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From the Pastor ~~

We begin the season of Lent, this is the question that confronts us. We start a 40 day period of time, not including Sundays, that is designed to be an intense time of self -reflection and introspection. It reminds us of the time that Jesus spent in the wilderness following his baptism, described in the gospels as a time of trial and testing. Lent seeks to strip us down, remove those distractions in our lives, and helps us focus our attentions on what really matters in our lives – the very condition of our souls. Lent gives us the chance to look inward and realize we have broken God's law. We know what we deserve for breaking His law. However, Lent also reminds us of the events of Good Friday and the

washing away of our sins. we speak the words of the Psalmist in prayer, "Create in me a clean heart, O God," expressing our desire to get our hearts in the right place again, and humbly asking God to help us in that task. In these 40 days of Lent, may we trust God to put a new and right spirit within us, so that the treasures we have in this world, and indeed our very hearts, might also be with the Lord.



Daylight Savings Time starts March 9th

Ash Wednesday Service March 5, 2025 7:00 p.m.



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Special points of interest:

- Ash Wednesday Service, March 5, at 7:00 pm
- Daylight Savings Time begins March 9
- Church Council Meeting, March 9
- LWGS Meeting , March 10
- Circuit Meeting at Good Shepherd March 11 at 9:00
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- St. Patrick's Day March 17
- Spring Begins, March 20

Church Council Highlights ~~

Good Shepherd Church Council met on February 9, 2025 after our worship service. Those present were: Pat Haugh, Johannah Pollert, Gerda Martin, Randy Powers, Doug Stahl, Rev. Daene, Sue Sego, and Larry Hill. Those absent were: Troy Johnson, Brian Walker, Kevin Weber, Rose Krimmel, and Heidi Baca.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Haugh, Vice President.

Pastor gave a prayer before the meeting.

Johannah, Recording Secretary, did not have the minutes for the December meeting. January meeting was the Voter's Meeting.

Rose, Financial Secretary, submitted her report for January which stated the income as \$11,653.46.

Larry, Treasurer, report had January expenses as \$15,660.00.

Pastor reported the average attendance for January as 44 per Sunday.

Kevin, Deacon Chairman, did not have anything to report for the Deacons.

Troy Johnson, Trustee Chairman, did not have a report but he had patched the roof over the Narthex that leaked.

Heidi Baca, Education Chair did not have a report.

Stewardship Chair—this position is vacant and we would like someone to volunteer for this position.

Michelle, Mission Chair for 2024 reported that the church collected 24 ounces of paper products in January for the Interchurch Food Pantry.

Gerda Martin, Fellowship reported that the ladies of Good Shepherd are going to prepare the food for the Circuit Meeting at Good Shepherd on March 11th.

Randy, Member-at-Large reported that the Franklin Community Band with be here at Good Shepherd on April 10th. Old Business: Council needs to finish plans for the Roof Fund.

The Security Committee needs to decide where to put cameras and what kind to purchase.

Next Council meeting is March 9 after our worship service.

The meeting was closed by saying the Lord's Prayer.

Thank You ~

Thank you to all who texted or sent cards these past couple of weeks for the passing of Peggy Vaught, Brian's mother. We felt so grateful for the prayers and support of our church family.

Sincerely, Brian & Michelle, Grant and Kaitlynn and Garrett & Andrea

LWGS

Bible Readings for March ~~

Hello Ladies -

LWGS met on February 24 at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. After the regular business, they discussed the food to provide for the Circuit Meeting on March 11th. They set the menu and all will be provided for the Circuit Pastors Meeting.

Next on the list will be Easter breakfast and invitations for the Zone Gathering in May. The next meeting is March 10th at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

All ladies of Good Shepherd are invited to attend

Mar 1—Psalm 5, 38, 41-42; Mar 2—2 Samuel 22-23, Psalm 57; Mar 3—Psalm 97-99, 95; Mar 4—1 Chronicles 21-22, 2 Samuel 24, Psalm 30; Mar 5—Psalm 108-110; Mar 6—1 Chronicles 23-25; Mar 7—Psalm 143-145, 138-139, 131; Mar 8 - 1 Chronicles 26-29, Psalm 127; Mar 9—Psalm 111-118; Mar 10—1 Kings 1-2, Psalm 37, 71, 94; Mar 11—Psalm 119:1-88; Mar 12—2 Chronicles 1, 1 Kings 3-4, Psalm 72; Mar 13—Psalm 119:89-176; Mar 14—Song of Solomon 1-8; Mar 15—Proverbs 1-3; Mar 16—Proverbs 4-6; Mar 17Proverbs 7-9; Mar 18—Proverbs 10-12; Mar 19 - Proverbs 13-15; Mar 20—Proverbs 16-18; Mar 21—Proverbs 19-21; Mar 22—Proverbs 22-24; Mar 23—2 Chronicles 2-3, 1 Kings 5-6; Mar 24—1 Kings 7, 2 Chronicles 4; Mar 25—2 Chronicles 5, 1 Kings 8; Mar 26—2 Chronicles 6-7, Psalm 136; Mar 27—1 Kings 9, 2 Chronicles 8; Mar 28—Proverbs 25-26; Mar 29—Proverbs 27-29; Mar 30—Ecclesiastes 1-6; Mar 31—Ecclesiastes 7-12.

Care & Concern~~



Remember in your prayers: Mary Carter, healing & comfort; Jean Lawyer, healing & comfort; Linda, strength & healing; Charles Stahl, comfort & healing; Linda

Nentrup, healing and comfort; Pastor Daene, strength, healing & comfort; Henry Barteck, thanksgiving and continued healing; Ellie, cancer; Barbara Lembke, healing, comfort, & strength; Jennifer Fugate, cancer surgery; Greg Rushton, strength & comfort in dialysis; Mike Driver, rehab for heart problems; Jon Clark, healing and comfort; Craig Fouts, state 4 lung cancer; Steve Compton, strength and healing; Brandon Rice, brain tumor; Bob Bailey, cancer; Isch family, prayers in their time of need; Jeff Hawkins, strength & comfort; Raymond Kinnan, strength & comfort; Gerda Martin, health issues; Julie Ploss, strength healing & comfort; Eleanor Coner, strength, healing & comfort; Joyce Thompson strength & comfort; Steve Clodfelter and

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 health status and let the office know the update. Thank you. Rose, Office Mgr.

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/4 Susan Sego
3/5 Amanda Rakow, Nathan Black
3/6 Callie Johnson
3/13 Donovan Little
3/15 Joyce Goforth
3/20 Dennis Beasley
3/28 Rusty Wells, Marianne White
3/30 Andrew Ellis
3/31 Daryl Pfaehler



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

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 truly be blessed.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2025

Brian Walker, President
Pat Haugh, 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
Linda Boxdorfer, Board of Missions
Gerda Martin, Amy Houck & Sue Sego,
Board of Fellowship
Randy Powers, Member at Large
Doug Stahl, 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 CHAIN: 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.

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

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