



# Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

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## In Memoriam



**Dawn Robin Angarone**  
**August 8, 1960 – August 6, 2017**

Our church family is saddened by the sudden death of our friend and valued member, Dawn Angarone. Her passing was a traumatic event for all who knew her. As part of the mission to our sister church in Dorogobuzh, Russia, Dawn, Pastor Clingan, and Kathy Greear attended their Sunday morning worship service. As she was singing a solo for the congregation, she collapsed and suffered an aneurism that took her life on August 6, 2017.

Born on August 8, 1960, in Brookfield, Illinois, Dawn was one of the three children of Peter and Lois Thas. Her sister, Pamela, describes their walking a mile to school each day where they attended High School. Dawn graduated with honors in Business and Music. After High School Dawn took classes in Accounting and English at North Central College in Naperville, Illinois. Not long afterwards, Dawn married Jim Angarone and they moved to the Chicago area. She and her husband established a business that provided secretarial and accounting services for small to medium sized companies.

After a career in Kentucky's local government legal field, Dawn and Jim moved to St George soon after her husband was diagnosed with cancer. When he passed away in 2014 under hospice care, Dawn's Chaplain was our own Rev. Ralph. His invitation to attend Women's Bible Study and Sunday services brought Dawn into our fold. She found our Chancel Choir and had been singing like an angel until the day she passed away. Her lilting soprano solo voice will be a vivid memory for all of us.

Dawn served in so many ways – Financial Secretary, Deacon, and Church Secretary. Her remains have now been returned to her family. Dawn was preceded by the death of her husband, father, brother, and uncle. Her Mother, Lois, and Sister, Pamela are very grateful for our prayers and the love we shared with Dawn during her years at Good Shepherd Presbyterian.

### 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

Roger Kitzman                      Brett Schroeder  
 Joe Borden                         Norm Ramquist  
 Bruce Ingold                       Gene Thomas  
 Betty Miner                         Dottie Malcomsen  
 Ann Hogan                         Shirley Craig  
    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

### 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.

### Welcome New Members

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

No Session meeting in August. We'll have new scriptures next month.

### October Newsletter Deadline

September 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**

### Thanks to our Volunteers

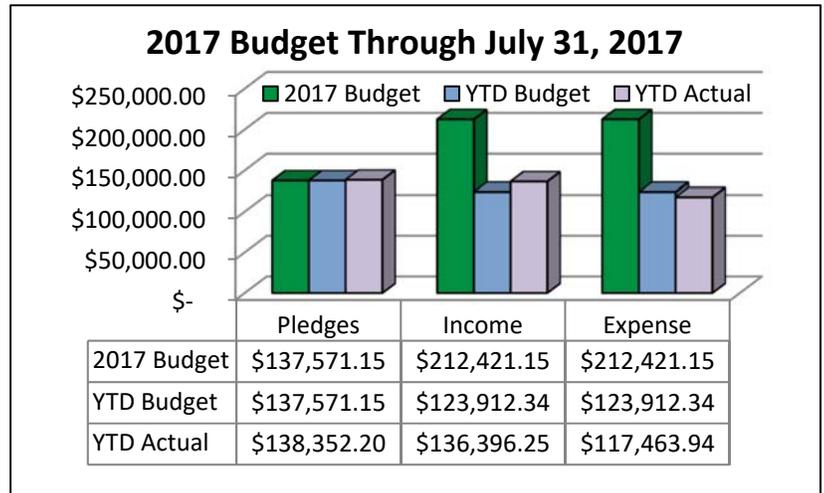
#### Flowers

| September    |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| September 3  | Roger & Alicia Kitzman |
| September 10 | Donna Baker            |
| September 17 | Carolynn Thomas        |
| September 24 | <b>Available</b>       |
| October      |                        |
| October 1    | <b>Available</b>       |
| October 8    | <b>Available</b>       |
| October 15   | Shirley Craig          |
| October 22   | <b>Available</b>       |
| October 29   | <b>Available</b>       |

