

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

Dear Members and Friends of God Shepherd,

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior, the Good Shepherd, Jesus!

I have continued my strolls in and around Manistee. I have come to love the varied architecture, seasons, history, and culture which has developed here. Unlike some places I lived and served, I very much understand why people chose to live here. It's a lovely place and this congregation is a great place to serve.

I came eighteen months ago to serve as an interim. I first thought I would be here six months, maybe a year. A couple of the council members said, "Eighteen months." Although I have loved the opportunities presented and this community, my time has come to let go, trusting the Lord as you move into the next step of our Lord's plan for you. A year and a half is a long time to be away from my bride and family. It has been a joy, but it has also come at a cost (and one I have willingly born with no regrets). But the time has come. My last Sunday will be Sunday, September 18, nineteenth months to the day after my first day serving here, February 18, 2021.

I pray the Lord will bring a fitting servant to lead you forward and more than that, for this congregation to continue in the good work the Lord has begun in your midst. The Holy Spirit is with you and the Lord has blessed you. I will continue hold up this congregation in my prayers in anticipation of what the Lord will do in the time to come.

Meanwhile, there are still things to do (and things to see on my walks). It is always a joy when God's people work together in harmony.

Your fellow servant in anticipation of what the Lord will do next,  
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**.

**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.

**LIVESTREAMED SERVICES:** Saturday and Sunday services are livestreamed and available for viewing in “real-time” on our Facebook page. The postings of the services will remain on our Facebook page for viewing at a later date/time as well. Links to the services will also be available on our website.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/goodshepherdmanisteemichigan/>

Website: <http://www.gslcman.org/>

**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:** 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.

**HOME VISITS:** If you would like a visit from Pastor Greene and/or have communion brought to you at home, feel free to call the office.

**COMMUNION:** Communion by intinction and sealed communion cups are available at both services.

**BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 10:30 AM and Sundays at 9 AM.**

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

**FELLOWSHIP SUPPERS & POTLUCKS:** After taking a hiatus, Saturday fellow-

ship suppers after Saturday services have officially resumed. There will be light fellowship suppers on the first, second and fourth Saturdays of the month and potluck suppers on the third and fifth Saturdays of the month. All are welcome to provide and/or partake.

**QUILTERS:** Meet on **Fridays, August 5 & August 19, at 10 AM.**

**ONLINE MISSION CONVOCATION:** This year's convocation will be **August 5, 2022, 6-9 p.m. EST.** There is a \$25 charge for delegates but the convocation is free for visitors

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Please join us as we witness the first Communion of Lucas Zupin during the **5:30 service on Saturday, August 6.**

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

**CONGREGATION MEETING:** **Saturday, August 20** after the 5:30 PM service.

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

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

**ALTAR GUILD:** Will meet on **Monday, August 29 at 1 PM.**



**20 MISSION  
22 CONVOCATION**  
AUGUST 5, 2022

**The 2022 Online Mission Convocation will be  
August 5, 6-9 p.m. EST.  
You can register here: [thenalc.org](https://thenalc.org)**

*Please note there is a \$25 charge for delegates.  
The convocation is free for visitors.*

# 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, Jill Lynn and all those who are serving or have served.



# Prayers for Parish members, family, & friends

Allan & Louise  
Steve Allen & Gloria Perkins  
Austin  
Tom Bambas  
Kelly Bjorkquist  
Wendy Brinkley  
Keith Brown  
Aiden Chambers  
Cora Brinkley Cook  
Diana Dutkavich  
Tom Dutkavich  
Tom Dutkavich, Jr.  
Marc Edmondson  
Michael Ennis  
Pat Garber  
Gordon  
Terry Guthridge  
Lois Henderson  
Marion Hilliard  
Lea Illig  
Jackie  
John  
Rick Kaminski  
Mike & Michelle Lange  
Jon Madsen

