



***The Shepherd's Voice***  
*The Monthly Newsletter of*  
*The Church of the Good Shepherd*  
*Wareham, Massachusetts*  
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**Farewell Open House for the Fredrickson's**

**Come join us in the Parish Hall  
Saturday, January 9, 2010, at noon  
to send the Fredrickson family off  
with all our best wishes.**

We have been blessed by them in so many ways and it is our time to say "Thank you".



***Please watch the bulletin board for a sign-up sheet for  
goodies you can bring.***

***The menu will be a light luncheon.***

## SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

**PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN THE SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY:**

- January 3<sup>rd</sup>: One service of Lessons and Carols at **10:00 AM**, led by Phil Burgess.
- January 10<sup>th</sup>: One service at **9:00 AM**, led by the Rev. Cynthia Hubbard, the Canon for Transition Ministry and Clergy Deployment. The service will be followed by a meeting of "Appreciative Inquiry", to help in the development of a parish profile for the search process. The Search Committee will be commissioned at this service.
- January 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>: Regular service schedule, at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM.
- January 31<sup>st</sup>: One service at **9:00 AM**, followed by the Annual Meeting

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## YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group meets every Wednesday evening, with the Middle Schoolers meeting from 5:00-7:00, and the High Schoolers meeting from 6:30-8:30. During the 30 minute overlap, the two groups come together for dinner. Drop in to check things out one time, or stay with us until you graduate! Regular attendance is not a requirement, and we welcome everyone in Middle School or High School!

**\*Reminder\*** We will be doing our Outreach again this month for the Food Pantry on January 4<sup>th</sup>. Middle Schoolers - meet us at dismissal time at the front doors of the school. High Schoolers - at the tennis courts. Many hands make less work. It's always lots of fun and no one ever leaves without some goodies.

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## GOOD SHEPHERD CONCERT SERIES

Remember! You can start mailing or dropping off your concert series sponsorship checks beginning January 1, 2010. Spring seems to be the time that performers prefer: Michael Tsalka in March, Emily Nyman and Family in April, and Joshua McKiernan in June. We are still hoping to fit in the Solomon Douglas Trio whenever they are in the area.

Sponsorships remain at \$30 for a single membership, \$50 for two and \$100 for unlimited. Let's continue to keep the series as our cultural outreach. We need to show the community that we can continue all our wonderful programs during this transitional period. Again, thank you to all 32 past sponsors. Could we possibly aim for 40?

Please direct any questions or comments to Jean Nyman at 295-4490.

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## Cursillo News

Information on Cursillos coming up in 2010:

January 23, 2010 Cursillo information night at Church of The Good Shepherd at 7:00 PM

February 26-28, 2010 Renewal Weekend

April 8-11, 2010 Men's Weekend

May 13-16, 2010 Women's Weekend

All weekends are at The Marist House in Framingham

For further information contact: Leslie Perron - 508-295-0775 or Donna Tolley - 508-888-9337



## ECW

Thank you to all who donated to and worked tirelessly on the Christmas Fair. It was wonderful. As usual, it was the best fair in town! Our next ECW meeting is Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6 PM. All are welcome.

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## COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Hosts for Coffee Hour are always needed. Consult the sign-up sheet posted in the parish hall for future open dates. All that is required is that you make the coffee (someone will show you how if you are not sure) and bring cream and juice for the kids. If you want to bring extra goodies, you certainly can, but that is *not* necessary. Please sign up on the sheet by the coffee if you can host on any of the open dates.

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## GOOD SHEPHERD MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Group will not meet in January. The next meeting will be Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES

Because of the nature of the transition period, there will only be three Sundays in January where we will have Sunday School: the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>. The Sunday School hour begins at 9:00 AM and is for all children from Kindergarten through the fifth grade. Please bring your children and their friends to church for this fun and exciting hour. Teachers and storytellers are still needed into the spring. Please consider giving back to our kids and to the church by signing up for just three weeks to lead a unit of Sunday School. Your time and input are so important to us all!

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This month, Children's chapel will be held every Sunday except January 3<sup>rd</sup>. We could still use more volunteers for Children's Chapel. This is an important ministry of our church. Children's Chapel is approximately 30 minutes with children ages Preschool through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. Materials are provided for Children's Chapel leaders to have fun with the children learning Bible Stories in "kid friendly" ways (i.e. Activity/Coloring worksheets). Please consider volunteering! The more volunteers we have, the less often each volunteer will have to serve!

