



Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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Cross and Staff

July 2018 / August 2018

Pentecost - The Theme is Love

Coming Events

**9th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, July 22nd:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Pie Making -

Wednesday, July 25:

6:00 PM: Make Rhubarb

**10th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, July 29th:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Pie Making -

Wednesday, August 1:

6:00 PM: Please, come help.

**11th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, August 5th:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Pie Making -

Wednesday, August 8:

6:00 PM: Please, come help.

**12th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, August 12th:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Pie Making -

Wednesday, August 15:

6:00 PM: Please, come help.

**13th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, August 19th:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Haircuts and Hotdogs

Monday, August 20th, 5 - 7 PM

Pie Making -

Wednesday, August 22:

6:00 PM: Please, come help.

**14th Sunday after Pentecost -
Sunday, August 26th:**

10:00 AM: Eucharist

Pie Making -

Wednesday, August 29:

6:00 PM: Please, come help.

A Closer Look

There are several activities happening that deserve special attention.

Pie Selling: Get an order blank

Yes, you can take a pie order sheet, and sell whole pies to family and friends. We have found this to be quite profitable, so please consider getting an order form and selling fresh frozen pies. Pre-fair order forms are due August 10th.

Pie Making

This is an extremely important part of our Parish Life. For those who help, it really is fun and rewarding in building community, and it leads to our outreach during the Allegan County Fair. Please, set aside a few Wednesdays. If we have a full crew each Wednesday, we probably won't have to meet on the 29th.

Wednesdays at 6 PM: July 25; August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Haircuts and Hotdogs: Monday, August 20th

Lynne Winters will be heading up Haircuts and Hot Dogs, so students can return to school with a new haircut. If you can help on August 20th and/or contribute some travel-size shampoo and conditioner for goody bags, please contact Lynne or the church.

Allegan County Fair: September 7 - 15

The Fair will be here before we know it! Workers will be needed for 4-hour shifts. A shift sign-up sheet will be available at the church in mid-August. Please, consider signing up for several shifts, and invite a friend to work with you. One of the rewarding benefits of this project is that you visit with old friends and make new ones from all over the country. ☺

July and August focus on our Ecological Initiative

The Vestry is working to promote a variety of issues during the year. July and August will focus on the Ecological Initiatives of promoting reusable cloth bags and reusable straws. Plastic bags and straws are not biodegradable, and often pile up in the environment where they contaminate ground water and/or sea water. If you have not seen the effects of plastic on the oceans and lakes, you might want to go to: entertaining facts <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YFZS3Vh4lfi>; from the news <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nf8QHkSZr88>; UN mini-documentary not for the squeamish or faint-of-heart https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ju_2NuK50-E&vl=en; or the Great Lakes <https://www.ecowatch.com/plastic-great-lakes-2157466316.html>.

Vestry Notes

Notes from the July 8th Vestry meeting:

Items for Decision

1. **Financials:** Mike Buese reviewed the financial report. We are ok, but our year-to-date expenses have exceeded our year-to-date income.
2. **Project Approval:** A motion was approved to lower the limit to \$200 for Vestry approval of projects. It can be revisited if this proves to be too cumbersome.
3. **Bi-Laws:** Judy and Sue, as the By-Laws Committee, will work on revisions with Canon Bill Spaid to bring Vestry actions into compliance. If we can present revisions at a Congregational Meeting this summer, then the parish can give final approval at the Annual Meeting in January 2019.

