

Parish of the Good Shepherd

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Please join us for the annual
Hearts and Hands Auction
on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 6:30 pm

The evening will be filled with live jazz, great food, fun cocktails,
lots to bid on and of course plenty of laughs.
Don't miss Charlie Mixer as our auctioneer.

It is also not too late to donate items to either the live or silent
auction. If you wish to donate an item or event,
please contact Kim Nauen at kimnauen@gmail.com

From Our New Director of Christian Education

I'm excited to be here as the new Director of Christian Education. Working with children was how I began my ministry journey almost 10 years ago, and it is amazing to be able to continue doing that. Recently, I graduated with a Master of Divinity from Boston University and will now be working through the ordination process in the United Methodist Church. If you have any questions or any ideas for programming you'd like to see just send me an email at ce@goodshepherdnewton.org. I look forward to our adventures together.

~ Kourtni Brown

P. S. Confirmation is back! We will be having our next meeting October 18, from 5:30-7:00 pm. Bring your Bible and BCP.

Parish News - October 7, 2015

Forum on October 11: Forgiveness

We so often want to be able to forgive or to feel forgiven. But why is this so hard? On Sunday, October 11, we will explore this most fundamental of Christian issues. Join us from 11:35 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. in the Loring Room.

The Rev. Tim Crellin to Preach on Oct. 18

On Sunday, October 18, we will welcome the Rev. Tim Crellin, Vicar of St. Stephen's in Boston, as our preacher at both services. Tim will also lead a forum after the 10:00 am service. Tim is the Executive Director of St. Stephen's Youth Programs: B-SAFE (summer program) and B-READY (after-school program). Our parish is a long-time supporter of these programs – join us in welcoming Tim!

Bishop's Visitation on October 25

On Sunday, October 25, we will welcome the Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris, Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts. Bishop Harris will preach and celebrate at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. services, will join us for coffee and conversation after the 10:00 a.m. service, and then have lunch with the Vestry. Please mark your calendars and join in welcoming Bishop Harris to Good Shepherd on October 25.

Help Us Update the Parish Directory!

A copy of the parish directory is in the back of the church and in the Common Room. During the month of October, please take a moment after church to review your listing. Please mark any corrections or additions; if your listing is correct, please put a checkmark next to it. If you are not in the directory but would like to be, simply fill out one of the sheets next to the directory. Thank you!

Christian Education News

Church School began anew on September 20, and it was a delight to welcome back almost 70 young people for a year of learning and community. We are delighted that we have hired a new Director of Christian Education, Kourtnei Brown, who started work on October 1. She is an energetic young woman with significant experience designing and implementing creative spiritual programs for people of all ages. Please help us welcome her.

Christian Education relies on volunteers, and we need your help! The program relies on a minimum of 8 volunteers per block. Blessings to those of you who have already volunteered. Now, we are actively looking for volunteers for the teaching block that begins November 1, and for the blocks which follow. We urge all of you, even those of you who do not have children in the program or who have someone in your family who has already volunteered, to consider helping out. You can teach a whole block or assist in a classroom for one day. No teaching experience required - only the desire to help the youth of this parish.

Upcoming Church School Events

Sunday 10/25/15 at 5:00 pm: All Hallow's Eve Service and Pizza Party; costumes encouraged!

Sunday 11/08/15 after the 10:00 am service: Field Trip to Heifer Farm in Rutland, MA. Details to come.

Christmas Pageant rehearsals begin in Nov.

Please contact us if you would like more information, or to volunteer.

~ Jennifer Manthei and Alison Corkery
Co-Chairs, Christian Education Committee

Next Newsletter

The deadline for the next newsletter is **Monday, October 19 at 12:00 noon**. Please email your items to our Parish Administrator, Margaret Harrison, at office@goodshepherdnewton.org. Thank you!