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SEPTEMBER OFFICIANTS

SEP 6: LAY LED

SEP 13: PR. NICOLE BEHNKE-WELKE

SEP 20: LAY LED

SEP 27: PR. NICOLE BEHNKE-WELKE

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

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RALLY SUNDAY /
NEW MEMBER WELCOME
WORSHIP & CELEBRATION

INTERGENERATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF
9-13-26

QUILT BLESSING WORSHIP & PACKING
9-27-26

PET BLESSING OUTDOOR WORSHIP:
10-4-26

Worship & Resources

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	6-Sep	13-Sep	20-Sep	27-Sep
Presiding Minister	Lay: Andy W	Pr. Nicole	Lay: Tim/Cari Logemann	Pr. Nicole Behnke-Welke
Assisting Minister	MJ Horvat	Julie Yandell	Tim/Cari Logemann	Laurie Sturzenegger
Reader(s)	Addison Stumpner	Pam Bootz	Theresa Bootz	Diane Peterson
Greeter 1	K Toth	Bonnie Anderson	Barb Denfeld	Susan Mazique
Greeter 2	Susan Mazique	Karen Maier	Jean Korpela	Adam Pleuss
Usher 1	Marty Krahm	Jovid Schuette	JoAnn Grewe	Hank Pleuss
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Josh Stumpner	Paul Grewe	Andy Heise
Communion assistants	no communion	Mindy Schuette M Sturzenegger	no communion	Jill Falkowski Alicia Herrera
Altar Guild	Kris Kamrath Mindy Schuette	Kris Kamrath Mindy Schuette	Kris Kamrath Mindy Schuette	Kris Kamrath Mindy Schuette
Coffee Hour	Team 1	Team 2	Team 2	Team 5

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
- **ZOOM:** Watch your email for the opportunity to join in online group chats
- **Other Resources:**
- <http://elca.org/PublicHealth> Guidance resources for congregations and members from the ELCA
- **LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES/ Daily Devotions:** lhm.org
- **DAILY DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE:** Christ in Our Home & Portals of Prayer (Jul-Sep) (Oct-Dec also here)

FAITH FORMATION

ADULT FORUM:

Sundays ~ 10:15 am

Kris Kamrath will continue as the facilitator for post worship Adult Forum/ Bible Study. We will gather in the Café after worship is over and explore conversations from the Wired Word. Each day's conversation stands on its own, so you can join in anytime!

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sep. 13: Class Begins

Sundays ~ 10:15 am

Good Shepherd is excited to welcome Julie Yandell as this year's Sunday School Coordinator! Friends and helpers are warmly welcomed too!

CONFIRMATION:

Begins September 16:

Wednesdays ~ 5:30 pm

Confirmation is right around the corner and coming home to GSLC under the leadership of Pr. Nicole, Tim & Jenn. If you have a loved one interested in instruction, contact the office or Tim Holcomb.



FALL MUSIC MINISTRY Beginning the week of September 14th!

Join in the fun by participating in the season kick off Pick Up Choir for Rally Sunday on 9-13-26 Rehearse at 8 am – We will provide music for worship at 9 am

FALL REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Mondays at 5:30 pm: Shepherd Strummers (Ukulele Choir)
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers (Handbell Ensemble)
Wednesdays at 7:30 pm: Good Shepherd Choir
Questions? Talk to Kartika Putri or email kartika@gswausau.org

Strings are still working on a rehearsal time. More to come. **COME as you are!**



Pastor Nicole's Nuggets for Thought:

I am not sure about everyone else, but I am simultaneously ready for fall and not ready for the summer to end. I love the fun that happens in the summer, the beauty of God's creation in full color, and even though stressful at times the spontaneity that can happen as well. In the same breath fall for me is possibly, my favorite time of year with the colored leaves and the crunch under foot as you walk on them, the cooler nights where a campfire is so comforting, and even the transitions of new beginnings.

As I reflect on the change in seasons I am reminded of the Latin phrase that was so meaningful for Luther, "simul justus et peccator," meaning simultaneously sinner and saint. This is ultimately a way of understanding our very reality as Christians and humans in the world.

We know that sin is something that pulls us away for God and it is that "thing" that is wrong in one manner or another. Often, we understand what sinner means even when we do not want to or like claiming this reality for ourselves. Luther in his teachings makes it clear that we are ALL sinners.

There are different Christian traditions that speak to saint. For some it is a term reserved for someone who has done something exceptional in faith that elevates them to that title. As Lutherans we do not discredit those who have been bestowed this title throughout history, but we look at "saint" differently. Lutherans look at saint as a forgiven sinner. This in turn makes us ALL saints.

This both and understanding around sinner and saint and saint and sinner is distinctly Lutheran and how we understand God seeing each of us. For me this is both that challenging reality that I am always falling short and the steadying reminder that God loves me for who I am, just as I am.

