



# News of the Flock



## From the Pastor

Romans 12:4-8 “For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.”

In the church, we define success differently than the world does. The secular world says that success is all about what the individual has done and it usually involves money or fame. It is about being the best at whatever you name. The world tells us that certain tasks are too lowly for us to do. It puts us in a rung in the ladder of success according to what we are doing or have done.

In contrast, the Lord desires that we obey Him with humility. Success is

measured by obedience. God equips us for service to Him. It is not about us; it is about Him. He calls us to obey and trust in Him alone. Success or failure in His eyes is about our obedience to His calling us to service. Service means a variety of things. We should be thankful that He is using us for His purpose. When we look at success this way, we have never been defeated or failed because we know He uses all things to accomplish His divine will.

Praise for success is misplaced unless it goes to the One who gave us the gifts to be successful. Praise Him for whatever He calls you to do. Every task is important as every task is used by Him. We each have different callings and tasks but we only have one purpose. That purpose is to make Him known and to praise and worship Him.

Pastor Daene



November 5, 2017

**Stewardship Dinner**  
**PITCH-IN**  
 November 12, 2017  
 after Worship Service  
 Church will provide the meat and beverages



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**Special points of interest:**

- Time changes on November 5, 2017
- Church Council meets November 8 @ 7 pm
- Stewardship Dinner is November 12 after worship service
- Terri Lynn Nut & Candy pick up is Nov. 19
- Thanksgiving Eve Service is November 22 @ 7:30 p.m.
- Advent starts December 3rd

# Church Council Highlights ~ ~

Good Shepherd Church Council met on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were: Pastor Daene, Kathy Hawkins, Jeff Hawkins, Anne Hartman, Johannah Pollert, Amy Houck, Mike Peters, Kent Krimmel, Gerda Martin, Paul Cox, Joyce Bauman, Heidi Baca and guest Rose Krimmel. Those absent were Kevin Weber and Susan Sego.

The meeting was called to order by President, Mike Peters and a Bible reading was read by Jeff Hawkins and devotion by Kathy Hawkins.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted as written.

Financial Secretary, Joyce Bauman, gave her report for September as follows: Offerings \$15,605.96; Sunday School offerings \$48.75 for the total of \$15,654.71.

Treasurer, Anne Hartman, reported expenses for September were \$13,768.29 and the mortgage balance as \$196,813.74.

Pastor reported the average attendance for September as 63. He had 4 Worship Services; 2 Confirmation classes; 8 Bible studies; 3 member visits; 1 Shut-in visit; 2 Non-member visits; and 5 Hospital visits. Plans are being made for the combined youth group with Pastor Ebb and others.

Fellowship and Special Events Co-chairs Gerda Martin & Amy Houck reported that there were no expenses for the Pitch-in and the Franklin Community Band Reception.

Those that did their budgets turned them in and those that didn't are to turn them in prior to the November Council meeting. The Council will go through the Budget for 2018 at the November meeting.

The Mission Committee has not had any meetings this summer but one is planned for later this month.

Unfinished Business — Paul said he has contacted several companies about painting the steeple but has not received any bids on

it. They either cannot do it or do not send us a bid. Mike Peters is working on getting a material that is acceptable for the soundproofing of Fellowship Hall. Jeff Hawkins reported the canopies can be used; one is in good shape, the other has a few holes in it.

New Business — Some suggested revisions to the By-Laws were turned in to Kent for consideration. His committee will meet again and discuss what they will present.

Nominations for the upcoming open positions on Church Council can be submitted. If you are interested or have questions about a position, please contact Kent Krimmel.



# Lutheran Women of Good Shepherd ~ LWGS

Hello Ladies,

Thank you to all who helped with the Fall Festival on September 29. It was beautiful weather. Since it was a nice day we did not sell much hot chocolate but we did sell a lot of hot spiced cider and cold cider. We also sold more boxed cards than we have in the past.

Now it is time to think about the holidays. Terri Lynn Nuts & Candy catalogs will be available on October 15 for our fundraiser. Orders need to be in by October 29 so they have time to get them back to us in time for Thanksgiving.

The Stewardship Dinner will be November 12 after the worship service. The church will provide the meats and drinks. It will be replacing our monthly pitch-in as you provide the vegetables, salads, and desserts.

