



# Friday Bulletin

**Good Shepherd E-News**  
15 July 2022

**The Episcopal Church of the  
Good Shepherd in Athens, Ohio**

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## This Upcoming Sunday

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**17 July 2022, 10:30 a.m.**

**Order of Worship (Bulletin)**

**Service:** Holy Eucharist Rite II-C

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Deborah Woolsey

**Musician:** TBA

**Lector:** David McCoy

**Eucharistic Minister/Acolyte:** Sharon  
Huge

**Eucharistic Minister/Prayer  
Leader:** David Burton

**Altar Guild:** David Burton

**Altar Flowers:** David Burton

**Coffee Hour Host:** Lynn Graham

**LESSONS** for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 10-Tract 1):

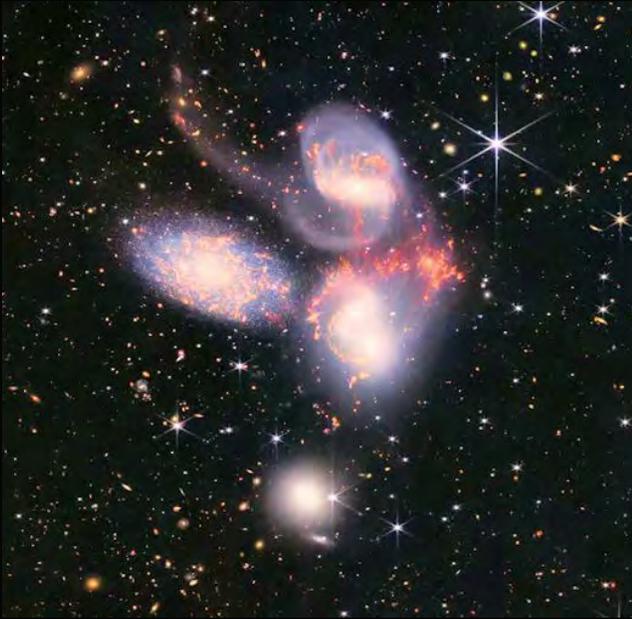
Old Testament – Amos 7: 8: 1-12;

Psalm 52 (SAID);

New Testament - Colossians 1: 15-28 ;

Gospel - Luke 10: 38-42

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### From A Distance

If you are tired of bad news, you can thank NASA for some good news this week as they unveiled the first images taken by the James Webb Space Telescope that reveal there is much much more to the universe than we can see or imagine on our own. These stunning images reveal not only impressive details of nebulae, stars, and galaxies, they show us our

universe is in motion, it is moving together, like a dance.

As an amateur astronomer who has often looked at the moon, planets in our solar system, and stars, it is inspiring to see such clear, colorful images of the universe. God's universe is full of Wonders, God's Wonders. And that alone is sufficient for rejoicing.

What also inspires me is something that is also holy: how the James Webb Space Telescope is the result of collaboration between NASA, ESA (European Space Agency) and CSA (Canadian Space Agency). I am inspired by what we human beings can do when we work together for a goal larger than ourselves. The beauty of the images the James Webb Space Telescope is bringing to us would not be possible without the holy and beautiful work of collaboration. Which, for me, inspires hope, even from such a far distance as our fragile planet in the wide, wonderful, energetic, interconnected universe we belong to.

*"Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns the deep darkness into morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of sea and pours them out upon the surface of the earth: the Lord is his name." Amos 5:8*

Many Blessings,

Mother Deborah

**Sunday, July 17, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Thursday, July 21, 7:00 p.m. - - Vestry Meeting**

**Sunday, July 24, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Wednesday, July 27, 9:30 a.m. - - Prayer Shawl at Julie's**

**Sunday, July 31, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday, August 7, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday, August 14, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Thursday, August 18, 7:00 p.m. - - Vestry Meeting**

**Sunday, August 21, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday, August 28, 10:30 a.m. - - Holy Eucharist**

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This Summer CrossRoads Café is open Sundays after church.

## Notes & Announcements

### **Church of the Good Shepherd Receives Campus Ministry Grant**

**Learn about the grace and beauty of this process.**

When I started at Church of the Good Shepherd 7 years ago, there was the caveat that I would represent the parish at the meetings of the Campus Ministry Collaborative and participate in the group. This is because without the substantial grant the Campus Ministry Collaborative gave the parish to supplement my salary, the parish would not be able to afford to pay my salary. At the time, the Campus Ministry Collaborative was under the direct authority of a priest on Diocesan Staff who was the Canon Missioner for Campus Ministry.

