

## April 2023

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# Holy Week & Easter Worship

All are invited to worship with Good Shepherd this Holy Week:

On Palm Sunday we celebrate Christ's triumphant entry to Jerusalem and shifts to His journey to the cross. **Palm Sunday Worship: Saturday, April 1st at 5 pm and Sunday, April 2nd at 9 am & 11 am.** 

On Maundy Thursday we remember the Last Supper & Christ's call to serve others. Concludes with stripping of altar. Maundy Thursday Worship: Thursday, April 6th at 12 pm & 7 pm.

On Good Friday we bear witness to Christ's sacrifice on the cross and what it means for our salvation. **Good Friday Worship: Friday, April 7th at 12 pm & 7 pm.** 

We celebrate the empty tomb and Christ's victory over death on Easter! Easter Worship: Sat, April 8th at 5 pm and Sunday, April 9th at 9 am & 11 am.

Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and all Sunday services also live streamed at <u>goodshepherd.com/Worship</u>.

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# Pastor's Thoughts



Take time to slow down to notice where life is springing up around you



GSLC SHARE | GROW | SERVE People of Good Shepherd,

The last few weeks have been extraordinary as I have begun my ministry among you. Thank you for the warm and hospitable welcome to my family and me. Our family is overjoyed to join each of you in the work of the Gospel at Good Shepherd. While many connections and relationships are yet to form, we are excited about the ones already taking root in our lives.

While we have not had to relocate our home or change school districts for our kids, the move into a new community of faith requires grace, openness, and a willing spirit to start again. Thank you for making this transition to a new congregation, especially for our children, one filled with warmth and love. We are already feeling "at home" with you.

As I reflect on this season of new beginnings in our ministry, I have found joy in how nature is also transitioning from one season to another. Perhaps more so than any other, the move from winter to Spring is filled with awe and wonder. When the season changes from summer to fall, temperatures slowly begin to cool, and the leaves change over time. Similarly, fall to winter is marked by the gradual shortening of daylight as leaves slowly fall to the ground. However, the transition from winter to Spring has always felt unique to me. One day it seems the earth is dull and frozen, and the following blades of grass are bright green and sprouting up once again. Branches that have been barren for months suddenly sprout new buds. Flowers building momentum and strength underground suddenly shoot up through the earth, offering us their radiance and joy.

A few weeks ago, my daughter ran into the house looking for me. "Dad, dad," she said. "Did you see? The flowers in the front yard are blooming again!"

Like a game of childhood hide and seek, Spring says, "ready or not, here I come!" So, people of Good Shepherd, ready or not, here we are! Here we are, amid a new season of learning, relationship building, and dreaming together about how God will lead and guide us into the future.

My prayer for our life together during this season is that we collectively slow down to notice the signs of new life that are springing up around us at Good Shepherd and offer thanks to God for them. I also pray that in the midst of all that is new, you will find time to reflect on the ways in which God continually offers grace and peace to you as a free gift of love while being reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to the Corinthians, trusting that these are words for you:

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

God loves each of you, and I do too, Pastor Lorne

Senior Pastor <u>lhlad@goodshepherd.com</u>



# **Our Mission:**

We seek to be a caring, Christian community where we share God's grace, grow our faith, and serve others

The Shepherd's Horn is a monthly publication of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cincinnati, OH.

You can learn more and sign-up for events listed in this newsletter at <u>goodshep-herd.com/News-Events</u>.

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# Easter Breakfast

Join fellow worshipers in our beloved tradition of sharing food and fellowship as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. A light breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday, April 9, between 9:30 and 11:00.

CAN YOU HELP? As you might imagine, we are looking for a few volunteers and lots of bakers. Please contact Pastor Pat Badkey (<u>pbadkey@goodshepherd.com</u> or call 513-891-1700, ext.111) if you can help in any of these ways:

- Setup on Saturday, April 8 following 5:00 worship (6:00-ish)
- Early shift serving on Sunday, April 9 9:00-10:30 am
- Later shift serving and cleanup on Sunday, April 9 10:30– 12noon

#### Thank you for your support and your help!

# Way of St Francis Pilgrimage (2024)

Have you heard about Good Shepherd's St. Francis Way pilgrimage plans for April 2024? The 30 available slots are being filled on a first-come, first-served basis and a few slots are still available. You can learn more about the pilgrimage, including how to sign up, at <u>goodshepherd.com/News-Events/</u>.

