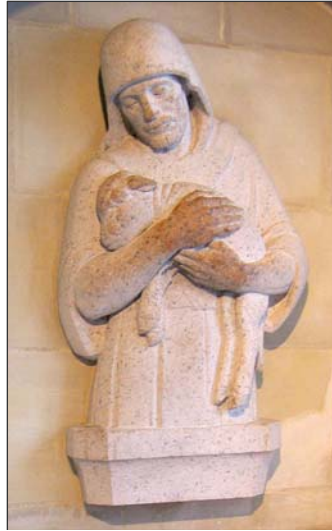

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June



2011



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Bishop's Regional Confirmation & Reception Sunday, June 19th at 3pm—Grace Church, Manchester

Bishop Gene Robinson will be at Grace Church, Manchester for the Regional Confirmation & Reception. This year's liturgy will include the following members of CGS for Reception into the Episcopal Church.

Those being Received:

Ryan Barry

Richard Binder

Donald Fluckinger

Barbara Binder

Kate Binder



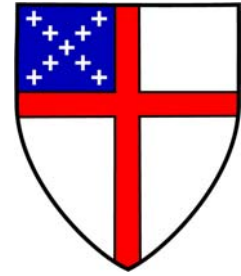
Pastor Charles - Check out the blog about his travels to England. Beautiful photos and a lovely story.

www.charleslafond.com



Thailand and

Clergy Corner



Dear Friends in Christ,

What a wonderful program year we've had together here at Good Shepherd! The Lord has bestowed many blessings upon us indeed; from the fellowship we share each Sunday, to the beautiful worship that's made possible by so many people in our community to the Capital Fund Drive Celebration.

Beginning with Youth Sunday at the end of May our celebrations of ministry here at CGS will continue into June. The Time and Talent Fair on June 5th will be an opportunity to learn of all the vibrant outreach and in-reach opportunities here at church. The Choir rejoices in a year of outstanding music on Pentecost Sunday and the Sunday School program Celebrates with Community Day on June 19th. Your ministry has made CGS alive with God's Spirit and a spiritual home for all those who pass through our threshold.

As we look forward to the summertime, let us extend that threshold into the world. Let us continue our weekly work and worship with this same vigor. We look forward to sharing a beautiful summer season with you here on Sundays as well as throughout the weeks. Though our daily patterns may shift due to warmer weather, let us continue to give thanks and praise to our God who is the origin of all blessings!

Faithfully,

Pastor Alanna †

Early Communion

Our annual Early Communion Service will be on Sunday, June 19th at 9:45. This ceremony is not a requirement for receiving communion in this church, and there is no minimum age for children to receive communion. However, this service is an opportunity for children who want to receive communion for the first time with other children in a festive celebration to do so. Please contact Pastor Alanna if your child is interested in participating in this. In the weeks preceding this service, all of the Godly Play classes at every age level will be doing lessons about Holy Eucharist. In addition, Pastor Alanna has materials available to help parents talk about communion with their

children at home, regardless of whether or not they are already receiving communion. Pastor Alanna is also available to meet with parents and children individually to talk about communion and answer any questions you or your child may have about Holy Eucharist, even if your child is already receiving communion. Contact Pastor Alanna if you would like your child to participate and/or to arrange an appointment.



Info about Pastor Odie's Sabbatical / Refresher Leave

Pastor Odie will combine his 3 month sabbatical/refresher leave with his usual summer vacation, and therefore will not be at CGS from May 9th – Sept 10th. Please address any church business and pastoral needs to Pastor Alanna and the church office during this time. Prior to July 24th Pastor Odie will be honoring his commitments to perform previously scheduled weddings and may be at funerals when appropriate. This will not be so between July 24 – Sept 10th.

CGS Picture Directory



It's that time again, please be a part of our new Directory! Have your photo taken and receive a FREE copy of the CGS Directory and a FREE 8x10 photo with absolutely no obligation to buy additional portraits. Also, as a fundraiser, CGS will receive \$2 from Olan Mills for each participating household! Sign up begins on Sunday April 10. Photos will be taken **June 14, 15**. Or make your appointment on-line at <http://signup.olanmills.com>. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help out please contact Sue Corman or Mary O'Reilly at radar3018@comcast.net or call 603/424-2432. Remember...It's not about YOU having your photo taken; it's about US, our CGS Community.

Capital Fund Drive News

The playground at the NPCC/SNHS Head Start child care program for children 3 and under, as well as the special fund for Youth Mission Trips will be completed this summer.



Those who still have a balance to pay on their CFD pledge should complete their balance by July 1st. If there is a problem in meeting this deadline please contact Laurie in the church office. Thank you!

Keeping Up Your Pledge Over Summer

Summertime is typically a challenging time for our finances and cash flow. However our bills and expense don't take a vacation. Please make every effort to keep your pledge up to date over the summer season. We appreciate it greatly and it has a tremendous positive impact on our ability to maintain our budget and finances in a healthy condition. As always, - **Thank You** - for your contributions and support of our work and ministry.

