



Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church, Joppa

"Changing Lives and Growing in God's Love"

March Yarn

Sunday, 5

Worship 11:00 am
1st Sunday Food Pantry

Thursday, 9

Women's Bible Study 10 - 12 pm
LESSON 5: SABBATH AND SERVITUDE
Bring your lunch
Men's Association Bible Study 10 - 12 pm
Session Meeting 6 pm

Sunday, 12

Worship 11:00 am
Coffee Hour After Worship

Tuesday, 17

Happy St. Patty's Day!

Sunday, 19

Worship 11:00 am
Coffee Hour After Worship
Easter Flower Orders are Due!

Thursday, 23

Easter Egg Stuffing 10 am

Sunday, 26

Worship 11:00 am
Choir "Amazing Love" Special Music
Coffee Hour After Worship



Friends, on March 17, EVERYONE becomes Irish to honor St. Patrick.



The Prayer of St. Patrick

I arise today

Through the strength of heaven; Light of the sun,
Splendor of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftmess of the wind,
Depth of the sea, Stability of the earth, Firmness of the rock.

I arise today

Through God's strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me
Afar and anear, Alone or in a multitude.

Christ shield me today Against wounding.

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in the eye that sees me,
Christ in the ear that hears me.

I arise today

Through the mighty strength Of the Lord of creation.

Enjoy the day! And may you experience *céad míle fáilte* ("100,000 welcomes") wherever you go.

PEACE,
Pastor Kerry



As we approach the Season of Lent, you are invited to join Good Shepherd friends in pursuing worship and devotional opportunities to deepen our faith. You can worship from home or come to the sanctuary for some of these special events.

We are also offering a daily devotional for Lent. Pick up a copy in the narthex of our sanctuary. A congregational member will be sharing one of these devotions every week on our church Facebook page, so check there to view these short expressions of faith.

Here are some highlights in the area of worship, fellowship, and the practice of prayer during Holy Week.

Eggravaganza! Bring in already-filled plastic eggs and drop them in the basket in the narthex or bring in wrapped candy and plastic eggs for filling during the month of March. Good Shepherd is pairing with the Lions Club this year, and we expect many children and parents to join us. Be sure the eggs you donate are large enough to allow a piece of candy to be inside.

Sunday, March 19: Easter flower orders are due today. Use the form to order; cost is \$10 per flower.

Thursday, March 23: Gather to fill eggs and make a count of all that has been collected. We meet at 10:00 a.m. to fill eggs and share fellowship.

Sunday, March 26: The choir presents special music on the theme of “Amazing Love.” The worship service will contain wonderful music and meaningful readings.

Saturday, April 1: Good Shepherd pairs with the Joppatowne Lions Club for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Children will meet in the sanctuary for an opening welcome and be dismissed by age group to the “Hunt.” Snacks on the lawn, “Take and Make” crafts bags, and small prize bags will be distributed to all who attend. In case of rain, we will postpone until the following Saturday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 2: Arrive five minutes early, select your seat in the sanctuary, and then meet in the hallway. We will have palms for all and join in an opening Call to Worship and process in singing a Hosanna Hymn. The praise and passion of this special Palm Sunday starts off Holy Week at Good Shepherd.

Wednesday, April 5: As part of the Susquehanna Parish Mid-Week Lenten Service Series, Good Shepherd hosts a service in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. You can view the service from home, too. We will worship with a Scripture Echo centering on Jesus washing his disciple’s feet.

Thursday, April 6: The Night of Remembrance, Betrayal, and Arrest....A short worship service in the sanctuary observing Holy Communion, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 7: Visit our sanctuary any time between noon and 3:00 p.m. A prayer handout will be available with special music playing and a “Way of the Cross” video to enhance the Good Friday Vigil. Simply read silently your prayers and remember the Last Words of Christ and all that happened at his crucifixion. We trust we will have someone in the sanctuary all through the afternoon, praying and walking the way with Christ.

Sunday, April 9: Put a flower on the cross, a butterfly on our display, ring an Alleluia Bell, and celebrate the resurrection of Christ Our Lord! There will be no after-church fellowship today so that families may spend time together. Remember to take your Easter flowers at the conclusion of the worship service for enjoyment during the coming week.

We hope to see you at these events and wish you peace, calm, and assurance of faith during Lent and Holy Week.

