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# From the Pastor

How did you do with last year's resolution? Let's see; I had planned to lose weight in 2016. That went out the window when Susan put the second apple pie on the table on January 1st. I had planned to go through all the boxes in the garage in the spring when it got warmer but still cool. That got put off until the fall when it was cooler. As of last count, two boxes have been added to the mound that I need to sort. Lastly, I had planned to organize my office at home. I think when the TV show "Hoarders" contacted me about an episode, I would say I failed with that one too. The only New Year resolution for 2016 that I kept was to read more of the Bible for myself and not just for sermon or Bible Study preparation. Overall, I would say that was the most important resolution and I will have to relook at the failed ones.

How about you? Which ones did you succeed or fail at? How about we all work on strengthening our relationship with the Lord? In the end, that is the only relationship that really matters and

the only resolution worth keeping. How about joining one of the several Bible studies at church? I am amazed what I get out of the Bible studies from the people there.

There are so many great topics that we could look at this coming year. Is there something you have always wanted to study or learn more about? I bet you would be amazed that there are others who would feel the same way. Please let me know if there is something you want to learn and study together. I can always fit another one into the week. Bible Study is what recharges my spiritual batteries so I can never get enough of it. As one year ends and another begins, how about making that decision to join one of the many Bible Studies we have going or maybe suggest a new one and we will find a day and a time. Then, when you don't lose the weight, clean that room, get that project done in 2017,

you can say you accomplished the one

resolution that really mattered.

Pastor Daene

# WELCOME NEW MEMBER

John Mascola



Mission's Meeting: To assist with the organization and implementation of the Mission Committee, a "brainstorming" meeting will be held in the Conference Room after the Worship service on January 15, 2017. Please come and help this Committee decide ways it can serve Good Shepherd.

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Big Thanks to all who helped purchase and wrap our Christmas Angels Presents!!

The gifts were greatly appreciated.

Women's Bible Study: Will begin again on January 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at Linda Haddock's home with dinner and the video "John in Exile".

### **Council Members and Deacons:**

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Installation of Council members and Deacons is **January 8, 2017**. Be sure to be in attendance at the Worship Service.

# Voter's Meeting Highlights~~

The Annual Voter's Meeting was held on December 11, 2016 after the worship service.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Peters. Pastor Daene gave a devotion and prayer. We had three new members sign the Constitution and By-Laws.

The Chairpersons of the different areas gave a summary of 2016.

### New Business:

An affirmation vote was given for the deacons: Mike Hartman, Chairman, Mike Peters, Chris Johnson, Kent Krimmel, Jim Jones, and Kevin Weber.

A resolution to change the distributions of Pastor's salary recommended by his tax manager was presented and approved.

The budget for 2017 was presented by

President, Mike Peters. After discussion of some areas it was approved. The budget for 2017 is \$196,179.00.

The election of Council members was approved by affirmation as those holding those positions agreed to another two year term. We did not have anyone volunteer to fill the position of Missions Chairman. Elaine Powers, Kent Krimmel and others who volunteer to do Mission projects during the year are having a meeting on January 15 after our worship service. All are welcome to attend this meeting.

The meeting was closed with the saying of the Lord's Prayer.

### OFFICERS FOR 2017

President—Mike Peters
Vice President—Kent Krimmel
Secretary—Johannah Pollert
Treasurer—Anne Hartman
Financial Secretary—Joyce Bauman
Board of Trustees—Paul Cox
Board of Deacons—Mike Hartman
Board of Stewardship—Kevin Weber
Board of Christian Education—Heidi

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Board of Missions—
Board of Fellowship-Special Events—
Gerda Martin & Amy Houck
Member at Large—Jeff Hawkins
Member at Large—Kathy Hawkins

# **LWGS**

# Thirty-four women came out on a questionable weather night to our Advent by Candlelight. The food was delicious and the fellowship was great. T.J. Vculek played music for us and we sang some Christmas songs. Everyone had a good evening.