If you have any questions, please contact me anytime.

God Bless,

Melissa Pechey, Sunday School Director

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## SHAW'S REWARDS PROGRAM

If you have not done so already, please **re-register** your Shaw's card and shop on Tuesday, Wednesday and/or Thursday. Shaw's will contribute 1% of your eligible purchases to Good Shepherd. Participation requires that you link your Shaw's card to Good Shepherd's identification number, which is **49001019981**. **Remember, we must register annually to keep the program going, so everyone will have to re-register after January 1<sup>st</sup>.** To register, visit [www.shaws.com/neighborhoodrewards](http://www.shaws.com/neighborhoodrewards)

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### MUSIC PROGRAM



On January 17<sup>th</sup> we will welcome our new interim rector to Good Shepherd. As you probably know Father Dave and I used to collaborate on the music to be used at the services as is the custom and directive in the Prayer Book. I am not sure that the following is what is needed or wanted by the Rev. Cynthia Hubbard on the 10<sup>th</sup>, or our new interim rector, so it all may change and that is fine also. This is my best guess so far.

On January 3<sup>rd</sup>, the choir will be singing a Lessons and Carols service. On January 10<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the baptism of our Lord. Our anthem will be "Behold Now Praise the Lord" by Titcomb. On January 17<sup>th</sup>, we will consider those members who make up the body of Christ, and our anthem will be "Many Are the Parts". As we listen to the Gospel for the 17<sup>th</sup>, we hear Christ as he reads the words of Isaiah in the temple. Our hymns will revolve around this event. On January 24<sup>th</sup>, the readings seem to be at odds at first. There is the gentle and familiar text of 1 Corinthians 13 1-13, followed by the fairly troubling gospel reading. In the end I chose a setting of 1 Corinthians 13, by Hal Hobson.

I hope you were blest with the best holidays possible, and that you will have continued blessings in the New Year.

Pat Reynolds, music director

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### CHILDREN'S CHOIR CORNER



The Good Shepherd Children's Choir will be singing at the 10 AM service on December 27<sup>th</sup>, and will therefore NOT be singing on the first Sunday in January. January rehearsals will be on Saturday January 9<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 10 AM. Children in grades K through 8 who are interested in singing with the choir are encouraged to join us! For more information see Jeane Wallace, or call 508-291-2095.

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### OUTREACH COMMITTEE

**Next outreach meeting:** Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the church. All are welcome, and if you need to know more see/call Jane Stabile.

## **FUND RAISING COMMITTEE**

The Committee did not hold a business meeting in December. Instead, members celebrated with dinner at Riccardi's on December 11<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM at the church. New members are most welcome! This is an important meeting because we shall plan the January 30<sup>th</sup> Italian Supper, always a great hit with parishioners and friends of Good Shepherd. Watch for details in the Sunday bulletin.

There is reason to be thankful: fundraising activities brought about \$17,000.00 to the church in 2009. The Committee is grateful for the support parishioners have given to our efforts. Perhaps someday, pledged income will cover the entire cost of running the parish, and fund raising proceeds will be used for outreach. Until that time, however, the Committee labors on gladly, optimistically. Please continue to support our work! Please join us (many hands make the work fun)! Please support our advertisers and use the coupons in the Sunday leaflet. Watch for the Good Shepherd 2010 calendar. It will be ready soon!

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## **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (B & G) COMMITTEE**

Highlights of the B&G Meeting, December 7, 2009:

Present: George Funnell, Rich Sousa, Bob Jackson

- Rich met with a supervisor of the Waste Management Company and discussed the ongoing problem with their truck driving over the new asphalt berm. They reached an agreement whereby they will provide a dumpster with four working wheels and locate it against the Church Avenue tree line at 64 High Street so the truck will not drive on any paving.
- B&G wants to meet with the snow plow driver and discuss the new parking lot arrangement. George will contact Fr. Dave to obtain the snowplow driver's name and telephone number. Additional driveway markers will be installed. We may need to move the rocks by the annex parking crossover driveway depending on the plow drivers input.
- There was discussion of whether the annex parking should be snow plowed. We are concerned the grass would be dug up and there would be severe erosion of the lot in the spring. With the dumpster at 64 High Street, we may need to plow a path to it when we have deep snow.
- Rich did a partial repair on the bottom of the parish hall doors locking mechanism. B&G will attempt to fully repair the locking mechanism in the near future.
- B&G is awaiting the vestry's input on the proposed new parish hall/kitchen floor purchase. There is a detailed explanation of the proposed flooring and cost in the November B&G notes.
- The B&G Committee reviewed the first draft of the B&G Annual Report and 2010 Budget.

