



# News of the Flock

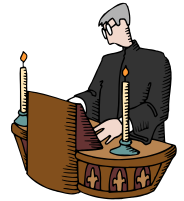


## From the Pastor ~ ~

Jesus said, "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one." - John 10:28-30 (NIV)

Lent is the time of year when we focus on what really matters in life. Christ said that He came to give us eternal life. No strings attached beyond repenting of sins which is the natural expression of faith. Jesus says in John 10 that no one will be able to snatch us away from Him. That's a comforting thought. The Devil cannot pull us away from Jesus. Granted we can jump from His hand, but no one has the power to remove us from His hand. Jesus emphasizes this when He says that no one can snatch us from the Father's hand as well. Talk about double protection.

Lent is the time we focus our attention on what it took to make John 10 a reality. We hear again the message that we cannot earn our way into heaven by being a nice person. Jesus is the one who gives eternal life and He did that by dying on the cross for all people. Once we belong to Christ no one can take away the gift of eternal life from us. Easter is proof that God the Father accepted Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Lent is when we look at the price paid for our sins and a reminder that we are sinners. But, thanks be to God that we do not have to suffer the eternal consequences of our sin.



## Mortgage Burning Lunch

**March 12, 2023**  
**After worship service**  
**Fried chicken**  
**with all the fixins;**  
**Please join us in the celebration**

Time Change



*Spring Forward*

**March 12, 2023**

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### Special points of interest:

- *Lent Service on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm—Soup & Sandwiches at 6:00 pm*
- *Franklin Community Band, March 9 at 7:00 pm—Refreshments after*
- *Burn the Mortgage Lunch, March 12th after worship service*
- *St. Patrick's Day, March 17*
- *Spring begins March 20*
- *Pic-In Lunch, March 27th*

## Church Council Highlights ~~

Good Shepherd Church Council met on February 12 after the worship service. Those in attendance were: Kent Krimmel, Don Haddock, Pastor Daene, Larry Hill, Johannah Pollert, Michelle Walker, Shelley Hill, Randy Powers, Kevin Weber, Heidi Baca and Rose Krimmel.

Johannah called the meeting to order. We then asked for a volunteer to fill in to run the meeting. After discussion Larry Hill agreed. The reason for this is our Current President, Chris Johnson, resigned and we currently do not have a Vice President.

Johannah, Council Secretary, presented the minutes for November meeting as we had a Voters' Assembly Meeting in December and the President was ill in January and cancelled the meeting. The minutes were approved with the one correction.

Rose, Financial Secretary, stated the January offerings were \$14,909.52.

Larry, Treasurer, stated the expenses for January were \$14,796.70

Rev. Daene, Pastor, reported the average attendance for January was 53. He had 5 church services, 9 Bible studies, 3 visits, 4 Hospital visits, 10 Counseling sessions, and had 2 Shut-in visits.

Kevin, Deacon Chairman, had no report.

Don, Trustee Chairman, reported the thermostat in the Conference Room has been repaired. Signs have been posted in the Fellowship Storage Room to not block the doors to the furnaces. Many things are being taken care of by volunteer individuals.

Heidi, Board of Education, stated the Preschool is studying the New Testament and the Intermediate class is studying Confirmation concepts. Johannah Pollert is teaching the Preschool Class and Rachel Runge is teaching the Inter-

mediate Class. Linda Haddock leads the Children's Church on non-communion Sundays.

Shelley, Stewardship Chair, no report.

Michelle, Missions Chair, reported we collected 85 pounds of toilet paper, ketchup, and canned goods for the InterChurch Food Pantry in January. Ride Share Program has yet to have any one request a ride to church. The Christmas Angels Program served two families and then we had an additional request for immediate help and Michelle took care of taking her shopping.

Randy, Member-at-Large stated the Franklin Community Band will be here on March 9th at 7:00 p.m.

New Business: We need a volunteer from the congregation to be President of Church Council. Present term ends in December.

March Church Council Meeting March 19.

## LWGS

Hello Ladies,

LWGS met in January and February. In January we decided to keep the Traveling Basket going. Last year we raised \$333.00 for the church's General Fund. Our nut sales did very well. We have a few bags left in the hallway for sale. As we enjoy doing crafts we had a craft day on January 23rd. Many pretty necklaces were made. Anyone can come to do crafts when we set up a Craft Day. Officers were installed for 2023.

At our February meeting we welcomed Robin Waldron to our meeting. We set the

date for our Ladies Night Out. It will be in April this year on the 17th at 6:30 p.m. at Olive Garden in Greenwood. All ladies are invited to join us. A sign up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. If you need a ride just mark that on the sign-up sheet.

Keep the Traveling Basket going!

All ladies are welcome at our meetings, the next meeting is on March 13th at 11:00 a.m. at the church.



## Care & Concern



**Sympathy and Prayers** for Bill Cummings, December 4, 2022 and Patty Cummings on January 24, 2023.

**Remember in your Prayers:** Al Schilkey,

cancer surgery; Jean Lawyer, healing and comfort; Don Haddock, healing and comfort; Kathy Hawkins, comfort and strength; Mary Allman, healing and comfort; Vic Rinehart—therapy and comfort; Sister-in-

Law of Elaine Powers, healing and comfort; Ron Thompson, healing and comfort; Arabella, Jean Lawyer's granddaughter, breathing problems; Freda Smith, healing and comfort; Elizabeth Samples, Sharon Clark's daughter-in-laws sister, healing & comfort; Jennifer Burton, hospice; Julie Ploss, strength, healing & comfort; Eleanor Coner, strength, healing and comfort; Joyce Thompson, strength and comfort; Susan Fouts, Kathy Hawkins sister, health issues; Steve Clodfelter and family, Parkinsons; Debbie Houck,

Amy Houck's sister-in-law, form of Lou Gehrig disease; prayers for the homeless and needy in our community.



