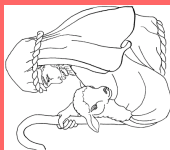




News of the Flock



From the Pastor ~ ~

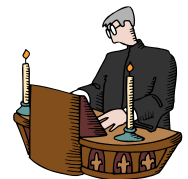
Anger. That is what I see when I watch or listen to the news. Everyone seems to be angry about something and demanding that something be done or not done. We seem to have lost the joy of life. James 1: 2-3 says, "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance." In the same vein, Mother Theresa said, "A joyful heart is the normal result of a heart burning with love. Joy is not simply a matter of temperament; it is always hard to remain joyful—all the more reason why we should try to acquire it and let it grow in our hearts." This is not a matter of making lemonade out of lemons or a host of other similar clichés. It is a matter of seeing trials and trouble as a test of faith. Do we trust God to handle all the problems and let Him use us to be the tools He uses to accomplish His will?

When we first look at the word "perseverance" we think of continued pursuit or prosecution of any business or enterprise begun. James says we can count all things as joyful because it makes us better and stronger people in our walk with the

Lord. Mother Theresa copies that when she said, "A joyful heart is the normal result of a heart burning with love." When our heart burns with the love of God our heart will be joyful. No, this does not mean we become some sort of a Polly Anna. It means we live our lives knowing God's will be done and He knows what is best. I have seen it too many times in my own life when I let anger fill me and it only made the situation worse. Joy brings inner peace which is seen in an outer peace.

There is too much anger in society today and it may be because we have allowed anger to fill our hearts by expelling God from within us. When joy fills our hearts it does affect how we view our fellow man. It affects the way we come at a problem. Our country is facing some serious issues but we need to come to a resolution with the joy of the Lord in our hearts and not anger.

Pastor Daene



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Special points of interest:

- July 4, 2020
- Fellowship after the worship service will start again on July 5
- Men's Bible Study on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.
- Communion—July 5 & 19
- Articles for the newsletter and/or meeting dates for the August calendar due July 13.

Church Council Highlights ~ ~

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council met on June 14th after the worship service. Those in attendance were: Chris Johnson, Randy Powers, Larry Hill, Gerda Martin, Pastor Daene, Mark Ploss, Don Haddock, Kevin Weber, Johannah Pollert, Heidi Baca and Rose Krimmel. Those absent were: Dan Bonham, Michelle Pierce and Brad Pierce.

Chris called the meeting to order and Pastor said a prayer.

The minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Larry Hill that we accept as presented. Motion carried.

Financial Secretary's report was reviewed. The offerings were as follows: March \$15,069.13; April \$21,174.78; and May \$15,877.98.

Larry Hill, Treasurer gave the expense report as follows: March \$14,965.00; April \$15,943.40 and May \$13,101.26.

Pastor gave the average attendance as

March—48.2; April— 19.0; May-36.6. Several members watched the Facebook live on Sunday mornings from March 22 to the present with averages of March 54.5; April 46.6; May 10. Pastor had 22 church services; 1 church meeting; 46 Bible studies; 6 member visits; 3 visits with visitors; 1 shut-in visit; 5 hospital visits; 33 counseling sessions; and several telephone calls to members during the "Stay at Home" requirements.

Kevin Weber, Deacon Chairman, gave his report. He has been working on Deacon assignments for members and should have it finished soon.

Missions—is collecting for the Food Pantry thru June 28th. Items are Shampoo, canned Ravioli and canned Spaghettios.

Don Haddock, Trustee, gave his report. Our contract for Trash Pickup has ended and he is making a list of those that volunteered to take care of our trash. The water test was completed for the second quarter and is fine. He has 5 groups of 2

each to mow and trim the grass. His goal is to keep the property maintained. The garden is planted (by Randy & Don). We need to continue to remove the brush from under the pine trees. He is making a list of things that need to be done. (See page 3 for more info.)

Heidi Baca, Christian Education gave her report. The Sunday School classes studied the New Testament until mid March. VBS Packets and Free gallons of milk were passed out to approximately 48 children on Saturday, June 13th. Our regular Sunday School will start in August studying the Old Testament.

Gerda Martin, Fellowship chair gave her report because of the coronavirus we have not had fellowship since mid-March.

LWGS is still accepting donations to replace the kitchen floor.

Meeting was closed with the saying of the Lord's Prayer.

Next Council meeting will be August 9th.

LWGS

Hello Ladies,

Hope everyone is doing o.k. Maybe this pandemic will be over soon. As we have always done in the past, we are not having our meetings during June & July. Our next meeting is August 10th at 11:00 a.m. All ladies are invited to attend.

We are still accepting donations for replacing the Kitchen floor. If you would like to make a donation see Gerda Martin.

Have an enjoyable summer.

Summer



Thank You

We want to thank all the members that are sending in their offerings or dropping them off at church. On days that the office is closed or in the evenings you can drop them in the mailbox outside the doors by the office. Thank you and we pray all are well.



