

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

Dear Members and Friends of Good Shepherd,

Blessings to you always in the grace of our Lord Jesus! You shall remain in my prayers.

When you meet a fork in the road, you take it praying you have gone in the right direction. Of course, as people of faith, we believe there is always grace such that even from our perspective we take a wrong road, we can come through repentance and get back on track. I say this as I prepare for my final few days in the privilege of serving you for nineteen months, praying the right fork in the road I have taken will provide new blessings. I have been blessed to serve some of the saints in Manistee! Temporally, I shall miss you and this lovely place (if even I won't miss it so much in the middle of February – but I will still miss you).

It is not a goodbye. Our faith reminds us that when we part, it is always, "I'll see you later." If not in this world, then in the hope and assurance we have in the truth of Christ's return and the promise of resurrection, in the world to come. You have heard the testimony of faith and the promise I have shared that because Christ lives, we too shall live. I have faith in this and it is my hope. My prayer for everyone I meet is that they will live in the hope and promise of Jesus our Savior.

So, I say to you, "I will see you later."

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.

**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 through September 18.**

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

**QUILTERS:** Meet on **Fridays, September 2 & September 16 at 10 AM.**

**LABOR DAY:** The office will be closed on **Monday, September 5** in observance of Labor Day.

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE:** Meets on **Tuesday, September 13 at 3 PM.**

**WOMEN'S SIX WEEK BIBLE STUDY:** Begins **Thursday, September 15 at 6:30 PM.**

**FAREWELL DINNER:** Join us as we bid adieu to Pastor Greene **after the service on Sunday, September 18.** All food will be provided but please RSVP at the podium so we can make sure there's enough for everyone.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** **Monday, September 26 at 6:30 PM.**

**COUNCIL MEETING:** **Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30 PM.**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister or would like to refresh your training as a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Pastor Greene.

*Join us for a*  
***Farewell Dinner***  
honoring  
***Pastor Jeffray Greene***  
and his service to Good Shepherd

Sunday, September 18 after the 10:30 am service

# 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  
Doug Roosein  
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.*

“Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.”

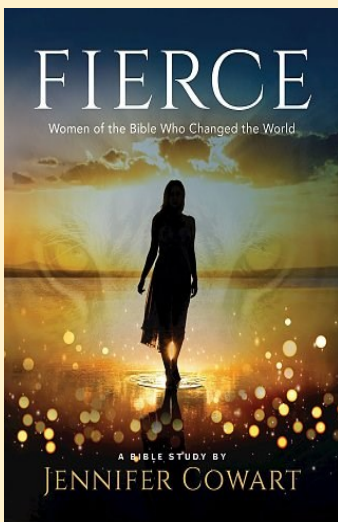
- Colossians 3:23

HAPPY  
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*Labor Day*

### PARISH ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

September 3 & 4	Mary Gossett , Karen Larson
September 10 & 11	Mary Gossett, Ruth Tavalire, Sharon Hayden
September 17 & 18	Mary Gossett, Beth Schlinkert, Deb Hansen
September 24 & 25	Linda Young, Tarry Jo Bouma

*Welcome new Altar Guild members,  
Ruth Tavalire & Deb Hansen!*



6 Week

## *Women's Bible Study*

Begins Thursday, September 15  
@ 6:30 PM  
in the Unity Room

*Books will be available at the first few sessions.*

# PARISH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Janice Bjorkquist	3
Elaine Ritola	3
Laura Shoemaker	9
Leona Amerell	11
Sandra Kuenzli	11
Deborah Tageson	15
Candy Wittlieff	15
Mitchell Ziehm	15
Sharla Tetzlaff	17



Anthony Metiva	21
Sandra Zupin	22
Jason Wojciechowski	23
Mya Ziehm	24
Ruth Skiera	25



## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Tom & Micheal Amor
- 11 Duane & Linda Young

## THANK YOU NOTE

To My Church Family,

I wish to express my appreciation to Pastor Jeffray Greene for his prayers and Communion that he gave to me while I was at the Medical Care and at home during my time recovering from knee surgery. Also for words and cards of comfort from members of Good Shepherd Church and for food brought to me after Sunday Coffee Hour.

May the Lord bless Mark Steigenga for his great music and singing with Church members Happy Birthday to me for my 90th birthday in May. God bless all of you. I keep you all in my prayers daily.

God's Blessings to All of You,

Dolores Widgren

## **NALC DISASTER RELIEF**

Thanks to all who contributed items for the “flood buckets.” The buckets are packed and ready to make their way to the North American Lutheran Church’s disaster relief warehouse in Owosso, Michigan.

