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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR**

Dear Members and friends;

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

I am reminded of Psalm 133 where David says, “How pleasant it is for us to live together in unity!” Saint Paul reminded us that there is one baptism, one Lord, one faith, and our good and gracious God who is in all and through all. Sometimes the world seems a little nutty, but I am reminded often of what is really important. Love your family and friends. Do what you can each day to make the world around you a little better. Be kind and gracious to others, just as our Lord has been kind and gracious to us. Why, if everyone did this, there just might be a little less nuttiness in our world.

This is my encouragement for us all. Things will happen that we do not like. Focus instead on the good things our Lord has placed around us. We live in a pretty amazing place and there is beauty everywhere your eye turns. This is why we have the reminder to rejoice and be glad in this day which our Lord has given us. May you day and all the days ahead be focused upon our good and gracious Lord who has already provided for our every need. Be blessed and know that you are a blessing in this community which we call Good Shepherd!

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Greene



## AROUND THE PARISH



**OFFICE HOURS:** The Parish office is open from **9 AM - 3 PM, Monday through Thursday**. The office is **closed on Friday**. The entrance to the Church is now open during office hours.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** Good Shepherd no longer has a post office box. Please send all mail to the Church at **521 Cypress Street** where it will be delivered to a secure mailbox.

**IN-PERSON SERVICES:** Good Shepherd invites you to join us for in-person services at **5:30 PM on Saturdays and 10:30 AM on Sunday mornings**. Masks are optional at services and pews will no longer be cordoned off.

**ONLINE SERVICE:** Good Shepherd's weekly recorded service as well as its accompanying bulletin can be found on the homepage of our website, <https://www.gslcman.org/>. Archived recordings of services are also available when you click on "Video & Bulletin" at the top of the homepage.

**OFFERINGS:** Electronic giving is available on the Good Shepherd website, <https://www.gslcman.org/>. Click on "Support God's Work at Good Shepherd" and follow the instructions. You are also welcome to mail your offerings to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 521 Cypress Street, Manistee, MI 49660.

**SIGNING IN:** New sign up sheets have been placed at the podiums at the entrance of the Church for those attending services. These sheets will take the place of attendance cards.

**COMMUNION:** If you would like to have communion brought to you at home, feel free to call the office.

**SHEP'S CUPBOARD:** Is open for food donations.

**FACILITY USAGE:** Good Shepherd is now open to members using the building for single use events. For now, facility usage will be limited to the Unity

Room and the restrooms off of the west hallway. If you are interested in scheduling an event, stop by or call the office to obtain a request form.

**FREE PIANO:** The Yamaha piano in the Unity Room is looking for a new home and/or a new purpose. Full disclosure: it does not hold a tune. If you are interested in giving it a new life, please call the office.

**BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 10:30 AM and Sundays at 9 AM.** However, there will be no Bible study on **Wednesday, August 4** when Pastor Greene will be attending Lutheran Week..

**ACCELERATED CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Wednesdays at 7 PM.**

**PRAISE BAND:** Rehearses on **Thursdays at 7 PM.**

**YOUTH GROUP:** Will not be meeting during the summer.

**LUTHERAN WEEK: August 2 through August 6 in Corpus Christi, Texas.**

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE:** Meets on **Tuesday, August 10 at 3 PM.**

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE:** Will meet on **Wednesday, August 11 at 8 PM.**

**QUILTERS:** Will meet on Friday, August 13 at 10 AM.

**CONGREGATION MEETING: Saturday, August 21 & Sunday, August 22.** Included on the agenda will be the election of three council members & the revision of GSLC's constitution. If you'd like to read the draft of the proposed constitution you can pick up a copy from the welcome desk, call or drop by the office for a copy, or read it on our website.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, August 23 at 6:30 PM.**

**COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, August 24 at 6:30 PM.**

**FUNERAL SERVICE:** For Ed Knaffle at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on **Saturday, August 28.** Please see page 4 for details.

**REMINDER:** All are welcome to attend committee & council meetings, join the quilters, partake in Bible study, sing in the choir, and/or play in the band. Just join in.

# THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

## Rest in Peace

*“We have once again been reminded that  
we have not here an abiding city.”*

### **Ed Knaffle**

A funeral service for long-time congregant, Ed Knaffle, who passed away on July 13 of 2020, will take place on Saturday, August 28 at 11 AM at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service and a luncheon will follow.

