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## SEVEN MINISTRY INITIATIVES

### Sunday Morning

Good Shepherd celebrates Sunday morning as a Sabbath to the Lord and keeps it holy as a day of new beginnings. We would like to begin the first day of the week with the celebration of "Means of Grace" that shapes our future! From the faithful ordinance of Sunday morning, we shape the vital household of God.

### Assimilation

We help one another to be more like Jesus Christ. Assimilation is an ongoing effort to call, equip and make disciples of Jesus Christ for God's Kingdom. There are 8 assimilation tracks Good Shepherd develops for the joyous work of the Lord, making people blessed. It is a significant part of our Spiritual Journey.

### Intergenerational

Blessed by the rich heritage of Good Shepherd for more than 60 years, we would like to continue to develop intergenerational relationship among the members and friends. Honoring each generation, Silent, GI, Boomers, X, Millennials, and post-Millennials. We include all generations for their faithful discipleship and leadership to all the aspects of mission and ministry of worship, study, service and sharing.

### Technology

Good Shepherd would like to take advantage of the cutting-edged technology to bring the Gospel of Christ for all, to enhance faithful connections of the members and friends of the church, and to bring forth God's Kingdom in our midst. This includes traditional methods of communication for the heavily dependants on papyrus, paper, audio and wired media.

### Third Place

Good Shepherd is a third place, like "a city of refuge" (Numbers 35:6), built and consecrated by God for the people of God. It is a place like an oasis with living water. It is a house of prayer for all God's people. Modern sociology demands many of a desperate need of this space, which is missing from home, the first place and from work, the second place.

### Glocal (Global & Local)

Outreach from Good Shepherd is not limited to a particular location in the community where it serves. Charity begins at home. At the same time we value the mission and ministry to "the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

### Accommodation

Good Shepherd seeks out all people just as they are. Everyone is welcome in the name of Jesus Christ—"Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the World." (John 1:29b). With radical hospitality we would like to be more like Christ, who healed the sick, ate with the sinners and sought out the lost. Good Shepherd is a household of God that Christ has opened to the children of God of all ages, classes, genders, nations, and races!

**Spotlights in Ministries**

**Stewardship** talent planning  
 commitment vision LOVE PLEDGE time  
 blessing treasure faith caring  
 community

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The 237th Annual Conference

**COME TO THE TABLE**

Funday School  
 Oct.-Nov. 2021

Nov. 12 & 13

**Pictorial Directory**

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**“Give Thanks in All Circumstances”**

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**WORSHIP & NEW STUDY**  
 Through online (zoom)

**11 a.m. Celebration and Worship**

*Youth Hangout on Sun. 7 p.m.*  
*The Holy Club on Mon. at 9:00 p.m.*

See details on page 11

## Greetings from the Pastor

### Give Thanks in All Circumstances

Friends,

I give thanks to God for your faithful service in the Lord. Amid the Pandemic, you never stopped working for the edification of the gospel in Good Shepherd. You praised God on the Day of the Lord each week. You helped one another experience the steadfast love of God our heavenly Father through study and fellowship. You served God as you helped the powerless, fed the hungry, and healed the sick. You kept countless numbers of members and families in prayer. You share your own faith in God with others, including your spouses, siblings and kids. Sharing the signs and wonders with our neighbors should be what we ought to do as children of God.



Around this time of the year, I, perhaps like many of you, stop to think how very thankful I am. This year of 2021 was not easy one to begin with. With God's help and with your faithful dedication of presence in the various areas of ministry, we have faced the new normal. We are doing well.

I hear some of you had to deal with several difficult decisions as you adapted changes and challenges from the new normal. Rather than resist changes, you overcame them and found your own way forward.

I do believe that it comes from the power of faith. You trusted God as you have been convinced of what you had to do. You have

demonstrated your strength, your wisdom, and your endurance throughout the year.

You might have not as much as you need for living. You might have to figure out how to live with the limited resources. You might be in a situation with a heavy burden in your life. For you, I pray that God will be on your side as you find a hidden treasure.

Or, you may earn more than what you expected. You are happier than before. You are confident in your journey of faith set on to a finish line. Thanks be to God.

As a pastor serving Good Shepherd, I pray that we encounter more and more occasions to give thanks to

God, even in the midst of a difficult time like this.

During this season, we will also have a stewardship campaign with a theme of "Hidden Treasure: The magic in giving." While recommitting to the works of the Lord, we may rediscover the abundant blessing God has in store for you the faithful.

Yours in Christ,

*Rev. DaeHwa Park*

Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor

## The Show Must Go On ...

by Christiana Campbell  
Council Chair

Where did the time go! We are in the last quarter of 2021 and I want to share the following exciting news.



### Welcome New Members

Sunday, October 17, 2021

will be a joyous day as we welcome Amit, Alka, Aakash, and Anaya Singh; Rodney and Dulphine Nicol; Irene Mendez; Christiane Taca; and Sama Matturi to Good Shepherd United Methodist Church (GSUMC)'s community of faith as they renew their commitment as members of the household of God.

Please also welcome Eric Becoin transferring from St. Matthias RCC in Ivory Coast.

To our new members, with the grace of the almighty God, we are very happy to welcome you to GSUMC. It is a great pleasure to have you join us. We, the members of GSUMC are elated for the opportunity to praise God and have fellowship with you as you continue your journey as disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray that your faith and love for God increases every day. Please know that the members of GSUMC are here to walk with you. We are a community of faith who are really willing to share God's love and blessings with each and every one of you.

## Greetings

### New Pictorial Directory

We are long overdue for a pictorial directory at GSUMC. We will be making one in November and want YOU to be included. Picture dates are November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Scheduling appointments will be very easy. A link will be provided on GSUMC website for you to make an appointment. We need everyone to participate. In order to get a copy of the new directory you must be photographed. In addition to the a copy of the directory, you will get a free 8x10 portrait. This a perfect time to take pictures to send with your Christmas and New Year's cards to family members near and far.

For those who are not able to access the link directly, we will set-up a sign in station after church on Sunday mornings beginning on Sunday, October 17, 2021. Special thanks to our pictorial directory coordinators Leilani McConnell, and Paulette Brown. Let us all come together to make this the best directory ever.

#### Picture days:

Friday, November 12, 2-8 p.m.

Saturday, November 13, 10 am.—4:30 p.m.

#### See insert for details

Online signup for phototaking at [https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?](https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=3534502&typld=63801&step=2)

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- 1) First find "Good Shepherd UMC" as you "select a service."
- 2) and click "next step" and find the date you want to sign up in the given calendar.
- 3) fill out your name and address and contact info and submit.
- 4) You will see results with a thank you note.



