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Fall Festival Coming on October 8th

Everyone is invited to stay with us after church on Sunday, October 8th, as we kick off the new church year with our annual Fall Festival. This year's theme is "Getting to Know You."

One of the things that makes Good Shepherd so special is the multitude of talented people in our congregation. We want you to get to know them.

Members of the congregation will be sharing the things they collect. Some examples include: Arlene Prinselaar—Carousels, Ann Hogan—Antique Hankies and Aprons, Chris Schleter—Olympic pins & torches, Russ Hurlbut—Old Cameras, Candy Hurlbut—Salt & Pepper Shakers and Jan Hirschi—Seashells.

Everyone who comes to the CE Building will receive a card. Be sure to get your card validated at every table because we'll have a drawing for everyone who gets their card completely validated. The winner will receive a \$50 Visa gift card.

We'll have lasagna, salads and dessert for lunch and beverages will be provided. We're asking you to sign up so we know how many are coming.

During lunch in Conklin Hall Debbie Stone will be providing live music to entertain us.

It will be an enjoyable day for everyone and a chance to get to know more about our church and the members of our congregation. If you have friends who might be interested in what we are about, bring them along – everyone's welcome and we hope to see EVERYONE there.

Al and Ellen Smith to Visit on October 15th

Our Mission Co-Workers, Al and Ellen Smith, will be with us for worship on October 15th. They will be leading our Adult Education program on Sunday morning, will provide a Minute for Mission during worship and join Session for their monthly meeting. To cap off the day, we will have a potluck dinner in their honor on the evening of the 15th. Please plan to bring a main dish, salad or dessert. Signup sheets for the potluck will be in Conklin Hall.

While they are here we will be talking about next year's trip to Russia and doing some preliminary planning for next year's Russia Mission Network Conference. Finally, we hope to have them meet with two other congregations who have expressed an interest in the twinning program.

As always we enjoy having them with us and look forward to a day of reflection, fellowship and learning.

Prayer Concerns

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it John 14:13-14

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| Roger Kitzman | Jim Sullivan |
| Joe Borden | Norm Ramquist |
| Bruce Ingold | Gene Thomas |
| Jim Crowe | Dottie Malcomsen |
| Alice Blair | Louise Routh |
| Paul and Gloria Reynolds | |
| The family of Dawn Angarone | |
| Wendy Christiansen as she prepares for Ordination. | |
| Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia | |
| Those Serving Our Country | |

Welcome New Members

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

November Newsletter Deadline

October 23, 2017

Worship Schedule

8:45 – 9:00 am
Service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion - Sanctuary

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education
CE Building

10:30 am
Children's Sunday School

10:30 am
Worship - Sanctuary

11:45 am
Fellowship Time – Conklin Hall

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Teaching and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. Rev. Ralph encourages our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

Rev. Ralph	Colossians 3:12-17	Peace of Christ
Elder Chris Schleiter	Romans 12:4-8	Members and Body
Elder Bob Moeller	Ecclesiastes 4:1	Comfort
Elder Judy Oar	Proverbs 4:5-7	Wisdom
Elder Russ Hurlbut	Psalms 139:9-10	Hand it to the Lord
Elder Anne Patten	1 Peter 5:1-4	Eagerly lead
Elder Ruth Anne Horvath	Matthew 18:2-5	As Children
Elder Scott Florence	Matthew 25:44-45	The Least of These
Elder Gloria McGilloway	1 Chronicles	Thanks to the Lord
Elder Jan Hirschi	1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	Rejoice always
Elder Mary Contreras	Proverbs 4:5-7	Understanding