# Lenten Reverse Food Drive

Donations for the Lenten Reverse Collection Drive can be brought to GSLC throughout Holy Week, not just Easter Sunday, and placed in Room 100. The cart will be in the lobby of the church to assist anyone in bringing in their items if needed. Thank you for

# **Office Closed**

In celebration of Easter, Good Shepherd offices are closed on April 10th, 2023. Check with your small group leader to see if your group is still meeting.

# **Cook for Nosh!**

Pastor Alice is in need of cooks for Nosh. Learn more and sign-up at <u>www.edge-</u> <u>uc.org/nosh</u> (See Pg 14)

## **Rummage Sale Thx!**

Thank you for your support of GSLC Youth through the Rummage Sale! We were able to raise \$2400 for summer trips & Camp! blessing both the NEEDS and Taft Elementary Food Pantries with these donations.

# **Earthquake Relief Response**

On February 6th two powerful earthquakes hit Turkey and significantly impacted neighboring Syria. The first was a magnitude 7.8 earthquake in south central Turkey followed hours later by a magnitude 7.5 quake in the southeastern part of the country. The quakes devasted both countries collapsing buildings and damaging infrastructure. Thousands were killed. In response to these quakes, Good Shepherd members gave approximately \$5400.00 to fund relief efforts through Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) which works through Act Alliance, a partner organization, that distributes emergency supplies, such as food, medicines, bedding and other essential relief items. As always LDR asks that we pray for the people impacted by these earthquakes so they would have hope during their time of need. **Good Shepherd, thank you once again for your generosity and compassion**.

# **Calling Fabric Artists!**

Knitters & Crocheters: your help is needed to create blankets, lap robes and prayer shawls to be given to those who need them in our congregation and the community. Currently we take these items to congregants who need support and also to patients at both Jewish Hospital and Drake Hospital. You can use your own choice of yarn or take yarn from our supply of donated yarn. Items can be any pattern or plain. They are both beautiful and comforting for those who receive them.



Call Jackie Cutshall at 513-204-2895 or email at <u>jackielcut-</u> <u>shall@gmail.com</u> if you have questions. Donations of yarn are always



#### CARING FOR ALL MEMBERS (CFAM)

Spotlight on CFAM Ministries: Prayer Chain

Sometimes it is only once a week, other times perhaps as much as three

times per week that our Prayer Chain members get an email to pray for a member experiencing some trouble, some crisis in their life. It is at those times that the Good Shepherd's, 55 Prayer Chain members pause for a moment or two and lift up in prayer that individual in need. As Christians, we know that prayer makes a difference . . . and we are grateful for these intercessions on our behalf. Heartfelt thanks to each of our Prayer Chain Members for this gift to us in our times of need.

If you are in need of prayer, please send your request to Prayerchain@goodshepherd.com. If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain, please contact Pastor Pat at 891-1700, ext. 111 or email her at <u>pbad-</u> <u>key@goodshepherd.com</u>. accepted.

# **HTF Resurrection Project**

To celebrate Jesus' triumph over the tomb we decided to raise funds for an event that embodies the same resurrection spirit. This Easter, we are giving our attention to the Best Camp Ever! This camp was initially organized by HTF's In-Country Director, Maya, and manages to help take kids off the streets in the summer while at the same time being educational and feeding the children and families of people in Jacmel, Haiti.

This is only the second summer since returning from Covid shut downs and has the potential to change a lot of children's stories. Haiti is going through an incredibly challenging time and this camp is a great way to serve our neighbors.

This year we will set a goal of \$10,000 to help cover the cost of camp and supplies! With Good Shepherd's help and enthusiasm kids and families will have full bellies this summer and beyond through our support of the "Best Camp Ever!"

Be on the look out for folks in the lobby of GSLC during the Easter Season to make your donation or donate online!



#### Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy and Lutheranism name. While the primary reason for their initial

From the very beginnings of Lutheranism, music holds a place of unique importance among the arts. In addition to being a priest and theologian, Martin Luther was also musician and hymnwriter. He understood music's unique power to help with both catechetical and spiritual formation. While Luther's reformation may have happened without music, music is so intertwined in Lutheranism that it is hard to imagine what form it would have taken.

