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It's Time for a NEW DIRECTORY

It's been 4 years since Good Shepherd has had a new directory with photos of our members and friends. A lot has changed since 2015 and it's time for a new one!

This time we're going to produce the directory ourselves. No more hard sell sales pitches from Lifetouch. No more appointments to get your photo taken. You can even submit a photo (certain restrictions apply) if you prefer. If you're a shut-in, we can make arrangements to come to you and take a photo; and, best of all, we can keep it up to date.

Chris Schleiter will be taking photos in the Sanctuary after church on June 30th and July 7th, 14th and 21st. After you have a cup of coffee in Conklin Hall, stop by and have your photo taken. It won't take but a couple of minutes. If you have been an Elder, Deacon or recently joined the church and Chris has already taken a photo of you, you can review that photo to see if you want a new one. If you miss those dates, we'll take more photos on September 2nd and 9th. If you know a shut-in, please have them contact us, and we can work out a way to include them in the directory.

If you have any questions, please talk with Chris, Gloria McGilloway, Carolyn Thomas, or Jan Hirschi.

Bike & Build Returns July 10th

Our summer tradition continues as the young people of Bike and Build will again be staying with us from July 10th through July 12th. We look forward to having them each year, and we thank them for the work they do to bring affordable housing to our area as well as to other areas of the nation that need assistance.

Eighteen riders left Jacksonville, FL, on May 12th enroute to their final stop in Santa Cruz, CA, on July 28th. They will work with local housing agencies in eight cities during their journey, including St. George, to help provide affordable housing for those in need.

They will arrive on our doorstep from Zion on Wednesday, July 10th, and have a great dinner provided by the Elks. Rev. Ralph and the Palm Sunday Breakfast Team will serve a big, and early, breakfast for them on Thursday, July 11th. They'll be working at the ReStore during the day.

Then, Thursday evening, July 11th, at 6:30 pm, in Conklin Hall, we will hold a potluck dinner for the group, congregation, and community. The bikers will tell us about their trip, and we'll hear from our local Habitat for Humanity and from others in the community. We'll be providing ham and ask you to bring a side, salad, or dessert.

Very early on July 12th, we'll have a big breakfast for the bikers before they head out to Cedar City, where they will spend the night at Community Presbyterian Church, on their way to Lake Tahoe and beyond.

Please plan to join us on July 11th and help us show these wonderful young people how much we appreciate what they do.

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

Anne Patten	Wanda Tighe
Roger Kitzman	Faye Gray
Joe Borden	Peter Safreno
Dottie Malcomson	Marge Ramquist
Doris Thomas	Althea Haworth
The Family of Harold Wylie	
The Family of John Elwood	
The Family of Jim Sullivan	

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 LaVerna Metzger

September Newsletter Deadline

August 23, 2019

Worship Schedule

9:00 – 9:15 am
Morning Prayer / Communion – Sanctuary

9:15 – 9:45 am
Adult Education - CE Building

10:30 am
Children's Sunday School – CE Building

10:30 am
Worship – Sanctuary

11:45 am
Fellowship Time - Conklin Hall

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Minister of Word and Sacrament 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.

The scriptures for June were:

Rev. Ralph	Romans 8:1-5	Hope justified
Elder La Verna Metzger	1 Peter 3:8-9	Blessings
Elder Scott Florence	Lamentations 3:22-23	Steadfast love
Elder Gloria McGilloway	John 10:24-25	Fathers work
Elder Susan Holecheck	Ephesians 2:10	The poor
Elder Judy Oar	Psalms 139:7-10	You are with me
Elder Carolynn Thomas	Psalms 16:11	Fullness of Joy
Elder Bill Somplatsky-Jarman	Romans 8:24-25	True Hope
Elder Jan Hirschi	Jeremiah 17:14	My praise

