

# **Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church**

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## **Church Staff**

The Rev. Dr. Ralph Clingan Pastor

> Ruth Ann Horvath Clerk of Session

Candy Hurlbut Church Secretary

Barbara McConnell Music Director

Stephen Talley Organist

Rev. Dolores Wiens Prayer Chain

Chris Schleter Website / Newsletter Editor

## New Elder and Deacons Installed

With COVID-19 generally disrupting church life for the last year, the Nominating Committee had not had the opportunity to find Elder and Deacon candidates to fill the terms that needed to be filled at the end of 2020. With the approval of Presbytery, however, we asked that those whose terms expired last December continue to serve until we were able to return to live worship and the Nominating Committee could go back to work. As usual for our church, most of them said yes.

Two Elders resigned last year: Judy Oar (Senior Ministries) and Jan Hirschi (Church Growth). We thank both Judy and Jan for their good work over the years.

When Judy resigned in mid-2020, Session began talking about combining Senior Ministries with another committee. When Jan resigned at the end of the year those discussions got more serious. In May Session decided to combine Senior Ministries and Church Growth into a new committee, Congregational Growth and Care and Alicia Kitzman agreed to serve as the Elder leading that new committee. Alicia is still in the process of defining exactly what the new committee will be doing and would welcome input from members of the congregation.

Three of our Deacons, Virginia Hunt, Candy Hurlbut and Jeff Clingan, also reached the end of their maximum six consecutive years of service at the end of 2020. We thank them for their service and dedication to the welfare of our congregation over the last six years. Each of them agreed to stay on until we returned to live worship and we especially thank them for that. In addition, Russell and Luisa Estlack resigned as Deacons at the end of 2020.

Ruthanne Skinner and Peggy Graber agreed to serve as Deacons and we welcome them and look forward to their contribution to our congregation.

In reviewing our parish structure we noted that the Old St. George parish had only five members as did Ivins. We also determined that five members of Dixie Downs/Santa Clara parish lived nearer to St. George than to Santa Clara and that five members lived in Santa Clara, proper. To make our parish structure a bit more efficient (and even out some of the work load) Session and new Deacon Moderator Vicky Westland agreed to combine the members of Dixie Downs/Santa Clara who lived closer to St. George into a new Old St. George/Dixie Downs parish and the members living in Santa Clara into a new Santa Clara/Ivins parish. The new parish structure and Deacon parish assignments appears on page 4.

The Nominating Committee for the remainder of 2021 will be moderated by Eric Westland, representing Session, with Vicky Westland representing the Deacons and Scott Florence, Nancy Higgins and Anne Patten representing the congregation. They will be focused on finding Elders and Deacons for 2022. Thanks to everyone who has served and welcome to the new members of our church leadership for 2021.

#### **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

> Emily Penzari Jan Hirschi Nancy Higgins Peter Safreno Fd Mansfield

Brian Hurlbut Doug Hirschi Josie Marsh James Safreno Cheryl Mansfield

Caregivers in our area, state and nation Our partner 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

**NO NEWSLETTER IN AUGUST** September Newsletter Deadline August 23, 2021

#### Worship Schedule

8:30 am **Children's Sunday School Returns August 15th** 8:45 - 9:00 am **Morning Prayer and Communion** Sanctuary 9:00 - 9:45 am Adult Education **CE Building** 10:30 am Worship Sanctuary 11:45 am **Fellowship Time Conklin Hall** 

General Fund as of May 31					
Month of May					
Receipts	\$	14,983.76			
Expenditures	\$	16,831.25			
2021 YTD Budget vs	Actu	al			
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$	98,630.00			
Actual Receipts	\$	94,692.79			
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$	98,630.00			
Actual Expenditures	\$	86,687.40			
Fund Balances					
General Fund	\$	34,186.94			
Building Fund	\$	63,154.26			
Memorial Fund	\$	3,786.45			
Reserve Fund	\$	45,629.76			
Russia Mission Fund	\$	8,473.05			
Bequests	\$	78,989.53			

