

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF

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MISSION STATEMENT: Good Shepherd is growing in: Faith and knowledge of God, ministry in our neighborhood, love for one another and support for those seeking Christ.

SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Rector Search Committee is receiving names! We have (finally) finished all the preliminary steps and are beginning to receive names from possible candidates. Archdeacon Perrizo will be showing us how to assess the candidates in meetings scheduled over the next 3 weeks. If you have a suggested candidate for our consideration, please contact the prospect yourself to see if he/she is interested and, if so, have him/her send their CV to Faith Perrizo at the Diocesan office. Copies of the survey summaries, the Parish Profile and our brochure for candidates are being posted to the Good Shepherd website. Search Committee members (David Cooper, Linda Crocker, Toni DeVore, Bob Flinn, Hal Foss, Abbey Justice, Alan Parks, Trish Pritchard, Dianna Quick, and Larry Tarrant) are always happy to answer any questions about the process. We will not be able to answer questions about individual candidates. Please continue your support and prayers for us and our work.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA Good Shepherd Great Hall

There will be a Mother's Day Tea from 2:00-4:00 on Saturday, May 8th. Please come and bring a guest (mother, daughter, daughter-in-law or friend). It should be a great time for everyone as well as offerings of delicious foods and varieties of special teas. This event is sponsored by Daughters of the King.

PINK CHURCH WALKERS

It's time to join The Pink Church Walkers Relay for Life team to walk laps on May 14-15 at City Park. If you can't walk that much, you could volunteer to rock in a rocking chair for an hour. Too busy? - then please sponsor one of our walkers. We are also accepting donations for luminaria in memory or honor of your loved ones. To sign up or ask questions contact Linda Crocker or Suzanne Anderson, Co-Captains.

Thank you to the Birthday Bash cake bakers, auctioneer, singer Emily Emrick, gift donors and those who helped set up, prepare the lunch and clean-up. Our generous attendees (and even those who couldn't come) contributed **\$1406.10** to the American Cancer Society for Relay for Life.

IT'S GRADUATION TIME! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In the next issue of "The Shepherd's Staff" we want to list all those Good Shepherd folks who are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school. It is our desire to also share what their immediate plans for the future might be. The very real danger of putting together this sort of list is that we might leave someone out. Please assist us by giving us the names and plans of your graduating student. Please do not assume we already know. You may either call Ginger, Monday thru Thursday in the parish office at 304-428-1525 or e-mail ginger_smith@goodshepherdwv.org.

MORE INFO ON THE HABITAT BLITZ BUILD

by Ginger Smith

Two homes in two days! Habitat for Humanity is hosting a blitz build group from all over the country to build these homes. They'll be bringing about 40 people, but we need at least 100 more! The concept is to involve as many people as possible in experiencing what it feels like to change the world. Come share in the excitement!!! The homes will be built on 14th Avenue between Rayon and Broadway in south Parkersburg. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old. More information is available at the Habitat website: www.woodcountyhabitat.org, which also contains a link for volunteer registration. ***If you are volunteering to work at the site***, you must visit the Habitat website, click on the volunteer registration link and register. After registering, return to the home page and find the link to "Legal Waiver for Minors/Adults". Print this and fill out and mail to the address on the home page. Also *please sign up on the sheet outside the office door as well.*

We will start on Saturday morning, **June 19th**, with two foundations and floor systems in place. By the end of the day on Sunday, **June 20th**, two homes will be under roof!

Good Shepherd Church is one of the original covenant church sponsors of Wood County Habitat for Humanity. This is a perfect time for us to be involved again as a church unit. There are several ways for us to help.

1) **volunteer to help build** – we can use your help one or both days or if you only have an hour or two, that's okay too.

2) **provide lunches** – Lunch consists of a sandwich with lots of protein, fruit and perhaps a cookie, brownie or some other tidbit. *So far, people have signed up to make 25 lunches. We still need 15 lunches and some extra sandwiches for those with hearty appetites.*

3) **decorate the lunch sacks** – Our Sunday School classes will be decorating the lunch sacks soon and including a Bible verse, mealtime prayer, or spiritual writing inside the sacks. *The Lunch sacks have been provided and have attached roofs to make them look like houses or churches. Too cute!!*

3) **provide snacks** – donuts, cookies, protein bars, fruit (especially bananas to help ward off cramping workers may experience) *Only two people have signed up for snacks. More are needed.*

4) **provide 20 or more Hammers** – Due to liabilities, there will be no power tools at this build. Therefore, we need lots of framing hammers. These will need to be donated so don't give us your grandfathers hammer in hopes of getting it back. *Thus far only 4 hammers have been signed up. If you sign on to volunteer to build, you may bring your own hammer. Be sure to keep track of it!*

5) **provide prayer support** – This item is needed most of all!

6) **money donations** – If you wish to make a donation, you may do so by putting a check in the collection plate made out to Good Shepherd and stating in the memo "Habitat Blitz Build". This money will be used for building materials.

This is an exciting time for Habitat and an even more exciting time for the families who will occupy these homes. If you need more information, please call me either at the parish office or 304-863-5258.