Thanks to our Volunteers

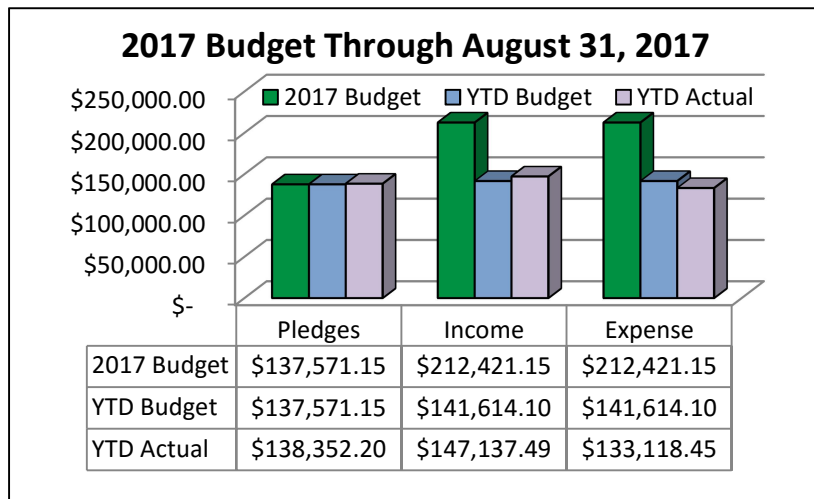
Flowers

October	
October 1	Adele Kinkel
October 8	Available
October 15	Shirley Craig
October 22	Available
October 29	Available
November	
November 5	Available
November 12	Available
November 19	Arlene Prinselaar
November 26	Dave & Anne Patten

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website gspcsq.org
Our Fellowship time each Sunday is now Potluck. Please bring some goodies to share. If we have leftovers, we'll save them for a Sunday when we need a few extras.

Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of August 31, 2017	
Month of August	
Receipts	\$ 11,741.24
Expenditures	\$ 16,654.51
2017 YTD Budget vs Actual	
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$ 141,614.10
Actual Receipts	\$ 147,137.49
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 123,913.34
Actual Expenditures	\$ 133,118.45
Building Fund	
Building Fund Cash	\$ 75,617.47
Loan Balance	\$ 132,779.43
Net Building Fund	\$ (57,161.96)
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 14,498.38
Memorial Fund	\$ 2,442.31
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 32,776.15
Russia Mission Fund	\$ 1,557.33



Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

¹⁰ "Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."¹¹ *The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold.*

Psalm 46:10-22 NASB

⁴ *Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!* ⁵ *Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near.* ⁶ *Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.* ⁷ *And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Philippians 4:4-7 NASB



The 10th verse of Psalm 46 of the Revised Version of the Bible translates these words as being "Be still and know that I am God". The NASB, however, I believe is the better translation and in laymen's terms says, "Cease trying to strive to be God, for I am God."

I prefer the latter because I believe it speaks to common trait or failure of ours which is to try to be God in our lives and living. We tend to want to take charge and be in charge of the various aspects of our lives and living. And very often at the least it can lead to sleepless nights and at the worst unfortunate consequences that lead to even more sleepless nights.

Soon as a nation and community we will enter the seasons of Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas and so on. Life will suddenly become very busy, and we will find ourselves rather than being drawn to God instead being drawn away from listening to God or walking with our Lord because, well, we haven't the time!

To the shame of us all, instead we should cease striving to be God and instead seek to walk behind where our Lord is leading us. Years ago a colleague of mine made the statement in regards to the famous work "God is My Co-Pilot", if God is your co-pilot you're in the wrong seat.

Instead before the seasonal obstacle course begins let us instead take heed of Paul's words to the Philippians: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." ⁷ *And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

*In Christ
Rev. Ralph*

**** Home Communion ****

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (628-9158).

**** Pastor's Note Regarding Hospital Visitation ****

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force a number of years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information in regards to patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

News from the Russia Mission

Rev. Ralph was joined by Chris Schleiter in Pittsburgh for this year's Russia Mission Network Conference. This event, which we will host next fall, brings together churches in the US that have twinning relationships with a church in Russia. This year's conference recognized the 100th anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution in Russia. The speakers and guests brought their perspectives to the revolution, the implications for the church during the Soviet period and the revival of the church in the Post-Soviet era. We look forward to hosting the group in 2018 and will be looking for the congregation to pitch in to make next year's conference a big success.