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website [gspscsg.org](http://gspscsg.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 July 31, 2017 |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Month of July                    |                      |
| Receipts                         | \$ 15,359.25         |
| Expenditures                     | \$ 16,198.67         |
| 2017 YTD Budget vs Actual        |                      |
| YTD Budgeted Receipts            | \$ 123,913.34        |
| Actual Receipts                  | \$ <b>136,396.25</b> |
| YTD Budgeted Expenditures        | \$ 123,913.34        |
| Actual Expenditures              | \$ <b>117,463.94</b> |
| Building Fund                    |                      |
| Building Fund Cash               | \$ 76,619.40         |
| Loan Balance                     | \$ 134,497.03        |
| Net Building Fund                | \$ (57,877.63)       |
| Fund Balances                    |                      |
| General Fund                     | \$ 14,388.10         |
| Memorial Fund                    | \$ 2,442.31          |
| Capital Reserve Fund             | \$ 32,769.19         |
| Russia Mission Fund              | \$ 1,657.33          |



## Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

*<sup>16</sup>But the eleven disciples proceeded to Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had designated. <sup>17</sup>When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some were doubtful. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

*Matthew 18:16-20 (NASB) – The Great Commission*



It is good to be home!

A trip that began with anticipation and hope turned tragic. The death of Dawn Angarone was both shocking and unexpected. What followed that terrible event was, at the same time, both unexpected and heartwarming.

As most of you know, following Communion, in which I was honored to participate, Al Smith introduced Dawn for her solo. Quoting from Kathie's blog,

"She began, unaccompanied, got her key on the piano and began singing 'For God So Loved the World', John 3:16, with the voice of an angel. A little over half way through she reached for the podium and just fell forward. She was caught before hitting the floor." CPR was administered, paramedics were called but to no avail.

What followed was, I think, an expression of the true meaning of our relationship with the Word of Life Church: they prayed. They prayed for Dawn. They prayed for Kathie and me. They prayed for our congregation. Even as Dawn's body was being removed and put into the ambulance, the church's oldest member, a 92-year old woman who survived the Bolsheviks, the Nazis and the Communists, stood by the ambulance and prayed. I would like to think that our faith is as strong as what they all demonstrated in this most stressful circumstance.

I was prepared to preach a sermon during that service but didn't actually preach it until the day before we left Dorogobuzh. In between Kathie and I had a fun and fulfilling experience assisting with the church's annual Bible camp. Kathie assisted the ladies with the cooking and cleaning and I was in charge of the Bounce House (among other things). The kids kept trying to get me to bounce with them but I just kept telling them "Слишком старый" (Too old!). During the camp we met and interacted with a large number of Christians both from Dorogobuzh and from other parts of Russia and I continue to be impressed by their devotion to God and our Savior.

We all miss Dawn – her friendly smile, her compassion, her wonderful songs, her ability to light up a room. What we know is that she is with her God and for that we are thankful.

*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

With Rev. Ralph and Kathie safely back home, we turn our attention to upcoming events in the life of the Russia mission. Rev. Ralph and Chris Schleter will be attending the annual Russia Mission Network Conference in Pittsburgh from September 28<sup>th</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>. This will be our last chance to observe and participate in a conference before we host the event next year.

Al and Ellen Smith will be with us for worship on October 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be talking about next year's trip to Russia and doing some preliminary planning for next year's conference while they are here. We are also planning to hold a potluck dinner in their honor on the evening of the 15<sup>th</sup>. More details on that next month.

Below are some excerpts from Rev. Ralph's sermon in Dorogobuzh:

This week marks my third summer visit to you, our brothers and sisters in Christ at the Word of Life Church. I would like to say that in that time my ability to speak the Russian language has improved, maybe a little, but I have been working on it! You might be interested to know that not long ago a study was conducted to determine which language in the world was considered the hardest to learn. It was not Russian, or even Chinese, it is the English language. So Pastor Sergei I will give you a pass on your English language skills. But you are doing much better!

I can say in complete honesty that I have thought about and prayed for you all every day of this past year. On my office wall is a picture of the all the sisters that you presented me last summer. Framed and on my office desk is picture of the children and volunteers from last year's Bible camp. Throughout my wife's and my home are mementos of our past visits to you. Throughout our church are pictures and magnets of you and from you. I can in complete honesty repeat to you the words of Paul to the Corinthians, "All the saints greet you."

