

Good Shepherd
Lutheran Church
Monthly Newsletter

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The



Call

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

“¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.” Acts 8:14-17

On May 19th at the 8:30am service, we will celebrate the Affirmation of Baptism (aka: Confirmation) of one of our young people. Scarlet Mink-Border has gone through instruction with me. The congregation council has approved her for confirmed membership. And now she is prepared to make her public affirmation of work that was started in her life when she was a baby.

This rite of passage, this tradition, goes all the way back to biblical times. As we read in Acts, it is one thing for a person to be baptized as a member of the body of Christ. There is cause for an affirmation of that baptism (which can be done by others who are being restored to the faith or for people who come to us through other Christian denominations) that leads to a reception of the Holy Spirit.

When Scarlet comes forward, she will kneel, receive the laying on of hands, and this prayer will be prayed:

*Father in heaven, for Jesus’ sake, stir up in Scarlet the gift of your Holy Spirit;
confirm her faith, guide her life, empower her in her serving,
give her patience in suffering, and bring her to everlasting life. Amen.*

As a community, we will pray that the Holy Spirit will be known in her life. We rejoice that she is choosing to make this public affirmation. And we will support her as she makes decisions and looks to serve God.

You, the members of Good Shepherd, have nourished Scarlet through these years. You have provided for her Christian education. And you have given her guidance on following the Holy Spirit in her life.

Come and worship as we praise God for the work that is happening in the lives of our young people.

*In Christ –
Kathleen J. Baker, pastor*

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 and Rob Wix.

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 clarity. Unless otherwise publicized, the deadline
 for submissions is the third Sunday of the month.



Pastor’s Bible Study

Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m.
 in the Gathering Room

Pastor Baker’s monthly study will focus on
 chapters 15 and 16 of 1 Corinthians.

The class wraps up the study on Tuesday,
 May 21 at 7 p.m. in the Gathering Room.

Thank you,

Spring Clean-Up Volunteers!

Thank you to all who helped with the Spring
 Clean-Up of Good Shepherd’s grounds on
 Saturday, April 6. Pictured, left to right—
 Georgia Rehm, Bill Baum, Sandy Baum, Dave
 Boyne, Greg Borzok, John Switaj, Karl Valley, Burt
 Kreider, and John McAnnaney. Not pictured—
 Jeff Baum and Pastor Baker. Many thanks to all
 who spent their Saturday morning beautifying the
 church property!

From Our Treasurer: March Financials

MARCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2024

	Mar.	YTD
Giving	19,115	77,023
Spending	22,283	58,703
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,169)	18,320

BALANCES

General Fund	27,920
Exchange (Restricted)	72,212
Memorial	29,515
Mission Investment Fund CD	31,518
Investments	349,299



- May 2 Connie Lochbaum
- May 3 Vicki Delp
- May 4 William Baum
Janice Breon
- May 5 Dave Boyne
- May 8 Kelsey Fagan
- May 11 Doug Rhodes
- May 12 Phyllis Switaj
- May 13 Theresa Dermes
- May 14 Ben Clemente IV
- May 15 Ben Clemente V
- May 20 Douglas Griffiths
Gene Stewart
Dick Wix
- May 25 Terri Bentzel
- May 27 Ellen Ditmer
- May 29 Sam Kuba



**Calling
All Music
and Ice Cream
Lovers!**

The annual Ice Cream Social has been planned for Saturday, May 4 at 1:30 p.m. prior to the Keystone Concert Band performance at 2 p.m. Ice cream will be served with a selected number of favorite toppings. All will take place in All Saints Hall.

