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Sunday Services

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:05am

Sunday School for all ages
during the school year 10:15am

Nursery Care 8:30-12:30

Midweek Service:

Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Clergy

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Kara Uhrich

Youth Ministries Leader

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Judith Weed

Stewardship Ministries

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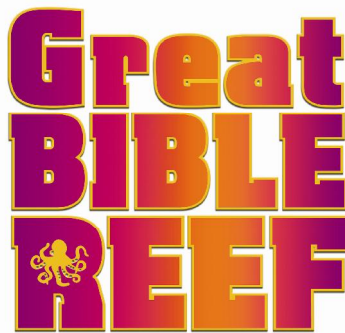
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Anne Brown

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 28-JULY 1 (MON-THURS)
9:30AM-1:00PM**

The VBS Great Bible Reef staff is gearing up for a week full of singing, crafts, recreation, science experiments, and storytelling. We'll have about 100 children and 50 staff members present at our VBS week. We'd be most appreciative if you could hold our program in your prayers during the week of June 27th.

Faithfully,
Kara Uhrich for Children's Ministries



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Enjoy meeting people or talking on the phone? Like to learn more about Good Shepherd? Do you have four hours twice a month that you'd like to give to your church? Then we have a fun opportunity for you! We have an opening for a volunteer receptionist every other Wednesday from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. You would answer phones, greet visitors and do light office tasks. Computer skills are welcomed, but not necessary. If you are interested, please call Anne Brown at 892-7770. Thank you.

CHAT WITH THE VESTRY

Members of the Vestry will again be available Tuesday, July 6 from 6:00-6:55 in the Parish Hall. Should you need child care or a ride to attend, please let a member of the vestry know no later than July 2. Contact information is available in the church entryway and on the web. We continue to look forward to dialoguing with the congregation. We hope to see you on July 6.

**BLOOD DRIVE
SAVE THE DATES**

Our next two blood drives are scheduled for July 19 and October 4th. They are with the Southwest Washington Blood Bank and will be from 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. Let us start to build up those red blood cells and look for the sign up sheets in the narthex around the end of June. Any questions, please call Jo Ellen 256-4255.



**SAFE
GUARDING
God's Children**

Diocese of Olympia - Episcopal Church in Western Washington

Please join us for Safeguarding God's Children training on July 10 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The training will be held in the Good Shepherd Youth Bldg. This program is mandatory for all those who share their gifts of ministry, with our children, as paid or volunteer staff, as well as for retired clergy who regularly work in a parish or mission, and is open to interested parishioners as well. Please contact Heather Kmitta at the Diocese of Olympia at 1-800-488-4978 or hkmitta@ecww.org to register.

Invite a Friend to Church !

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

Good Shepherd Activities

June 23-28: Youth 6-Day conference

June 24: Book Club

June 27: Newsletter Deadline

June 28-July 1: Vacation Bible School

July 4: Independence Day

July 5: Office closed for holiday

July 6: Chat With the Vestry

July 10: Safeguarding God's Children

July 11: LA Group Brunch

July 12: Montessori Summer School begins

July 18: Newsletter Deadline

July 19: Blood Drive

Aug. 8: Newsletter Deadline

Aug. 8: LA Group Brunch

Aug. 22: Newsletter Deadline

PLEASE REMEMBER! Our newsletter is posted online. For articles requiring contact information, please be aware this information may be viewed by anyone accessing the Good Shepherd website. For privacy concerns or other options, please contact us at goodnews@goodshepherdvancouver.org.

Receive your Good News by email!
Send your email address to
goodnews@goodshepherdvancouver.org

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.

*HAVE YOU VISITED
THE WEBSITE LATELY?*
www.goodshepherdvancouver.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Our VBS program includes a science component this year. If you have any of the following items already at home or can start collecting, we'd be most appreciative. There will be a box in the library area for your donations.

Items needed: Plastic bowls; plastic 12 oz. cups, clear 8 oz. cups; 16 oz. clear plastic bottles, 2 liter plastic bottles; clear quart jars; index cards; small ziploc bags; plastic tablespoons, knives; masking tape; paper towels; yarn; 1 package lima beans (dry); food coloring; wooden toothpicks; sugar cubes; icing sugar; nice quality writing paper; pebbles, gravel, cotton wool, sand (we need about 10 cups of each); liquid bluing; salt; dishwashing sponges; baking soda; vinegar; duck or soy sauce packets; non-latex gloves

Also, we are looking for snorkeling gear that could be used for "show and tell"

Thanks so much!
Jana Whitworth

HARVEST DINNER 2010

The Harvest Dinner Committee is looking for a chairperson to head this annual fun and friend developing event to be held in October. If you would like to take the lead please contact Cheryl Armstrong @ 892-8751 or Saran Warne @ 258-0134.

