



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

May 19th – 20th 2018

"Why do you stand here looking into the sky?
This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven,
will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11

What's New At Good Shepherd?

SCHWARTZ FAMILY CELEBRATION

The Good Shepherd family will celebrate with a reception and program on Sunday, June 10 for the Schwartz family to honor them and wish them well as they move to a new home church in Wisconsin.

In order to help with planning, please RSVP via electronic response through the church website at www.gsdg.org or paper signup in the Narthex as soon as possible, but no later than Sunday, May 27.

- Luncheon Reception following 10:30 a.m. service
- Celebration Program of Pastor & Katie's faithful years of service held in the church at 1:30 p.m.

During the month of May, a special donation is being collected for the Schwartz family. Donations of cash or checks made out to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church can be dropped into the donation box in the narthex or the collection plate. The donations collected will be presented to the Schwartz family as one gift. The special collection will continue through May 27.

Call Meetings June 3 and June 5

Good Shepherd's request to the WELS for the assignment of a kindergarten teacher from this year's graduating class was not filled when graduates were assigned last week. The next step in filling the open kindergarten position is a scheduled call meeting, which will be held immediately after second church service on Sunday, June 3. All voters are invited to attend. WELS will provide another call list for consideration at that meeting.

An application for assignment of a graduating pastor to serve as full-time pastor at Good Shepherd has been submitted to District President Pastor Kolander and the WELS Assignment Committee for consideration. That decision will be made on May 24. If the pastor position at Good Shepherd is not filled by a graduate, a call meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 5. Pastor Kolander will attend and all voters are invited to attend.

SCHWARTZ MOVING PARTY

Pastor Schwartz Moving "Party!" - Can "U-Haul" yourself over to help Pastor Schwartz and his family load their moving truck on Tuesday, June 12th? In order to help save St. Luke's a substantial amount of money for carrying out the Lord's work in Oakfield, Pastor Schwartz is hoping to use some of the moving skills he picked up during his summer job with a moving company back in college to load and drive a "U-Haul" truck up to Oakfield. Members of St. Luke's will help him unload the truck on that end. If you might be able to help load it on this end, or if you have a teen that might be able to help, it would be much appreciated! Text or call him at 331.318.9769 or email at pastorschwartz@juno.com to let him know so that he can plan on food for the "party!" Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of this request!

WATERING CREW SIGN-UP

Enjoy the out of doors while you serve! Members take turns watering the beautiful flowers and garden areas on our church and school grounds. All equipment is supplied...including the water! We will be starting very soon. Please indicate your interest on the sheet in the narthex or contact Debbie O'Malley (630-309-2526 or e-mail: derby330@yahoo.com).

MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH

Looking for a sweet way to support our troops? Now through May 31, we'll donate \$1 to Homes For Our Troops (HFOT) for every order placed on our website.

Place your AlbaneseCandy.com order today to help support HFOT's mission to build and donate specially adapted custom homes for America's most severely injured Veterans. Get involved and join our annual cause.

Questions? Please contact Vicki Smith or Bob Reichert.

THANK YOU!

I wanted to thank the members of Good Shepherd for being so welcoming to me and making me feel like I had a family while I was completing my internship. You really made my time in Illinois very positive and memorable. What you have done means so much to me and I cannot put into words how blessed I am to have been a part of such a great community of believers that have encouraged me and have strengthened my faith! I really enjoyed my time with you and am grateful that I had the opportunity to meet so many great people that were so generous and kind.

- Tara Scott

(A special thank you also to Bob and Lucy Vicker for being gracious hosts and providing Tara with a home while here in our area! Well done good and faithful servants of our Good Shepherd, God's people, to one and to all! - Pastor Schwartz)

2018 CONFIRMATION

On June 3rd, our confirmands will make a public profession of their Christian faith. The Apostle Paul, writing to the Romans says: "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved ... For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Please keep our Confirmands in your prayers asking that they continue to grow in the Word.

- Olivia Lee Abegg
- Isabel Victoria Bowditch
- Mia Claire Cittadine
- Kendrell Samuel Jordan
- Lexia Ohanna Kennedy
- Ryan Todd Paradis
- Erik Danial Schindler

Sunday, May 27th

Confirmation Examination during both early and late services and in between services. Servae Christi will host a cake reception between services in honor of our Confirmands.

Sunday, June 3rd

Confirmation in the 10:30 am service.

LWMS NATIONAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ballots and information on candidates for the LWMS National election of officers are available in the narthex. Please see the display and cast your vote by May 20th. As an LWMS member congregation all women are invited to vote. You may also vote online via the link below.

[LWMS Candidates for Board of Directors](#)

[LWMS Missions Offering Projects](#)

[LWMS Online Ballot](#)

If you have any questions, please contact LWMS Reporters, Kristina John or Valerie Adegunleye.

PERSONAL MEMBER MINISTRY PROGRAM

Have you heard? Good Shepherd is in the process of launching a new Personal Member Ministry program! This program is designed to help encourage member involvement in congregational ministry as it encourages members to grow in their knowledge of God's Word so that they are better equipped to serve God and share His Word with others!

