



Good Shepherd Evangelical
Lutheran Church
Exciting Happenings and Doings of
God's People

EPIPHANY
JANUARY 5TH & 6TH, 2019

Nations will come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn. – Isaiah 60:3

Christmas De-decorating

Saturday, January 12th at 10:00 am - please come to help take down the Christmas decorations and move them back into storage. Coffee and pastries will be provided. Many hands will help to make the process fast and easy.

OWLS News

The OWLS had a successful year in 2018. Our outings included:

- Breakfast at Chuck's BBQ
- South Pacific at Drury Lane Theater
- Boat and bus tour at Starved Rock
- Kane County Cougars Game
- Summer Picnic
- Trip to Brookfield Zoo
- A Christmas Carol at Westchester Theater
- OWLS Christmas Party
- Big Band fundraiser at White Fence Farm

In addition we helped with various school and church projects during the year. Our next meeting is Sunday January 13 at noon. OWLS is open to all seniors age 55 and older. You do not have to be a member of Good Shepherd to join. Invite your friends and introduce them to part of your church family. If you cannot attend our monthly meetings, please feel free to join us for our outings. If you have question contact Doug Semenske. dougsemenske@ameritect.net or text to 708-899-9059

Thank you and have a blessed New Year!

Announcing 12th Annual Chili Cook -Off

The date for our 12th Annual Chili Cook-off is scheduled for Sunday, January 27, 2019! The event will be held in the Fellowship Hall following late service (approximately noon). All church members, preschool and school families, and guests are invited to attend!

Following Christmas there will be on-line and hard copy sign-up sheets available. Mark your calendars now and practice those award winning recipes!

Any questions please see or e-mail Bob Tyrrel rdtyrrel@mac.com or Group Life Coordinator Dan Schindler dschindler6422@gmail.com. Merry Christmas!!!

2019 Offering Envelopes Available

The 2019 offering envelopes are now available in the narthex for you to pick up. We encourage you to pick up your box of envelopes so that we may utilize as much space as possible for the additional seating that is set up for Christmas worship.

For those submitting offerings electronically, you are still assigned an envelope number to accurately record your offerings.

If you have questions about your offering envelopes, please contact the office.

SAVE-THE-DATE OPEN HOUSE PRE-K-8

Mark your calendars for January 16th. We will be hosting our annual Open House for the preschool and grades K-8.

Come tour our facilities, meet the staff, observe classes, and speak with current families.

January 16th

8:00 am - 11:00 am or 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

School Committee News

At the Open Forum hosted by School Committee this past Monday, the MVO (5 year planning document) and the proposed 2019-20 calendar were presented and discussed. Below are links to these documents. If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to either document, please contact Mr. Roekle (david.roekle@gsdg.org) by Monday, January 7th.

Below you will find a short summary of the December School Committee meeting. If you have any questions please contact School Committee Chairman, Rick Brands, or Mr. Roekle.

- We welcomed Pastor Bergemann and Mike Loszach to the team!
- Tuition rates are being calculated and discussed for the 2019-20 school year.
- Advertising for the January 16th Open House is being created.
- SCRIP will be sold between services on Sundays during the Christmas season.
- We are working on the Objectives of our MVO (5 year planning document) for

WELSSA accreditation.

- Next meeting: Tuesday, January 8th

SCRIP (SUBSTITUTE CASH REBATE INCENTIVE PROGRAM)

What is SCRIP?

With SCRIP, families can easily earn rebates for our church and schools while they shop purchasing gift cards through national retailers where you already shop.

Why should I consider participating in the SCRIP Program?

- **earn rebates towards the tuition of any student**
- **church general fund**
- **special needs funds**

Note: Some choices allow earned rebates to be tax deductible.

What stores sell cards through SCRIP?

Over 750 retailers to choose from such as Walmart, Meijer, Target, Kohls, Amazon, Speedway, AMC Theatres, iTunes, Home Depot, Walgreens, CVS, Panera, Chipotle, Applebee's, Best Buy, Southwest Airlines, and many more.