GOOD SHEPHERD CARE TEAM

We now have an exciting new opportunity for those with experience in the health care or counseling fields. The Service Fractal, under the direction of our Faith Community Nurse Helen Lehner, is seeking folks who would be willing to offer their professional gifts and talents to help those in crisis by being a member of the Care Team. For more information a ministry description is posted on the website and outside of the office or contact Helen at helenl@goodshepherdvancouver.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOOD NEEDS

If you would like to donate food for Vacation Bible School please sign up on the poster board located on the wall of the parish hall. Food should be brought to the kitchen by Sunday, June 27th. Please label the food VBS; place perishable food in the refrigerator and non-perishable food into the box labeled VBS.



Thank you!

CALLED TO DISCERN?

Good Shepherd is supporting four wonderful people in their exploration of a potential call to be deacons. One of the steps in this process is to discern in community, with a Personal Discernment Group. We are looking for people who are willing to be a part of these discernment groups. These groups will not be "interview" style but rather small groups where all members are discerning God's will for them.

You would need to be able to meet regularly (once or twice per month for several months), do some light reading, pray and listen deeply. Please contact Rev. Shelly if you are interested in being a part of this opportunity: shellyf@goodshepherdvancouver.org or (360) 892-7770.

UPCOMING BOOK CLUB MEETING

Good Shepherd Book Club—the next meeting of the Book Club will be on Thursday 24 June at 10 am. For details, please contact Nancy Fritz.

A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER . . .

Pledge Envelopes - In the narthex, you will find a clip board asking whether or not you would like to receive pledge envelopes for next year. We are trying to determine the number to order, so please list your name and whether or not you would like to receive them.

Thank you, Rose Stratton

MONTESSORI PRESCHOOL NOW ENROLLING FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

Are you looking for a great preschool for your child? Good Shepherd Montessori offers the very best in early childhood education and we're now enrolling for fall. We use the Montessori curriculum for academic development, the Catechesis curriculum for spiritual development and wrap the combination up in an atmosphere of loving kindness for our students and their families.

There are Monday through Friday programs, as well as two or three morning options. If you need full day care, we offer that, too. Please call Marcella Rush, 892-7770, for details and to schedule a tour. Scholarships are available.

GOD'S ABUNDANCE -

What an AWESOME gift! This gift of God – this Holy Spirit – unites us as one, is the creator of new life within us, and is the “indwelling” witness of that new life! *This Spirit gives us the power and gifts to be obedient to God's call.*

I believe it was the Holy Spirit that led a choir member to ask, “How *are* you, Maureen?” and that same Spirit that gave her the gift of listening to my lamentable response with patience and compassion.

On Pentecost Sunday, Ann Whitfield urged us to listen to God's call – “Go pray with that person over there. They need you...” The Holy Spirit may call us to be interruptible, or to do something out of our comfort zone. It may call us to say “No thank you” to over-scheduling our lives with activities or to turn off the plethora of electronic toys and talk with the people around us. What is the Spirit's call to you?

Be still, listen, answer “Here I am, LORD!” and then, obey. (Thank you, Carol, for heeding the Spirit's call!)



In thanksgiving for God's wondrous gifts,
Maureen Walker
Stewardship Team Member

EfM EDUCATION FOR LAY MINISTRY YOU, ME, WE: BECOMING



I have been thinking, and praying, and sharing with members of our EfM group, as well as friends, a great deal of late about how our world-wide church is evolving, how, in many ways it is not the church I remember as a child, a young adult, or a parent. We hear terms such as “the emerging church,” “Missional Renaissance,” “Hip-Hop Mass”, etc.

We are also brought into the unpleasant, often frightening realities of today's society: trafficking in human beings, modern day slavery, genocide, erosion of the environment, global warming, etc, etc.

It is overwhelming.

How am I, how are you, how are we to respond as followers of Jesus? I believe each of us not only wants to respond, but is called to respond. Education for Lay Ministry provides a template for discussing these changes in our church and our world. A way is provided for discussing, praying about and responding to these issues – individually and collectively.

Education for Lay Ministry is not merely book-learning: it is about discovering our God in the world and the Church –and ourselves. It is about you, me, we: becoming Jesus' Hands, Feet, Eyes and Ears and Voice in God's World.

Please considering joining us as we explore all the possibilities God wants to share with us.

