

**SERVE GOD WITH MONEY;  
YOU CAN'T SERVE GOD AND MONEY**

**Good Shepherd Evangelical**

**Lutheran Church**

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**What's Happening at Good Shepherd**

**October 9 and 10, 2021**

**Today's focus:** *Serve God with money; you can't serve God and money.* There are more than 2300 Bible passages that speak about money. Why? Money is a master Satan frequently tempts us to serve. And that evil foe knows how successful his efforts with money can be. Money provides us with a false comfort and a sense of security. It serves as a source of pride. It serves as a wonderful tool for a favorite pastime: justifying ourselves in our own eyes and the eyes of others. Jesus knows that serving money makes it impossible to serve God. The human heart is not big enough for both. As a result, Jesus does all he can to expose the futility of serving money. He also helps us see that the only one truly worth serving is our gracious, loving God. When we serve God, money is put in its proper place. Instead of money being a lord to serve, it becomes a resource for serving the Lord. This is the hard truth. There is no way for us to serve both God and money. But we can serve God with our money.

**October 16/17**

**What seems to help in life fails in death; what seems to fail in life helps in death**  
*Pentecost 21*

### **Good Shepherd Members**

✚ Shepherding Committee would like to make sure **ALL** members who would like to receive our weekly "What's Happening at Good Shepherd" email, inclusive of the weekly service folder, are. If you are not receiving these weekly emails on Fridays, please contact Jen Reynolds in our office at [office@gsdg.org](mailto:office@gsdg.org).

✚ **Mask guidelines during worship.**

***Due to the current CDC recommendation and state mandate, we ask that all people wear masks while indoors.***



What a wonderful weekend for our Outdoor Worship & Picnic this past Sunday! Over 130 people enjoyed the beautiful day held on the grounds of Good Shepherd! We celebrated the blessings God has given to us even during these challenging times, in song (thank you to all of the preschoolers who sang), fellowship, food, fun and games! We also celebrated Barb Koch and a **BIG CONGRATULATIONS** to her!! She is celebrating her 30th anniversary at Good Shepherd as our

3rd/4th grade teacher and current Administrative Principal! Highlights of the afternoon included "Regionally Famous" Semenske Beer Brats, "Extra-Ordinary" Prizes for Bingo, Face Painting, PreK Crafts & Games, and Root beer Floats!

Thank you to all who participated in the Raffle! Congratulations to our winners! Through our raffle we were able to donate 175 pounds of food and \$127 to Loaves and Fishes Community Services in Naperville!

Too many volunteers to list!! Thank you to the many minds, hands, backs and prayers that went into such a wonderful weekend!!!

God's Blessings to All! ~ Your Good Shepherd Picnic Planning Committee





## S.H.A.P.E.D. Class

**Session 1 will be Friday October 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm, meet in fellowship hall**  
**Session 2 will be Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, meet in fellowship hall**

Both parts are required to complete the SHAPED Class. Individually wrapped snacks will be provided for the evening session, donuts will be provided for the morning session and bottled water will be provided at both session. You are welcome to bring your own snacks/beverage. Pre-registration is required to attend.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-shaped1>



### **NAMI DuPage - October 16, 2021**

Please join us 1pm Saturday, October 16, 2021 here at Good Shepherd for a presentation by NAMI DuPage of programs & resources they have available for everyone, along with personal stories from individuals living with mental illness. NAMI DuPage – [National Alliance of Mental Illness] has a private/public partnership with DuPage County Health Dept., is presenting programs & resources available thru them, along with personal stories of living with mental illness.

You can sign up thru this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45A92CABFA7-nami>



BLAST is our Sunday morning children's ministry at Good Shepherd. All children, ages 3 years-8th grade, are welcome to join us in the school library on most Sundays from 9:15a-10:20a.

BLAST families, thank you for all your support getting our kids back to in person learning. We are so excited to have them in class. Please remember that all students need to be wearing a mask while they are in BLAST. We are still trying to make time for a brief mask break outside if weather permits. Also, if your children are sick we appreciate that you keep them home. We will miss them, but will look forward to them joining us when they are well.

