



News of the Flock



From the Pastor

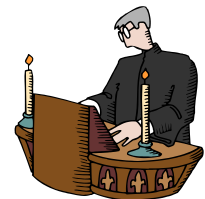
James 4:11 tells us not to slander anyone. That verse is used in Luther's explanation of the 8th commandment, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor". The election is near or will be just over when the newsletter is ready to be sent. I have grown tired of all the ads both on radio and television. Most of the ads tell us that this candidate is rotten, lies, and imports from China, or doesn't import and therefore we should vote for this one. I suppose this is another reason that I cannot run for political office because I purchase ship model parts from Russia. So much of what I see in political ads goes against so much of what the Bible calls us to be.

Luther explains the 8th commandment with these words, "We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way". The last part of the commandment can be hard to do at times, but it is the best way to defuse anger. Maybe that sales clerk is not just

an angry person but is one who has had to deal with a rude customer. Maybe I should not be too critical of that driver speeding in the morning because I too, have left later than I should have.

Proverbs 15:1 says, "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." I have noticed over the years that God's commands are meant to bring civility and calmness to situations which leads to true justice rather than harshness which seldom leads to anything good. Once we let our sinful human nature dictate our interaction with other people, it leads to more sin. I cannot change politicians and their ads and campaigns have been as vicious since 1824 onward. However, with God's help we can strive to live out how God commands us to be.

Pastor Daene



November 4th



Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 21, 2018

7:00 p.m.



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Special points of interest:

- Time change on November 4
- Children's practice for Christmas Program starts, November 11
- Thanksgiving Eve Service is November 21 at 7:30 p.m.
- Thanksgiving Day, November 22
- PITCH-IN LUNCH, Sunday, November 25
- Church Holiday Decorating, November 25

Church Council Highlights ~~

Good Shepherd's Church Council met on October 14, 2018 after our worship service. Those in attendance were: Amy Houck, Johannah Pollert, Kent Krimmel, Chris Johnson, Mike Peters, Jeff Hawkins, Joyce Bauman, Larry Hill, Randy Powers, and Pastor Daene. Those absent were Kevin Weber, Heidi Baca, Angela Coy, Susan Sego, Sharon Peters, and Gerda Martin.

Pastor Daene opened the meeting with a prayer. Roll call was taken by Chris.

The Secretary's minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and were accepted by a motion and vote.

The Financial Secretary's report was given and offerings for September were \$13,240.87. Accepted as reported. Giving is down compared to last year at this time.

The Treasurer was absent but sent a report. It was reviewed and any questions were to be kept and ask her at the next meeting.

Pastor gave his report. The average attend-

ance for September was 66. He had 5 worship services; 2 church meetings; 10 Bible studies and other classes; 3 member visits; 4 Confirmation classes; 4 visitations with visitors; 2 shut-in visits; 12 hospital visits; and 14 counseling sessions. The Youth will be doing Trunk or Treat.

Deacon Chairman was absent—no report.

Trustee Chairman, Mike said Chris is going to see that the swing set is constructed. Mike has donated two blowers and Don Haddock has donated two weed whackers. He is going to continue to clear out the debris and bushes under the pine trees and remove the shrubs in front of the church. Also, going to schedule a garage clean out day.

Christian Education Chair was absent but provided her report. Attendance in Sunday School has been average. The children have Children's Church on non-communion Sundays. They also visit Hickory Creek Nursing Home on the first

Sunday of the month. The Bible Study groups are back in full swing. The nursery continues to need volunteers. The Children's Fall Festival will be on October 27.

Stewardship Chairman clarified that the Annual Voter's Meeting will be December 9 after the worship service.

Budget for 2019 will be finalized at the November Council meeting November 11.

Board of Missions Co-Chairs were absent and no report.

Board of Fellowship-Special Events Co-Chair Amy Houck reported \$33.13 in expenses for a YTD total of \$463.59. They would like their budget to stay the same as 2018.

50th Anniversary Report: They are still working on the brick layout and a landscaper to install.

Motion made to adjourn. Closed with the saying of The Lord's Prayer.

Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd

Hello ladies,

The Fall Festival was the 29th of September and we did very well. We sold cards, pecans, puppy chow, hot chocolate, spiced cider and regular cider. Sales were good this year.