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in Unity" the Psalmist declares

As you may know this year has been a troubling time for my nation and I might say the world as well. In these troubling times as I listen to my radio I would shake my head and despair the future, but then I would remember you and the days, words of comfort and support our churches have shared and I am filled with hope. Because if we can come together in the same service of the same Lord, by the same baptism, in the same faith there is great hope not only for ourselves but the world we have been called to bear witness to as well. We bear witness that while miles and oceans separate us we are never divided. Together we are the body of Christ, the Love for our Lord and love of the Lord unites us. As Paul tells the Corinthians and us; "We rejoice, we are complete, we are comforted, we are like minded, the God of Love and peace is with us. I am reminded of the words when I rejoice in the good news of the Gospel we share "Men shall come from North and South, East and West and sit together in the Kingdom of God.

The nature of my church is as Pastor Sergei introduced us to the nursing home years ago as church being "full of babushka's". He was accurate. A few on occasion have lamented that we don't have many children attending. Last summer after having been here for Bible camp my response has been, "We do have children, many children, and they speak Russian.

The text from Matthew [attached to Rev. Ralph's Food For Thought] is referred to as the Great Commission". What happened next in the life of the church after this event is Pentecost. On that day, the day of the Holy Spirits coming, Parthians, Medes, Romans, Greeks, Cappadocian's, Libyans, maybe even Americans and Russians, heard the Good News of the Gospel and the mighty acts of God in their own language. How can this be? What does this mean?, all who witnessed this asked.

We know, because we have heard the Great news of Jesus Christ. We know His saving grace because we have been saved and now are charged by his love and called by His grace to bear witness to him by living this new life we share and are called to share.

It is in our common commission, Great Commission, to follow Jesus to all His disciples, to go to all the nations making disciples, Baptizing, teaching all that we have been commanded to do. Which is why we have traveled from the other side of the world, to do just that, with you as His body in Christ name and service, serving not as Americans, but as brothers and sisters in the Lord. And again I praise God for this time to be with you, for myself a family reunion. Yours and ours.

Last year shortly after my return home to Saint George I was at a social function of my congregation of about 30-40 members of my church. In conversation I was asked about my time with you, half way through my answer I noticed that all the other conversations in the room had ceased and everyone was listening to my answer and my experiences in visiting you. Your brothers and sisters in Saint George enjoy listening to your stories, hearing all about you and your faith, your witness and ministry. We have been praying for you all every day, at every Bible study, at every worship service you have been lifted up in prayer. The Lord has been hearing much about you this past year, in English.

## Christian Education

There is a lot going on right now with Christian Education.

With the Fall Festival's theme this year being "Getting to Know You", the Christian Education Committee will be displaying our favorite collections. Come and see our display on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Jeff Clingan will continue teaching Adult Sunday School this fall. He has put together nine (yes, NINE!) classes on "Christianity in the Roman Empire of the East". Sunday morning classes in September will switch back to 9:00 am, so that choir members can get to their practice session on time. Jeff has done a great job this summer with his classes on Christianity & Roman Empire, and we look forward to his new sessions. Gloria McGilloway has done a wonderful job with her teachings on The Apocrypha. When you see these two people, please thank them for their hard work!

The Christian Education Committee is planning to put together an Advent Devotional Booklet for this year's Advent Season. This will be similar to the Lenten Devotional we did this past spring. There is a trifold display in Conklin Hall, with instructions on submitting your items. Please put your name on a date on the December calendar on the display! We need your help once again to make this a success. You can put your item(s) in the manila envelope attached to the display or email it to Jan Hirschi at [booknutjan@gmail.com](mailto:booknutjan@gmail.com). Make sure your name is on your item! DEADLINE: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>!!

We are also going to have Potluck Supper & Lessons on four Monday evenings at 5:45 pm during Advent. Please bring a dish to share and learn something from Rev. Ralph. The dates are: November 27<sup>th</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup>, and December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars!

*Anne Patten*

## Deacons

Wanted ... a few good men and women

At the end of 2017, seven of our Deacons who have served all of us faithfully will be ending their years of service. We need some more good men and women to answer the call to be a Deacon at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church.

The Nominating committee will be contacting and asking many of you to serve. 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

Our Fellowship this summer was well attended. Thank you to all who continue to supply goodies and fruit. Just a reminder, all Fellowship after worship is potluck and depends on your support and generosity.