## Bible Readings - March

Mar 1—Psalm 55, 28, 12-13, 3-4; Mar 2—2 Samuel 16-18; Mar 3—Psalm 64, 61-62, 58, 40, 26; Mar 4—2 Samuel 19-21; Mar 5—Psalm 5, 38, 41-42; Mar 6—2 Samuel 22-23, Psalm 57; Mar 7—Psalm 97-99, 95; Mar 8—1 Chronicles 21-22, 2 Samuel 24, Psalm 30; Mar 9—Psalm 108-110; Mar 10—1 Chronicles 23-25; Mar 11—Psalm 143-145, 138-139, 131; Mar 12—1 Chronicles 26-29, Psalm 127; Mar 13—Psalm 111-118; Mar 14—1 Kings 1-2, Psalm 37, 71, 94; Mar 15—Psalm 119:1-88; Mar 16—2 Chronicles 1, 1 Kings 3-4, Psalm 72; Mar 17—Psalm 119:89-176; Mar 18—Song of Solomon 1-8; Mar 19—Proverbs 1-3; Mar 20—Proverbs 4-6; Mar 21—Proverbs 7-9; Mar 22—Proverbs 10-12; Mar 23—Proverbs 13-15; Mar 24—Proverbs 16-18; Mar 25—Proverbs 19-21; Mar 26 Proverbs 22-24; Mar 27—2 Chronicles 2-3, 1 Kings 5-6; Mar 28—1 Kings 7, 2 Chronicles 4; Mar 29—2 Chronicles 5, 1 Kings 8; Mar 30—2 Chronicles 6-7, Psalm 136; Mar 31—1 Kings 9, 2 Chronicles 8.

## Lent Services

### Wednesday Evenings

at 7:00 pm

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**Soup & Sandwich Supper at  
6:00 pm**

### Palm Sunday Service

April 2, 2023 at 10:00 am

### Maundy Thursday Service

April 6, 2023 at 7:00 pm

### Good Friday Service

April 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm

### Easter Sunday Festival Service

April 9, 2023 at 10:00 am

## Food Pantry

The InterChurch Food Pantry has requested for us to collect non-refrigerated microwavable small meals and applesauce for the month of March. Please place your items in the box in the Narthex. Thank you for helping us help others less fortunate.

Missions Committee



## Congregation President ~ ~

We need a President of our congregation. Due to the moving of Chris & Becky Johnson to Bedford, Indiana and the distance to Franklin, Chris has resigned as President. The duties of the President are as follows:

The President shall: 1) In association with the Pastor be the executive director of the total congregational program; 2) Prepare the agenda, according to Article 1 of the bylaws, and preside over all meetings of the Church Council and the Voter's Assembly; 3) Confer with the Pastor and the

Vice President on all matters relating to the spiritual and material welfare of the congregation and its members; 4) Be an ex-officio member of all boards and committees, and attend or designate the Vice President to represent him at the meetings of the boards and committees as he deems necessary or advisable; 5) Make an annual report of his administration to the Voter's Assembly.

We have many men in the congregation that are very capable of holding this position. Can one of you step forward to try it out

for the rest of this year. This position is up for election at the Voters meeting in December.

If you are not quite sure about taking this responsibility on, please attend our next board meeting on March 19 after worship service as a guest.



## Franklin Community Band

*The Franklin Community Band will be at  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*

*March 9, 2023 from 7:00 –8:00 p.m.*

*Refreshments after the performance*

*Relax and listen to some great music!*





**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 3/3 Ruby Brigman, Angel Fort
- 3/4 Susan Sego
- 3/5 Amanda Rakow
- 3/6 Callie Johnson
- 3/13 Donovan Wells
- 3/15 Joyce Goforth
- 3/20 Dennis Beasley
- 3/28 Rusty Wells
- 3/30 Andrew Ellis
- 3/31 Daryl Pfaehler



**MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**

None listed

*[Please contact the church office (317-736-7849) for any additions or corrections to the Birthdays & Anniversaries.]*

**T**ry using our Birthday & Anniversary calendar as a daily prayer calendar. By doing so, you will be praying for someone in our Good Shepherd church family almost every day. A church with members who regularly pray for one another will truly be blessed.

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**OFFICERS FOR 2023**

- , President
- , Vice President
- Johannah Pollert, Secretary
- Larry Hill, Treasurer
- Rose Krimmel, Financial Secretary
- Don Haddock, Board of Trustees
- Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons
- Shelley Hill, Board of Stewardship
- Heidi Baca, Board of Education
- Michelle Walker, Board of Missions
- Gerda Martin & Amy Houck, Board of Fellowship
- Kent Krimmel, Member at Large
- Randy Powers, Member at Large

**DEACONS**

- Kevin Weber, Chairman 317-910-3288
- Brad Coy 317-508-5770
- Derek Runge 309-258-0603

**PRAYER CHAIN**

**“The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”**

**(James 5:13-16)**

**“Devote yourselves to prayer.”**

**(Colossians 4:2)**

**Prayer Request:** Our church has a prayer chain that is available for all to use. If you, a family member or a friend have a prayer request, please contact Elaine Powers at 317-736-8709, she will be happy to put your request on the prayer chain. If you would like to join the prayer chain, call Elaine.

**Online Prayer Request:** We have a Prayer Request button on the church website. There is power in Prayer and let the pastor and prayer chain join you in your *time of need or thanksgiving*. Simply go to [www.gslcfranklin.org](http://www.gslcfranklin.org) and click on the **Prayer Request button** and enter you request.