

## Good Shepherd Worship

Our Worship Schedule  
 Thursday's: 6:30 p.m.  
 Sunday's: 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.  
 Education Hour at 9:20 a.m.  
 Holy Communion is served on the first and third weekend of each month

## Weekly Report

Attendance 5/13/12: 342  
 Th - 19, 8:00 - 191, 10:45 - 132  
 Visitors Signing Friendship Pad: 32  
 BC: 92  
 SS: 48 Jr Youth: 12 Youth: 15

Offerings  
 Weekly Need: \$12,195.00 Gifts 5-13-12:  
 Gen Fund \$8,463.43 GICT \$1,196.00

## Missionary Moments

Please Pray for:  
 Missionaries celebrating a May birthday  
 Martin Luther College & Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary graduates  
 Our Russian brothers and sisters in Christ  
 Those in Russia living in spiritual darkness

## LES News

### Award's Night

This coming Sunday, May 20, will be our annual Awards Night. This will take place from 6:00-8:15 p.m. This will be a special night dedicated to students from grades 5-8 who have participated in sports, band, choir, cheerleading, academics and forensics throughout the year.

We will have teachers and coaches involved with these events give a recap of each activity and have the presentation of academic awards. We will also view a DVD which will recap significant events of the year. Refreshments will be served too. This is an event celebrating our students' accomplishments. Hopefully you will be able to attend.

Thank you in advance for making this very special evening a success. Feel free to call Julia with questions at 952-270-3836 (cell) or 952-423-4270 (home). You can also email her at [shihav@frontiernet.net](mailto:shihav@frontiernet.net).

## Scrip Program

The Good Shepherd Scrip program will continue over the summer months. However, due to summer schedules, scrip orders will be placed on a limited basis. For the rest of May and June, orders will be placed: **Sunday, May 20, Sunday, June 10, Sunday, June 17.**

The order schedule for July and August will be released in June. We apologize for any inconvenience and hope the reduced order schedule does not impact your decision to use the scrip program. We will do our best to process orders in a timely manner. We will return to weekly orders in September.

Orders are due by 12:30 p.m. Sunday and are generally ready by the end of the week. Order forms are available in the church office and on the Good Shepherd website at <http://goodshep.com/school/activities/support-good-shepherd-school/good-shepherd-scrip>. For a complete list of available retailers, visit [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) or contact Bobbi Retzlaff at 952-808-0508 or [retzlaff@gmail.com](mailto:retzlaff@gmail.com).  
 Thanks to everyone for their continued support!

## Summer VBS

### VBS UPDATE...Save the Dates!

VBS this year will invite kids ages 3 year old through 6<sup>th</sup> grade to join us at the Rocky Point Lighthouse to discover how Kids Can Shine God's Light! Instead of a full week, a three-day weekend model will run Thursday, June 21 - through Saturday, June 23 from 9-11:30am. Thursday and Friday will be a traditional dropoff program for the kids and the whole family will be invited to join in a Saturday morning of fun and activities. More information and ways to help advertise or run the program or donate will be available next Sunday. Keep the effort in your prayers...pray how you can be a part of it!



## The Shepherd Talk

[www.goodshepnews.com](http://www.goodshepnews.com)

May 20, 2012



### VISION 2020

Equip and empower the saints of God to influence their world for Christ!

### MISSION

In Christ, Grow with Purpose and Go with Passion

## Top in the News!

### Senior Recognition Sunday

Today is the day set aside to recognize our graduating Seniors from respective schools in our area. Join us for light refreshments and fellowship between our services in the gym/fellowship area in honor of our graduates. The graduates are: Bethany Arndt, Megan Auren, Catherine Backer, Scott Heberle, Bridget Hennen, Hailey Huver, Megan Kosloske, Matthew Lehne, Tyler Nelson, Matthew Olson, & Aspen Rose Otremba. The Lord's richest blessings on you and your future endeavors!

### OWLS Update

On Saturday, June 2, we have planned a 10:00 AM tour of Target Field. The cost of the tour is \$14.00 per person with each person purchasing his or her own ticket at the stadium. The length of the tour will be about 90 minutes (wear comfortable shoes since we will be walking about 1 mile). The plan is to take the Light Rail, leaving from the 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue Station (next to the Mall of America) at 8:46 AM. For those wishing to carpool from church, we will meet here at 8:00 AM to ensure we arrive at the train station by 8:30 AM. After the tour we plan to have lunch downtown before catching a return train. If you plan to attend, please so indicate by signing up on the hallway bulletin board no later than May 29<sup>th</sup>.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Garage Sale

On June 15 and 16 we will be holding another garage sale at the church/school. All of the proceeds will be used to help with our school's communication efforts and the WELS mission project.