Meet the Member Chris Schleiter

From computers to sound to budgets and even a newsletter and website thrown in for good measure, Chris Schleiter provides a variety of needed services to our church. How did he come to be among us and to be able to do all of the things he does? He explained it this way:

I was born in the Washington, DC, area in 1955. My father was a scientist with the government and my mother was an administrative assistant in one of the many divisions of Hewlett-Packard. She also had worked for a couple of radio stations and with Willard Scott at WRC in Washington when he was a low-level employee of the station. I was an only child so I had to learn early how to entertain myself and be self-sufficient.

When I was in high school, I wanted to play baseball, even though it was pretty obvious (then and now) that I wasn't very athletic. When I didn't make the team as a sophomore, the coach asked me to be the team manager (more gofer than manager). I guess I did a good job because my junior year I was asked to be the head football manager, as well. That began my career in sports.

After I graduated, I enrolled at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, majoring in Broadcast Journalism. I was also given the opportunity to be one of the managers of the football team, which actually paid for my education. By the time I graduated in December of 1977, I was a four-time letterman as a manager, something no one else in the history of the school had done.

I went on to earn an M.S. in Computer Science from Carolina in 1981 and went to work for the Athletic Department at Carolina. That job lasted more than 14 years. I was responsible for filming games and practices, managing the computers in the department, stage managing basketball and football games and so many more things that I don't remember all of them. The more I did, the more they found for me to do.

In 1995, during the lead up to the Atlanta Olympic Games, a friend with whom I had worked at Carolina offered me the chance to be the results manager for baseball for the Games. I couldn't turn that down, so I left Carolina and began my Olympic odyssey. While the Olympics look glamorous on TV, it takes a LOT of work to pull them off and as we left the stadium after the Gold Medal baseball game, I commented to one of my colleagues, "If anyone EVER suggests I do this again, please shoot him – and me if I say yes." That November, I was offered a job in Sydney, Australia, doing sport technology planning for the 2000 Games. I thought about it (for about a minute) and decided to accept. Sydney led to a job in Salt Lake City which led to a consulting job in Athens, Greece, which led to an offer from Swiss Timing to be their onsite project manager for the Torino and Vancouver Winter Games. I took the Swiss Timing job and worked both the Athens and Beijing Games while managing my own projects. I retired after Vancouver and, although I still do some work with the summer Paralympic Games and a couple of PGA tournaments, here I am.

People in the east always ask me why I live in the desert in Utah. It's simple – I HATE HUMIDITY. And, besides, the golf here is wonderful.

I love the area. I love the church and its family feel. I love the weather. I love being able to go to Zion whenever I want and hike in the beauty that God has given us. In short, I can't think of anywhere I would rather be. This is home.

Christian Education

Christian Education at Good Shepherd is alive, well, and kicking! We have children consistently in Sunday School Class; we have eight to ten people attending Jeff Clingan's Adult Sunday School Classes on "Christianity in the Roman Empire of the East" (we are learning things we NEVER knew about the early Christian church!); and the five weekly Bible Studies (all in public venues except for Sunday evening at Rev. Ralph's house) are consistently well attended and act as a witness to the community about the importance of studying and discussing the Bible and its meaning for us in today's world. And we have Rev. Ralph's "Bah Humbug! 101" Advent classes to look forward to after Thanksgiving!

We continue to ask, no, we BEG! for everyone's contributions to the Advent Devotional booklet. There are still many empty days in Advent that need filling with your thoughts, insights, stories, prayers, readings, etc. PLEASE consider adding to this delightful work. **DEADLINE: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12!!!**

We are again planning to have Advent Lessons & Potluck Suppers on Monday evenings at 5:45 pm beginning on Monday, November 27th, and continuing on December 4th, December 11th, and December 18th. Rev. Ralph will be teaching us all sorts of things we never knew before! Please come and bring food to share. It is always interesting to find out "What's For Dinner".

Anne Patten

Choir Notes

After a summer recess, the Chancel Choir and the Bell Choirs are back at work preparing music for our worship services. They also are preparing for our annual Christmas concert, which will be Sunday, December 10th, at 7:00 pm at our church.

