

# The Shepherd's Crook



The Church of The Good Shepherd  
Pitman, NJ

Mother Patricia Daniels Pierce-Rector

November 1, 2011

*"We Love Our Church"*



## Bible Study

We are still studying Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Discussions have been quite interesting over Paul's words on the role of women in the Church, as well as the setting of the early Church, before there were clergy leading the worship and teachings. Please join us for very interesting discussions, Tuesdays, 7 – 8:30 pm.



## Ruth's Children

Ruth's Children is a support group for the adult children of the elderly. We meet on the first Monday of each month at the Church from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. The format is a free flowing conversation in which we offer understanding and comfort to all who are facing the difficult task of caring for our aging parents. There is complete privacy and no judgment is ever made. If you are the adult child of an elderly parent or you know someone who is, please join us on **11/7/11**. Call 856-589-8209 for more information.

**Janice Gowland**

## REMEMBER

If you need to get in touch with **Mother Pat**, after office hours, please call the Rectory phone at 856/582-6712.



## Deadline

The deadline for **December/January Crook** will be on November 15, 2011. Please e-mail all articles to me at:

[Truejoymin@aol.com](mailto:Truejoymin@aol.com)

Thank you,  
**Carmen Russo**  
Editor

## Services

**Sundays**  
10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist

**Saturdays**  
5:30 PM – Holy Eucharist

**Daily, Monday-Thursday**  
9:00 AM Morning Prayer



# Church of the Good Shepherd

## Prayers of the People

We try our best to keep our Prayer list current. At times we do slip up. Would you please, to help us, take a moment to peruse the list below and if there are any changes to be made, please let Maryanne the Parish Secretary, know. The office number is 856/589-8209 or email [Goodshepherdpitman@comcast.net](mailto:Goodshepherdpitman@comcast.net) or Carmen Russo at [truejoymin@aol.com](mailto:truejoymin@aol.com). Thank you, Mother Pat+

### Prayers for the Church and Clergy

For all Churches in the Diocese of NJ & Ecuador  
Katherine Jefferts Schori, the Presiding Bishop  
George Edward Cuncell, Our Bishop  
Patricia Daniels Pierce, Our Priest  
Carl and Sally, Candidates for Holy Orders  
Sister Cass, AF

### Prayers for the Nation

Barack Obama, Our President  
Chris Christie, Our Governor

### Prayers for the Sick and in Need

Ruby Waters	Diane Volberg
Sheila Prage	Theresa Swam
Mary Fischer	Alexander
Steve Fama	Mike Anderson
Makayla Healey	Judy Clements
Dane Dougherty	Mark & Jacquie Daley
Kathy Napier	Paul
Barbara Ann Helman	Laurie
Joe Abate	Mr. Matthews
Donald Scott, Jr.	Joe Rocco
Jeanne Longmire	Joe Rome
Salvatore Chillari	Sandi Geller
Josie Fletcher	Maureen Guzzetti
Mary Still	Kara Guzzetti
Stephanie	Betty Jane Sliben
Tait Family	Gloria Rubino
Diane Cercuio	Jullian Shallock
Nora Wilson	Maria & Bob
Stephanie Uibel	Charles Weatherby
Edward Pfaff	Avril
William Szalma	Marlene
Elizabeth Albinson	Bill Aymen
Paula	Angela Gattuso

Carol Andersen  
Bob  
Marie  
Dorothy Adams  
Greta Daczkowski  
Mike Gorman  
Kurt Kaltwasser  
Joann Kennison  
Dot Scott  
Doris Klein  
Eileen Jumikis  
Ruth

Tom Poitras  
Cindy Kelher  
Lorraine Yetter  
John Levins  
Jenny Hudock  
Jim Harris  
Sandi Groppenbaucher  
Francine Nichols  
Gordon Ellis  
John  
Pat