It makes sense, then, that Lutheran history is rich with some of the finest musical traditions in Christendom. While many Lutherans are familiar with our very own Johann Sebastian Bach, there is another who is strongly associated with Lutheranism (and the revival of Bach's music in the 1820s!) and lived about 100 years after the great Baroque master: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy.

Mendelssohn was born to a wealthy Jewish family in Berlin. His family was already notable in religious circles, as his grandfather Moses Mendelssohn had gained fame for his philosophical writings and translations of scripture. His parents were both intellectuals and socialites, and many leading composers, scientists, and architects spent time in the Mendelssohn home when he was a child.

In 1816, when Felix was seven years old, the family converted to Christianity, specifically Lutheranism. Felix and his siblings (including his older sister Fanny, who became a notable composer in her own right), were baptized on March 21, 1816 and he was confirmed as a 16-year-old. Wanting their name to reflect their new Christian identity, the family added "Bartholdy" to the end of their name. While the primary reason for their initial conversion was likely social pressure and a desire to belong, they quickly adapted to their new faith and became rather devout Christians.

Mendelssohn's Lutheranism informed his composing throughout his life, and he imbedded Lutheranism into some of his most famous works, such as his 5th Symphony, which was written to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the Augsburg Confession and uses "A Mighty Fortress" as the main theme for the final movement.

When he turned his eye to sacred compositions, he was most attracted to the Psalms, writing settings of at least a dozen Psalms, many in complex, multi-movement works for chorus and orchestra. One of these works, his setting of Psalm 42 for Chorus, soloists, and orchestra, was written in 1838 and was regarded by the composer as "my best sacred piece... the best thing I have composed in this manner", a work "I hold in greater regard than most of my other compositions." In Psalm 42, Mendelssohn harnesses his full compositional potential to express the emotional content of the text in a dramatic and romantic musical language. Psalm 42 is truly one of western music's mini-masterpieces.

This April 23rd, at 3:00 PM, you will have the opportunity to hear Mendelssohn's Psalm 42 at Good Shepherd, performed by our choirs, a professional orchestra, and notable Soprano (and Good Shepherd member!) Amy Johnson. Other works on the program include an Easter oratorio by Good Shepherd member Doug McConnell and the Serenade for Strings by Edward Elgar. Bring a friend! This is a concert you will not want to miss! Admission is free.

# April at a Glance

# **Events Every Week**

Mondays | 8 am - Monday Morning Work Crew Mondays | 10 am - Pastor Pete's Bible Study (Pg 9) Saturdays | 5 pm - Traditional Worship Sundays | 9 am - Contemporary Worship Sundays | 10:10 am - Good Shepherd Connect (Pgs 8, 13) Sundays | 11 am - Traditional Worship Sundays | 5:45 pm - Nosh (The Edge House)

# **Events on a Day**\*

- April 1-2 Palm Sunday (Pg 1)
- April 4 | 12 pm 55+ Club (Pg 15)
- April 6 | 12 & 7 pm Maundy Thursday (Pg 1)
- April 7 | 12 & 7 pm Good Friday (Pg 1)
- April 8 | 4 pm Easter Egg Hunt (Pg 13)
- April 8-9 Easter (Pg 1)
- April 10 GSLC Offices Closed (Pg 4)
- April 11 | 6:30 pm MOPS (Pg 15)
- April 13 | 10 am 1st Bible Babes (Pg 9)
- April 15 | 10 am Tikkun Farm Service (Pg 12)
- April 15 | 6:15 pm GS Film Discussion Series (Pg 15)
- April 17 | 7:30 pm Literature & Our Faith (Pg 15)
- April 18 | 7:00 pm Pub Theology (Pg 15)
- April 20 | 12 pm 1st Taft Elementary Visit (Pg 10)
- April 23 | 3 pm- Psalm 42 Concert (Pg 6)
- April 24 | 12 pm Piecemakers (Pg 15)
- April 29 | 8:30 am Rock the Block (Pg 11)
- April 29 | 10 am GS Outdoors Hike (Pg 15)
- April 30 | 9:30 am "Here We Stand" Milestone (Pg 12)



Kids Connect (March 2023)



Getting ready for the Easter Egg Hunt!



Stocking the worship toys (March 2023)



# **April 2023 Adult Connect**

Chris LaRue, Executive Director of The Hive: A Center for Contemplation, Art, and Action in the Northside will facilitate a 4-part series entitled Doorways to Contemplation: 4 Weeks on the practice of Centering Prayer.

