



# THE CALL

JULY 2017

Letter From Father Paul

## *Living the Love of God*

I saw a miracle last month. We planned a joint fund-raiser with LULAC to raise \$600 to pay our portion for Angel Garibay and his son Roberto to go to Honduras with the Honduras Mission. (You will remember that Angel is the pastor of the Pentecostal church in Palomas with whom we have a sister-congregation relationship and Roberto is his jack-of-all-trades son.) When the day was over we tallied the total raised: \$610.40. In addition to this, there were a goodly number of empty taco shells just crying to be eaten, and the Hesters sold tacos after the services for the next two Sundays and raised a good bit more. God is good, and God's people are good. You have been generous and we are grateful.

The effect doesn't end with just two more people going to Honduras. The Garibay team will seriously enhance our evangelism program on the trip. Being native Spanish speakers and gifted at speaking to the public, they will introduce song, preaching and other activities to our program with those who are gathered waiting to see the doctors.

This is all part of a new direction for Honduras Good Works. We have begun partnering with Hondurans in many areas of our mission, but this is the first time to partner with Non-U.S. citizens in our evangelism program. More and more this work is becoming a mission with, not a mission to the Honduran people.

That's the way the Kingdom goes, doesn't it? Like a little leaven in dough that raises the whole batch, so a little good work by God's people multiplies like bread and fish, and shares God's love with many, many people. Generosity is raw material for miracles.

We may be small, but with God we are strong to do God's work of loving the world into God's heart. Thank you for sharing with me in it.

Next month: What else might it mean?

*Paul+*

## News from our Vestry

### Memorials and Columbarium -

We have had one Memorial this year and a niche has been purchased in the Columbarium.

The team that was doing the opening and closing of the Columbarium has pasted on their duties to a new and younger team. They have all three been trained in opening and closing to prepare for an inurnment and closing once the inurnment has taken place. All records are up to date. Remember that niches can be purchased for \$500.

Good Shepherds Cursillistas continue to have Ultreya on the first Sunday of each month after the 10:30 service. *Kathy Strange*

### Hospitality -

The Hospitality Committee continues to support the coffee hour after Sunday Liturgy. There is not an assigned person to the 8:00am Mass but it is usually Tom and Consuelo Hester. The recent taco fundraiser after 10:30am Mass began on Sunday, June 11. The taco fundraiser is not an activity of the Hospitality Committee. To recap, the merchandise bingo co-sponsored with LULAC was on Saturday, June 10- which garnered \$610.40. Consuelo and Tom Hester provided the meat for the tacos in the concession stand at the fundraiser

and there was a large amount of both taco shells and meat left. Consuelo decided she did not want to freeze the meat and decided to serve tacos after Sunday Mass. It was a hit! It garnered \$132 in donations. There was not a set price to buy the tacos. There was a donation basket set out instead.

There were still taco shells left over so Consuelo prepared more taco meat the following Sunday and collected approximately \$170 on June 18. She continued the project on June 25 and collected approximately \$194. On July 2, Consuelo offered chicken tacos and collected \$294 in donations. She ran out of taco shells, chicken meat, lettuce and tomato or she could have served more!

The original recipient of the donations received was Honduras Good Works. After the goal was reached, Consuelo suggested that donations be made to the Vietnam Medical Mission project. There were no tacos served this past Sunday due to the planned auction of the painting by Juanita Escobedo.

Consuelo would like to continue to offer tacos maybe one Sunday a month for a donation only. She would like to use the funds received to purchase flowers for the altar.

*Frances Vasquez*

## Worship -



The Good Shepherd Worship Committee, consisting of the clergy (Fr. Paul, Pastor Sarah, Deacon Tom), the music director (formerly Mick Coon, currently Adele Giusto), and heads of the altar guild (Mary Harrell), acolytes (formerly Mary Ihlefeld, currently Jeanie Locicero), Eucharistic Ministers, and lectors (Linda Shay) meet on the first Wednesday of each month to evaluate past and plan future parish worship experiences. Since January 1, 85 services have been held at Good Shepherd and many opportunities for worship have been provided outside of our building, including but not limited to the Epiphany Tea, imposition of ashes at Gila Regional, Gough Park, and WNMU, a sunrise service at La Capilla, a mid-river Eucharist at Lajitas, TX and the blessing of the bikes during the Tour of the Gila. There have been 2 funerals and 2 graveside services in addition to a baptism earlier in the year and the baptisms, confirmations and receptions on June 4. All of these times of worship require planning and preparation, which is the purpose of the Worship Committee. In addition, the Committee often coordinates with the Hospitality Committee, Building and Grounds Committee and others in the planning and presenting of these worship opportunities.

