



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

July 3-4, 2017

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:38

What's New At Good Shepherd?

Luther Quote –

"No poorer, more lowly and despised pupil on earth than God! He must be everybody's disciple. Everybody wants to be his schoolmaster and teacher.

This you see in all heretics from the beginning of the world...[They] are not satisfied with what God has made and ordained. They cannot let it remain as he has instituted it but imagine that they must produce something too in order to be better than other people and to be able to boast: This is what I have done; what God has done and established is too ordinary and trifling, nay, too childish and foolish; I must add something to it...

A pretty situation, when the egg wants to be wiser than the hen... (What Luther Says 4687)

Woe to him who quarrels with his Maker, to him who is but a potsherd among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, "What are you making?" (Isaiah 45:9)

VBS Announcement Sheet -

Vacation Bible School was held the week of June 26-30. We had 75 children enrolled from ages 3-10 years old. Our theme for the week was **Build on the Rock**. The children learned about Jesus, sang songs, made crafts, and played games centered on the construction theme. The bulletin boards in the hallways display pictures from the week.

Thank you, parents, for bringing your children to VBS. Thank you for donating juice and snacks. Thank you to the many volunteers that make the week possible. Thank you to the members at Palos Lutheran Church for building the display building. Thank you to Pam Tullberg and Edward Stelter for their help with a special project.

VBS Staff

Director: Barb Koch

Devotions: Pastor Schwartz and Pastor Rutschow as Buzz the Builder

Teachers and Helpers: Kristen Reynolds, Rachel Groff, Saroyce Jordan, Patty Warner, Kathy Oedzes, Cathy Jaeger, Teresa Schindler, Andrea Paradis, Ryan Witt, Trent Kinsch, Jake Bauman, Kendrell Jordan, Nathan Schwartz, Erik Schindler, Keona Jordan, Kenneth Jordan, Katherine Warner

Crafts: Karen Basseler, Meg Borema, Elizabeth Warner,

Games: Luke Bauman, Lilliana Jaeger, Lexia Kennedy, Anna Schwartz

Music: Barb Koch

Snacks: Hillary Brands, Jenny Garetto

Director Assistants: Stacie Bauman, Valerie Adegunleye, Jen Reynolds, Carlene Derickson, Jon Koch

LWMS Befriend a Mission Update for July 5

World Mission – Nigeria - One important item to take note of - Pastor Doug Weiser, Missionary to Nigeria has retired as of June 30. I do not have contact information for the new missionary who will be moving to Cameroon sometime in the near future. As soon as we hear from the LWMS Central Office about new contact info for the Nigerian mission, I will pass that along to all of you. Please keep the Nigerian mission in your prayers and Pastor Jeff Heitsch and his wife Stephanie as they make plans for their move to Cameroon in this next chapter of their lives.

Please also remember Doug Weiser and his wife Hollie as they enter the retirement phase of their lives. Thank God for Doug's loving service to our faithful brothers and sisters of Nigeria. Doug's birthday is July 2.

Home Mission - Living Word Lutheran Church, Montrose, CO - It sounds like Living Word's three day Christian Day Camp was a great success with 134 children attending! Praise the Lord for all those little ones who came and heard the precious word of God. See

Pastor Frey in action by checking out one of his sermons [here](#). Pastor Frey's wife, Jessica, has a birthday on July 21 and their youngest child, Seth, is celebrating his 8th birthday on July 1. Thank you, Kristina

SMILE – Amazon style.... You may recall that last fall the LWMS Chicago Area Circuit collected socks and underwear and extended some financial support for the orphanages and schools of Branch Lutheran Schools of Haiti, Inc. Some of our area churches and schools have independently sponsored events and/or special collections for BLSH. Others have donated personally and generously. As BLSH is a para-synodical organization and operating funds are not supplied by our synod, these gifts were vastly needed and greatly appreciated. See <http://www.branchlutheralschoolshaiti.org/> for details on continued financial support.