Items for Discussion

Activities for July through October:

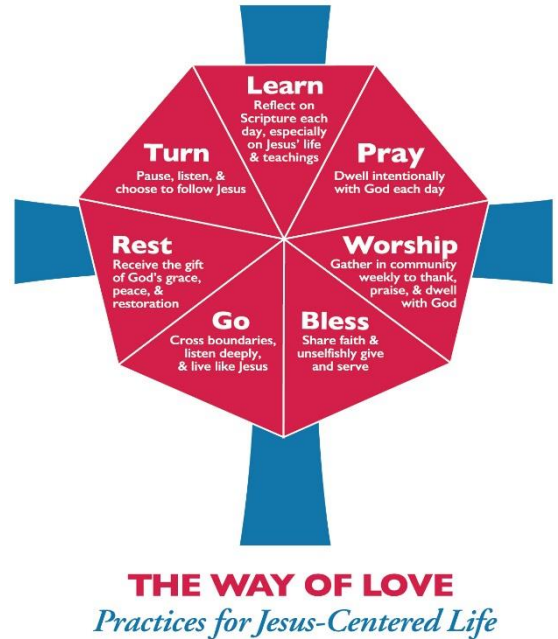
1. **July and August - Earth Friendly/Ecological Initiative.**
 - A. Create fabric, reusable bags to distribute or sell to parishioners.
 - B. Target the use of plastic straws that can enter the ocean and damage sea life.
2. **August 20: Haircuts and Hotdogs.**
3. **September: Allegan County Fair Booth**
4. **October 7: Blessing of the Animals**

Bishop Curry's opening sermon at the 79th General Convention can be found at

<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2018/07/06/79th-general-convention-july-5-sermon-by-presiding-bishop-michael-curry/>

The Way of Love: Bishop Curry

The Rev. Heather Barta helped us celebrate on Sunday, July 15, and during her homily, reminded us of the opportunities available to the Episcopal Church at this time. Our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry started the snowball rolling when he gave the sermon at the Royal Wedding. That snowball, which has been tied to the Episcopal Church's Jesus Movement, has been growing as people have been asking about that church with the bishop who shook up the UK. The Bishop added to the power of his message of love during the General Convention in Austin, Texas. During his opening "sermon," the Bishop referred to the *The Way of Love: For a Jesus-Centered Life*.



Our Sunday bulletin held the visual, and Heather reviewed the pieces.

Turn: Ask daily, how can I turn towards God's Love just as a flower turns to the sun?

Learn: Daily, decide what can be learned by reading scripture or other religious materials or listening to materials, and wrestling with the content to better understand what Jesus is saying.

Pray: Each day, spend time in real prayer in whatever way is meaningful to you.

Worship: At least once a week, gather together in community to worship and be blessed by God – Wherever 2 or 3 are gathered; Jesus is there.

Bless: We have been blessed, so we can be a blessing. Decide how to be a blessing to others.

Go: Go into the world to love as Jesus loved, give as Jesus gives, forgive as Jesus forgives; do justice, show mercy, walk humbly with God. Share the Love of God and your gratitude.

Rest: God's resting on the 7th day was no accident. The soul and spirit must rest and be renewed to move forward with Jesus.

The Bishop shared that the point of these practices is to train the spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, and he ended with Hymn 508: *Breathe on me breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.*

<https://www.facebook.com/PBMBCurry/videos/1740655992716759/>

Have Another Blessed Year!

Birthdays

July 21: Leah Northrup
 July 21: Ann Perrigo
 July 22: Cameron Knoepke
 July 24: Nicholas Wenban
 July 25: Linda Pullen
 July 29: Steve Lewis
 July 30: Matthew Zimmerman
 August 11: Mildred Whitcomb
 August 11: Lynne Winters
 August 14: Tim Ashba
 August 17: Trish Morris
 August 25: Paul Knoepke
 August 26: Bill Jundzillo
 August 27: Tom White
 August 29: Kaedance Slater

Anniversaries

July 25: Ed Spicer and Ann Perrigo
 July 28: Steve and Jana Tibbitts
 July 28: Ryan and Sheanna Zimmerman
 August 9: Mike and Sue Buese
 August 17: Matt and April Zimmerman
 August 23: Jess and Paul Knoepke
 August 25: Kate and Larry Nameche

Thank You!