Through the collective practice of centering prayer framed by reflections of modern-day Christian mystics, such as Cynthia Bourgeault and Howard Thurman, this series is curated to help participants prayerfully experience God's presence inside each of us. Chris is a graduate student in theology at Xavier University and is passionate about conducting rigorous dialogue with his Christian lineage, seeking to excavate the gifts the tradition may have to offer for the common good. Mystical theology, interreligious dialogue, and the role of spirituality in modern times are his primary fields of study. Chris facilitates small groups around the practice of Centering Prayer and other practices engaging the contemplative dimensions of faith.

Chris will be facilitating Doorways to Contemplation on the following Sunday mornings at 10:10am in the Fellowship Hall: April 2nd, April 16th, April 30th and May 14th. Please invite friends to attend too – there is no class size limit.

Remember that you can watch previous Adult Connect presentations at <u>members.goodshepherd.com/Member-</u><u>Resources/Adult-Connect-Library</u>.

# What is Good Shepherd Connect?

It's an opportunity for you to learn each week on Sundays at 10:10 am.

We do this either as a congregation or in age-specific groups, which are listed below:

**Kids Connect (Pg 13) | Meets in Room 100:** Similar to Sunday School, kids from preschool through 6th grade learn about the Bible through activities and story.

**Parent Connect (Pg 13) | Meets in Room 101:** A time of fellowship for parents while their kids are in Kids Connect.

Adult Connect (To the Left) | Meets in Fellowship Hall: Speakers present on various topics related to our Lutheran faith. Testimonials, Lutheran history, and current events are all possible topics.

Include Good Shepherd Connect each week in your worship practice!

# Mark According to Pastor Pete (an new-ish study)

On Mondays during the end of this Lenten season, Pastor Pete's Bible Study will pivot topics to examine the Cecil B. DeMills of the Bible, the Evangelist Mark. We will get to know Mark through his family and colleagues, his personality temperament, and his message. We will see a very complex Jesus from Mark's perspective. We will examine seven positive and not so positive characteristics of the men and women Jesus calls to be his disciples. We will look at four behaviors that separate us from and confuse our faith in Jesus. We will discuss Mark's teaching on death. And, we end this series trying to make sense of Mark's account of the resurrection which often seems woefully inadequate

# **Old As Methuselah: Discussions About Aging**

Join Pastor Marge Anderson for a 4-week discussion about aging - the good and the bad - and how our relationships with God and with each other change and develop.

Topics might include: leading a meaningful life after we retire; where is God calling us now; learning to trust in spite of anxiety; staying engaged; dealing with grief; where did my energy go; nitty-gritty details we need to get organized about.

Group meets from 10 to 11:30am on the following Tuesdays: April 18, 25, & May 2, 9.

#### **Baptisms**

Are you hoping to have your child baptized? Are you wondering what baptism is all about? Pastor Alex would be happy to connect with you about this incredible means of grace! As the programming year begins we will be returning to our pre-COVID baptism schedule of baptisms being held on the second Sunday of the month and the third Saturdays of the month. Interested in learning more? Email Pastor Alex (ahoops@goodshepherd.com) if you have any questions or would like to set up a time to chat.

#### **New Member Classes**

Why should you become a member of Good Shepherd? As a member of the congregation, you'll be able to help shape the ways that Good Shepherd lives out its mission in the world. You'll do that through voting for Church Council members, serving on Church Council, attending Synod or ELCA events as a representative of our congregation, or voting on called clergy members. Contact Pastor Alex at <u>ahoops@goodshepherd.com</u> for more info!

## **Continuing Adult Bible Studies**

**<u>Reading the Bible in a Year</u>** is a new group started by Amanda and Chris Fitz. The Bible started as an oral tradition where God's people gathered to hear God's Word and discuss their meaning. Amanda and Chris are restarting that tradition at Good Shepherd through a group that will read the Bible in a year and provide opportunities for discussion. We will meet on the second and fourth Sundays at 5:00 for about an hour to discuss the readings. Learn more and register online at www.onrealm.org.

<u>**Bible Babes**</u> is a bi-monthly Bible Study for women. This month they will only meet on April 20th due to Holy Week. Contact Anne Miller at <u>ran-</u> <u>co@cinci.rr.com</u> for more information.





## **Taft Elementary**

We had a fun St. Patrick's Day-inspired visit to our 2nd and 3rd grade classes on March 16th!

