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during the school year 10:15am

Nursery Care 8:30-12:30

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Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

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# The Good News

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## Faith Formation at Good Shepherd



### Thursday Evenings: Thursday Night Light

Our lovely time of worship, food and learning on Thursday nights will continue in Easter! Join us May 19, 26, and June 2 and 9 for Eucharist at 5:30, dinner at 6 and classes from 6:45 – 8:15. Mark your calendar and sign up in the church entryway.

#### **We will have two class offerings this session:**

**“Welcome to Good Shepherd” newcomer’s class.** If you are new (or newish) to Good Shepherd, come with an open heart and mind and all of your questions to explore what it means to be a part of this parish, the Episcopal Church, the Anglican Communion and The Church of Jesus Christ.

**A book study of *Made for Goodness* by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and his daughter Mpho.** (Please purchase your own book and bring it to class. If this is financially difficult for you, please contact Rev. Shelly.) Easter is a time to reflect on our inherent goodness and the ways that the resurrection can come from the most unexpected places. Join us in reading *Made for Goodness* as we explore these themes.



### Sunday Mornings: Joyful Relationships!

Easter is about joy! Join us in the parish hall on Sunday mornings from 10:15-10:55 as we learn how to navigate our most important relationships in joyful and life-giving ways. Psychologist Victoria Thoresen will lead us in conversation about being healthier partners, spouses, parents, siblings and children.



### 1st Sunday Evening of the month: God Pub

No dogma, no drama, just talking. Join us at 7:00 pm at McMenamins on 162nd Avenue on June 5, July 3, and August 7. This is a joint project of Camas Friends Church and Good Shepherd. All are welcome; bring friends!

## **Invite a Friend to Church !**

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### **THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY**

We invite you to share events and news of interest with the Good Shepherd community. See the back of this newsletter for due dates and contact information.

**SERMONS ONLINE** - Were you unable to come to church on Sunday? Sermons are available to listen to at [www.goodshepherdvancouver.org](http://www.goodshepherdvancouver.org). Click "sermons" on the top toolbar.

"We are people of God, committed to acting in love, seeking and serving Christ in the world, one another and ourselves."

### **Good Shepherd Activities**

May 19: Thursday Light  
 May 20-22: Men's Retreat  
 May 21: Lego Event  
 May 22: Newsletter Deadline  
 May 22: LA Group Lunch  
 May 26: Thursday Light  
 May 29: Sunday Night Movie  
 May 30: Memorial Day - Office closed  
 May 31: Senior High Youth Social  
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### **HAVE YOU VISITED THE WEBSITE LATELY?**

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## NEWS OF THE G.R.E.A.T. GROUP



Summer is coming (hopefully) and Monday June 6 will be the final GREAT Group gathering until September. Potluck begins at 12 noon in the parish hall so bring a "dish" to share. The program will be a celebration!!!!?? Questions? Call Betty Yingling at 256-2956.



### HOLY BAPTISM

Holy Baptism will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, June 12. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child, please contact Rev. Shelly at 892-7770.

### PLEDGE STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

1<sup>st</sup> quarter pledge statements have been printed and are available in the church entryway. Pick yours up the next time you are at church. Please check it over and contact the church at 892-7770 if you have any questions.

### CROP BLESSING



At 1:00 pm on Sun., June 5, Fr. Tom will be in our Community Garden offering to those who desire it a blessing upon their crops.

### BABY-HOUSE-PET SITTING

My name is Ally Vitort and I have been a member of Church of the Good Shepherd since I was born. I am home for the summer and I am looking for babysitting, house-sitting, and pet sitting jobs. I will be home from May 10-June 8, then heading to Greece to study abroad. I would love to earn some extra money for my trip, so if you need a babysitter, housesitter, or petsitter please call 360-607-8151 or email me at allvort@hotmail.com.



Thank you so much! Ally Vitort

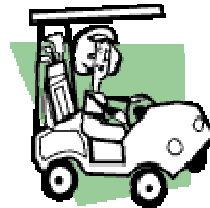
### LEGO EVENT

Sat. May 21, 11:00 - 3:00PM

PortLUG (Portland Lego Users' Group)-sponsored large Lego display, including trains, city, and more is coming to Good Shepherd! Proceeds will benefit Good Shepherd Montessori Preschool and Kindergarten. The cost is \$5/family or \$2/person; children must be accompanied by an adult. **We hope you can make it to see this spectacular display!**



### GS LADY GOLFERS



It's time to bring out the Golf Clubs!  
Join us on the course for fellowship and fun.  
All skill levels welcome.

