

Welcome to
The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

10:00 AM, THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Welcome to the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd!

COVID-19 Precautions

Please wear a face mask over your nose and mouth. Be considerate of others during this time. Together we can slow the spread of the virus in our area. Thank you.

Visitors

Welcome! We're glad to have you worship with us. If you'd like to learn more about this community of faith and our different ministries, fill out one of our visitor cards (in the pews) and hand it to an usher.

Welcome, Kids!

During the 10:00 am service, a staffed nursery is available. You can drop off children at the Early Learning Center classroom closest to the pool.

Children's Sunday School will resume on September 12.

Restrooms

Exit through the courtyard. A family restroom is available to your right in the Worsham Hall building as soon as you go through the glass door.

Ask an usher if you need any assistance.

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Our website is gsjax.church.

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OPENING VOLUNTARY Meditation on *Thaxted* Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

WELCOME

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN Immortal, invisible, God only Wise Hymnal 423

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven Hymnal 410 (v. 1)

Celebrant and People

**1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Reader: A reading from Isaiah.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146

Celebrant and the People read the psalm by half verse.

- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul! *
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- ² Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.
- ³ When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁴ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- ⁵ Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- ⁶ Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- ⁷ The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

⁸The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
**he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

⁹The LORD shall reign for ever, *
**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!**

THE EPISTLE: James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17

Reader: A reading from James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says

to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

O for a thousand tongues to sing

Hymnal 493

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL: Mark 7:24-37

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Brent Owens

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM IV)

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice
and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially for Julie, Erwin, Andrea, Rich, Courtney, Rodman, Alex and Dave, Allison, Polly, Lawrence, Jennifer, Ann, Brian, Lisa, Nancy, Ted, Sally, Randall, Ingo, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine, Joyce, Gail, Art, Patricia, E. G., Judy, Dorothy, Ellen, Shirley; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

CONCLUDING COLLECT

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Intermezzo

Malcolm Archer (b.1952)

DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here be low;
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. *Refrain* O — praise him, O — praise him,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! A - - men.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

People stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People sing

Hymnal S-125

(Hymn numbers preceded by an “S” are found in the front of the hymnal.)

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

*A blessing is offered and the people respond **Amen.***

CLOSING HYMN

I'll praise my maker while I've breath

Hymnal 429

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Improvisation on *Azmon*

The Rev. Brent Owens
Rector

Denise Gilbreath
Matt Wolfe
Brian Palmer
Readers

Altar Flowers

Flowers given by Elizabeth and Michael Milton in Thanksgiving for our grandchildren,
Jane, Flora, and Stella Milton and Lindley and Walter Leutzinger

Special Prayers

We pray for peace throughout the world.

We pray for our companion dioceses of Cuba and Peru, and especially for our companion parish, The Church of the Annunciation in Florida, Cuba.

We give thanks and pray for the safety of all healthcare workers during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially for: Dean, Karen, George, Alan, Naya, Jay, Lysa, Tony, Tom, Brett, Susanna C., MacLean Nasrallah, Ilya Nasrallah.

We give thanks and pray for all the frontline workers.

We pray for those in need of healing, strength or guidance, especially for:

Julie Beaslie, Erwin Cascante, Andrea H., Rich, Courtney, Rodman, Alex and Dave, Allison DeFoor, Polly, Lawrence, Jennifer Keen, Ann Ottesen, Lisa, Nancy, Ted, Sally McKeithen, Randall Burke, Ingo, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine, Joyce Norville, Gail Dunn, Art Jennette, Patricia Lee, E. G. Newsom, Judy Martin, Dorothy, Ellen, Shirley Walters, and our postulant Teri Calinao and husband George.

We pray for those affected by COVID-19, and for those who have died from the virus.

We pray for those who have died.

May their souls, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

We pray for all who are serving in our Armed Forces and Intelligence Services, both at home and abroad, especially for: Ashton, Zachary, Brooker, Caleb, Charlie, Erik, Katie, Bradley Williams, Thomas Crouch, Jonathan Ubl, Channing Mattix, Warren Butler.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially

Raymond Mason	September 6	Steven Castanien	September 8
Carter Elliott	September 6	Stephen Williams	September 8
Austen Pappalardo	September 7	Helen Plaughter	September 9
		John Zell	September 11

We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially

Courtenay and Steve Wilson September 6

Announcements

Vestry Announces A New Mission for Good Shepherd and Supports the Biblical Standard of the Tithe

The Vote: At their last meeting, the Vestry of Good Shepherd voted to affirm the Biblical standard of the tithe by donating 10% of Good Shepherd's income for September through December 2021 to mission outside the Church. The Vestry has decided to partner with the non-profit RIP Medical Debt to help eliminate the injustice of medical debt in Florida. As Paul tells us in Colossians 2:6-7, followers of Christ are to be rooted in faith and growing in gratitude. We believe this is one way to demonstrate both our faith and gratitude for God's blessings!



