

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

930 Edgewood Road Wausau, WI 54403

(Change Service Requested)

JANUARY: 2024

POINSETTIAS:

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PLANTS ASAP IF YOU DESIGNATED PICK UP OR IF YOU ARE A HOME VISITOR.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 & 2, 2024 IN RECOGNITION OF NEW YEAR'S.

GATHER in Blessings * **GROW** in Purpose * **GO** with Passion

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2024 * 10:15 am

Available live or via ZOOM

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GOOD SHEPHERD'S
WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays @ 9 am

RECORDED ONLINE WORSHIP
AVAILABLE

Sundays

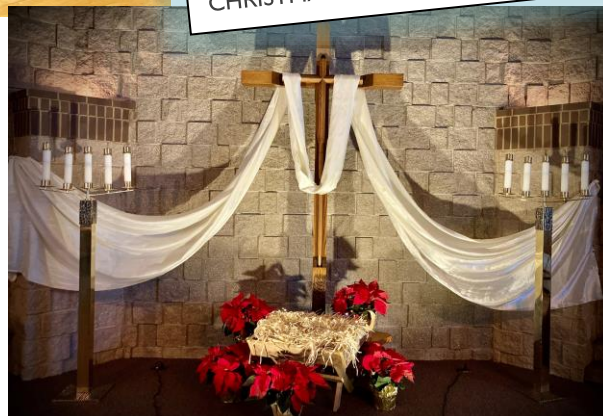
Sunday, January 21, 2024

10:15 am

ANNUAL MEETING



PRO MUSICA: GSLC Supporters &
 Choir: Karen Lakus & Kartika Putri
 ST ANNE PROGRAM: Liliana Jensen
 ADVENT: Laney, Allyson & Brandt Schrieiber
 : Jenn & Kyiah Walters
 CHRISTMAS TREE GATHERING
 SILVER STRINGS CONCERT: Maddie Bartz,
 Dylan Mork, Brianna Schmudlach
 MITTEN TREE: Crocheter-Sandy Edwards
 CHRISTMAS EVE: Sunday School * Manger



Worship & Resources

Good Shepherd is online:

YOUTUBE: type: **GSLC Wausau WI**

(Hit SUBSCRIBE and you will get notified when there are new videos)

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/gslcwausau/>

GSLC WEBSITE: www.gswausau.org

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES/ Daily Devotions: lhm.org

DAILY DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE:

Christ in Our Home & Portals of Prayer & (Jan 2024)

JANUARY 2024 PRESIDING MINISTERS

1-7-24: Pr. Dan Sire

1-14-24: Pr. NATALI BASSETT

1-21-24: Pr. Dan Sire

1-28-24: Lay Led

DATE	7-JAN	14-JAN	21-JAN	28-JAN
Presiding Minister	Pr. Dan Sire	Pr. Natalie Bassett	Pr. Dan Sire	Lay Leader
Assisting Minister	Tim Holcomb	Paul Grewe	MJ Horvat	Andy Walters
Reader	Diane Peterson	Sharon Semling	JoAnn Grewe	Robin Mueller
Greeter 1	K Toth	Jean Korpela	Cheryl Rocheleau	Adam Pleuss
Greeter 2	Karen Maier	Bonnie Anderson	Helen Vance	Jilian Jensen
Usher 1	Marty Krahn	Josh Stumpner	Mike Sturzenegger	Hank Pleuss
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Andy Heise	Laurie Sturzenegger	Jovid Schuette
Altar Guild	Jenn & Kyiah Walters	Jenn & Kyiah Walters	Jenn & Kyiah Walters	Jenn & Kyiah Walters

MUSICAL REHEARSALS:

Rehearsals will resume starting next Monday, January 8, 2024.

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office hours:
9:30 AM-4:00 PM
Monday-Friday
OFFICE CLOSED:
1-1&2-2024

Worship
Sundays @ 9:00 am

Worship services available
Released for:
Sundays

go to
GSLC Wausau WI on Youtube,
www.gswausau.org
Facebook
**(they remain available at
our youtube channel)**

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Cory Toth LaPointe

Treasurer

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024
10:15 AM

A Zoom meeting will be set up. Call the office to RSVP, if you have questions and want to join via ZOOM, then watch for an invitation email from **(Constant Contact-Good Shepherd)** as the date gets closer.

FIRST DRAFT ANNUAL REPORTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW SUNDAY, 1-7-24.