Last year, as a rule, we played at Fairway Village midmornings. Please contact Cheryl at 892-8751 or email caarm@comcast.net and we'll start making plans for this season.

Thank you, Tina Henry & Cheryl Armstrong

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HISTORY?

How about the history of Good Shepherd? It's time for us to capture the memories and stories of our beginnings and our growth into the church we know and love. Sound like fun?

We already have two experienced, knowledgeable historians who are willing to advise and work with us. If you would like to be part of a team to develop questionnaires, make contacts, record interviews and archive our results for posterity, please let me know by email (if possible) [bunny5164@comcast.net](mailto:bunny5164@comcast.net); or phone (if necessary) 360-256-5164.

Bunny Dees

## LIVING ALONE AND LAUGHING A LOT GROUP

The LA Group will meet on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May at Ruby Tuesday (Mill Plain and 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue). We will be making plans for summer activities:

- Gilbert & Sullivan production at the University of Portland
- Visits to the Japanese Garden and to the Chinese Garden
- Other suggestions that may arise

So please join us for good food and good laughs. If you have any questions, please call Carolyn Berkey at 254-7985 or Nancy Fritz at 571-5028.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

Monday, June 6, 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Please join us for this meeting regarding our upcoming VBS if you have already signed up to help, or even if you are just thinking about volunteering.

This meeting is a great way to meet other volunteers, and receive additional information and support for your role at VBS. If you need childcare for the meeting please contact Kara Uhrich by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Questions, call Kara at 892-7770 or email:

[karau@goodshepherdvancouver.org](mailto:karau@goodshepherdvancouver.org)

## HUSTON CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

**SUMMER CAMP** - Camp Huston is an Episcopal summer camp and conference center located in Gold Bar, WA. Log onto



[www.huston.org](http://www.huston.org) or phone 360-793-0441 to register for Summer Camp, Theater, Buckaroo, Mini Camp, and Family Camp today!

Consider helping a camper experience the inviting Christian community provided during a week at camp. *Scholarships are available* through your parish or the Director's Campership Fund for campers and families in need of financial assistance. It's not too late to help send a child to camp by contacting the Huston office at 360-793-0441 or visiting [www.huston.org](http://www.huston.org).

**OPEN HOUSE BBQ:** Are you thinking about sending a child to camp, but not sure yet. Then come to their free open house and bbq on May 21 from 11AM-3PM.

## SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES:

*"Saints and Sinners of the Silver Screen"*  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
7:00-9:30 pm  
in the Youth Building



*For older teens and adults*

May 15: *Black Robe* (1991) Bruce Beresford (who directed the first film of Saints & Sinners series, *Tender Mercies*) brings to life the historical attempt by the Jesuits to convert the North American tribes. Lothaire Bluteau is the 'black robe' who in 1634 is trying to make his way to a mission in a Huron village deep in the Canadian wilderness. An understanding of Indian culture, personal commitment to God, and profound insight into the love of God will mark his way.

## GS MONTESSORI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Thank you to all of you who supported the *Good Shepherd Montessori Scholarship Fund on Mother's Day* with your generous offerings. These offerings help us start next school year with scholarship opportunities. Without your support, some of our most precious gifts, our children, would not have benefited from a quality preschool and kindergarten experience that sets the stage for their early educational development.

What a great way to celebrate the gifts our mothers and God have given us!



Sandy Bristol

# Youth



# News

## Sunday School Happenings

### *Rite 13 (6th-8th grade)*

#### **May 15: Rite 13 Liturgy and Parent Social!**

##### **Do Your Parents "Got Game"?**

Find out when we play a version of:

##### **A Minute to Win It!**

#### **May 22: Wrap it Up 10:15AM – 1PM**

We will "wrap" up some of our Sunday school lessons and have lunch and a movie (featuring an Image of God...Morgan Freeman)! Youth, please plan on attending the service at 9.

