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From the Pastor~~

Now Lent is beginning, unlike Advent, Lent is not usually a person's favorite time of the year. After all, we reason, we are supposed to look at our sins and how we have broken God's holy laws. I think one of the biggest reasons that people don't enjoy the season as much, is that it reminds us daily that we are not independent and can take care of ourselves. The people in the Old Testament were so convinced that they could take care of themselves that they seemed to have forgotten God's grace and mercy. The very desire to take care of one's self stems from fear. We have a fear that only we ourselves know what is best for ourselves. While we might ask God for help, we define help as thinking we are in charge and He is there to pick up the slack. Instead of asking God for help, we need to let Him take charge.

Lent reminds us that we are not in charge. If we are honest with ourselves we all will come to the conclusion that most of the time we make decisions and do things because we want to. "Flip" Wilson was wrong when he said the devil made him do

it. All too often, we willingly do whatever our hearts tell us to do.

Maybe the reason that many people like the Christmas season is that it ends with the birth of a baby. As adults we realize that we are in charge of babies as they need us. Lent culminates in Good Friday when Christ says to us that He is in charge and He will do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. Easter morning tells us He accomplished all things and we had no part in it at all. That is the very point. We are not in charge and left to our own we willingly mess things up. Christ has done all things for us because of His great love for us. He did not die for us because we are nice people. Our sins put Him on the cross and His love for us kept Him on that cross for us.

Pastor Daene 2016



Lent begins March 2, 2022

ASH WEDNESDAY
SERVICE
MARCH 2, 2022
7:00 p.m.

<u>Time Change</u> Spring Forward

March 13, 2022

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Special points of interest:

- Ash Wednesday Service, March 2 at 7:00
- First Sunday in Lent, March 6
- Mid-Week Lent Services are cancelled due to Pastor's surgery and recuperation
- Holy Week—April 10—16
- Easter Sunday—April 17

Church Council Highlights ~~

Good Shepherd Church Council met on February 13, 2022 after our worship service. The following Council members attended: Don Haddock, Gerda Martin, Michelle Walker, Pastor Daene, Shelley Hill, Kevin Weber, Johannah Pollert, Larry Hill, Kent Krimmel, Chris Johnson, Randy Powers and Rose Krimmel. Absent were Heidi Baca and Dan Bonham. The meeting was called to order by Chris Johnson, President at 10:47 a.m. and he asked Pastor to say a prayer.

Johannah Pollert, Council Secretary presented the minutes from January's meeting. After review they were approved. Rose Krimmel, Financial Secretary, stated the offerings for January were \$14,750.84.

Larry Hill, Treasurer, stated expenses for January were \$16,731.02.

Pastor Daene reported that Bible Study

attendance has increased. Also, church attendance is on the rise. Confirmation class is on schedule.

Kevin Weber, Deacon Chairman, no report.

Don Haddock, Trustee Chairman, no report.

Heidi Baca, Christian Education, report states the younger class is studying the New Testament and the middle school class was having Confirmation classes. Linda Haddock continues to lead the Children's Church on non-communion Sundays.

Shelley Hill, Stewardship Chair, no report.

Michelle Walker, Mission Chair, reported the members of GSLC donated 58 pounds of toothpaste, shampoo, and hand soap for the InterChurch Food Pantry. Also, it was brought to her attention that some members might benefit from a ride to church program. A sign-up sheet will be put on the bulletin board if you are willing to provide rides if a need arises.

Gerda Martin, Fellowship reported we did not have a Pitch-in Lunch in January nor any celebrations.

New Business — Discussion on ways to make more income and cut expenses took up the rest of the meeting. Several ideas are being looked into by Board members. However, a motion was made and passed to transfer money saved for future Seminary students from Good Shepherd through LCEF to checking. Also, we are looking for ways to cut down on paper usage. The cost has increased ten dollars since last year for a case of paper. We have been averaging 5 or 6 cases a year. We have made several cuts in the last few years, but with the increasing costs this

Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd—LWGS

Hello Ladies ~~

LWGS met on February 14, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Gerda and Amy had a nice surprise for those that attended the meeting. They gave us a Valentine Party with decorations and lunch. Fellowship was good, food was good, the Meeting went good, and we even got to spoil little Rosie Brigman in the process. A Good Day.

As LWGS we have a project every year, our last project was the new kitchen floor.

This year we decided to donate \$500 to Good Shepherd's General Fund for the increased expenses of running the church. Our fundraiser of Nut and Candy sells did very well last year and we currently do not have a project we are working on.

God has blessed us richly.

LWGS



Care & Concern ~~



Remember in your Prayers: Carlye Eastvold, hospital, Pastor Daene, fall – right shoulder replacement; Harry Cook, healing and comfort; Gary Hewitt, Covid pneumo-

nia; Friend of Abby Powers to have a healthy pregnancy; Jennifer Burton, prayers that God will take her in his time; Sylvia Kessler, healing, strength & comfort; Julie Ploss, cancer treatments; Eleanor Coner, strength, healing and comfort; Joyce Tompson, strength and comfort; Susan Fouts, health issues; Robert Schafstall, major health issues; Steve Clodfelter & family, Parkinson's; Bill Cummings, strength & comfort; 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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March Bible Readings Food Pantry Donations March Lent Services

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—Psalm 134, 146-150.

March is our month for donations to the InterChurch Food Pantry. We have been asked to donate Soup, Peanut Butter and Jelly. Please put your donations in the marked box in the Narthex the whole month of March. Thank you for your generosity.







All Lent Services for Mid-Week are cancelled until further notice.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to help decorate the Chancel with lilies this year please sign up on the bulletin board. They are \$14.00 this year. If you pay by check be sure to write "Lilies" on the memo line. If paying by cash please put in an envelope and write the amount and your name on the outside. Place in the offering plate or put on Rose's desk in the office. We need you to sign up by March 21 so we can let the florist know how many to

order for us. Thank you.



The Franklin Community Band at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Performance will be— Thursday, March 24, 2022

Community Band

Ride to Church Program~~Need A Ride

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway for anyone willing to provide transportation, if the need arises, to church on Sundays. Please print your name legibly and be sure to give us a phone number so we can contact you.



If anyone needs a ride to church services for any reason, please call:

Michelle Walker 317-432-3942

Spring Begins March 20th

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/3 Ruby Brigman 3/4 Susan Sego 3/5 Amanda Rakow 3/6 Callie Johnson 3/13 Donovan Little 3/15 Joyce Goforth 3/20 Dennis Beasley 3/28 Rusty Wells 3/31 Daryl Pfaehler



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

None listed

[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 2022

Chris Johnson, President
Dan Bonham, 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

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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 and 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 web-site, www.gslcfranklin.org just click on the Prayer Request and type in your request. It is automatically sent to Pastor and the office. There is power in prayer. Let the pastor and the prayer chain join you in your time of need or thanksgiving.