## "Make all things New"

### "Hidden Treasures: The Magic in Giving"

#### Sermon Series for the Final Round of Kingdom-Tide

Count your blessings! The Lord loves all His children. Even in the midst of challenges and chaos God reveals to us a chance to grow. Come bring your family and friends, and help them find treasures God has stored for them. During the final round of Kingdom-tide the worshipers will hear the gospel of Jesus Christ, which will help them find the hidden Kingdom among themselves (Luke 17:21). The congregation will envision how to overcome financial hardship from the Pandemic. The messages will empower the church never to stop working for the edification of the gospel as we find hidden treasures all over the place. Give thanks in all circumstances!

### Giving as the Act of Worship

On behalf of the church, the Committee on Finance gives thanks to God for your faithful giving. Let us celebrate how we have filledp an heavenly treasury here at Good Shepherd. We have several revenue channels. You giving has been used for the transformation of all of lives.

Giving in persons/mails:	126,450.63
- towards mortgage:	3,259.00
Vanco online giving:	34,854.38
- towards mortgage:	4,014.84
- vanco fees:	669.48
Special Sundays:	3,067.00
Clergy Support from Savage:	5,922.00
Rentals & Others:	41,938.70
<u>Total Revenue for budget:</u>	<u>220,745.03</u>

#### Celebration of Worship thru Zoom

On Sundays at 11 a.m.

Meeting ID: 566-965-650

Password: 900361

For facebook view, please **request** friends at Facebook.com/DaeHwa.Park



#### + Special Thanks to Liturgists:

- Oct. 3: Christiana Campbell
- Oct. 10: Leilani McConnell
- Oct. 17: Saundra Craig
- Oct. 24: Elizabeth Sawyerr
- Oct. 31: TBA
- Nov. 7: Phillip Palmer, Jr.
- Nov. 14: TBA
- Nov. 21: TBA

There were other designated givings for memorials and special mission projects totaling 11,346.86.

#### Expenditure for Church Operations

Insurance & Taxes:	20,196.64
Admin & Office Supplies:	7,540.13
Utilities :	20,693.38
Maintenances & Repairs:	10,854.36
Programs & Missions:	8,850.08
4 Paid Staff:	115,306.12
Mission Share:	22,771.00
Mortgage Pay:	18,219.58
<u>Total Expenditure:</u>	<u>224,431.29</u>

We hope good turn out as we continue to give for faithful service. Thanks.

## Summer Music and Service Opportunities

By Elizabeth Schneider

The following article was written by Robert Cottrill (d. 2019) on his blog, "Wordwise Hymns." These points are even more relevant as during the pandemic we have been missing the use of our hymnals. May the Lord soon bring about a way to bring back our hymnals into the church! May we appreciate and preserve their legacy in our lives! With love and appreciation for the joy of making music together,

yours, Elizabeth

The God who invented music, and who Himself sings (Zeph. 3:17), has given us gifted hymn writers who've produced a rich treasury of hymns for the church. The following points are adapted and expanded from several blogs in which individuals wrote about why they love these songs.

**1) Their Doctrinal Depth.** In general (and yes, it is a generalization) our hymns with their multiple stanzas have more precise (and broader) doctrinal teaching in them than the choruses and contemporary songs some have come to use almost exclusively. Our hymns are therefore better suited to teach and edify—which our sacred music is to do (Col. 3:16).

**2) Their Power to Witness.** When we sing the fine hymns and gospel songs in our hymn books, it is a way of testifying to what we believe, and what we hold to be important.

It may well have been the hymn singing of Paul and Silas that prepared the heart of the Philippian jailor to receive Christ as Saviour (Acts 16:20-34).

**3) Their Rich Poetry.** Again, there are exceptions with both types of church music, traditional and contemporary. But it remains true that our hymns more often contain sublime and soul-refreshing poetry. Even reading them, rather than singing them, gives us an enriching experience.

**4) Their History.** We don't always know about the writers of our hymns, or how particular songs came to be written, but often we do. And the stories can be inspiring. They remind us that these gifted individuals were real people, with real problems. Their songs often grew out of personal experience in their walk with the Lord, giving them the ring of authenticity that strikes a chord in our own hearts.

**5) Their Timeless Quality.** This association with real life experiences gives our hymns a timeless quality. They can be sung with meaning by succeeding generations because they bring together biblical truth (which is unchanging) and basic human experience, which remains the same in any age.





### “Digital Study Hour” That Makes Difference

Study is one of the defining dimensions of Christian discipleship. **Knowing God**, Bible Study and theological inquiry help us to grow in our faith, which enables us to claim the Gospel for ourselves and share it with others.

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#### **Coffee with Pastor - Mondays at 11 a.m.**

Take advantage of this time with a cup of coffee. Meet the pastor for your own prayer concerns, comments on church’s mission and ministries. Those who come to the meeting get a coffee mug with our church logo and Rev. Park’s name on it as souvenir.

**Meeting ID: 631-887-165**  
**Passcode: 375637**



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#### **Journey thru the Bible**

To cope with biblical illiteracy, Good Shepherd offers an opportunity for you to encounter the word daily. JTB aims at the reading of the whole bible from Genesis thru Revelation at least weekly. If you are too busy to read the bible, plug yourself in this program while resting after work or while doing chores at home after dinner. You can read a chapter or a passage for others through Zoom. Now we read History: **Prophets**.

**Meeting ID: 947-5619-4251**  
**Passcode: 024529**  
**Tuesdays at 9 p.m.**



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#### **Meet the Pastor - Thursdays at 11 a.m.**

Due to COVID, Cokesbury discontinued offering FaithLink series. You can “Meet the Pastor” in person with an appointment. For guaranteed appointment please call the office no later than Wednesday 2 p.m.

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**Passcode: 014740**



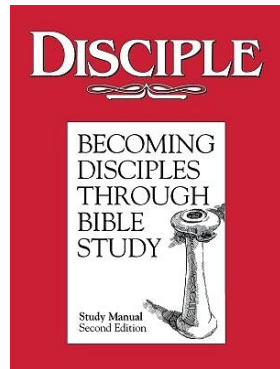
Come and stop by Pastor’s Study



**Thru DISCIPLE Study launch Assimilation Tracks ...**

Join small group study for biblical literacy that equips your discipleship adventure at Good Shepherd!

Zoom Id: 961-6061-5713  
Passcode: 716470



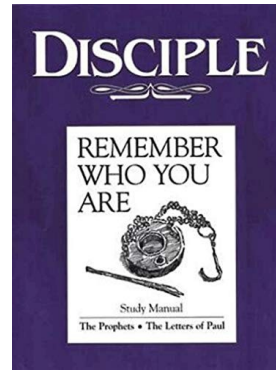
**AT111: Prerequisite Course for All Leadership Track**

Recommended to new members or those who want to read the entire bible through the study.

90-minute 34 weeks of Bible study, helping the learners read more than 75% scripture lessons of the bible with Human Conditions and weekly reflection on the Marks of Discipleship. The study ends with "Spiritual Gifts" session, which helps the learners recognize their gifts to bring to the mission and ministry of the church.

Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Now the course is being offered.