Clearwater/Burza Project:

Thank you for sharing your talents at the church picnic! Your music definitely contributed to a special gathering and brought many smiles to the residents up and down the channel and our side of the lake.

Lewis Family and Barta Family:

Thank you for sharing your many kayaks with those at the picnic. Kayaks and canoes were super popular for moving cross water and taking people to the swimming hole!

Table donators:

To all of you who brought tables to expand the 4 church tables to 10 tables! ...Lewis family, Bartas, Marv Voss and Judy Buchanan. Salude!

New Sinks:

Thanks to Jim Kauppi, we have a new sink in the men's bathroom in the undercroft. No more drips and new plumbing and faucet! Jim, you are great!

Picnic Grill Chef:

A thank you to Shawn Herlihy for grilling the burgers, chicken sausages and hot dogs during the picnic. It took you away from your family, but they definitely knew where to locate you!

Schedule of Servers

	Jul 22, 2018	Jul 29, 2018	Aug. 5, 2018	Aug. 12, 2018	Aug. 19, 2018	Aug. 26, 2018
Clergy	Father Mike	Pastor Dean	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Chalice Bearer	Gari Voss	Judy Buchanan	Ray Lewis	Judy Buchanan	Judy Buchanan	Ray Lewis
Crucifer	Wendy Simmons	Ray Lewis	Wendy Simmons	Ray Lewis	Gari Voss	Wendy Simmons
Lector # 1	Ann Perrigo	Judy Buchanan	Sue Buese	Judy Buchanan	Sue Buese	Wendy Simmons
Lector # 2	Sue Buese	Wendy Simmons	Gari Voss	Sue Buese	Judy Buchanan	Sue Buese
Lector # 3	Ann Perrigo	Kandi Gibson	Wendy Simmons	Ann Perrigo	Kandi Gibson	Ann Perrigo
Altar Guild	Carrie Burza	Ann Perrigo	Dede Lewis	Mary Ann Ferris	Lynne Winters	Lynne Winters
Usher	Betty Miner	Jim Wendt	Betty Miner	Kandi Gibson	Ray Lewis	Jim Wendt
Vestry Duty	Kandi Gibson	Judy Buchanan	Sue Squiers-Frank	Vicki Barber	Korree Johnson	Lynne Winters
Musician	Jane Kozhevnikova	Siqi Li	Jane Kozhevnikova	Katherine Plier	Katherine Plier	Jane Kozhevnikova
Coffee Hour		Judy Buchanan	Sue Buese			Kate Nameche

In Case You Missed It

The Church Garden

Thanks to a contribution from Kay Zimmerman's brother and sister-in-law, our garden is beautiful!



The Parish Picnic

The Clearwater/Burza Project

Band in action ...



Band at rest...



Around the tables...



Special Prayers following health issues (cards are welcome)

Fr. Tom Toeller-Novak

280 Camelback Drive
Holland, MI 49423

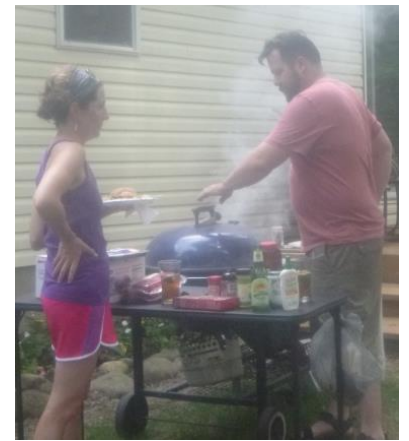
The Rev. Dean Beckwith

P.O. Bos 321
Grand Junction, MI 49056

Prayers recently requested for:

Tim; Nicholette; Barb; Kate; Mary Ann; Bob and Ashley; Val; Carol G.; Annie; Lenora; Don; Vicki; Terry, Wes, Dean, Tom

The Deck Group



Pool Time



A bit of Kayak Time and Swimming

