



CHANGING LIVES, SHARING CHRIST  
THE GOOD SHEPHERD

# August Newsletter

## CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



### Wrapping Up Summer...Gearing Up for Fall

**Summer is not quite done at Good Shepherd!**

**The following will happen in August at the church and the school:**

- New Director of Youth Ministries, Glenn Meschko, begins August 4
- Pool Party for Young Families is Sunday, August 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the Country Club
- St. James New Parent Orientation is Thursday, August 15 at 5:30 p.m.
- Good Shepherd's Back to School Blessing on Sunday, August 18 at our 10:30 a.m. service
- "Pounding" for our new Youth Minister is Sunday, August 18 after the 10:30 service
- St. James Meet the Teacher/Back to School BBQ is Monday, August 19 at 5:30 p.m.
- St. James first day of school is Tuesday, August 20 - They are still enrolling!
- Salvation Army Mobile Canteen is Monday, August 26 at 5:30 p.m. in Munds Hall

**Fall is around the corner! We will begin our Fall programming in September.**

**The following are some of the highlights for September:**

- The Church Office is closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 2.
- Kingdom Kids is Wednesday, September 4 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the McNeil Gym.
- Rally Day is Sunday, September 8th (see times on page 5).
- Good Shepherd Children's Choir begins Monday, September 9 at 3:30 p.m. in Choir Room.
- Wednesday evening Christian Formation classes begin Wednesday, September 11
- Salvation Army Mobile Canteen is Monday, September 23 at 5:30 p.m. in Munds Hall.

We are excited to focus on the family this Fall! All of us as a church community will focus on ministries of the family...coming together to bring the children, youth, and families of our church closer to Christ. In addition to parents, our older, more established members have a wonderful opportunity to help our younger members grow in Christ and help them on their faith journey.



*"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"*

**~Psalm 133:1**

*"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."*

**~Galatians 6:10**



# YOUTH MINISTRY



## We Welcome Our New Youth Minister

Hello,

Our family looks forward to meeting and getting to know all of you at Good Shepherd. My wife, Keri is an elementary dyslexia specialist for Boerne ISD and has been teaching for over twenty years. She loves teaching and especially enjoys helping her students to read. My daughter Grace graduated from Boerne High School in 2019 and is attending college in San Antonio and works at Ford of Boerne. My son Eli will be entering his senior year at Boerne High School. We also have a Boston Terrier and his name is Frankie. We are originally from Colorado and both sides of our family still reside there. We make it up there when we can to visit family.

The plan for our family this year is for me to come down to Corpus Christi to get started at Good Shepherd. Keri, Grace, and Eli will remain in Boerne as they continue work and pursue their education. After Eli graduates in 2020, Keri and Eli will come down here and Grace will continue to attend college in San Antonio. Keri will be looking for teaching opportunities in the Corpus Christi area and Eli will be entering his freshman year of college.

After I graduated from Colorado Christian University, I began to follow God's call as I was being lead to work with youth. I have been involved in youth work in churches for over twenty years now. I have served churches in Iowa, Colorado, Florida and Texas. Our family arrived in Texas in 2008 and I served St. Helena's in Boerne. After that I served St. Luke's in San Antonio and St John's in New Braunfels. While in the Diocese of West Texas I have served on boards and been involved with youth ministry, attended Happening (115) and served at other Happenings.

I can not wait to meet with the youth and their parents to hear about what is going on in the lives of students and families here. It is exciting to be a part of the lives of students and families as they are transformed and shaped by the love of Christ. I want to be involved in the lives of students. As this happens, students will be challenged and parents will be asked to help in the process. For hearts to be transformed, it takes a community to pour into the lives of our students. It is necessary for our church community to be involved in this process, and will include parents, grandparents, siblings, parents of former youth group students, and others having an interest in this ministry. This will be a team effort as our staff will take a holistic approach to ministry. Children, Family and youth ministries will work together as we pray and support each other's ministries. I'm excited about the Vision that Fr. Milton has given us as we serve Good Shepherd. I can't wait to get started!

Grace and Peace,  
Glenn Meschko

## “Pounding” for Glenn

**Sunday, August 18  
After the 10:30 a.m. service  
in the Parlor**

Pounding...it sounds painful...but it's not! A “Pounding” for a minister stems from an old tradition also known as Food Pounding where church congregations welcomed their new pastors by giving them a pound of something for their home. We are going to follow this tradition as we welcome our new Youth Minister, **Glenn Meschko** Sunday, August 18th.

We are asking everyone to bring something to welcome Glenn as he begins life in our city. Anything you can provide would be helpful to him. Gift cards and cash would be greatly appreciated!