There is yet another way you can help these little lambs of our good and gracious God – through Amazon Smile and at no cost to you. For those of you who love to shop and use Amazon, Amazon will donate .05% of qualified purchases to Branch Lutheran Schools of Haiti once selected as the charity of your choice. For information on how to sign up for Amazon Smile see: http://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/about/ref=smi_aas_redirect?ie=UTF8&pd_rd_r=J0NM1C3PKJZYMGGQZ4ND0&pd_rd_w=eugaZ&pd_rd_wg=RMMG8&qid=1497707161&ref=sxts_snpl_3_0_2447752202 Once you've registered, be sure to make your purchases through smile.amazon.com

Installation of Mr. Roekle & Mrs. Blumer – On Sunday, July 16 David Roekle (Principal Apprentice/7th and 8th grade teacher) and Kathryn Blumer (Preschool Director) will be installed. Please plan to attend and welcome them to our school and church. We will also be having a welcoming reception with refreshments serviced between services.

Minister of Music Announced - Welcome & praise God for Heidi Rusch who just recently accepted the newly created "Minister of Music" position. This position was created to enhance our worship in the areas of music and song to praise and glorify God. Jan Henriksen will be helping Heidi create & develop this new, exciting role for Worship. Thank you in advance to Jan for giving of her time, talent & treasures always to Good Shepherd.

Please keep Heidi and this ministry in your prayers.
Todd Oard - Worship Coordinator

Don't Forget About These!

Introducing our First Female Usher - The formation and implementation of men and women ushers was recently resolved and adopted by the MCC of Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church. The resolution is to be carried out to God's glory for the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people and provide more opportunities for both men and women to serve our Lord and His people at Good Shepherd. This past weekend, we welcomed Grace Rush as our first female usher. Grace is the daughter of Andy and Michelle Rush and she had the privilege of ushering with her dad.

Women communicant members are encouraged to contact Todd Oard or Andy Rush if they are interested in becoming an usher. Training will be provided.



Thank You – Confirmation Stichery - I would like to thank the following people for their help with the confirmation verses. Without their help these verses could not have been completed.

Pastor Schwartz for getting the verses to me on such a timely basis.

Pauline Rutschow for editing the graphs and stitched verses for spacing and spelling errors.

Jackie Hull for framing the finished product.

God's Blessings, Joyce Masa

Blood Donors Thank You - Our sincere appreciation to the 22 blood donors who took the time on Sunday, June 11th to offer a pint to those in need of surgery or transfusion. Twenty pints were collected and will provide medical assistance to as many as 70 people.

Our next blood drive will be held on Sunday, November 5th at Good Shepherd - 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Please mark your calendar. Our goal will be 35 pints. Friend and neighbors are welcome.

Thank you for your enthusiastic response. Laurie Bowen

Invitation to Partner with St. Andrew (Chicago) for Community Outreach –

Dear Chicago-area WELS brothers and sisters.

In April, the LWMS Chicago Area Circuit heard from St. Andrew Lutheran Church's new pastor, Adam Gawel, about outreach opportunities in St. Andrew's community. The church's immediate neighborhood (McKinley Park) has a majority Hispanic population and significant numbers of Chinese and Caucasians. Together with some members from Trinity in Crete, St. Andrew is planning for some coordinated outreach to its community on July 15th (Saturday). Any WELS members are welcome to partner in this effort. Volunteers will pass out invitations to St. Andrew's summer Sunday school as well as informational flyers about the church, and we also hope to be able to have conversations about the gospel with any member of the community who is willing. Don't worry if you haven't had special evangelism training; we will partner you with someone who has, and you can learn as you go!

If you are interested in participating, please contact Pastor Adam Gawel on his cell phone (by call or text) at [773-383-2395](tel:773-383-2395). On July 15 we plan to meet at 1pm at St. Andrew's Ministry Center (3650 S. Honore St., Chicago, 60609 -- the house next door to the church). If you can't join us on that day, please keep these outreach efforts in your prayers, and consider joining us in the future!

Thank you!

The "Walking Tour of McKinley Park" article linked below gives a good picture of the neighborhood.