#### **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 Elder Ruth Ann Horvath Elder Leslie Lintz Elder Alan Paige Elder Chris Schleter Elder Bill Somplatsky-Jarman Elder Eric Westland Elder Barbara McConnell Elder Gloria McGillowav

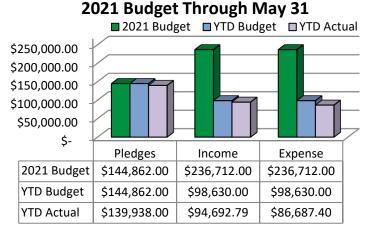
2 Corinthians 5:17-19 Matthew 6:34 James 1:17 Micah 6:8 1 John 4:6-8 Matthew 8:23-27 Romans 8:38-39 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Always joyful Lamentations 3:22-23

In Christ Do not worry Every Good Thing What is good Born of God Little faith Nor anything New every morning

	Flowers	Nursery	
	June		
July 4	LaVerna Metzger		
July 11	Chris Schleter	Off for the Summer	
July 28	Donna Baker	On for the Summer	
July 25	Available	7	
	July		
August 1	Marjorie Bayle		
August 8	Russ & Candy Hurlbut		
August 15	Marjorie Bayle	Off for the Summer	
August 22	Marjorie Bayle		
August 29	Marjorie Bayle		

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

#### **Treasurer's Report**



#### Thanks to our Volunteers

## **Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought**

Blessed is the person who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the Law of the Lord, And on His Law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season, And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, But they are like chaff which the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the wicked will perish.

Psalm 1(NASB)



Whenever I read this text I am reminded of my professor of Hebrew from my seminary days, Dr. Henshaw. As we were tasked with translating this text from the Hebrew into English Dr. Henshaw elaborated that wording and imagery is of one holding the Law close to their chest, sitting under a tree, emotionally and spiritually engrossed in prayer and God's presence.

On these very warm summer days I am reminded of growing up in rural upstate New York and the shade and shelter a tree or a forest could afford on a hot summer day, and on occasion it would be by such a tree that a cool spring could be found.

Now of course a hot day in upstate New York was any temperature over 80 degrees, not 100+, nor are you likely to find a spring near any tree in this locale, perhaps a sprinkler.

However the imagery is an invitation to take the time to draw closer to God, to do those things that increase our faith and our devotion to the Lord who seeks to refresh our lives by his presence and love for us.

There are of course many paths that will lead us to this oasis, prayer, worship, fellowship, and reading can literally serve as a four-lane highway to a growing faith and abundant life.

Now as we have entered the summer months, perhaps our busy lives may begin to slow thus affording us the opportunity to find the time or reprioritize the time to spend with God. Time, we need to take advantage of that so we may grow in our faith and in the words of the psalmist, bear fruit.

In Christ, Rev. Ralph

#### **\*\*** Home Communion **\*\***

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

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

With the federal laws that govern the privacy of medical records, hospitals no longer are allowed to give out any information regarding 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.

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 in the hospital and will be unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

### **Prayer Corner**

#### "And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive." Matthew 21:22



"My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the Lord. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:8-9

While attending a conference in Orlando, Florida, a recruiter from a Christian health sciences college told me that one of their librarians would soon be retiring. Since I was going to be graduating as a medical librarian in a few months, I let them know I was interested. I was never

shown a job description, so you can imagine my shock when I found out at the interview that it was for the position of Library Director. I thought they were crazy! I had no library work experience, and no aspirations to be a department head. After interviewing, I told them I was not interested.

A month later I received a call asking me to reconsider. After praying for guidance, I agreed to a second round of interviews. I told God that all concerns I had about the position would need to be worked out. The interviewers addressed and resolved all my concerns without me even having to mention them. The only barrier that remained was that I was convinced I would not enjoy management work. After more prayer, I couldn't shake the conviction that God wanted me to take the position. I reluctantly accepted.

Now fast forward 17 years later. It is 2020 and I am retiring from the position I had been so hesitant to accept. It turned out to be the most satisfying work imaginable, with my skillset and the needs of the department being a perfect match. God knew what He was doing; He just had to convince me to trust Him and say "yes."

