Church of the Good Shepherd

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Shepherd's Tales

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The Invitation to the Observance of a Holy Lent

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by selfexamination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and selfdenial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.





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Taizé Service, March 5th

A short contemplative service at <u>5:30pm</u> followed by our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. All are welcome.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

This year we are doing a new thing. The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be in conjunction with our Taizé Service. Come to nourish your soul at the Taizé Service, then come nourish your body with pancakes!



Lent Begins with Ash Wednesday March 6th

The service for the Imposition of Ashes will be held at 6pm



FROM THE TREASURER

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd	L
York, South Carolina	

		One month ending 1/31/19		
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Variance
INCOME			-	
Pledge Income	176,000.00	19,360.00	14,660.80	4,699.20
Plate Offerings	3,500.00	205.00	291.55	(86.55)
Special Offerings	3,460.00	74.00	288.22	(214.22)
Interest Income	40.00	4.55	3.33	1.22
TOTAL INCOME	183,000.00	19,643.55	15,243.90	4,399.65
EXPENDITURES				
Worship & Parish				
Minstry	94,634.00	5,982.31	7,883.01	1,900.70
Diocesan Pledge	27,748.00	2,316.00	2,311.41	(4.59)
Mission & Out-				
reach	1,200.00	100.00	99.96	(0.04)
Christian For-				
mation & Continu-				
ing Education	450.00	366.00	37.49	(328.51)
Facility Costs	52,268.00	2,712.11	4,353.92	1,641.81
Supplies & Miscel-				
laneous	6,700.00	776.28	558.11	(218.17)
TOTAL EXPENDI-				
TURES	183,000.00	12,252.70	15,243.90	2,991.20
INCOME OVER				
(UNDER) EXPENDI-				
TURES	-	7,390.85	-	7,390.85

Comments from the treasurer:

We began 2019 with an operating surplus of \$7,390.85 for the month of January. Stewardship results for 2019: 56 pledges for a total of \$164,186, average pledge amount of \$2,932.

The vestry voted to approve the 2019 operating budget as forwarded from the finance committee. A balanced operating budget totaling \$183,000 was adopted for 2019.

Thank you for your continued financial support of Good Shepherd.

SUNDAY MARCH 10TH





REQUIRED TRAINING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY MARCH 16TH (10AM TO NOON)

FOR ALL CURRENT LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND WORSHIP LEADERS, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE TRAINED IN SERVING IN THESE VITAL MINISTRIES.

From the Transition Committee

Your Transition Committee has been meeting monthly since the first of the year and sending numerous emails to the Diocesan staff setting up the various plans for this year. We are now ready to begin the first phase of the Transition process, the Congregational Survey, that I spoke about at our annual meeting in January. This is an anonymous survey for which the Diocese will pay the costs. It is a very important part of the transition and search process, so we would appreciate your participation and cooperation. The process time for completing the survey is about 15-20 minutes.

We will have our "Survey Sunday" on March 31st after the 8:30 and 11:00 services. We will hand out the surveys during each service and ask you to fill them out in the parish hall after each service. The church will provide the pens to complete the survey. Our Transition Committee members will attend each service to assist you with any questions you might have during the process.

As a culmination to Survey Sunday, there will be a 5th Sunday lunch after the 11:00 service. If you are unable to attend church on that date please contact me and we will make arrangements to hand deliver your survey to you so that you can complete the survey and return it to church for you.

The members of the Transition Committee are: Randy Neff, Susan Ferguson, Jordan Gable, John Love and Meade Wilson. Please feel free to contact any of us if you have any questions about the Survey or the transition process.

Thank you for your participation.

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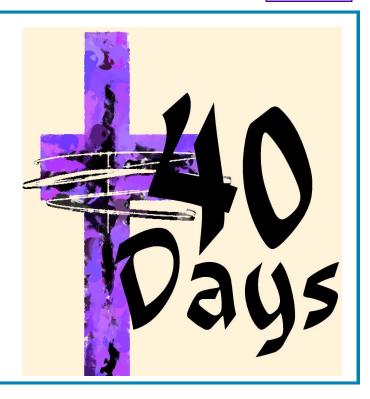
MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Lettie Knight 3/12
Sudy Dressler 3/21
Maxi Shiflet 3/27
Scott Elam 3/30
Ella McCoy Shiflet 3/31

There are no anniversaries to list in March.

(If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please call or email the parish office with the information.)



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MEETING SCHEDULE FOR GOOD SHEPHERD

Second Sunday: Finance Committee

The Committee will meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month at Noon in the Conference Room, unless otherwise notified.

Third Sunday: Vestry Meeting

The Vestry's meeting time in December is the 3rd Sunday at Noon in the Conference Room.

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ALTAR GUILD FOR MARCH:

Susan Lowry, Joyce Sanders & Sherri Schultz

EPIPHANY LAST MARCH 3

8:30am LEM John Ness

9:30-10:30 Coffee & Donuts Host: Wendy Beers

11:00am LEM John Duda

Acolytes: Matthew Beers & Eli Elam Lector for Lessons & POP: Lori Ray

Ushers: Debbie & John Shiflet Greeter: Beatrice w/ John Shiflet Alms: John Duda & Randy Neff

<u>Vestry Person</u>: Meade Wilson

ASH WEDNESDAY 6PM MARCH 6

LEM Barbara Wilson Lector Lilly Duncan

Ushers Randy Neff & Meade Wilson

LENT 1 MARCH 10

8:30am LEM Shay Wilkerson

9:30-10:30 Coffee & Donuts

Host: Thressa & Scott Elam

11:00am LEM Henry McMaster

Acolytes: Quaid, Aydan & McKenna Lawler

Lector for Lessons: Selina Woodard Ushers: Glenn Gilbert & John McNeely Greeter: Beatrice w/John McNeely Alms: Libby Bradford & Glenn Gilbert

Vestry Person: Selina Woodard

LENT 2 MARCH 17

8:30am LEM John Duda

9:30-10:30 Coffee & Donuts

Host: Phyllis & Jim Knubel

11:00am LEM Ron Carter

Acolytes: Emily & Brooklyn Thielbar Lector for Lessons & POP: Wendy Beers Ushers: Chuck Henry & Michael Weinzierl Greeters: Beatrice w/ Michael Weinzierl Alms: Henry McMaster & John McNeely

Vestry Person: Ron Carter

LENT 3 MARCH 24

8:30am LEM Randy Neff

9:30-10:30 Coffee & Donuts

Host: Barbara & Meade Wilson

11:00am LEM Shay Wilkerson

Acolytes: Clara Whitehead & Heidi Weinzierl

Lector for Lessons: Steve McCrae Ushers: Ron Carter & Chip Hicks Greeter: Beatrice w/Ron Carter Alms: Ron Carter & Jim Knubel

Vestry Person: Sudy Dressler

IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED, BUT NOT ABLE TO SERVE, PLEASE FIND A SUB FOR YOURSELF. THANK YOU!!!