May 2025





From the Pastor ~~

Look! There is the Lamb of God who takes away the world's sin. (John 1:29)

If Christ came today, what type of reception would He receive? Some might argue that we are more enlightened than those of the first century. He would have access to social media and His message would be heard by millions. Would we really follow Him in droves and have parades in His honor?

Jesus came preaching a message of repentance and about the Kingdom of Heaven. For that, the religious leaders of His day grew to hate enough to kill Him. Pontus Pilot was afraid when he heard that Jesus' kingdom was not of this world. Would most people want to hear that they are sinners and are need of repentance and forgiveness? Would society want to hear that much of what we accept today is against the message of Christ and the Old Testament and the law He came to keep

perfectly? I think today we would be much quicker in crucifying Him or finding another way to silence Him.

Sin has not changed in two thousand years. We are conceived in sin and the Old Adam in us is alive and well. We are complacent and content as we are. Christ's message stirs us to repentance and to action. The message we heard at Easter is that we are need of a Savior, and that Christ came into the world to save us from sin, death and the devil. The Sundays after Easter focus on the resurrected Lord and His ascension. In that way, we are like the people of the first century.

Pastor Daene



Happy Mother's Day To all the Mother's and Mother's to be Happy Mother's Day

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May 26



Special points of interest:

- May Day, May 1
- LWML Zone Gathering,, May 3 @ 9:30 am
- Mother's Day, May 11th
- Church Council, May 18, at 11:00 a.m
- LWGS Meeting, May 19 at 11:00 a.m.
- Memorial Day, May 26, 2025

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Church Council Highlights ~~

Good Shepherd Church Council met on April 11 with the following Council members attending: Kevin Weber, Johannah Weber-Pollert; Gerda Martin, Doug Stahl, Randy Powers, Pastor Daene, Pat Haugh, Heidi Baca, Linda Boxdorfer, Larry Hill, Amy Houck, Brian Walker, and Rose Krimmel. Absent was Troy.Johnson.

Brian called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and asked Pastor to say a blessing.

Johannah, Secretary, presented the minutes from the March meeting and they were reviewed. Being no changes, they were approved.

Rose, Financial Secretary, presented her report of the Offerings and other income for the month of March as \$15,621.51. It was suggested that we start putting in the bulletin the income and expenses for the previous month. This will be started soon. Larry, Treasurer, stated the expenses for March were \$16,030.60.

Pastor Daene reported that we had six ser-

vices in March (Ash Wednesday was March 5); He did nine Bible studies; one visit; five Counseling sessions; one Shutin visit; one Hospital visit; and four Confirmation classes. The Sunday morning Bible Class is studying Exodus and the Thursday morning Men's Bible Study is studying Ezra.

Deacons-Kevin-No report

Trustees—Troy—absent—to email report. Heidi, Christian Education, stated that during March the preschool class studied the New Testament and the middle school class studied Confirmation lessons. Linda Haddock continues to lead Children's Church on non-communion Sundays. They are planning on VBS to be on June 13-15th this year.

Linda, Missions, reported that do to lack of interest the Ride to Church has be cancelled. They will promote the services on facebook to shut-ins. Linda has been visiting our members that are unable to attend church. In March we donated 85 pounds of canned fruit and vegetables.

Gerda & Amy, Board of Fellowship-Special Events, stated they have resigned and will not be attending Council meetings. A suggestion was made that with the large attendance we have when the Community band is here, to form a committee to handle the arrangements.

Randy, Member-at-Large, reported there were ninety-two people here when the Community Band played on April 10th. Unfinished business—The doorbells are on the three sets of double doors. They will be locked five minutes after the service starts. Ring the bell and it will notify the deacon in charge that someone wants to enter the building. They will proceed to the door and let them in. This is a safety measure. Any questions, speak with a deacon.

Meeting was adjourned by saying the Lords Prayer.

LWGS ~~

Hello Ladies ~

We have been busy preparing to host the LWML groups from our Zone on May 3rd. We hope to have some of you able to attend. It is from 9:30—1:30ish. If you have not attended a Zone meeting, they are very interesting and you get to talk with ladies from the other Lutheran churches in our Zone about the things they do for their church and community. Hope to see you attend. May meeting is on the 19th.

Bible Readings for May

May 1—Hosea 8-14; May 2—Isaiah 28-30; May 3—Isaiah 31-34; May 4—Isaiah 35-36; May 5—Isaiah 37-39, Psalm 76; May 6—Isaiah 40-43; May 7—Isaiah 44-48; May 8—2 Kings 18:9-37, 19:1-37, Psalm 46, 80, 135; May 9—Isaiah 49-53; May 10—Isaiah 54-58; May 11—Isaiah 59-63; May 12—Isaiah 64-66; May 13— 2 Kings 20-21; May 14—2 Chronicles 32 -33; May 15—Nahum 1-3; May 16—2 Kings 22-23, 2 Chronicles 34-35; May 17—Zephaniah 1-3; May 18—Jeremiah 1 -3; May 19—Jeremiah 4-6; May 20— Jeremiah 7-9; May 21—Jeremiah 10— 13; May 22—Jeremiah 14-17; May 23— Jeremiah 18-22; May 24—Jeremiah 23-25; May 25—Jeremiah 26-29; May 26 -Jeremiah 30-31; May 27—Jeremiah 32-34; May 28—Jeremiah 35-37; May 29— Jeremiah 38-40, Psalm 74, 79; May 30— 2 Kings 24-25, 2 Chronicles 36; May 31—Habakkuk 1-3.

Care & Concern ~~



Sympathy and Praers: To Amy Houck and family on the passing of her father, Robert Ball. Remember in your prayers: Pastor Daene, comfort and healing; Bret Harrell, cancer

treatment; Kent Krimmel, healing, strength & comfort; Mary Carver, healing and comfort; Linda Nentrup, healing and comfort; Ellie, cancer; Barbara Lembke, healing, & comfort; Jennifer Fugate, can cer; Mike Driver, rehab for heart problems; Jon Clark, healing & comfort; Craig Fouts, stage 4 cancer; Steve Compton, strength & healing; Brandon Rice, brain tumor; Isch family, prayers in their time of need; Jeff Hawkins, strength and comfort; Raymond Kinnan, strength and comfort; Gerda Martin, health issues; Julie Ploss, strength, healing and comfort; Eleanor Coner, strength, healing and comfort; Joyce Thompson, strength & comfort; Steve Clodfelter and family, Parkinson's; Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease.



NEWS OF THE FLOCK



MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/1 Debra Pahl 5/6 Duane Stahl 5/7 Kristina Bauman, Ed Morrow 5/9 Heather Pahl 5/13 Hannah Hughes 5/16 Gemma Hedrick 5/20 Debra Holmes 5/26 Camren Stahl 5/28 Tracy Rakow



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

5/2 Vic & Helen Rinehart 5/15 Doug & Trella Stahl 5/22 Troy & Tammy Williams 5/28 Chris & Deanna Poe 5/31 Paul & Betty Cox

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

Try using our Birthday & Anniversary calen-

dar 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 Vacant, Board of Stewardship Heidi Baca, Board of Education Michelle Walker, Board of Missions, Vacant, Board of Fellowship Randy Powers, Member at Large Doug Stahl, Member at Large

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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 and 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 list. There is power in prayer and let the pastor and the prayer list join you in your *time of need or thanksgiving. Simply go to* www.gslcfranklin.org and hit the Prayer Request button.