There were lots of proud smiles as the students found a nook and read TO their volunteers in small groups, sometimes even one-on-one. They've been learning a lot this year! It was so heartwarming to see all of this reading going on in the new library space.

The students (and grown ups!) were fascinated by our favorite chemist, Sue Matz's colorful science station! She demonstrated a walking rainbow, how colorful water moves by capillary action up paper towels and mixes with its neighboring color. Then the students experimented with Skittles and water and watched the colors move and mix! They also enjoyed a colorful snack.

At the STEM station Kathy Peterson challenged the students to design a method to help the leprechaun carry his gold. They were very creative!

There will be 2 events in April. The first is an egg drop challenge and Easter egg hunt on April 20 from 12:00-2:00 pm. There will also be a book fair April 27 from 4-6 pm. **All are invited**.

If you have any questions or are interested in joining us please contact Sue Matz (<u>sgmatz13@gmail.com</u>) or Kathy Peterson (<u>Peteramund@hotmail.com</u>).



# Graceworks

Good Shepherd members Beth Townsend, Gene Long, and Mary Adams joined Crayons to Computers (C2C) and Graceworks staff on March 20th to celebrate 6 residents of Lutheran Community in Lawrenceburg, IN. To date, these low-income seniors have produced more than 2500 bookmarks for distribution in C2C's store, which provides teachers free supplies and resources for their classrooms. Good Shepherd has been able to equip residents with the low-cost materials needed to make bookmarks five times over the past 15 months.



One of the residents summarized their appreciation for Good

Shepherd's support of their creative, community-focused, heart-filled making: "Thank you for the opportunity to share with those in need. At our age we like the thought of being helpful to those in need. God bless you all".

GSLC's Graceworks' ministry is continuing in April with bread-baking, led by expert Tim Grabenstein, at St. Marks Community in Milford. Additionally, a team of Good Shepherd folks will be making clothing protectors for Enhanced Living residents, who have disabilities and live in group homes. Visit the Graceworks lobby table the weekend of April 15 & 16 to learn how you can help (and save-the-date to attend the Clothing Protectors Sewing Bee on May 20)!

#### **VBS Volunteers**

In preparation for a successful VBS launch, our VBS Team is looking for some key leaders to help coordinate different program areas prior to the week of VBS. If you want to be a part of VBS, but can't serve during the actual week, please consider serving as a:

**Snack Coordinator –** Creates the menu for each day including student and volunteer snacks; coordinates the donation of these items for both the students and volunteers. A suggested menu is provided to compliment the VBS curriculum, and all work is completed before the start of VBS.

**Decorations Coordinator –** Decides on overall decorating theme and gather needed items to decorate GSLC for the VBS experience. It would be ideal to help set-up on Sunday (June 11th) after all worship services and clean-up on the final Friday (June 16th) of VBS, but not necessary to commit to this role.

# Habitat for Humanity - Rock the Block

#### Rock the Block is on April 29th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. It's a service event for the whole family!

Rock the Block brings together hundreds of volunteers to support the communities where Habitat is currently building homes. While volunteers paint, plant flowers, or pick up debris, they get to know other volunteers and the community around them. We'll be working in Bond Hill for this event.

Interested in volunteering? Volunteers need to register by April 7th at <u>habitatcincin-</u> <u>nati.galaxydigital.com/user/register/</u>. Contact Roy with questions about volunteering at <u>rjohn-</u> <u>son138@cinci.rr.com</u>, phone (513)262-6480.

#### **Family Service Events**

**Sort & Label Party** – Bring the whole family to help label and sort donations received from the Lenten Reverse Collection Drive on Wednesday April 12th from 5:30pm-7pm. GSLC will provide a pizza dinner. TWEENS – help provide a tutorial at the start of this event for how to most efficiently label and sort all the donated items.

**Tikkun Farm** - feed the animals, plant some seeds and generally help around the farm on Saturday, April 15th from 10am - Noon. All ages and abilities welcome. Register at <u>onrealm.org</u> by April 12th.



#### Tweens

• **Easter Egg Hunt Service Project:** Saturday, April 8th, 2023, 3 pm to 5 pm. Help hide eggs and welcome folks to GSLC.