Changes include the retirement of Mick Coon (music director) and Mary Ihlefeld (acolyte director) and the addition of Adele Giusto (music) and Jeanie Locicero (acolytes). Also during this time, Tobias Guck has been added as assistant verger.

The need of the various ministries represented on the Worship Committee remains, as always, MORE participants! The altar guild is a wonderful, quiet, contemplative means of preparing the sanctuary for worship. Come join the altar guild team - men and women! The choir is rebuilding after Mick and Carol's departure for a well-deserved retirement. More voices, please! Anyone over the age of 7 is welcome to talk to Jeanie about being an acolyte. Linda would love to train more Eucharistic Ministers to serve at the communion rail. Come be part of your worship team.

*Linda Shay*

## Website -

We continue to work on the website. The committee had an in-person meeting in June and planned out various projects to come. Now that Tom Hester is back home, he is taking over the posting of sermons, giving Rosana more time for odds and ends on the site.

*Rosana Hart*

## Buildings and Grounds -

The buildings and grounds committee has taken on one major project this year. We are rebuilding the fence around the Good Shepherd House rental properties. This fence is approximately 180 feet long including 3 gates. So far, we have purchased materials for the entire fence, fabricated all of the pickets for the fence and gates, and painted about a third of the pickets and stringers for the fence. In addition, we have assembled and installed approximately 20% of the fence and one of the gates. Another smaller project was the painting of the lines in the parking lot.

We also are addressing the usual maintenance needs of the church such as replacing light bulbs and repairing leaking faucets and where necessary replacing worn out valves and repairing roof leaks. We also address seasonal tasks such as preparing the Easter cross, helping with the preparation of the floats for the Christmas and 4<sup>th</sup> of July parades, servicing the air conditioners and furnaces and putting them in service or shutting them down as the seasons change. We have also worked on the landscaping around the church and Henderson Hall. Although more still needs to be done in this area.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers who have been very generous with their time and talents in making these things happen. At the risk of missing someone who has contributed, I would like to especially thank Bruce Taylor, Homer Hamby, Steve Bearup, Dave Kuthe, Bryce and Sherry Wooton, Fr. Paul Moore, Deacon Tom Bates, Tom Hester, Ted Presler, Tony Guck, and Kaylin Henderson.

*Paul Sherrell, Jr. Warden*



Good Shepherd  
4th of July  
Parade Float

## July Lay Ministry Schedule

### Eucharistic Minister, Lector and Acolyte Schedule

- 7/2** 8:00 Karisse Moore  
Lector-1st Lesson: Mary Burton Riseley  
10:30 1st Reader - Pat Brown  
2nd Reader - Win Taylor  
Eucharistic Ministers - Pat Brown, Win Taylor
- 7/9** 8:00 Karisse Moore  
Lector-1st Lesson: Cheryl Swedberg  
10:30 1st Reader - Sherry Wooton  
2nd Reader - Jane Bates  
Eucharistic Ministers - Kris Heck, Jane Bates
- 7/16** 8:00 Karisse Moore  
Lector - 1st reading: Tom Hester  
10:30 1st Reader - Bryce Wooton  
2nd Reader - Kris Heck  
Eucharistic Ministers - Win Taylor, Kris Heck  
**Acolytes** - Win Taylor, Kris Heck, Virginia McCoy
- 7/23** 8:00 Linda Shay  
Lector - Ted Presler  
10:30 1st Reader - Kris Heck  
2nd Reader - Linda Shay  
Eucharistic Ministers - Kris Heck, Linda Shay  
**Acolytes**- Kris Heck, Virginia McCoy, Linda Shay
- 7/30** 9:30 1st Reader - Virginia McCoy  
2nd Reader - Jane Bates  
Eucharistic Ministers - Karisse Moore, Jane Bates  
**Acolytes** - Karisse Moore, Jorge and Alessandria Martinez
- 8/6** 8:00 Karisse Moore  
Lector - Mary Burton Riseley  
10:30 1st Reader - Pat Brown  
2nd Reader - Win Taylor  
Eucharistic Ministers - Pat Brown, Win Taylor  
**Acolytes** - Win Taylor, Jeanie Locicero

## July and August Eucharistic Visitor Schedule

- July 2,** Rev. Sarah and Tony Guck  
**July 9,** Mary Harrell & guest  
**July 16,** John and Cecilia Bell  
**July 23,** Linda Shay/ Kris Heck  
**July 30,** Jeanie Locicero & guest  
**Aug 6,** Rev. Sarah and Tony Guck  
**Aug 13,** John and Cecilia Bell  
**Aug 20,** Homer and Ruth Hambys  
**Aug 27,** David DeBusk and Rosella Escobela



*The first Eucharistic Visitor listed is lead.  
If you cannot serve on the day scheduled,  
please contact Mary Harrell or Father Paul.*