How It Works: RIP Medical Debt acts as a broker to purchase bad medical debt so that it can be forgiven. About \$100 will purchase \$10,000 of bad medical debt. There is over \$140 billion in medical debt in America; 2/3rd of all personal bankruptcies are due to medical debt; 31 million Americans do not have any health insurance, and 18% of Americans have medical debt in collection. RIP Medical Debt limits its relief to people living at or below 200% of the poverty line, or \$53,000 for a family of 4, so this relief goes to those who need it most. Once a church purchases medical debt through RIP Medical Debt, a letter goes to everyone whose debt has been bought, telling them that the church forgives their debt, and a letter goes to the credit reporting agencies. This is life-changing for many who have bad medical debt which has ruined their credit and damaged job opportunities.

Reputation and Results: The Vestry has investigated RIP Medical Debt and learned: it has a 100% rating from Charity Navigator (a respected organization that evaluates charities). Our Treasurer, Joe Porter (who previously served as a Director of the American Cancer Society), reached out to those who know the principals of RIP Medical Debt and found they are reputable and that the results of their ministry are highly scored for impact. Additionally, dozens of Episcopal churches have partnered with RIP Medical Debt to wipe out millions in medical debt.

How Much Medical Debt Can We Forgive? The Vestry anticipates that 10% of our income for the next 4 months will be around \$10,000. We are also excited to announce that the Schultz Foundation has partnered with us by giving Good Shepherd \$5,000 toward this ministry. Also, a gift of \$100 has been made which must be matched by another \$400. So we anticipate that we will extinguish around \$1.5 million of medical debt for Floridians!

Fall Classes at Good Shepherd

On Sunday Mornings

9:00 am Adult Classes

Starting on September 12, through December 19 (no class on Thanksgiving weekend)

African Bible Study in Craig Lounge and on Zoom Sundays at 9:00 am (starts Sept. 12)



We study the Bible in a non-threatening way, and also get to know others in the process. It is a quest for spiritual insight by inviting the Holy Spirit to be present in our Bible study and creating relationships with each other. No preparation or study is required. “African Bible Study” is a method first introduced by the African Delegation to Lambeth Conference in 1998 (Lambeth Conference is a gathering every 10 years of all bishops of the Anglican Communion.) It is rooted

in the ancient method of praying the scriptures, known as Lectio Divina, or “Holy Reading.” We have 8-10 in attendance most Sundays. Led by Malinda Owens.

Good Shepherd 101 in the Library at 9:00 am on Sundays (starts Sept. 12)

This class welcomes everyone (whether new to Good Shepherd or a long-time member) into the Episcopal Church to help equip us to carry out the work of Christ in the world. We will explore Episcopal liturgy and history, our own spiritual gifts, the sacraments, and much more. Please explore the Episcopal Church with us as we also discern our own spiritual journey. Each session is a “stand-alone” class so that you can attend one, or all or something in between. Led by Fr. Brent Owens.

For Children

9:30 am–11:30 am Sunday Mornings Staffed Nursery in the Early Learning Center, first room on right after going through the gate. Infant through 4 years old.

9:50-10:30 am Sunday Mornings: Children's Sunday School will resume September 12 in the Early Learning Center, second room on the right after going through the gate.

We have an exciting new curriculum! For the first 6 weeks this fall our kids will be learning about the church, our worship, and who we are together as Episcopalians. Then we will begin a Bible-based curriculum called "Connect." Life-long Good Shepherd member Vicki Moulder (daughter of Skip and Susan Brown) will be coordinating Children's Sunday School and curriculum with our current teachers. Before the church service begins, bring your children (age 5 through middle school) to the ECS classroom next to the nursery for Sunday School. The children will be brought back into the church to join their parents at the "peace."

Vicki's message to all parents: "Hello, my name is Vicki Moulder, and I have been a part of The Good Shepherd family for years. I grew up in this church having spent many Easters running through the courtyard and enjoyed my share of potluck gatherings. I was married here and all three of my children were baptized here. They also received their first communion at this church and were acolytes. My parents have always been active in this church, either in the vestry or altar guild. I have been a preschool teacher for 10 years, 4 of those years were here at Episcopal Children's Services. With the challenges that COVID brought to the classroom, I closed the door on teaching preschool and have taken on other endeavors. I am delighted to have the opportunity to step back into the role of teacher here, at Good Shepherd Church. I am eager to meet you, and your children; as we come together to learn about the Bible, the church, and God's love."