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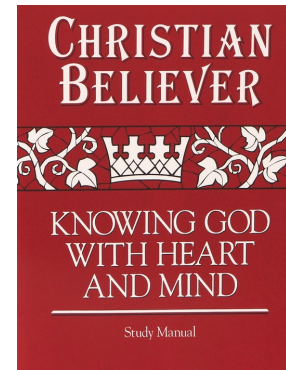


**AA201: Action and Advocacy Track**

*Remember Who You Are* helps today's Christians get connected with memory and identity of God's people. The participants will read the major and minor Old Testament prophets and the thirteen Letters traditionally attributed to Paul. To establish the historical context in which the prophets spoke for God, daily reading assignments draw also on the books of Deuteronomy through Chronicles. This study equips disciples to serve as the faithful advocates and voices of God in their spiritual journey in life.

Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Now the course is being offered.

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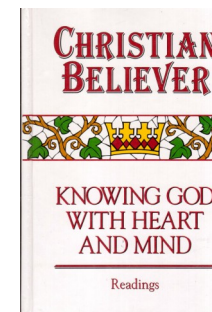


**PDH201: Practical Divinity & Heritage Track**

Provides the participants with the resources for practices to become faithful people called "Methodists." This course helps people explore the spiritual way of salvation. The course equips people to serve as a representative of the works of the Lord in the United Methodist connection through the Wesleyan practices of life journey.

Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

Now the course is being offered.



# Funday School



October and November, 2021  
(2nd & 4th Sunday)

**Come to the table.** Children, you are invited to VBS 2021. Our theme is "COME TO THE TABLE." We will explore the good news of Jesus from the gospels of Luke and John.

Five stories from the gospels reveal the generosity of God, the transforming power of Jesus' welcome, and offer a model for living and sharing God's hospitality.

You will see the ways Jesus welcomed and cared for all people, and learn how to welcome others in the same way Jesus did with everyone.

Sun., Oct., 10 "Be Our Guest," (Luke 14:15-24)

Sun., Oct., 24, "Jesus and the Giant Picnic," (John 6:1-15)

Sun., Nov., 14, "Guess Who's Coming for Dinner," (Luke 19:1-10)

Sun., Nov., 28, "The Last Supper," (Luke 22:13-20; John 13:1-20)

Sun., Dec., , "Breakfast on the Beach," (John 21:1-17)

Deybin and his family of Honduras give thanks to God for our partnership. With \$38.00 per month, we can send Deybin to an elementary school.

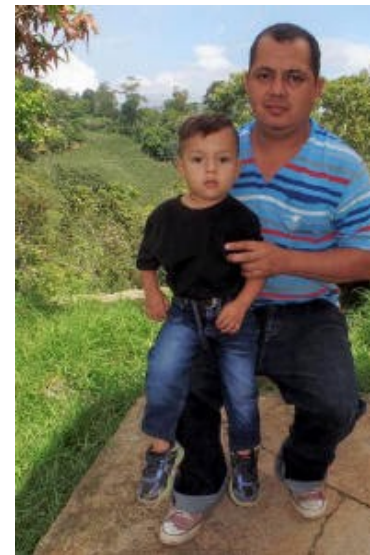
If you want to support this project, please make a check payable to GSUMC: Sponsoring a Child. All the donation will be acknowledged as your giving to church. Questions? **Call Christiana Campbell.**



You can join Heifer project as well. Read the awesome opportunities to participate at [heifer.org](http://heifer.org).

\$120 for a sheep;

\$120 for a goat;



Hi, young disciples, you are invited to our Youth Hang-out on Sunday evening at 7 p.m.

Our meeting begins with News and announcements that connect you to the life of the church.

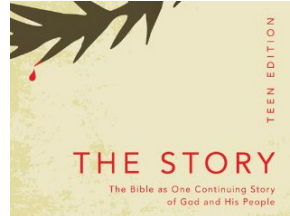
Then you work through the bible with the teen version of "The Story."

"The Story" is a 2-3 minute bible story that help you 1) see a big picture of God's great story that will inspire your life as the faithful follower of Jesus Christ and 2) listen for God's direction through scripture and insights from pastor Park and peers.

Encounter Rev. Park, sharing his faith journey as he has learned from his own life journey. Don't miss many useful tips about how to succeed in teen's life.

Christiana Campbell facilitates the gathering with greetings, words of encouragements, and prayer.

**Youth Hang-Out**  
Sun. at 7 p.m.  
Zoom ID: 976-1877-7352  
Passcode: 914966



## Young Disciples

### The Holy Club (Young Adults)

Mon. at 9 p.m.

Zoom ID: 941-6327-7971

Passcode: 256442

The "Holy Club" was an organization at Christ Church, Oxford, formed in 1729 by brothers John and Charles Wesley, who later contributed to the formation of the Methodist Church. The brothers and associates, including George Whitefield, met for prayer, Bible study, and pious discipline.

On Monday evening at 9 p.m., Young professionals - College-aged (ages 18 thru 25) gather through zoom. Join us.

### 21 Questions for Reflection

1. Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am a better person than I really am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
2. Am I honest in all acts or words, or do I exaggerate?
3. Do I confidentially pass on to another what was told to me in confidence? Can I be trusted?
4. Am I a slave to dress, friends, work or habits?
5. Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
6. Does the Bible live in me today?
7. Do I give the Bible time to speak to me when I do read it?
8. Am I enjoying prayer? If not, am I learning about new ways to pray?
9. When did I last speak to somebody else with the object of trying to be Christ for them?
10. Am I glorifying Christ in all my interactions with others?
11. Do I pray about the money I spend?
12. Do I get to bed on time and get up on time?
13. Do I disobey God in anything?
14. Do I insist upon doing something for which my conscience is uneasy?
15. Am I jealous, reckless, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
16. How do I spend my spare time?
17. Am I proud?
18. Do I thank God for second chances? For the chance to serve him instead of myself?
19. Is there anybody whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold a resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I doing about it?
20. Do I grumble or complain constantly?
21. Is Christ real to me?

Inspired by the Holy Club of Oxford

## MUSINGS

I just had a birthday, an event not at all unique to myself, but it did cause me to reflect on my life in my mid 80's and what I hope for any future that I may be fortunate enough to enjoy. During the plague I sorted thousands of photos from my coming home from the hospital after I was born to the present. Among them were precious images of grand-and great-grand parents and lots of other relatives and memoirs of the events of my life from grammar school to college, work and marriage, the many trips taken to five continents and 33 countries as well as all the states but Hawaii,

I had a very satisfying career and have been blessed with a happy marriage of 52+ years. More so, I and my birth family are very close and though I had no children of my own, my nieces and nephews and their progeny have been a source of love and delight. Equally I have loved and been beloved by some of the best friends anyone could hope for.

But as I age the frailties of a longer life daily remind me I have been around a while and I haven't the stamina of my youth. Also loss of those near and dear to me is more apt to happen. Change challenges my assumptions more and more and I grudgingly accept some and often futilely reject others. I was born on the cusp of WWII and have seen so many technological advancements (well, some I wonder if they are for the better). I well remember my first plane ride in a TWA propeller-driven airship. Now it is possible to ride rockets into space.