May Readings

- May 1 Isaiah 5: 1-7, Galatians 5: 16-26, Psalm 80
- May 2 Isaiah 49: 5-6, Acts 10: 1-34, Psalm 98
- May 3 Isaiah 42: 5-9, Acts 10: 34-43, Psalm 98
- May 4 Deuteronomy 32: 44-47, Mark 10: 42-45, Psalm 98
- May 5 Acts 10: 44-48, Psalm 98, 1 John 5: 1-6, John 15: 9-17
- May 6 Deuteronomy 7: 1-11, 1 Timothy 6: 11-12, Psalm 93
- May 7 Deuteronomy 11: 1-17, ! Timothy 6: 13-16, Psalm 93
- May 8 Deuteronomy 11: 18-21, Mark 16: 19-20, Psalm 93
- May 9 Acts 1: 1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 1: 15-23, Luke 24: 44-53
- May 10 Exodus 24: 15-18, Revelation 1: 9-18, Psalm 47
- May 11 Deuteronomy 34: 1-7, John 16: 4-11, Psalm 47
- May 12 Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26; psalm 1; 1 John 5: 9-13; John 17: 6-19
- May 13 Exodus 28: 29-38, Philippians 1: 3-11, Psalm 115
- May 14 Numbers 8: 5-22, Titus 1: 1-9, Psalm 115
- May 15 Ezra 9: 5-15, John 16: 16-24, Psalm 115
- May 16 Genesis 2: 4b-7, 1 Corinthians 15: 42b-49, Psalm 33: 12-22
- May 17 Job 37: 1-13, 1 Corinthians 15: 50-57, Psalm 33: 12-22
- May 18 Exodus 15: 6-11, John 7: 37-39, Psalm 33: 12-22
- May 19 Acts 2: 1-21, Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b; Romans 8: 22-27; John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15
- May 20 Joel 2: 18-29, 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b
- May 21 Genesis 11: 1-19, 1 Corinthians 12: 12-27, Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b
- May 22 Ezekiel 37: 1-14, John 20: 19-23, Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b
- May 23 Isaiah 1: 1-4, 16-20; Romans *: 1-8; Psalm 29
- May 24 Isaiah 2: 1-5, Romans 8: 9-11, Psalm 29
- May 25 Isaiah 5: 15-24; John 15: 18-20, 26-27; Psalm 29
- May 26 Isaiah 6: 1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8: 12-17, John 3: 1-17
- May 27 Numbers 9: 15-23, Revelation 4: 1-8, Psalm 20
- May 28 Exodus 25: 1-22, 1 Corinthians 2: 1-10, Psalm 20
- May 29 Numbers 6: 22-27, Mark 4: 21-25, Psalm 20
- May 30 Exodus 31: 12-18, Acts 25: 1-12, Psalm 81: 1-10
- May 31 Leviticus 23: 1-8, Romans 8: 31-39, Psalm 81: 1-10



EVENTS

A CALL TO SERVE:

*Then I heard the voice
of the Lord saying,
“Whom shall I send?
And who will go for us?”
And I said,
“Here am I, Send me!”*
Isaiah 6:8

2024 Women of the ELCA Conference of Synodical Presidents –April 6, 2024 RE- MEMBERing, Rebuilding a Community of Women

This was a Zoom event for current presidents with past presidents and current synodical presidents as part of the planning committee. It was about rebuilding our organizations.

The word *remember* is found 240 times in the Bible. This is a call to act. Our scripture references were Isaiah 61:4, Acts 4:23-32, Acts 6: 1-7, and Luke 22: 19. We did a Land Acknowledgement. Word study, focused on our constitutions (Churchwide and Synodical) with a focus on roles, and responsibilities (much like Good Shepherd’s). There were break out sessions for regional groups to share ideas, practices, roles, and responsibilities. Yes, there were “stretch breaks.” We had open discussion and wrap-up . We closed with worship. “We are Called....”

LS SWO Women of Faith Day of Renewal April 20, 2024 St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lititz

Karen Knight of Heartsongs Ministries gave two inspiring performances , “Footprints... Encounters With Jesus” and “Out of the Kitchen, Into the Heart.”

After lunch, there was a choice between a Bible Study with Pastor Rob Myallis or a Walking Tour of Sacred Grounds and Prayer Labyrinth. Edna Hafer did the Bible study, and Georgia Rehm and I did the tour.

Originally, the plan was to work with Habitat for Humanity to build affordable housing. Unfortunately, the need for and the cost of a road stopped the project. Instead they have planted a hundred trees, created a butterfly garden, and have planter boxes for vegetable food gardens (Penn State is helping with this project). The produce is shared with the community. There is also a stone labyrinth that we walked. It has a pavilion with picnic tables. They use it for many purposes— summer worship, gatherings, and even a Christmas Service with heaters and snow on the ground.