#### **May 29: Game Day!**

### *J2A (9th-12th grade)*

Faith Lens- High School Youth will continue in engaging in these in depth, current discussions on the gospel.

**Seed Balls:** *On Rite 13 Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>*, please accept a gift of a clay seed ball. This is a project of clay, soil and wild flower seeds indigenous to the North West that the youth made as a thank you to our parish family for all your support throughout the school year. Just drop your seed on top of soil, the rain will open the ball and flowers will bloom. May we continue to grow in faith and fellowship!

### **Good Shepherd Youth on Facebook:**

There is a locked group for Good Shepherd Youth and parents to keep track of upcoming youth events, youth group meetings, and all things youth! Want to join? Because of Facebook constraints this group is on Elizabeth Sloan's Facebook page. Send request to be added to group: [www.facebook.com/elizabeth.sloan3](http://www.facebook.com/elizabeth.sloan3).

## COURTS FOR KIDS WANT TO TAKE YOU TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD

Are you interested in coming on a short term service trip to the developing world? Come to this informational meeting during Adult Education on June 12th (at 10:15 am).

Courts for Kids have built 23 multi-purpose sports courts all over the developing world. We believe every child has the right to have access to sports. Sports create a healthy outlet for kids and a court provides a community with a safe place for kids to play.

We also believe every person should have an immersion experience in the developing world where we can learn and grow from the people and culture. We try to educate and prepare our teams on the issues and culture facing the country they are visiting, but our biggest teachers are the people we befriend while there.

Come to this meeting and we will talk about the possibility of doing a trip with GS folks in the summer of 2012! We will share our vision and answer any of your questions. Even if a trip is not something you are wanting/able to do – anyone is welcome to come and hear about our vision and mission.

We are a family friendly organization so children as young as 8 are welcome to come on our trips! Bring the whole family to the meeting.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

### “Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street”

June 27 – 30 (Monday-Thursday)

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Children’s VBS registration forms are now available from your child’s chapel leader, Sunday school catechists, the church website, or can be found on the table in the front of the church. Registration forms are due by June 12<sup>th</sup>. Our VBS program is open to all children age 4 – 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and friends are welcome to attend. On Main Street children will explore stories Jesus told about everyday people in everyday situations. We’ll be challenging children to make gratitude, compassion, forgiveness, grace and faithfulness a part of their everyday lives. Crafts, recreation, singing, storytelling, drama, and great snacks – we’ll have it all here on Main Street!

Many youth and adult volunteers are needed to help staff our VBS. Please consider how you’d like to help make Good Shepherd’s VBS a successful program. Childcare is provided for on-site volunteer’s younger children. Volunteer forms are available at church and on the church website. Contact Kara Uhrich at 892-7770 or email: [karau@goodshepherdvancouver.org](mailto:karau@goodshepherdvancouver.org) if you have any questions

Please start saving the following supplies for our VBS. (place in box in library)

- Empty juice drink bags (Capri Sun, etc.), cut hole for straw slightly larger, rinse and let air dry.
  - Round 4 oz. reusable plastic food containers w/lids
- Old denim jeans
  - Buttons
- Fabric scraps
- Yarn, string, twine
  - Ribbon
- Colored construction paper
- Old T-shirts, adult sizes or youth large
  - Paper plates
  - Old CDs
  - Shoe boxes w/lids
- Empty cereal or cracker boxes
  - 16 oz. tin cans, cleaned out
    - Egg cartons
- Empty plastic sport drink bottles w/lids (not water bottles)
- Small trinkets such as marbles, coins, beads, shells, etc.
  - Old 33 LP records (remember these?)
    - Wrapping paper on rolls
  - Carpet scraps, minimum size 1-2 sq. ft.
    - Maps
    - Seed packets
    - Small jars w/lids
  - Large appliance cardboard boxes
- Anything to decorate our “main street” such as road signs, shop signs, food signs, etc. We’ll return to owner if we’re asked, and your name is on the item.



Thank you!