Deanna Flores

## **2021 Deacons/Parishes**

This is the list of our Deacon parishes, the Deacon assigned to each parish and the families in each parish. If you know of any changes, please contact your Deacon.

Bloomington Hills	East Bloomington	Sun River	Old St. George / Dixie Downs	Santa Clara / Ivins	Pine Valley	Green Valley	Red Cliffs	Washington	Hurricane	Deacons
Sandy Paige	Peggy Graber	Mona Johnson	Ruthanne Skinner	Tom & Vici Noble	Tineke Ingold	Marjorie Bayle	Ann McLuckie	Ka-Wai Yu	Sue Lundgreen	Vicky Westland
Clingan, J	Baloga	Clark	Baxter	Arganbright	Beckman, M	Henderson	Babb	Cannon	Abbott	Bayle
Delgado	Bartlett	Freeman	Contreras, L	Baker	Flores	Jakubczak	Clouse	Carlson	Borden	Graber
Gibbons	Bass	Horvath	Frausto	Contreras, M	Lithgow	Kinkel	Estlack	Cover	Crowe	Ingold, T
Gilmore	Beasley, C/D	Hurlbut	Kellejan	Everitt	Malcomson	Morgan, M	Fine	Elwood	Drennan	Johnson
Jentzer	Carney	Kirkland	Lobato	Florence	Peters	O'Donnell	Holecheck	Gordon	Higgins	Lundgreen
Mowery	Dunham	Larson	McConnell, N	Gearhart	Ramquist	Perkins	Kwako/Rice	Jimenez	Hirschi	McLuckie
Otness	Laubscher	Mansfield	McGilloway	McConnell, B	Schroeder	West	Larsen, L	Jordy	Hogan	Noble
Phipps	Lintz	McGaha	Morgan, B/E	Milford		Wheeler	Linn	Kitzman	Hunt	Paige
Snipes	Reid (Hawk)	Morgan, C/T	Sheneman	Thomas, C			Metzger	Klein	Lamb	Penzari
Thomson	Smith	Patten	Starrett	Wiens			Peterson	Lucky	Lawson, R	Skinner
Westland	Wilson	Prinselaar					Stewart	Miller	Marsh	Yu
		Seefeld					Tighe	Morrison	Moeller	
							Wick	Robinette	Overkamp	
							Wille't	Sater	Safreno	
								Sauret	Shonkwiler	
								Schleter	Stone	
								Schultzman	Whitton	
								Somplatsky-		
								Jarman		

### **Buildings**

It's that time of year where it is hotter than one of Reverend Ralph's homemade sweaters made from Costco plastic wrap. Fortunately, all of our AC units are humming along and the energy improvements over the last couple of years are helping to protect us from additional charges we would need to pay if we use too much energy at one time. It is not just how much we use in a month, but also how much we use at peak demand times.

When the buildings are not being used, the AC is set to "save money" where you might ask Ralph for a sweater, but with our smart thermostats, events scheduled through the church office can have each building's temperature set to the requested temp for when the event begins. Exercise class can have cooler temps, while technology can set the room temperature to the perfect temperature for napping around 11:05 am on Sundays.

The point is, communicate regarding what your group would like for the climate and I'll set it up for you any way you want. The thermostats are locked and cannot be changed unless two members of Session turn their launch keys at the same moment, or someone gives me a call. This is because while Presbyterians are most-excellent at adjusting the thermostat down, they almost always forget to turn it back up. Cooling empty buildings is not how the Lord wants us to use his gifts. I'm pretty sure He instead wants us to have more food for fellowship hour.

Speaking of climate, that wasn't a fog horn you heard before worship a couple of weeks ago, but rather some parts in the organ deciding they were going to organ heaven. Our organist Steve quickly adapted to the situation and instead played piano for the service, as he has been doing since. We are thankful for that as Plan B would be to have Russ play his accordion, which truth be told isn't all that bad as Amazing Grace adapts easily to the Pennsylvania Polka. The parts are on order and as soon as they arrive we'll be back to organ music for worship. Thanks, Steve!