POINSETTIA PLANTS:

Thank you to everyone who purchased plants to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. It is pick up time! Besides those who designated to pick up plants, there are enough plants for everyone on our Home Visitation Ministry list! Plants should be picked up as soon as possible if you are a visitor or taking them home. We do not have a lot of light or waterers, so they decline in health quickly. If you are a home bound visitor, check in with the office and we can send you with a plant.

FAITH FORMATION

ADULT FORUM RESUMES JANUARY 7 IN THE CAFE

The Adult Forum class is held following 9 am worship at 10:15 am, and all are welcome to join in the conversation. Each week stands alone so perfect attendance is not necessary to participate. See you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

A special thank you to our Sunday School leader, students and families for helping to bring the Nativity Story to life. There is no better way to hear the story than to see our children present it in the age-old fashion. Sunday School will take a week off and reconvene on Sunday, January 7 at 10:15 am.

CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation will resume this Wednesday, January 3rd at 5:30 pm at St. Stephen.
Classes for the rest of January will be Weds. January 17 and 31.

CORKS N COVERS:

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each of you,

Our business meeting discussion was about results of our November 11th book sale during the Good Shepherd Craft and Bake sale. **We raised \$387!** We will use it for a matching funds drive at Good Shepherd in support of **The Women's Community and New Beginnings household pantry located at the First Presbyterian Church on Grant St.**

The unsold books were given to the Landing at the Wausau YMCA, Janke's Bookstore, and Marathon County Public Library .

Our meetings for 2024 will continue to be held the 4th Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm in the Community Room at the River Life apartment building where Kris lives. When there is a conflict with a holiday or special event we will change to a different Thursday and/or location.

Our next Corks and Covers meeting will be on January 25, 2024 at 1:30 pm in the Community Room at River Life apartments.

New Beginnings for Refugees is a Wausau-based community organization which supports refugees throughout critical stages of the resettlement process in Central Wisconsin. Volunteers teach conversational and written English to new refugees until they are able to attend English classes at NTC or begin working. We strive to complement the work of ECDC, an experienced national resettlement agency who has opened an office in Wausau on the second floor of the Washington Square building.

ECDC's Multicultural Community Center in Central Wisconsin assists newcomers, giving them hope for the future and helping them become self-sufficient, productive members of their new communities!

Their Mission

To help refugees and immigrants rebuild safe, sustainable lives for themselves and their families in Central Wisconsin.

Most needed List: Toilet paper, Laundry detergent (liquid or powder - NO pods), Boots, Multi-purpose cleaner, Toilet bowl cleaner, Twin Quilts, Twin blankets, Twin sheets (complete sets), Kitchen knives, Pots and pans (good condition, no chipping), Teapots, Waste baskets, Brooms/dust pans, Shave cream.

JANUARY NOISY OFFERING

LET'S HELP THE CORKS N COVERS HELP THE WOMEN'S COMMUNITY
AND NEW BEGINNINGS WITH THE BOOK SALE MATCHING FUND DRIVE!
CAN WE TURN THEIR HARD EARNED \$387 INTO \$774?
LET THIS BE THE FIRST ACHIEVED GOAL OF 2024!!

BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday February 8
1-6 pm
1-800-redcross / 1-800-733-2767
Visit redcrossblood.org

Community Dinner

Sunday, January 14
4-5 pm
First Presbyterian Church

NEEDED:

Several helpers to prepare and hand out meals

5-6 9x13 pans of bars,
dropped off at GSLC Sunday morning, Jan. 14

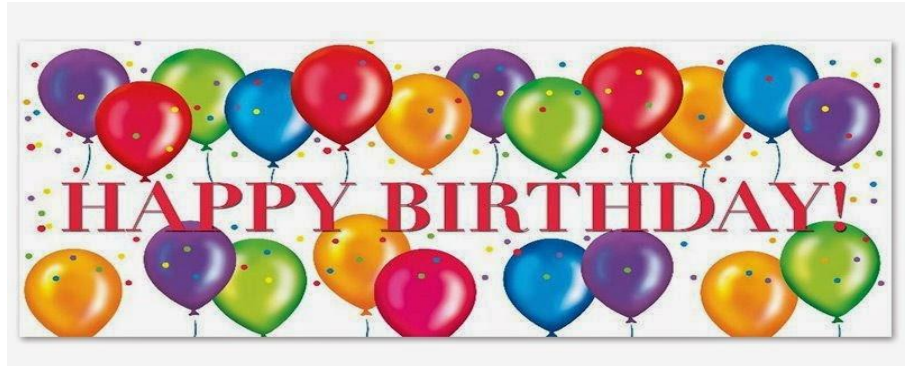
You can find out where you might be a good fit
by calling Ruth at 715-432-1589

PACK THE RACKS / Giving Tree

Thank you all sooo much for the many blessings shared in the various ways this Christmas season! The vast majority of items purchased, donated or shared have been basic life needs. We also were able to bring a little cheer for those whose only Christmas celebrating would come from the gifts provided by you. If you have items you wanted to be included in the Pack the Rack Collection, please have them here on the racks by Wednesday (1-10-23) morning.