March 2023

EASTER EGG HUNT

JELLY BEAN GUESS CONTEST • TAKE & MAKE CRAFTS FOR HOME • SNACKS • SMALL GIFT BAGS • EASTER BUNNY VISIT

Sat., April 1 - 11:00 am
(No Fooling!)
Rain Date: April 8
Meet in the Sanctuary and
Dismiss to the Egg Hunt

Good Shepherd
Presbyterian
622 Joppa Farm Road
Please Bring Your
Own Basket!

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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 March 19, 2023

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A FEW ITEMS NOTES FROM CLAY

COFFEE HOUR: If anyone is interested we still have some openings...the sign up sheet is on the board in the hallway outside of Trista's office.

Speaking of Coffee Hour, just a reminder, if anyone notices we are getting low on any supplies please let Clay know. Thanks again.



GSPC DIRECTORY: Time to dust off your copy of the Directory, the current GSPC Directory is dated February 2022.

Please review YOUR info to ensure YOUR name, address, phone number & e-mail address are accurate & current. Thanks!

If there are any updates, changes or corrections please forward to Clay at

claton.maaas@yahoo.com

No...we are NOT ready to update pictures!

CARL PHILLIPS' NEW ADDRESS

Speaking of updates, here is one for you Clay:

Carl Phillips
PO Box #591
Hernando, FL 34441

GOOD SHEPHERD CC SUMMER OF RAINBOWS!

“LET YOUR TRUE COLORS SHINE!”

This summer Good Shepherd has a rainbows spectrum of colorful things planned for the children and families. So many in fact, The Center is asking the members of Good Shepherd to step in and help out!

I was able to get some exciting details about a few of the many events in store to give an idea just how awesome this summer is going to be for kids and adults alike!

The events so far and how you can help:

Water packed field day relay - Come help cheer our Children's Center on as they traverse a wet and wild course!

Color Run - Throw colored powder at the kids (and teachers) as they make a rainbow trail!

Snow Cones - Hot summer days call for hues of flavored ice! Help give them out various Tuesdays and Fridays!

THE GOOD SHEPHERD FACEBOOK PAGE:

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

THE SHEPHERD OF JOPPA YOUTUBE PAGE:

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



Sharing Table



I know it may sound crazy, but those cups are for the salad.

We filled almost 450 (four hundred fifty) of them...whew!

-Clay Maas





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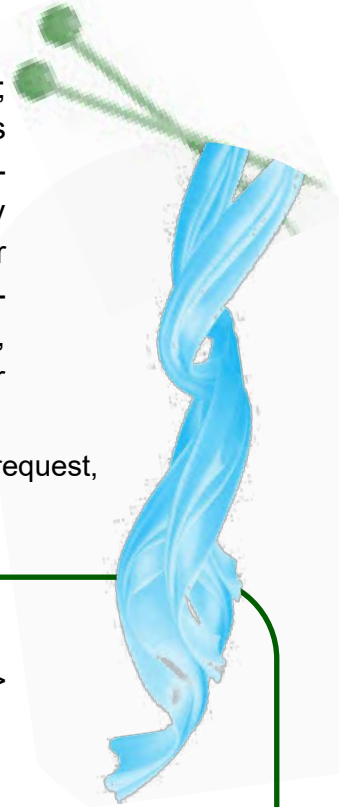
REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS



Michael Bohn's Brother, Joe Bohns, his family & medical team; Farrell Maddox's sister, Debbie Maddox; Charles Tenney & his wife, Dot; Marcie Jackson's friends, Pat H. & her daughter, Kierney & Brother Darrell Burns; Allison Aimes Estep (formerly Wylam); Ellie Pfoutz's friend, Ron Stokes; Diane Mordecai & her family; Judy Kawaja's daughter; Kady Howe, her family & Medical team; Kathy Young's step-son, Johnny Bowman & his family, & her friend Pam Dodd; Bob & Betty Walko; and Trista & her family.

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@iuno.com



GSPC WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, **March 9, 2023** <<<<<<10:00 am – 12:00 pm >>>>>>

CELEBRATING THE SABBATH

Accepting God's Gifts of Rest and Delight

LESSON 7: SABBATH AND SELF-CARE

KEY IDEA: Even though self-care is a crucial part of the Christian journey, it's important to remember that Sabbath is not primarily about caring for ourselves. Sabbath is first about honoring God.

SCRIPTURE: Luke 13:10-21

BRING YOUR LUNCH

March Birthday's to Celebrate



7 Gail Wronowski

17 Steve Morgan

18 Jeanette Petnic

9 Mike Bohns

17 Erin Pollard

20 Marcus Cheatham, Sr.

15 Mary Kay Kent

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

31 Cecilia Davis



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