***Campus Ministry Collaborative*** – is a group of people both lay and ordained whose ministry is tied in some way to a university or college in the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

**Background** - Every year, the Diocese of Southern Ohio dedicates a section of its budget to support campus ministry in the diocese. Part of that budget is given as grants to parishes involved with campus ministry or ministries that are exclusive to college/university communities. In order to receive a campus ministry grant, the parish or ministry has to agree to participate in the collaborative.

After a few years, the Canon Missioner for Campus Ministry left the Diocesan Staff to serve a parish in the diocese and offered me the newly created position of Convener of the Campus Ministry Collaborative. This position is not quite the level of Diocesan Staff person, but it does pay me a small salary to oversee the administrative tasks of keeping the Campus Ministry Collaborative connected and functioning. My obligations include participating in campus ministry meetings of campus ministers in Province V of the Episcopal Church, submitting annual budget requests to the Diocesan Budget Committee for the Campus Ministry portion of the Diocesan Budget, maintaining regular communication with all members of the Campus Ministry Collaborative, calling, and facilitating meetings, and overseeing the process of applying for and distributing grants for campus ministry.

The later requires a great deal of time and attention while also applying for a grant to supplement my salary here at Church of the Good Shepherd. On July 8, 2022 I convened the Collaborative for the distribution of the campus ministry grants for this year. Unlike other diocesan grants processes, in campus ministry everyone who submits a grant participates in the meeting where the grant money is distributed. We each have time to talk about our ministries and communities and share our successes, joys, struggles, challenges and even our failures. This group does not compete for the money. Out of our gratitude for the money available for grants, we share it. And our main practice for this process is grace and generosity.

This year there was a little additional money and we agreed to split it with those parishes who asked for less so that the overall grants would be more equal. It is truly beautiful to be part of this kind of community.

Participating in the Campus Ministry Collaborative, even as its Convener, is one of the most powerful and impactful experiences as an ordained priest. It is one of the few times I see the Church being true to itself and practicing the Way of the Love of Jesus. We spend more time in the grant distribution meeting supporting each other and our ministries than we do talking about money and at the end of the meeting we all receive grants to support our work. No one is left out. This process gives me hope that as followers of Jesus money is a tool for good instead of a resource to fight over.

Church of the Good Shepherd's campus ministry grant is \$12,000 and will be put toward my salary, as has been the practice of this parish since I started. Of course, this is not enough to pay my entire salary, nor the other expenses of the parish, but it is given as a trust that all of us will practice generosity, gratitude, and support and grace. That is how we will move forward together

with the Holy Spirit.

Many Blessings,

**Mother Deborah**

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**For a nice summary of the General Convention from the Episcopal News Service "80th General Convention wrap-up: shortened, masked, tested, legislated" view [HERE](#) .**



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## **General Convention - - An Opportunity to Learn About the Diversity and Governance of the Episcopal Church.**

The Episcopal Church is not one building in one place, we are a denomination that includes people of all walks of life, including all political parties, all over the world. We are much more diverse than any parish in one location can reflect.

Unlike the Roman Catholic Church, we do not have one person who has the power to make all the rules in the Episcopal Church. We don't really have "rules", we have what we call canons and a constitution that are intended to guide us as body that make a great deal of allowances depending on the context of each diocese.

The canons and constitution, as well as overseeing what goes into the Book of Common Prayer, are determined by the bishops of the Episcopal Church and designated clergy and laypeople in every diocese. They are separated into two separate "houses": the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies.

The **House of Bishops** is comprised of all the bishops in the Episcopal Church. This house is presided over by the Presiding Bishop, who facilitates all their meetings.

The **House of Deputies** is comprised of individual clergy and laypersons who are elected by their dioceses to participate in General Convention. This house is presided over by someone elected by the deputies, facilitates all meetings of this house and works with the Presiding Bishop in planning and implementing General Conventions.

**General Convention** is the gathering of both Houses to debate proposed resolutions, vote on those resolutions, worship together, and reflect on the work both houses need to do before the next General Convention, which is held every three years.

**Resolutions** (legislation) must be passed by both houses, starting with the House of Deputies. Sometimes a resolution will not make it to the House of Bishops because it was defeated by the House of Deputies.

The way this system exists can appear complex or complicated. Its purpose is to give people with different views the opportunity to express their opinions and is a practice of inclusivity as the Episcopal Church has members who are liberal, conservative, and many who are middle of the road, meaning they might vote one way on one resolution and another way on a different resolution. The Episcopal Church is known as the *via media*, the middle way, recognizing the truth is often found somewhere between two extremes.

You can learn more about the work of this year's General Convention by visiting the Episcopal News Service online at [www.episcopalnewsservice.org](http://www.episcopalnewsservice.org) or visit the [General Convention Website](#).

