

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Weekly Announcements  
Digital Version

**OFFICE HOURS:** The Parish office is open from **9 AM - 3 PM, Monday through Thursday**. The office is **closed on Friday**. Although the entrance to the Church is locked, you are always welcome to call the office at 231-723-7161 during office hours or email us at [gslc49660@gmail.com](mailto:gslc49660@gmail.com) for assistance.

**IN-PERSON SERVICES:** In-person services have resumed. Masks and social distancing are required. There will be no group singing.

**ONLINE SERVICE:** Here is a link to the service for the weekend of December 19 & 20 : [Fourth Sunday of Advent](#). To view the accompanying bulletin [click here](#). Good Shepherd's recorded services are posted & archived on our website. To view any of our archived services, go to <https://www.gslcman.org/>, scroll down, then click on the service you'd like to view.

**COMMUNION:** Contactless communion will continue to be available on **Saturdays between 11 AM and noon through December 26**.

**OFFERINGS:** Electronic giving is available on the Good Shepherd website, <https://www.gslcman.org/>. Click on the "Support God's Work at Good Shepherd" box and follow the instructions. You are also welcome to mail your offerings to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, PO Box 157, Manistee, MI 49660.

**SYMPATHIES:** It is with great sadness that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church announces the passing of our pastor, The Rev. Dr. James L. Friesner Jr., on Tuesday, December 15. On behalf of the Council and congregation of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, we want to express our deepest sympathy and condolences to his wife Norma, all of Pastor Jim's family, and his many friends. Our heartfelt prayers are with you as we mourn his passing together and celebrate his life and legacy. May Pastor Jim rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon him.

A funeral service for Pastor Jim is scheduled for **1 PM on Tuesday, December 15**. There will be visitation prior to the service between the hours of **11 AM and 1 PM**. Please wear a mask. You can view Pastor Jim's obituary here: [Till We Meet Again](#).

**ETERNAL LIGHT:** Is given in memory of and in honor of Pastor Jim Friesner.

**FROM THE NALC:** The North American Lutheran Church presents, *Prepare the Way of the Lord*, an Advent devotional booklet for 2020. You can read or download the booklet on this web page: <https://thenalc.org/advent-devotional-2020/>. You can also sign up to receive text or email messages with the daily devotions. The booklet was created by The Rev. Dr. Dan Selbo, bishop of the NALC and The Rev. Dr. David Wendel, NALC assistant to the bishop for ministry and ecumenism, to deepen your journey through advent and with hope that those who do not have a practice of daily devotions may find them a useful tool in developing this holy habit that may continue long after Christmas.

**WOMEN OF THE NALC:** The November/December edition of the Women of the NALC's newsletter is available for viewing here: [Chair's Corner](#).

**COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, December 22 at 6:30 PM.**

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: Thursday, December 24 at 8 PM.**

Contributions  
September 1 - 30, 2020  
\$7251.32

Contributions  
October 1 - 31, 2020  
\$14,533.52

Contributions  
November 1 - 30, 2020  
\$7670.00

**PRAYERS:** For all the suffering, sick, shut-in, grieving, homeless, and those serving in the military, including Alana Bergstrom, James Dutkavich, Thomas Dutkavich III, and Spencer Linke.

*If there are any changes to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.*

Alan & Louise	Pat Garber	Lois Rosenow
Audrey Ann Amburgey	Terry Guthridge	Vickee Sawhill
Leona Amerell	Marian Hilliard	Benjamin Schultz
Austin	Lea Illig	Dale & Laura Shoemaker
Olive Baker	Eric Johnson	Karen Skiera
Jack Bauman	Rick Kaminski	Randy Skiera
Kelly Bjorkquist	Carol Krull	Bill Smith
Bob	Al Kukla	Dale Sparks
Keith Brown	Betty Lytle	Laura Stefanski
Martha Brown	Jon Madsen	Mark Steigenga
Jackie Burmeister	Debra McCann-Thomas	Steven
Aiden Chambers	Pat McGinnis	Melissa Taylor
Cora Brinkley Cook	Anthony Metiva	Bob Tobey
Dave	Tammy Sue Metiva	Robert (RT) Williams
Diana Dutkavich	Phillis Miller	The family of Shirley Blakeslee
Tom Dutkavich	Pat Murdock	The family of Pastor Jim Friesner
Tom Dutkavich, Jr.	Nicole	The family of Joan Jensen
Marc Edmondson	Norm Olson	The family of Ed Knaffle
AJ Epperson	Terry & Rose Pierson	The family of Donna O'Rorke
Jane Fortier	Jane Reeves	The family of Irma Thompson
Jim Friesner, Sr.		

**SERVING Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**December 19 & 20, 2020**

**CELEBRANT:** *The Rev. Jody Bambas*

**Saturday**      **5:30 PM**  
**Sunday**        **9:30 AM**

**MUSIC:**      **Saturday**    Kasey Briske  
                  **Sunday**      Mark Steigenga

**GREETER:**    **Saturday**  
                  **Sunday**

**USHER:**        **Saturday**  
                  **Sunday**      Mary Gossett

**READERS:**    **Saturday**    Gary Schlinkert  
                  **Sunday**      Donna Meduna

**ALTAR GUILD:** Linda Young, Beth Schlinkert

**SERVING First Sunday of Christmas**  
**December 26 & 27, 2020**

**CELEBRANT:** *The Rev. Jody Bambas*

**Saturday**      **5:30 PM**  
**Sunday**        **9:30 AM**

**MUSIC:**      **Saturday**    Kasey Briske  
                  **Sunday**      Mark Steigenga

**GREETER:**    **Saturday**  
                  **Sunday**      Sandy Kuenzli

**USHER:**        **Saturday**  
                  **Sunday**

**READERS:**    **Saturday**  
                  **Sunday**      Mary Gossett

**ALTAR GUILD:** Linda Young, Beth Schlinkert