- June 15  
8:00am-6:00pm
- June 16  
9:00am-3:00pm

Last year it was truly a successful outreach event that opened the doors to our fellow community members. However, it would not have been possible without the tremendous team work that occurred and the vast amount of donations received. Let's see what this year brings!

Please collect and set aside your usable items to donate to our upcoming benefit event.

Drop-off times are listed below:

- Tuesday, June 5, 11:30am - 2:30pm
- Thursday, June 7, 1:30pm - 4pm
- Saturday, June 9, 10am - 12noon
- Additional Dates to be determined
- Tax Receipts Available

A commitment of one or more 2-hour shifts from many school parents and congregation members will mean this fundraising event will be successful without being stressful! Please let Angie know soon when YOU can help during donation drop-off dates and/or sale dates. Please contact Angie Koch at 507-319-4551 or [koch.angelica@gmail.com](mailto:koch.angelica@gmail.com) soon!

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## This week's schedule...

### Sunday (5/20):

9:00 a.m. Fellowship for HS Seniors  
 9:20 a.m. Family Education Hour  
 10:20 a.m. Fellowship for HS Seniors  
 11:45 a.m. Sunday School Teacher Recognition Dinner  
 LES Award's Night  
 6:30 p.m.

### Monday

6:30 p.m. Pioneers Awards' Night

### Tuesday

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Class - "Matthew"  
 (6:00 p.m. Square Dance Club)

### Wednesday

8:30 a.m. LES Worship  
 9:00 a.m. Board of Elders  
 10:30 a.m. Augustana Healthcare Service  
 1:00 p.m. Bible Class - "Isaiah"  
 6:30 p.m. LES PreK Closing Program  
 7:00 p.m. FPU

### Thursday

9:30 a.m. BC "Matthew"  
 6:30 p.m. **DIVINE WEEKENDER WORSHIP**  
 (7:30 p.m. Round Dancing)  
 7:30 p.m. Leadership Team

### Sunday (5/27):

8:00 a.m. **DIVINE WORSHIP**  
 9:00 a.m. Fellowship  
 9:20 a.m. Family Education Hour  
 10:20 a.m. Fellowship  
 10:45 a.m. **DIVINE WORSHIP**



## Serving Today

Organist: M. Huisman 5-27: J. Bousley  
 Ushers (8:00): A. Copland, B. Davis, J. Miller, B. Schultz, A&T Speidel  
 Ushers (10:45): W. Backer, S. Birr, R. Huisman, A&B Peters  
 Altar Guild: G. Biggerstaff/S. Kiecker  
 Greeters 8:00: Hunt/Retzlaff 5-27: Pederson  
 Greeters 10:45: Sprengeler/Britton  
 5-27: Schroeder/Day  
 PowerPoint Presenters: Prokop/Wegner  
 5-27: Speidel/Sullwold  
 Nursery: K&E Marshall/ K&G Dombrock  
 5-27: J. Tiarks/B. Berg & girls  
 Trimming: J. Otremba 5-30: B. Huber

## Prayer Requests

Please share your **prayer requests** by visiting [www.goodshep.com](http://www.goodshep.com) and simply click on **Prayer Request**. Or complete your request on a Prayer Request card and place in the offering plate or in MB# 9.

## Fellowship Volunteers

We wish to thank the Youth Group for serving coffee/fellowship today. We just need a few more volunteers to sign up to the end of May. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board by the mailbins. For more info contact Clarice Sprengeler (651-332-2575) or Jean Pederson (952-707-6840). "Guidelines for Serving" are also posted by the mailbins.

## Stewardship Thot

MANAGING GOD'S RESOURCES IS A HIGH, HOLY, AND SIGNIFICANT CALLING.

"Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful" (1 Corinthians 4:2)

## Adult Discipleship with Brandon Leatherberry

Did you know that we have a resource library in the entry area by the coffee machine? These shelves have books on various life issues, commentaries on portions of the Bible, devotional material, etc. Why not take a few minutes to see what's there. Self-check it out and enjoy. Perhaps choose a topic to pursue this summer as you have vacation or free time. Enjoy the journey!

## Member Support with Scott Maas

This is a reminder about the Health & Wellness Survey that Jane Koenig has put together. If you have a health issue, or if you would be willing to share your experiences with someone else that is going through the same issue, fill out the survey or contact Jane Koenig at 952-891-4483

## Stewardship with Paul Wirth

Now that the stewardship campaign is concluded for this year, the Board of Stewardship will turn its attention to our next major initiative of the year. We will begin planning for engaging the congregation in a dialogue about what, if anything, should replace our Go and Grow in Christ capital campaign. This campaign started several years ago and is in its third iteration. Would you like to see another capital campaign? What for? Please give this some prayer and stay tuned for more information.

