

*Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR**

Dear Members and friends of Good Shepherd:

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

What's in a name? We couldn't ask to live a better life than to be a fellowship of the Good Shepherd. My welcome here has been wonderful and I am thankful to be in your midst as a little shepherd being guided by the Good Shepherd. Together, I pray we will discern what the Lord has in mind for us. If we keep our eyes upon Him, listen as the Holy Spirit speaks, we will be directed right to the place where He wants us to be.

What is an intentional interim? More than just filling the pastor role during a time of transition, it is a time where there is intentional reflection on where we have been with a prayerful eye on where we are heading. After this past year with the pandemic, every congregation could probably use a little intentionality while looking forward. No, there's nothing wrong with us, but this is a time to regroup, reflect, prepare, and get ready for the future the Lord has planned. I am praying the Lord will bring the perfect match for you to have a long and illustrious time with your next called pastor. Remember, the Lord is also preparing the heart of the One He has in mind who will come and serve you.

In one sense, after a year of the pandemic, understanding the job before me is easier than in normal times (what are those?). We need to get up and running. As I say this, I am also aware of the

many places where people are with their own concerns. With sensitivity and a willingness to work together, we'll get going again. It's way to early for a time-line, but it is never to early to begin preparing. If you are comfortable and feel safe being around others (some are not), you are more than welcome to join in as we open up more and more opportunities to be involved in the life and mission of Good Shepherd.

The Holy Spirit of the Lord is here and He loves all who gather in His name. May we always be reminded that the Good Shepherd is with us always and is leading the way through whatever may come.

Your servant of the Good Shepherd,  
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**. Although the entrance to the Church is now 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 or for entry into the building.

**NOTICE TO ALL COMMITTEES, GROUPS, CONGREGATION MEMBERS:** The Church building is now open to small groups. Please sanitize your hands when you come in. Masks are expected as is social distancing. There is also a sign-in sheet at the entrance where you should sign in and state the room(s) you are using. All congregation members are asked to sanitize the areas they have touched. Also, Good Shepherd now has its own Zoom account if you would like to set up a virtual meeting.

**RECORDED SERVICE:** Will continue to be available each week.

**COMMUNION:** Communion will continue to be distributed by Eucharistic Ministers between **11 AM and 12 noon on Saturdays.**

**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, 521 Cypress Street, Manistee, MI 49660.

**MIDWEEK SERVICES:** Will continue every **Wednesday at 12: 10 PM** throughout the season of Lent.

**LENTEN SOUP LUNCH:** Soup lunches will continue to be available after midweek services for dine-in or take-out through March 24. Dining will take place in the Unity room. Masks and social distancing are expected. Or, you can get your soup to go.

**RESCHEDULED ANNUAL MEETING:** **Sunday, March 7 after the 10:30 AM service.**

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE:** Meets on **Monday, March 8 at 6:30 PM.**

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE:** Meets on **Tuesday, March 9 at 3 PM.**

**DAYLIGHT SAVING:** Spring forward on **Sunday, March 14.**

**BIBLE STUDY:** Begins on Wednesday, March 17 at 10:30 AM **in the** Unity room. Please bring a Bible.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** **Monday, March 22 at 6:30 PM.**

**COUNCIL MEETING:** **Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 PM.**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Can Good Shepherd keep in touch with you by email? If you'd like to receive messages from Good Shepherd and links to online services, please send your email address to [gslc49660@gmail.com](mailto:gslc49660@gmail.com).

## THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

### Rest in Peace

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

*“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.”*

## 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.

## Prayers for Parish members, family, & friends

Allan & Louise  
Austin  
Olive Baker  
Jack Bauman  
Tom Bambase  
Kelly Bjorkquist  
Bob  
Keith Brown  
Jackie Burmeister  
Aiden Chambers  
Cora Brinkley Cook  
Dave  
Diana Dutkavich  
Tom Dutkavich  
Tom Dutkavich, Jr.  
Marc Edmondson  
AJ Epperson  
Jane Fortier  
Jim Friesner, Sr.  
Pat Garber  
Terry Guthridge  
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  
Vickee Sawhill  
Benjamin Schultz  
Dale & Laura Shoemaker  
Karen Skiera  
Randy Skiera  
Bill Smith  
Dale Sparks  
Laura Stefanski  
Mark Steigenga  
Melissa Taylor  
Robert (RT) Williams  
The family of Shirley Blakeslee  
The family of Pr. Jim Friesner  
The family of Joan Jensen  
The family of Ed Knaffle  
The family of Tammy Metiva  
The family of Donna O'Rorke  
The family of Lois Rosenow  
The family of Irma Thompson  
The family of Bob Tobey

*Memorials were given in February in  
the name of*

**Bob Tobey**

## **LENTEN DINE-IN OR TAKE-OUT SOUP LUNCHES**

You can enjoy soup every Wednesday after  
Midweek Service through March 24.  
Please sign up at the podium to bring your favorite  
soup or dessert to share with others.

Dining will take place in the Unity Room where  
masks & social distancing are expected.



## **PARISH ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE**

March 7	Mary Gossett, Linda Young
March 14	Linda Young, Mary Gossett
March 21	Mary Gossett, Linda Young
March 28	Beth Schlinkert, Sharon Hayden

# PARISH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## March Birthdays

- 3 Deborah Ziehm
- 3 Bev Peralta
- 10 James Madsen
- 12 Ricky Baker
- 12 Jim Hilliard
- 12 Lea Illig
- 12 Alexis Zupin
- 13 Ethan Illig
- 14 Sue LaPoint
- 15 Mike Ennis
- 16 Dixie Lindroth
- 18 Kylar Thomas
- 19 Patsy Callesen
- 20 Betty Lytle
- 23 Lucas Zupin
- 24 Kim Jankowiak



- 24 Jackie Burmeister
- 25 Marilyn Lague
- 30 Norman Olson
- 30 Jamie Antal

## March Anniversaries

- 4 Terry & Rose Pierson
- 6 Tom & Dianna Dutkavich



# THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Good Shepherd Quilters,

Thank you!

Thank you!

Thank you!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the beautiful & colorful lap quilt! I started using it the day you delivered it. It's a mystery who was so gracious to deliver it to me. The colors in it are so lovely. I have shown it to a few people here & they too thought it was nice of the quilters to remember me. I know the work that goes into making a lap quilt and I appreciate your workmanship.

Things are going well for me out at Solberg's Assisted Living. I enjoy getting the newsletters each month.

Thanks again & happy new year.

Love,

Martha Brown

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Thank you so much for the gift cards. We really had a use for them. Thank you again.

God Bless,

Tom & Lou Ann Zeleneck

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Dear Brothers & Sister in Christ,

Thank you for your generous gift for "Christmas Cheer."

We appreciate your monetary donation and your prayers for LPCC to reach out to young families in need.

Joyce Reed

Board Member of Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center





# **HOLY WEEK**

## **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, March 27, TBA

Sunday, March 28, 10:30 AM

## **Maundy Thursday Service**

April 1 at 7 PM

## **Good Friday Service**

April 2 at 7 PM

## **Easter Vigil**

Saturday, April 3 at 8 PM

## **Easter Worship**

Sunday, April 4 at 10:30 AM

Feast of the Resurrection

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



## Real God, Real Presence, Real People

### Our Mission:

*To be followers of Jesus Christ by sharing God's grace and forgiveness through our loving witness and service to 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.*

Traditional Eucharist

*Sundays at 9:30 am*

Contemporary Eucharist

*Saturdays at 5:30 pm*



# Easter Lilies

If you would like to contribute to our Easter Lilies, please fill in the appropriate spaces and return this form with your donation in the offering basket or to the church office by Palm Sunday. If mailing, send this slip with your donation to Good Shepherd Church, 521 Cypress Street, Manistee, MI 49660.

**Easter Lilies are given.....in Loving Memory of:**

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**OR**

**.....in Thanksgiving for:**

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**By**

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Please print all names (including your name) as you would like them to appear in the insert.