NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY AT GOOD SHEPHERD





Our Weekly Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship

8:00 am Rite I Eucharist 9:45 am Sunday School & Middle School Youth 10:00 am Rite II Eucharist with hymns

Special Worship Services

Thursday, May 10: Ascension Day

6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7:00 pm Steakfest!

Sunday, May 20: Pentecost

The 10:00 service is a Family Sunday service with Parish BBQ feast afterwards.

Sunday, June 3

High School Youth Group Graduation at 10:00 am service.

Sunday, June 10

The 10:00 service is a Family Sunday service with Sunday School & Middle School Youth Group graduations.

Sunday, June 24: Confirmation Sunday

We will have one service at 9:00 am, with Bishop Dietsche celebrating, followed by a potluck parish brunch.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Hi Everyone,

So it's Eastertide, the time after the resurrection of Jesus from the dead wherein we celebrate his glorious victory and its implications for our life. One small rebirth coming our way in Eastertide 2018 is the republication of the Shepherd's Voice, the monthly newsletter of the community at Good Shepherd. We are bringing the monthly version back, albeit with a slightly different format. We are going to tinker with our format for a while until we get it right for our community's needs.

First, though, I'd like to thank all who supported and contributed to the previous quarterly newsletters. They kept us informed and I appreciate everyone's efforts, especially Chris Palmer (who did the formatting) and Megan Whalen (who graciously emailed people for submissions). Thank you to them and to all who submitted articles, photos, poems, and more. Chris and Megan wish to continue in their roles for the new newsletter, and we have brainstormed what the new focus and processes of the monthly newsletter should be. Here are our thoughts and — as always — share your ideas with us:



Jose, Catalina, & Christian Trinidad & Fr. Hal at LEV training.



Our Youth delegates at Diocesan Convention.



Our Three Kings at Twelfth Night: Anna, Kerry & Deacon Norm

- The newsletter shall be much shorter than the last quarterly version, with more photos and a quicker, easier-to-read style.
- Everyone in the community is welcome to submit short blurbs, photos, etc. for the newsletter, especially the ministry heads.
- Monthly submissions from the ministry heads, however, are <u>not</u> required. Share with the community what you want them to know about the month ahead.
- The focus is to briefly promote upcoming events and to show photos of events that transpired; it's not to be a narrative recap of everything that happened.
- The *strict* cutoff date for newsletter submission is the 15th of the month for submission in the following month's newsletter. Thus, folks must submit their blurbs, photos, poems, anecdotes, etc. by May 15 for inclusion in the June newsletter.
- All correspondence relating to the newsletter should be sent to newsletter@goodshepherdyny.org.
- Blurbs should be short. We want to get away from long stretches of text and make it visually appealing and easy to digest.

Any suggestions for improvement? Love the idea? Hate it? Please email us at newsletter@goodshepherdyny.org and let us know your preferences. Thank you.

Eastertide blessings to one and all,

Fr. Hal

Ascension Day & Steakfest Thursday, May 10

Please join us for our annual celebration of the Ascension on Thursday, May 10, beginning with Evening Prayer at 6:30 pm. Our celebration continues after the service with our annual Steakfest! We provide (through sponsors) over 30 pounds of Rib Eye steak. Sides and beverages are potluck. A signup sheet is in the Breezeway. Please sign up so we'll know you're coming. Childcare with a movie will be provided throughout the evening. Invite your friends, and let's have a great night!

If you would like to support our Fellowship Fund (which not only supports Steakfest but other fun events throughout the year), you may write a check of any amount to Good Shepherd, with "Fellowship Fund" in the memo.







Waiting for Spring...





Fun and food at the Annual Meeting



Game Night with the Youth - Fay, what did you draw?



Having no heat couldn't stop us from having church!



Interfaith Youth Bowling



Candlemas & Chilifest - Glenda wins again!



Game Night – the Youth are ready for a challenge!



Beautiful Eucharist in the Guild Room

CCNW Update

We support the Community Center of Northern Westchester (CCNW), one of our partners, with monthly food core donations. All nonperishable food items are always welcome! Grab something on sale at the grocery store and bring it with you on Sunday for a donation.

In May, we are focusing on Pasta & Sauce.

This is their full list of most-needed items:

- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
- Canned Fruits and Vegetables
- Dried and canned beans
- Hot and cold cereal
- Tuna and canned meat
- Cans of soup, beef stew and chili
- Pasta, rice and spaghetti sauce
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Fruit juice
- Baby food and diapers
- Dry or shelf-stable milk

All donations can be put into the basket under the CCNW table at the back of the church.