## Gifts In Action with Christy Geiger

Thank you for all who attended the fair and worked hard to make it a success! We would like your feedback at [mygiftsinaction@gmail.com](mailto:mygiftsinaction@gmail.com)

## Communication With Christy Geiger

The Communications team is working to complete the update of our website, [www.goodshep.com](http://www.goodshep.com), provide information through social media and provide a solid platform of communication tools to connect GS ministry with members.

## Youth Group with John Sullwold

Happy Senior Sunday! We all are sad to see the seniors leave youth group, but we are also very excited for the amazing future God has planned for each of them. We will continue to pray for the seniors as they go on to their next step in the walk with God. Thanks to all the seniors for the wonderful memories! God blessings on your future!

## Sunday School with Angie Koch

Upcoming Dates For Sunday School:

May 20 – End of the 3 quarter Sunday School year  
May 20 – Sunday School Staff Appreciation Luncheon

May 27 – Memorial Day Wknd, Special Sunday School Educational Hour

Jun 3 – Beginning of Summer Family Education Hour

## Recycling

Don't forget to bring your aluminum cans to the "Trash-ma-hall" in the West parking lot. Please note: Cans Only...not bottles, aluminum foil, etc.! Get your cans in NOW! Funds collected support special projects!



## Book Club

Next meeting: June 12<sup>th</sup>  
Where: Sue Eckhardt's Home  
11683 Horizon Drive, Bville  
Time: 6:45 p.m.  
Facilitator: Sue Eckhardt  
Book: "One Thousand White Women: The Journals of May Dodd by Jim Fergus

# Ministry Happenings

## Summer Activity Planned

Are you interested in summer fun and fellowship with Christian friends from Good Shepherd? Plans are being made to attend the Sonshine Festival outdoor music festival in Wilmar, Minnesota this July. This is a family friendly event with a variety of Christian bands, including Casting Crowns, Newsboys, Tenth Avenue North and Jaime Grace. There are also family activities including a small circus, inflatable area, carnival games and pony rides. The event runs from July 11-14th and you are welcome to attend all or part of it. Group rates are available if there is enough interest. Please contact Kathy Plitzuweit at [kathyplitz@gmail.com](mailto:kathyplitz@gmail.com) or 763-438-1990 for more information. Hope to see you there!

## News From LES

**Pahl's Fundraiser:** Are you looking to beautify your home or add plants to your garden? Go to Pahl's Market in Apple Valley! Pahl's Market will donate **10%** of your total purchase of spring plants and garden supplies for purchases made from **May 14 thru June 4**. All you need to participate is purchase your items and mention Good Shepherd Lutheran School. The Pahl's employee will find a lime green coupon to record your transaction, or you can fill out a Fundraiser Coupon (was in your church mail box or ask your child's teacher) prior to your visit. Funds from this fundraiser are used to support items such as school buses for field trips, and other expense that are not covered in the school budget.

**Entertainment Night Videos Available:** What great performances the children had on Friday night with their performance of "Let Sing America". You can get your own copy of Entertainment Night 2012 in the school office for a \$5 donation. The donation will go towards funds to help purchase our own stage next year. The CD contains the 5:30 p.m., band, and 7:00 p.m. performances.

**2012 Yearbooks:** The yearbook is ready for print!! We have included Pre-K through 8th grade again this year, and we were able to include all sports and music participants, field trips for younger grades, Panther Prance, Art Night and Science Night. We even have a "fan" page. The book is jam-packed with lots of memories. What a great year we have had to reflect on! Yearbook orders are being taken through Monday, May 21st. The cost is \$12.00. Please look for the order form being sent home with your student. We anticipate delivery the last week of school at which time students will be given an opportunity to sign each others' yearbooks. Go Panthers!

**Tuition Assistance Update:** We will now be accepting applications for school year 2012-2013 from our current school families.

Please begin the 2-step application by going to:

Step 1: Complete general questions  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FCGDN5R>

Step 2: You will then need to log into the FAIR website (information is provided at the bottom of the survey during your initial step) and complete your financial information. We will need your recent tax information and a listing of monthly expenditures.

As always, please feel free to contact Angie Koch, [Koch.angelica@gmail.com](mailto:Koch.angelica@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns. For information on policies and procedures for TAP in 2012-2013 please visit [www.goodsheptap.wordpress.com](http://www.goodsheptap.wordpress.com)

To help the TAP committee manage the funds available, an application deadline of May 15 has been set for all current families. Respecting this deadline will help the committee respond to all requests in a timely fashion so that families can properly make their financial plans for next school year. Blessings to you all!

**Exercise For Education:** The non-public school marathon was a fun event last fall. We raised over \$600 for our school and enjoyed a beautiful day of exercise by walking and biking along the river near Minnehaha Falls.

