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From the Pastor ~~

By the time Labor Day was first made an official holiday in 1894, thirty states had already begun celebrating it. The day celebrates the labor movement and the contributions of workers to America overall. It is a day of BBQs, parties, or celebrated several ways. It is meant to be a day off work, and we have even made it into a long weekend so we can rest and celebrate more. Some news outlet will release how many hot dogs, gallons of BBQ sauce, hamburgers, and buns will be sold. I am sure some of the major retail stores will quickly store away unsold BBOs and set up stands for even more Halloween stuff.

However, there is nothing new under the sun. Genesis 2:2,3 says, "By the seventh day God had finished the work He had been doing; so on the seventh day He rested from all his work. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it He rested from all the work of creating that He had done." God intended for people to rest from their labors once a week. There is a major difference between the day God set aside and Labor Day. Labor Day, we the work-

ers, are the heroes and we celebrate what we have accomplished. There is nothing wrong with that if we remember that our gifts and skills come from God. The day God set aside is the day we celebrate what He has done for us.

When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, the Third Commandment is "Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy". The concept of "remembering" in the Bible is more than recall. It means that we attach ourselves again to the original Sabbath Day. The Sabbath is part of who we are. We were created to rest and thank our God for all that He has done for us. Sadly many in the Bible became too concerned about what it meant to "rest" and argued about how much "work" could be done. Jesus told us the Sabbath was created for us and not the reverse. We "rest" from our labors when we take time in study and worship of our great God who has blessed us and saved us.

Pastor Daene

Upcoming Events ~~

Labor Day

September 2, 2019



Office Closed LWGS

SALAD SUPPER

September 10, 2019

6:30 p.m.



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Special points of interest:

- Labor Day, September 2, Office Closed
- Circuit Meeting at Good Shepherd , September 3, 2019
- Church Council Meeting, September 8 after the worship service
- LWGS Meeting, September 9, 11:00 a.m.
- LWGS Salad Supper, September 10 @ 6:30 p.m.
- Mission Meeting, September 15, after worship

Church Council Highlights ~~

Church Council met on August 4, 2019 after our worship service. Those in attendance were: Heidi Baca, Larry Hill, Mark Ploss, Pastor Daene, Gerda Martin, Michell Pierce, Kevin Weber, Johannah Pollert, Randy Powers, Chris Johnson and guest Rose Krimmel. Those absent were Dan Bonham and Angela Coy.

The meeting was brought to order and Pastor Daene gave a prayer.

The minutes will be sent out electronically this week.

Financial Secretary report states offerings from June were \$19,145.55 and July was \$12,044.00.

Treasurer's report states expenses for June were \$10,529.02. July will be included in September.

Pastor Daene reported as usual the attendance was down this summer. He held 8 worship services (off one Sunday on vacation); attended 2 church meetings; held 14 Bible studies; did 7 member visits; had 6 Confirmation classes; visited 8 visitors; made 2

shut-in visits; made 23 Hospital visits; held 14 Counseling sessions and helped with VBS 3 days. Presently he has 3 in Confirmation Class. Sunday morning Bible Study is studying 1 Corinthians. Men's Bible Study on Thursday mornings is studying Romans. Good Shepherd will be hosting the Circuit meeting in September.

Deacon Chairman—no report.

Trustee Chairman—no report.

Heidi Baca, Christian Education reported that Johannah Pollert and herself have been teaching a summer unit on Noah's Ark. Attendance has been below average. They have not visited Hickory Creek this summer but will start again in September. The Fall Sunday School start date has not been determined yet.

Stewardship chairman, Larry Hill, did not have a report but stated he is concerned about the finances.

Michelle Pierce, Mission chairperson reported Missions had collected 92 pounds of ketchup, mustard, and mayonnaise in July.

The Fast Track Collection is going very well and we have until Thursday to have all school supply donations here for pickup. They put GSLC stickers on the donated supplies and a Church pamphlet in all the backpacks. Approximately 225 people shared our lawn to watch the fireworks on July 3rd.

Board of Fellowship Chairman Gerda Martin reported that most of the supplies have been donated this year. They have only incurred a \$32.19 expense YTD. A new member reception will be held soon.

Be Thinking—Up for election this year are: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee, Stewardship and one Member-at-Large. Financial Secretary for a one year term. If you would like a copy of the duties for any of these positions, please see Rose in the office.

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

Next meeting September 8, 2019 after our worship service.

Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd—LWGS ~~

LWGS SALAD SUPPER September 10, 2019 6:30 p.m.



A slide presentation on "Living Water" - A Trip to Uganda" will be given by Dr. Rev. Jim Hereto, a retired minister and Paul Sanders (Amy Houck's neighbor).

Please bring a Salad or Dessert to share and we encourage you to bring any friends, mothers, daughters, relatives, neighbors to enjoy this event.

We will post a sign-up sheet in the hall, but please feel free to come even

if you haven't signed up and it is a last minute decision. We always have lots of food.

MARK your calendar today to save the date for this event.