If you will not be here on August 18th but would like to participate, please bring or send your gift to the Church Office. Thank you!





## Important Announcement

### Digital Newsletter

Starting in September, Good Shepherd will transition to a digital-only version of our newsletter. This is more cost efficient and the full-color digital version looks better! If you are signed-up to receive emails from the church, you are already receiving our newsletter digitally. You can also view our newsletter on our website. If you are not receiving emails from the church, please contact the church office to get signed up.

If you do not have access to email or our website, we are happy to mail you a hardcopy of the newsletter. You must contact the church office.

Church Office: 361-882-1735

### New Updated Church Website Coming!

We are currently in the process of creating a new version of our website that will be up and running by September. We will keep you posted!



## Adult Sunday School

### *Informal Bible Discussion this Summer*

**Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor**

Led by  
Rev. Milton Black,  
Rev. Philip May  
Rev. William Campbell  
Rev. Frank Fuller

Our clergy will lead an Informal Bible Discussion at 9:30 a.m. throughout the summer in the Parlor.

## SUNDAYS in AUGUST for the Whole Family!



♣ **Who:** Led by Rev. William Campbell, Robert Hammitt & Choir Members

♣ **What:** Introduction to Singing Class

♣ **When:** Sundays in August from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

♣ **Where:** Munds Hall Auditorium

♣ **Why:** Singing is for EVERYONE, YOU can sing, and singing pleases GOD

♣ **How:** By Teaching...

The history of music and why we sing what we sing;  
Components of singing and how to sing various church music;  
How to find your singing voice and basic music reading skills

**TOGETHER we will sing FUN and FAMILIAR hymns!**

**"The Ties That Bind" group invites  
Good Shepherd Young Families!**

**Sunday, August 11  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

**Corpus Christi Country Club**

Let's get together and beat the heat! It's a right and a good and a joyful thing to gather together as a Church Family to recreate, relax, and build community.

Iced tea, lemonade, and a snacks will be provided.

# MISSION & OUTREACH



## COME SEE WHAT'S NEW



at the CORNER

**NEW!**

The Corner receives new items every week! Come see all of the wonderful items!

We would also love to take your donations and consignments.

Call the Corner for more information.

The Good Shepherd's Corner Resale Shop  
1809 S. Alameda St.  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78404  
361.883.0281

Store Hours:  
Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Closed Sundays & Third Saturday of the Month

GOOD SHEPHERD'S  
**CoRNeR**  
RESALE SHOP

## Egg Ladies Needs Bottle Caps

Metal champagne lids



Coke Zero black bottle caps



Larger black orange juice jug caps



Any of these bottle caps



## Salvation Army Mobile Canteen

Monday, August 26  
5:30 p.m.  
Munds Hall Auditorium



The Salvation Army Mobile Canteen is a vital outreach to the homeless in our community. Come join us in preparing meals and delivering them on the streets of our city. Call the Church Office at 882-1735 if you would like to donate food items.

## Wheelchair Ramp Ministry

Saturday, August 17  
8:00 a.m.  
2134 Harvard St. (78416)

The Episcopal Ministries of Corpus Christi join together each month to build wheelchair ramps for families in need in our community.

Contact Doug Wayland if you are interested in helping at 813-1781.

## Ushers Needed

Sundays  
at 10:30 a.m.



We need new ushers to help on Sunday mornings at the 10:30 a.m. service. This is an easy, fun job and a great way to meet new people in the church. Please contact Susan Linnane in the Church Office if you are interested or want more information at 361-882-1735.



## Calling All 6th Graders!

An important job as members of the Church is to bring our young people to maturity in Christ and help prepare them to make an affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their baptism. Confirmation for our young church members occurs in the 6th grade. We believe that our young people are on a journey, and that at this age they are in a position to accept for themselves what was accepted for them at Baptism. The confirmation class is designed to provide spiritual direction and teach the traditions of the Church.

**If you are interested in your child participating in this special year of confirmation, please contact Sandy McCampbell or the Church Office.**

## Kingdom Kids Begins in September

**Wednesday, September 4**

**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**McNeil Gym**

We will resume Kingdom Kids in September! All kids in Kinder through 6th grade are invited to the gym for food, fun and fellowship. Younger children are welcome in the Kid's Zone and in the Nursery. If you would like to volunteer to help with Kingdom Kid's one of the month's of the year, please contact the Church Office at 361-882-1735. You only have to commit to the months you would like to help...and it's only one night a month! This is a fun and vital ministry to the children of our church.

