

Our Rector's schedule in the coming weeks

Sunday, July 18:

Fr. Sessum preaching at all services (Saturday and Sunday)

Sunday, July 25 through Sunday, August 8:

Fr. Sessum will be on a 16-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land with 34 senior high and college students as well as former Archbishop George Carey and The Rev. Canon John Peterson. The trip is sponsored by Kanuga Conference Center and the Fourth Province. On Sunday, August 1, he will be worshipping at St. Paul's Church, Shefa-Amr, the same church at which our adult pilgrims worshiped in June. He arrives back in the United States on Sunday, August 8.

Monday, August 9:

Fr. Sessum's first day back in office.

Sunday, August 15:

Fr. Sessum returns to the pulpit at Good Shepherd at all services with his last baptismal service at Good Shepherd.

Sunday, August 22:

Fr. Sessum celebrates and preaches at both services, delivering his final sermon along with some personal comments at the 10 a.m. service.

Sunday, August 29:

Fr. Sessum celebrating and delivering a homily at 8 a.m.

Farewell reception and last chance to say good-bye to the Sessums. Undercroft from 9 to 10 a.m.

A Service for the Ending of a Pastoral Relationship and Leave Taking from a Congregation at 10 a.m. Bishop Sauls will be preaching and celebrating. The service will include additional comments by a Good Shepherd member and a longtime colleague of Fr. Sessum's.

Our mission at the Church of the Good Shepherd is to worship God and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to honor our Episcopal tradition, to care for one another within our parish family, and to reach out in loving service to our community and the world.

Help St. Agnes House

Did you know the cost to folks staying at St. Agnes House during medical treatment is a mere \$7 per night, and only if they can afford to pay?

Good Shepherd has adopted St. Agnes House for the month of July and your response has been tremendous. If you haven't already been involved, swing by the display in the Loggia and take one of the remaining Post-It notes. Financial donations toward utilities are greatly needed and gratefully welcome. Put your tax deductible donation (memo line St. Agnes House) in the red Outreach envelopes provided in the pew racks and place in the alms basin or leave with Vestry on Duty.

Take a look

Thank you to Pend Armistead for loaning an oil painting he obtained at the Adult Free Clinic/ Mission Lexington Gala last month. The painting was delivered to the church and the Rector decided to hang it in the west hallway where the choir gathers to enter the church prior to services. It is an abstract the Rector has titled "The Choir." Thank you, Pend!

Service Assignments

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR: 8:00: Joseph Jacobs
10:00 TBA, Patricia Bergman

ACOLYTES: 10:00 Ellie Fogg, Lucy Beal, Julia Peoples

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: 8:00 Joseph Jacobs
10:00 Tony Baxter, Jim Arnold, Juanita Peterson,
Dorothy Van Meter*

USHERS: 8:00 O. D. Purdon
10:00 Jim Carroll, David Thompson, TBA

LAY EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY: Janie Catron

ALTAR GUILD: Janice MacNeil

VESTRY ON DUTY: Laura Lipka, Graeme Wilson

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL: 10:00 No Chapel today

GREETERS: 10:00 Main St.: Laura Lipka

West Door: Ken and Ann Miller

ALTAR FLOWERS: Ann Miller

ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY: Dorothea Tate,
Karen and Terry Furlow, Ann Maggard, Alice
Dehner, Barbara Priest

Rummage sale a great success

The Outreach Committee thanks everyone who donated and/or shopped at the rummage sale on July 10. Over \$2,300 was raised to fund future Outreach Projects.

Pilgrimage reflections

by Laura Greenfield

The pilgrimage to Ireland was probably the best thing I've ever experienced in my life. I was so excited for the opportunity to go, especially since it was my first time out of the country. Traveling like this, with my Confirmation class and without my family for the first time, created an environment that was fun and also productive in what I learned, both about the church and about myself. Over the course of the trip, I learned a lot about the Celtic Spirituality of Ireland, something I loved and keep thinking about, even now that I'm back.

One of the things I loved most about Ireland, in association with Celtic Spirituality, was the strong sense of relationship between yourself and the world God created. This feeling of connectedness was only heightened by the beautiful landscape in Ireland. Everywhere we went, the land and the sights, religious or not, melted together to form a very "thin" place, which is exactly what I think a pilgrimage place is supposed to be. All in all, I enjoyed being in a different country, taking tons of pictures, shopping, and getting in touch with God in a land that exudes a sense of sanctuary. The pilgrimage was so much fun and I will never forget it.