### **Bernadine Gehopolis**

Passed away on June 26 2021 in Zeeland, MI. A graveside service was held on July 10 at Oak Grove Cemetery.

### **Dennis Skiera**

Brother of Bob Skiera passed away on July 3.

A memorial service for Dennis will take place on Monday, August 30 at Herbert Funeral Home. Visitation begins at 11 AM followed by a celebration of Dennis' life at noon.

### **James Friesner, Sr.**

Father of the late Pastor Jim Friesner, Jr., passed away on July 11.

A funeral service was held on July 15 in Newark, Ohio.

*“May God grant peace to their memory, comfort to their families,  
and grace to us all as we seek to live our lives to God’s glory.”*

## Prayers for Parish members, family, & friends

Allan & Louise  
Austin

Olive Baker

Jack Bauman

Kelly Bjorkquist

Bob

Keith Brown

Jackie Burmeister

Aiden Chambers

Cora Brinkley Cook

Diana Dutkavich

Tom Dutkavich

Tom Dutkavich, Jr.

Marc Edmondson

AJ Epperson

Pat Garber

Terry Guthridge

Gerald Graham

Marion Hilliard

Lea Illig

Eric Johnson

Rick Kaminski

Carol Krull

Betty Lytle

Jon Madsen

Mark Masters

Debra McCann-Thomas

Pat McGinnis

Anthony Metiva

Phyllis Miller

Pat Murdock

Nicole

Norm Olson

Terry & Rose Pierson

Jane Reeves

Benjamin Schultz

Judie Shively

Dale & Laura Shoemaker

Karen Skiera

Randy Skiera

Bill Smith

Dale Sparks

Laura Stefanski

Mark Steigenga

Robert (RT) Williams

The family of Tarry Bouma

The family of Jane Fortier

The family of Pr. Jim Friesner

The family of Jim Friesner, Sr.

The family of Joan Jensen

The family of Ed Knaffle

The family of Tammy Metiva

The family of Jeanne Nowak



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

## PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

**Manistee County Medical Care** 1505 Parkdale Avenue  
Leona Amerell

**Green Acres Retirement Community** 1835 12th Street  
Audrey Ann Amburgey, Al Kukla

**The Solberg Family Home** 2028 Kemmer Road  
Martha Brown

### **Prayers for those in the military**

Alana Bergstrom, James Dutkavich, Thomas Dutkavich III, Spencer Linke  
and all those who are serving or have served.

## PARISH ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

Aug 7 & 8	Ann Ziehm, Linda Young
Aug 14 & 15	Mary Gossett, Jean Schwerin
Aug 21 & 22	Beth Schlinkert, Micheal Amor
Aug 28 & 29	Mary, Gossett, Sharon Hayden

*Memorials were given in July in the name of*

**Bernadine Gehopolos**

**&**

**Bob and Ruth Tobey**

# PARISH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## August Birthdays

- 3 Karen Larson
- 3 Pr. Philip Nordstrand
- 4 Trevor Mikula
- 5 Jack Bjorkquist
- 5 Harold Lytle Sr.
- 6 Jeff Pefley
- 6 Debbie Thomas
- 10 Marilyn Dugall
- 13 Randy Skiera
- 15 Lindsay Lange
- 18 Shanna Tetzlaff



- 22 Paul Bosschem
- 23 Coby Lange
- 24 Gary Lange
- 26 Joshua Larson
- 29 Tom Dutkavich
- 30 Carl Loftis
- 30 Lois Schultz



## August Anniversaries

- 17 Jack & Janice Bjorkquist
- 24 Terry & Debbie Anderson
- 24 Dawn & Scott Brown
- 25 Bob & Becky Wurstner
- 29 Marcel & Candy Wittlieff
- 28 Bob & Ruth Skiera
- 30 John & Karen Yakimow

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
**Minutes of Tuesday, June 22, 2021 Council Meeting**  
*Approved 7/27/21*

**Our Mission:** To be followers of Jesus Christ by sharing God’s grace and forgiveness through our loving witness and service for all.

**Our Vision:** To be a congregation where God’s grace and forgiveness are experienced, where all gather in love to serve the Lord, and where all witness to their faith in Jesus Christ.