LWGS had their meeting on Monday, October 8, 2018. We went over the list of participants for LWML Sunday October 14. Then worked busily on our activities for the rest of 2018. Nut and candy sells were progressing and will have ended on October 28, 2018. Final figures were not available as

of the newsletter printing.

Also, in October we had the Care Net Drive for Johnson County. Collections were still coming in.

Advent will be starting on December 2nd. This is a very busy time of year. The Sunday after Thanksgiving we will be decorating for the Christmas season. This is also our Pitch-In Sunday since we are not having a Stewardship Dinner this year. Hope everyone will stay, have lunch and help decorate. We appreciate all the help we get. LWGS

Parents ~~

Children need to be attending Sunday School regularly to practice for their Christmas Program. Practice is starting November 11 during the Sunday School Hour, 9:00—10:00 a.m. Let's have good attendance so we can have a terrific Christmas Children's Program.



Care & Concern



Remember in your Prayers: Gerda Martin, light stroke; Jerry & Barb Miller, health issues; Curt Maddox, surgery; Julie Maddox, hip surgery; Bobbi Jo Epperson, cancer; Rev. Gregory Cynova, cancer; Cindy Tincher, cancer; Ruth Julian, health issues; Christopher Springer, the Lord would lift the veil of unbelief; Ryan Maddox, chronic migraines; Loren Hendricks, cancer; Charlie & Nan Jones, strength and comfort; Thana Carlisle,

strength and comfort; Bill Cummings, strength and comfort; Stephanie Stewart, aggressive cancer; Debbie Vaughn, strength and healing; Ted Perkinson, congestive heart failure; Evelyn Manning, strength and comfort; Lodema Lines, cancer; Friend of the Powers family, strength and healing; Ben Hall, cancer; Quenton Byrne, blood disease; Katherine Noeth, health issues; and Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease.

**** If you have placed any of these people on the prayer list, please check on

their status and let the office know their update. We would like to keep the information as current as possible. Thank you.



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Descriptions of Council Positions Open for Election ~ ~

VICE PRESIDENT—The Vice President shall: (1) Represent the President when the latter is unable to perform his duties and, furthermore, should the office of the President be vacated for any reason, the Vice President will assume the office of the President, until the next Voter's Assembly meeting; (2) Serve as parliamentarian at all meetings of the Church Council and Voter's Assembly; (3) Make an annual report to the Voter's Assembly of his activities.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY—The Financial Secretary shall: (1) Record the contributions of the giving units of the congregation; (2) Supervise the counting of the contributions and cause them to be deposited in a designated bank; (3) Issue an annual statement of contributions to the giving units of the congregations; (4) Order, prepare, and distribute the offering envelopes; (5) Serve as a member of the Board of Stewardship.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CHAIRMAN—The Board shall consist of the Chairman and four (or more) members. They shall: (a) Foster spiritual growth in and through the congregation; (b) Set up adequate objectives for every age level, agency and organization,

embracing training in Christian knowledge, attitudes, and skills, such as use of the Bible, witnessing, prayer, giving, and Christian family living; (c) Provide an adequate amount of learning opportunities for such objectives to be utilized at all age levels; (d) Select curricula so that the objectives for each agency and age level can be carried out in a Christian and God-pleasing manner; (e) Establish and maintain a church library; (f) Organize and conduct a summer education program; (g) Encourage individuals of all ages to utilize the church's education programs; (h) Select responsible personnel and provide them with the proper training necessary in order to equip them for their assigned duties; (i) Give attention to enrollment and attendance of pupils as well as to their personal development and growth; (j) Constantly be seeking new ways to involve more people in these programs and keep those already involved interested; (k) Subdivide and assign responsibilities to individuals or committees in order to facilitate proper consideration; (l) Delegate the administration of all educational agencies and work to board members or qualified persons (subject to the approval of the Church Council); (m) Deposit all contributions and funds

through the Financial Secretary and; (n) Submit an annual budget to the Board of Stewardship as requested by that Board.