Good Shepherd Calendar

Sun	07/18	8:00am	Holy Eucharist
		10:00am	Holy Eucharist
Tue	07/20	7:00pm	Vestry meeting
Wed	07/21	12:05pm	Holy Eucharist & Healing
Fri	07/23	9:30am	Bridge Club
Sat	07/24	5:15pm	Holy Eucharist

The Top Ten reasons to do EfM

10. Become more familiar with Scripture; no longer be intimidated by your Baptist friends.
9. Meet weekly with others who are also trying to discover what they truly believe, at least at this point in their lives.
8. Share thoughts, feelings, doubts in a confidential community.
7. Learn to think theologically; you probably have done it without knowing you have.
6. Grow spiritually.
5. Worship in a small group.
4. Become acquainted with your ancestors in the faith; sure, you've heard of Henry VIII but what about the Caroline Divines?
3. Question where God may be calling you to serve; it's probably stateside.
2. Challenge yourself to step out of your own comfort zone.
1. Discover the faith deep within you.

Education for Ministry, EfM, is a program of theological education-at-a-distance from the School of Theology at the University of the South. Participants meet weekly to study the Old and New Testaments, Church History and Contemporary Theology. The group of 6– 12 is not taught, but is led by a mentor who guides the process of theological reflection.

Good Shepherd's EfM group meets on Mondays from 6 to 8:30 p.m. and is mentored by Dale Chapman. Registration of \$350 is due by the end of July so materials may be ordered. If you'd like to be a part of this group, please call Dale in the church office at 252-1744 or email her at dchapman@goodshepherdlex.org.

Camp time at the Domain

Those from our parish attending camps this week at the Cathedral Domain are Lucy Beal, Katie Butler, Maddie Butler, Mary Greenfield, Annie Griffith, Clarita Ledbetter and Alina Snowden. If you want to send a note or card, send it to camper's name c/o Cathedral Domain, 800 Highway 1746, Irvine, KY 40336.

Our parish family

Belated Happy Birthday wishes to Hazel Sullivan on celebrating her 90th birthday on June 27!

The condolences of the congregation are extended to David Jones and family at the death of his father, Dr. John Lloyd Jones Jr., on July 10, in Fulton, Kentucky.

The following persons in our church family participated in Lexington's annual Bluegrass 10,000 on July 4: Quentin Thornbury, H. G. Wells, Daniel Kalonick, John Groves, Daniel Carwile, Dave Madgett, Frank Price, Robert Booth, David Helmers, George VanMeter Jr., Solly VanMeter, John Tarrant, Woody VanMeter, Laney Helmers, Amy Carwile, Azurdee Christiansen, Carey Riley, Lisa Broome-Price, Steffen Wilson, Susan McVey, Karen Furlow, Carson Richards and Pam Brown. A concerted effort is made to identify those from Good Shepherd. We apologize if your name is not listed.

We're on Facebook

Go to www.goodshepherdlex.org and click on the Facebook button at the lower right. You can now RSVP to Good Shepherd events on our Facebook page! The page is updated often, so check it out the next time you're online.

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday Holy Eucharist at 5:15 p.m.

Sunday Holy Eucharist at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42



The face of hunger

The economy continues to take a toll on everyone, but disproportionately affects children and the elderly in our community and region. Consider the following statistics provided by God's Pantry:

- * 41.2% of all client households include children under the age of 18.
- * 18% of all client households include someone age 65 or older.
- * Nearly half of all client households have at least one member in poor health.
- * Nearly two-thirds of all client households have monthly incomes of less than \$1,000. The average annual household income in 2008 was \$13,070 for an average household size of 2.8 people.
- * 93% of clients are Caucasian, 4% are African American and 1% are Hispanic.

A large blue barrel is available by the Main Street entrance to the church for any nonperishable food donations you would like to make. Perhaps you could pick up a couple of extra items (e.g. peanut butter, jelly, canned soup, tuna, macaroni and cheese, cereal) the next time you do your own grocery shopping? No glass containers, please. Hunger doesn't stop in the summer.