Devotions/Prayer by Pastor Jeffray Greene

Call to Order at 6:33 by Jackie Harms.

Present: Carl Loftis, Pastor Greene, Dennis Mikula, Paul Bosschem, Walt Seideman, Beth Schlinkert, Sharon Hayden, Debbie Hansen, Missy Amor, Jackie Harms, Ruth Skiera, Linda Young.

Motion by Sharon Hayden to approve the agenda with the addition of “benevolences” and “pay bills” in “Financial Matters” and “pastor’s money” in Old Business. Second by Dennis Mikula.

Motion by Missy Amor to approve Proposed Minutes of May 18, 2021 Council meeting. Second by Beth Schlinkert.

Financial Matters

Motion to approve Treasurer’s Report by Dennis Mikula. Second by Walt Seidelman.

Motion by Deb Hansen to pay the bills. Second by Sharon Hayden.

Motion to pay the benevolences by Walt Seidelman. Second by Missy Amor.

Pastor’s Report

Good Shepherd is almost ready to stream services. A second camera near the altar is suggested.

Review of policies and procedures.

Pastor Greene will be attending Lutheran Week in August.



## Reports of the Committees

Finance Committee Report

## Reports of the Special Committees, Task Groups, Boards, Organizations, and Auxiliaries

### Constitution Draft:

Recommends a change to 9 Council members

Recommends a change from 9 Call Committee members to 7

Recommends a quorum be 1/3 of voting members

Motion by Walt Seidelman to publish the constitution draft as well as the current constitution on GSLC website. Second by Beth Schlinkert.

Copies of Constitution drafts to be made available on the welcome desk. Will also be announced in the weekly announcements and in the July newsletter that copies of the draft are available.

## Old Business

Monthly calls to the congregation will be discontinued for now. A Call Committee has been formed. Its members are Tom Amor, Sandra Zupin, Sandy Kuenzli, Terry Anderson, Amy Wojciechowski, Bob Skiera, & Gary Schlinkert.

Capital Spending: Money for updating technology infrastructure to be taken out of designated funds rather than general funds.

## New Business

Council members Dennis Mikula, Paul Bosschem, and Jackie Harms, whose terms are expiring in August, are willing to take on new 3-year terms.

Request by Pastor Jody Bambas to use the Fellowship Hall for a 4 ½ day Healing School event in September. (See attached flyer.) Susan will get specific dates.

## Communications & Public Comments

Thank you letter from the NALC.

Discussion on guidelines for being on the prayer list.

Motion by Dennis Mikula to adjourn. Second by Walt Seidelman.

Meeting adjourned with a prayer at 7:45.

# THANK YOU NOTES

Ladies (Quilters),

Thank you for the beautiful quilt! The colors are soothing and beautiful. The quilt matches our home coplors and I love it. Thank you for sharing your generosity and talents!

*-Love, Lorene*

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Dear Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your donation to Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center!

We are seeing more and more folks now that Covid numbers have decreased and we are able to once again welcome children and family members into the Center. It is wonderful to be able to share more of the resources we have been given and encourage and pray with the clients fae to face. Thank you for helping us keep the doors open to those in our community!

*God Bless, Sherry*

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I want to thank each and every one of you for your prayers and well wishes. I received my new kidney on Father's Day and am at home healing up. I am making great progress. A special prayer and thank you to the family over in Wisconsin who had to make the decision to let their loved one go so others could receive the gift of life. My successful transplant was the 2738th Successful one at Mercy Hospital in Grand Rapids.

*-Dale Sparks*

And the peace of *God*,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
will guard your hearts and your minds in *Christ Jesus*.

*-Philippians 4:7*



*You are a child of God,  
you are wonderfully made,  
dearly loved,  
and precious in his sight.*

*Psalm 139*

Blessings to Evelyn Boss  
who was baptized at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
on Sunday, July 11, 2021  
and to her parents, Ryan Boss & Colleen Bartell

Just one more reminder....

Please join us at the  
**Congregation Meeting**  
on  
August 21 after the 5:30 PM service  
&  
August 22 after the 10:30 AM service

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### Traditional Eucharist

*Sundays at 10:30 am*

### Contemporary Eucharist

*Saturdays at 5:30 pm*