the last time you checked your data? Did your home address change? How about your email address? Your home phone number, your cell number, your work number...is all your data still current and up to date?

If not, please send updated current info to Clay at [clayton.maas@yahoo.com](mailto:clayton.maas@yahoo.com)



## DEACON MINISTRY NEWS AND NOTES

The stories we tell and live out are important at Good Shepherd....stories of the seasons of the church year, the people of God, the place and purpose of faith in the world; the story of Jesus and how we carry out his message.

We've been telling the story for many years in Joppatowne in the form of strong words, songs, and mission outreach that involves great ideas that have turned into mighty deeds. We are thankful for our members who put words into action and who spend time serving, supporting, and making things happen by reaching out to our neighbors and friends when we sponsor programs. Listed below are events in September not to be missed and a sneak preview of a special Pet Blessing sponsored by the Worship Committee and supported by the Deacons. Please see the special calendar of events coming up included in this newsletter, with even more opportunities for hands-on helping that you can provide when the time comes prior to the holiday season. Good Shepherd continues to write its story!

**Saturday, Sept. 10**     **A Community Yard Sale, Band Concert, and Honoring of Safety and Health Heroes, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Come early (10:30 a.m.) to say "Thank You" to those serving our community. There will be a Color Guard and singing of the National Anthem, followed by the **Ain't Misbehavin' Big Band concert at 11:00 a.m.** And don't forget to browse the many vendor tables, pick up a baked good (proceeds to benefit the Children's Center) and have a hotdog, drink, and snowball. Bring a friend and enjoy meeting Joppa friends and neighbors!

**Sunday, Sept. 11**     **Homecoming Picnic in the Park at 11:00 a.m.** Outdoor worship starts our day, and a fried chicken picnic, with sides provided by our members, will be available for all to enjoy afterwards. Music, outdoor singing, and getting caught up are on our agenda for this special day. We regret we cannot livestream our service.



### **BLESSING OUR PETS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**

Pet owners and animal lovers...bring your pet to our lawn on **Sunday, October 16th** for a special blessing! Our worship service will be outdoors and will center on God's Creation and the gift of animals. We are inviting our neighbors and friends, as well as the Good Shepherd congregation and Children's Center, to participate. The actual blessing will occur at Noon to allow those who may not be able to attend the entire service with their pet. All animals must be on leashes or in carriers. Following the Blessing, we will have light refreshments on the lawn (along with pet treats). Come enjoy the delight of living things!

*The Blessing of the Animals originated in the 13th century in honor of St. Francis, the patron saint of animals and the environment, who believed that all animals should be treated with dignity and respect.*

**FROM THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE:** Our Committee developed a handout for the upcoming **Community Yard Sale on September 10**. Our plan is to invite our neighborhood to join us at the worship services and events listed on the next page in the coming months. More information will follow each month in the Yarn newsletter, but we wanted to share the information with our congregation in advance to allow you to mark your calendars and give you time to think about who you could invite to any of these events.





## Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

422 Joppa Farm Road Joppa MD 21085

A Caring Church for Changing Times...

### Neighborhood Events for All to Enjoy

Stop by for outdoor (and even indoor) events that are sure to please and bring personal joy and neighborhood peace to all!

Sept. 11 Homecoming Picnic at Mariner Park - 11:00 a.m.  
Outdoor worship - Picnic to follow

Oct. 2 World Communion Sunday  
Global Worship and Breads - 11:00 a.m.

Oct. 14 Blessing Our Pets - Outdoor  
worship on the lawn followed by  
Pet Blessings at Noon (Coffee, Donuts,  
Pet Treats) All Pets Must Be on a Leash.

Oct. 30 All Saints and Reformation Worship - 11:00 a.m.

Nov. 22 Community thanksgiving Worship  
(Tues.) 7:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd

Nov. 27 First Sunday of Advent - 11:00 a.m. worship  
Followed by Advent Crafts and Projects

Dec. 16 Outdoor Living Nativity - Recreating  
the Manger Scene (Live Animals, too!)  
4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Drive by or stop by to  
take pictures and sing.

Dec. 21 Longest Night worship Service  
(Wed.) 7:00 p.m. - Lights, Prayers, and Dreams  
for a Peaceful Christmas

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Worship Service - 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 25 11:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship

We are large enough to serve you and small  
enough to know you!



# REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

**YARN**



Theresa Manke & Richard Watson's son-in-law the Late, Will & his family, Heather, Liam & Helena; Kimberly Taylor, her family & medical team; Jim, an extended family member of Farrell's, his family and Medical team; Kathy Young's son, Marc & his career & medical team, her nephew, Rodrigo Andrade; and neighbor her Debbie Ford & Debbie's father, Frank; Gail Wronowski's friend, Louise Costello & her medical team; Edith Burns' cousin, Ron Turner & his wife, Jean; Trista, her brother, Alexander, her Dad & their family, and her friend, the Late Terry Moran & his family; Jerry & Elaine Tich; a gentlemen named Lee C.; Kady Howe, her family & medical team; The Late Leslie Pinkosz & her family; and Joan

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](mailto:gsprayers@juno.com)

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL SEND OFF

Give GSCC kiddos a proper send off on their first day of school (9/6/2022)! Park in the our lot and beep horns and wave as our kids get on the bus. Want to do more? Come and blow bubbles, bring balloons, or just welcome children as they arrive for their first day at GSCC. If you would like to do the socially distanced send off for school age children, arrive by 8:15. Bus should arrive between 8:20-8:25.



## GSPC WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, **September 8, 2022** @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Upper Room

**CELEBRATING THE SABBATH** Accepting God's Gifts of Rest and Delight

LESSON 1: Sabbath and Celebration KEY IDEA: As Lord of the Sabbath, Jesus invites all of us who are weary to celebrate a Sabbath that is more about "yes" than "no" SCRIPTURE: Matthew 11:28-12:13

**BRING YOUR LUNCH**



## KNITTING/CROCHETING PRAY SHAWS

**October 22, 2022 10:00 – 11:30 AM** at the Church of the Resurrection, on Anchor and Bridge Drive, Rumsey Island, Joppa town, MD.

We are looking for people who would like to learn how to knit or crochet. Every Thursday morning we meet at **Colonial and Historical Festival**. We will supply you with **needles and Yarn no cost**. We are in need of **VENDORS**. There will be food and drink at cost, bring the family and have some **GOOD FUN** that day. **If you know how to do this come and join our group anyway and share your skills!** Call Judy 443-528-2133.



## September Birthday's to Celebrate

*3 Weston Shuttlesworth*

*9 Susan Luu*

*10 Hazel Morgan*

*4 Katie Pollard*

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 @

*19 Michael Elonge*

*6 Marcia Goldberg*

410-961-9275

*25 Stacy Howe*