



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

LAST JUDGEMENT
November 2nd and 3rd, 2019
Announcements

Welcome!

We give a warm welcome to everyone at worship. We are glad that you are here and invite you to return again to celebrate our living Lord. Visit us at 525 63rd Street, Downers Grove, contact us at 630-852-1519 or check us out on the web at www.gsdg.org

BLAST Sunday school

BLAST is our Sunday Morning Children's Ministry program here at Good Shepherd. **All children**, members and guests, ages 3 years old-8th grade are welcome to attend. We begin our lesson at 9:20am in the 3rd & 4th grade classroom at the far end of the school hallway. If you have any questions you may email BLAST@gsdg.org or speak to a teacher. An usher can direct you.

3rd Quarter Offering statements are still available in the narthex, if you have not picked yours up.

Family Christmas Service

I'm hopeful that you have all heard by now that our Christmas Eve program is now being called the Family Christmas Service and it is no longer on Christmas Eve. We will be presenting our program on **Sunday, December 22nd during the 10:30a service.**

I am planning on sending home a permission slip this week to our day school kids and on Sunday to our non-day school kids. This will help us determine how many kids to expect.

Thank you everyone and I look forward to another great Christmas season with these kiddos!

In His name, Teresa Schindler

Christmas Decorating

Please mark your calendars for the decorating of the Church which will take place on Saturday, November 30th (Thanksgiving weekend). We'll meet at 10:00am in the Narthex. Coffee and donuts will be served. Please come! The more, the merrier!

Christmas for Kids

Christmas for Kids help needed for registration, games & projects. This year's theme is God Leads Wise Men to Jesus. The event is from 8:45-11 AM on Saturday, December 7th. Please sign up on the back table in the narthex. Please contact Diane Buchholz with any questions at 262-970-8967 or dbuchholz1210@gmail.com.

OWLS Hosting Game Night

The OWLS will be hosting a Game Night on Friday November 15 at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. It is open to everyone. All members of Good Shepherd are invited to attend and to invite their friends to join them. Please feel free to bring a snack and a game of your choice if you wish.

GSLA Order

Have you begun Christmas shopping yet? Looking to find that perfect gift? Look no further than the GSLA Christmas Clothing Order! Back by popular demand, we have reopened the Clothing Order through KM Sports. You will find a few new items this time around too! Please visit gsladg.org and click the banner on the top of the page that says "GSLA Clothing Available" and you will be taken to the online ordering site. All orders will be delivered to school and distributed to you before Christmas. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Roekle (david.roekle@gsdg.org).

Advent by Candlelight

Advent by Candlelight will be held on Friday December 6 at 6:30 PM. This year's program,

An Evening with Isaiah, focuses on the many beautiful scripture verses from Isaiah that enrich our Christmas worship. Seating is limited so be sure to sign up early!

Hostess Opportunities...Do you enjoy holiday decorating, baking? Volunteer to be a table hostess and we will reserve a table for you! Hostesses provide holiday table centerpieces and a dessert for a table of 8 ladies. It's lots of fun, and requires only a few hours of your time for planning, baking and decorating. Please see the table in the narthex for service descriptions and sign up. If you would like more information before committing, please call or text Lonnie Weaver at 209-617-2416 or email lonnie_weaver@yahoo.com.

School Secretary Position Open

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church is seeking candidates to fill a part-time office position supporting the school and church. The position is open immediately for three days up to 24 hours each week. Additional hours are needed on occasion. The school secretary works closely with the church secretary to carry out all the duties in the office. Compensation will be based on experience and the church budget. Interested persons should contact President Dean L. Gerdes at 708-807-5649 or Principal David Roekle at 507-217-3492 or in person and submit a cover letter and resume.

Women's Martial Arts Night

Women 13 years of age and older (members and guests) ~ please come to the Martial Arts **Self Defense Class** led by Lindsey Daehnke at Good Shepherd on Wednesday, November 13 (wear loose fitting, stretchy clothing and gym shoes). The prayer/fellowship meal begins at 6:30 p.m. A devotion and sharing of ministry opportunities starts at 7 p.m. The class is from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Please use the sheet in the narthex to sign up for the meal and class.

Women are encouraged to help the defenseless by bringing the following items for Mundelein Pregnancy and Life Resources to the event: size 4 & 6 diapers, baby wipes, baby shampoo or toiletries, zippered gallon size plastic bags, used or new winter clothing for children sizes 0 - 14, kids books or toys (new or gently used), maternity clothes, or monetary donations. Make checks payable to **WELS Lutherans for Life**. Donations may also be left in the box in the narthex prior to November 13. Cash and checks may be left in the lock box in the narthex.

Servae Christi name change

The women who attend the Women's Event at Good Shepherd on November 13, will be given the opportunity to vote on a recommendation from the Servae Christi Leadership Team to change the name of our women's organization from "Servae Christi" to "Women's Ministry".