Thanks to our Volunteers

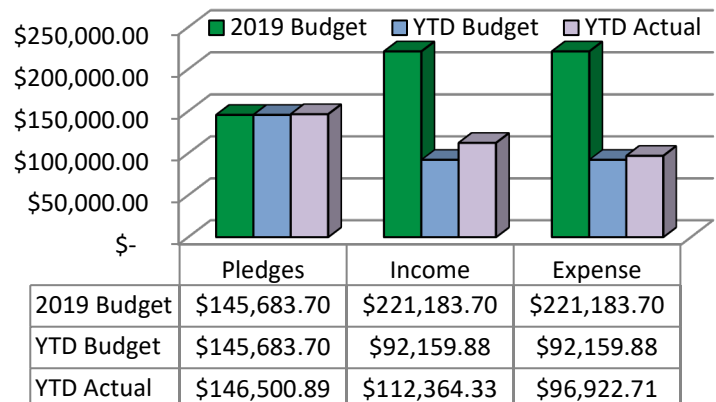
Flowers		Nursery
July		
July 7	Shirley Taylor	Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 14	Chris Schleiter	Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 21	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 28	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
August		
August 4	Russ & Candy Hurlbut	Summer Vacation – See you in September
August 11	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
August 18	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
August 25	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September

Signup for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our Website gspcsg.org

Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of May 31, 2019		
Month of April		
Receipts	\$	22,452.59
Expenditures	\$	18,096.31
2019 YTD Budget vs Actual		
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$	92,159.88
Actual Receipts	\$	112,364.33
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$	92,159.88
Actual Expenditures	\$	96,922.71
Building Fund		
Building Fund Cash	\$	43,306.62
Loan Balance	\$	(2,482.21)
Net Building Fund	\$	40,824.41
Fund Balances		
General Fund	\$	49,756.95
Memorial Fund	\$	2,898.77
Reserve Fund	\$	111,970.50
Russia Mission Fund	\$	7,567.88

2019 Budget Through May 31



Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought



At the beginning of August, Elder Scott Florence and I will be with our brothers and sisters in Dorogobuzh, Russia. This will be my fourth visit to our sister congregation in five years. As you can imagine, there is much to do in preparation for a journey of this magnitude: visas, air and train reservations, and bags to pack. However, in my case, along with these preparations, I am tasked with preparing two sermons and getting them to our mission co-workers Ellen and Allen Smith so that they might be correctly translated into Russian.

The following are excerpts from my first sermon that I will give at our first Sunday morning worship there on August 4th.

Thanksgiving

Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, including the overseers and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now. For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus. For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me. For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Philippians 1:1-11 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

To begin with, today marks my fourth visit to you in five years; and, as I have in all my visits, I and Brother Scott bring you greetings from your brothers and sisters in Saint George who send me to you with their Christian love and fellowship in the Gospel and in the strong name of our common Lord Jesus Christ.

I come to you from a very divided country as we all live in a very divided world. Any time and place that brothers and sisters can dwell in the unity of God's love is a very powerful witness to God's power to cross all boundaries, whether they be of nation or language. This declares that we are all God's children, and that we are truly brothers and sisters. As Paul declares in Romans, there is nothing in all creation that can separate us from that love!!!

Secondly, Paul's words to the church in Philippi reflect a very special relationship and bond of love that he had with that congregation that was unique in several ways. Paul was a Jew, and the church in Philippi was Roman. Each one came from very different worlds and cultures. However, you would never gather that from the words Paul addresses to this congregation (what I consider to be his favorite congregation) deep and sincere love for them and for the Lord Jesus Christ. It's clear his message unites them.

On my last visit here two years ago, upon our retrieval from the train station, Pastor Sergei asked me "Why do you come?" My response was "I come for Nina's cooking." This remains partly true; but, there is much more.

We come as a visible witness to the presence and reality of God's Kingdom at work here and across the world. We come to witness that in God's Kingdom there are no boundaries of nation or language that the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord cannot overcome.

We come to hear your stories and to share with you ours. We come to worship with you, serve with you, and to pray with you. We come to continue to build and strengthen the family ties that the family of Christ binds us together in Christian love.

Why do I come?

I come to be reunited with my Russian family and what has become for me almost a family reunion. I thank God and our Savior Jesus Christ that finally, after two long years, this day has come.

In Jesus name,

Amen.

News from the Russia Mission

Rev. Ralph and Scott Florence will depart on July 31st for this year's visit to Dorogobuzh. As in past years, they will be assisting Pastor Sergei and his congregation with their annual summer Bible camp.