Decorating the church for Christmas will be November 26 after fellowship. We would appreciate you staying and helping with the decorating. The more that help the faster it gets done.

Our Advent by Candlelight for the ladies will be December 4 at 6:30 p.m. Bring a

friend, neighbor, relative. Please be sure and sign up on the bulletin board.

Christmas cards will be on sale soon. They are priced very reasonable by the box or for a few. The table will be set up with the card display in the hallway.



# Care & Concern



Remembering in your prayers:

Mildred Melvin, surgery; Don Haddock, strength & healing; Zachary Long, strength, healing, and comfort;

Christopher Springer, the Lord would lift the veil of unbelief; Jim Alexander, cancer; Dianne Peterson, lung cancer; Ryan Maddox, chronic migraines;; Loren Hendricks,

cancer; Charlie Jones, strength & comfort; Thana Carlisle, healing & comfort; Bill Cummings, fractured hip; Stephanie Stewart, aggressive cancer; Debbie Vaughn, strength & healing; Ted Perkinson, congestive heart failure; Evelyn Manning, strength & comfort; Friend of the Powers family, strength and healing; Ben Hall, cancer; 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 the information as current as possible.

Thank you.



## Board of Education

Fall Sunday School continues to study the Old Testament. Carla Cole is the upper grades teacher, Angela Coy/Johannah Pollert are the intermediate teachers and Heidi Baca is teaching the preschool class until a teacher is found.

Linda Haddock and Michelle Coner are leading Children's Church on non-communion Sundays following Pastor's children's message.

Good Shepherd children visit the Hickory Creek Nursing Home on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Linda Haddock is leading this program.

Randy & Elaine Powers continue to lead this group on Sunday evenings at 6:30 pm. The Women's Group meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm with Elaine Powers leading the group. The Men's Group is led by Pastor Daene meet on Thursday mornings at 9:00 am.

We still need volunteers for the nursery.

## Mission Committee

The Missions Committee met on October 22 after the worship service to discuss the 2018 Budget and to vote on paying off our missionary support balance for our 3 year commitment. Anne Hartman is looking for another missionary for us to support with our Sunday School offerings and Mission monies.

Randy & Elaine Powers are heading The Christmas Angel Program again this year. We will be getting two families. In December we will have the tree up with information.

Thanks again to the Franklin Community Band for a wonderful evening of beautiful music. If you missed it, they will be back in March 2018.

The last Thursday of every month a group goes to Orphan Grain Train to volunteer. Please contact Mike or Anne Hartman if interested to carpool at 317-738-2290.

Please join us at our next meeting, November 19.

## Orphan Grain Train

Do you shop at the Edinburg Outlet Mall?

The Bon Worth clothing store is setting the 1st Tuesday of November (7th), and December (5th) as Orphan Grain Train days. Ten percent (10%) of the sales on those 2 days will be sent to OGT, **if you mention OGT at the register** to help fund shipments to those in need. Bon Worth is a ladies clothing outlet. Your support will be appreciated by Orphan Grain Train.

**Don't forget**, you must tell them when paying for your merchandise that you would like this to be participation in the Orphan Grain Train program.

Great time to do some Christmas shopping, it is less than 3 months away!



## Deacons Notes ~ ~ Mike Hartman

In 1863, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln declared a national day of Thanksgiving. He wrote:

"It is the duty of nations as well as of man to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart

and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November, a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father Who dwelleth in the heavens."

What a pity that men who guide our government and men who greatly influence the morality of our society today do not have the sentiments expressed by one of the greatest leaders this nation ever produced.

Let us be thankful every day, and especially this season of the year. When we gather as families on Thanksgiving Day, let us be truly thankful for the benevolence God has lavishly poured out on us. A very blessed Thanksgiving from your Board of Deacons.

## Holiday ~ ~

*Happy  
Thanksgiving*



*Thanksgiving Eve  
Service*

*November 22, 2017*

*7:30 p,m,*



**Thank You, LORD!**

## Church Council Positions Open for Election

# *Consider holding a position on the Church Council.*

It is that time of year when we start to think about electing members to the Church Council. The terms of the President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee Chairman, Stewardship Chairman and one member at Large are up for election. Each term is two years. If you are interested in running for any of these positions or have questions regarding these positions please contact Kent Krimmel at 317-346-6199 or speak to him at church.