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## **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

Bible Study will continue on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM, led by Julie Saporito. Thanks, Julie!

## VESTRY

### Highlights of the Vestry Meeting, December 10, 2009:

- All were in attendance except Erica Pechey, Bobbie-Jo Johnson, and Virginia Eldridge.
- The Vestry met with the Rev. Cynthia Hubbard, from the Diocese, regarding the process of getting an interim priest, and for getting a new rector. Her information was very helpful.
- 2008 audit results of Church Finances by Dick Kershaw were reviewed and approved by the Vestry. Many thanks to Rosanne for her hard work in preparation for the audit.
- It was voted to implement the following procedure to be put into place with the approval of the Building and Grounds Committee. Chuck and Carolyn will present the proposal to B&G at their January meeting. The procedure to be proposed is: Beginning with the 2010 budget cycle, the B&G Committee will once again be given a line item in the parish budget, which will include money for regular maintenance, including lawn upkeep, snow plowing, and minor repairs. Beginning in 2010, the B&G Committee would submit a budget by October 30<sup>th</sup> for the coming year for these expenses. The Pond Fund can be used as well, to offset capital and repair expenses that are too large to be included in the budget. In keeping with the investment strategy already in place, 5% of the value of the Pond Fund as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year could be used for these expenses during the same calendar year. Realizing that the B&G Committee has the expertise, that committee should be free to ask for whatever projects it believes need to be done; however the vestry would need to approve any use of the Pond Fund and should require at least two and preferably three bids for each expenditure. From time to time, emergencies come up, and the B&G Committee should feel comfortable coming to the vestry if there is an emergency that would either require more than the 5% allotted for that calendar year, or if an expense puts the church over the 5% threshold for that calendar year. The vestry has the authority to override the 5% principle as stated in the investment policy of the church.
- Stewardship Update: There was much discussion of the budget, as figures do not meet the requirements for next year's expenses as yet. The proposed budget calls for \$143,360, but as of Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, there were 67 pledges totaling \$118,261. Six of these pledges are new for this year. Last year we had 87 pledges. Letters have gone out to folks who haven't pledged yet. We cannot finalize our budget until we feel that all pledges have been received. If funds are not adequate, we will have to make cuts. We may be applying for a Community Development grant from the diocese.
- Nomination committee: We have a complete slate to take before the church at our annual meeting, in January as follows: Senior Warden, Chuck Soule; Junior Warden, Chuck Tolley; Clerk, Phil Burgess; Co-Treasurers, Rosanne Leverone and Sheryl Facchetti; Vestry Members for 3 Years, Julie Saporito, Karen Clark, and Chris Skinner; Diocesan Convention Delegates: Jean Nyman and Leslie Perron, with Bobbi-Jo Johnson, alternate delegate.
- Search Committee: A number of people have expressed interest, and Chuck Soule will be announcing the formation of this committee at both services on the next two Sundays. The vestry will meet January 7<sup>th</sup> to finalize the committee.
- Jim Clemmey gave the reports of the Outreach Committee and Good Shepherd's Table & food pantry. He mentioned the nights of hospitality our church is hosting: January 17-23, Feb. 14-20, and March 14-20.

Notes taken by Janet Campbell, clerk pro-tem.

## THANK YOU FROM THE FREDRICKSONS

We would like to thank each and every one of you for the wonderful gifts that you gave to us through this holiday season. This congregation has such a generous spirit!! We are truly blessed and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. God bless you all as you move through your time of transition.

The Fredrickson Family

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## INTERIM RECTOR

The Rev. M. Lise Hildebrandt, a candidate for our interim rector, met with the Vestry on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. The Vestry authorized Chuck Soule, Senior Warden, to negotiate a Mutual Letter of Agreement with Lise. Her first Sunday will be January 17<sup>th</sup>. She has been Interim Rector at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Dover, MA, and at Christ Memorial Episcopal Church in North Brookfield, MA. Also, she has been Priest in Residence at St John's Episcopal Church in Worcester, MA. She will be moving to the Wareham area in January.