Ellen Smith will be accompanying the group to Dorogobuzh and will be making sure that communication does, in fact, take place. We also hope to speak with them via Skype during Fellowship following worship on August 4th, so plan to stay for that.

In addition, Chris Schleter will travel to Smolensk (about 40 miles from Dorogobuzh) in late September to attend the annual Russian Mission Network Conference – the same conference we hosted in 2018. This is the first time the conference has been held in Russia and promises to be filled with faith, love and understanding among our American missionaries and our Russian partners. In addition to attending the conference, Chris hopes to be able to spend some time with Pastor Sergei while he is so close by.

During worship on July 28th, we will be commissioning Ralph, Scott, and Chris as missionaries in preparation for their trips.

Due to rising airfares, this year's trip will be expensive. If you would like to help our missionaries, please place contributions in the collection plate, and write Russia Trip on the memo line.

We wish our missionary teams a safe, productive, and blessed journey, and we look forward to hearing their stories when they return.

Congregation News

We say goodbye to three of our own in June

June was a sad month in the life of our church with the passing of John Elwood on May 30th, Rev. Harold Wylie on June 16th, and Jim Sullivan on June 25th.

Although John and his wife, Eliza, were not members, they have been active in our church for many years. John was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland in 1938, and he and Eliza were married in 1960. They moved to the United States in 1970, and they settled in St. George when John retired in 2008. Prior to their move to St. George, John and Eliza were members of First Presbyterian Church of Everett, Washington.

Everyone knows the story of Rev. Harold Wylie. He was born in 1930 while his parents were serving as missionaries in the Punjab region of India. He attended junior high and high school in Phoenix, Arizona; and, through their shared interest in music, he met his late wife Hazel at Westminster College in Salt Lake City. They were married for 67 years before Hazel died in June, 2018. Harold was ordained in the Presbyterian Church, and he and Hazel spent most of their lives in small community missions in the western United States. They came to St. George in March, 1993, when Harold was named Parish Associate at Good Shepherd. This was a position he lovingly filled until his second Honorable Retirement in 2016 when he was named Pastor Emeritus. A memorial service for Harold will be held on August 10th at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary.

As of this writing, an obituary for Jim Sullivan was not available. What we can tell you is that Jim and his wife Virginia (Ginny) joined the church in July of 1997. In his last years, Jim enjoyed frequent weekend trips to Mesquite and looked forward to joining us in church as often as possible. Jim's memorial service will be in late August or early September.

Good Shepherd is DEBT FREE!

For the third time in the church's history, and thanks to a bequest we received in 2018, we paid off our mortgage in June, well before its due date, saving us several thousand dollars in interest. Even though the mortgage has been retired, we still have more than \$60,000 in needed upgrades and repairs in the next few years that need to be funded from the Building Fund. In addition, we want to maintain a balance of at least \$50,000 in the Building Fund for emergencies. For example, when the CE Building flooded, we paid about \$40,000 in expenses for the repairs prior to being reimbursed by our insurance.

We thank everyone who has donated to the Building Fund and helped us to make the mortgage a thing of the past!

Christian Education

Our Adult Education topic for July will be "Holy Rus", the history and rebirth of Christianity in Russia from the "October Revolution of 1917" to today.

Prior to 1917 there were 58,173 churches and 112,629 Priests and Deacons in Russia. Following the revolution and the conclusion of Stalin's purges almost all the churches were closed and almost all of the Priests, Deacons and Pastors either had been executed or were in labor camps. Yet, when the Soviet Union fell, Christianity, which had been hiding and was far from dead in Russia reemerged and continues to grow in size, ministry, and mission.

For the month of July we will be examining the history and rebirth of Christianity in Russia from 1917 till our present day. Come join us for Morning Prayer with Communion at 9:00 am with class beginning in the CE building with some of Rev. Ralph's industrial strength coffee at 9:15 am.

Deacons

We would like to introduce Mitzi Rak as Deacon of the Month for July. She serves our members in the Ivins Parish which also includes the Kayenta area.

Be sure to pick up a copy of the Daily Bread while they are available on the table inside the front door in the Narthex.

Our Deacon Shed is 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.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the Lord; and hope that if there is anything you need, you will let us know.