I grew up listening to the radio and playing vinyl records. I well remember having to ask the operator to dial a telephone number and waiting if my friend's party line was busy with another call (which we could listen in on!). Our first TV set, black and white, was in the 1950's. Now the world of communications, entertainment, or knowledge is available at the tap of a computer keyboard or a hand-held device. (FYI- if ever your cell phone gets drenched as mine recently was in a freak accident, put it into dry rice for a few days, then recharge it. Mine now seems good as new.)

Just as technology has changed, so have many social mores in my lifetime. White gloves and party manners devolved into such casualness in dress and civil interactions that it is more difficult to express or hold disparate attitudes about our national history, politics, human relations and more. Perhaps it has always been so – the tensions between what a majority may assume or impose and the “Other,” whomever that may be, whose viewpoint is different. In a recent sermon, Pastor quoted “God loves you for who you are, not what you do”. That caused me to ponder: isn't what we do (or not do) a reflection of who we are? And isn't who we are often counter to what God would hope or expect for us to be? Or am I making a judgment here?

We have been fortunate to have a getaway place in Upper Michigan for over forty years where we can unwind and commune with chipmunks. We missed

getting there in 2020 but had a few weeks this summer to reconnect with our “second family” of church and social friends and to enjoy the quietude of the north woods. Pastor Dae Hwa and Young-Hoon and Theodore visited us there in August and we met some new neighbors in adjoining cabins on our lake. We did not turn on the TV, had no Washington Post but heard enough news on NPR to keep us reasonably informed. (We vowed to curtail our total immersion into the media since we found we did not miss it.)

We read a lot of books and enjoyed some local events.

The Trolls (people who live below the Big Mac Bridge over the Mackinac Straits separating upper and lower Michigan) came by the thousands over the summer to the dismay of many Yoopers (natives) and delight for many businesses. Earlier they had had relatively few Covid cases but the numbers were rapidly rising, putting strain on health care facilities. While most did not mask in that red part of the state, that may not last, even though many folks have been vaccinated.

I had much to celebrate this birthday and I hope I can enjoy many more. I shall try to make the most of every day granted to me and hope, despite what I may or may not do, I please God.

I wish the same for all of you.

Leilani McConnell

Our Story

**Hiring New Director of Music**

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church (GSUMC) is seeking to hire a part-time (20 hours/week) Director of Music and Organist. GSUMC is a multi-cultural, multi-racial congregation in west Silver Spring comprised of Adelphi, Hillandale, Oak View, and White Oak communities.

The Music Director will plan, rehearse, and operate the music ministry of the church, with special focus on the chancel (and children) choirs, praise band, and/or handbell choir. The Music Director shall have the ability to play a pipe organ, keyboard, and piano. Ability to sing and accompany the choral groups is a bonus.

We hope to have the position filled by mid-November 2021.

Initial salary will be \$30,000 including paid combined leave for vacation and sick leave. After completion of a probationary period of three months, the salary will be evaluated.

Please contact Wendy Barrios for full application process at [good-shepumc@verizon.net](mailto:good-shepumc@verizon.net). You can reach her at (301) 434-3331.

## Leadership Team Meeting Summary—July 28, 2021

ATTENDING VIA ZOOM: Pastor Park, Chair Christiana Tumaku, Lay Leader Priscilla Michell, Treasurer Sunil Christopher, Trustees Carol Penne, Pat McConnell and Elizabeth Lewis, Evangelism Chair Elizabeth Sawyer, SPRC Chair Nathan Block, Finance Chair Andre Small, Finance Secretary Idowoo Boss-Cole, Philip Palmer Jr., Philip Sr. and Gladys Palmer, Saundra Craig, Ministerial Intern Admire Russell, Food Pantry Coordinator Paulette Brown, Secretary to Council Leilani McConnell

The meeting convened at 7:40 with a prayer from Paulette.

**MINUTES** – of the May 25 meeting was unanimously approved with one correction: Pastor's doctorate will be DMin not DDiv as stated previously.

**REPORTS:** Pastor performed a wedding in person on July 23. Over a hundred attended. Another wedding is pending and two more potential members.

On July 18 we welcomed a new member.

It is hoped that in September we can go back to being fully opened. However the Covid virus strains are still dangerous and causing an uptick in infection rates especially among the unvaccinated. Hence Pastor's hope that we might end the ZOOM sessions should, in the view of the majority, be put on hold. While there was some thought that stopping ZOOM would persuade members to attend in person, most felt that would not happen.

The church conference is set for Oct. 20.

The Annual Conference is set for Oct.25-27. Reports are due by Oct. 01. An issue to be considered at AC is how to calculate Apportionments, It has been

proposed to refer to churches' spending in years 2017, 2018, and 2019 and divide by three to find average upon which the Apport. would be determined. The group had mixed reactions to this proposal because in '17 and '18 we were paying a full-time pastor which would increase our spending and somewhat skew our current obligation.

Pastor will be on leave Aug 03-15. Rev. Jones will be filling in.

**MISSIONS** – the Food Pantry will stay closed for a time yet while the Covid rages. However, many bring food donations and these are either given to stoppers-by who request help or passed on to Broad Acres School. Andre added that he has received food gift cards when collecting the Sunday offerings. These also may be doled out or passed on.

Leilani McConnell is Acting Chair and the group met at church recently to assess where we are and to make plans for the Christmas in July outreach which includes school supplies for our two Native American Schools' project. We have a list of desired items and they will be ordered for "drop shipping" on line. We also have initiated a "WE CARE" collection box for personal care items, school supplies, socks, etc that will be distributed to local entities such as Crossways Community or to the Ignace Indian Clinic in Milwaukee or the two Indian Schools. Meanwhile we have been collecting gift cards from Target or Kohls to give to Broad Acres School for parents to purchase clothing for kids back-to-school.


 Holy Conferencing

By Leilani McConnell, Secretary

We will not do a winter coat drive this year and will wait on Broad Acres regarding the Advent Family project.

**NURTURE** – Christiana reported that the Vacation Bible School was successful and the kids asked to continue it every week!

The Sunday evening ZOOM gatherings with youth and younger kids continue and in the fall it is hoped to recovene in-person Sunday School. There would be Sun-day for learning and Fun-day for activities.

Philip Sr. said Adult Sunday school would also be meeting in the fall if the Covid plague abates and that during summer as many as 8 persons attended the 9AM sessions.

**EVANGELISM** – Elizabeth Sawyerr suggested two projects: a) an updated Church Directory with photos and b) Adopt-a-Pew for refinishing as they are badly scarred. As to a), Church Office Manager Wendy has been working on up-dating contact information and we agreed to go with that for the interim but we hope to work toward a photo directory in November. A planning committee will work with Elizabeth. There was a request that the Love Notes again include birthdays and anniversaries. It was suggested we consider a Membership Secretary

**TRUSTEES** – Carol reported that the county will be considering our parking situation, i.e., what limits we may be allowed to impose if any. We still have to seek input from the immediate neighbors to the south.

