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From the Pastor ~~

Even while we were still there with you we gave you this rule: 'He who does not work shall not eat.' —2 Thessalonians 3:10

One of the Christian's responsibilities in following Christ is to have a new attitude toward work. So many young people want Christ without responsibility. Jesus was not a drop-out. As a carpenter. He worked hard with His hands. The Apostle Paul made tents for a living while he carried on the work that God assigned him. Whatever work a Christian does is done unto the Lord. He should do his best at whatever his trade or vocation. He should be faithful, clean, and honest. It is key that all work is done for the Lord.

After all, He owns everything and what we do with our hands and mind, it is only being done with the tools that God equips us with. What about the retired people who no longer work full time? They have been blessed to help with work around the church, community and helping family. That work is also blessed by God and done for the Lord. Therefore as you work, keep in mind that all work is blessed by God and done for God.

Pastor Daene



LWGS Nut & Candy orders are due October 13, 2024



Sunday, October 13, 2024

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SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING October 13, 2024 SUBJECT: Changing the wording in

> By-Laws Article I, <u>Meetings</u> -

Special points of interest:

- Haddock Oktobotfest, October 5 @ 6:30 p.m.
- LWML Sunday, October 13, 2024
- Special Voter's Meeting, October 13, after worship service
- Church Council Meeting, October 13
- LWGW Meeting, October 14 @ 11:00 a.m.
- Reformation Sunday, October 27
- Halloween, October 31

Church Council Highlights ~~

Church Council met on September 8, 2024 after our worship service. Those present were: Kent Krimmel, Gerda Martin, Troy Johnson, Randy Powers, Pastor Daene, Johannah Pollert, Larry Hill, Kevin Weber, Amy Houck and Rose Krimmel. Those absent were Brian Walker, Michelle Walker and Heidi Baca.

The meeting started with Pastor saying a prayer.

Johannah, Council Secretary, presented the minutes from our August meeting. After review a motion was made and the minutes were approved.

Rose, Financial Secretary, presented the income for August from the Offerings, Sunday School and Thrivent Choice Dollars in the amount of \$11,129.26.

Larry, Treasurer, presented the expenses for August as \$16,609.22.

Pastor reported for August he had 3 services; 6 Bible studies; 2 visits, 2 visiting the visitors, 2 Hospital visits and 8 Coun-

seling sessions. Average attendance for August was 48.

Kevin, Deacon Chairman—no report. Troy, Trustee Chairman, stated he is getting estimates for cleaning the carpet in the Narthex, Hallway, and Fellowship Hall. The Air conditioner in Fellowship Hall has been repaired. Water testing for the third quarter has been done. Bushes on North side of the sanctuary are being trimmed. Brent & Sharon gave Troy a proposal for a new sign, He presented it to Council and it was approved to proceed. The "Clean Up List" is posted on the south bulletin board. Thanks to all who have been working on or have completed the different areas listed.

Heidi, Christian Education, was absent. Michelle Walker, Missions chair was absent but sent a report. During the month of September we will be collecting ketchup. mustard, relish and mayonnaise for the Interchurch Food Pantry. Gerda & Amy, Fellowship Co-chairs stated that Fellowship Hour and the Pitch-Ins are going fine. LWGS—the donations for the Seminary Fort Wayne Food Pantry total was \$353 and LWGS added \$100 for a total of \$453 was send to the Seminary Pantry.

Randy, Member at Large—stated the Community Band Concert on August 22 was well attended and the band provided all the refreshments as a Thank You for letting them use the Fellowship Hall for practice on Thursday evenings.

Council agreed to post by bulletin, posters, and newsletter that we will have a "Special Voters Meeting" on October 13, 2024 to ask the members of GSLC to vote on changing the wording in OUR BY-LAWS ARTICLE I <u>MEETINGS</u> A, <u>THE VOT-ER'S ASSEMBLY</u> Council would appreciate you staying the extra few minutes for this meeting on October 13th and participate in this decision.