We closed with worship in the sanctuary. It was an inspiring Day of Renewal.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**May 4
from 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m
on Zoom
2024 Churchwide Women of
the ELCA Leadership Event
*Servant Leader: Present,
Equipped, Here***

You are invited to his year’s leadership event. It is open to ALL whether involved in Women of the ELCA or not.

The event includes worship, Bible study, speakers and breakout sessions. This year’s leadership event will reintroduce the servant leadership concept and its connection to relationships and community while acknowledging the many challenges facing organizations like ours in our current context.

Participants will explore the leader-full community that is Women of the ELCA. To register, go to www.womenoftheelca.org/event/leadership-event

**May13 at 9:30 a.m.
in the Gathering Room
Good Shepherd
Women of the ELCA
Bible Study and Gathering**

Our theme is “Scripture and Nature: Teachers of Faith”—
Session 2: Creatures. Join us for a time of faithful Bible study, fellowship, fun and food.

AND INVITATIONS

**August 17
at Good Shepherd
LS SWO Women of the ELCA
Annual Convention**

Yes, we will need volunteers to help us plan and host this event. This is a one day convention focusing on the business of the LS SWO with worship and inspirational messages. Please, prayerfully, consider being a part of this event. Our theme is *Love Your Neighbor*. We will soon share more information.

**October 25–27
at Camp Hebron
LS SWO Women of the ELCA
Annual Retreat**

Come for a day or the weekend. The registration deadline is September 9. The theme is *We've got Mail*, based on a letter from Paul (Ephesians 3: 7-8). It will cover Ephesians, Galatians, Colossians and Corinthians. Pastor Molly Haggerty will lead the retreat. She has been a deacon and pastor for the past 20 years. Her international travel experiences will also help explore the topic of Paul's letters to create the early church and contributions of women.

In closing, the last verse of the hymn, *Christ Be Our Light*:

*Many the gifts, many the
people,
many the hearts that yearn
to belong.
Let us be servants to one
another,
signs of your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered
today.*

—Lois Griffiths



**Lutheran Day
in the Capitol**

MAY 9, 2024

LAMPa's 45th Anniversary
Advocacy + Celebration

Join us on Thursday, May 9, for a day of learning, inspiration, advocacy, and celebration! It's our 45th anniversary, and we're excited to share our gratitude for the past and hope for the future with you! We're also marking ELCA World Hunger's 50th anniversary in a celebration of all the ways Lutherans show up to feed and care for our neighbors in Pennsylvania and around the world!

Register Now!

Day of Learning and Advocacy – \$60

Gala and Celebration of Advocates – \$70

**Day of Learning and Advocacy— 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church, Camp Hill and PA State Capitol**
Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.

The day will include:

- Continental breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Learning sessions and policy updates on issues from hunger to housing and training for civic engagement
- Exhibits to browse and connect with exciting things happening across the church in PA and nationally
- Boxed lunch and preparation for legislative visits
- Worship with sermon by ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (Offering goes to ELCA World Hunger)
- Transportation to and from the Capitol
- Legislative visits arranged by LAMPa
- Group photo in the beautiful Capitol Rotunda

**Set a Welcome Table
Gala Dinner and Celebration of Advocates—6:30 p.m.
Hilton Downtown Harrisburg**

Join us at for an evening celebrating 45 years of Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania and 50 years of Lutheran World Hunger Ministry.

**For more information or to
register, Scan the QR code at left
or go to lutheranadvocacy.org/**





A HUGE “thank you” to **everyone** who helped with Host Week in April. It was a full house with 13 guests! There were a few malfunctions at the church, but the guests were very flexible and grateful for all we did for them.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our next **Host Week will be June 9 through June 15.** Several people have already signed-up to prepare a meal, drive the van, and sleep overnight. Please contact Georgia Rehm if you are interested and able to help in any of these ways.

Family Promise Fam Jam will be held at The Englewood on Sunday, June 9th from 12 p.m. until 4 p.m. See the back cover of *The Call* for more information. Hope to see you there!

—Georgia Rehm

Workshop News

As always, Tuesdays are Workshop Days. Feel free to visit between 9:30 a.m. and noon to see what we do and maybe lend a hand. It is a busy place! This month, we have donated 30 baby quilts and afghans and 14 hat and sweater sets to the Neighborhood Center and Morningstar Pregnancy Services as well as lap robes and fidget mats to UPMC . These donations are in addition to our continued work for In-Gathering for LWR in October. It is a busy place and we have a lot of fun too!