## Help Needed for Children's Sunday School

Bringing the children of Good Shepherd closer to Christ is the job of everyone at Good Shepherd. It is part of our mission as a church. We are looking for teachers and helpers for our children's Sunday School program this Fall. We have a wonderful curriculum planned that is easy and inspiring. It is called The Spiritual Life. Please consider helping us this Fall. It is a very rewarding ministry. The more volunteers we have the better. Everyone can pick the Sundays they would like to volunteer.



### Adult Sunday School

Informal Lectionary Discussion  
9:30 a.m. in the Parlor

### **No Children and Youth Sunday School**

### **No Children's Chapel**

### Nursery is Available

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Infants - 2 years old

### Kid's Zone

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
3 years old - 1st Grade  
(Next Door to the Nursery)

## Give Before You Go!



If you are planning to be gone off and on this summer, please consider to "give before you go!" The church is dependent upon a consistent inflow of your pledge payments even in the Summer months.

### **Three ways you can make a payment:**

In the Church on Sunday or the Church Office  
Pledge or Make Payments Online at [cotgs.org](http://cotgs.org)  
Mail Payments to: 700 S. Upper Broadway  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

THANK YOU!



COMING SOON!



# RALLY DAY

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Sunday, September 8

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Rally

10:30 a.m. Rally Day Service

11:45 a.m. Rally Day Picnic



## Fall Programming Kick-Off!

Rally Day is the day we all come together as a **CHURCH FAMILY** to kickoff our new **Fall Programs**. We have an exciting line-up for Rally Day! It will be a **fun** morning for everyone of every age in our congregation.

Here is what you have to look forward to on Rally Day:

- ★ **Multigenerational Sunday School Rally** in Munds Hall at 9:30 a.m. We will all come together to hear about our mission going forward: **Focus on the Family**. Everyone will work together to make children, youth and family the mission of our church. Whether we are part of a family with children or not, the young people of our church learning about God and growing closer to Christ is something we must all support as our mission. You will receive books and materials for our new Sunday School focus on **The Spirit-Filled Life** and a continental breakfast (Donuts & Delights) will be provided.
- ★ **Rally Day Service** in the Sanctuary: While we will continue to have our 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. services on this day, our Rally Day service will be at 10:30 a.m. You will hear about our **Focus on the Family**, all **third graders** from the church and school will receive a special Bible, and special announcements will be made for **Fall programming**.
- ★ **Rally Day Picnic** on the Church Lawn at 11:45 a.m. We have planned for a **delicious meal, face painting, and live music** on the church lawn as we come together as a Church Family! We will have some tables set up, but you can also bring lawn chairs, picnic blankets, and shade structures.

## Sunday School this Fall

Begins Sunday, September 8

9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Join us this Fall as we focus on The Spirit-Filled Life. This is the final part in our year long series The Christian Life. Jesus calls the Holy Spirit a “gift” who will guide us, lead us, and empower us. Yet many believers do not experience the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives. We will examine the creative and life-giving work of the Holy Spirit in our individual lives and in community with others. God’s plan is to bring unity to all things in Heaven and on Earth under Christ.

**Three classes for Adults will be offered:**

- **The Spirit-Filled Life** led by Rev. Milton Black and Rev. Philip May in Munds Hall Auditorium
- **The Spirit-Filled Life for Young Families** led by Rev. William Campbell in Dobbins Hall Adult Classroom
- **Prune Juice for the Soul: The Gospel for Folks getting Old & Those who Love Them** led by Rev. Frank Fuller in Munds Hall Library
- Children and Youth will cover their own version of The Spirit-Filled Life with a program called *Spiritual Life*.

## Wednesdays this Fall

Begins Wednesday, September 11

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

We have two great classes that will be offered this Fall for Adults.

- **A Deeper Look at the Spirit-Filled Life** led by Rev. Philip May in the Parlor; Fr. Philip will go into a more in-depth view of our focus on The Spirit-Filled Life.
- **Brave New Worlds** led by Rev. Frank Fuller exploring 3 versions of humanity’s future and faith in the works of 20th century writers; prophetic viewpoints from Aldous Huxley and others.


 COMING SOON!


# Women's Bible Study

## *The Gospel of Matthew*

Led by Elizabeth Black

Tuesdays beginning September 10th

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor

### Who:

Everyone is welcome and included! If you have never been to bible study, this is a super easy-going group that comes together for fellowship, to build friendships, and to be encouraged and strengthened by God's Word! We are a group of all ages, and love to learn from each other. Please join us and bring a friend!