Mile of Quarters Campaign

CCNW is also doing a coin collecting campaign with all of their community partners. They hope to raise A Mile of Quarters (\$15,840) with this campaign. There is a canister in the back of the church on the CCNW table. Thank you to all who have already donated quarters. Please continue to bring in your extra coins through June 15.

Thank you for your continued support of our neighbors!

Our Middle School Youth Group shopped for our Community Partner, the Community Center of Northern Westchester (CCNW) and then visited the center to stock shelves.









Mother's Day Sunday, May 13

There are several initiatives happening on Mother's Day this year. Please check them out, and support one if you like:

- It is Episcopal Charities Sunday, when we have an opportunity to make special donations to Episcopal Charities (which is supporting our core partners CCNW & PNWWRC with grants of nearly \$17,000 in 2018).
- We will be collecting baby items for the Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center (PNWWRC).
- Our new Plant Sale & Swap. See the flyer on the next page, and share it with your friends!



John helps to stock the shelves at CCNW.



Miss Thelma & Fr. Hal with Eagle Scout Ricky Haigh



Lily & her grandparents play Bingo at 12th Night



SERVER, READER & ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

MAY 6:

CHALICE: JOSE TRINIDAD

ACOLYTE: CHRISTIAN TRINIDAD READERS: DOROTHY BAEDER

JOSE TRINIDAD

PRAYERS: FAY WRIGHT USHERS: RIC LARSON

CATHY TRINIDAD

COUNTER: VILMA MULHOLLAND

MAY 13:

CHALICE: DIANE BUSCHEL ACOLYTE: CLAIRE HINTZE READERS: GLENN HINTZE

CHRIS PALMER

PRAYERS: BOB BUBECK USHERS: GLENN HINTZE

RICK VESPERMAN

COUNTER: LEUDA FORRESTER

MAY 20

CHALICE: CATHY TRINIDAD
ACOLYTES: EMILY VESPERMAN
READERS: MIKE MARKUMAS

MICHAEL HAGEN

PRAYERS: LORI KENNEDY USHERS: BOB VELZY

NICK POYSER

COUNTER: NONE

MAY 27:

CHALICE: JIM CORNING

ACOLYTE: CHRISTIAN TRINIDAD READERS: WILFRIED HAENSCH

LORI KENNEDY

PRAYERS: JAN CORNING USHERS: ARLEEN FLURY

JOSE TRINIDAD

COUNTER: JIM CORNING



Prayer List

We pray for our core partners: the Community Center of Northern Westchester; for the Putnam/Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center; for Somers Boy Scout Troop 376; and for the Somers Granite Springs AA Group.

We pray for all who serve in the armed forces, especially Noah, Matthew, Billy, Brendan, and Nicholas; for all those in seminary, including Paul, and for Katie for safety in childbirth; and we pray for Troy, Lizzie, Elizabeth, Katherine, Mike, Max, Luke, Jacquie, Doug, Diane, Jill, Lori, Charlie, Janice, Sharen, Judy, Laura, Bernie, Margery, Franca, Sandy, Lois, Lee, Herb, & Maureen.

We pray for all who have died, especially George, Candis & Bill, and for all those who mourn.

Are there others?

Go to goodshepherdny.org, click on "Prayer Request" at the top of the page, and fill out the online form. You will receive a confirmation email that your request has been received, and it will be added to the prayer list. Alternatively, you can fill out a paper Prayer Request form, which can be found on the table at the back of the church. Simply fill out the form and place it in the wooden box marked "Prayers".

Our Middle School Youth built birdhouses for the campus!















High School Middle Synday E Youth Youth Fall III

Bingo at our Twelfth Night Celebration



Delivering Easter Baskets to PNWWRC



Happy Birthday, Miss Laura! (Easter Sunday)

Calendar of Events

May 2018

- 2,9,16,23,30, Wednesdays: Weekly Bible study of the upcoming Gospel reading in the Guild Room, noon-1:30 pm. (Hal)
- 4, Friday: **Paint Party Fundraiser** for adults.
- 5, Saturday: Spring Clean-up 9 am (Rick)
- 5, Saturday: Middle School Youth trip to St. John the Divine Cathedral in NYC.
- 10, Thursday: Ascension Day Evening Prayer (6:30 pm) followed by Steakfest (Hal, Chris, Rick)
- 11, Friday: Women of the Church of the Good Shepherd (WOCOGS) monthly book group meeting at 7:30 pm.
- 13, Sunday: Mother's Day & Episcopal Charities Sunday. Men's Group provides breakfast. Plant Sale fundraiser on the lawn. (Hal)
- 17, Thursday: Vestry meeting 7:30-9:30 pm (Hal)
- 19, Saturday: Senior Group 10-2 in the Parish Hall.
- 20, Sunday: Pentecost, Family Sunday with concert & BBQ feast afterwards.