*In Christian love and fellowship,
Your Deacons*

Fellowship

Wow, summer seems to have arrived overnight – forget the cool temperatures and any rain. How blessed we are to have our entire campus air-conditioned. The new programmable thermostats are doing a fine job of keeping the buildings comfortable for whatever activity is planned.

The summer months usually mean that things slow down for a while. While we miss our friends, who have gone to cooler climes, our Fellowship time is still going strong. Please remember that every Sunday is potluck when it comes to our Fellowship table. So, consider bringing something to share.

Fellowship, with a lot of help, is preparing for a new church directory with photos scheduled to start at the end of June. I want to encourage all of you to participate. Watch for some bulletins and further announcements. Our goal is to have the directories ready for distribution at the Fall Festival.

Stay cool!

*Blessings
Gloria McGilloway*

Mission/Outreach

Bike & Build: As you saw on the front page, Bike and Build will join us again this year on July 10th, 11th and 12th. As we always do, we'll have a potluck dinner to meet and greet these outstanding young people. Mark your calendars for July 11th at 6:30 pm and plan to join us for this memorable evening.

Russia Mission: Ralph, Scott, and Chris are diligently studying their Russian in preparation for their trips to Dorogobuzh this summer. Please pray for them – their Russian is not as good as they would like it to be.

Operation Christmas Child: Yes, we are working towards filling our Christmas Child shoeboxes early this year. With the blessing of Session and congregation donations, we have funds to take advantage of school supply and other sales as they happen during the Summer and Fall.

Mission/Outreach, continued

How can you help?? Do you like to shop and enjoy stretching a dollar?? You can be one of the shoppers who watch for sales – using church donations to make your purchases. ContactCarolynn Thomas 435.817.8288 to receive a shopping list and donation funds to do your shopping for the shoeboxes.

Are you not inclined to shop for shoebox goodies – or cannot get out easily to go shopping?? You can make cash donations to the church for those who will be shopping for shoebox supplies. Just indicate on your check or cash that it is for Christmas Child purposes.

Yes, we will still take home shoeboxes to fill at home, but also meet up at church in the Fall to fill additional boxes. Our Knotty Knitters are creating beautiful, colorful purses, hats & scarves to tuck into each of the boxes. Making and purchasing supplies to fill the boxes can be an ongoing, fun time for all.

Change for Change: Is your loose change getting heavy in your pocket or purse? Is that coin dish at home overflowing with coins? Bring all that loose change with you to church on Sunday and place it in the brown donation box in the Narthex. At the end of the year these coins will be counted and donated to the DOVE Center.

*Blessings
Carolynn Thomas*

Parish Health Ministry

August Red Cross Blood Drive: As we did in January, we will once again be joining the Blood Drive to be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake building next door. The date is **Tuesday, August 13th**. If you are a regular donor, you may not donate more frequently than every fifty-six days. For information or to register, please contact Mary Beth Gibbons at 634-8205.

October Brown Bag Luncheon: If you have wanted to know what Rocky Vista University in neighboring Ivins is all about, our October speaker is well qualified to tell us. The date is to be announced; but, we look forward to hearing Good Shepherd member, Melissa Henderson, PhD, an Associate Professor of Biomedical Sciences at the University. Melissa will enlighten us about Rocky Vista and how its students are educated to become Osteopathic physicians.

October Brown Bag Luncheon: Looking ahead to December, we have planned our topic to be about Grief and Loss. We will be utilizing the concepts and resources found in a major book, 'Tear Soup', about healing after loss,. None of us has been immune to loss in our lives, and so this promises to be an informative and perhaps life-changing discussion. For your calendars, the date is Wednesday, December 4th at noon.

HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!

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 me on my cell, 632-3160.

All prayers are important.

Deborah Stone

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on June 9th. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Authorized the Treasurer to move \$15,000 from the General Fund into the Reserve Fund.
- Waved the membership requirement so John Elwood could be interred in the Memorial Garden.
- Approved to request the Presbytery of Utah to temporarily add Rev. Dolores Wiens, HR, to the roll of Ministers of the Word and Sacrament of the Presbytery of Utah..
- Approved vacation for Rev. Ralph from August 25th through August 31st, 2019.
- Approved the production of a new photo directory at a cost not to exceed \$850./
- Approved an increase in the Christian Education budget from \$500 to \$1000.
- Approved to set aside \$6,360 from bequests for Mission purposes.
- Approved the purchase of 300 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) Bibles and 10 Large Print NRSV Bibles at a cost not to exceed \$2,500 paid from bequests and dedicated in memory of Dawn Angarone.