### Prayers for all Military Personnel

Curt Townsend	Hugh Robinson
Peter Larrabee	Andrew Olsson
Brian Almondrod	Joshua Albright
Raymond Harris, III	Ted Pickering
Steven Sanders	Zachary Guise
Matt Spangler	Scott McPherson
Lynn Spangler	Andrew Ten Eyck
Scott Thomas	Shaun Hoffman
Glen	Greg Bentancourt
Tim	Matthew Cushinotto
Dan Hurlbut	Theresa Cushinotto
Zak Bartelt	Mike Grzybowski
Alex Driscoll	Dale Marta ☩
Brian Randazzo	Greg Murphy
Buzz Parish	Don Bollinger
Charlie Hiemeril	Ted
John A. Lukacs	Ryan Brinkerhoff
Joe Sheridan	Mike McHugh
Hal Wagner	Tom DeVore
Matt Rebecca	Bonnie Weis
Jon S. Lehr	Dave McElwain
Keith Tucker	Brian Randazzo
Kane Lawlor	



\* We pray for our enemies and for those with whom we are at war. \*

"Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils, which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

## Prayers for the Parish Families

*For November*

Earley Family, Elliott Families, Ellis Family, & Elwell Family

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### From the Parish Register

#### Baptism

October 23, 2011

**Brandon Michael Fisher**

&

**Ethan Andrew Fisher**

*Infants sons of Catherine & Gary Fisher*

*"sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own for ever." BCP p. 308*

#### Marriage

October 15, 2011

**Lori Anne Kebea**

And

**Andrew Michael Vicente**

*"Those whom God has joined together let no one put asunder." BCP p. 428*

#### Burial Office

October 28, 2011

**Robert John Morton, Sr.**

*"May his soul and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace." BCP p. 502*

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### MORNING PRAYER

Remember Morning Prayer is read on Mondays at 10am. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9am. Even though our Chapel of the Holy Cross is not quite finished, that is where we gather for Morning Prayer so please join us. It is an excellent way to begin the day.

## Outreach



Your Food Shelf in Camden, NJ, is in DESPERATE need of men's shoes!! Please, if you have any shoes, in good condition, they know men who need them. Maybe you could consider purchasing a new pair on sale? They are also running low on infant clothing. If you have any of these items available, we would love to deliver them for you! Simply place them in bags on our front porch and we will take it from there! We are located at 223 Highland Terrace, Pitman.  
Thank you so much!

**Carl and Ellie Dunn**

### ALL SOULS' DAY November 2, 2011

As is our custom, we will celebrate All Souls Day with the Holy Eucharist on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm. This is the special day that the Church has set aside for us to remember those special people who we have loved, who have touched our lives, who are no longer with us.

Please join us that evening for Eucharist and the Necrology, the reading of the names of our loved ones departed.

### PAGE TURNERS BOOK GROUP



We will meet November 27th to discuss Valerie Martin's Trespass

Our upcoming schedule is:

**Dec 18 - State of Wonder** by Ann Patchett

**Jan 22 - Cutting for Stone** by Abraham Verghese

Please join us - 11:30 AM in the Conference Room.

## **Education For Ministry (EFM)**

Over this past year EFM has been offered at Good Shepherd. We will be completing our first year this December. EFM is a wonderful program from the University of the South, Sewanee, TN. It encourages not only Old and New Testament readings, but, the History of the Church and its theology.

It is a four-year program. You only need to sign up for one year at a time. The group meets on Wednesdays each week from 6:30pm until 8:30pm, January through December [with a break during the summer months]. The next class will begin on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. The cost is \$350 for tuition and materials. Payment may be made by check or credit card. If financial help is needed, scholarship assistance is available.

We have some returning students: we do have some open and available places for new students. If you are interested in this excellent program please speak to Mother Pat or call the Church Office 856/589-8209.

## **Inquirers' Group**

We have continued in our discussion of the interplay between prayer, believing that God listens to us, and asking about God's intervening in life during particularly difficult times. We talked about how faith and belief affect our understanding about the power prayer.

The subject of evil was also examined, with many different approaches as to how we view and understand it.