Eric Westland

## **Christian Education**

Adult Sunday School continues through the summer, and is attracting a good crowd even with the busy travel schedules of our church members. Join us at 9:00 am in the Christian Education Building.

Children's Sunday School will restart on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Also coming this fall will be a class on Healing led by Rev. Delores Wiens. Watch for details, and feel free to contact Delores for more information. So join in as a way to celebrate Christian Formation Week that begins on September 12th.

Bill Somplatsky-Jarman

#### Deacons

Two new Deacons, Peggy Graber, and Ruthanne Skinner were ordained and installed during the service on June 20<sup>th</sup>. A warm welcome to both of you! Soon, our new Deacons will be reaching out to members in their assigned parishes to introduce themselves. The list of Deacons and their parishes is on page 4.

Father's Day, also on June 20<sup>th</sup>, the Deacons hosted an Ice Cream Social during Fellowship hour. Thanks to Sandy Paige for organizing this fun event, and to scoopers/servers: Marjorie Bayle, Ka-Wai Yu, Ann McLuckie and her daughter, Peggy Graber, Ruthanne Skinner, Mona Johnson, and Tineke Ingold. What a team!

Deacons, our next Deacon's meeting will be on Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, at 12 Noon in the CE Building.

John and Peggy Graber are our contacts for the Deacon Shed which is full of items you may need. We have everything from walkers to crutches to wheelchairs to raised toilet seats. If you need anything from the shed, please give John a call at 801-541-7444, and he'll work with you to get you what you need.

In Christ's service, Vicky Westland

## **Fellowship**

It's so rewarding to see everyone enjoying our weekly Fellowship time in Conklin Hall. Although we enjoyed our weekly reports from DeEtte on local employment and seeing each other virtually during our Zoom calls, it was really hard during the pandemic when we couldn't be together. If you haven't been joining us live in Conklin Hall, please do so soon.

Thanks to all of you who make our Fellowship special!

Gloria McGilloway

## Mission/Outreach

Our Operation Christmas Child featured item in July is "clothing" and August is "School Supplies"! Please bring your donations and place them in the collection box on the table near the outside door to Conklin Hall.

Over the summer, Donna Beasley is planning to sew pillowcase dresses to put in boxes for little girls for Operation Christmas Child. She is looking for some help. If you're interested, please let her know.

It's good to be back to working toward making the world a better place.

Peace and Blessings Chris Schleter

## **Parish Health Ministry**

#### Wellness Concern of the Month - HYDRATION IN THE SUMMER HEAT

The very hot weather we experience in the summer calls for vigilance in staying properly hydrated in order to maintain optimum health and wellness, no matter our age. For most people, it is difficult to stay ahead of our need for liquids because, when we have the sensation of thirst, we may already be 'behind the curve' of what our bodies actually require. It is especially important for the older population to realize that dehydration can have a negative impact on health especially in light of the fact that the sensation of thirst diminishes with age.

At all ages, lack of being properly hydrated can result from physical activity, environmental factors or from medical conditions such as undiagnosed or uncontrolled diabetes or certain medications like diuretics, antihistamines and laxatives plus alcohol and caffeine. Dehydration can contribute to symptoms of fatigue and disorientation, dry skin, mouth or eyes, muscle cramps, dizziness, headaches and even feelings of hunger, all of which might be remedied simply by taking a drink of water. Low circulating blood volume, with resulting low blood pressure, and also, risk of developing kidney stones can be attributed to the need for increased hydration. Barring the influence of certain medications or foods, the color of one's urine - other than appearing the optimum pale yellow color - can be predictive of our need for more fluid. Hydration can be provided to the body not only by drinking water but also by intake of any fluid- rich foods or produce. All liquid counts towards the day's recommended amount, which varies by age, sex and medical conditions, but for women is an average of 2.7 liters per day and for men, 3.7 liters.