Reasons for the change:

Using words that do not need to be translated makes communication more easily understood.

For consistency - no other groups at Good Shepherd use Latin terminology.

"Women's Ministry" is easily recognizable and searchable on Web sites.

All women will feel included in "Women's Ministry".

If you have questions concerning the name change, please contact Servae Christi President Paula

Danekas, pkdanekas@comcast.net or phone 630-355-8378.

Servae Christi Positions to be elected in November

The Servae Christi (women's ministry) positions that are up for election in November are **vice president, treasurer, property, school, shepherding and outreach**. Please contact Servae Christi President Paula Danekas phone 630-355-8378 or email pkdanekas@comcast.net to learn more about these positions and to express your interest in being part of women's ministry at Good Shepherd.

The **vice president** arranges activities/speakers for two women's events per year and assumes the responsibilities of the president in her absence.

The **treasurer** keeps the financial records of Servae Christi.

The **property** ministry maintains outdoor plants and decorates for Christmas.

The **school** ministry assists with school activities when requested and plans worker gifts/recognition.

The **shepherding** ministry welcomes new members and supports members through prayers, meals, care boxes, greeting cards, and visits. The **outreach** ministry maintains the friendship registry at church, has follow-up contacts with visitors, and promotes activities that involve the community.

More complete descriptions of Servae Christi ministries can be found in the pamphlets in the display rack in the narthex. Links to the Servae Christi Guidelines and Activity booklets are also on the Servae Christi page of the Good Shepherd website.

http://www.gsdg.org/site/cpage.asp?cpage_id=140040946&sec_id=140006627

Open Positions for the MCC 2019

Good Shepherd has seven positions open for election to the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC) at the voters meeting in November. The position descriptions are listed below. Please contact Dean L. Gerdes (708-807-5649), another member of the MCC or Pastor Bergemann (331-238-2378) if you are interested in election to one of these positions or interested in discussing further the open positions. Our congregation depends on our members filling these important roles.

Dean L. Gerdes President / Treasurer

President

The President presides as chairman at all meetings of the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC), Voters' Meetings and informal meetings of the congregation. The President serves as liaison between members of the congregation and called workers as well as various boards and committees. The President is an advisory member of all committees.

Elementary School Coordinator

The Elementary School Coordinator is responsible, together with the other elected members of the Elementary School Committee, for assuring that the mission statement of Good Shepherd Lutheran Academy is being carried out. This position is elected by the voters and serves on the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC).

The responsibilities of the Elementary School Coordinator include the following:

- Establish school policy
- Evaluate staffing needs and make staffing recommendations to the congregation
- Communicate with parents of school children
- Report actions of the committee to the MCC and congregation
- Serve as chairman of the Elementary School Committee

School Committee Member

The School Coordinator, along with the other elected members of the School Committee, is responsible for assuring that the mission statement of Good Shepherd Lutheran Academy is being carried out. The positions in the School Committee are elected by the voters and are a two-year term.

The responsibilities of the School Committee include the following:

- Establish school policy
- Evaluate staffing needs and make staffing recommendations to the congregation
- Communicate with parents of school children

Group Life Coordinator

He is responsible for providing opportunities and promoting fellowship among and between various groups in the congregation such as youth, teens, singles, seniors, couples, men, women, etc. The activities under the direction of the Group Life Coordinator shall strive to sustain each of our members in the faith by working together for the spiritual growth and health of the congregation.

The areas of responsibility for the Group Life Coordinator include, but are not limited to: the Pioneer Council, teen program, Servae Christi (women's group), and fellowship groups such as singles, couples, seniors, and men. The nature and dimension of the responsibility includes leadership and staffing. The Group Life Coordinator shall report to the MCC and the congregation meetings concerning the activities under his direction.

Mission Resources Coordinator

He is responsible for identifying, marshaling and coordinating the congregation's resources for its funding. He shall also endeavor to build a strong, informed congregation, mindful of its Christian privileges and responsibilities.

- Report to the MCC and congregation all actions and activities of the Mission Resources Committee
- Chair the Mission Resources Committee, which includes appointed members and ex-officio members Secretary-Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Loan Program Administrator of the congregation
- Report and coordinate the activities of the Endowment Fund committee to the MCC and the congregation
- Develop and initiate programs and instruction on all stewardship activities
- Recruit volunteers for stewardship activities as necessary
- Participate in the preparation of the congregational budget

Spiritual Growth Coordinator

The Spiritual Growth Coordinator is responsible for making provisions for the operation of the Sunday School, Catechism instruction, memory course, Bible classes and other programs which may enhance and promote spiritual growth of congregation members and prospective members.