The problems with the AC has been partially resolved. The lack of cooling in the Office and Library areas continues. Our retaineer Ron Shaw is continuing to work on it, A request from Elizabeth Schneider to use the church for the Youth orchestra was denied for several reasons. The Jackson Bldg. entry doors have been repaired.

**TREASURER** – Sunil presented current Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet information. In spite of low in-person attendance, we are in cautiously good shape. We have caught up with Apportionment payments and met mortgage payments. The latter is due for refi in 2028. We still need to consider where we can save money. There is some confusion re: the Verizon vs. Comcast contracts and the use of GS's domain name. There was concern about electronic donations in that those who use credit cards cost the church a fee which lowers the church's benefit. None the less it was suggested we put electronic withdrawal information up on the monitors when we ZOOM to encourage that form of donating. A line item in the Treasurer's report referred to cemetery plots valued at \$3500. However we are not sure how many plots the church still owns. This is to be researched, The forgiveness of the PPP loan the church took out in 2020 is being negotiated with Capital One.

SPRC – chair Nathan says they are working with one of our staff to resolves an issue but otherwise no news.

LAY LEADER – Priscilla had no report.

MEETING ADJOURNED with prayer at 9:50PM

NEXT MEETING – September

Respectfully reported,

## State of Church from Trustees - from Meeting Minute

**Trustees in attendance:** Dunstan Thomas (chairperson), Julius Campbell, Stuart Coxic-Barrios, Marcie Burroughs, Beresford Dakin-Davis (by phone), Vernice Lee, Pat McConnell, Bintu Murphy (Guest Church Coordinator), Rev. Dae-Hwa Park, Carol Penne (Secretary).

**Guests from Comforter's House Chapel in attendance:** Pastor Joseph Tsibuah, Pastor Abigail Asante and Kofi Asape Bedihko.

### **AGENDA:**

***Conversation with Comforter's House*** – Pastor Joseph, Assistant Pastor Asante and Head Usher Bedihko joined trustees to discuss matters of common interest and the upcoming renewal of their guest church contract. Comforter's House has been a guest in our building for eight years. Recently trustees have become increasingly concerned about the extra hours this congregation uses our building.

**Action:** Trustees will consider Comforter's request for additional hours but noted this could result in a significant rent increase.

***Trash management*** – GS continues to experience problems with Waste Management, the company that handles our trash removal. Some weeks, their trucks have not been able to reach the trash bin because neighborhood vehicles are parked in the way. Other times, they haven't shown up. With pick-ups currently scheduled only twice each month, making sure the company comes regularly and can access the dumpster is important.

**Action:** Dunstan and Marcie will continue to work with the company to ensure pick-ups happen. Stuart will install another CCTV camera so we can monitor when the company is here.

***Parking concerns*** – GS received the petition from Montgomery County Traffic Operations Division that will allow the county to implement parking restrictions in the public right-of-way gravel area in front of the church along Mt. Pisgah Road. This petition identifies the addresses of neighbors on Mt. Pisgah and several houses adjacent to our property along New Hampshire Avenue who must give their approval – two thirds of our neighbors must approve the request. A concern about four trucks parking in our lot raised.

**Action:** Carol will forward the petition to Pat and Stuart who volunteered to talk with neighbors to solicit their approval. Marcie will follow up with the truck issue.

***Additional hours for Agape church*** – Trustees granted Agape's request to extend their hours of worship, adding a two-hour service on Saturday evenings and also on the last Sunday of each month. Their rent was increased from \$1500 to \$2000.

***Status of sanctuary air conditioning*** – Trustees have heard several concerns about the temperature of the sanctuary. **Action:** Pat will follow up with Season-air to learn the outcome of their visit. Trustees concluded that the A/C season is nearing its end so no further adjustments will be made this year.



## Around the Church

### **Status of phone system switch from**

**Verizon to Comcast** – In July, Beresford facilitated a cost-saving switch from Verizon to Comcast for telecommunication services. However, the church continued to receive large bills from Verizon. Carol followed up with Verizon and learned GS has a total of seven phone lines

**Action:** Beresford will contact Comcast to complete the system transfer. Comcast notified us they will hook the alarm system up to the internet without a phone line and establish a new fax line a small monthly fee (hopefully using the same telephone number). Other lines were terminated by Verizon. **Needed: vice-chair and vice-secretary for 2022** –

**Action:** Vernice graciously volunteered to be vice-secretary (taking notes and drafting minutes). The search for a vice-chair continues.

### **Light bulb replacement –**

**Action:** Dunstan thanked Stuart for replacing lightbulbs in the various candelabra in the sanctuary.

**Recurring leak in Upper Room ceiling** – After this week's heavy rain and storms, the leak has reappeared.

**Action:** Manuel of the Agape Church will assist trustees with repairs.

**Plumbing upgrades** – Dunstan and Bintu reported that a mutual acquaintance has been replacing and upgrading plumbing fixtures in several bathrooms in the building at no cost to the church except for parts.

**Action:** Carol will send a thank you from the trustees when the work is completed.

### **New tenants in Cottage in October** –

The tenants of the cottage owned by Good Shepherd have given notice (job relocation). Silver River began the search for new tenants in early September.

**Postscript:** One of the current tenants elected to continue the lease.

**Status of cell tower inquiry** – Dunstan spoke with someone inquiring about the cell tower on the church steeple. The caller was not aware it had been dismantled several years ago.

**Adding exterior security cameras** – Stuart will add one additional security camera on the Mt. Pisgah side of the church.

**Basketball hoop in the parking lot** – Vernice asked about a proposal to install a basketball hoop in our parking lot. Trustees talked about safety concerns.

**Action:** Dunstan will relay trustees' concerns to Pastor Park.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.



Special thanks to Trustees under the leadership of Dunstan Thomas!



### In Loving Memory of Janice Taggart

Janice Rodgers Taggart Of Silver Spring, Maryland, joined her husband, parents and many other relatives and friends in Heaven on September 4, 2021.



Her passing was peaceful, with family at her side. The family is grateful that God gave Janice four months after suffering a serious stroke to be with family, friends and clergy and to receive well-wishes from her many friends and family in the suburban Maryland area and across the country.

Janice was born February 13, 1952, to Carol F. Rodgers and Edward O. Rodgers, who both preceded her in death. She graduated from Springbrook High School in Silver Spring in 1970 before attending American University in Washington, DC, where she earned a B.A. degree in English/English Literature.

Janice was an outgoing woman with the "gift of gab," which enabled her to enjoy a long and successful career in retail sales, primarily for Associated American Writing Supply. Later in life, Janice worked in hospital administration in Joplin, Missouri, with her husband, Albert Taggart, who preceded her in death. Janice resided for much of her life in the family home in Hillandale, near White Oak, Maryland. She loved the rolling landscape of Hillandale, filled with many trees, gardens, birds, squirrels and other animals. She actively maintained long-lasting friendships with her neighbors.