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**Episcopal Bishops release  
“Mind of the House” statement  
on Climate Change.**

[More Here \(Anglican Ink\)](#)

Expressing the Mind of the House on  
Climate and Our Vocation in Christ

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Way of Love Circle:

# TURN

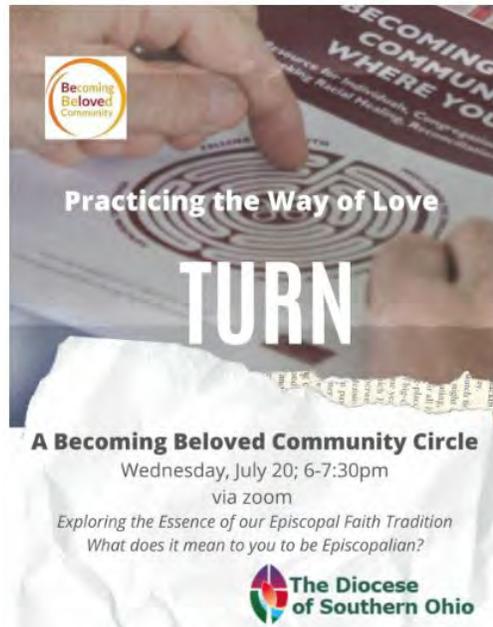
Wednesday, July 20; 6-7:30pm via zoom.

Join this Becoming Beloved Community Circle of Practice as we TURN and follow Jesus. We'll be re-TURNING to the roots of our faith tradition, exploring together the essence of our Episcopal Faith.

What does it mean to you to be Episcopalian?  
What aspects of the Episcopal tradition brings you life?  
Why do you choose the Episcopal way?

Naming and bearing witness to the beauty of our traditions is an important step in reformation and transformation of ourselves, individually and corporately. Let us join together as we become a church that looks and acts like Jesus.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).  
Zoom link provided upon completion of the registration form.



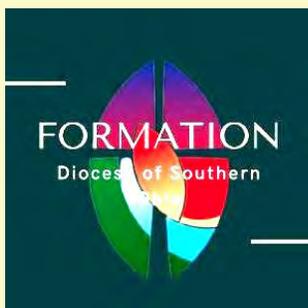
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## Diocese of Southern Ohio Convention Changes

Diocesan Convention - when delegates from every parish in the diocese and clergy in the diocese gather to conduct the necessary business of the diocese - has been changed to **Saturday, November 19**. Delegates and clergy may attend in person or via zoom. These changes are due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

For more see the [DSO E-Connections](#) newsletter.

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The summer season and the long liturgical season of 'Ordinary Time' is a good time to check in with the DSO website for resources on the Diocesan Learning Portal, learning opportunities and programs, and classes that are on-line and free.

For more please follow this link -- [FORMATION](#)

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# Supporting Humanitarian Response to the Crisis in Ukraine



## IT'S BACK

The restored organ has returned this week -- in many many pieces to say the least. "...All the king's horses and all the king's men Couldn't put Humpty together again.." but we trust that the Muller Organ folks will have better luck than the king. David Burton took these photos but noted that if you want to know what these parts are (other than apparatus that handle air to make beautiful noise) let's let Marsha answer those questions!







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## CHURCH YARD FAUNA

The former fawns in the church yard area are growing up. Nice felt covered 'rack' on the big boy. The Carlson's took these photos one evening this week when Dana came in for junior warden duties.





## Contacts & Information

**Contact Information**

**DONATE to Good Shepherd**

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**For pastoral needs**, please contact The Rev. Deborah Woolsey at 937-689-8895 (cell) or 740-593-6877 (church), or by e-mail at [revdebwoolsey@gmail.com](mailto:revdebwoolsey@gmail.com).

**To find out more about Good Shepherd and other matters**, please contact Alex Buckley, Senior Warden, at 740-593-5513 or by e-mail at [macbuck@yahoo.com](mailto:macbuck@yahoo.com).

**For maintenance matters**, please leave a note at the office or contact Dana Carlson, Junior Warden, at 740-664-2022 or by e-mail at [carlsondana@hotmail.com](mailto:carlsondana@hotmail.com).

**For emergencies**, please call The Rev. Deborah Woolsey at 937-689-8895.

**NON-emergency messages** can be left on the church's answering machine (740-593-6877). The parish office administrator is Barbara Martin (740-593-6877) or [barbara@chogs.org](mailto:barbara@chogs.org).

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Parish Home page where you can donate on line via PayPal. If you have a preference, please indicate on the the "Add special instructions to the seller" section the purpose of the donation—e.g. Covid Memorial, plate collection, etc.

Check out the Church's **YouTube Channel**.

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**Office Hours:**  
**10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.**

**The Diocese COVID Guidelines request all persons wear masks inside the church building regardless of vaccination status.**