Session News, continued

- Approved the purchase of 36 stackable padded chairs in gray fabric to replace the red chairs in the CE Building. Total cost, not to exceed \$2,500, to be paid from bequests.
- Approved the replacement of fluorescent tubes in the sign by the street with LED tubes at a cost not to exceed \$400 paid from the Building budget.
- Approved a \$1,000 donation to the church in Dorogobuzh to assist with the construction of the addition to their building to be funded from Mission set aside funds from bequests.
- Cancelled the August Session meeting.

LaVerna Metzger, Clerk of Session

Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the month of May volunteers included Ruth Ann Horvath, Marge Linn, Janis Wick, Josie Kellejan, Patti and Brian Lusby and LaVerna Metzger. Serving over 100 hungry folks is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. A Spring menu of sloppy joe's, chips, coleslaw, fruit and dessert was served. Many positive comments were received – especially for our famous "Presbyterian" coleslaw. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? ContactCarolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Carolynn Thomas

Stewardship

The Treasurer's report from May 31st appears on page 2, and our Building Fund report is on page 11.

As has been noted elsewhere, Carolynn Thomas made the final payment on our mortgage in mid-June. We had been paying additional principal each month for a couple of years and received a sizeable bequest in the fall of 2018 that allowed us to pay down most of the mortgage. Thanks to everyone who helped us to become debt free again. We do, however, continue to have needs for Building Fund monies for maintenance projects and improvements that we want to make over the next few years, so please continue to give as you always have!

We continue to thank you for your generosity.

Susan Holecheck and your Stewardship Committee

Visitation Pastor

It is my privilege to serve as our Visitation Pastor, providing home visits and Communion. Please let me know of anyone who may wish visitation or Communion.

Dick Higgins

Women's Guild

Please remember to put our September 7th meeting on your calendar when we'll be planning the October 19th Craft & Baked Food Sale. Happy Summer!!!

Candy Hurlbut

Worship and Music

"I will sing the Lord's Praise, for He has been good to me." Psalm 13:6.

Even though the choir is not singing during the summer months, our congregation makes up for it with their beautiful singing! What a joy it is to hear!

We want to thank those musicians who have supplied our special music for our summer services and our organist, Steve Talley, for his inspiring selections for each Sunday. The choirs will resume rehearsals the last week of August.

The Worship Committee is always looking for volunteers to usher each Sunday. If you are interested, please contact Mary Contreras, 435-673-9745.

Blessings

Barbara McConnell, Music Director

Lectionary Readings for July

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, July 7 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30	Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Sunday, July 14 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82	Colossians 1:1-14	Luke 10:25-37
Sunday, July 21 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52	Colossians 1:15-28	Luke 10:38-42
Sunday, July 28 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85	Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]	Luke 11:1-13

Lectionary Readings for August

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, August 4 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	Hosea 11:1-11 Psalm 107:1-9, 43	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 12:13-21
Sunday, August 11 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	Luke 12:32-40
Sunday, August 18 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	Luke 12:49-56
Sunday, August 25 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17

Lectionary Readings for September

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, September 1 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 2:4-13 Psalm 81:1, 10-16	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Luke 14:1, 7-14
Sunday, September 8 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
Sunday, September 15 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 14	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
Sunday, September 22 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 79:1-9	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
Sunday, September 29 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31

More Congregation News

Good Shepherd Receives Two Large Bequests

During 2018 the church received two substantial bequests from members who passed away. The bequests were from the estates of Dawn Angarone and Ted Sorensen and totaled \$63,590. As in the past and in our church's tradition, we set aside 10% (\$6,360) for Mission purposes. The net amount remaining is \$57,230 and is to be used to enhance our church's life as determined by Session. At the June Session meeting, Session approved spending some of the bequest money to replace our pew Bibles and to replace the red chairs in the CE Building.