<https://chicago.curbed.com/2016/4/12/11411496/a-tour-of-mckinley-park>

2nd Annual Golf Outing & BBQ!

Date: Saturday, July 29th

Time: 1:30pm - Check-in/Putting Practice starting
2:00pm - Golf Begins
BBQ Dinner immediately following

Where: River Bend Golf Course & Wheatstack Restaurant
5900 S. Rt. 53, Lisle

Cost (per person): \$50 - Golf (9 holes) & Dinner
\$30 - Golf only (w/cart)
\$20 - Dinner only

Registration Required: Sign-up in narthex, e-mail dschindle46422@gmail.com, or register at www.gsdg.org

Payment: Cash or check (made out to Good Shepherd Lutheran) noting "Golf Outing" in memo line and on envelope: put in either narthex or school office lock boxes.

Any questions please see Group Life Coordinator Dan Schindler, or contact at 630-853-1669. Thank you!

SCRIP

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

What is SCRIP?

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What stores sell cards through SCRIP?

Many retailers such as Walmart, Meijer, Target, Kohls, Amazon, Speedway, AMC Theatres, Home Depot, Walgreens, CVS, Panera, Chipotle, Olive Garden, Applebee's, Best Buy, Southwest Airlines, Home Goods, and many more.

[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. Contact the SCRIP Coordinator, Carlene Derickson, at scrip@gsdg.org for Enrollment Code that is needed when creating your SCRIP account or more information.

CALENDAR

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| TODAY | 8:00 am | Worship Service with Communion |
| | 9:20 am | Adult Bible Class (NO SUNDAY SCHOOL) |
| | 10:30 am | Worship Service with Communion |
| MONDAY 7/03 | 7:00 pm | Worship Service with Communion |

TUESDAY 7/04

WEDNESDAY 7/05

THURSDAY 7/06

FRIDAY 7/07

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| SATURDAY 7/08 | 8:00 am | Men's Breakfast Bible Study |
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| SUNDAY 7/09 | 8:00 am | Worship Service |
| | 9:20 am | Sunday School and Bible Class |
| | 10:30 am | Worship Service |

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| MONDAY 7/03 | 7:00 pm | Worship Service |
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SAVE THE DATE

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| Thursday 7/13 | 7:00 pm | School Committee Meeting |
| Friday 7/14 | | Last Day to Register for Golf Outing |
| Sunday 7/16 | | Installation of David Roekle and Kathryn Blumer |
| Wednesday 7/19 | 7:00 pm | Stewardship Committee Meeting |
| Friday 7/21 | | Mulka Wedding Rehearsal |
| Saturday 7/22 | | Mulka Wedding |
| Thursday 7/27 | | Perez Wedding Rehearsal |
| Friday 7/28 | | Perez Wedding |
| Saturday 7/29 | | 2 nd Annual Golf Outing |

USHER/S

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| 07/02 | 8:00 am | Steve Danekas & Bob Reichert |
| | 10:30 am | Bill Merchantz & Daniel John |
| 07/03 | 7:00 pm | Bob Tyrrel |
| 07/09 | 8:00 am | Rick & Luke Bauman |
| | 10:30 am | Todd & Jacob Oard |
| 07/10 | 7:00 pm | Ken Hull |

ALTAR CARE

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| 07/02 | Kathy Oedzes & Laura Swiatnicki |
| 07/16 | Cindy Oard & Marie Buetow |

COFFEE SCHEDULE

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| 07/02 | Kathy Paradis & Vicki Smith |
| 07/09 | Barb Koch & Doris Holcomb |

WATERING SCHEDULE

07/03 Debbie O
07/05 Laurie B
07/07 Karen B
07/09 Debi V
07/11 Mark F
07/13 Sherrie/Jay N
07/15 Debbie O
07/17 Karen B

GREETERS

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| 07/02 | 8:00 am | Karen Bassler |
| | 10:30 am | Joan Richmond |
| 07/09 | 8:00 am | Dean Gerdes |
| | 10:30 am | Karen Bassler |