We need to make being properly hydrated a habit, even if it might take tricking ourselves into doing it. Flavor the water with fruit or vegetable slices or spritzes of lemon, keep a water container handy and in sight, set goals for daily water consumption, make the afternoon pick-me-up a glass of water, never leave home without a bottle of water, eat fluid-rich foods or treat yourself to a mug of herbal tea. Although we may not be aware of it, we lose fluid from our bodies each day through respiration and perspiration. Be kind to that body and give it a drink!

Alicia Kitzman

## **Prayer Chain**

The Strand of Pearls folks are actively praying for prayer requests as they come in. Updates and thanksgivings are appreciated and will be passed on. Please call, email or text your requests to Rev. Dolores at 630-890-8343 or <u>revdfw@icloud.com</u>, and indicate whether you wish the request to remain confidential. Otherwise, it will be named in the GSPC prayer list.

Rev. Dolores Wiens

### **Session News**

Session held their monthly meeting on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Here is a synopsis of the actions taken:

- Approved Rev. Clingan's request for vacation on July 13 through July 26, 2021.
- Approved waiving the By-Laws to allow the Nominating Committee to present nominees at a meeting other than the Stated Congregational Meeting in December.
- Approved a Resolution amending the Pastor's 2021 Health Reimbursement Arrangement Resolution to reapportion \$700 of his \$7,000 Reimbursable Expenses budget to the HRA covered medical expenses for this year. This does not increase his expense allowance.
- Approved necessary organ repairs not to exceed \$1,000. Following an estimate from the repairman, an e-vote was passed on June 21, 2021 to increase this amount not to exceed \$2,500.
- Approved the expenditure of \$1000 from Mission Set Aside to provide the postage for and the purchase of items for Operation Christmas Child boxes for this year.

#### Session News, continued

• Approved a \$500 donation, to be paid from the Russia Mission Fund, to Pastor Sergei and the church in Dorogobuzh to assist with Bible Camp.

The next meeting of the Session will be Sunday, July 11, 2021, at 12:00 Noon in the CE Building.

Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session

## Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. This month our church donations included 50 pounds of food and supplies plus a \$322 donation. During the month of June volunteers included Eliza Elwood, Josie Kellejan, Ruth Ann Horvath, Sue Lundgreen and Patti and Brian Lusby. Cooking in the Switchpoint kitchen we served over 100 hungry folks which is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. A menu of meat loaf, green salad, macaroni & cheese, green beans, bread, yogurt and dessert was served. Those who are hungry in St George continue to come to the Soup Kitchen for our "to go" meals. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? Contact Carolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Carolynn Thomas

### **Stewardship**

Thanks to everyone who has paid their Per Capita for 2021. If you have not yet had a chance to do so, please consider paying your share to free up funds for other purposes. The Per Capita amount for 2021 is \$39.45 per person.

While our third Building Fund campaign ended at the end of May we still need donations to maintain at least a \$50,000 reserve to cover large expenses relating to the buildings as well as some needed improvements. We thank you for your continued generosity!

Leslie Lintz

### Women's Guild

The Women's Guild will be holding a meeting on August 21, 2021 at 11:00 am in Conklin Hall

We will be discussing our upcoming events for the rest of 2021. We have planned an Italian buffet on September 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 pm and will be planning our Fall Sale on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. We need as many ladies who can help with these events, to attend our meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August as proceeds from these events allow us to support local charities that help children.

LaVerna Metzger Moderator

## Worship & Music

July is a month of celebration with our national and state holidays. We are thankful as we celebrate our history! We are also thankful to be back for in-person worship!

After more than a year with doing worship and meetings by recordings and zoom, it is a blessing to be back to our regular schedules for church meetings and bible studies. Chancel Choir will begin their rehearsals on Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, at 3:45 pm. Our Bell Choir rehearsals will begin in September. If you are interested in singing in the choir, we welcome you! If you wish to be in the Bell choir, we welcome you there, too, but do remember that playing the bells does require you to be able to read music.

If you are interested in ushering, please let Anne Patten know. We have a worship committee that meets once a month, and we can always use help in straightening the sanctuary after each service. Please let me know if you are interested in that job.