"And remember your **Capital Fund Drive** donations too!"

If You Are 'Willing', Please Remember to include the Church of the Good Shepherd in your Will!

N'ewe's Bites

We want to give special thanks to all our Nursery Care providers & Godly Play teachers who give so much time and effort in educating and caring for our children. The teachers showed steadfast dedication, care and enthusiasm in their ministry. Thank You!!!!

Nursery Care: Heidi Odierna, Inbal Ashkenazi
Helpers: Karen Sampson, Meredith Gilhardi, June Swenson

Godly Play Teachers: Special thanks to **Jill Rosier**, our Sun School Coordinator.

3 and 4 y/o: Hannah Shapiro, Melyssa Millett, and Sara Klum

Kindergarten: Lisa Macaraeg, Jackie Marshall

1st Grade: Maureen Legallo, Jennie Rowntree

2nd and 3rd Grade: Deb Desilets, Becky Lentz, John Andrick

4th and 5th Grade: Paige Schaller, Mary Schroeder, Brian Taylor, Livingstone Pinto

Substitutes: Shelby Balukonis, Kiley Rosier, Emma Gilhardi, Mary Corman-O'Reilly, Chris Chadbourne, Steve Desilets, Dan Legallo and Kim Kapala, John Rowntree

Godly Play Helpers: Diane Robinson, Jim Monahan

We also thank all of the parents who helped with Godly Play by bringing the Feast, providing support in classrooms, and helping out in numerous other ways.



Time & Talent Fair—Sunday, June 5th

On June 5, there will be a Time and Talent Fair during coffee hour. Come and learn all the ways your fellow parishioners are using their time and talents at CGS, and be inspired to share your own. Find out the mysteries of the Altar Guild, where the Youth Group is going on a mission trip this year, who the Daughters are, and more! If you have questions or want to offer your time or talent for the fair, talk to Jeanne Klink (email KGrannygoodwitch@aol.com) or Chloe Meadows (email chloemeadows@yahoo.com), or Pastor Alanna.

Summer Service Schedule

Begins June 26th – that means **we still have 8am and 9:45am services** and only that the 11:15 service is eliminated until the fall. The 11:15 service resumes Sept 11th.

Summer Breakfast and Coffee Hour

Following our usual tradition, summer breakfast/coffee hour will be held between our two summer services at 9:00 a.m. A nice selection of breakfast time goodies as well as coffee and tea are available. In addition to eating, if you would like to help host a summer breakfast and coffee hour, contact the church office.

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL CGS WOMEN'S RETREAT – September 9-10 at Adelynrood

This annual offering will be an overnight at Adelynrod Retreat Center in Byfield, MA. Dates are Fri Sept 9th starting with dinner at 6:30 and ending Sat Sept 10th at 3:00 pm. This will be a wonderful weekend of fellowship as well as challenging and inspiring discussion. Sign up sheet will be posted in June in the Parish Hall. Contact the office at 882-5352 for more information. Sign up deadline will be Sunday, August, 21st.

Klink's Krafters - Meet almost every Wednesday at Jeanne Klink's home (889-6066) from 2-4 pm to make crafts for the Harvestfest in October. Tea and cookies will be served!

CGS Fund Raising News

Raffle Time - Batter Up – Yanks vs Red Sox

On sale during coffee hour and from the office at \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Help us sell and raise money for our church ministries – You will get a free raffle ticket submitted in your name for every 12 tickets you sell. **NOTE SPECIAL INCENTIVE PRIZES TO SELL TIX BELOW!!**



- 1) Winning Raffle Ticket: Two tix for Fri Aug. 5th Roof Box Seats, Sec PC11, Row 4, Seats 14 & 15
- 2) First Incentive Prize: The person that SOLD the winning raffle ticket receives Two tix to Red Sox v. Yanks Wed Aug 31st Field Box Seats Sec 24 F51 Row J.
- 3) Second Incentive Prize: Person who sells the most raffle tickets receives \$50 Gift Certificate to Olive Garden (Italian of course!)

Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25 and will be available on Sunday during the coffee hour or from the church office during the week.

SHOP WITH SCRIPS - Don't forget to do all of your shopping through CGS's SCRIPS program. Orders can be made Sunday mornings or by contact Laurie at the office. Stores that are available as well as order forms can be found on the CGS website.

TD BANK DONATION OPPORTUNITY- TD Bank will make an annual contribution (from the bank's funds) to the church based on a percentage of the balances in personal and business accounts of parishioners. You can help by 1) Going to your TD Bank, inform them that you would like your TD Bank accounts labeled for Church of the Good Shepherd Affinity Program. 2) Contact Laurie at the office to let us know you have done this so that our records match their records.) Those without TD Bank accounts who desire to participate can do so by opening an account there. CGS will not receive any account info or personal info about your accounts or balances. Thanks for taking the time to have your accounts registered.