Just one more
THANK YOU!!

JANUARY Birthdays



- 1 William Samperisi
- 3 Diana LaCerte
- 7 Dustin Chapman
- 9 JoAnn Grewe
- 10 Richard Henke
Emma Janke
Brittney Hildebrandt
- 14 Arden Baumgardt
Thomas Craven
Alivia Heise
- 15 Rick Buntrock
- 17 Mark Bartz
Scott Mattice
- 18 Gail Koehler

- 18 Nita Kay Logemann
- 19 Roberta Salzmann
Noah Schulz
- 21 Paul Daigle
Stanislaus Sobiesczyk
- 24 Samuel Buntrock
Brian Denfeld
Miranda Kath
Mary Omernik
- 26 Colleen Sickels
- 28 Cheryl Gallagher
Brian Merkey
- 29 Susan Domka
Ella Huckbody

- 15 Chris & Laura Petterson
- 25 Arden & Barbara Baumgardt
- 26 Bernard & Nicole Graveen



JANUARY 2024 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00 am Worship Service of Renewal 10:15 am	1 Office Closed in observance of New Year's Day 7:00 PM Dartball: BYE Mon Nt AA	2 Office Closed in observance of New Year's Day	3 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephen OFFERING COUNT	4 Worship Committee Mtg	5	6
7 Baptism of our Lord 9:00 am Worship- Pr. Dan Sire presiding 10:15 am Sunday School/ Adult Forum	8 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 PM Dartball: St Mark Beavers @ GSLC Mon Nt AA	9 9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg	10 5:30 pm Shepherd Strings 6:30 pm Shepherd Choir	11	12	13
14 9:00 am Worship Pr. Pr. Natalie Bassett presiding 10:15 am Sunday School/ Adult Forum 4:00 pm Community Dinner	15 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 PM Dartball: GSLC @ St Matthew Rangers Mon Nt AA	16 9:00 am LWR Quilters	17 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St Stephen 5:30 pm Shepherd Strings 6:30 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT	18	19	20
21 9:00 am Worship Pr Dan Sire presiding 10:15 am Sunday School / Annual Meeting 3:00 pm Wausau Symphony Band Concert @ First Presbyterian	22 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00pm Dartball: Immanuel Rockets @ GSLC Mon Nt AA	23 9:00 am LWR Quilters	24 5:30 pm Shepherd Strings 6:30 pm Shepherd Choir	25 1:30 pm Corks n Covers 6:30 pm Riverview Neighborhood Mtg	26	27 Iron Bull Race @ Victory Golf Course GSLC Overflow Parking
28 9:00 am Worship Lay Led 10:15 am Sunday School / Adult Forum	29 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00pm Dartball: GSLC @ Redeemer Brewers Mon Nt AA	30 9:00 am LWR Quilters	31 5:30 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Shepherd Strings 6:30 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT			

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI

Church Council Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2023

Call to Order & Attendance

6:34 pm- **Present:** Jenny Samperisi, Cory Toth-LaPointe, Craig Netzer, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Jennifer Holcomb, Shelly Ellenbecker, MJ Horvat, Cheryl Rocheleau. **Not Present:** Tony Omernik, Andy Walters, Chad Majewski. **Remote:** none

Gathering Litany

God's Word

Devotional Time- Jennifer Holcomb

Where have you seen God's work lately - All

Agenda Review/Approval

- Additions
 - Questions about future of Good Shepherd - document written by congregation member and shared by Angie with Council
 - Christmas bonus for staff members
- Agenda Review/Approval (**MSC: LSturzenegger/JHolcomb**)

November Treasurer/Financial Report

- Cory reviewed November financials (**MSC: LSturzenegger/CNetzer**)
 - Total Net Income: \$3,290 for November
 - YTD Income vs Expenses = \$2,786 (this is a positive number!)
 - Cory reminded those gathered that in January, the mortgage payment will once again be paid out of the building fund - it has been paid from operating funds for some time now (due to necessity, especially during COVID shut-down time)

Our Response to the Word

City Pages advertising

- MSturzenegger shared with those gathered the worship schedule advertisement that was in a late-November issue of the City Pages; it is a colorful ad that lists the Advent and Christmas worship opportunities at Good Shepherd
- We ran this ad only one time; it was discussed and decided that we should run it again for Christmas Eve worship times in the week before Christmas
- MSturzenegger will update Angie to have her facilitate another run

January 27 Bunker's Iron Bull event

- REMINDER: Bunkers will be using GSLC parking lot as an overflow parking spot for their outdoor event on Saturday, 1/27; they were asked to help with any necessary snow removal efforts for that morning; nothing more should be needed with this opportunity for a community/marketing connection.