Our Bell Choir has lost two members this year due to health issues and work schedules. Therefore, we are looking for two bell ringers. You do not need to have previous experience in ringing bells, but you do have to be able to read music. If you are interested, please contact me. The Bell Choir rehearses at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. If you are interested in singing with the Chancel Choir, they rehearse at 3:45 pm on Thursdays.

Much gratitude and appreciation goes to the members of our choirs for their dedication and hard work. We also wish to thank Debbie Stone and Steve Talley for their work in accompanying the Chancel Choir.

Thank you for your continued love and support!

Barbara McConnell, Music Director

Deacons

Wanted ... a few good men and women

The Nominating committee will be contacting and asking many of you to serve as Deacons. This is an opportunity for members to really serve and support our church and to share God's love as Jesus demonstrated. Please prayerfully consider serving if you are asked.

We have a shed full of items you may need if you have an illness or are recovering from surgery. If you need to borrow anything from the shed, please contact Dick Babb (688-1120) and he will make arrangements to get you what you need.

*In Christian love and fellowship,
Your Deacons*

Fellowship

It looks like the dog days of summer are over. With the arrival of cooler temperatures, our schedule at GSPC is heating up. Please check your calendars for the many activities that will be taking place in Conklin Hall - and remember that these are all opportunities for Fellowship.

Our Sunday time of Fellowship is being well attended. What a joy to see (and hear) so many folks enjoying this time. Please keep in mind that every Sunday is a potluck Sunday. Your contributions are so welcome and much appreciated.

Fellowship, continued

I would like your feedback on two ideas that have been presented to me.

- Move the coffee urns to the side table so people can help themselves. This will keep the coffee hot for everyone, and there will be no need to wait for a volunteer to pour the coffee for you. Of course, someone will be close by to help anyone who needs a helping hand.
- We have had some lovely and delicious birthday cakes for sharing at Fellowship. It has been suggested that we have a birthday cake at the beginning of each month to celebrate all birthdays that month. What do you think?

Blessings
Gloria McGilloway

Growth

Our Fall Festival is almost here! Thank you to all of you who have graciously offered to share your collections. There is such variety – something for everyone to appreciate. Remember, there will be a drawing for a \$50 Visa Gift Card for those who visit each of the collections. Lunch & music will be provided after you've had a chance to view the collections. Take this opportunity to get to know our church members better. You'll be glad you did.

Jan Hirschi

Mission/Outreach

Fall is coming and, with it, our usual fall mission activities.

Operation Christmas Child will kick off on October 15th and conclude on the Sunday before Thanksgiving (a week earlier than in past years). If you want to get a head start, we have some boxes left over from last year. One change this year is that you can no longer include any liquids or gels in your boxes. This includes items like toothpaste.

The CROP Hunger Walk will be held on November 4th this year since the second Saturday, the 11th, is Veteran's Day. Start getting in shape to walk the six mile course and raise money to feed the hungry both here and around the world.

Finally, as we did last year we'll be collecting canned food during the four Sundays of Advent to benefit the Soup Kitchen. Last year we collected \$385 and 446 pounds of food. Let's go for \$500 and 500 pounds this year.

I continue to be amazed by your generosity and willingness to share.

Blessings
Chris Schleiter

Parish Nursing

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – The Fall Blood Drive will be held in the CE Building on Friday, October 13th from 9 to 1:15. We thank those in the congregation who are faithful donors, but there are always additional appointment times available. You do not have to be member of Good Shepherd to donate at this Drive, so, encourage a friend to come with you then treat yourselves to lunch. For information or appointment time, please contact Kathie Greear at (207) 240-0994.

BROWN BAG LUNCHEON – Our next speaker, Karen Mc Mullin, comes well recommended as an expert on what one might call, the 'Art of Scamming.' Karen is employed by the State of Utah as an Investor Education Coordinator for the Division of Securities. Unfortunately, scammers prey on the unsuspecting and un-informed. We invite you to become one of the Informed on **THURSDAY**, October 19th at Noon in Conklin Hall as Karen speaks about "How to Avoid Fraud." As has been suggested, we don't want you to become sick because of being scammed! Mark the date, make a sandwich and come to Brown Bag on the 19th at noon. Bring your friends and we'll have a beverage and sweets waiting for you.