Care & Concern



Remember in your Prayers: Mark Ploss, heart issues; Julie Ploss, cancer treatments; Cecilia Campbell – health issues ; Eleanor Coner – strength, healing & comfort; Elitsa Stoitsova – high risk pregnancy with complications; Carhyl Yoder – peace and healing; Barb Miller – hip surgery – healing, strength and comfort; Joyce Thompson – stroke – healing, strength & comfort; Kim

Fouts – life support – strength, healing & comfort; Susan Fouts – health issues – healing and strength; Rob Schafstall – major health issues – healing & comfort; Betty Morgan – surgery – healing, strength, and comfort; Steve Clodfelter and family – friends of Jerry & Barb Miller – Parkinson's; Gary Haddock – lung cancer – healing & strength; Jerry Miller – health issues – healing, strength, and comfort; Charlie & Nan Jones – strength and comfort; Bill Cummings - strength and healing;

Debbie Houck—form of Lou Gehrig Disease—strength.

***** Some names have recently been removed from the Prayer List/Prayer Chain. If this was done in error, please contact the office 317-736-7849 or Elaine Powers at 317-736-8709. We like to keep this information as current as possible. Thank you.

Trustee Message ~ Don Haddock

Church Cleanup Day – Don Haddock

This year due to Covid19 we will not be doing the traditional cleanup day with all volunteers working together on the same day.

Volunteers working individually at their convenience seems to be the only alternative.

Instead a list of cleaning needs and/or repairs will be emailed/mailed as part of the monthly newsletter to each household. I hope to have an updated list of tasks (including open tasks, completed tasks and volunteers) on our web page and posted on the kitchen door.

If you can help, please call me or text me at 317-250-8304 or email me at dlhfish@gmail.com if you know of anything that needs to be included on this list and/or are willing to volunteer, or have a special talent or expertise for any task please let me know and I will get you on the list.

Church Maintenance Needs – Don Haddock

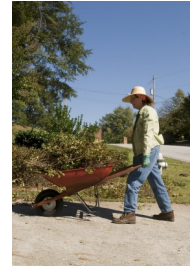
I need your help identifying things that need to be done to improve our church and property. So, if you notice something that needs attention, repair, improvement please call or text Don Haddock at 317-250-8304 or send and email to dlhfish@gmail.com

Brush Cleanup and Brush Removal Under the Pine Grove - Don Haddock

I want to thank those that have been helping cleanup under the pine grove. If we can get the brush cut close enough to the ground, we could potentially mow under the trees.

Any new brush should be placed on the burn spot farthest from the shelter house towards the smaller pine trees. That seems to be the best spot for burning the brush. All branches and brush should be placed at this location. We may be

able to get a chipper to get rid of the other piles otherwise we will have to move them.



July Bible Readings

July 1—Ezra 4-6, Psalm 137; July 2—Haggai 1-2; July 3—Zechariah 1-7; July 4—Zechariah 8-14; July 5—Esther 1-5; July 6—Esther 6-10; July 7—Ezra 7-10; July 8—Nehemiah 1-5; July 9—Nehemiah 6-7; July 10—Nehemiah 8-10; July 11—Nehemiah 11-13, Psalm 126; July 12—Malachi 1-4; July 13—Luke 1, John 1:1-14; July 14—Matthew 1, Luke 2:1-38; July 15—Matthew 2, Luke 2:39-52; July 16—Matthew 3, Mark 1, Luke 3; July 17—Matthew 4, Luke 4-5, John 1:15-51; July 18—John 2-4; July 19—Mark 2; July 20—John 5; July 21—Matthew 12:1-

21, Mark 3, Luke 6; July 22—Matthew 5-7; July 23—Matthew 8:1-13, Luke 7; July 24—Matthew 11; July 25—12:22-50, Luke 11; July 26—Matthew 13, Luke 8; July 27—Matthew 8:14-34, Mark 4-5; July 28—Matthew 9-10; July 29—Matthew 14, Mark 6, Luke 9:1-17; July 30—John 6; July 31—Matthew 15, Mark 7.



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Church Web Site (gslcfranklin.org)

Listen to weekly recordings of each weeks Bible Readings and Sermon here! —gslcfranklin.org

Also found here: **Current Calendar—Current Newsletter—Upcoming Events—Bible Verse of the Day— Concert Recordings—Church Council—Prayer Chain Request—and more information and links.**

Be sure and check it out!!!

Fellowship after the church service is starting up again on July 5. Check the calendar!

Summer Fun





JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 7/3 Rev. Roger Daene
- 7/7 Susan Daene
- 7/8 Andy Anderson, Julie Ploss
- 7/9 Curt Maddox
- 7/10 Austin Martin
- 7/11 Rusti White
- 7/12 Gerald Daene
- 7/14 Sarah Miller
- 7/15 Chris Curry
- 7/16 Gerda Martin, Hannah Rakow
- 7/17 Meghan Groce
- 7/19 Clint Lawyer
- 7/20 Lorraine Lamb
- 7/21 Kevin Weber, Staci Hedges
- 7/22 Terra Belden
- 7/25 Garrett Walker, Dillen Wischmeier
- 7/27 Ray Lawyer
- 7/31 Betty Morgan, Derek Runge



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 7/5 Darrell & Susan Segó
- 7/6 Chris & Becky Johnson
- 7/10 Brad & Angela Coy
- 7/11 Jim & Donna Jones
- 7/17 Bill & Linda Unsworth
- 7/18 Brad & Michelle Pierce
- 7/21 Jon & Sharon Clark
- 7/26 Claus & Karen Muth

[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 2020

- Chris Johnson, President
- Dan Bonham, Vice President
- Johannah Pollert, Secretary
- Larry Hill, Treasurer
- Brad Pierce, Financial Secretary
- Don Haddock, Board of Trustees
- Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons
- , 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. 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 in your request. It is automatically sent.