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Diocesan Fall Youth Event

Everyone in Grades 7-12 are invited to Lock-In 2010
Friday, November 5 – Saturday, November 6 • 6:00 pm to 10:45 am

This lock-in will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Erie (youth will be picked up at the Cathedral on Saturday morning). What do you need to bring: sleeping bag, pillow, clothes for Eucharist on Saturday. There will be food, games, movies and activities. Youth will participate in making gifts for all the clergy of the diocese and be recognized at the Convention Eucharist on Saturday morning.

This event is part of the Diocesan Convention and Centennial Celebration of the Diocese. Permission slips are available in the parish office and are due by October 25 to The Diocesan Church Center. For more information contact the Diocesan Church Center at 814-456-4203.

Attention Altar Guild Members

The manual in the sacristy has been revised. Please be sure to look it over, and if you have any questions, please contact me. – *Pat Gross*

OCTOBER 2010 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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| 7th | 10:00 am – Morning Prayer
10:30 am to 12:30 pm – ECS
food distribution
NOON – Articles are due
for the newsletter | 12th | 7:00 pm – Healing
& Prayer Ministries |
| 8th | 9:00 am to 4:00 pm – Fall
Rummage Sale | 13th | 7:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal |
| 9th | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm – Fall
Rummage Sale | 14th | 10:00 am – Holy Eucharist
NOON – Articles are
due for the newsletter |
| 10th | 8:00 am – Holy Eucharist
9:00 am – Sunday School
10:00 am – Sung Eucharist | 17th | 9:00 am – Holy Eucharist
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10:00 am – Sung Eucharist
1:00 pm – Sharpville Presbyterian
Church packing bags at ECS
6:30 – 9:00 pm – Youth Group
Hayride at the Hancock's home |
| 11th | Columbus Day observed –
parish office closed
7:00 pm – Vestry meets in the
upstairs dining room | | |

ECS Volunteer Appreciation Sunday

During announcements on Sunday, October 28th, Bob King read the names of the more than one-hundred people who had volunteered at Episcopal Community Services Food Pantry over the past years. Pews emptied as parishioners and other volunteers invited for this Volunteer Recognition Sunday came forward to receive a red ECS T-shirt. Jacqué Beck explained the meaning of the new ECS logo design depicting wheat and a cross surrounded by a heart, emphasizing ECS's mission of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors". Bob then read some statistics about ECS's work over the past year.

The following is Fun Fact about our Pantry:

- a. Last year we served 2947 clients 3877 bags of food.
- b. We purchased and used \$35637.00 worth of food.
- c. If a bag weighed 15#, then we gave away 58,155 pounds of food.
- d. We receive food from the USDA for free. We used 8,842 units of food last year.
- e. Our bag contains food for a Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner with a snack.
 - a. We used 2,273 boxes of Cereal last year.
 - b. We used 2,118 cans of soup for lunch last year and yes 2,118 boxes of saltines accompanied the soup.
 - c. We used 4,311 packages of meat both for lunch and dinner last year.
 - d. We used 2,175 dozen of Eggs in our bags last year.
 - e. This year we introduced a Fresh Fruit or Vegetable in our Bags on a regular basis. So far we have used 800 pounds of bananas, 230 pounds of Carrots, 240 pounds of Celery, 372 pounds of Apples, 300 pounds of Potato Salad, and 1,240 pounds of Potatoes.

Father Adam provided a closing blessing for the mission, volunteers and staff of ECS.

House Group II News

House Group II will be having its first meeting on Thursday, October 28, 2010 at 7:00 pm. We plan to meet once a month.

The material that was chosen is very exciting. We will be watching a video and then have a discussion period. This time will be followed by refreshments.

Our first meeting will be at John & Beth Krivak's home at 568 Lyle Drive, Hermitage. Please RSVP if you plan to attend by calling the church office at 724-347-4501 or Beth Krivak at 724-347-0103.

Community Food Warehouse 5K

Twenty-five members of St. John's participated in the first walk/run to raise money for the Community Food Warehouse. A team from St. John's, led by ten members of the Journey to Adulthood class, sported their red ECS T-shirts and was the fifth largest team in the race. The Community Food Warehouse supplies food for ECS and other area agencies. After the race, the St. John's team arrived before the end of the 10:00 service to join us for ECS Volunteer Appreciation Day. Thanks to Ken Ulan and Jane Trambley for organizing the St. John's team and for all from our parish who participated.

Growing Through Grief - Rebuilding Hope

A free six week educational/support bereavement program on Wednesdays October 13 – November 17 from 1-3pm at the Shenango Valley Senior Center, 220 N. Buhl Farm Drive, Hermitage. Sponsored by Family Hospice & Palliative Care, Jeff Harter, M. Div; BCC – Bereavement Specialist, facilitator. There is no charge to attend, but pre-registration is required. To register, please contact Jeff Harter at Family Hospice & Palliative Care, 1965 Shenango Valley Freeway, Hermitage, 724-983-6020 or e-mail: jharter@familyhospice.com