Janice returned to that home from Missouri in the early 1990s, where she later served as a loving and devoted caregiver for her mother and lived in retirement. Janice had a loving family at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church in Silver Spring, where she was an active, stalwart member. Her passion in the church was "missions," which included building and refurbishing homes for the needy, sending school supplies to Native American children, feeding the hungry and projects in Third World countries. A missions fund in her honor is being established by her family at the church. ...

Plans for a memorial service and celebration of life for Janice and interment at Parklawn Memorial Park in Rockville are still being finalized, due to the ongoing COVID pandemic.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Missions Fund at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 9701 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD. 20903.

(from obituary, The Washington Post and Legacy.com)

## The Act of Compassion (Mission Outreach)

Christ invites us to a life of service after His example, living out faith in response to the love of God. By serving others in the community and the world, we experience God at work in our neighborhood. Because of God's prior love, acceptance, and forgiveness of us, we are called to respond with acts of love, justice, and mercy toward others, honoring the dignity of all persons. The purpose of the Outreach Committee is to manage the charitable donations of the church and to provide opportunities for volunteer service. Chair: Leilani McConnell

The primary service projects follow:

### Service to Local Communities

- Broadacres/ JoAnn Lelecki Elementary School
- Tabitha Pantry—3rd and 4th Tuesday at 10-11 a.m.
- Shepherd's Table - 1st and 3rd Friday
- No Hungry Kids
- Christmas in April
- Sew-What Sewing Group
- Collections
- Hunger Projects
- Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless
- Advent Mission Projects

### Service to Global Communities

- UMCOR
- Support Our Troops
- Shoebox Christmas
- P.E.T.
- Hazel Black Mitten Tree
- Rise against Hunger
- Others



### Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Your generous extra giving makes possible to relieve life burdens for those who are in need. Rev. Park meets our neighbors in a desperate situation. If you are willing to share your monetary gift. Make a check payable to Good Shepherd UMC and write a note: **Pastor's Discretionary Fund**. 100% goes to our neighbor at the spiritual discretion of the pastor. All the disbursement records have been kept in the office. Do good for the least! Praise the Lord.

## Outreach

### Mission Team

*Leilani McConnell*  
Chair

### Members:

*Phylomena Black*  
*Idowoo Boss-Cole*  
*Paulette Brown*  
*Marcie Burroughs*  
*Vernice Lee*  
*Eleanor Newman*  
*Carol Penne*  
*Elizabeth Sawyerr*  
*Glee Prahinski*

*Wish to join? Sign in through a tear-off section of the Sunday bulletin or Call Leilani McConnell at (301) 445-1241*

## Rise of Evangelism Movement at Good Shepherd



*Photo taken by Frances Bakkah*

Welcome **new members!** During “Lunch with the pastor,” a new member orientation, on Sunday, September 26, we had awesome fellowship with new family joining as professing members. Each shared her and his own faith journey. On Laity Sunday, October 17, they will join as the professing members. Several leaders of the church took part in the meal and welcomed them. Amit Singh, Avnish McGreger, Aakash S., Alka S., Aanya S., Rev. Dae-Hwa Park, Nathan Block, Christiana Campbell, Irene Mendez, Bintu Murphy, Gladys Palmer, Elizabeth Sawyerr, Philip Palmer,

Sr., Hugh Holder, YoungHoon Park, Christiane Taca, Dulphine Nicol, Simeon Nomo, and Ron Nicol (from left). Special thanks to Frances Bakkah for photo-taking. Eric Beccoin will join as he visited and wished to join on Sunday, October 3. With membership conference by zoom on Tuesday, October 5, Eric the first member from Ivory Coast will join our church on October 17. The next Lunch with the Pastor will be called “A Heavenly Banquet, a Christmas feast with new members of the year on December 12. It is a good opportunity to bring your friends and family to faith.

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#### **Door Greeters Wanted**

Door greeters are ones who welcome worshipers at the door. A family with children and youth can encounter visitors as they come to church.

Please sign in through a tear-off portion of the weekly bulletin if you would serve a Sunday as door greeters on a Sunday morning for 30 minutes prior to worship at 11 a.m.

Contact: YoungHoon Park, Pastor’s wife at [bishopswife@hanmail.net](mailto:bishopswife@hanmail.net)

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#### **Welcome Table Coordinator Wanted**

Evangelism & Witness temporarily find a location for the welcome table. Thank you for Trustees. This will be an information booth with welcome bags, and ministry guidelines. Please contact **Elizabeth Sawyerr** if you would like to be on duty on Sunday mornings.

## Kingdom-tide 2021 (II)

### The Act of Justice and Evangelism

The primary task of Evangelism is to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the children of God of all ages. We have a variety of media to reach out the seekers in our community. We send out a pastoral letter to new residents each season. Post card and Community Newspapers are also the other media. The survey shows that the word of mouth and the demonstration of our examples as the hands and feet of God.

### Inviting Others

In keeping with our commitment to invite others into a loving, prayerful relationship with God, Good Shepherd is becoming more intentional about reaching out others and receiving those who respond, relating them to God, nurturing them in faith, and sending them to serve.

Our Evangelism team leads ways in developing necessary tools and welcoming habits, and have undertaken bold new initiatives to increase the visibility of our church in the broader community and to develop a culture in which more of our members are actively reaching out and receiving others into the church. Reaching out to others in the name of Christ is the responsibility of every Christian.

Invite others for worship, study and service opportunities. No greater evangelism than **the word of mouth**, which may be required for your own ownership of the mission and ministries of the church.



It is also be a best known strategy to bring the gospel. Here is another way that you can be an access to the gospel. We have a magnetic bumper sticker with a domain name of the website at **www.goodshepchurch.org**.

For any other question or comments on Evangelism activities, please contact, **Elizabeth Sawyerr or Rev. DaeHwa Park at (202) 277-8553**.

As a church, the faithful disciples, called out of many, pursue ownership of the mission and ministries of Good Shepherd UMC.

Begin with your children and spouse. You may or may not change them. God can change. Your job is to bring them to the presence of God!

**Every 3rd Sunday is  
"A Bring a Friend Sunday"**

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### Committee Members

Chair, Elizabeth Sawyerr  
 Door Greeter Coor.: YoungHOon Park  
 Lunch with the Pastor Co.: Bintu Murphy  
 French District: Rev. Dr. Simon Nomo  
 Spanish District: Roberto Velazquez  
 Communication Coordinators:  
 Webmaster: Neil Spiller  
 Recoding Secretary: Leilani McConnell  
 Love Notes: Wendy Barrios

Join us as Committee Members! We welcome **young professionals !**

## WOMEN'S NEWS IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

By Leilani McConnell

The Women's Circles have not met for months and we all miss the close camaraderie just as we miss the weekly Fellowship Time after Sunday worship. We are grateful for technology that has enabled us to "attend" via internet streaming services, but we miss the face-to-face greetings, the hugs, the bustle of conversations and the food! We pray in the new year we may again enjoy them.