We really enjoyed the Deacons' Ice Cream Social! Thank you for a delicious opportunity to meet you as you scooped.

*Gloria McGilloway*



## Growth

One of the best parts of having such a great church family is getting to really know the individuals in it. A big part of who we are is our interests. The things we collect reflect some of those interests. Be sure to sign up to share one or more of the things you treasure. Large or small; expensive or insignificant. It doesn't matter. What matters is that these things help us to know you better. Glassware? Christmas ornaments? Golf clubs? Books? Vintage video games? Old typewriters? Elephants or Giraffes? It doesn't matter. We'll love it! A sign-up sheet is located in Conklin Hall. Share your interests with the rest of us during our "Getting to Know You" Fall Festival. Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.

*Jan Hirschi*

## Mission/Outreach

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

Operation Christmas Child will kick off at the beginning of October 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.

The CROP Hunger Walk will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup> this year since the second Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, 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

**Brute-force attack, Catfish, Pharming, Skimming, Ghosting, Whaling, Hashbusters, Drive-by-download, Boiler room pump and dumps, Binary options, Computer caper ...** Sound like words from a foreign language??? Not so---these are just a few of the terms which describe dirty deeds by scammers who prey on the unsuspecting and un-informed. The speaker for our next Brown Bag Luncheon will educate us about how we can boost our fraud prevention know-how and thwart the common cons, who might seek to deceive us. On Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be privileged to welcome Karen McMullin, Investor Education Coordinator for the Utah Division of Securities, as she shares her expertise on this very topic.

We have enjoyed a summer hiatus but now look forward to seeing YOU and your friends in Conklin Hall at Noon on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Bring your sandwich and, as always, we'll provide a beverage and treat.

Also, please mark your calendars for the next Red Cross Blood Drive to be held at our church. If you have not donated blood since August 18<sup>th</sup>, you will be eligible to give the Gift of Life on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm in the CE Building. For questions or information on making an appointment to donate, please contact Kathie Greear – (207) 240-0994.

*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:**

Somewhat cooler morning temperatures suggest fall. Bring it on. Senior Ministries is planning for the first fall event of the season. We have scheduled Dennis Peters and Susan Hansen to present their story on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, at Noon.

Dennis is an auctioneer among other occupations and Susan and he have many animals in their care. I for one look forward to learning how to go to an auction and not inadvertently buy a bull because I scratched my nose. And thinking it is still too hot for soup, we will be serving sandwiches plus. This promises to be a very interesting noontime. Come and meet Dennis and Susan.

### **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 and Health:**

The Brain: Taking a page out of the AARP Bulletin of April 2014: FYI: There are more than 100 disorders that can trigger dementia- like symptoms. Some of these conditions are not serious and are often missed or misdiagnosed in seniors. Here are a few common disorders that can masquerade as dementia: 1. Medication. 2. Urinary Tract Infection (UTI). 3. Thyroid. 4. Depression. 5. Vitamin B-12 Deficiency. 6. Diabetes. 7. Alcohol. Let your doctor rule these out if you are concerned. We want healthy brains.

*Judy Oar*

## Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Approved to recommend Adele Kinkel for membership
- Approved to recommend Mona Johnson for membership (on July 30, 2017)
- Approved a Called Congregational Meeting on July 30<sup>th</sup> to receive a report from the Nominating Committee and act upon it. (James Robinette was elected to the 2017 Nominating Committee by the Congregation on that date).
- Approved to appoint Donna Beasley to the Russia Mission Steering Committee.

There was no Session meeting in August, but through E-votes during the month of August, these actions were approved:

- Appointed Susan Holecheck as Executive Secretary and Candy Hurlbut as Associate Secretary in the office of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church.
- Appointed LaVerna Metzger as Financial Secretary of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church.

*Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session*

## Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the months of July and August volunteers included Marge Linn, Rayanne Bartlett, Ruth Ann Horvath, Sue and Mark Licher, Janis Wick, Virginia Hunt, Josie Kellejan, Brian and Patti Lusby, and Carolynn Thomas. Serving over 90 hungry folks is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. To celebrate Summer and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July we served hamburgers (with all the fixin's), macaroni salad, coleslaw, fruit and dessert. Many positive comments were received – 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.