### **But that’s not all!**

Good Shepherd collected two boxes of bibles to go to the warehouse as well.

### **And one more thing!**

The Good Shepherd quilters donated six boxes of quilts of various sizes to the warehouse as well. Pray that the warm hug of a homemade quilt provides comfort when and where it’s needed.

## **BOOKSALE**

**Saturday, October 8, 10 AM – 3 PM  
and after services  
on Saturday & Sunday.**

*Book donations can be left outside the  
Church youth office. Contact Paul or Lea  
Illig to pick up your donations.*



# ***Congratulations!***

To new Council members

Ruth Tavalire

Sheila Wittmer



Delegate Report  
2022 Mission Convocation  
Aug. 5, 2022  
Virtual  
Tom and Micheal Amor

Tom and I would like to thank the membership of GSLC for voting us delegates to the NALC Lutheran Convocation. We were voted to attend an in person conference and a virtual conference. It was an honor and a privilege to again represent our church at these convocations.

Since the meeting was virtual, with the exclusion of the voting, many of the presentations were videos. I would highly recommend that everyone watch the Mission Convocation Report. <https://vimeo.com/736980700> It's exciting to see how fast the NALC is growing and all the activities and blessings that are growing with it.

New leaders were elected to serve on the Board of Regents, Executive Council and the Court of Adjudication.

Dr. Luy, the most recent member of the NALS was introduced and gave the opening devotion.

The NALC launched a new initiative called Today, Tomorrow and Forever. *This is the financial component to our strategic plan that will provide the resources needed to turn our God-given Vision into a reality. Through this initiative, we are asking our pastors, congregations, mission districts, and individuals throughout the NALC to step out in faith and to help us raise \$5M above and beyond what we are already expecting to receive through our regular giving over the next three years. All churches will be receiving promotional materials for this initiative.*

The treasurer's report and budget were presented and these can be viewed on the website.

<https://thenalc.org/>

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
**Minutes of Tuesday, July 26, 2022 Council Meeting**  
*Approved 8/23/22*

**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.

Meeting called to order by Jackie Harms at 6:53 PM.

Present: Paul Bosschem, Dennis Mikula, Carl Loftis, Walt Seidelman,  
Beth Schlinkert, Ruth Skiera, Davalyn Hansen, Linda Young, Mi-  
cheal Amor, Jackie Harms. Pastor Jeffray Greene

Guest: Sheila Wittmer

Prayer by Pastor Greene

Motion by Walt Seidelman to approve the agenda with the additions of  
Tuition Assistance and Organist Search to Old Business and Par-  
ty for Pastor Green in New Business. Second by Carl Loftis. Mo-  
tion carried.

Paul Bosschem motioned to approve the Proposed Minutes of June 28,  
2022 Council Meeting. Second by Carl Loftis. Motion carried.

Financial Matters

Motion by Dennis Mikula to approve the Treasurer's Report.  
Second by Missy Amor. Motion carried.

Motion by Dennis Mikula to pay the bills. Second by Davalyn  
Hansen. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report submitted. Pastor Greene's last service at Good Shep-  
herd will be on Sunday, September 18. Jackie Harms will call  
Steve Hartten, who continues to be our Dean until September.

Reports of the Committees: none

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

Organist Search: Motion by Carl to allow the Committee to run an ad for an organist for 3 month. Second by Missy Amor. Motion carried.

(Pastor Greene left the room for this portion of the meeting.)  
Dinner and gift for Pastor Greene on Sunday September 18.  
Motion by Carl Loftis to approve the budget. Second by Dennis Mikula. Motion carried.

## Old Business

Three parties are possibly interested in being new Council members

At the time of the meeting, no applications for tuition assistance had been received. Discussion on the policy ensued. Council members will be given copies of the policy at the next meeting.

## New Business

Convocation: August 5, 2022, 6 – 9 PM. Delegates Missy and Tom Amor will submit a report for the next Council meeting.

Motion by Pastor Greene to acknowledge GSLC's historic date of establishment as 1884, the earliest date of establishment of the three Churches that merged in 1970. Second by Missy Amor. Motion carried. It was suggested that a Committee be formed to set up the celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 23-24, 2034.

Motion by Dennis Mikula to include in the Building Use Policy that nothing will be affixed to the walls. Second by Beth Schlinkert. Motion carried.

## Communications & Public Comments

Letter from Madison Antal

Thank you note on behalf of R.T. Williams

Adjourned with The Lord's Prayer at 8:10 PM.

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



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Traditional Eucharist

*Sundays at 10:30 am*

Contemporary Eucharist

*Saturdays at 5:30 pm*