## **Youth Group Spaghetti Dinner**

Our Youth Group will be sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner night on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. It will run from 4pm to 7pm. Eat-in or Take-out.

## **PAT BRAIDWOOD – ECW/GOOD SHEPHERD'S WOMAN OF HONOR**

Every other year, the Diocesan Episcopal Church Women have a special event, honoring Women of Honor in our Diocese. Each parish is invited to submit the name of a woman to be recognized for her faithfulness to God's Holy Church.

A committee from our parish met and decided that the woman to be honored this year is **Pat Braidwood**.

Pat has shown her devotion to our Lord and Good in many ways. Pat has served as Senior Warden, Vestry member, Search Committee Chair, part of our the Caring Hands Ministry, Sunday School teacher and Coordinator, This list goes on and on.

A celebratory luncheon was held for all the Women of Honor on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, because of another very important commitment, both Pat and Mother Pat could not attend the luncheon that day. Instead, we honored Pat at the Sunday Eucharist, with gifts of our appreciation and a special Coffee Hour.

Previous Women of Honor from Good Shepherd were **Jan Snodgrass**, **Sue Bazzel**, and **Gloria Moulthrop**.

Thank you so much Pat, for your dedication and love for our Lord and for the Church of the Good Shepherd.

## **BELL RINGERS NEEDED**

We are looking for a couple of people to be our Bell Ringers on Sundays as the Holy Eucharist and Sunday School begins at 10am each week.

We have this wonderful BELL in our courtyard, which needs to be rung each Sunday to let everyone know that we are beginning the time of worship for our Lord. No experience necessary.

Please see **Mother Pat+**



## What's Happening in November

**All Tuesdays** – Bible Study, 7 – 8:30pm  
**November 2** – **ALL SOULS' DAY**  
 EFM 6:30 PM  
 Holy Eucharist, 7pm  
 Buffalo Wild Wing Fund Raiser  
**November 3 & 17** – Fun with Friends, 1 – 3pm  
**Nov. 5 & 6 PENTECOST 21**  
 Sat. - Holy Eucharist, 5:30pm  
 Sunday – 10am Holy Eucharist  
 Sunday School  
 11:30am Inquirers Group  
 Youth Group Meeting  
**November 7** – Ruth's Children, 7:30pm  
**November 8 & 22** – Caring Hands Ministry, 9am  
**All Wednesdays** – EFM, 6:30 – 8:30pm  
**November 11, VETERANS' DAY SERVICE, 7pm**  
**November 12** – Youth Group Spaghetti Dinner, 4 – 7pm  
**November 12 & 13** – **PENTECOST 22**  
**November 12** - 8:30am-Church Clean-up Day  
 Saturday - Holy Eucharist, 5:30pm  
 Sunday – Parish Breakfast, 9am  
 Holy Eucharist – 10am  
 Sunday School  
 11:30am – Vestry Meeting  
 November 14 – Women at the Well, 7pm  
 November 16 – Good Shepherd Quilters, 6:30 – 8pm  
**November 19 & 20** – **THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**  
 Saturday – Holy Eucharist, 5:30pm  
 Sunday – Holy Eucharist, 10am  
 Sunday School  
 11:30am – St. Andrew's Day Luncheon  
**November 23** – No EFM  
 Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service at Pitman First Presbyterian Church, 7pm  
**November 26 & 27** – **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
 Saturday – Holy Eucharist, 5:30pm

Sunday – Holy Eucharist & Lessons & Carols, 10am  
**NO** Sunday School  
 11:30 – Page Turners, Book Group reading  
Trespas  
 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal  
**November 29 thru Dec. 2** – Set-up for Holly Fair  
**December 3** – **HOLLY FAIR**