The duties of the President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee Chairman, Stewardship Chairman and Member at Large are explained here:

**President** — The President shall:

1. In association with the Pastor be the executive director of the total congregational program;
2. Prepare the agenda, according to Article 1 of the bylaws, and preside over all meetings of the Church Council and the Voter's Assembly.
3. Confer with the Pastor and the Vice President on all matters relating to the spiritual and material welfare of the congregation and its members;
4. Be an ex-officio member of all boards and committees, and attend or designate the Vice President to represent him at the meetings of the boards and committees as he deems necessary or advisable;
5. Make an annual report of his administration to the Voter's Assembly.

**Recording Secretary** —The Recording Secretary shall:

1. Be the official depository of the official records of the Voter's Assembly and of the Church Council;
2. Record the minutes of the Voter's Assembly and of the Church Council;
3. Maintain a separate Constitution Book for the signatures of voting members;
4. Record attendance at Voter's Assembly and at meetings of the Church Council;
5. Keep an up-to-date listing of voting members;
6. Serve as the Historian for the congregation.

**Treasurer**—The Treasurer shall:

1. Be responsible for the safety of the funds of the congregation;
2. Keep the funds of the congregation on deposit in a bank or other reliable financial institution;
3. Keep the financial records of the congregation according to proper accounting procedures;
4. Make regular financial reports to the Church Council and to the congregation;
5. Be concerned with the safe deposit and recording of all funds, monthly remissions of offerings for missions and church agencies, and prompt payment of all bills and salaries as authorized by the congregation and its Boards;
6. Submit records to an annual audit;
7. Serve as a member of the Board of Stewardship



**Trustee Chairman** - The Board of Trustees shall consist of the chairman and three (or more) members.. They shall:

- A. Inspect and supervise maintenance of all the church's properties and make recommendations accordingly;
- B. Recommend regulations governing the use of the church's properties;
- C. Issue and recall keys for the church's property, keeping a list of such keys and annually reviewing such list;
- D. Plan, enlist and supervise crews for special repairs, property improvements, etc. as the need arises;
- E. Draw up contracts, accept and receive grants and bequests, and all other business of the congregation as assigned to them by the Voter's Assembly;
- F. Maintain an up-to-date inventory of all the church's equipment and property;
- G. Submit annually to the Church Council an insurance program to properly protect the organization;
- H. Develop all policies and fees for rental, use, and lending of the church's properties and;
- I. Submit an annual budget to the Board of Stewardship as requested by the Board.

**Stewardship Chairman**—Shall consist of five or more members; i.e., the elected Chairman of the Board, the Financial Secretary, the Treasurer, and additional members of the congregation. They shall:

- A. Discover the talents of the membership and enlist them in the congregation's programs;
- B. Sponsor stewardship and mission talks, discussions, conferences, etc. in the congregation and in all of its organizations;
- C. Work in close cooperation with the Circuit and District Stewardship entities;
- D. Instruct the people in the grace of proportionate giving to God's work in their own parish and in the world;
- E. Supervise the raising of all funds in the congregation
- F. Keep the Pastor, the Church Council, and all Boards informed as to the financial standing of the church to ensure efficient expenditure of all funds on hand and;
- G. Prepare the annual proposed budget for submission to the December Voter's Assembly.

**Member-at-Large** —

As a Member-at-Large you shall assist the Church Council as deemed necessary by the council. This may be researching a proposed project, assisting a council member, collating information and etc.

Any questions regarding these positions contact Kent Krimmel at 317-346-6199 or see him at church.



### **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  
11/29 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.]*

**T**ry 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 2017**

Mike Peters, President  
Kent Krimmel, Vice President  
Johannah Pollert, Secretary  
Anne Hartman, Treasurer  
Joyce Bauman, Financial Secretary  
Paul Cox, Board of Trustees  
Kevin Weber, Board of Deacons  
, 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  
Kathy Hawkins, Member at Large

### **DEACONS**

Kevin Weber 317-910-3288  
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Jim Jones 317-878-4712  
Mike Hartman 317-738-2290  
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. You may choose if your prayer request goes to the pastor only, or to the pastor and the prayer chain. There is power in prayer and let the pastor and the prayer chain join you in your *time of need or thanksgiving*. Simply go to [www.gslcfranklin.org](http://www.gslcfranklin.org) and hit the **Prayer Request** button.