Council newsletter article

- LSturzenegger will plan to write an article from the Council for the February newsletter
- Council will plan to write an update on a quarterly basis, unless there's a need for something more frequently

Kartika's Korner

- Lenten worship service planning has begun! Ash Wednesday is on February 14. Our Quilting team has expressed interest in offering a special Valentine's Day dinner.
 - Council approved and MSturzenegger will have Kartika report to the quilters that they may move forward with their planning. Thank you Quilters!!

Property/Casualty Insurance comparison

- Good Shepherd was contacted by an insurance company a bit like Church Mutual offering to provide us with a quote for property/casualty insurance; Council agreed that it never hurts to review our insurance needs and suggested that Angie reach out to the agent who emailed her to indicate that we are open to their review. CToth-LaPointe offered to meet with the agent after January.

Presidents' Update

- Laurie gave a brief update on what has been happening at each congregation and their progress in their transition journeys. Many congregations continue their adjustment work, some are managing better than others, and we need to continue to support them and keep them in our prayers. Continued shared ministry opportunities are being offered and enjoyed.
- Discussion about the fact that the Annual meeting (scheduled for Sunday, January 21) is on the same weekend that we would normally hold a Town Hall meeting. To maintain the integrity of the annual meeting process, Good Shepherd's future will be added to "New Business" and a brief update will be provided as able; any further discussion desired MAY BE included in an informal Town Hall meeting following the annual meeting.

Questions about future of Good Shepherd

- Reviewed document written by congregation member and shared with Council by Angie
- LSturzenegger will arrange for a conversation with this member and will use the questions provided and discussed as a springboard to create a Q&A-type document that we hope to have available in January

Christmas Bonus for staff members (MSC: MJHorvat/JSamperisi)

- Discussed that we would like to offer staff members a monetary bonus in appreciation for and recognition of their tremendous work throughout the year. Council agreed and Kartika, Angie, and Patty (our custodian) will receive a bonus before the end of the calendar year.

Action Items

- None this month

Note: Our custodian's name is Tammie, not Patty. Our apologies for any confusion.

Prayers of the Church/Lord's Prayer

- The Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

- Meeting Adjourned at 8:01PM (MSC: LSturzenegger/CToth-LaPointe)

Good Shepherd - 2023 YTD Income & Expenses

	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	*Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	YTD Totals
Income	\$17,614	\$21,688	\$16,906	\$23,190	\$29,162	\$54,622	\$19,741	\$18,971	\$13,639	\$18,224	\$18,413		\$252,170
Expenses	\$17,217	\$25,782	\$18,535	\$17,505	\$20,223	\$19,065	\$20,315	\$20,892	\$22,180	\$15,866	\$15,123		\$212,704
Total	\$397	(\$4,094)	(\$1,629)	\$5,685	\$8,939	\$35,557	(\$574)	(\$1,921)	(\$8,541)	\$2,358	\$3,290	\$0	\$39,466

*June income includes the Employer Retention Credits (\$34,437) and interest for Q2 2020 and Q3 2021 (\$2,243) received from the IRS. Contribution income was \$17,942.

ENDOWMENT FUND



Fund Objective:

The mission of this Fund is to provide a tool that allows people to give a gift or legacy as a means of extending the mission of Christ's church. The application of the funds received and disbursed will be consistent with the mission and purpose of the church in its Mission Statement. (Include additional sheets if more space is required.)

GRANT APPLICATION

NAME: _____

COMMITTEE / GROUP (if applicable): _____

DATE ESTABLISHED: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (if different): _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

PURPOSE OF ORGANIZATION (include brief description of services provided):

PURPOSE FOR FUNDS REQUESTED:

TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR PROJECT: \$ _____

TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ _____

HAS THE ENDOWMENT FUND SUPPORTED THIS ORGANIZATION IN THE PAST? Y / N

IF YES, HOW MUCH: \$ _____ DATE: _____

NOTES:

All requests will be acted upon following review by the Good Shepherd Endowment Fund Committee. Specific dates may be obtained by contacting the church office at 715-675-1997. All Requests must be submitted to the church office by March 31 to be considered that year. *Printed on 1-18-2020*

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

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