## November Birthdays

01 – Barbara Ann Elliott  
 03 – Peter Ryan Holland  
 03 – Kimberly Holland  
 05 – Gene Elliott  
 05 – Kristine Powell  
 08 – Christine Smith  
 09 – Layla Shull  
 10 – Vito Chimenti  
 11 – Greta Daczkowski  
 12 – Michael Ayers  
 13 – Len Clark  
 13 – William Clark  
 17 – Gina Poitras  
 18 – Eleanor Copeland  
 18 – Gail Morton  
 19 – Maria Szalma  
 19 – Corrine Sobolewski  
 20 – Robert Chimenti  
 21 – Thomas Nicolle  
 21 – Joe Taglienti  
 22 – Alicia Fortney  
 28 - Abigail Smith  
 29 – Len Carita  
 29 – Alexander Manganello



### **A VERY wise thought for us to hold**

Before you say anything . . . think . . .  
 Is it time?  
 Is it kind?  
 Does it *really* need to be said?

## Good Shepherd Table at the Holly Fair

We have volunteered to organize the Good Shepherd Table at the Holly Fair again this year. Over the years we have received so many lovely handmade items from you to sell. Your help has made a big contribution to the success of the fair. Please consider making something for us to sell at the Holly Fair this year. Your donation will make a big difference and will be much appreciated. Please call if you have any questions. Many thanks, **Greg and Sodie Potter** 589-8026

## LESSONS AND CAROLS

It is not too soon to mark your calendars for our Advent Service of Lessons and Carols. It will be held on the First Sunday in Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup> at the 10am Holy Eucharist.

Please plan on coming to this very special and holy Service.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

We will be joining with our neighboring churches in a Thanksgiving Eve Service at the First Presbyterian Church in Pitman  
On Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm.

Please come and be part of this community service to offer to our Lord our thanksgiving for all of the Blessings we receive everyday.

## Feast of Saint Andrew Luncheon

The Brotherhood of Saint Andrew is pleased to invite everyone to a celebratory buffet to be held following the Sunday 10:00AM service on November 20, 2011. Lunch is on us to thank everyone for their support over the last year, admission will be in the form of an unwrapped child's toy (ages NB-18). These toys will be donated to local children's charity in December. A sign up sheet has been placed in the parish hall so that we can get an accurate head count for our "chefs". We hope you can join us!

## Stewardship Time/Budget 2012

You have all received your Pledge Cards for 2012. A gentle reminder, if you have not returned them, we would appreciate your taking care of that soon. Our Financial Committee and the treasurer are going to be starting to work on the Budget for next year. As I mentioned in my brief talk on Stewardship at the Eucharists on October 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, We are living in very challenging economic times.

With that in mind, we ask that you think about the place that our Parish holds in your hearts. Good Shepherd is the safe place for us, our Lord's House. So many wonderful things happen here because of the generosity of all our parishioners. Everyone gives so much for our church with their time, talents and financial support.

With everyone being so much a part of the giving, we all are a part of the Blessings we receive here too.

**Mother Pat+**

## SOCK-HOP

On Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Church of The Good Shepherd held its first **Sock Hop** in the parish hall. This event was held as a fund raiser for the Scholarship Fund for our high school seniors going on to college. This enjoyable evening was a smashing financial success, raising around **\$3000**. The hop featured hula hoop contest, yo-yo contest, bubble gum blowing contest, and a Chinese Auction on many wonderful gift baskets and vacation get-a-ways donated by local merchants, parish clubs and parishioners. Of course, there was plenty of good *50's-style* food, hot dogs and hamburgers as well as root beer floats. The Elvis Twins also made an appearance. If you missed this year's hop...you'll want to make sure you are there next year.

"Be There or Be Square"

**Carmen Russo**



**Stockings for Soldiers**  
**8th Annual Stockings for Soldiers**  
**<http://www.stockingsforsoldiers.org/>**

**Once again Church of Good Shepherd will be helping to send  
some holiday cheer to our troops.**

Please help to spread some holiday cheer to our brave Troops in Iraq & Afghanistan who would love to receive a special "Stocking from Home" while they are away from their families. Stockings are being sewn and decorated by many area volunteers in red/white/blue. Patterns are on the website. We need your help to fill them up. Thank You for helping to spread some Holiday Cheer to our wonderful men and women in the military – over 9,000 stockings were sent last year!

