

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Weekly Announcements

WELCOME: May God bless you as we worship together. At our Sunday Service we ask that you please complete one of the beige cards located on the back of the pews and place the completed card in the offering plate so that we have record of your attendance today. At our Saturday service and upon entering the Nave, one of our ushers will hand you a blue card with the service bulletin. At the Eucharist, if you are unable to come to the Altar Rail to receive, simply **notify one of our ushers and the Altar Servers and Pastor will bring communion to you.**

OFFICE HOURS: Parish Office hours are **9 AM - 3 PM, Monday through Thursday.** The Office is **closed** on **Friday.** You may contact Pastor Jim by phone or email: cell **231.468.9155**; home **231.425.4197**; **JamesFriesner@gmail.com.**

A SHARED EXPERIENCE: As we begin a new church year this weekend, we also begin what hopefully will become a tradition at Good Shepherd — music shared between our contemporary and traditional Eucharists. The goal is to include one hymn or song each season that is sung both on Saturday night and on Sunday morning. And so, we gather this Advent at all of our services singing “Shine On Us,” a prayerful song by composers Michael W. Smith and Deborah Smith. During these four weeks, as the daylight seems to flee away and our souls long ever more deeply for the coming of the Son, we sing, “Lord, let the light of your face shine upon us that we may be saved, that we may have life, to find our way in the darkest night.” And in singing, may we find ourselves drawn ever more closely together as God’s people in this place.

SYMPATHY: Our sympathies are extended to Gary Hansen whose brother Richard recently passed away. We also offer our sympathies to Judy Shively whose son Rick, also Sue Majkszak’s brother, passed away recently. Our prayers are with all of you and your families.

TEAM JESUS UPDATE: Team Jesus Project #3 is coming to a close soon. This project is to benefit Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center in Manistee & will include not only our cash donation but the many items in the Narthex that have been donated for new babies & new moms. To date, \$1828.01 has been donated. It’s amazing how our spare change & dollar bills add up. THANK YOU!

The passing of the Team Jesus buckets for the Lighthouse project will end on **December 15 & 16.** The donated items will be taken to the Lighthouse Center soon after that weekend. Team Jesus Project #4 will be announced in December and will roll out in January, 2019. Our spare change and dollar bills are making a difference in our community and the world! The Stewardship Committee thanks you for being a blessing to others less fortunate.

POINSETTIAS: As we get ready to adorn the Church with greenery and poinsettias, we’d like to offer you the opportunity to donate toward the poinsettias in honor or in memory of a loved one. Their names will then be printed in the Christmas bulletins. Please see the green bulletin insert.

GOOD SHEPHERD KNITTERS: On the table in the Narthex are kits with donated yarn and instructions for baby hats & baby shawls. When finished, the hats & shawls will be sent to Lighthouse Pregnancy Center with the monetary gift GSLC is collecting with our noisy offering. Questions? Contact **Elaine McWatt @ 231.723.4083.**

FREE: There are two sofas (not the floral ones) located downstairs in the corner room that are free for the taking. Additionally, the large desk outside the Corinthians Room is also free for the taking.

THE ETERNAL LIGHT: Is given to the Glory of God in memory of Chuck Gossett. The candle is given by the Gossett family.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Sunday, December 2 at 11:10 AM.

MEN’S BREAKFAST: Tuesday, December 4 at 8 AM at the House of Flavors.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY: The last bible study of the year will be **Tuesday, December 4 at 6:30 PM.** Study will resume in **March, 2019.**

COOKIES: Cookie season is upon us! Once again, Good Shepherd will be providing cookies & holiday cheer at West Shore Bank (across the street from A & W) on **Friday, December 7 from 9am-5pm** in exchange for a generous \$500 donation to the Church. There’s a sheet on the podium where you can sign up to bring cookies or host the table at the bank. Please let us know how you can help!

QUILTERS: Quilters meet on **Friday, December 7 at 10 AM.**

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Sunday, December 9 at 11:10 AM.

STEWARDSHIP: Meets Tuesday, December 11 at 8 AM.

PROPERTY: Meets Tuesday, December 11, at 3 PM.

WORSHIP: Meets Tuesday , December 11 at 7 PM.

OUTREACH: Meets Thursday, December 13 at 6 PM and is in need of members.

DARTBALL: Next game is on Thursday, December 13 at 7:30 PM in Norwalk.

FAITH LIKE A CHILD: Good Shepherd's little ones are invited to celebrate Jesus's birthday on Friday, December 14 from 6-7:30 PM.

YOUTH GROUP: Meets on Friday, December 14 from 6-7:30 PM.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: Takes place on Saturday, December 15 followed by Christmas Cheer.

AA MEETINGS: Meets here in our building on: Monday and Wednesday @ Noon, Tuesday and Friday @8 PM.

PRAYERS: *"Let my prayer be as the evening sacrifice that burns like fragrant incense, rising as my offering to you as I lift up my hands in surrendered worship!"*

Audrey Ann Amburgey	Marion Hilliard	Judy Pefley
Shirley Blakeslee	Lea Illig	Jane Reeves, daughter of
Doris Bowling	John K.	Bob & Ruth Skiera
Jackie Burmeister	Rick Kaminski	Rick Shively
Paul Byro	Ed Knaffle	Dale & Laura Shoemaker
Emma Carey	Betty Lytle	Randy Skiera
Diana Dutkavich	Tom Mateer	Bill Smith
Tom Dutkavich	Anthony Metiva	Dale Sparks
Tom Dutkavich, Jr.	Tammy Sue Metiva	Laura Stefanski
Marc Edmondson	Phyllis Miller	Mark Steigenga
Jim Friesner, Sr.	Barb & Norm Olson	Bob Tobey
Rick & Terry Guthridge	Donna O'Rorke	The family of Rick Shively
Gary Hansen	Heather P.	The family of Richard Hansen

Alana Bergstrom, James Dutkavich, and Thomas Dutkavich III and all our troops serving in the military. All the suffering, sick, shut-in, grieving, and homeless. If there are any changes to the prayer list, please contact Pr. Jim or the Parish Office.

SERVING Advent 1 December 1 & 2, 2018

CELEBRANT: *The Rev. Dr. Jas. Friesner, Jr.*

CONTEMPORARY: Saturday 5:30 PM

TRADITIONAL: Sunday 9:30 AM

MUSIC:	Saturday	Praise Band	ALTAR GUILD:	Mary Gossett, Dolores Widgren
	Sunday	Mark Steigenga	ACOLYTE:	Saturday
USHERS:	Saturday	Jim Wojciechowski		Sunday
	Sunday	John & Sandy Kuenzli	FRIENDSHIP	Saturday Meal
GREETER:	Saturday	Scott Brown	SUPPER:	
	Sunday	Marge Johnson	FELLOWSHIP	Sunday The Wolvertons
READER:	Saturday	Laurie Seidelman	COFFEE:	
	Sunday	Angela Caro		

SERVING Advent 2, December 8 & 9, 2018

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	Sunday	Teresa Miller, Dennis Mikula	FRIENDSHIP	Saturday Meal
GREETER:	Saturday	Scott Brown	SUPPER:	
	Sunday	Dolores Widgren	FELLOWSHIP	Sunday John & Sandy Kuenzli
READER:	Saturday	Karen Skiera	COFFEE:	Denny & Sandy Mikula
	Sunday	Norma Friesner		