There currently are not enough Bibles in the Sanctuary to have one for each seat, and the edition of the Bibles that we are using are no longer in print. Adding additional Bibles would mean that page numbers would be different between the editions. In addition, our current large print Bibles are NIV, while the pew Bibles are NRSV. To remedy this, Session voted to purchase 300 NRSV Bibles with burgundy covers and 10 Large Print NRSV Bibles with black covers. The Bibles will be dedicated in memory of Dawn Angarone and should be in place sometime in July.

The padded chairs in the CE Building are 15 years old, heavy, hard to move, and are not stackable and are beginning to fall apart so Session approved the purchase of 36 stackable padded chairs in gray fabric which have arrived and will be in use soon.

July 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	2 9:30 am Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	3 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 6:30 pm Grief & Loss Support Group	4 11:00 Open Bible Study @ am Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	5	6
7 Soup Kitchen Sunday 9:00 Prayer Service am 9:15 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Church Directory am Photos - Sanctuary 12:00 Session Meeting Noon 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev. Ralph's	8 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	9 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	10 Bike & Build Arrives 11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting	11 Bike & Build 11:00 Open Bible Study @ am Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:30 Potluck for Bike & pm Build – Conklin Hall	12 Bike & Build Departs	13
14 9:00 Prayer Service am 9:15 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken 11:45 Church Directory am Photos - Sanctuary 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev. Ralph's	15 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	16 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	17 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Senior Ministries Card Party – Conklin Hall 6:30 pm Grief & Loss Support Group	18 11:00 Open Bible Study @ am Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	19	20
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28 9:00 Prayer Service am 9:15 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev. Ralph's	29 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	30 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	31 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble			

This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpscsg.org for the latest information.

August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				11:00 Open Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. Ralph		
4 Soup Kitchen Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 am Prayer-Service 9:15 am Adult Education – Gloria McGilloway teaching 10:30 am Communion Worship 11:45 am Fellowship – Skype call with Rev Ralph and Scott Florence from Dorogobuzh 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's	1:00 pm Shawl Ministry	9:30 am Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph	11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting 6:30 pm Grief & Loss Support Group	11:00 am Open Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph		10:00 am Memorial Service for Rev. Harold Wylie - Sanctuary
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Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from August 25th through August 31st.

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

This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpscsg.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
Open Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's Home
	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Village Inn
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
Choir Rehearsals	Tuesday	2:30 pm Bell Choir	Resumes in August
	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Resumes in August



Building Fund Update

THE MORTGAGE HAS BEEN RETIRED!

For the third time in the church's history, and thanks to a bequest we received in 2018, we paid off our mortgage well before its due date, saving us several thousand dollars in interest. Even though the mortgage has been retired, we need to continue to re-grow and maintain the building fund to cover projects in our long term plan and to have a reserve in case of emergencies like the flood in the CE Building.

Through June 23rd we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling **\$54,100** and additional cash donations of **\$21,097** giving us a total for all three campaigns of **\$270,260** or about **70.4%** of our **\$384,000** goal.

Thanks to everyone who has made a pledge to the third campaign. If you haven't pledged, please prayerfully consider doing so.

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Church Leadership 2019

Session Elders

Class of 2019	Mary Contreras	673-9745	Worship
	Scott Florence	574-2383	Grounds
	Susan Holecheck	702-265-8666	Stewardship
Class of 2020	Jan Hirschi	680-1012	Growth
	Bill Somplatsky-Jarman	502-589-6030	Christian Ed
	Eric Westland	625-1399	Building
Class of 2021	LaVerna Metzger	385-242-8622	Clerk of Session
	Gloria McGilloway	610-349-6045	Fellowship
	Judy Oar	702-241-6227	Senior Ministries
	Carolynn Thomas	817-8288	Mission/Outreach

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Parish	Deacon	Phone
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Bloomington Hills	Sandy Paige	703-9272
Dixie Downs/Santa Clara	Tom & Vici Noble	673-4232
East Bloomington	Vicky Westland	414-1960
Green Valley	Adele Kinkel	632-6347
Hurricane	Josie Marsh	435-772-1030
Ivins	Mitzi Rak	674-1204
Old St. George	Jeff Clingan	705-8692
Pine Valley	Tineke Ingold	574-3614
Red Cliffs	Ann McLuckie	680-1062
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