Thank you to Susan Holecheck and Candy Hurlbut, who are job Sharing the position of Church Secretary.

About ten years ago I had a fundamental shift in my thinking, things (Money, computers, cars, TVs, paintbrushes, etc.) lost much of their importance. Matthew 6:19-21 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in and steal; for where your treasure is there your heart will be also."

While traveling in San Francisco I had a lot of things stolen. My guess is that a number of you have had things stolen or been ripped off. I have rarely been so angry and hurt. Many colorful metaphors were thought by me (there were children present)! The safety of my family and friends was really the key issue and we should have said a thank you prayer. The theft almost ruined the vacation, In part because I believed those things were so important, but I was wrong. We made it through. Things are not inherently important or bad. These things are just tools, toys and money. It is when you or I give them a higher priority than we give God that it becomes an issue. What is the higher priority, me buying a new cast iron lawn dog or helping a friend in need? Things are not as important to me as they once were.

You or I can be laying up treasures in heaven. When we spend our time and money on the things of man, then our reward will be here on earth. If we spend our time and money on God our reward will be in heaven.

*Bob Moeller*

## Women's Guild

The next general (potluck) meeting will be Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am in Conkiin Hall. Please plan on attending this meeting, we will be discussing the Craft and Bake Fund Raiser. Sign-up sheets for the meeting will be on the table by the door.

The Craft and Bake Fund Raiser will be on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:30 pm. If you haven't signed up for that, please do. The sign-up sheets are on the table next to the door in Conklin Hall. We will be setting up for this event on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 1:00 pm . Please have your items there by that time. We want to make this event a big success and we need your help to do that. And, by the way, this is not just for the women, if your husband has a craft talent, we welcome his contribution as well.

See you all on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Bring your appetite and your dish.

*Mary Starrett*

## Congregation News

### **Church Property Damaged by Storm**

On Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, a "microburst" hit our church property. It blew down four trees: one in the Memorial Garden, one on the southwest corner of the main church building and two on the south side of the north driveway. The tree in the Memorial Garden hit the roof of the gazebo and broke off the cross. We also had roof damage to the CE Building, main building and storage shed.

The rooves of the main and CE buildings have been repaired. The downed trees were removed the last week in August and the one near the main building and the one in the Memorial Garden were replaced with 24-gallon size ash trees. They grow quickly and will eventually replace those trees that were lost.

The total cost of the repairs and new trees is about \$4,000. The good news is that all but \$1,000 will be covered by our insurance.

### **Knotty Knitters Send Goodies to the Troops**

The Knotty Knitters recently sent 7 boxes to military: 4 lap robes for dialysis, 44 helmet liners, 2 big bags chocolates, 24 boxes protein bars (1344 bars). They received a thank you card from the troops.

## Lectionary Readings for September

| Date   | Reading 1  | Reading 2           | Reading 3        |
|--|--|---------------------|------------------|
| Sunday September 3<br>Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  | Exodus 3:1-15<br>Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b                       | Romans 12:9-21      | Matthew 16:21-28 |
| Sunday September 10<br>Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost | Exodus 12:1-14<br>Psalm 149                                      | Romans 13:8-14      | Matthew 18:15-20 |
| Sunday September 17<br>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  | Exodus 14:19-31<br>Psalm 114<br><i>or</i> Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 | Romans 14:1-12      | Matthew 18:21-35 |
| Sunday September 24<br>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  | Exodus 16:2-15<br>Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45                           | Philippians 1:21-30 | Matthew 20:1-16  |

## Lectionary Readings for October

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

### Meet the Member Carolyn Jentzer

My husband, John, and I moved to St. George from Bangor, Maine, in 2006. We looked at each other one day and decided that we couldn't stand another Maine winter. John was fortunate to find work at the hospital and we picked up our dog and two cats and migrated west.

I grew up on Long Island, NY and my one regret about St. George is that I still miss the beautiful white beaches on Long Island's south shore.

I worked briefly in systems programming in the mid 70's. Computers haven't changed much since then: They still break down frequently and insist that you do things their way.

My son, Jacob, lives in Rochester, Minnesota, where he is on staff at the Mayo Clinic. I have one grandson, Jackson, who is the light of my life. He keeps Jake and his mother, Becca, running 24/7.