Visit www.shopwithscrip.com to learn more and see "What's New" with SCRIP and view "Specials" (increased rebates for a limited time).

SCRIP Agreement - in order to participate, a completed SCRIP agreement must be on file. Completed agreements should be placed in the SCRIP mailbox in the church/school office. Then contact the SCRIP Coordinator for our Enrollment Code that is needed when creating your SCRIP account.

On-Hand Inventory (\$25 denomination cards) - Contact Carlene Derickson if you are interested in one of these cards.

- Kohl's
- Target
- Jewel
- Home Depot

Order Schedule:

Will resume in January

Questions? E-mail our SCRIP Coordinator, Carlene Derickson, at scrip@gsdg.org or 630-852-1519 for more information.

A MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

The true treasure of our church is Jesus Christ our Savior, growing in our knowledge of him, and making him known to all people. The cheerful and generous freewill offerings of God's people not only support the work God has given us as a church, school, and preschool, but also provides for the training of future pastors and teachers and supports world mission work being carried out through our synod, the WELS. The information below is a summary of how the Holy Spirit has moved the hearts of God's people to make use of their time in attending worship and make use of their treasures to support the work God has given us as a congregation.

USHER/s

01/05 5:30 pm Dave Morgan
01/06 8:00 am Erik Guldberg & Ryan Schindler
10:30 am Chuck Rhodes & Greg Busse
01/12 5:30 pm Ken Hull
01/13 8:00 am Andy Rush & Dave Bowen
10:30 am Chris Kreugel & Kenneth Jordan Jr

LIVE STREAM TEAM

Sunday

8:00 am Bob Reichert & Kristen Reynolds
10:30 am Greg Busse

ALTAR CARE

01/05-06 Anne Boron & Vicki Smith
01/19-20 Karen Bassler & Inge Wegner

COFFEE SCHEDULE

01/06 Sue Mecklenburg & Carol Miller
01/13 Roxanne Zikis & Lindsey Daehnke

FOLDING SCHEDULE

01/06 Joan Richmond
01/13 Chris Hermann

GREETERS

01/06 8:00 am Diane Buchholz
10:30 am Greg Busse
01/13 8:00 am Steve Danekas
10:30 am Karen Basler

COMMUNION ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

01/06 8:00 am Todd Paradis & Dave Rardin
10:30 am Ken Jordan & Dave Roekle
01/20 8:00 am Dave Rardin & Rick Brands
10:30 am Ken Jordan & Doug Semenske

CALENDAR

TODAY

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:20 am Adult Bible Class /
BLAST Sunday school

MONDAY 01/07

10:30 am Worship Service with Communion
7:00 pm PMM Core Team Meeting

TUESDAY 01/08

4:15 pm Basketball Practice
6:00 pm Catechism
7:00 pm School Committee Meeting
7:15 pm Adult Choir

WEDNESDAY 01/09

THURSDAY 01/10

4:15 pm Basketball Practice

FRIDAY 01/11

CALAC Meeting

SATURDAY 01/12

12:30 pm Game day (End of Second Quarter)

9:00 am PreK Muffins with Mom
10:00 am Christmas De-decorating

SUNDAY 01/13

5:30 pm Worship
8:00 am Worship Service
9:20 am Adult Bible Class /
BLAST Sunday school
10:30 am Worship Service
12:00 pm OWLS Meeting

SAVE THE DATE

January 14

12:00 pm SCRIP Orders

January 16

8:00 am Open House

6:00 pm Open House

January 20

11:30 am Boy Pioneers

12:00 pm Girl Pioneers

January 21

No School PreK- 8th Grade

January 22

3:30 pm Faculty Curriculum Meeting

January 27

8:00 am PreK – 4th Grade sing in church

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12:00 pm 12th Annual Chili Cook-Off