LWGS ~~

Hello Ladies ~

We had a few things on our agenda to discuss at our meeting on September 9th. First up was our regular business things and then on to upcoming events. We changed the date for our Salad Supper as it was fast approaching and moved it to September 30 at 6:30. That gives our working class time to get here. We will be having Salads & Desserts and watching the 30 minute video of The Building of the Ark Encounter. Then on to our brochures for our only fundraiser, Terri Lynn Nuts & Candy. We also have LWML Sunday on October 13.

October Bible Readings ~~

Oct 1—1 Peter 1-5; Oct 2—Hebrews 1-6; Oct 3—Hebrews 7-10; Oct 4—Hebrews 11-13; Oct 5—2 Timothy 1-4; Oct 6—2 Peter 1-3, Jude; Oct 7—1 John 1-5; Oct 8 - 2 John, 3 John; Oct 9—Revelation 1-5; Oct 10—Revelation 6-11; Oct 11— Revelation 12-18; Oct 12—Revelation 19-22. Now we will start at the beginning reading the events of the Bible as they occurred chronologically. For example. The Book of Job is integrated with Genesis because Job lived before Abraham. Oct 13—Genesis 1-3; Oct 14—Genesis 4 -7; Oct 15—Genesis 8-11; Oct 16—Job 1-5; Oct 17—Job 6-9; Oct 18—Job 10-13; Oct 19—Job 14-16; Oct 20—Job 17-20; Oct 21—Job 21-23; Oct 22—Job 24-28; Oct 23—Job 29-31; Oct 24—Job 32-34; Oct 25—Job 35-37; Oct 26—Job 38-39; Oct 27—Job 40-42; Oct 28—Genesis 12-15; Oct 29—Genesis 16-18; Oct 30— Genesis 19-21; Oct 31—Genesis 22-24.



Care & Concern



Remember in your Prayers: Alan Greenhut, late stage cancer; Vic & Helen Rinehart, recovering from Covid; Jon Clark, healing & comfort; Margaret

Wurster, healing & comfort; Craig Fouts, healing, strength and comfort; Barb Lembke, healing, comfort, and strength; Isaac Cranfill & family, healing and comfot; Steve Compton, strength and healing; Brandon Rice, brain tumor; Bill Powers, healing; Bob Bailey, cancer; Isch family, prayers in their time of need; Jeff Hawkins, strength and comfort; Raymond Kinnan, strength and comfort; Gerda Martin, health issues and patience; Elizabeth Samples, healing and comfort; Julie Ploss, strength, healing & comfort; Eleanor Coner, strength, healing and comfort; Joyce Thompson, strength and comfort; Steve Clodfelter & family, Parkinson's; Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease; and Prayers for peace in the world.

***** If you placed any of these people on the prayer list, please check on their status and let the office know of any changes. Thank you.



Think about serving on Church Council 2025-2026~~ The positions and duties are listed below coming up for election.....

Vice-President — The Vice President shall:

- 1. Represent the President when the latter is unable to perform his duties and, furthermore, should the office of the President be vacated for any reason, the Vice President will assume the office of the President, until next Voter's Assembly meeting;
- 2. Serve as parliamentarian at all meetings of the Church Council and Voter's Assembly;

3. Make an annual report to the Voter's Assembly of his activities. Financial Secretary — The Financial Secretary shall:

- 1. Record the contributions of the giving units of the congregation;
- 2. Supervise the counting of the contributions and cause them to be deposited in a designated bank;
- 3. Issue an annual statement of contributions to the giving units of the congregation;
- 4. Order, prepare, and distribute the offering envelopes;
- 5. Serve as a member of the Board of Stewardship.