—Georgia Rehm

Worship Sponsorships

	Flowers \$25	Bulletins \$30	Lamps \$10
May 5	K. Stewart	Boyne	Breon
May 12	J. Bricker		
May 19			
May 26	D. McCauley	F. Sprunk	D. McCauley

A master calendar is posted in the Narthex of the Nave . Sign up on the calendar, and return your completed sponsorship form and payment to the church office.

Sponsorship Form

Please return this slip with your contribution to the church office. Dedications are printed in the bulletin each week. For Sunday, _____, 2024

___ Flowers ___ Bulletins ___ Lamps

___ To the Glory of God ___ In Memory Of ___ In Honor Of ___ In Celebration Of

Submitted by: _____

Amount: _____ Deadline: Wednesday 9 a.m. prior to the upcoming Sunday

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Summer Worship Schedule Begins <u>May 26</u> Sunday 8:30 a.m. Worship and Sacrament—Nave/YouTube 10:00 a.m. Worship and Sacrament—Chapel</p> <p>Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Worship and Sacrament—Chapel</p> <p>Saturday 5 p.m. Worship and Sacrament—Chapel</p>			<p>1 9:30 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 11 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul)</p>	<p>4 5 p.m. W & S (Chapel)</p>
<p>5 Food Pantry Sunday 8:30 a.m. W & S (Nave/YouTube) 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Gathering Room) 11 a.m. W&S (Nave)</p>	<p>6 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH)</p>	<p>7 9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 10 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul) 12:30 p.m. W/ELCA Board (Gathering Room)</p>	<p>8 9:30 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 11 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul)</p>	<p>11 5 p.m. W & S (Chapel)</p>
<p>12 8:30 a.m. W & S (Nave/YouTube) 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Gathering Room) 11 a.m. W&S (Nave)</p>	<p>13 9:30 a.m. W/ELCA (Gathering Room) 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH) 6:30 p.m. Council (Gathering Room)</p>	<p>14 9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 10 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/ Paul) 7 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry (Martin Luther)</p>	<p>15 9:30 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 11 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul)</p>	<p>18 5 p.m. W & S (Chapel)</p>
<p>19 June Call Deadline 8:30 a.m. W & S (Nave/YouTube) 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation (Gathering Room) 11 a.m. W&S (Nave)</p>	<p>20 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 42 (ASH)</p>	<p>21 9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 12:30 p.m. Mission & Ministry (Gathering Room) 10 a.m. Ready for School... 7 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study (Gathering Room)</p>	<p>22 9:30 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 11 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul)</p>	<p>25 5 p.m. W & S (Chapel)</p>
<p>26 8:30 a.m. W & S (Nave/YouTube) 10 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 6:30 p.m. Living Room Dialogue (Gathering Room)</p>	<p>27 MEMORIAL DAY Church Office CLOSED</p>	<p>28 9:30 a.m. Workshop (St. Lydia/ASH) 10 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter / Paul)</p>	<p>29 9:30 a.m. W&S (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Keystone Concert Band (ASH)</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 11 a.m. Ready for School, Ready to Succeed (Sts. Peter/Paul)</p>	



FAM JAM

THE
ENGLEWOOD
JUNE 9, 2024
1-4PM

The second annual Family Promise Fam Jam event will be held on Sunday, June 9 from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at The Englewood (1219 West End Avenue, Hershey). We will have live music, delicious food, fun kids' activities, a silent auction, and more! It will be a fun event for families and individuals to attend and help our families move from homelessness to home. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to familypromisehcr.org.

Our Purpose

To be the eyes, ears, hands, feet, and voice of Jesus.

Guiding Principles

When you see us at our best, you will see us in worship and living our faith by being:

- welcoming/accepting
- generous and giving
- supportive and caring
- active/involved
- joyful
- spiritual/faithful

Adopted by the Congregation Council of Good Shepherd on October 11, 2020



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9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Chapel)

8:30 a.m. Sunday (Nave)

11:00 a.m. Sunday (Nave)

9:30 a.m. Wednesday (Nave)