Our upcoming lessons for BLAST are:

10/10: God helps us be bold

10/17: God helps us forgive

10/24: The Holy Spirit gives us direction

10/31: Jesus changes our lives

Believe it or not, we are looking at plans for our Family Christmas Service. Below you will find a link to a Google form. Please help us plan our program by filling out the brief 4 question survey. Thank you for helping us prepare for a joyous holiday season. <https://forms.gle/6eTURB17qPDL9Kti9>

If you have any questions about our program you can reach out to us at [BLAST@gsdg.org](mailto:BLAST@gsdg.org)



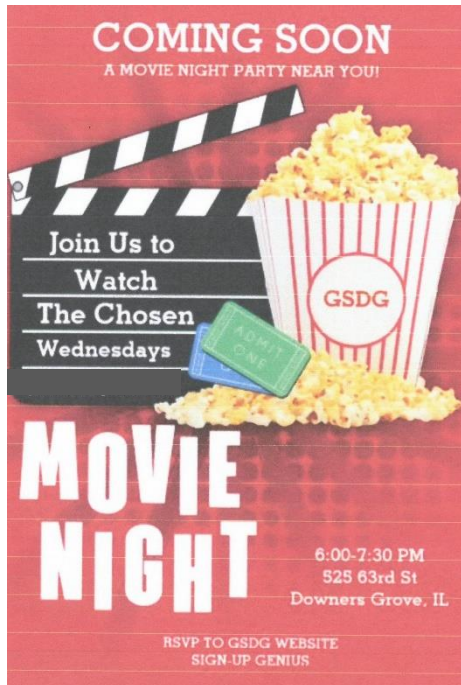
### **LWMS UPDATE**

Attached is the Central Africa Medical Mission (C.A.M.M.) Monthly Letter. There is information about our African missions in Malawi & Zambia.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all who contributed pill bottles for this mission!!

## **Cross Country Help**

On Saturday October 16, GSLA will be hosting their first annual Cross Country meet in Bolingbrook. We are in search of volunteers. Most will be course monitors that will be placed at various points of the course to guide runners and cheer them on. A few other volunteer positions are also needed. The time commitment would be from 9am to about 11am. Let Miss Rosenbaum know if you are interested or able to help out. Thank you in advance! [elise.rosenbaum@gsdg.org](mailto:elise.rosenbaum@gsdg.org)



The Chosen Movie Nights  
Please Join us for  
MOVIE NIGHTS  
Featuring  
The CHOSEN, a Series about Christ  
Wednesday Nights  
6:00 – 7:30 pm  
A New Episode weekly

Sign up with the below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-thechosen1>

## **Ministry Counsel Positions up for election this November**

These Positions are available to any confirmed male voting member age 18 or older.

President  
Mission Resources  
Worship  
Spiritual Growth  
Group Life  
(2 of 5) School Committee Members



## Good Shepherd Lutheran Academy

### News and Notes

Oct 6, 2021

**Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord Always!!**

Please note Calendar dates/updates

### No School Oct 11, 2021

Oct 15, 2021 Grandparents Day has been postponed to a later date. Oct 15, 2021 is the End of the 1st Quarter

Oct 17th 10:30am 1st - 4th grade sing in Church

Oct 17th Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat 12:00 - 3:30 PreK - 4th Grade

Oct 26th Picture Retake day Early Dismissal on Oct 27, 2021 - 11:30am dismissal (Aftercare available)

No School on October 28-29. The teachers will be attending a conference in Wisconsin.