The Board of Christian Education shall consist of the Chairman and four (or more) members. They shall:

- a. Foster spiritual growth in and through the congregation;
- Set up adequate objectives for every age level, agency and organization, embracing training in Christian knowledge, attitudes, and skills, such as use of the Bible, witnessing, prayer, giving, and Christian family living;
- c. Provide an adequate amount of learning opportunities for such objectives to be utilized at all age levels;
- d. Select curricula so that the objectives for each agency and age level can be carried out in a Christian and God-pleasing manner;
- e. Establish and maintain a church library;
- f. Organize and conduct a summer education program;
- g. Encourage individuals of all ages to utilize the church's education programs;
- h. Select responsible personnel and provide them with the proper training necessary in order to equip them for their assigned duties;
- i. Give attention to enrollment and attendance of pupils as well as to their personal development and growth;
- j. Constantly be seeking new ways to involve more people in these programs and keep those already involved interested;
- k. Subdivide and assign responsibilities to individuals or committees in order to facilitate proper consideration;
- 1. Delegate the administration of all educational agencies and work to board members or qualified persons (subject to the approval of the Church Council);
- m Deposit all contributions and funds through the Financial Sec retary and;
- m. Submit an annual budget to the Board of Stewardship as requested by that Board.

The Board of Missions shall consist of the Chairman and four (or more) members. They shall:

- a. Assist the Pastor in the entire program of proclaiming the Gospel to all people;
- b Plan, promote, and carry out an evangelism program in the congregation and in the community, i.e., planning and supervising surveys, maintaining evangelism files, and enlisting assistance in visiting prospective members of the church;
- c Assist the Pastor in training the laity to bring the unchurched to Pastor's instruction class;

- d Be concerned with the reception, orientation, and integration of new members into the congregational programs and review their progress;
- e Recommend ways to incorporate evangelism into all aspects of the church's programs;
- f Endeavor to publicize the Gospel and the activities of the congregation by the various modern methods available;
- g Call to the attention of the congregation the welfare agencies and efforts being conducted by the church and thereby solicit support for them.
- h Report on the social needs of the community and solicit the congregation's cooperation with other agencies in the community endeavoring to help meet their needs; and
- Submit an annual budget to the Board of Stewardship as requested by that Board.

The Board of Fellowship shall consist of a Chairman and the Board shall consist of the membership of the Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd and the Sunday Fellowship Hour Chairperson.

- The events consist of but are not limited to:
 - 1. Farewell Dinners

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- 2 Installation Reception
- 3 New Member Reception
- 4 Anniversary Reception/Dinner
- 5 Valentine Dinner
- 6 Easter Breakfast
- 7 Confirmation Reception
- 8 Graduation Reception
- 9 Stewardship Dinner (consulting Stewardship Chairman)
- 10 Community Band Reception11 Soup & Sandwich Suppers during Lent, Advent and
 - Lunch after Christmas decorating 2 Monthly Pitch-In
- 12 Monthly Pitch13 Church Picnic
- The Board of Fellowship will be responsible for keeping the kitchen with necessary paper goods, cleaners, condiments, etc. The Board of Fellowship shall also be responsible for recruiting and assigning greeters for services.

The Sunday Fellowship Hour shall consist of a Chairman appointed by the Fellowship Chairman. The Sunday Fellowship Chairman may appoint committees of choice.

- The duties include, but not limited to:
 - 1 Recruiting servers for Sunday Fellowship Hour
 - 2 Setting up Sunday Fellowship Hour Schedule3 Sending weekly reminders to the servers for upcoming
 - Sunday.Ensuring coffee is made before church service each Sunday.
 - 5 Make sure an emergency supply of snacks is on hand.

Member-at-Large — ONE

They shall:

- 1. Attend Church Council meetings;
- 2. Council will direct on miscellaneous items brought before the Council.

THE VOTER'S MEETING was called by the Church Council —

The GSLC Council would like to make the following changes to our By-Laws:

The By-Laws (Revised last on December 2022) state:

ARTICLE I—MEETINGS

A. THE VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

The Voter's Assembly of the congregation shall be held annually in December with the assembly being primarily to elect members of the Church Council and to adopt a budget. The regular Voter's Assembly shall be announced to the membership of the congregation in the Sunday bulletin, and/or by announcement in church at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Additional meetings of the Voter's Assembly may be called by the Church council, or by petition submitted to the Pastor and/or President of the congregation from at least fifteen voting members. Other meetings may be announced by the U.S. mail, and/or electronic communication, and/or in the Sunday bulletin, and/or by announcement in the church services at least two weeks prior to the meeting. The President of the congregation shall state the purpose of all special meetings at the time they are announced. When a Voter's Assembly has been announced properly, it shall be a valid and legal meeting provided a quorum of fifteen (15) voting members are present. In a Voter's Assembly a majority vote of those present shall decide all matters except as specified otherwise in the Constitution and By-Laws.

