



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

Advent 1
November 30th and December 1st, 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.

Prayer Requests

For Doreen Wagner (Paul Wagner), who was recently diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

Mary Moore
708 705 0009

OWLS Christmas Party

OWLS CHRISTMAS PARTY - The OWLS group is having their annual Christmas Party on Sunday December 8 after the 10:30 service. This is open to everyone age 55 and over even if you are not an OWLS member or a member of Good Shepherd. We would love to have as many as possible join us for a fun afternoon of fellowship, friendship and of course food. All we are asking is for you to bring a salad or dessert and a gift to exchange. The gift must cost less than \$10 and begin with the letter "S". There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions, please address them to Ann Semenske.

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.

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.

Voices of Peace Fall Concert

"Voices of Peace will present its fall concert, 'O Magnum Mysterium: A Mass for Christmas.' The story of Christ's Nativity is told through both carols and the familiar texts of the liturgy. You are invited to celebrate the great mystery that is Christmas at Zion Ev. Lutheran Church in Crete, IL on Friday, December 20, at 7pm."

Servae Christi / Women's Ministry

At the meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, the women of Good Shepherd voted to change the name of the women's organization from Servae Christi to Women's Ministry.

Women's Ministry

Welcome to new Women's Ministry Team leaders:

- Vice President - Michelle Rush
- School - Hillary Brands
- Outreach - Sandy Wolfrum

Congratulations to them and returning leaders who were also on the ballot:

- Treasurer - Sarah Rardin
- Shepherding - Lori Abegg
- Property - Karen Bassler

Thank you to everyone who agreed to be on the ballot and to those who continue to serve:

- Secretary - Susan Mecklenburg
- Group Life - Angelina Davenport
- Mission Resources - Kristina John
- Spiritual Growth - Lonnie Weaver
- Worship - Inge Wegner/Michal Meek

Thank you to Megan Boerema (past Vice President), Dianne Buchholz (past Outreach), Valerie Adegunleye (past School), and Laurie Bowen (past Property) for their service to our Good Shepherd.

Well done, good and faithful servants of Christ!

Christmas Service Times

Mark your calendars! This year, the Children's Christmas Service will take place during the 10:30 a.m. regular worship service on Sunday, December 22nd. On Christmas Eve, services will be at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. There will be a service on Christmas Day at 9:30 [a.m.](#) This should allow more children the opportunity to participate in the Children's Service and families to worship together on Christmas Eve. More details to follow in the upcoming weeks!

SCRIP (Substitute Cash Rebate Incentive Program)

Order Release Schedule

TBD

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CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Study / BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service
MONDAY 12/02	3:15 pm	School Art's and Crafts Club
TUESDAY 12/03	9:30 am	Women's Bible study
	3:30 pm	Faculty Meeting
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir
WEDNESDAY 12/04	8:10 am	Chapel
	5:30 pm	Advent Supper
	7:00 pm	Advent Worship
THURSDAY 12/05		
FRIDAY 12/06	5:30 pm	Advent by Candlelight
SATURDAY 12/07	9:00 am	Christmas for Kids
	5:30 pm	Worship
SUNDAY 12/01	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Study / BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	OWLS Christmas Party

SAVE THE DATE

Dec 9	3:00 pm	Girl Pioneers
Dec 10	6:30 pm	Public School Catechism
Dec 11	5:30 pm	Advent Supper
	7:00 pm	Advent Worship
Dec 15	3:00 pm	PreK – 8 th Grade Christmas Celebration
Dec 18	5:30 pm	Advent Supper
	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
Dec 25	9:30 am	Christmas Worship
Dec 29	9:20 am	NO BLAST Sunday school

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE IN GOD'S HOUSE (11/23-24/19)

Saturday – 32
 Sunday Early – 78
 Sunday Late – 82
 Weekend Total – 192

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR GOD'S WORK

	Week Ending	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Week 21	11/24/19	\$15,467.75	\$239,367.56	\$275,000.00	87.0%

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: Karen D'Aversa

Ushers

11/30	5:30 pm	
12/01	8:00 am	Dan & Erik Schindler
	10:30 am	Todd & Jake Oard
12/04	7:00 pm	Bob Reichert & Jake Oard
12/07	5:30 pm	Ken Hull
11/30	5:30 pm	
12/08	8:00 am	Paul Schoenbeck & Dean Gerdes
	10:30 am	Bob Vicker & John Roland
12/11	7:00 pm	Ed Boron & Chuck Rhodes

Altar Care

12/01	Aggie Rardin & Debbie O'Malley
12/15	Karen Bassler & Inge Wegner

Coffee Schedule

12/01	Roxanne Zikis & Lindsey Daehnke
12/08	Kathy Paradis & Doris Holcomb

Folding Schedule

Thank you for your faithful service – you have been a true blessing.

Hymn Boards Ryan Paradis

Communion Assistant Schedule

12/01	8:00 am	Rick Brands & Todd Paradis
	10:30 am	Ken Jordan & John Roland
12/15	8:00 am	David Roekle & Dave Rardin
	10:30 am	Doug Semenske & John Roland

Live Stream Team

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