



## News from the Parish      Week of Pentecost XV 2016

### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of Good Shepherd**

Though the parish was founded in 1896, the Bishop of Massachusetts did not consecrate Good Shepherd until September 24, 1916. This means that the hundredth anniversary is coming up. We will celebrate with a special Sung Eucharist on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM, one hundred years and a day after the consecration!

### **Regular Worship Schedule returns after Labor Day**

On Sunday, September 11, we return to our school-year schedule of Sunday worship at 8:00 and 10:00 AM.

### **Sunday School Registration and Sundaes Sunday**

**September 11, 2016 9:45 AM - 12:30 PM**

It's a celebration of school's return and the beginning of regular Church School. There will be a blessing of the backpacks during the service, so have your kids wear their backpacks to church. As you get to the church there will be tables set up where you can register



kids for Church School and receive information for this year. Finally, during coffee hour, as a special treat, we are going to make Sundaes.



### **Adult Forum begins on Sunday, September 18th**

In celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the Consecration of Good Shepherd, we will have a two-week forum on the history of Good Shepherd's sacred space and on the idea of sacred space in the Christian tradition.

### **Wednesday Evening Worship in September at 7:00 PM**

During September, we will have evening Eucharist on Holy Cross Day (September 14<sup>th</sup>), the Feast of St. Matthew (September 21<sup>st</sup>) and on the Eve of St. Michael and All Angels (September 28<sup>th</sup>). Please provide Fr. Jay and the Vestry with feedback on the scheduling of these services, especially as we look to the future.

### **Altar server training after the Wednesday, September 21 evening Eucharist**

All who serve at the altar as Subdeacon or M.C., or anyone who would like to start serving in those roles, should attend. This session will refresh our liturgical memories and align us with the preferences of our new rector.

## **Youth Group Dates**

Youth group will continue again this year. There will be games, food, friendship, and faith development. We will meet right after church, from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, on these dates: September 25, October 16, November 13, and December 11. We will be introducing mid-week youth group meetings from 5:00 - 6:00 PM once a month starting October 12 and November 9.

## **Confirmation Begins Again**

We have a new class of Confirmands about to begin their two-year journey. They will be studying and challenging their faith, forming friendships, and having fun as they move toward the laying of hands by the Bishop at their Confirmation.



## **Parent's Potluck**

### **September 18, 2016 - After Church**

All parents are invited to come and bring a dish to our first Christian Education meeting. This is a great chance to come and get to know each other and exchange ideas. We will provide the drinks.



## **Apple Picking**

### **October 9, 2016 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM**

Everyone is invited to come pick apples! We will be heading out to a local farm to pick our own apples. We will also be picking up pumpkins for Wicked Good Wednesday's activity.

## **Wicked Good Wednesdays**

### **One Wednesday Evening each month -- 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM**

Dinner, activities for youth and children, and worship! What could be better on a Wednesday? We are beginning our monthly "Wicked Good Wednesdays" in October. We will provide dinner and pumpkins for decorating. There will be an informal evening Eucharist to end the day.

## **Hearts and Hands auction on Saturday, October 15 at 6:30 pm**

Mark your calendars and please save the date for this exciting evening with lots to eat, drink, enjoy and, of course, bid on. It's never too soon to let us know what you would like to donate. Gift certificates, handmade items, services, baskets and books are always terrific donations for the silent auction. Great donations for the live auction include tickets to events, dinners or events that you are willing to host in your home, vacation homes that you will offer for the weekend, fine bottles of wine and rounds of golf. To offer donations or to volunteer to help out on this year's auction committee, please contact Kim Nauen at [kimnauen@gmail.com](mailto:kimnauen@gmail.com) or 671-784-8090.

## **Rector's Installation—Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**

Bishop Alan Gates will come to Good Shepherd on the Feast of St. Luke to install Fr. Jay as the ninth Rector of the Parish of the Good Shepherd. A formal reception will follow the service. Mark your calendars now for this exciting evening!