FLU VACCINATIONS – According to the CDC, "getting an annual flu vaccine is the best way to protect yourself and your family from getting the flu." The more people vaccinated reduces the numbers of children, the elderly, pregnant women and those afflicted with long term illnesses who will die from the flu. The recommendation has again been made NOT to use the nasal spray flu vaccine. This year, flu vaccines have been updated to better match circulating viruses.

Parish Nursing, continued

Because it takes about two weeks after vaccination for your body to develop protective antibodies, the optimal time to have your flu vaccine is between now and the end of October so that you are ahead of the usual beginning of flu season activity.

People under the age of 65 are to receive the standard flu vaccine. Those 65 and older are to receive a FLUZONE High-dose or a FLUAD shot. Both contain a component in addition to the standard vaccine and the newer, FLUAD, has an additive (or adjuvant), which increases the ability of the vaccine to induce immune responses in older people.

BOTTOM LINE— Be part of ensuring a healthier community and a healthier you by getting your flu shot ANYTIME Now! As always, consult your medical provider if you have special concerns regarding receiving immunizations.

Alicia Kitzman and Mitzi Rak

Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact Louise Routh at 628-7725 or on her cell 229-4733.

All prayers are important.

Louise Routh

Senior Ministries

Soup and Fellowship – We hosted two new members, Dennis Peters and Susan Hansen, on September 13th. They are new to Southern Utah and live in Winchester Hills with their shared love of animals around them. Both of them are from Iowa and of course are Hawkeye fans. They met in high school, went their separate ways after graduating, met again many years later after life's trials, fell in love again and the love story continues. Both of them are Back Country Horsemen. Both of them sell real estate here for Century 21. At one point, Dennis graduated from an auctioneer academy and because of that he is called a "Colonel". He can be found at estate sales and animal auctions in town. He demonstrated his fast talking by auctioning off several items during the hour and we all bid for them with the proceeds or sales going to our Women's Guild. In 2002 one of his auctions specialized in sheep and dairy operations. Susan is a soprano in our choir and also the Interfaith Choir. She attended Julliard School of Music specializing in vocal solo. She has been in top management for oil and transportation companies including fleet sales for Sinclair Oil. They are both into health and wellness and have a connection for Aronia berries. Talk to them about this. Welcome to the congregation and thank you for your talent and story.

Cards - We continue the card party the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Conklin Hall. Everyone is invited. We think, plan, execute our next moves, socialize and have fun too. It is good brain health.

Brain Health- This is a tribute to a CENTENARIAN who shall not be named here per her request and to protect me from exposing her. She does not like notoriety. Oh Well. She is featured in this BRAIN HEALTH section because she is a model of a healthy brain. Yes, she has longevity genes but she also keeps herself mentally in shape and is naturally trim. She has a degree in Home Economics and did teach this for some time and loved it. She lost her loving husband many years ago. This lady lives alone at Sun Brook Condos and her son lives nearby. She gets out and mingles with family and friends. You will see her at church sitting with her son and in the fellowship hall after church. She plays bridge with us once a month. She is a voracious reader (without glasses) of a wide list of genres including politics and mystery and the Bible. Politically, she can hold her own in a current events conversation. She shares several newspapers with her son including the Wall Street Journal. She watches golf, football, and basketball and can tell you the scores and the players on her favorite team both college and professional (she's a big Packer fan), and when the next game is, including the time. She knits cute sweaters and baby items. She bakes and loves to try new recipes. She is an invaluable member of my Senior Ministries Soup and Fellowship, baking dozens of delicious cookies and sandwiches and has for several years including helping us in the kitchen every time we have a job to do. She is an excellent hostess, sets a beautiful table, and enjoys entertaining. She has a positive attitude and a funny sense of humor, so very necessary for good health. She accepts challenges and likes to try something new, like painting or drawing.

Senior Ministries, continued

She writes letters to complain about something bothering her like the uniforms of the caddies at the Augusta PGA tournament. She thought they were not appropriate and she let them know. The Spectrum has heard from her!