Using a spiritual gift discovery tool, this program seeks to help God's people identify their spiritual gifts and how they might use them to serve God and others. Trained program facilitators will not only help in the discovery process but also in the implementation process as they will help God's people match the gifts they have been given to the areas of need at Good Shepherd. We have been blessed to partner with Faith Unleashed Consulting, a ministry of our WELS sister church of Trinity in Crete. This program has proven to be a huge blessing to their congregation and to several other congregations and we pray that God would cause it to be a huge blessing to Good Shepherd as well! Nearly 30 Good Shepherd members attended an all-day workshop in January to learn more about this program. Currently the men of our Ministry Coordinating Council are working with the ladies of Servae Christi to implement this program at Good Shepherd and we are hoping for your support, approval, and participation. By the grace of God, we see it being a tremendous opportunity to better carry out the work God has given us as a congregation to "seek the lost, feed the flock, and serve our Savior."

Questions? Interested in learning more? Feel free to contact Lindsey Daehnke at zikis2@icloud.com or Steve Cittadine, Mission Resources Coordinator, at scittadine@gmail.com. More information about this program will be shared at the Open Forum meeting on Sunday, May 6th with possible approval of the program at the Voters Assembly on Monday, May 14th.

VBS DATES ANNOUNCED

We are excited to announce **Vacation Bible School will be** June 18-22 for children ages 3 years-4th grade. We will meet from 9-11:30 am. The cost is free.

Online sign-up is available on our website or [click here](#) to be immediately directed to the form. We welcome your family, friends, and neighbors to sign-up with you!

VBS Volunteers Needed

Please see the sign-up table in the narthex for VBS volunteer opportunities.

MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE CHANGE

Due to scheduling conflicts for May, our Men's Breakfast Bible Study will be held on the fourth Saturday of the month rather than the regularly scheduled third Saturday, in the Fellowship Hall. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause anyone, and we hope you can join us for food, fellowship and continued growth in God's Word!

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?

With SCRIP, families can easily earn rebates for our church and schools while they shop purchasing gift cards through nearly 400 national retail stores where you already shop.

Note: Some choices allow earned rebates to be tax deductible.

We thank all our participants. If you are not participating, we encourage you to consider joining our SCRIP Program.

[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.

Questions? E-mail our SCRIP Coordinator, Carlene Derickson (scrip@gsdg.org).

Ordering Schedule (due by 12:00pm):

- Monday, May 21st; delivered Friday, May 25th

CALENDAR

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship Service with Communion
	9:20 am	Sunday School and Bible Class & BLAST
	10:30 am	Worship Service with Communion
	12:00 pm	Boy Pioneers
MONDAY 05/21		Yearbook Orders Due
	12:00 pm	SCRIP Orders Due
TUESDAY 05/22	2:30 pm	Band Concert
	3:30 pm	Catechism Examination Practice
WEDNESDAY 05/23	10:00 am	Mid-week Bible Class
THURSDAY 05/24		Last Day of PreK Tues / Thur
	10:00 am	Assignment Day Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
	7:00 pm	Graduation Concert Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
FRIDAY 05/25		Last Day of Preschool
	9:00 am	Preschool Graduation
SATURDAY 05/26	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	5:30 pm	Worship
SUNDAY 05/27	8:00 am	Worship Service – Examination Sunday
	9:20 am	Sunday School and Bible Class & BLAST
	10:30 am	Worship Service – Examination Sunday
	12:00 pm	Boy Pioneers

SAVE THE DATE

Monday 05/28		No School
Tuesday 05/29	8:10 am	Chapel
Thursday 5/31	8:10 am	Chapel
	10:30 am	Class of 2018 will and prophecy
	11:30 AM	Early release
	7:00 pm	Graduation (K-7th sing)
Friday 6/1	10:00 am	School Picnic
Sunday 6/10	11:30 am	Schwartz Family Celebration
Thursday 6/14		Barnas/Boese Wedding Rehearsal
Friday 6/15		Barnas/Boese Wedding
June 18-22		VBS

USHER/S

05/19	5:30 pm	Ken Hull
05/20	8:00 am	Dan & Erik Schindler
	10:30 am	Chuck Rhodes & Greg Busse
05/27	8:00 am	Paul Schoenbeck & Dean Gerdes
	10:30 am	Randy Weaver & Dale Graefnitz
06/02	5:30 pm	Ken Hull

ALTAR CARE

05/19-20	Kathy Oedzes & Chris Herrmann
06/2-3	Debbie OMalley & Roxanne Zikis

COFFEE SCHEDULE

05/20	Kathy Paradis & Inge Wegner
05/27	Pam Junkunc & Doris Holcomb

GREETERS

05/20	8:00 am	Lindsey Daehnke
	10:30 am	Greg Busse
05/27	8:00 am	Steve Danekas
	10:30 am	Cindy Grunze