



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

December 24-25, 2016

*A Savior has been born to you, He is Christ the Lord! In Jesus, God makes his dwelling with man.
We're happy to share that message with you today!*

What's New At Good Shepherd?

Thank You – Gift Card Collection - I would like to thank all the people who contributed to the gift cards this year for our brothers and sisters in Christ who are experiencing financially challenging times. We collected a total of \$2,410.

Well done good and faithful servants! ~ Joyce Masa

Thank you for Christmas and Easter Flowers - Thank you to all who have donated Christmas and Easter flowers for our joyous celebrations over the past years. It has been exciting, and sometimes overwhelming to have so many flowers to arrange. I've enjoyed this task and the opportunity it has given me to serve in His House. To God give the glory for the wonderful things he has done! ~Fran Piepenbrink

Sunday School is Re-Branding - Sunday School at Good Shepherd is re-branding! We are excited to announce that BLAST (**B**elieve, **L**earn, **a**nd **S**eeK **T**ruth) is taking over our Sunday morning children's programming! Curriculum is custom designed for our church and our children's needs!

- Curriculum designed to meet ALL learning styles!
- Engaging curriculum that children WANT to be a part of!

Please see the Newsletter or contact Kris Busse for additional information.

Now Hiring Temporary Preschool Aide – Precious Lambs Early Childhood Learning Center is currently looking for a caring and energetic Preschool Teacher's Aide to join our team for the last 8 weeks of the school year. If you have a passion for working with children, are dedicated to providing the best education and care for your students, work collaboratively, and want to learn and grow, please apply to be considered for the aide position. Applications will be accepted through January 31st. Questions? Please contact Mrs. Bailey Scriver at [512-914-8929](tel:512-914-8929) (text/call) or e-mail baileyscriver@gmail.com. See our newsletter, or church office for applications.

Annual Chili Cook-off Announced - Mark your calendars for our annual Chili Cook-off on January 29, 2017 from noon-2pm! All families are invited to attend this free event! Come have lunch and meet families from our church, school and preschool over a wide variety of chili's! If you have a winning recipe, we'd love to try it! It doesn't cost you anything to enter...just send Bob and Jen Tyrrel an e-mail rdtyrrel@mac.com or register on the Chili Cook-Off sign-up sheet on the table just outside of church. If you would like to be a judge, please let us know on the sign-up sheet (limited judging spots available...so don't delay!) If making chili is not your thing--still attend--there will be sides, cornbread, desserts and more importantly great people to have lunch with!

If you have any questions, please contact Bob and Jen Tyrrel or Dan Schindler, Group Life Coordinator dschindler6422@gmail.com.
Christmas & New Year's Eve Worship:

All are welcome to join us for Christmas and New Year's Eve worship and praise!

12/25 - 9:00 AM - Christmas Day Worship

12/31 - 6:00 PM - New Year's Eve Worship

Don't Forget About These!

Thank You - Our sincere appreciation to the 27 blood donors who took the time on Sunday, December 4th to offer a pint to those in need of surgery or transfusion. Thank you for your enthusiastic response. Laurie Bowen

The 2017 offering envelopes are now available for pick up in the narthex.

Preschool Christmas Program

Mark your calendars for December 18th at 3:00 pm for our Preschool Christmas Program. We are looking forward to sharing the Christmas story with you and your families. The preschool students have been working real hard learning their parts and songs.

LWMS Chicago – Schwans Cares - Thank you to everyone who supported the LWMS Schwan's Cares Campaign which raised \$451.01 for WELS mission work. A new LWMS Schwan's Cares Campaign is now starting LWMS receives 5% of products purchased with no extra cost to the customer. The ID number of the new campaign named "LWMS Chicago" is 28372. Look for more information on the LWMS bulletin board in the hallway.

SCRIP

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

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

Ordering Schedule (due by 12:00pm):

- **Monday, January 9th; delivered by Friday, January 13th**
- **Monday, January 23rd; delivered by Thursday, January 26th**

CALENDAR

TODAY 12/25

Merry Christmas

9:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion

MONDAY 12/26

TUESDAY 12/27

WEDNESDAY 12/28

THURSDAY 12/29

FRIDAY 12/30

SATURDAY 12/31

6:00 pm New Year's Eve Worship

SUNDAY 01/01

8:00 am Worship Service

9:20 am Adult Bible Study

9:20 am Children's Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY 01/04

8:10 am Pre-K-8th Grade Classes Resume

8:10 am Chapel

3:30 pm Faculty Meeting

THURSDAY 1/12-1/15

AMNOI Basketball Tourney @ LaGrange

USHER/S

12/25 9:00 am Paul Kippes & Dale Graefnitz

12/31 6:30 pm Bob Tyrrel & Steve Danekas

1/1 8:00 am Bob Reichert & Matt Rardin

10:30 am Chuck Rhodes & Greg Busse

ALTAR CARE

12/25 Karen Bassler & Laura Swiatnicki

12/31&1/1Roxanne Zikis & Lindsey Daehnke

COFFEE SCHEDULE

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GREETERS

12/25 9:00 am Dave Rardin

1/1 8:00 am Debi Vose

10:30 am Karen Bassler