We greatly appreciate all who provide for our worship services. Thank you to Rev. Ralph for his leadership, all who have provided special music and Steve Talley for his accompaniment and beautiful organ music!

Barbara McConnell

#### Date **Old Testament New Testament** Gospel 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 Sunday, July 4 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 48 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Sunday, July 11 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Mark 6:14-29 Ephesians 1:3-14 Psalm 24 2 Samuel 7:1-14a Sunday, July 18 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 89:20-37 2 Samuel 11:1-15 Sunday, July 25 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Psalm 14

# **Lectionary Readings for July**

## **Lectionary Readings for August**

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Sunday, August 1 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a Psalm 51:1-12	Ephesians 4:1-16	John 6:24-35
Sunday, August 8 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Psalm 130	Ephesians 4:25-5:2	John 6:35, 41-51
Sunday, August 15 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 Psalm 111	Ephesians 5:15-20	John 6:51-58
Sunday, August 22 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Psalm 84	Ephesians 6:10-20	John 6:56-69
Sunday, August 29 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## **Lectionary Readings for September**

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Sunday, September 5 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125	James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17	Mark 7:24-37
Sunday, September 12 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 19	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38
Sunday, September 19 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1	James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37
Sunday, September 26 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50

July 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	<b>2</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting - Noon CE Building	3
4 Independence Day Soup Kitchen Sunday 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Worship Noon Committee Meeting - Chapel	5 Independence Day (Observed) 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm 6:00 Open Bible Study & pm Potluck - CE Building	6 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:30 Grief & Loss pm Support Group	<b>7</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	8 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	9 7:30 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting - Noon CE Building	10
11 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Session Meeting Noon	12 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	13 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Raiph	14 11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	15 10:00 Stephen Ministry am Group Supervision Meeting 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	<b>16</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting - Noon CE Building	17
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25 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am	26 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	27 9:30 Calendar am Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	28 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>29</b> 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	<b>30</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting - Noon CE Building	31

**PLEASE NOTE:** 

Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from July 13<sup>th</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Rev. Dolores Wiens (630-890-8343) with any pastoral concerns.

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

## **Congregation News**

### July 4<sup>th</sup> Special Event

*You are invited to attend a JULY* 4<sup>TH</sup> *Evening Devotional* **\*A PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM**" A program of Patriotic music presented by the St. George Interfaith Choir, Flag Ceremony, and special Speakers

> **7:00 p.m.** Kuzy Hall, St. George Catholic Church 157 N. 200 W.

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		4	August 2021	L		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
L Soup Kitchen Sunday 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Worship Noon Committee	2 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	3 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:30 Grief & Loss pm Support Group	4 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>5</b> 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal - Sanctuary	<b>6</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting - Noon CE Building	7
Meeting - Chapel 8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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PLEASE NOTE:

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## **Regularly Scheduled Activities**

**Soup Kitchen Sunday** – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each Month **Women's Bible Study and Fellowship** – last Monday of each month at 11:30 am in Conklin Hall **(Resumes in September) Al-Anon Meeting** – Friday at 12:00 Noon in the CE Building

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
Men's Bible Study	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday	7:30 am to 8:30 am	Bishop's in Sunset Plaza
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	First Watch
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Barnes & Noble Cafe
Choir Rehearsals	Tuesday	2:00 pm Bell Choir	Resumes in September
	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Resumes August 5 <sup>th</sup>



## **Building Fund Update**

When we took out our mortgage, we estimated that we needed \$384,000 in order to pay off the mortgage and have the resources to meet our needs for maintaining and improving our facilities. Now that our mortgage has been retired, we have turned our attention to several major maintenance items and improvements that need to be addressed over the next several years. These projects, totaling more than \$145,000, need to be funded. We still need your help.

Through June 20<sup>th</sup> we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling **\$56,100** and additional cash donations of **\$50,875** giving us a total for all three campaigns of **\$302,038** or about **78.6%** 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 making a pledge to help us ensure that our facilities remain in top notch condition and to allow us to make some needed improvements.

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