 Beginning of hotdog season.
- 20, Sunday: Confirmation class meets at the rectory 4:30-7:00 pm (Hal & Fay)
- 27, Sunday: Trinity Sunday & Memorial Day weekend

June 2018

- 2, Saturday: Kids' Paint Party 2 pm
- 3, Sunday: High School Youth Group graduation.
- 6, 13 Wednesdays: Weekly Bible study of the upcoming Gospel reading in the Guild Room, noon-1:30 pm. (Hal). Last Bible Study: June 13 till September 2018.
- 8, Friday: Women of the Church of the Good Shepherd (WOCOGS) monthly book group meeting at 7:30 pm.
- 10, Sunday: Last Confirmation class meets at the rectory 4:30-7:00 pm. (Hal & Fay)
- 10, Sunday: Family Sunday; Sunday School & Middle School Youth Group graduations. (Megan) New Visitor welcome in the Guild room after the 10 am service.
- 16, Saturday: Senior Group 10-2 Parish Hall.
- 17, Sunday: Father's Day.
- 21, Thursday: Vestry meeting 7:30-9:30 pm. (Hal)
- 24, Confirmation Sunday: Bishop Dietsche celebrates. One service only at 9:00 am!

Maundy Thursday









Confirmation Sunday! ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 9:00 AM!

Pizzafest





Easter Vigil









Easter Sunday











Happy Birthday!

Beverly S. (5/2)

James G. (5/3)

Courtney B. (5/10)

Maritza R. (5/14)

Jay B. (5/22)

Kimberly L. (5/23)

Lonnie C. (5/24)

Lucas H. (5/24)

Linda S. (5/25)

Richard V. (5/27)

Sandra P. (5/28)

Carrie W. (5/28)

John D. (5/30)

Glenn H. (5/30)

David S. (5/30)



Vacation Bible Camp

Making Good Choices

August 22-24, 2018 – 9:00am-12:30pm

Church of the Good Shepherd: 39 Granite Springs Rd, Granite Springs, NY

What will the Children Learn at VBC?

- August 22: Animals and Friends: Making Loving Choices with all of God's Creatures
- August 23: The Earth: Making Respectful Choices for the Environment
- August 24: Heroes and Wizards: Making Wise, Strong and Caring Choices



Who:

- Campers Age 3-12
- Counselors Age 13-18
- Teachers: Father Hal, Megan Whalen, Amy Baisley, Deacon Norm and Bruce Barber



How Much:

- \$30 per child (No charge for counselors age 13-18)
- Sibling discount \$10 each additional child



Our days will include...

- Daily Scripture Lessons
- Healthy Snack Provided
- Animal Yoga
- Outdoor Activities
- Cooking in the kitchen
- Trip to Muscoot Farm
- Planting and Bird Feeders
- Crafts and Games

- Trip to Stuarts Farm
- Scavenger Hunts
- Science Projects
- Family Feast

Questions? Please contact Megan Whalen: 914-248-5631 and info@goodshepherdny.org
Registration information is on the back of this flyer – Register SOON Space is Limited!

Vacation Bible Camp Registration

Campers & Counselors

Church of the Good Shepherd: 39 Granite Springs Rd, Granite Springs, NY

Names of Parents or Guardians:				
Daytime Phone: Cell	Phone:			
Email of Parent or Guardian:				
amily Doctor Name:	Phone:			
Emergency Contact Name:	Phone:_			
Name of Child:		Birth date:	/	_/_
Allergies or Medication or Food Restrictions?	□ Yes □ No	Mon	th/Day/Year	
f "Yes", please describe:				
Name of Child:		Birth date:	/	_/_
Allergies or Medication or Food Restrictions?	□ Yes	Mon	th/Day/Year	
f "Yes", please describe:	□ No 			
Name of Child:		Birth date:		_/_
Allergies or Medication or Food Restrictions?	□ Yes		th/Day/Year	
	□ No			
f "Yes", please describe:				

Other Information (please write below if there is other information we should know about your child/ren):



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