I was lost in St. George until, one day, I decided to attend a service at Good Shepherd. I was welcomed with open arms and immediately, I was volunteered to be moderator of PW. I held that position for several years until I was elected Elder for Fellowship.

My hobbies are my pets, photography and duplicate bridge. I also love to help my husband cook BBQ and Italian food.



## SEPTEMBER 2017

| Sunday  | Monday                       | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday                               | Saturday  |
|---|------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
|   |                              |   |  |   | <b>1</b>                             | <b>2</b>  |
|   |                              |   |  |   | 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's |   |
| <b>3</b><br><b>Soup Kitchen Sunday</b>  | <b>4</b><br><b>Labor Day</b> | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>   | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>                             | <b>9</b>  |
| 8:45 am Prayer/Communion Service<br>9:00 am Adult Education<br>10:30 am Communion Worship – Rev. Robin Eddy Preaching<br>11:45 am Fellowship<br>12:00 Noon Deacon Meeting<br>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's          | 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry       | 9:30 am <b>Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting</b><br>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I<br>1:30 pm <b>Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting</b><br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>4:00 pm Bell Choir | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble<br>1:00 pm <b>Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting</b>                  | 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's |   |
| <b>10</b><br><b>Patriot Day</b>   | <b>11</b>                    | <b>12</b>   | <b>13</b>  | <b>14</b>   | <b>15</b>                            | <b>16</b>   |
| 8:45 am Prayer/Communion Service<br>9:00 am Adult Education<br>10:30 am Worship<br>11:45 am Fellowship<br>11:45 am <b>Blood Pressures Taken</b><br>11:45 am <b>Session Meeting</b><br>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's | 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry       | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>4:00 pm Bell Choir  | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble<br>12:00 Noon <b>Soup &amp; Fellowship – Dennis Peters &amp; Susan Hansen</b> | 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | 11:00 am Women's Guild Meeting and Potluck – Conklin Hall |
| <b>17</b>   | <b>18</b>                    | <b>19</b>   | <b>20</b>  | <b>21</b>   | <b>22</b>                            | <b>23</b><br><b>Newsletter Deadline</b>                   |
| 8:45 am Prayer/Communion Service<br>9:00 am Adult Education<br>10:30 am Worship<br>11:45 am Fellowship<br>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's   | 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry       | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>4:00 pm Bell Choir  | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble<br>1:00 pm <b>Senior Ministries Card Party – Conklin Hall</b>                 | 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | Women's Guild Craft & Bake Sale                           |
| <b>24</b>   | <b>25</b>                    | <b>26</b>   | <b>27</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>29</b>                            | <b>30</b>   |
| 8:45 am Prayer/Communion Service<br>9:00 am Adult Education<br>10:30 am Worship<br>11:45 am Fellowship<br>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's   | 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry       | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>4:00 pm Bell Choir  | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble   | 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn<br>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph<br>3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's |   |

**Rev. Ralph will be on vacation through September 3<sup>rd</sup> and attending The Russia Mission Network Conference from September 26<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**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](http://gspcsg.org) for the latest information.**

## Regularly Scheduled Activities

Soup Kitchen Sunday – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1<sup>st</sup> 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 8:45 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 19<sup>th</sup> we have received pledges towards our second campaign totaling **\$45,357** and additional cash donations of **\$31,191** for a total of **\$177,774** or about **52%** 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.

## Church Contact Information

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| Pastor's Office Hours       | Mon to Thu – 9:00 am – 10:30 am<br>1:00 pm – 3:00 pm                     |
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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

| Parish                  | Deacon                   | Phone        |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Deacons                 | Virginia Hunt -Moderator | 714-955-1167 |
| Bloomington Hills       | Dick & Patti Babb        | 688-1120     |
| Dixie Downs/Santa Clara | Shirley Fromknecht       | 628-2381     |
| East Bloomington        | Molly Bass               | 628-6440     |
| Green Valley            | Rayanne Bartlett         | 673-6657     |
| Hurricane               | Ann Hogan                | 635-0993     |
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| Old St. George          | Larry Laubscher          | 656-0617     |
| Pine Valley             | Tineke Ingold            | 574-3614     |
| Red Cliffs              | Matt Fine                | 760-887-1251 |
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