Several of us have gone back to church within the constraints imposed by the Covid pandemic and we thank Elizabeth Schneider for her efforts in resuming the Praise Band and Chancel Choir and those who are participating so far. We are also grateful to Pastor Park and the volunteers who facilitate the Sunday gatherings. (The rest of us, me and Patrick in particular, will continue to participate remotely for the time being, hoping for the anticipated anti-vaccine's availability.)

Lots of good works have happened while the church was closed and later when partly re-opened. Lots of "stuff" was cleared out and lots of refurbishing accomplished. Dunstan Thomas, Marcie Burroughs, Carol Penne, Idowoo Boss-Cole, Pat McConnell and a few others did most of this. Marcie in particular spent days happily painting. The Food Pantry, closed for months, was cleaned out and usable food items were given to Broad Acres School who gratefully accepted it.

Our traditional Mission projects, modified due to the pandemic, continued and as Advent approaches, we will support two

Broad Acres families via gift cards rather than gifts.

While the women did not meet, I did attend two Church Women United events via streaming service, most recently on Nov. 06, "World Friendship Day". Items will be collected for Central Union Mission in DC and the Crossways Community in Kensington. (See reference after this article.)

We we have been mostly staying at home since March except for grocery or pharmacy runs, and we have stayed in touch with family and friends by telephone and ZOOM, and emails and snail mail.

I walk the neighborhood most days and have met lots of folks and their dogs who live near by. We all are frustrated by being inside so much and many who work are doing so from home. The teenagers we hired to do mowing are schooling at home, too.

I have gotten to know the streets of my community much better and I enjoy the colorful mail boxes and landscaping. Lots of Black Lives Matter signs and political signs (for only one of the candidates) and recently some cleverly carved pumpkins. We finally got some color in the trees before they lost their leaves. In summer I saw our small herd of deer quite often and on occasion red foxes.

Some days it is so quiet, just the odd twittering birds. More often the beltway noise and lately leaf blowers remind me we live in an urban area. I enjoy pondering the wet spots left on the tarmac after rains – they are like a Rorschach tests and my imagination is challenged.

I was fascinated the other morning by watching a Disney-like dance of fallen leaves that had been picked up by a vortex of wind.

On one corner I pass frequently was a bed of black-eyed-Susans that bloomed nearly all summer. I regularly walk through the little undeveloped wooded lot down our hill that connects our street with the one to the east. (where I usually saw the deer). One day I was stopped by an elaborate spider web (and its creator) across the path so I had to invent a detour. I wonder how the spider gets the first strands connected from one end to the other, sometimes more than a foot apart. Do they jump? Do they swing? I may ask Wikipedia.

It has been hard not to be anxious or deeply depressed by the Covid and its effects on families and businesses and the stress of the recent election. Reading stories of lives well lived I see in the Washington Post, the outpouring of care and concern so many offer in response to the pandemic. has helped. I try to find something to laugh at or celebrate every day.

I am closer (via ZOOM) to my nieces and nephews and brother – we “see” each other Sunday evenings. We have plenty to eat, a steady retirement income, a house and access to books and picture puzzles and TV movies to amuse us. We have had need of medical help this year and are grateful for being able to access it and to the care and concern we received from those professionals. We lost a sister / sister-in-law and a few friends to eternal life but are grateful for their long lives and our place in them. And we are grateful for having church every Sunday.

I admit to wondering what God is up to with this virus and the animus the country is experiencing, et al, but I appreciate the insights Pastor shares with us every week and I apologize to God for doubting Him.

The world turns in spite of us and the elegant cycle of life goes on. We will soon acknowledge the major holidays. May we find joy in them even though we won't celebrate as usual.

Please stay well.

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#### CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

This ecumenical organization supports its international organization with the “Least Coin” project in which women can give of the smallest coin in their currency – for us the penny – anonymously so no one is seen as superior to another.

The local organization collects items for Crossways Community in Kensington and Central Union Mission in DC.

If you would care to donate, they are seeking personal care items like soap, shampoo, tooth paste and brushes, and the like and kids' books and soft toys. Also for winter, gloves, hats and scarves.

Donations of moneys is also gratefully accepted.

Leilani McConnell (301-445-1241) would deliver items or checks (made out to Church Women United) to the local leader.

Thanks!

## A Daily Journey with the Holy Word

Good Shepherd offer a daily reading guide for those who have not had a chance to read the whole bible. Begin each day with a gospel lesson and end with Hebrew scripture and you will be able to complete reading of the entire bible. "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17) The best way to read the bible is to bring your own bible. Here are several study bibles for your own meditation and journaling.



Printed or phone. Don't have a Bible?  
Take one under the seats in  
the Worship Center as yours to keep!

### Month of October

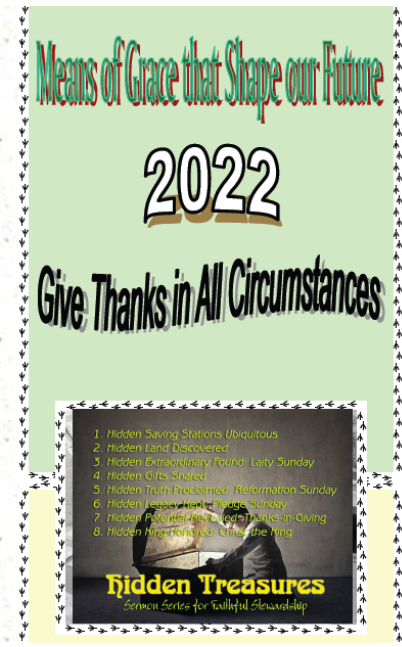
Date	Morning	Evening
10/1	Luke 22:21-46	1 Kings 14 & 15
2	Luke 22:47-71	1 Kings 16, 17, & 18
3	Luke 23:1-25	1 Kings 19 & 20
4	Luke 23:26-56	1 Kings 21 & 22
5	Luke 24:1-35	2 Kings 1, 2, & 3
6	Luke 24:36-53	2 Kings 4, 5, & 6
7	John 1:1-28	2 Kings 7, 8, & 9
8	John 1:19-51	2 Kings 10, 11, & 12
9	John 2	2 Kings 13 & 14
10	John 3:1-18	2 Kings 15 & 16
11	John 3:19-38	2 Kings 17 & 18
12	John 4:1-30	2 Kings 19, 20, & 21
13	John 4:31-54	2 Kings 22 & 23
14	John 5:1-24	2 Kings 24 & 25
15	John 5:25-47	1 Chronicles 1, 2, & 3
16	John 6:1-21	1 Chronicles 4, 5, & 6
17	John 6:22-44	1 Chronicles 7, 8, & 9
18	John 6:45-71	1 Chronicles 10, 11, & 12
19	John 7:1-27	1 Chronicles 13, 14, & 15
20	John 7:28-53	1 Chronicles 16, 17, & 18
21	John 8:1-27	1 Chronicles 19, 20, & 21
22	John 8:28-59	1 Chronicles 22, 23, & 24
23	John 9:1-23	1 Chronicles 25, 26 & 27
24	John 9:24-41	1 Chronicles 28 & 29
25	John 10:1-23	2 Chronicles 1, 2, & 3
26	John 10:24-42	2 Chronicles 4, 5, & 6
27	John 11:1-29	2 Chronicles 7, 8, & 9
28	John 11:30-57	2 Chronicles 10, 11, & 12
29	John 12:1-26	2 Chronicles 13 & 14
30	John 12:27-50	2 Chronicles 15 & 16
31	John 13:1-20	2 Chronicles 17 & 18