## 6th Graders

• **"Here We Stand" Presentation and Workshop Faith Milestone:** Sunday, April 30th at 9:00 am worship. An instructional workshop for both parents & students follows the worship service at 10 am. for 6th Grade families. The "Here We Stand" Lutheran Handbook is provided to all 6th grade students as they prepare to enter Confirmation. Please RSVP at <u>onrealm.org</u> by Wednesday, April 26th.

# **Confirmation (7th and 8th Grades)**

- Confirmation Connect: Each Sunday at 10:10 am in Room LL02 (except April 9th & 16th).
- **Pop-Up Easter Egg Stuffing Service Event:** Sunday, April 2nd, 2023 from 10:45 am to 11:30 am. Stuff the 1,500 eggs we need for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Stay as long as you are able!
- Confirmation Spring Retreat: Friday, April 14th starting at 7pm Saturday, April 15th at 10 am. Spring Retreat Registration DUE April 7th at <u>onrealm.org</u>.

# Senior High, aka The Flock (9th through 12th)

- Flock Connect: Each Sunday at 9:08 am in Room 108 (except April 9th & 23rd).
- Holy Week Devotions via Group Me: April 2nd April 9th.
- Egg Drop Fundraiser: Saturday, April 8th from 7:30pm 11:00pm (See above)
- Tikkun Farm Service Morning: Saturday, April 15th from 10am Noon.2023

# **Graduating High School Seniors**

• **2023 Baccalaureate Service** will be held on Sunday, May 7th at 11:00am, with a meal immediately to follow. Look for more details via your hard-copy invitation. Please RSVP by Sunday, April 30th to Jen Jarman at <u>jjarman@goodshepherd.com</u> with the total number of family/friends attending.

#### **Families**

**Kids Connect in April:** The first part of the month of April will focus specifically on the Good News of Easter: "Christ is risen!" Towards the end of April, we will begin our final rotational sequence on "Love Is" from 1 Corinthians 13.

Note that two Sundays will not have Kids Connect: April 9th (Easter) and April 23rd (Pastor Lorne's Installation).

Advanced registration for Kids Connect is not required - parents can register children new to Kids Connect on any Sunday morning in Room 100.

Kids Connect is also a great way to mentor the youth in their faith. Sign-up to take a turn at helping at <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4BAFAF2AA75-kids1</u>.

#### Parent Connect meets each Sunday in 10:10 am in Room 101 for fellowship & relaxation.

**Vacation Bible School–2023**: Roll with God this summer at GSLC's Food Truck Rally VBS from June 12th through the 16th. VBS happens each day from 9 am to 12 pm. VBS is open to children ages 3 years-old through 6th Grade.

Early registration for VBS for GSLC members begins on April 1st. Community Registration opens April 15th. Learn more at <u>goodshepherd.com/News-Events/</u>.

**Easter Egg Hunt 2023:** Get your baskets ready for this year's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th at 4:00pm. The event is open to all children through 3rd grade and each child is invited to bring their own Easter baskets for the event (no grass please). Come hear the Easter story, sing a song or two and of course, find some hidden Easter Eggs.

Everyone is welcome to join us for 5:00pm Easter worship immediately following the Easter Egg Hunt.

## **Tweens Zoo Trip**

Feathered friend! (2022)

Tweens are Invited to learn about God's wonderful creation with their fellow Tweens at the Cincinnati Zoo! We will be sleeping with the Manatees!

On Friday, May 19th we will meet at Good Shepherd at 6pm to carpool to the Cincinnati Zoo.

Additionally, I will need 2 adults to chaperone.

Cost of this event is \$50. This amount also covers the cost of admission to the zoo for the next day.

You can register for the event at <u>onrealm.org</u>.





Chillin' with friends (2022)

Becoming a moth (2022)



# Nosh at the Edge House

"Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' – 1 Corinthians 11:23-24

When Jesus and his disciples celebrated the Last Supper, most of them weren't aware that it was the last supper–it was just supper. It was very likely to have been another in a long line of communal meals, time for the inner circle to unwind, debrief, pray, and enjoy one another.

When Jesus said, "Take and eat, do this in remembrance of me," it's very possible that he meant, "Whenever you eat together, remember me." That is, whenever you share a meal–Sunday or not, in church or not–remember Jesus and what he said and did.

# Nosh is dinner-church: it is the Edge House's weekly worship experience.

We begin in the living room at 5:45pm. We sing, pray, read scripture, and light candles. At that point, we eat dinner and talk about the scripture passage (that conversation is the sermon). We then come back together to celebrate Eucharist, pray, sing, and eat dessert. The entire process is both dinner and worship.