During the Week

Wednesday Noon Bible Study, starting September 15, 12-1:00 pm in the Library

Good Shepherd member Julie Davis will facilitate this Bible study. Our first study will be *Sermon on the Mount: A Beginners Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven*, by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine. This study addresses: What might Jesus' teachings have meant to those who first heard them? How do they enhance our reading of the rest of the Gospel of Matthew, and how do they speak across the centuries to listeners today? How, if we pay careful attention to his words, does Jesus provide us a road map to living as God would have us live?

Wednesday Evening Book Study, 7:00 pm by Zoom (September 15 through October 27)

We will explore a window into the millennial generation's detachment from religious institutions and also how some find their way back into the church with Rachel Held Evans' book *Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church* which is available on Amazon and usual booksellers. If you cannot afford to purchase the book, Father Brent will buy it for you. The Book Study will be at 7:00 pm by Zoom starting Wednesday, September 15. See you on Wednesday evenings!

Brent+

Zoom Meeting ID: 711 7700 7115

Passcode: Zc4PB2

Other Opportunities

Support JASMYN now and during Pantry Drop-Off Days on September 18 and 20

JASMYN's mission: JASMYN supports and empowers LGBTQ young people by creating safe space, providing health and wholeness services and offering youth development opportunities, while bringing people and resources together to promote equality and human rights.

How you can support JASMYN now: Purchase items from their Amazon Wish List. Shop with Amazon Smile and select "JASMYN" as your charity. Like, follow, and share their social media posts with others.

Pantry Drop-Off Days: Saturday, September 18, 10:00 am-Noon and Monday, September 20, 3:00-6:00 pm

Please only drop off items on their list (below). All donors are required to wear a mask for safety.

You can drop your items with Liz on the J1 porch at 923 Peninsular Place, the bright blue building. You'll find parking in front of J1, around the corner alongside J2, or in the back of the Jimmy Johns parking lot off Chelsea St.

Food Pantry	Hygiene/Clothing
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jimmy Dean breakfast cups and sandwiches 2. Pop-top cans or pouches of chicken or tuna 3. Soups and Chef Boyardee products 4. Beans/beans and franks 5. Ready-to-eat boxed meals/Hamburger Helper 6. Mac and cheese (pop-top, box or bag) 7. Lipton Noodles, Ramen noodles, noodles in a cup 8. Instant rice (boil in a bag) 9. Pasta and pasta sauce 10. Dried fruit or fruit and nut snacks 11. Pop-Tarts 12. Drinks (bottled or boxed water, Capri Sun, Vita Water, Gatorade, etc.) 13. Granola/protein bars and cereal 14. Crackers (cheese, peanut butter, animal crackers) 15. Paper plates, bowls, cups, napkins; utensils 16. Dish soap, dish sponges, dish towels 17. Plastic bags, garbage bags 18. Can openers and drawstring bags 19. Gift cards to stores (Publix, Walmart, etc.) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Body wipes 2. Hand sanitizer (travel size); Lysol wipes/spray (travel size and regular) 3. Full size shampoo and full size conditioner 4. Natural hair care for Black hair 5. Full size body wash 6. Deodorant 7. Toothpaste, toothbrushes, toothbrush covers; floss 8. Lotion 9. Razors 10. Insect repellent 11. Body spray (Axe, Dove, etc.) 12. Makeup and makeup remover, including darker tones of foundation 13. Sunscreen 14. Travel packs of tissues 15. New undershirts and tanks (all sizes) 16. New underwear (all sizes, male or female, boxers or briefs) 17. New socks 18. Gift cards to stores (TJ Maxx, Target, etc.)

Health Screenings on September 17 in Craig Lounge

Life Line is having health screenings in Craig Lounge on September 17. This is by appointment only and health safety protocols will be in place. Life Line says that these screenings are “generally best suited for people over the age of 50, OR have a risk factor such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, being overweight, smoking and a family history of stroke or cardiovascular disease.” To make an appointment, you can visit lifelinescreening.com and enter the church’s zip code (32204) in the box that says “Find a screening within your community.” Please note that these screenings are not free.

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 6th

Labor Day PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, September 7th

11:30 am EWES Lunch in the Courtyard

Wednesday, September 8th

4:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry in the Courtyard

7:00 pm Compline on YouTube

Sunday, September 12th

The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the Chapel

9:00 am Bible Study in Craig Lounge and via Zoom

9:00 am Good Shepherd 101 in the Library

9:50 pm Children's Sunday School in Early Learning Center Classroom

10:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Church and on YouTube

Our YouTube videos will remain available to watch after the time they premiere.

Please check our online calendar at gsjax.church for updates.

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