

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

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 16TH AND 17TH, 2019

Spiritual and eternal blessings belong to those who put their trust in the Lord's Anointed.

5 Minute Survey

Dear Good Shepherd Family,

The Lord has truly blessed us. We have been graced with a new pastor, a paid-off mortgage, a vibrant school and preschool, and new/growing ministries. With these blessings, the Lord has also presented us with challenges. In some ways we are beginning to feel the limitations of our facilities. Our preschool is forced to turn away families due to lack of space. Our students are driven to the YMCA for physical education. We have a parsonage sitting vacant. For these reasons the leadership team has commissioned a survey to gauge the feelings and input of our members regarding our facilities. If support exists, this would be a precursor to form an exploratory committee which would closely examine our situation and propose solutions to improve/expand our facilities. As fellow stewards of Good Shepherd, please take a few minutes to prayerfully consider the following short survey. Please include any additional thoughts on the matter in the comment section. Thank you for your time and service, and may the Lord continue to bless His work through us.

Sincerely,

The Good Shepherd Ministry Coordinating Council

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8SF2NX7

Summary of Joint Meeting

A joint meeting of the Ministry Coordinating Council (MCC) and Servae Christi (SC) was held on Thursday, February 7 to develop action plans for 2019. The plans are an update to the three-year congregational plan. The MCC and Servae Christi also held separate business meetings following the planning meeting.

The joint meeting opened with a presentation by Pastor Bergemann of a model for planning, which starts with the church's mission and values. Kristina John followed with a presentation on creating S.M.A.R.T.E.R. goals. The group then split into teams to create action plans for 2019. Those are being summarized for review by the MCC and Servae Christi.

In the MCC meeting, reports were given by council members including:

• Initial steps to replace the carpeting in the Narthex and hallways.

- A summary of software packages being considered for church membership, record of donations and coordination of activities.
- Preparation of a building use survey, which will be going out to all members.
- A discussion of Saturday night services and Monday night services. Saturday night services will be continued through the summer of 2019. Monday night services will not resume.

No resolutions were considered.

Dean L. Gerdes

President / Treasurer

Don't Miss the 2019 Christian Leadership Experience

To be held March 15 & 16 in beautiful downtown LaCrosse! The vision for this event, hosted by The Antioch Foundation, is *Faith Forward - Guiding the next generation of Christian leaders with a particular focus on Home, Work and Community.*

Visit <u>www.Christlead.com</u> for complete information and to register today.

Special Voters' Meeting Scheduled

The School Committee will be presenting the school's MVO (Mission, Vision, and Objectives), which is a 5-year plan, at a **special Voter's Meeting on February 17 immediately following second service**. We welcome all voters for this discussion in preparation for the WELS School Accreditation (WELSSA) review which takes place in April. This will be the only issue considered during the meeting, in accordance with the church bylaws.

Save – the – Date Summer VBS

Mark your calendars for June 17-21 and plan on having your children join us for Vacation Bible School. We will be meeting each day from 9:00 am-11:30 am.

- Bible Truths
- Games
- Songs
- Crafts
- Snacks

Invite a friend to join you. More information coming in the near future regarding registration.

You are Invited!

Women from our WELS Michigan District congregations invite you to attend the 25th annual Today's Christian Women's Retreat to be held March 22-24 at the Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac Hotel In Pontiac, MI. This years theme is taken from Ecclesiastes 3:11 "He has made everything beautiful in it's time". A special student rate is being offered for ages 16-24. Information and registration materials will be available in the narthex or you can visit their website at www.tcwr.org for information and to register.

SCRIP (SUBSTITUTE CASH REBATE INCENTIVE PROGRAM)

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

<u>SCRIP Agreement</u> - 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.

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

- Kohl's
- Target
- Jewel
- Home Depot

Order Release Schedule

Orders and payment must be received by noon on the following days:

- Monday, 2/11 @ noon; delivered by Friday, 2/15
- Monday, 2/25 @ noon; delivered by Friday, 3/1

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





All are welcome to cheer on our Good Shepherd basketball teams before or after you dine!

Game Location: St. Mark's Coptic Church in Burr Ridge

B team: 4:30-5:30 p.m. A Team: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Bring in this flyer or show it on your smartphone and 20% of the proceeds will benefit

GOOD SHEPHERD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

February 19, 2019 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Proceeds to help defray the cost of classroom Smartboards.

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02/16	5:30 pm	Dave Morgan
02/17	8:00 am	Paul Kippes & Ed Boron
	10:30 am	Bill Merchantz & Daniel John
02/23	5:30 pm	Ken Hull
02/24	8:00 am	Erik Guldberg & Ryan Schindler
	10:30 am	Chuck Rhodes & Greg Busse

LIVE STREAM TEAM

ALTAR CARE Sunday

02/16-17Jennifer Tyrell & Joan Richmond 8:00 am

Bob Reichert & Kristen Reynolds 03/02-03Ellen Zank & Laura Swiatnicki 10:30 am Greg Busse

COFFEE SCHEDULE

02/17 Kathy Paradis & Inge Wegner 02/24 Pam Junkunc & Doris Holcomb

FOLDING SCHEDULE

02/17 Debbie O'Malley **GREETERS**

02/24 Karen Bassler 02/10 8:00 am Andy Rush

> 10:30 am **Rick Brands**

02/17 8:00 am Debi Vose

> 10:30 am Joan Richmond

COMMUNION ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

02/17 Dave Rardin & Rick Brands 8:00 am

> 10:30 am John Roland & Doug Semenske

03/03 8:00 am **Todd Paradis & Dave Rardin**

> 10:30 am Doug Semenske & John Roland

CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship Service w/Communion
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class / BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Communion
	11:30 am	Boy Pioneers
	11:45 am	Special Voters Meeting
	12:00 pm	Girl Pioneers
MONDAY 02/18	7:00 pm	PMM Core Team Meeting
TUESDAY 02/19	8:10 am	Chapel
	4:30 pm	Basketball Game
	5:00 pm	Portillo's Fundraiser
	5:30 pm	Basketball Game
	6:00 pm	Catechism
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir
WEDNESDAY 02/20	7:00 pm	School Committee Meeting
THURSDAY 02/21	4:15 pm	Basketball Practice
FRIDAY 02/22	No School PreK – 8 th Grade	
SATURDAY 02/23	5:30 pm	Worship
SUNDAY 02/24	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:20 am	Adult Bible Class /
		BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am Wo	orship Service

SAVE THE DATE

JAVE THE DATE			
February 25	12:00 pm	SCRIP Order Due	
	3:30 pm	Faculty Curriculum Meeting	
March 1		SCRIP Delivered	
March 2		Co-Ed Basketball Tournament	
		@ Lord & Savior	
March 4 – 7		Spirit Week	
March 6	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship	
March 8	NO SCHOOL PreK – 8 th Grade		
March 8 – 9		Luther Prep Tournament	
March 10	Daylight Saving Time Starts		
March 11	3:30 pm	Rolling Skating Party	
March 13	3:30 pm	Faculty Meeting	
March 14	12:00 pm	Pi Day Celebration 5 th – 8 th Grade	
	7:00 pm	Worship Meeting	
March 29-31	Science Fair – Fellowship Hall		