### What:

The Gospel of Matthew

The Gospel of Matthew is the story of the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the story of a man, a teacher, a healer, a prophet, a king - and how he came to save the world. Because it is the first book of the New Testament, it would be easy to think something new must be happening. And there is! But it is also a very old story. Matthew sets out to show how Jesus "completes" or "fulfills" all the promises ever made about God's anointed King who would come to save the world.

In this study we will step back into a historical place and time- imagine the local flavor, the culture, the physical, historical setting of the story. It is in this context that will meet Jesus, walk alongside him, hear his words, let him pray over us and discover that we are not at all incidental to the story. We are not observers. Just as all of God's creation and salvation are completed in Jesus, so are we and all the parts of our lives - our work, family, friends, hopes and aspirations.

So come join in the most exciting story of your life! Come find what you've been looking for!

### Where and When:

Tuesdays, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Begins Tuesday, September 10th

Church of the Good Shepherd Parlor

### How:

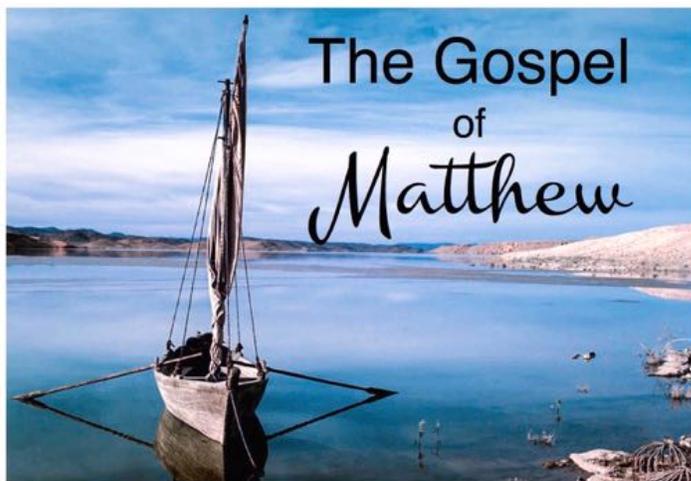
Please join Elizabeth Black for a time of fellowship and study. Simply bring a bible and a pen. A study booklet will be provided on the first day for \$10.00 or it can be picked up in the Church Office. This study will run throughout the Fall and Spring. If you are interested in having nursery available, please call the Church Office at 361-882-1735.

For more information, feel free to email Elizabeth Black at [ehblack1@gmail.com](mailto:ehblack1@gmail.com).

### **GREAT NEWS! NOW YOU CAN JOIN THIS STUDY REMOTELY!**

Elizabeth is making her Bible studies available through an audio recording posted weekly on her website at [elizabethheadblack.com](http://elizabethheadblack.com). Each week, an audio recording of her teaching and the group discussion will be posted. You can join the study by just listening weekly, or participate more fully by purchasing the workbook which will be available on Amazon.com in late August. If you plan to do this study remotely, please contact Elizabeth to get more information about the workbook at [ehblack1@gmail.com](mailto:ehblack1@gmail.com).

May God richly bless you as you delve more deeply in his Word.





# WORSHIP SERVICES



## Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Eucharist (Rite I)
- 8:45-9:30 a.m. Breakfast Fellowship (Resumes September 15)
- 9:30-10:15 a.m. Sunday School Classes (Resumes September 8)
- 10:30 a.m. Family Eucharist (Rite II)
- 5:30 p.m. "Come As You Are" Eucharist (Rite II)

## Nursery For the Little Ones

0 - 2 Years in the Nursery, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
 3 Years - Kinder in Children's Chapel, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
*From Children's Chapel they join their families in Church before Communion.*  
**(No Children's Chapel in the Summer.)**

## Sunday School Classes

Sundays, 9:30-10:15 a.m. in the Parlor  
 No Children's and Youth Sunday School in the Summer.  
 Adults: *Summer Sunday School - Informal gathering to discuss the weekly Lectionary Readings in the Parlor. This is clergy led.*

## Weekday Services

- Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. Midday Eucharist (Rite II)
- Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Evening Healing Service with Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

## Monthly Services

The Church of the Good Shepherd offers a service of Holy Communion at the Trinity Towers retirement community at 3:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of every month.

## St. James Chapel Services\*

- Mondays at 8:30 a.m. St. James Preschool Chapel
- Tuesdays at 8:10 a.m. Contemporary Morning Prayer (Middle School Chapel)
- Tuesdays at 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Morning Prayer (Lower School Chapel)
- Thursdays at 8:10 a.m. Contemporary Morning Prayer (All School Chapel)

\* During the school year

***"Come, let us bow down and worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care." Psalm 95:6***



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