She loves a glass of white wine!!!! She is always dressed to the nines. It is a blessing to know her. We are blessed to have her and David in the congregation. Thank you for your legacy and *joie de vivre*. Many happy returns lovely lady. You are loved.

Judy Oar

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on September 10th. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Approved to increase Clerk's 2017 budget line from \$250 to \$425.
- Approved the purchase of 14 yards/19 tons of ¾ inch Apache Gold rock from Rowland Stone to uniformly cover the rest of the community garden area including delivery at a cost of \$694.50 to be paid from the Memorial Fund.
- An August 24, 2017, E-vote approval to authorize Arbor Tech to replace two (24 gal) trees and one (15 gal) tree at a cost not to exceed \$2,220 to be paid from the Contingency Fund. This was due to storm damage on August 23, 2017 with \$1,000 deductible insurance.

Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session

Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the month of September volunteers included Marge Linn, Ruth Ann Horvath, Janis Wick, Josie Kellejan, Sue and Mark Licher, Rayanne Bartlett, andCarolynn Thomas. Serving over 100 hungry folks is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. To celebrate Labor Day we served hamburgers (with all the fixin's), macaroni salad, coleslaw, fruit and dessert. We received many positive comments – especially for our famous "Presbyterian" coleslaw. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? Contact Carolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Stewardship

Please see the treasurer's report on page two for financial details.

Making tough decisions can be difficult. This decision method keeps showing up in my life. The first time I remember hearing it was from my Father, most recently at a Fire Safety segment of a CERT class.

Pray – ask for God's help. Collect all the facts you can in the time you have. Listen. Look at those facts and assess them. Consider the probabilities of different actions and what could happen because of those actions. Look at your position in each situation. Does it put you in danger? What do you need (things or people) to get the job done?

Set Priorities – Make Decisions based on the above items. Develop a plan of action; simple plans may not need to be written down. Complex plans should always be written down. Pray (note this also fits anywhere in the time line.).

Take Action

Evaluate the progress, Pray, Change what you need to.

Did I mention Praying?

Bob Moeller

Women's Guild

Our General Meeting was held on Saturday, September 16th in Conklin Hall. It was a potluck with lots of wonderful food. The Craft and Bake Fund raiser was a success. We had lots of wonderful crafts and baked goodies to sell.

The next General Meeting is scheduled for November 18th at 11:00 am and will be potluck. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Mary Starrett

Lectionary Readings for October

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday October 1 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32
Sunday October 8 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33-46
Sunday October 15 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 32:1-14 Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
Sunday October 22 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	Exodus 33:12-23 Psalm 99	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15-22
Sunday October 29 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost	Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-46

Lectionary Readings for November

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Wednesday November 1 All Saints' Day	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
Sunday November 5 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost	Joshua 3:7-17 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12
Sunday November 12 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78:1-7	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
Sunday November 19 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost	Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 123	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
Sunday November 26 Reign of Christ / Christ the King	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 <i>or</i> Psalm 95:1-7a	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25:31-46

Congregation News

Memorial Service for Dawn Angarone

The memorial service for Deacon, Church Secretary and Financial Secretary Dawn Angarone will take place at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church on October 28th, 2017, at 11:00 am with a reception following. The family requests that memorial gifts be made to the Chancel Choir and Russian Mission Fund of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church.

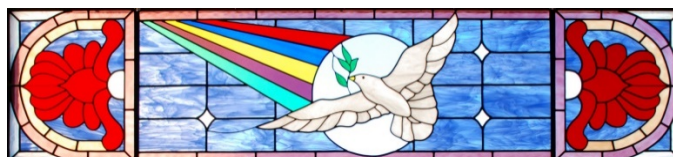
C.R.O.P. Walk November 4th

The 8th annual CROP Hunger Walk will be held on November 4th. We'll begin the walk at 10:00 am in Larkspur Park at the corner of Fort Pierce Drive and Larkspur Road in Bloomington Hills. St. George Mayor Jon Pike and Washington City Mayor Ken Neilson will be there to send the walkers on their way.