There will be an Information Table on June 20th after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. Come by. We look forward to meeting you and answering questions!

Contact: Susan Marssdorf, Certified Mentor
at 241-7843 smarssdorf@aol.com; or
Nancy Huffaker, 4th Year
at 892-4710 rhuffaker@comcast.net,
Saran Warne, 2nd Year
at 258-0134 warne@comcast.net,
Audrey Courser, 3rd Year
at 892-5383 jcourser@comcast.net

Youth



News

Sunday School Happenings

Sunday School will resume in September!

Youth Group Happenings

Youth Group will resume in September!

Diocesan Happenings

6-Day

Wednesday, June 23rd –Tuesday, June 28th

Youth completing 9th thru 12th grades are invited to attend. Space is limited so don't wait! Registration forms will soon be available in the youth building. If you need financial assistance please speak with Danielle.

Summer Mission Opportunities!

The youth, parents and youth leaders have been busy this May brainstorming ideas for summer mission work. Like last summer, the consensus is to *think global and act local!*

There are so many people in need in the Vancouver/Portland area that it makes sense to look in our own backyard. There is also a desire to continue building relationships with groups/people we have already helped. Some of the areas of interest are: working with children through Bridgetown Ministries "22" adventure and Btown kids, painting a house through ABC, helping animals, helping the elderly in our community and in nursing care facilities. We won't be able to do all of these this summer but the hope is to continue some of this work throughout the year.

To find out more information regarding summer mission opportunities, please contact Danielle at youth@goodshepherdvancouver.org

Meeting the "Everyday Jesus" at a Hip Hop Eucharist: A HUGE SUCCESS!

On June 4th, Church of the Good Shepherd was filled with the pulsating beat of the Holy Spirit... not to mention flashing lights! Through the music of our guest artists: Asa, Chi and Oracle we were able to experience the Everyday Jesus in a wonderfully new way!

The art displayed in the parish hall added another layer to the overall experience by giving us images to reflect upon. None of this could have been possible without the help of our youth, youth leaders, various ministries, church leaders as well as Mark and Jermaine from PO Soul Entertainment!

A **HUGE thank you** goes out to: *Elizabeth Sloan, Matt & Jennifer Thoreson, Shelly Fayette, Steve Curtland, Aaron Brotherton, Curtis Farr, Amanda Johnson, Dave Baghdanov, Willie Goforth, Martin Sherrington, David Uhrich, Kathy Deschner, Bette Ludden, JoEllen Upham, Saran Warne, Sue Justis, Bev Hatzenbeler, Trish Owens, Lisa Wise and Danielle Benge.*

Our youth: *Tommy, Alison, Kendra, Mason, Steven, Anna, Natalie, Ben, John, Sheena, Will, Mitch, Gage, Reed, Emma, Haylie, Carlos, Stephen, Jaci, Natali and Nikki! (If I've missed anyone I apologize!)*

We salute **YOU!**



CAMP HUSTON SUMMER CAMP INFO

Summer camp online registration is now available! Visit www.huston.org and go to the registration page to register your campers today! More information and registration forms are also available on the table in the parish hall. Scholarships are available. Call the camp office at 360-793-441, and they will be happy to walk you through the process. You can also find a scholarship process flyer on their website under the "links" tab.

Regular sessions are available during July and August, as well as these new and exciting opportunities: Horse Camp, Missoula Children's Theater, Labor Day Family Camp, and International Odyssey.



Camp Huston is located near Gold Bar, Washington. The Diocese may be able to provide transportation if enough campers are interested. Contact Kara Uhrich, karau@goodshepherdvancouver.org or 892-7770 for more information.

HELP NEEDED

Our friend and fellow parishioner, Jim Cushman, is participating in the 11:05 service as a Gospel Book holder August 1 & 29. He has Cerebral Palsy and is in a wheelchair. He needs assistance putting his arms through the robe and securing the velcro it at the shoulders. This would take place prior to the service and after the service, consisting of a minute each time. Are you the person(s) who could lend a hand?

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE SCHEDULED

The Diocese of Olympia's second Holy Land Pilgrimage is scheduled for February 1 – 16, 2011. This trip is not a tour, but a pilgrimage, which will not only cover all the main religious sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and the Galilee, but also includes daily worship. It will follow the narrative of Jesus' life laid out in the Gospels of Mathew, Mark, and Luke from his birth to his resurrection.

For more information or to register, pick up a flyer from the table in the church entryway. Feel free to talk to Fr. Tom if you have more questions.