**Suggested Items to Donate**

- Individually packaged: candy, gum, fruit roll-ups & gushers, cracker jacks, Beef Slim Jims, pretzels, chips & snacks; also lemonade & flavored drink mixes in
- Hot cocoa packets, packaged Trail Mix, nuts, cookies, (Sorry, no home-baked items)
- Ramen noodle soup packs, small cans of tuna, lasagna, Beefaroni, canned fruit, any small size of anything to eat
- Puzzles, pocket games, DVD movies, music CD's, current magazines, Beanie Babies, AT&T International phone cards, paperback books, dominoes; playing cards
- Disposable cameras, lip balm, foot powder, small sizes of toiletries & lotions, hand & foot warmers, fly swatters
- Large tube socks in white, black or gray – one is used to put last in each stocking at the top as a "stopper".

*Financial donations are greatly needed and appreciated to help cover mailing costs.*

*Checks can be made out to*

**Stockings For Soldiers - Delaware, Inc.**

**501(c)(3) Tax # 27-0604668**

For more information contact us at [info@stockingsforsoldiers.org](mailto:info@stockingsforsoldiers.org)

**Donations will be collected from last week in September until November 18th, 2011 and taken to the location so that all boxes will be sealed & mailed December 1st, 2011.**

**Thank You for your generosity.**

***"Sending Stockings Filled With Joy To Our Soldiers In Harm's Way."***

Pop-tarts, TastyKakes, and other soft cakes do not survive the packing and shipping process. No hardback books, due to shipping costs. No glass, please. Toiletries are greatly appreciated, but small sizes are required in order to fit them in the stockings. **No soap products, please.**

**Collection boxes will be located in the back of the church.**

**Shelly Harris**



*The Diocese of New Jersey*  
THE RIGHT REVEREND GEORGE EDWARD COUNCELL, D.D.

October 21, 2011

Dear Friends in Christ,

*Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

I write to inform you that, after prayer and consultation with family, friends and advisors, I intend to resign the office of Bishop of New Jersey and retire in the fall of 2013.

Please be assured that no crisis or sudden deterioration in my health has driven me to this decision. By the grace of our God I plan to continue to serve as your Bishop for at least the next two years – that is, until I complete ten years in this ministry and reach the age of sixty-four. Since the process leading to the call and consecration of a new bishop usually takes eighteen to twenty-four months, I hereby call for the election of the Twelfth Bishop of New Jersey. Note that this call is for the election of a diocesan bishop to succeed me immediately upon her or his consecration and not for a coadjutor bishop.

I have informed our Presiding Bishop of these plans and the Standing Committee and I have recently consulted with the Rt. Rev. F. Clayton Matthews, Bishop for Pastoral Development. Guided by our Constitution and Canons and with such help and consultation as the Standing Committee may seek from the Office of Pastoral Development, we are beginning an orderly transition to a new chapter in the history of our Diocese under the care of a new chief shepherd. Information about next steps in the episcopal election process will soon be forthcoming from the Standing Committee.

My heart is filled with gratitude to God and to the Church for calling me to be your Bishop eight years ago. It has been both more challenging and more blessed than I could have ever imagined. I look forward to these next two years with you all as we love and follow Jesus Christ together and continue “Right Onward” in mission for His sake.

*Lord, in your mercy, make New Jersey new. Amen.*

Faithfully yours in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. George E. Councell, D.D.  
Bishop of New Jersey

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## Pitman/Glassboro Crop Hunger Walk

October 16, 2011 was a wonderfully fulfilling day. We at Good Shepherd surpassed our Crop Hunger Walk goal with money still to come in and had 9 people walk - **Janice Gowland, Melanie Muitz, Nathan McHugh, Barbara Lewis, Sue Dixon, Millie Corbett Janice Engstrom, Sue Donnelly and Connie Parent, and Lee Braidwood** helped with the registration.