You can walk or make a donation to support one of our walkers and a portion of the money raised stays here in our area and supports the Soup Kitchen and Solomon's Porch. In the six previous walks, we've raised more than \$40,000 to end hunger and look forward to 2016 being a record-setting year.

Walkers can sign up through October 29th and we'll set out all of our walkers' envelopes on tables in Conklin Hall during Fellowship on the 29th for anyone who is unable to walk but would like to make a contribution.

Please join us in helping to end hunger both in our community and in the world at large.



OCTOBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Soup Kitchen Sunday 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Communion Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's	2 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	3 9:30 am Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 1:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 4:00 pm Bell Choir	4 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting	5 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir 6:00 pm Dance Class with Mary Starrett - Conklin Hall	6 7:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's	7 St. George Marathon
8 Fall Festival 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Fall Festival 11:45 am Blood Pressures Taken 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's	9 Columbus Day 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	10 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 4:00 pm Bell Choir	11 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	12 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 pm Exercise with (Virtual) Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir 6:00 pm Dance Class with Mary Starrett - Conklin Hall	13 7:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's 9:00 am - 1:15 pm Red Cross Blood Drive - CE Building	14
15 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education - Al & Ellen Smith 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 12:00 Noon Session Meeting 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's 6:00 pm Potluck Dinner with Al & Ellen Smith	16 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	17 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 4:00 pm Bell Choir	18 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Senior Ministries Card Party - Conklin Hall	19 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn 12:00 Noon Brown Bag Lunch - Karen McMullin on Avoiding Scams - Conklin Hall 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir 6:00 pm Dance Class with Mary Starrett - Conklin Hall 7:00 pm Interfaith Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	20 7:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's 2:00 pm Memorial Service for Penny Wirts	21
22 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's	23 Newsletter Deadline 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	24 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 4:00 pm Bell Choir	25 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	26 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir 6:00 pm Dance Class with Mary Starrett - Conklin Hall 7:00 pm Interfaith Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	27 7:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's	28 11:00 am Memorial Service for Dawn Angarone
29 Reformation Sunday 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Worship - Kirkin' 'O the Tartans 11:45 am Fellowship 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's	30 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	31 Halloween 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 4:00 pm Bell Choir				

Rev. Ralph will be out of town from October 12 through October 14.

Please contact Dick Higgins (435-879-0253) or Anne Patten (773-4307) with any concerns.

PLEASE NOTE: This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gspcsg.org for the latest information.

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Soup Kitchen Sunday – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1st Sunday of each Month

Shawl Ministry	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
Exercise with Rev. Ralph	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
Co-Ed Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's Home
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Egg & I
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Starbuck's Café @ Barnes & Noble
Men's Bible Studies	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Village Inn
	Friday	7:30 am to 8:30 am	Bishop's
Choir Practices	Tuesday	4:00 pm Bell Choir	Sanctuary
	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Sanctuary



Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15-year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although, with your help, we hope to pay it off early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also have a number of major maintenance items over the next several years, totaling more than \$100,000, that need to be funded in addition to paying off the mortgage, meaning we need to raise \$342,000.

Our first campaign produced \$101,226. Through February 19th we have received pledges towards our second campaign totaling **\$45,357** and additional cash donations of **\$31,808** for a total of **\$178,390.71** or about **52.2%** of our **\$342,000 goal**.

If you have pledged to the building fund, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider how you can help us to pay off the mortgage early and have sufficient funds to perform needed maintenance and make other improvements in the future.

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Church Leadership 2017

Session Elders

Class of 2017	Jan Hirschi	435-680-1012	Growth
	Russ Hurlbut	879-9393	Building
	Anne Patten	773-4307	Christian Ed
Class of 2018	Ruth Ann Horvath	773-6790	Clerk of Session
	Gloria McGilloway	610-349-6045	Fellowship
	Judy Oar	702-241-6227	Senior Ministries
	Chris Schleiter	627-9048	Mission/Outreach
Class of 2019	Mary Contreras	673-9745	Worship
	Scott Florence	574-2383	Grounds
	Bob Moeller	801-707-4353	Stewardship

Deacons

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Ivins		
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Pine Valley	Tineke Ingold	574-3614
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