MISSIONS CHAIRMAN—The Board shall consist of the Chairman and four (or more) members. They shall: (a) Assist the Pastor in the entire program of proclaiming the Gospel to all people; (b) Plan, promote, and carry out an evangelism program in the congregation and in the community, i.e., planning and supervising surveys, maintaining evangelism files, and enlisting assistance in visiting prospective members of the church; (c) Assist the Pastor in training the laity to bring the unchurched to the Pastor's instruction class; (d) Be concerned with the reception, orientation, and integration of new members into the congregational programs and review their progress (e) Recommend ways to incorporate evangelism into all aspects of the church's programs; (f) Endeavor to publicize the Gospel and the activities of the congregation by the various modern

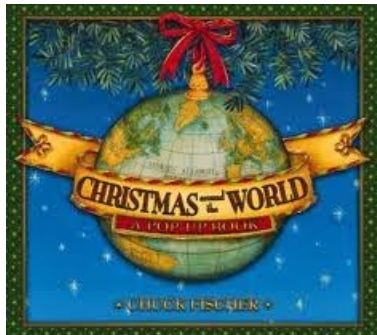
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methods available; (g) Call to the attention of the congregation the welfare agencies and efforts being conducted by the church and hereby solicit support for them; (h) Report on the social needs of the community and solicit the congregation's cooperation with other agencies in the community endeavoring to help meet their needs; and (i) Submit an annual budget to the Board of Stewardship as requested by that Board.

BOARD OF FELLOWSHIP—SPECIAL EVENTS: Shall consist of a chairman and the members of the Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd. The events consist of, but are not limited to: (a) Farewell Dinners;; (b) Installation Receptions; (c) Welcome Dinners; (d) Anniversary Reception/Dinner; (e) Valentine Sweetheart Dinner (f) Easter Breakfast; (g) Confirmation Reception; (h) Graduation Reception (i) Stewardship Dinner; (j) Community Band Performance Reception; (k) Soup & Sandwich Suppers before Lent, Advent and Christmas Decorating.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Shall assist the Church Council as directed.

Carefully consider filling one of these positions. Term is for two years. See Kent Krimmel with any questions or if you want to be put on the ballot.



CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

December 8, 2018

See Susan Daene for the information on the different countries we are doing this year.

We need volunteers to do the countries.

InterChurch Food Pantry Donations

November is our month for donations to the InterChurch Food Pantry. We have been asked to donate Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta.

Please leave your donations in the marked box in the Narthex during the whole month of November. Thank you for your generosity.





NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/6 Brian Pfaehler, Ben Daene
 11/7 Kyle Fechtman
 11/8 Camilla Baca
 11/11 Sylvia Kessler
 11/12 Rebekah Haugh
 11/14 Rev. Roger Hubbard, Alice Flanagan
 11/15 Chris Schultz
 11/16 Elaine Bloomquist, Sharon Clark
 11/17 Brian Walker
 11/20 Angela Coy
 11/21 Cecelia Campbell
 11/22 Jennifer Thomas
 11/23 Nicole Pahl, Anne Morris
 11/24 Lance Wright,
 11/25 Curtis Pfaehler, Chris Clark,
 Kevin Clark
 11/28 Mark Ploss
 11/29 Jeff Powers, Abigail Powers



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/30 Jim & Margaret Wurster

[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 be truly blessed.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH **OFFICERS FOR 2018**

Chris Johnson, President
 Kent Krimmel, Vice President
 Johannah Pollert, Secretary
 Angela Coy, Treasurer
 Joyce Bauman, Financial Secretary
 Mike Peters, Board of Trustees
 Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons
 Larry Hill, Board of Stewardship
 Heidi Baca, Board of Education
 Sharon Peters & Susan Sego, Board of Missions
 Gerda Martin & Amy Houck, Board of Fellowship
 Jeff Hawkins, Member at Large
 Randy Powers, Member at Large

DEACONS

Kevin Weber 317-910-3288
 Brad Coy 317-346-0930
 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)

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 at 317-412-5912 and she will be happy to put your request on the prayer chain. If you would like to join the prayer chain, call Barb.

PRAYER REQUEST: We now have a Prayer Request button on the church website. Your prayer request goes to the pastor and the prayer chain. There is power in prayer. Let the pastor and the prayer chain join you in your *time of need or thanksgiving*. Simply go to www.gslcfranklin.org and hit the **Prayer Request** button.