The weather was perfect and the companionship on the route was delightful - what a great way to spend an autumn Sunday. All the food donated by the walkers was divided among the 5 pantries the Walk is supporting this year. A special thank you to **Mother Pat** for being at the start to spur us on. Hope next year we can entice at least 8 more parishioners to join us. A great big thank you to the walkers and all of the contributors. It is a job well done.

## COOKING CLASS

On Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> a group of parishioners gathered for a special event, our first Cooking Class. Now we all know how to cook, but this was just a wonderful excuse to get together and have fun. Jenn Harrington was our Chef Instructor. She divided us into 3 groups, at 3 different stations in the parish hall kitchen, and lead us through the creation of a delicious Rustic Italian meal. We began by making a Mini Caprese Salad, with 2 kinds of cherry tomatoes, mozzarella balls in a tasty basil/garlic dressing. We went on to sauté sweet Italian sausage and broccoli Rabe, and added that mixture to pasta, to make Sausage with Broccoli Rabe and Orecchiette. Dessert was next, a Nutella Amaretto Mousse.

When all was prepared, we sat down to feast on the “feast” Jenn had taught us to make. It was an absolutely SUPER evening. We are planning to hold another class during the winter months, appropriately the class will be on Soups, Wedding Soup and Chowder. Watch for the date.

## CARING HANDS MINISTRY

Two Tuesdays a month @ 9AM a group of our women meet in the Conference Room to knit and crochet PRAYER SHAWLS. The PRAYER SHAWLS are given out to those who are going through serious illnesses, treatments or mourning the loss of a loved one departed. Each PRAYER SHAWL is made with prayers for that person and Mother Pat Blesses them before they are given to the person in need. Think about how reassuring, knowing that the SHAWL they put around their shoulders was made with prayer for their time of need.

If you would like to be part of this special Ministry at Good Shepherd, but can't make a Tuesday morning, you can knit/crochet at home. You can also help with the purchase of yarn too.

Please see **Pat Braidwood or Mother Pat**.

## Sunday School Storytelling Time

*“We will recount to generations yet to come the praiseworthy deed and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done.”*

*Psalm 78:4, BCP p. 695*

We have added a special extra to our Sunday School Program. Each Sunday we will start our time together with

### Story Time – Bible Stories We Love.

Fourteen parishioners have volunteered to relate some of the most loved Bible stories to our children.

Two very important things happen here, with our adults, who are telling the stories, and our children who are listening.

First the Bible story gets retold from the person's heart, which adds to the significance and meaning of that Bible passage.

And we have a whole different group of adults interacting with our kids.

Our children meeting new grown-ups in the church, and our adults getting to know our children: the generations meeting.

## Treasurer's Blog - November 2011

### Results through September 2011

#### **Total Income:**

Here is a breakdown of our total income for 9 months into 2011 as reported in the October Vestry meeting.

	Budget	Actual
Loose Plate	2,150	1,188
Envelopes	150,735	146,752
Special	4,600	6,183
Other	225	117
Deficit support	0	0
Income	157,710	154,240

Our envelope giving (both pledged and unpledged) is running behind our target for nine months into 2011. I'm seeing some of this being made up in October. On a positive note, we haven't budgeted for a deficit for the second year in a row.

#### **Total expenses:**

Here is a recap of our total expenses for 9 months into 2011.

	Budget	Actual
Expenses	159,579	153,627

Our expenses are lower than target which can be attributed to our awareness of keeping expenses in check across the board.

#### **How are we doing so far?**

Looking at our weekly envelope income through October 23rd, we're closing the gap between our envelope giving versus target (\$166,260 target vs. \$164,654 actual). Envelope giving is made up of pledges (that income which we can expect on a regular basis) and unpledged giving (that which comes from parishioners who give their offering when they are in attendance). After review for 43 weeks, it is the unpledged amounts that we budgeted for which have fallen behind our expectations. Thanks to all of you for keeping your pledges up to date and please keep doing so as we begin the final two months of 2011.

## CLEAN-UP DAY

### ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!***

We've set aside Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> for our Fall church grounds Clean-up day. It'll start anytime after 8:30am. Anytime you can give that morning will be so appreciated.