## THANK YOU

### Our Heartfelt Thanks

Prayer is a mystery, like many things when dealing with faith, but even though many of us can't wrap our minds around why we started or continue to pray, we believe in its power, its strength that it gives us and do it religiously. I pray, mostly quietly, by myself, and often. I pray for family, friends, children, peace, our community, our church, for people I know, for those I don't, I pray for random events happening around the world, and yes, I do pray for myself. I pray that I have the courage and patience each day to be the best wife, mother, and person possible. I have never really put much thought into other people praying for me. I don't think I have ever directly asked to be prayed for, I just always think those prayers should go to someone who needs it more than I do. We certainly aren't what folks would think of as rich, but we have everything we need, we are so blessed, so I have never thought there was a reason for me to ask for prayers when there are so many people out there who have so little or nothing at all. Only, over the last few months I have truly learned that there are enough prayers to go around for everyone. Being prayed for isn't a sign of weakness or that things are not going well, but a sign that you are in the hearts and thoughts of others, just as others are in my thoughts and heart when I send out my words of prayers that include them.

This isn't really an article about prayer, but about heartfelt thanks, appreciation and gratitude. Back in early February, as many of you know, I was injured, not life threatening by any means, but serious enough that it kept me literally off of my feet for several weeks and into a recovery that will last several months. With me unable to even get up, but for a few minutes at a time, things were not going to get done around the house like they normally do. We had to figure out how to get our son to school, how I was going to manage during the day with a very spirited two year old as my only support, how dinner going to get made, and who was going to do the laundry, and all the other household chores that needed getting done? My husband did all he could while he was home for a few days with me, but he had to eventually get back to work. Often folks count on their family for help. Only neither of us has family that live close by to be able to help out. Now what?

We didn't have to worry long at all. The loving support, care, and help that we needed was there without hesitation. We can't even begin to say thank you enough to everyone, but we are going to try. Our thanks and love goes out to Patty who literally was the engine of the Meal Train and got it started. We had dinners for up to 4 full weeks, this act alone was a huge relief. She not only started the meal train, but also made phone calls to check in, came by to visit, folded laundry, made lunch and entertained Alex. Saran who made more than one dinner, entertained Alex, made lunch, vacuumed, and supplied me with reading material and much more. Michelle, who made at least 3 meals, came over several times to help Alex and me through a few afternoons and to be sure we were just doing alright, not to mention taking Ryan to and from many activities. Kelly, who brought over dinner, cleaned up, played with Alex, gave me reading material, and kept me great company. Maureen and Jennie who visited and brought dinners. The Lindley girls who all came over to play with Alex and cleaned our house from top to bottom, that was such an incredibly kind gesture. Martin who makes an incredible Shepherd's pie and Sarah who cleaned her heart out. Your friendship and support has meant everything. I love you all!!

A big thank you to the ladies, of the Children's Ministries Team, Dana, Kara, Sharon, Michelle, and Chris, whom I have just barely begun to get to know, but who did not hesitate for a second to sign up on the meal train to bring us dinner. To Karen who brought us dinner and a little extra goodie more than once. To Father Tom who came to the hospital to give us his support, love, and yes, to pray, and stayed much longer than he needed. That is just how awesome of a guy he really is, with or without the collar, he's just there. To our friends, that I know won't even get to read this, but still it is worth mentioning a public shout out to them. To the dinners they brought, the errands they ran, taking Ryan to his extracurricular activities, to the many loads of laundry they folded, and the rooms they cleaned. A special big thank you to everyone who helped get Alex down for her nap! As you all know, that was not an easy task for any of you.

And finally, to all of you who prayed for me and for my family. For your prayers of healing, rest, courage, and that we just make it through without too many more bumps in the road. We, I, felt your prayers, love, support, and your words of comfort. Your prayers were the foundation of our positive mental health, our strength, and our courage to face those few early, difficult weeks and to take on the continued recovery over the next few months. We are so incredibly humbled, appreciative and full of gratitude. We can tell you first hand, your prayers were answered. Take a note from me, if you ever are hesitant to ask for prayers; don't be, I promise, there are enough prayers for everyone. You should all know that you are forever in our prayers and in our hearts! We couldn't have gotten through this without any of you!

Peace and Love, The Hansen Family (Robbin, Stacy, Ryan, and Alex)

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Thank you,  
Cheryl Armstrong and Jennifer Myers-Power, editors

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