THIS IS WHAT THE COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE IT TO READ:

MEETINGS

A. THE VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

The Voter's Assembly of the congregation shall be held annually in January with the assembly being primarily to elect members of the Church Council and to adopt a budget. The regular Voter's Assembly shall be announced to the membership of the congregation in the Sunday bulletin, and/or by announcement in church at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Additional meetings of the Voter's Assembly may be called by the Church council, or by petition submitted to the Pastor and/or President of the congregation from at least fifteen voting members. Other meetings may be announced by the U.S. mail, and/or electronic communication, and/or in the Sunday bulletin, and/or by announcement in the church services at least two weeks prior to the meeting. The President of the congregation shall state the purpose of all special meetings at the time they are announced. When a Voter's Assembly has been announced properly, it shall be a valid and legal meeting provided a quorum of fifteen (15) voting members are present. In a Voter's Assembly a majority vote of those present shall decide all matters except as specified otherwise in the Constitution and By-Laws.

REASON FOR THE CHANGE:

In moving the annual Voter's Assembly meeting from December to January will allow the Church Council to report on a full and complete year (January 1 thru December 31) of financials for the prior year. As it is today, we only have eleven (11) months on our reports and have to forecast what December's may be. By moving to mid-January, we would be able to close out the previous year and give a full complete report of all twelve months. If approved, we will update the By-Laws to reflect the change and schedule our annual Voter's Assembly meeting in January 2025.

SPECIAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING October 13. 2024 after our worship service



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/2 Larry Gesse 10/4 Taffy Pfaehler 10/5 Ashley Acton 10/6, Pat Haugh, Michelle Pierce 10/8 Davis Cole 10/10 Rachel Daene, Nick Caulder 10/11 Brayton Cranfill 10/18 Clayton Johnson 10/19 Rose Krimmel, Darrell Sego, Addison Vaughn 10/21 Peggy Bailey, A.J. Thomas 10/22 Shelley Hill, Kylie Stahl 10/23 Larry Hill 10/26 Joyce Bauman 10/27 Carolyn Friddle 10/29 Jonathan Haugh, Jeff Cole



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10/2 Troy & Mary Ann Johnson 10/8 Derek & Rachel Runge 10/28 Randy & Peggy Bailey

[Please contact the church office (317-736-7849) for any additions or corrections to the Birthdays & Anniversaries.]

Try using our Birthday & Anniversary calendar as a daily prayer calendar. By doing so, you will be praying for someone in our Good Shepherd church family almost every day. A church with members who regularly pray for one another will be truly blessed.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2024

Brian Walker, President , Vice President Johannah Pollert, Secretary Larry Hill, Treasurer Rose Krimmel, Financial Secretary Troy Johnson, Board of Trustees Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons , Board of Stewardship Heidi Baca, Board of Education Michelle Walker, Board of Missions Gerda Martin & Amy Houck, Board of Fellowship Randy Powers, Member at Large Kent Krimmel, Member at Large

DEACONS

Kevin Weber, Chairman 317-910-3288 Brad Coy 317-508-5770 Derek Runge 309-258-0603

PRAYER CHAIN

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." (James 5:13-16)

"Devote yourselves to prayer."

(Colossians 4:2)

PRAYER REQUEST: Our church has a prayer chain that is available for all to use. If you, a family member or a friend have a prayer request, please contact Elaine Powers at 317-736-8709. She will be happy to put your request on the prayer chain. If you would like to join the prayer chain, call Elaine also.

PRAYER REQUEST: We have a Prayer Request button on the church website. There is power in prayer and let the pastor and the prayer chain join you in your *time of need or thanksgiving*. *Simply go to* <u>www.gslcfranklin.org</u> and hit the **Prayer Request** button and enter your request.