Our next LWGS regular meeting is scheduled to be on September 9 at 11:00 a.m. in the church kitchen. All ladies of GSLC are encouraged to attend.

Care & Concern ~~



Remember in your Prayers: Lynn LaPointe, chemo therapy; Penny Wells, healing; Jay Krimmel, major health issues; Kim Fouts, life support; Susan Fouts, health is-

sues; Rob Schafstall, major health issues; Judie Barkes, aggressive cancer; Betty Morgan, surgery; Steve Clodfelter, Parkinson's; Kelly Swint, stage 3 cancer; Gary Haddock, lung cancer returned; Jerry & Barb Miller, health issues; Christopher Springer, the Lord would lift the veil of unbelief; Ryan Maddox, chronic migraines; Loren Hendricks, cancer; Charlie & Nan Jones, strength & comfort; Thana Carlisle, strength & comfort; Bill Cummings, strength & comfort; Debbie Vaughn, strength & comfort; Ted Perkinson, congestive heart failure; Friend of the Powers family, strength & healing; Quenton Byrne, blood disease; Katherine Noeth, health issues; Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease.

********* If you placed any of these people on our prayer list, please check as to their status and let the office know their update. We like to keep this information as current as possible. Thank you.



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Prayer Chain Reorganization

If you would like to be a Prayer Chain Partner in sending on prayer requests, please call Elaine for more information. Elaine Powers will be taking prayer requests and starting the Prayer Chain with each prayer request.

Another way to get your request to the Prayer Chain is using the church website. The church office and the Pastor will have the request and pass it to the Prayer Chain. Go to

www.gslcfranklin.org and click on the prayer button.

The Prayer Chain coordinator, Elaine Powers will always pass the requests to Pastor and the church office.

The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:13-16 Devote yourself to prayer. Colossians 4.2

There is power in prayer!

Let Pastor, Congregation & Prayer Chain join you in prayer in times of need and thanksgiving.

We would like to thank Barb Miller for the years that she has been handling the Prayer Chain. You are greatly appreciated. Thank You!

Elaine Powers, Prayer Chain Coordinator 317-736-8709



Community Band

The Franklin Community Band will perform at Good Shepherd on October 10, 2019. Mark your calendar today. Fellowship and refreshments will follow their presentation. Please join us!!! If you would like to provide a refreshment, please contact Elaine Powers.



Missions

We collected 92 pounds of ketchup, mustard and mayonnaise in July for the Inter-Church Food Pantry.

Our Fast Track Collection received many donations to help the United Way provide school supplies for the children in Johnson County.

Approximately 225 people shared our lawn to watch the fireworks on July 3rd.

We want to thank all those that gave food, school supplies and bottles of water. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Good Shepherd Cleaning—Organized

We are starting a more organized way of keeping Good Shepherd clean. This will include smaller and faster cleaning jobs that should be done on a more regular basis than a full church cleaning.

A list of these jobs is available in the janitor's closet, along with the regular cleaning items to use and the supplies.

A sign-up sheet is posted outside Fellowship Hall and one is posted in the Janitor's closet.

If we all help with the regular cleaning, Good Shepherd will continue to look like the welcoming place it is.

If you have questions, see Randy Powers or call him at 317-736-8709.





InterChurch Food Pantry

September is our month for donations to the InterChurch Food Pantry. We have been asked to donate:

Paper Towels and Kleenex.

Please leave your donations in the marked box in the Narthex during the whole month of September.

Thank you for your generosity.

Missions Committee





Fall



Begins



Sept. 23

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/1 Brent Nolting, Cameron Curry 9/2 Karyn Crafton 9/4 Grace Humble 9/5 Jon Clark, Kathy Hawkins, Abigail Daene 9/6 Dan Ellis 9/7 Jean Lawyer, Nicholas Cov 9/8 Rick Vculek, Robert Hunter 9/10 Heidi Baca 9/13 Angie Stahl 9/15 Alisa Wright 9/17 Doug Stahl, Kathryn Groce 9/21 Adam Hawkins, Amy Wert 9/22 Jeremy White 9/25 Barbara Miller, Katy Holmes, 9/27 Brad Coy 9/28 Lori Acton 9/29 Kelly Schultz, Margaret Wurster 9/30 Brandon Wells



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9/3 Rick & Carol White 9/9 Brent & Sharon Nolting 9/24 Bill & Penny Wells Kevin Weber & Johannah Pollert 9/26 Tracy & Suzy Rakow 9/27 Jeff & Kelly 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.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2019

Chris Johnson, President
Dan Bonham, Vice President
Johannah Pollert, Secretary
Angela Coy, Treasurer
, Financial Secretary
, Board of Trustees
Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons
Larry Hill, Board of Stewardship
Heidi Baca, Board of Education
Michelle Pierce, Board of Missions
Gerda Martin & Amy Houck, Board of Fellowship
Mark Ploss, Member at Large
Randy Powers, Member at Large

DEACONS

Kevin Weber, Chairman 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 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.

You can also put a prayer request through our website, **gslcfranklin.org** just click on the Prayer Request and type it in. Your request is automatically sent to the church.