GREEN TEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP WITH OUR GARDEN PLOTS!



Members of the Green Team have purchased two community garden plots adjacent to the church. We will grow crops for people in need, primarily through donations to Northwest Harvest South. Our plots are in the far southeast corner of the Ellsworth Community Garden, and are marked with "Green Team" signs. Water is supplied to the plots, but we need hoses, soakers, nozzles, tools, seeds and/or plants. If you have any of these items that you can spare us for the growing season, we would appreciate it very much.

If you would like to help with planting, weeding, or watering, or in any other way, please look for the Green Team Garden sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. You will be contacted by a member of the Green Team. Thank you!

MISSIONAL RENAISSANCE WITH REGGIE MCNEAL

**SATURDAY, NOV. 13, 8:30 AM-3:00 PM
AT ST. MARY'S, LAKEWOOD, WA**

Author Reggie McNeal will lead a workshop based on his book "Missional Renaissance," Bishop Rickel's choice for this year's Lenten reading and blog discussion.

McNeal shows three significant shifts in church leaders' thinking and behavior that will allow their congregations to chart a course toward becoming a truly missional congregation: From an internal to an external focus, ending the church as an exclusive social model. From running programs and ministries to developing people as its core activity; From church-based leadership to community- engaged leadership.

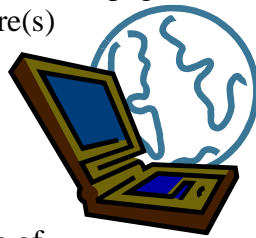
For more info and to register, go to www.ecww.org or e-mail spethers@ecww.org. The cost of \$20.00 per person includes lunch and snacks. For directions visit <http://www.holymotheroflakewood.org/about>.

EDITOR FOR THE GOOD NEWS

Would you like to be one of the editors for the Good News newsletter? There are 25 issues of the Good News published a year. This averages about 12 editions per editor, and is now shared by editing three editions in a row.

JOB PROCEDURE:

- ✦ start by sending out an email to all GS newsletter contributors a week prior to the deadline
- ✦ accumulate/download articles from the church's newsletter email
goodnews@goodshepherdvancouver.org
- ✦ work directly with Anne Brown, Good Shepherd church administrative assistant
- ✦ articles are read, checked for grammatical errors, clarity, timeliness, correct data, font type and size
- ✦ articles are arranged onto the newsletter pages and may include insertion of a picture(s) and/or logos
- ✦ there is little or no writing of articles



JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- ✦ have a good working knowledge of Microsoft Publisher
- ✦ have good grammatical skills
- ✦ timeliness
- ✦ knowledge or willingness to learn about downloading and copying articles from network online email site
- ✦ a compatible computer at home that you can use or the ability to come to the church and use the computer there
- ✦ have about 8 hours available to commit for each edition

Please contact Anne Brown at 892-7770 if you are interested or have more questions.

BE VIGILANT

If you are the last one out after a meeting or event at the church, please be sure all doors are shut and locked, all windows are closed, and all lights are out. Thank you for helping to keep our buildings safe and warm.



A NEW DIRECTORY IS COMING SOON

We are gearing up to publish a new parish directory, and we need your help to make sure our information is current. Please stop by the table in the library on Sunday and find the card with your name on it. Note any changes (address, phone, e-mail, children), or indicate that everything is correct, then place the card in the designated box. If you do not find a card with your name on it, please fill out one of the blank cards provided, and leave it in the box.

A few moments of your time on Sunday, or a phone call or e-mail to the church office, will save us from calling you later on.

If you do not want to be included in Good Shepherd's new parish directory, please indicate so, or let us know at office@goodshepherdvancouver.org or 360-892-7770.

Thank you!
Anne Brown

A WELCOME TO STRANGERS...

Jesus said, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Do you remember the first time you visited Good Shepherd? How did you feel as a stranger in the midst of a congregation who seemed to know and enjoy each other? Were you welcomed?

There is rarely a Sunday when there is a not a 'stranger' in our midst. Are we welcoming them with a smile, an introduction and an invitation to coffee? All too often 'strangers' are standing alone during our time of fellowship in the Parish Hall. *PLEASE*, do not let this happen. Look around and if there is ANYONE standing alone, introduce yourself, welcome them, introduce them to others. Doing so will definitely make a difference in their decision to return or not return to worship with us.

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- Or turn hard copy or disk in at the Parish Hall mailbox marked Newsletter, and call the church office at 892-7770 to let us know its there.
- Please be aware contact information in your article may be viewed by anyone accessing our website. Contact us for concerns and other options.

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

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