The scope of responsibility includes:

- Appoint members of the Spiritual Growth Committee and such sub-committees as may be required
- Establish policies regarding various programs for which the committee is responsible
- Appoint a Sunday School Administrator and other volunteer staff as needed
- Report to and make recommendations to the MCC regarding areas of spiritual growth
- In consultation with the pastor(s), evaluate spiritual growth needs and opportunities

Worship Coordinator

He is responsible for assuring and enhancing proper conduct of our public worship services by working closely with our pastors and members of the Worship Committee, within the guidelines of our congregation's Constitution, Articles of Faith, and mission statement.

The responsibilities of this position include:

- Arranging for ushers, usher training, scheduling, backups, list of duties, etc.
 - Coordinate scheduling (usher support/backup)
 - In conjunction with the pastor, assure that musical accompaniment for worship services is scheduled and provided
 - Evaluate and make recommendations to the MCC regarding worship service enhancements as well as special services, assuring strict adherence to our congregation's Articles of Faith, as well as considerations of worship improvements
- Report regularly to the MCC and congregation

SCRIP (Substitute Cash Rebate Incentive Program)

Order Release Schedule

- Monday, 11/18 by noon; delivered Friday, 11/22
- Anticipated 24 hr. Thank-Scrip-ing Day Monday 11/18 - only for ScripNow/Reload/ReloadNow products paid by PrestoPay or credit card. **No physical gift cards will be released this day due to Thanksgiving holiday.**

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CALENDAR

TODAY

8:00 am Worship Service – PreK – 2nd Grade Sing
 9:20 am Open Forum / **BLAST Sunday school**
 10:30 am Worship Service
 11:30 am OWLS Meeting – Fellowship Hall
 3:15 pm School - Art's and Crafts Club 5-8 Grade
 9:30 am Women's Bible study
 7:15 pm Adult Choir
 8:10 am Kids Connection
 6:30 pm Women's Ministry Event
 9:30 am Children's Choir Rehearsal - Church
 7:00 PM OWLS Game Night
 5:30 pm Worship Service
 8:00 am Worship Service
 9:20 am Adult Bible Study / **BLAST Sunday school**
 10:30 am Worship Service

MONDAY 11/11

TUESDAY 11/12

WEDNESDAY 11/13

THURSDAY 11/14

FRIDAY 11/15

SATURDAY 11/16

SUNDAY 11/17

SAVE THE DATE

Nov 18 3:30 pm Faculty Meeting
 7:00 pm Voter's Meeting
 Nov 24 11:30 am Pioneers at the Zoo
 Nov 27-29 Thanksgiving Break PreK – 8th Grade
 Nov 27 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Worship
 Nov 28 9:00 am Thanksgiving Worship
 Nov 30 10:00 am Church Christmas Decorating
 Dec 4 7:00 pm Advent Worship
 Dec 6 7:00 pm Advent by Candlelight
 Dec 7 9:00 am Christmas for Kids
 Dec 8 12:00 pm OWLS Christmas Party
 Dec 9 3:00 pm Girl Pioneers
 Dec 10 6:30 pm Public School Catechism
 Dec 11 7:00 pm Advent Worship
 Dec 15 3:00 pm PreK – 8th Grade Christmas Celebration
 Dec 18 7:00 pm Advent Worship
 Dec 19 7:00 pm MCC Meeting
 Dec 21 10:00 am Children's Christmas Service Practice
 Dec 22 10:30 am Children's Christmas Service
 12:00 pm Boy Pioneers
 Dec 24 4:30 pm Christmas Eve Worship
 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE IN GOD'S HOUSE (11/02-03/19)

Saturday – 28
 Sunday Early – 111
 Sunday Late – 74
 Live Streaming –
 Weekend Total – 213

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR GOD'S WORK

	Week Ending	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Week 18	11/03/19	\$9,727.00	\$209,107.12	\$233,000.00	89.7%

STEWARDSHIP ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GOD'S WORD

Deuteronomy 8: 17, 18 – You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth.

Serving in Worship

Pastor: Jon Bergemann
Organist: Joan Richmond

Ushers

11/09	5:30 pm	Dave Morgan
11/10	8:00 am	Paul Kippes & Ed Boron
	10:30 am	Chris & Nathan Kreugel
11/16	5:30 pm	Ken Hull
11/17	8:00 am	Erik Gulberg & Ryan Schindler
	10:30 am	Kenneth Jordan Jr. & Dale Graefnitz

Altar Care

11/17	Karen Bassler & Inge Wegner
12/01	Aggie Rardin & Debbie O'Malley

Coffee Schedule

11/10	Kathy Paradis & Doris Holcomb
11/17	Roxanne Zikis & Lindsey Daehnke

Folding Schedule

11/10	Debbie O'Malley
11/17	Chris Herrmann

Communion Assistant Schedule

11/17	8:00 am	Dave Rardin
	10:30 am	Ken Jordan & Doug Semenske
12/01	8:00 am	Rick Brands & Todd Paradis
	10:30 am	Ken Jordan & John Roland

Live Stream Team

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