All ladies are welcome to join us at our next meeting on January 9 at 11:00 a.m. After the meeting we go to lunch at a local restaurant.

# Deacon Notes ~~ Mike Hartman, Chairman

As we look back at 2016 for GSLC we see that our congregation has been blessed in many ways. Attendance is up, membership is increasing, giving is up, outreach is expanding just to name a few. Yes, it is easy to see the many blessings that have come our way. But how do we respond? As the Bible tells us in the twelfth chapter of Genesis God will richly bless us so that through us others might be blessed. Good Shepherd is seeing that outpouring of blessings coming our way. As we begin a new year it is time to respond, and we shall. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation and we are joining many

area churches in sponsoring a celebration event at St. Peter's in Columbus to raise awareness of the reformation and how that changed worship around the world. Saved by Grace alone. Wow.....what a concept!! What else can we as a congregation do to further our mission here on earth? Do you recognize the many blessings you have received? Spend some time as you begin the new year and decide. How can you be that blessing to others. Then go forth and serve. The deacons wish you all a very blessed New Year.

# Care & Concern



Remember in your prayers: Jeanie Silvers, hip fracture; Dianne Patterson, lung cancer; Ryan Maddox, chronic migraines; Lor-

en Hendricks, cancer, Jim Jones' father, strength & comfort; Thana Carlisle, healing & comfort; Becky Webb, brain tumor; Pastor Kolb's mother, congestive heart failure; Bill Cummings, hip fracture; Stephanie Stewart, aggressive cancer, Debbie Vaughn, strength & healing; Madison Brooke Vanlue, comfort for the family; Ted Perkinson, congestive heart failure; Evelyn Manning, strength & comfort; Josh Trueblood, cancerous brain tumor; Lodema Decker Lines, cancer; Friend of the Powers family, strength & healing; Shannon Stovall, cancer; Darin Ratliff, seizures; Ben Hall, cancer; Quenton Byrne, blood disease; Katherine Noeth, health issues; Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease.

# InterChurch Food Pantry

January is Good Shepherd's month to donate to the InterChurch Food Pantry. This month's request is for **Peanut Butter & Jelly.** Please place your gifts in the designated box in the Narthex.





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## **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

1/3 Jaison Acton 1/4 Michaela Collins, Carol White 1/9 Chloe Williams 1/11 Tom Daseler 1/12 Daniel Bonham 1/14 Vic Rinehart 1/16 Dan Stahl 1/18 Pam Bentley 1/19 Don Haddock 1/20 Chad Curry 1/21 Bill Bloomquist 1/22 Holly Goforth, Tom Wycoff, **Bill Cummings** 1/27 Geoffrey Holmes 1/29 Troy Williams 1/31 Becky Johnson, Amy Houck



### **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

1/3 Jim & Barb Petro 1/19 Nate & Alyssa Hedrick 1/31 Randy & Elaine Powers

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

Try 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.

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Heidi Baca, Board of Education
, Board of Missions
Gerda Martin & Amy Houck, Board of Fellowship
Jeff Hawkins, Member at Large
Kathy Hawkins, Member at Large

# **DEACONS**

Mike Hartman, Chairman 317-738-2290
Mike Peters 317-605-8822
Chris Johnson 317-260-6118
Kent Krimmel 317-346-6199
Jim Jones 317-878-4712
Kevin Weber 317-910-3288

# PRAYER CHAIN

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."
(James 5:13-16)

"Devote yourselves to prayer." (Colossians 4:2)

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 Barb Miller 412-5912 and she will be happy to put your request on the prayer chain.. If you would like to join the prayer chain, call Barb who organizes the prayer chain.

PRAYER REQUEST: We now have a Prayer Request button on the church website. You may choose if your prayer request goes to the pastor only or to the pastor and the prayerc hain. There is power in prayer and let the pastor and the prayer chain join you in your time of need or thanksgiving. Simply go to <a href="https://www.gslcfranklin.org">www.gslcfranklin.org</a> and hit the Prayer Request button.