## Holly Fair 2011

Just a reminder: the 2011 Holly Fair is not that far away. On **December 3rd**, the church parish hall, choir room, and Sunday school rooms will be transformed into a holiday bazaar with wonderful food, music, decorations, poinsettias, and lots of things our crafters have for sale. Please keep your schedules clear for Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> as we need lots of help to make the event a success. The first tenth (a tithe) of our proceeds from our biggest fund raiser goes to local charities, with the next \$3,000 going towards our capital loan. There will be much more info coming out in the Sunday bulletins and the weekly tri-folds over the next month.

The "\$ store is again looking for "yard sale" type items; household items and seasonal decorations, toys, books, etc. No clothing or bedding please. If you have items you can donate, please bring them to church and leave them in the back of the church on Sundays, or in the office wing during office hours (9-2) Monday through Thursday.

The **sign-up sheets** will be circulating both by internet and in the church bulletins. Please fill out and drop off in the church at your earliest convenience. The sheets are important because we need to know who we can count on to help and when; who can bake desserts; who can cook chickens and prepare food; and who can serve all of this delicious food.

**Reminders (Dec. 3):** We will be serving breakfast (8-10AM); lunch will be served in the (choir room) restaurant from 11AM-2PM; the boys scouts will again have wreathes and grave blankets available in the court yard; the kids' activities will run all morning and into the early afternoon; the choir will perform throughout the morning; the crafters' tables and Good Shepherd shops will be open from 9AM-4PM; and we should have a limited number of poinsettias for sale.

## Helping Women Project

Our ECW, Women at the Well has begun a new Outreach Project, collecting toiletries for a local Women's Shelter. There is a box at the back of the church for you to leave your donations. Thank you in advance.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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# November 2011

		<b>1</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  7 PM Bible Study	<b>2 All Souls' Day</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer Wing Day 6:30 PM EFM 7 PM Holy Eucharist 7 PM Brotherhood of St. Andrew	<b>3</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  1-3 PM Fun with Friends	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 5:30 PM Holy Eucharist
<b>6 Pentecost 21</b> 10 AM Holy Eucharist 10 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Inquirers' Group 11:30 AM Youth Group	<b>7</b> 10 AM Morning Prayer  7:30 PM Ruth's Children	<b>8</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer 9 AM Caring Hands 7 PM Bible Study	<b>9</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  6:30 PM EFM	<b>10</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 8:30 AM Clean-up Day  4-7 PM Youth Spaghetti Dinner  5:30 PM Holy Eucharist
<b>13 Pentecost 22</b> 9 AM Parish Breakfast 10 AM Holy Eucharist 10 AM Sunday School 11:30 Vestry Meeting	<b>14</b> 10 AM Morning Prayer  7 PM Women at the Well - ECW	<b>15</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  7 PM Bible Study  <i>Crook Info Due</i>	<b>16</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  6:30 PM EFM  6:30 - 8 PM Good Shepherd Quilters	<b>17</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  1-3 PM Fun with Friends	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 5:30 PM Holy Eucharist
<b>20 The Last Sunday after Pentecost</b> 10 AM Holy Eucharist 10 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew Luncheon	<b>21</b> 10 AM Morning Prayer	<b>22</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer 9 AM Caring Hands 7 PM Bible Study	<b>23</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  <b>No EFM</b> 7PM Thanksgiving Service at Pitman Presbyterian Church	<b>24 Thanksgiving</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 5:30 PM Holy Eucharist
<b>27 Pentecost 19</b> 10 AM Holy Eucharist Lessons & Carols <b>No</b> Sunday School 11:30 PM Page Turners 11:30 AM Pageant Rehearsal	<b>28</b> 10 AM Morning Prayer	<b>29</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  <b>No</b> Bible Study	<b>30</b> 9 AM Morning Prayer  6:30 PM EFM  Holly Fair Set-up	<b>Dec 1</b>  Holly Fair Set-up	<b>Dec 2</b>  Holly Fair Set-up	<b>Dec 3</b> Holly Fair

