



Good Shepherd Evangelical  
Lutheran Church

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Exciting Happenings and Doings of  
God's People

## The Second Sunday in Lent

February 27 and 28, 2021

**Today's focus:** Lent has to last a while and come around every year if for no other reason than this, that it is so hard for us to get the points made so strikingly in Lent. This Sunday we see God's seriousness in Lent in this: salvation and suffering go hand in hand, for Jesus and for us too!

Below please find the link to sign up for worship this weekend...

Worship Signup Link

### Weekend Worship Signup

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-sunday>

### Weekend Worship Signup

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-lent>

### BLAST Signup

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-blast>

## The Season of Lent

Lent is a time of humble repentance. We are called to acknowledge our sins, and turn from our sins to the forgiveness of our Savior. As we do so, we will discover that Lent is also a time of rejoicing! For in the life and death of Jesus, our relationship with God and life eternal is restored. Join us to both repent and rejoice in our Redeemer this Lenten season.

### **Repent and Rejoice...**

...as you struggle against sin

...as you see both suffering and salvation

...as you hold onto all of His Word

...as you see your needs provided for

...as you see glory in suffering

...as he rides on before you

...as he brings forgiveness to you

...as he finishes all for you

He is risen indeed!

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent, February 20/21*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent, February 27/28**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent, March 6/7*

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, March 13/14*

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, March 20/21*

*Palm Sunday, March 27/28*

*Maundy Thursday, April 1*

*Good Friday, April 2*

*Easter, April 4*

### **Church Library and Office Supplies**

Some members of the church volunteered their time to clean up the Church library, Pastors Office and the Workroom. In the process of doing so they have found some office supplies, furniture and office supplies that are no longer needed here at the church. If anyone is in need of these items they are in the Fellowship Hall – Free for the taking. Blessings to all and thank you to the ladies who gave their time to help improve our spaces.

### **Meal Train Announcement**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Justin and Brook Barnas have been blessed with a healthy baby boy, Beau Henry Barnas. We are hoping to provide meals for mom and dad. If you can help with a meal or would like to give a restaurant gift card, please click the link below. Thank you!

Meal Train Link: <https://mealtrain.com/yeel11>



## BLAST Sunday school

GSDG.org/Get Involved/BLAST Children's Ministry.

I'm so excited to tell you that we are ready to begin some in person lessons again on Sunday mornings! I have been working with Pastor and our MCC to make sure that we are continuing to follow the Health & Safety Guidelines given to us by the state and the health department. We are confident that we can adhere to the guidelines and provide some in person opportunities to our students. Keep reading to see what we're planning:

- We will begin some in person lessons on campus in the library **Sunday 2/14/2021**. We will continue to meet from **9:15-10:15am**.
- We will meet as one group, and will stay in the library throughout our class time.
- We are creating a sign up link available on the church website. You will use this just like you use the sign up links for attending church in person. We are limited to having **8 students** sign up per week.
- We will also begin providing recorded lessons again. These will be available on the church website under "Get Involved>BLAST." With the recorded lesson you will also find copies of the handouts/activities if you prefer to participate in BLAST at home. These will be made available weekly.
- We will have **arrival and departure procedures which involve a self-check in** that parents will have to complete when they drop their student off at the classroom door. Students will need to be **dropped off and picked up** by a parent each Sunday. We cannot allow students to be in the building unchaperoned at this time.
- The Narthex will be an available space for parents to wait for their student until class is over.
- Students will need to wear a mask throughout the entire class time and we will have hand sanitizer available for use. Children will be encouraged to social distance in the classroom as much as possible.

We are hopeful that as the metrics begin to show positive trends we will be able to offer BLAST to more students on Sunday mornings. We encourage you to consider how you and your family will participate in Children's Ministry and we welcome any thoughts, suggestions and help for our program. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at this email.

I am really looking forward to seeing all of your children again. I miss them and I pray for them often. Please keep our Children's Ministry in your prayers as we work to make in person learning possible again.

Thank you and Stay Warm!

Teresa Schindler

### **Online Spiritual Resources**

We will continue to provide online, streamed worship services each weekend on our website, [www.gsdg.org](http://www.gsdg.org) other online resources you may enjoy at this time include the Time of Grace ministries website (<https://timeofgrace.org>). This WELS group provides a wealth of devotions and sermons on various topics.

The WELS website provides a directory of all WELS churches that stream worship, as well as devotions, Bible studies, and the latest update from our Synod President, Mark Schroeder ([www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net)). One congregation providing traditional, midweek streamed worship is Christ Lutheran Church, Big Bend, Wisconsin ([www.christbigbend.com](http://www.christbigbend.com))

God's blessings to you as you continue to feed on His Word!

## **Panera Fundraiser Results**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Panera fundraiser a couple of weeks ago. We were able to raise \$137.65 that will go toward purchasing new science equipment. Thanks for supporting GSLA!



## **What is SCRIP?**

With SCRIP, families can easily earn rebates while they shop purchasing gift cards through 750+ national retail stores where you already shop.

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On-Hand Inventory (\$25 denomination cards)

- We have a limited supply of the cards listed below. We accept cash or check payment made payable to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. If you are interested in purchasing any of these cards, please contact Carlene Derickson or Clint Daehnke.

- Kohl's
- Target
- Jewel
- Home Depot

## **[SCRIP-to-GO Order Form](#)**

- Use this form if you do not have an online [shopwithscrip](http://shopwithscrip.com) account. Payment is due with your order. A SCRIP Agreement is still required to be on file.

**[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.



Bulletins

**February: Usher Schedule**

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<b>14</b> A Rush 8:00 am J Roland 10:30 am	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> E Guldberg 7:00 pm	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> J Abegg 5:30 pm
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**February:**

**Communion Setup - Cleanup**

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## CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:15 am	Adult Bible Study Via Zoom BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service
<b>MONDAY</b>		
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	12:00 pm	Band Practice
	3:00 pm	Band Rehearsal
	3:30 pm	Faculty Meeting
	4:30 pm	Jaeger Church (usage)
	7:00 pm	Lent Service
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	5:30 pm	Worship Service
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:15 am	Adult Bible Study BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service

### Serving in Worship

**Pastor:** Jon Bergemann  
**Organist:** Joan Richmond  
**Pianist:** Paula Danekas

### Live Stream Team

Sun 8:00 am Kristen Reynolds & Bob Reichert  
 9:15 am Joe Garetto Adult Bible Study – via Zoom  
 10:30am Greg Busse

### Contact Information

Pastor Jon Bergemann

Principal David Roekle  
 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

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### Worship Attendance in God's House (02/20 – 21)

Saturday (5:30) – 36  
 Sunday (8:00) – 19  
 Sunday (10:30) – 28  
 Ash Wednesday - 27  
 Weekend Total – 110

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR GOD'S WORK

	Week Ending	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Week 32	02/07/2021	\$14,690.00	\$ 372,577.33	\$362,750.00	102.4%

### STEWARDSHIP ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GOD'S WORD

I Timothy 6: 6 – 8 – Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing we will be content with that.