We are now forming a committee to organize the event again for this coming fall. We are in need of 2-3 individuals to assist with planning and organizing. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nic Jacobs at [dp.jacobs3@gmail.com](mailto:dp.jacobs3@gmail.com) or 952.236.7358.

## Forward In Christ/Meditations/Today's Light Renewal

We have designated the months of May/ June as the time to renew your subscriptions. The *Forward In Christ* is a publication of our WELS and brings to our attention events and insights that affect our lives as Christians. The cost for the year is \$10.50. *Meditations* is a daily devotional booklet that correlates to our Scripture lessons and brings application to our personal lives. The cost is \$12.60 (or \$18.00 for large print) *Today's Light* magazine is also available. Read the Bible in 2 years. Just 20 minutes a day. The structured format of *Today's Light* Bible-reading magazine helps you know what to read and when to read it, encouraging you to stay committed to your reading program. Six readings a week help you better understand Bible passages and the historical perspective behind them. Short on time one day? *Today's Light* helps you focus on key verses. Published bimonthly. \$19.80 for a one-year subscription of 6 issues. You can also purchase a *Today's Light* Bible Reading Program Set. (FAQs, Journal, and Bible as a set). The cost is \$45.00. Renewal forms are available in your mailbins or in the narthex.

**MAJ –Music and Jesus:** MAJ is a summer performing arts retreat for youth completed grades 8-13, interested in acting, singing, and dancing, faith-based team building activities and great Christian friendships! MAJ is 6pm June 21- June 24 hosted by Bethlehem Lutheran in Lakeville. Register by June 1: Call Amy Sauer & Kaitly Kuske (952-873-4575) or [www.musicandjesus.org](http://www.musicandjesus.org).

**Give us your news:**  
[goodshepnews@gmail.com](mailto:goodshepnews@gmail.com)

## Church Properties with Mark Prokop

Thank you to the volunteers to help with the grass trimming. I will post a schedule on the Properties Bulletin board and also place the schedule in your mailbox or e-mail it to you if I have your e-mail address. For those interested I have a list of some tasks on the bulletin board. Contact Mark Prokop at 651-688-6340 if you can help with any of these tasks.



## Worship With Casey Pufahl

Worship Series  
"Meet The Challenges To Your Faith"  
May 6<sup>th</sup> Remain In Jesus  
May 13<sup>th</sup> Learn To Love  
May 20<sup>th</sup> Stay Protected By The Word  
May 27<sup>th</sup> Be Guided By The Spirit



## Outreach Open



Would you be willing to drop by and say "hello" to a visitor who attended Good Shepherd from your neighborhood? The Outreach team is looking to compile a list of 20 names or so of individuals willing to serve as needed to greet a new contact. Brief training on "how to" will be given to make it very easy. This is not a commitment to the Outreach Team, just to be available for the outreach team to call on as needed.

## Child Discipleship with Dr. Gene Pfeifer

The Board of Child Discipleship addressed questions from another community family interested in our school, when they visited during Spring Entertainment Night on May 11th. Follow-up continues with them, and other interested families.

In addition, school handbook changes addressing tuition payments for the 2012/2013 school year were emailed out this week to all school families as part of the Panther Pages weekly newsletter.

## Pioneers

Pioneers will hold their Awards Night, Monday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m. This is the night the boys and girls will be recognized for the work they have accomplished on their requirements for the year. After the Awards ceremony refreshments will be served in the gym. It will be a great night! We hope everyone will be able to attend!

## OWLS

June 2 Tour Target Field 10:00 a.m.  
July 20 Picnic At Jerry Christenson's 4:00 p.m.  
October National OWLS Convention –N. Mankato

## You Are Invited

**May 19** Graduation at MLC  
**May 20** Christian Life Ministries' Walk For Life  
**Jun 4** Bingo Party at Lutheran Home in Belle Plaine. Contact Renae Dierauer if you would like to help.  
**Jun 22-24** National LWMS Rally  
More information on these events can be found in your mailbins or the church office.

## St. Croix LHS

Dates To Remember:

June 1 Spring Concert 7:00 p.m.  
June 3 Graduation Service 2:30 p.m.  
**Urgent! Host family needed.** St. Croix Lutheran is looking for a family that would host three siblings from the Democratic Republic of Congo for the month of June. These children (two brothers and a sister in grades 10, 11, and 12) are unable to go home this summer due to the civil war in their country. The stipend is \$600 for each child. If you would be willing to host one, two, or all three of these children, please let St. Croix's international adviser Sue Galler know at (651) 455-1521 ext 118 or [sgaller@StCroixSchools.org](mailto:sgaller@StCroixSchools.org).

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