Last year TD Bank donated \$4,000.00 to CGS thanks to all the people who their accounts up as a CGS Affinity member.

CGS Fund Raising News

The Care Center's Annual Golf Tournament will take place Monday, June 6, at the Nashua Country Club. All proceeds benefit the programs administered by the Care Center, whose mission is to offer support and provide services to assist individuals and families transition from crisis to self-sufficiency. Last year the Care Center provided services to more than 5,300 individuals in the greater Nashua area at risk of becoming homeless. For more information about the programs and services offered by the Care Center visit www.nashuanpcc.org



Time: 7:30 am: Registration, Driving Range Opens
9:00 am: Shotgun Start
2:00 pm: BBQ Lunch & Awards Presentation

Format: Scramble, based on the Buick Handicap System. Trophies for top three foursomes gross & net!

Fees: \$200 per person/\$800 per team; includes greens fees, golf carts, driving range, breakfast, BBQ lunch, and awards.

Registration is on a first come basis. Contact Mary Webb (603) 886-2866 to Register, or for sponsorship opportunities.

Kids Corner: Children & Family Faith Formation



Godly Play: Building Relationships with God and Each Other Sunday School

Sunday School

Our **Godly Play Curriculum** this month continues to focus on the Post-Easter Resurrection stories leading us through Eastertide to receive the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday (June 12th). For our younger children the curriculum focuses on the Good Shepherd and the World Communion.

Our fourth and fifth graders are enjoying their new “Jesus Stories: Knowing Jesus in a New Way.”

Sunday School Community Day—June 19th at 9:45am

Come one, come all! We look forward to celebrating a festive Father’s Day with all of our Sunday School Families and their loved ones! Each Sunday School classroom is working tirelessly to present a lesson for the entire community during Community Day on June 19th. All families, friends, aunts, uncles, grandparents are invited to church this day to celebrate this end of the year extravaganza with our children!

Sacristy Tours with the Altar Guild:

The 2nd through 5th Grade will take tours of the sacristy and the chancel (the altar area) with members of the Altar Guild this month. Please look for specific dates in your email announcements.

Save the Date: Registration Sunday for 2011 Program Year—September 11th

Its never too early to be thinking about the exciting kick off to our 2011-2012 Sunday School Program year! That said, if you have feedback about what worked great this year and what could use improvement for next year Jill Rosier and Pastor Alanna will be planning for next year during this summer.

Please email Alanna@cgsnashua.org or call the office at 603.882.5352 we look forward to hearing from you!

Christian Education – Sunday Forums

June 5th – Time and Talent Fair – If you are interested in having your group/guild/committee have a table to present info contact Pastor Alanna .

If You Are ‘Willing’, Please Remember to include the Church of the Good Shepherd in your Will!

From the Meadows: Sabbath time and the Living is Easy

A new column from our "aspirant" (aspiring priest) Chloe Meadows

Greetings, fellow lambs from the Good Shepherd fold! As part of my discernment towards ordination in our church, I will be posting a column in this esteemed newsletter. Please humor me.

So Pastor Odie is on sabbatical from the church, Pastor Charles is on sabbatical from the diocese and what about the rest of us? The good news is we may not have sabbaticals, but we do have the Sabbath.

You do have the Sabbath, don't you? That day of rest in your week that is so important to our faith it is part of the 10 Commandments. I don't know about you, but I LOVE the theology of the Sabbath and yet, I struggle to make it part of my life. I have tried various things (having a family meal once per week; doing yoga; listening to poetry; staring off into space) at various times during my life (mostly during Lent) to celebrate the Sabbath. The older I get, the more children I have, the more work I do; the harder it is to design that "cathedral of time" as Abraham Joshua Heschel calls it.

This year, my family is also doing something sabbatical-like in the summer: we are spending the summer in Europe with Bernhard's family. In my current role as full-time Stay-at-Home Mother this isn't really a sabbatical from the work I do (mothers never get a sabbatical) and Bernhard also will be working from there, but it could, I realize, be a Sabbath, a season of holy moments. And then I realized that in American culture, summertime is the closest we come to a cultural Sabbath. Summertime: when we dig out the grill and just hang out in our backyards with friends. Summertime: when we go sit at a baseball game and take in the clouds moving through the sky and the crack of a bat, the smell of fresh grass. Summertime: when we frolic in whatever water is near us. Summertime: when we savor the cold sweetness of ice cream on a sultry evening.

Yes, as Christians, church attendance is part of our Sabbath. But this year, why not think about your summertime activities as a season of refreshment and celebration of life; is the Sabbath in other words, in your life?

(For more reading, I highly recommend his meditative book, *The Sabbath*.)

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Our Summer Schedule is Just Around the Corner

Starting Sunday June 26, we go on our summer schedule, which means no 11:15 a.m. service until **Homecoming Sunday, September 11th**.



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