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## FROM THE EDITOR

If you would like to have something included in the newsletter, it **MUST** be submitted by the posted deadline. ***Remember - the information in the newsletter is provided to the editor by the lead people for each area, so toot your horn and ring your chimes about your area of ministry!*** To make it as easy as possible, your input may be

- E-mailed to [editor.newsletter@goodshepherdwareham.org](mailto:editor.newsletter@goodshepherdwareham.org) (If possible, this is the preferred method)
- Mailed to Dick Griffith, 7125 Fruitville Road, # 1124, Sarasota, FL 34240, such that it will be received by the deadline date.
- Telephoned to 941-371-8521; if no answer, please leave a message.

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# January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3 Christmas 2</b> 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Lessons and Carols Service 11:15 AM Coffee Hour	<b>4</b> 2:30 PM Youth Group bagging food for GS Pantry	<b>5</b> 12 Noon - Prayer Group at Pat Cullen's 3-5 PM Food Pantry 5:30 PM Outreach Committee 6:30 PM Stewardship Committee	<b>6</b> 5:00 PM Jr. Youth Group 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Fund Raising Committee 6:30 PM Sr. Youth Group	<b>7</b> 5:00 PM Good Shepherd's Table 6:30 PM Vestry Meeting	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal <b>12 Noon - Farewell Open House for the Fredricksons</b>
<b>10 Epiphany 1</b> 9 AM Holy Eucharist II and "Appreciative Inquiry" session / Children's Chapel 11:15 AM Coffee Hour	<b>11</b> 6:00 PM ECW Meeting 6:30 PM Buildings & Grounds Committee	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 5:00 PM Junior Youth Group 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Senior Youth Group	<b>14</b> 5:00 PM Good Shepherd's Table 6:30 PM Vestry Meeting	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17 Epiphany 2</b> 8 AM Holy Eucharist I 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Holy Eucharist II / Children's Chapel 11:15 AM Coffee Hour	<b>18</b> <b>FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 5:00 PM Junior Youth Group 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Senior Youth Group	<b>21</b> 5:00 PM Good Shepherd's Table	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Cursillo Information Night
<b>24 Epiphany 3</b> 8 AM Holy Eucharist I 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Holy Eucharist II / Children's Chapel 11:15 AM Coffee Hour	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 5:00 PM Junior Youth Group 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Senior Youth Group	<b>28</b> 5:00 PM Good Shepherd's Table	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Italian Supper Night
<b>31 Epiphany 4</b> 9 AM Holy Eucharist II / Children's Chapel 11:15 AM Coffee Hour and Annual Meeting						

**ALL ACTIVITIES ARE AT THE CHURCH UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

# Ministry Schedule January 2010

Day	Time	Chalicers	Readers	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour
<i>Christmas 2</i> January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00 AM	Not applicable	1) Joseph Ashley 2) Donna Ashley 3) Jean Nyman 4) Mille Funnell 5) Jim Clemmey 6) Rose Baldwin 7) Janet Campbell 8) Dale Winters 9) Rosanne Leverone 10) Judy Govoni	Melissa Rachel	Joseph Ashley and Judy Govoni	Millie and George Funnell, Donna and Joseph Ashley	Open
<i>Epiphany 1</i> January 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM	Sheryl Facchetti	Chuck Soule Sheryl Facchetti	Tommy Anthony	Sue and Chuck Soule	Diane Walsh, Fran Couto, and Erica Pechey	Open
<i>Epiphany 2</i> January 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Millie Funnell	Rose Baldwin Millie Funnell		George Funnell	Phil Burgess, Ginny Eldridge, Pat Probert, and Lee MacDonald	Open
	10:00 AM	Rich Ellis	Judy Ellis Bill Rooney	Jo-Ann Laeann	Pat Probert and Bill Rooney		
<i>Epiphany 3</i> January 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Jim Clemmey	Janet Campbell Jim Clemmey		Sue and Bob Jackson	Rich Souza	Marc and Valerie Bianco
	10:00 AM	Phil Burgess	Rosanne Leverone Dale Winters	Jake Austin	Dale Winters and Peter Johnston		
<i>Epiphany 4</i> January 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 AM	Jean Nyman	Erica Pechey Jeanne Pena	Hope McKenzie	Chuck Tolley and Jeanne Pena	Sue and Chuck Soule	Leslie Perron

**If you are unable to serve at the appointed time, please arrange for a substitute and notify the Church office at 508-295-2840.**