And where does the food for Nosh come from?

The food comes from folks just like you.

So many Good Shepherd members have cooked and provided food for us over the years. Many

have said the experience changed them in some way. Our dinner-table conversation has challenged them to look at their faith in new ways, the students' engagement has given them hope for the future, the community's care for each other has inspired them to reach out in their own lives.

You can experience that change in your life by cooking for Nosh one Sunday evening. Folks can sign-up to provide food at <u>www.edge-uc.org/</u><u>nosh</u>.

People providing food are invited and encouraged to stick around for the meal. We'd love to have you share that time of worship and food with us.

Questions? Need suggestions on what to bring? Give me a call at 513-307-2930 or send me an email at <u>pastor@edge-uc.org</u>.



# Small Groups | Sign-Up at goodshepherd.com/News-Events

**55+ Club:** April 4th at 12 pm. The Club welcomes the Wyoming High School Chorus. Contact John VanOsdol (<u>jvanosdol@cinci.rr.com</u>) for more information.

**Good Shepherd Outdoors:** Hike & Geocaching at California Woods on April 29th at 10 am.

Hike the park while looking for hidden treasures! This is a great activity for families. An app for your phone is useful, but not necessary. Contact Scott Puthoff (<u>sputhoff@goodshepherd.com</u>) to sign-up!

# **Good Shepherd Film Discussion Se-**

ries: "I Never Sang for My Father" (1970), April 15th

**at 6:15 pm.** College professor Gene Garrison has a chance at happiness; he wants to marry a woman named Peggy Thayer and move to California, where she has her medical practice. But his family ties include a self-centered father who is counting on Gene to be on call for years to come. His sister Alice is not concerned; she tells Gene to go to California and not look back. Will Gene leave his father behind? Based on a play by Robert Anderson, the film features Gene Hackman and Melvyn Douglas.

Come join us! Each event in our series is self-standing; you do not need to have attended previous events to enjoy this film discussion. See you at the movies!

Connect with film notes, the movie trailer, and sign-up at <u>https://members.goodshepherd.com/Member-Resources/Film-Series</u>.

#### Literature & Our Faith: April 17th at 7:30

**pm in the GSLC Library.** Please join Literature and Our Faith as we discuss "Two Old Women: an Alaskan Legend of Betrayal, Courage and Survival" by Velma Wallis. Based on an Athabascan Indian legend passed along for many generations from mothers to daughters of the upper Yukon River Valley in Alaska, this is the suspenseful, shocking, ultimately inspirational tale of two old women abandoned by their tribe during a brutal winter famine. Our May 15th selection is "Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore" by Matthew Sullivan.

We meet each 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 pm in the GSLC Library. Contact Karen Mazzei (<u>kmazzei@hotmail.com</u> or 513-290-8819) to sign-up. Reading the book is never a requirement for a great conversation!

**Moms of Faith:** Moms of Faith is a group of moms whose children are school aged and older. **Meetings are Tuesday afternoons at 12:30 p.m. for mutual support and encouragement.** The 4th Tuesday of the month will be a Bible Study. The 2022-2023

study is "Fight Back with Joy" by Margaret Feinberg. For more information about Moms of Faith and confirm the latest plans, please contact Lisa Meili at larm@cinci.rr.com.

**MOPS:** Meets on April 11th at 6:30 pm. Moms are invited to find fellowship, rest, & friends at this monthly meeting. More information is available via email or their FB page (<u>www.facebook.com/GSLCMOPS/</u>). Childcare requests or questions can be sent to Lori at <u>GSLCMOPS513@gmail.com</u>.

**Piecemakers:** April 24th at 12 pm. Turning previously loved fabric into quilts and blankets that provide comfort to those in need. No experience necessary. The fourth Monday of each month September through May at 12 pm (except December). Contact Pat Stratman (513.319.4201) or Tina Morawski (513.293.6741) with questions.

**Pub Theology:** Join Men Doing Life on April 19th at 7 pm for a beer and discussions about life, faith, and current events. Folks can expect a variety of topics that deepen your relationship with God and others. Pub Theology meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at MVP Sports Bar & Grille in Silverton (6923 Plainfield Rd, 45236). Contact Pastor Alex at ahoops@goodshepherd.com with questions.



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