**Our theme this year is "Rejoice in the Lord always" from Philippians 4:4.**

**We can rejoice in the many ways God has blessed us.**

**We can rejoice that God made each of us unique in our talents, abilities, interests, and appearance.**

**The GSLA students and staff will strive to use their words and actions to show their love for God.**

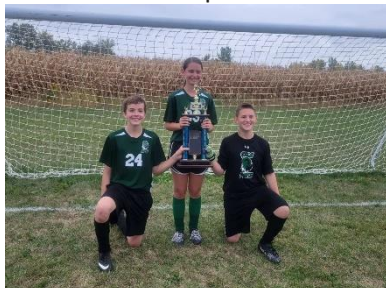
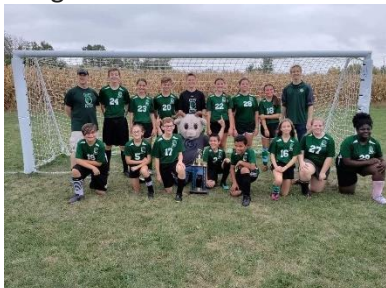
**We know there will be times when we fail to use our words and actions in a God-pleasing way.**

**We also know that we have a loving God who sent his Son to be our Savior from sin.**

**We are forgiven! Rejoice!**

### Congratulations

Congrats to the soccer team! The Rams took first place in the tournament on Saturday, Oct. 2.



### Fall Festival

Sunday, October 17th 12:00pm - 3:30pm

Join us for a bounce house, Fall themed photo booth, costume contests, hot dogs, cider, and games.

This outdoor family event is for children in 4th grade and below. Masks are optional while outdoors. Additional details available at [www.gsladg.org](http://www.gsladg.org).

Donations needed / Volunteers needed - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E45AFA92CABFA7-fall1>

### ID's for 5th - 8th Graders

Students in the grades 5th - 8th are receiving ID's at no cost from Inter-State Studios, ID's are not replaceable but can be very useful for discounts in many places such as Movies, Trains, Museums, etc. look for places that advertise student discounts. Please also advise your student on the responsibility that goes along with something like this, it does have their name, school and grade on it. (Side note there was a mistake made with the 7th/8th grade Teacher name but for ID's that we are not being charged for we are not going to ask for reprint.)

### School Pictures

October 26th is School picture retake day. If your child is in need of retakes or if your child was not here for our initial picture day, please plan to have them here on the 26th for retake day. Even if you are not ordering pictures this will give them the opportunity to be in their class picture and the yearbook. If you would like to order pictures the link and code are as follows: [www.INTER-STATE.COM/ORDER](http://www.INTER-STATE.COM/ORDER) code to place orders is **60567NB**.



### GSLA Art work on display

We would like to share some of the artwork that the GSLA students have been working on. Please see attachments..



### NAMI DuPage

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### 8th Grade Families - in Downers Grove District 99

#### ***D99: Private School Registration and Testing Info***

Dear Prospective District 99 Families, As residents of Community High School District 99 whose students currently attend private junior high or middle schools, you are receiving this important email regarding enrollment at North or South High School.

Please follow these steps if you are planning for your student to attend a District 99 school.

1. Based upon your address, please complete either the [DGN Enrollment Form](#) or the [DGS Enrollment Form](#) before October 18, 2021. If you are unsure which campus your student will attend, please enter your address in the search bar above the map on [this webpage](#)
2. After completing step one, please fill out [this form](#) to reserve a space for your student at one of our placement testing sessions

If you have any questions about placement testing, please contact me at [gziccardi@csd99.org](mailto:gziccardi@csd99.org) or (630) 795-7111.

Sincerely, Gina Ziccardi (630) 795-7111

(If you are not in this District please contact the school you plan to send your student to next year - it's time to start thinking about High School.)

### **Hot Lunch**

Hot lunch options from Buona Beef will be available to order for all students every Friday, starting *October 8th*. Weekly menu selections are limited to entrees only, so please pack a drink or any sides from home that your child may want to eat with their hot lunch. You may order one week or multiple weeks at a time. If ordering weekly, orders must be placed no later than the Monday prior to each hot lunch date. Directions for setting up an account and placing orders are [linked here](#). If you ordered hot lunch in the past, your previous account should still be active. <https://buona.h1.hotlunchonline.net>

Setting up Buona Hot Lunch Account Update: If you are adding a new student(s) use school **code GSL**. Please select the grade level for each student to help with delivering lunch items to classrooms. To change grade level in an existing account select Student in the dropdown menu Action: Edit. Any credit from hot lunches canceled in spring 2020 should be on existing student accounts. If you have any issues please contact Cathy Jaeger: [dewey020@gmail.com](mailto:dewey020@gmail.com)