Mark Masters  
Debra McCann-Thomas  
Pat McGinnis  
Anthony Metiva  
Michael  
Nicole  
Norm Olson  
Terry & Rose Pierson  
Leonard Raczkowski  
Jane Reeves  
Susie Schoenberg  
Dale & Laura Shoemaker  
Amber Skiera  
Karen Skiera  
Randy Skiera  
Bill Smith  
Dale Sparks  
Laura Stefanski  
Mark Steigenga  
Diane Stohner  
Dolores Widgren  
The family of Allen Lorenz  
The family of Elizabeth Smalley  
The family of Robert Williams



*Please call the office at 231-723-7161 with any changes to the prayer list.*

*Welcome!*  
to  
*Ruth Tavalire*

Who was received into membership of  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Saturday, July 9.  
May our Church home strengthen her faith  
and deepen her discipleship.

**PARISH ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE**

August 6 & 7	Linda Young, Tarry Jo Bouma
August 13 & 14	Beth Schlinkert, Karen Larson
August 20 & 21	Linda Young, Tarry Jo Bouma
August 27 & 28	Sharon Hayden, Jean Schwerin

*Congratulations!*  
to  
*Ed & Ruth Peterson*

Who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by renew-  
ing their vows on Saturday, July 30.

"With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with  
one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in  
the bond of peace."

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Karen Larson	3
Pastor Phillip Norstrand	3
Jack Bjorkquist	5
Harold Lytle	5
Tammy Dutkavich	5
Mason Traeger	5
Debbie Thomas	6
Randy Skiera	13
Hailey Zupin	13
Noah Antal	15
Shayna Tetzlaff	16
Shanna Tetzlaff	18
Coby Lange	23
Gary Lange	24
Tom Dutkavich	29
Carl Loftis	30
Lois Schultz	30



## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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



## *Women's Bible Study*

Scheduled to begin in mid-September

Stay tuned for more details.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
**Minutes of Tuesday, June 28, 2022 Council Meeting**  
*Approved 7/26/22*

**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.

Present: Walt Seidelman, Davalyn Hansen, Beth Schlinkert, Linda Young,  
Carl Loftis, Dennis Mikula, Jackie Harms, Micheal Amor, Pastor  
Jeffray Greerne

Absent: Ruth Skiera, Paul Bosschem

Guests: Sheila Wittmer, Amy Wojciechowski, Terry Anderson, Sandy Mikula

Meeting called to order by Jackie Harms at 6:35 PM. Prayer by Pastor  
Greene.

Motion by Dennis Mikula to approve the agenda with the additions of "New  
Member" and "Disaster Relief Fund" to New Business. Second by  
Walt Seidelman. Motion carried.

Motion by Davalyn Hansen to approve the Proposed Minutes of May 24,  
2022 Council Meeting. Second by Beth Schlinkert. Motion carried.

#### Financial Matters

Motion by Dennis Mikula to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by  
Walt Seidelman. Motion carried.

Motion by Carl Loftis to pay the bills. Second by Missy Amor. Motion car-  
ried.

Motion by Walt Seidelman to pay the Benevolences. Second by Dennis  
Mikula. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report submitted.



## Reports of the Committees

- Property Committee continues to be busy. There is now an electrical outlet in the garden closet. Clarence Schultz to return to work on July 27.

Finance Committee report submitted.

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

Amy Wojciechowski reported that the Call Committee continues to interview.

## Old Business

Update by Amy Wojciechowski on the Armory Youth Project's plans for summer camps.

## New Business

The new Constitution states that congregation meetings will no longer be bifurcated between Saturday and Sunday. Rather, congregation meetings will take place on one day and be staggered on either a Saturday or Sunday. There was a motion by Dennis Mikula to schedule the Congregation Meeting for the purpose of council elections for Saturday, August 20, 2022 and schedule the Annual Congregation meeting for a Sunday in January of 2023. Second by Missy Amor. Motion carried.