### Month of November

Date	Morning	Evening
11/1	John 13:21-38	2 Chronicles 19 & 20
2	John 14	2 Chronicles 21 & 22
3	John 15	2 Chronicles 23 & 24
4	John 16	2 Chronicles 25, 26, & 27
5	John 17	2 Chronicles 28 & 29
6	John 18:1-18	2 Chronicles 30 & 31
7	John 18:19-40	2 Chronicles 32 & 33
8	John 19:1-22	2 Chronicles 34, 35, & 36
9	John 19:23-42	Ezra 1 & 2
10	John 20	Ezra 3, 4, & 5
11	John 21	Ezra 6, 7, & 8
12	Acts 1	Ezra 9 & 10
13	Acts 2:1-21	Nehemiah 1, 2, & 3
14	Acts 2:22-47	Nehemiah 4, 5, & 6
15	Acts 3	Nehemiah 7, 8, & 9
16	Acts 4:1-22	Nehemiah 10 & 11
17	Acts 4:23-37	Nehemiah 12 & 13
18	Acts 5:1-21	Esther 1 & 2
19	Acts 5:22-42	Esther 3, 4, & 5
20	Acts 6	Esther 6, 7, & 8
21	Acts 7:1-21	Esther 9 & 10
22	Acts 7:22-43	Job 1 & 2
23	Acts 7:44-60	Job 3 & 4
24	Acts 8:1-25	Job 5, 6, & 7
25	Acts 8:26-40	Job 8, 9, & 10
26	Acts 9:1-21	Job 11, 12, & 13
27	Acts 9:22-43	Job 14, 15 & 16
28	Acts 10:1-23	Job 17, 18, & 19
29	Acts 10:24-48	Job 20 & 21
30	Acts 11	Job 22, 23, & 24

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)





**Guidelines for Faithful Stewardship**

1. Have prayer before you make commitment.
2. Have at least a conversation about the ministry and mission of the church with your spouse, children, or any other family members.
3. Find areas you would like to serve and check all that apply.
4. Mail or bring only the tear-off portion of the pledge card on/by **Sunday, November 7, All Saints Sunday** for pledge.
5. Please join "Stewardship Banquet" scheduled on Sunday, November 21 during fellowship hour.
6. Keep the brochure for your own reminder.

*Please tear off this portion for pledge! Thanks.*

I would like to give my time, talents, and treasures to the glory of God through Good Shepherd United Methodist Church.  
 Please check all the areas that apply. May God bless you! May God bless Good Shepherd! Thank you.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email/ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Our Commitment	
<p><b>Giving of My TIME</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Worship Participation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Service/Outreach Project</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prayer ministry</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Sunday School</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Child Care</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chaperoning</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Visitation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Youth Fellowship Support</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Office Volunteer Support</p>	<p><b>Giving My TALENTS</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vision Casting &amp; Ministry Master Plan</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Building Upkeep/ Campus improvement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Praising, Experiencing, Serving, Sharing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Media and Digital Publishing Ministry</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Financial Stewardship &amp; Management</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Member Care</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Music and Performing Arts</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify): _____</p>
<p><b>Giving My TRESURES</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would like to give my time, talents, and treasures to the glory of God through Good Shepherd United Methodist Church.</p> <p><b>(First Fruit of 10% of earnings)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would like to give regularly.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would like to share any other treasures than monetary donation (bequest, stock, or any designated or memorial giving).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> My financial commitment for 2022 will be approximately: \$ <input style="width: 50px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I would like to set up automatic electronic giving.</p>	

To Green Pastures and Quiet Waters ...



Red flames signify the historic merge of The Methodist Church and The United Brethren in 1968, which gave birth to The United Methodist Church. As a part of UM connection, we would like to bring for the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness (Matthew 6:33). Green shade of the flames indicates God's Kingdom like "green pastures" to be unfolded as we do ministry together. The blue shade of the cross is consisted of the first two Greek letters of Christ, Xp. Through Christ the living water (John 7:38) the gathering of the faithful disciples shall bear fruits that last. (John 15:16; Psalm 1:3; 23:2; Galatians 5:22-23; Revelation 22:1-3). This vision of God's Kingdom comes from Jesus Christ, the starting point of our faith journey. Shepherd crook symbolizes our commitment to Jesus Christ—Good Shepherd! (John 10:14) - Rev. DaeHwa Park



Welcome Jamie Francis Hurley-Bruno as he joins as an associate member through Holy Baptism on Saturday, October 9 at 2:30 p.m. Jamie is son of Josh Bruno and Olanma Okoji, and the proud grandson of Godswill and Naya Okoji.



We commemorate our saints during worship by naming. Bring your own votive candles.



Farewell to Elizabeth Schneider.  
November 14

Join the Wednesday Night Prayer Conference  
Call  
at 8-8:30 p.m.  
Call 1-515-603-3157  
Access code 809996,  
option #1

**All Small Group Gatherings  
thru Zoom Meetings**

**Sundays**

Celebration of Worship at 11 a.m.

Meeting ID: 566-965-650

Passcode: 900361

Youth Hang-Out at 7 p.m.

Meeting ID: 976-1877-7352

Passcode: 914966

**Mondays**

Coffee with the Pastor at 11 a.m.

Meeting ID: 631-887-165

Passcode: 375637

**Becoming Disciple at 7:30p.m**

Meeting ID: 961-6061-5713

Passcode: 716470

The Holy Club at 9 p.m.

Meeting ID: 941-6327-7971

Passcode: 256442

**Tuesdays**

Journey thru the Bible at 9p.m.

Meeting ID: 947-5619-4251

Passcode: 024529

**Wednesdays**

High Noon Prayer at noon

Meeting ID: 409-666-503

Passcode: 581382

**Remember Who You Are at 7:30p.m.**

Zoom Meeting ID: 875-9323-0354;

Passcode: 528483

**Thursdays**

Faith Talks at 11 a.m.

Meeting ID: 953-5226-0028

Passcode: 014740

**Christian Believer at 7:30p.m.**

Zoom Meeting ID: 845-8194-3369;

Passcode: 629555

**Fiesta Con El Buen Pastor at 8 p.m.**

Zoom Meeting ID: 925-5525-4574;

Passcode: 136731

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