### **School Fundraiser**

Raise some dough for GSLA by participating in a Home Run Inn pizza fundraiser. Choose from a variety of fresh take-n-bake pizzas, salads and desserts using GLSA's [online fundraising website](#). Order anytime now through October 20th, and select from one of three pickup dates at the Darien location. Home Run Inn will donate 30% of proceeds to GSLA. If you'd like your pizza cooked prior to pick up please indicate this in the order Message box and include the exact time you're picking it up to ensure it's hot and ready to go. Feel free to share the [website link](#) or fundraiser [flyer](#) with friends and family!

Order Deadline: 10/20

Pickup: 10/25, 10/26 or 10/27

### **Sports Schedule**

The Soccer team took first place at the soccer tournament this past weekend. Congratulations, Rams!!

The Cross Country team has a meet at Zion in Marengo on October 6th with a race starting at 4:30 and another race at 5.

GSLA will be hosting a CC meet on October 16th at the Annerino Center grounds in Bolingbrook. Races are at 9:30am and 10:00am. Come cheer the Rams on!

### **Save the date:**

Good Shepherd's Outdoor Fall Festival featuring Trunk or Treat will take place on Sunday, October 17th after church services are complete. Additional details will be available soon.

If you are interested in volunteering to help that day or lending your trunk to be decorated, please reach out to Lindsey Daehnke at [zikis2@icloud.com](mailto:zikis2@icloud.com).

### **Forensics:**

Grades 5-8 continue to work with coaches. On November 4th at 6pm, there will be a Forensics Preview Night at GSLA. On November 6th, students will travel to ILHS in Crete, IL for the forensics competition. Mark your calendars. This is a great opportunity for students to work on their public speaking skills. Encourage your child to practice at home!



## October: Usher Schedule

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## October: Communion Setup - Cleanup

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## October: Watering Crew

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## CALENDAR

### *GSLA Fundraiser – Home Run Inn – Take ‘n Bake through Oct 20<sup>th</sup>*

<https://hrifundraising.raisely.com/gsla-1021>

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:15 am	BLAST / Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Worship Service
<b>MONDAY 10/11</b>		GSLA – NO School Columbus Day
<b>TUESDAY 10/12</b>		
<b>WEDNESDAY 10/13</b>	8:10 am	GSLA Kids Connection
	12:00 pm	Band Lessons (Church)
	3:00 pm	Band Rehearsal (Church)
	3:15 pm	Cross County Practice
	6:00 pm	Chosen Movie Nights
<b>THURSDAY 10/14</b>		
<b>FRIDAY 10/15</b>		GSLA End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
<b>SATURDAY 10/16</b>		
	1:00 pm	NAMI DuPage presentation
	5:30 pm	Worship
<b>SUNDAY 10/17</b>	8:00 am	Worship Service
	9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		BLAST Sunday school
	10:30 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	OWLS Meeting Fellowship

## *Serving in Worship*

**Pastor:** Jon Bergemann  
**Organist/Organist:** Karen D'Aversa  
**Cantors (Saturday):** Casey Kippes and Valerie Adegunleye  
**AV Team:** Bob Reichert, Joe Garetto, Kristen Reynolds & Greg Busse

### **Contact Information**

Pastor Jon Bergemann

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Email: [pastor.bergemann@gsdg.org](mailto:pastor.bergemann@gsdg.org)

Church Secretary Jennifer Reynolds

Church office: 630.852.1519

School office: 630.852.5081

Cell phone: 630.399.3648

Office Email: [office@gsdg.org](mailto:office@gsdg.org)

### **Worship Attendance in God's House**

Saturday (5:30) – 42

Sunday (8:00) – 34

Sunday (10:30) – 34

Weekend Total – 110

### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR GOD'S WORK**

	Week Ending	Weekly Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Week 13	09/26/2021	\$16,670.40	\$120,795.35	\$132,500.00	91.2 %

### **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.