The terms of Council members Missy Amor, Davalyn Hansen, and Walt Seidelman, are expiring in August. Council members are to come to the next meeting with names of suggested future council members.

Pastor Greene has created an instruction book and will train Council members to stream services and set up Zoom meetings. Council members can then train other volunteers.

Pastor Greene is looking at a possible expiry date in September of 2022.

Pastor Greene motioned to receive Ruth Tavalire as a new member. Second by Beth Schlinkert. Motion carried.

The current Team Jesus project is the Lutheran Veterans Family Ministries and the next project will be NALC Disaster Relief commencing after Veteran's Day. Until that time, Good Shepherd will be collecting items (a different item each week) to put in "flood buckets" that will be donated

to the disaster relief warehouse in Michigan. There was a motion by Carl Loftis to purchase the buckets and a second by Dennis Mikula. Motion carried. Pastor Greene will explain this collection, as well as the collection of bibles, to the congregation at services.

### Communications & Public Comments

Note from Senator Curt VanderWall regarding the quilter’s Texas Star Quilt.

Motion by Dennis Mikula to adjourn the meeting with a second by Carl Loftis. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned with Our Lord’s Prayer at 7:40 PM.

## **CONGREGATION MEETING** **Saturday, August 20** **after the 5:30 pm service**

Per the new Good Shepherd constitution, instead of having congregation meetings over the course of two days, congregation meetings will be scheduled for only one day on a weekend. Thus, this year’s annual congregation meeting for the election of new Council members will take place on **Saturday, August 20th after the 5:30 PM service**. The annual congregation meeting in January will take place after the 10:30 AM Sunday service. This change provides the congregation with the opportunity to gather together as one Church family at least twice a year.

*Please note: This is experimental and can always be changed if it doesn't work out.*

## **NALC DISASTER RELIEF**

Thanks to all who are contributing items for the “flood buckets.” The buckets will soon be on their way to the North American Lutheran Church’s disaster relief warehouse in Owosso, Michigan.

**Still collecting Bibles!** New & used, children’s and teens, Spanish, large print, & prayer books too. You are encouraged to write messages of hope in the front pages of donated Bibles. You can put them in the “Bible Box” in the hallway of Good Shepherd.

## A LETTER FROM MADISON ANTAL

I kept asking my parents about going to church. We went to St. Mary's and I didn't feel like it was the one. My parents took me to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for an Easter egg hunt. After that I kept asking to go back.

One Saturday night we decided to go. My cousins Dawn and Scott were there, the only people we knew. However, that changed very quickly. Everyone was so welcoming, not judgmental, genuinely happy to meet us new people.

Pastor Phillip was the pastor when we joined. He made things very easy getting everything for my brother, my mom and I to get baptized. We all got baptized together. My dad was baptized Catholic but switched to Lutheran with us. We found our church.

I have been an acolyte, nursery worker, helped with vacation bible school and have attended Springhill. I've enjoyed it all.

I had the honor of meeting Pastor Jim and his wife Norma, can't forget Ziggy. I had lots of talks, great advice and many great memories. Anyone that knows my brother, knows he's shy. He followed Pastor Jim around, his little shadow.

Pastor Jim and Norma came to some school functions always with a big smile and a wave.

This is why Good Shepherd is so important to me. I have met some great people. All with open arms. I'm so glad they had that Easter egg hunt.

I graduated from MCC with Beth and Gary, Norma, and Cheryl watching me receive my diploma. Thanks to all the help I received with the scholarships for attending this school. It wasn't always easy but I pulled through. I was having trouble with a subject and Jackie Harms offered to help, and she did. Thanks again, Jackie. I could keep going. So you see, I was just a little girl wanting to find a church. Not only did I find that church, I got a church family.

Thank you Good Shepherd, I have gained so much. Since we joined.

Thank you again,  
Love, Madison

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Traditional Eucharist

*Sundays at 10:30 am*

Contemporary Eucharist

*Saturdays at 5:30 pm*