As a person in this world trying to navigate the ups and downs of life, the transitions, the unknowns Luther's teachings on, "simul justus et peccator" serve as comfort and a challenge each day. This is not because I am a pastor, it is because I am human, it is because I am a beloved child of God. I pray that we each can come to realize that we are ALL simultaneously sinners and saints and it is because of this God loves and calls us to continue to be in the world sharing and being the Good News.

-PN

Waypost Holy Closure Day – 2026 Event Overview

The **Holy Closure Day** at Waypost is part of the **Fond Farewell** celebration marking the end of a chapter for this community gathering place. It's designed to be a heartfelt, inclusive event where people come together to worship, remember, and celebrate all that Waypost has meant over the years

Date & Main Event Schedule

- **Saturday, September 19, 2026** – Main Event
 - **11:00 AM** – *Camp Music*: Gather to sing songs that define Waypost's spirit.
 - **11:30 AM** – *Holy Closure Service*: Worship, remembrance, gratitude, and blessing as the official closure is marked.
 - **12:45 PM** – *Circle Songs*: Singing together in a circle to celebrate.
 - **Lunch to Follow**: Field games, arts & crafts, pit games, and a *Waypost Story Slam* (Moth-style) where attendees share personal stories

Activities & Atmosphere

The day blends **worship, fellowship, and fun** – think campfire gatherings, storytelling, games, and shared meals. It's open to all, with no admission fee, though registration is encouraged for lunch and activities

Extended Stay Options

If you want to linger:

- **Friday, Sept 18** – Staff & alumni gathering (shared lodging \$35/person, cabins \$150/night).
- **Saturday, Sept 19** – Stay after the closure for one more night with lodging and dinner.
- **Sunday, Sept 20** – One last morning with breakfast, worship, and departure

Purpose

The Holy Closure Service is the central worship moment of the day, symbolizing gratitude and blessing as Waypost closes this chapter. It's a chance to reflect on the community's journey, the friendships formed, and the spiritual growth experienced over the years. **Tip:** If you plan to attend, bring your favorite Waypost songs, stories, or memories – the event is about celebrating the community's shared history.

Welcome to Sunday School!

Sunday, September 13 @ 10:15 am

We are so excited to welcome you and your children to an exciting year of growing in faith by having fun together at our Rally Sunday Intergenerational Sunday School Kickoff!

You can register and meet our new Sunday School coordinator, Ms. Julie and some of our other helpers!

All children
4k-5th grade are WELCOME!

Our first class will be
Sunday, Sep. 13 @ 10:15 am
until 11:00 am. We hope to
see you there! If you have
any questions, feel free to
reach out to Ms. Julie via
email.

Text or Email
Julie Yandell @
224-261-0658 or
teachtelljulie@gmail.com



**FYI: We will be blessing backpacks
this morning. Young and young at
heart, bring your bag of gear and
we'll cover it in prayers
and blessings!
(Bags, purses, toolbelts, etc.)**

Calling New Members!

What better time to ring in the new than when we celebrate Rally Sunday! On September 13, we will welcome our newest siblings in Christ as they formalize their membership! We are so excited to join together as the body of Christ in worship, service and community!

If you have questions or want to get onboard,
contact the office by Wednesday, September 9th so we
can plan and celebrate!

Confirmation Kickoff- Sep 16, 2026

Confirmation will kick off on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, 5:30-7:00 pm at Good Shepherd. All 6th, 7th and 8th graders are welcome and invited to participate, along with any older students who may have missed some or all classes during their middle school years. We would like at least one parent to attend the kickoff with their student.

We will meet every Wednesday from 5:30-7:30 starting with dinner church and moving into instruction afterwards. A detailed schedule will be distributed at the kick-off, and regular email updates will keep you informed.

For the registration paperwork (yes, there's paperwork), please come with health insurance info, student's birth date and student's baptism date.

If you are new to confirmation this year and would like to chat about anything prior to the kick-off, feel free to call Tim Holcomb (715-212-3633) or Jennifer Holcomb (715-581-5516). Please consider how you (parents, grandparents or any other caring adults) might fit into the leadership team. You can decide how much or little you do, but more helping hands are always welcome.



North Central WI – Senior Summit

The most recent United Way report shows that nearly 1 out of 2 seniors are living below the household survival budget here in north central WI. In addition, issues related to transportation, healthcare, housing, food security and others are making the lives of seniors more difficult. The purpose of the Senior Summit is to bring seniors together to learn more about the issues. Ben Lee, CEO of the United Way of Marathon County will speak about the most recent ALICE and LIFE reports helping people understand more about the most critical issues. Breakout sessions will provide everyone an opportunity to talk about the issues most important to them and then prioritize them as a group. The final part of the Summit will provide opportunities and show people how they can make a difference on issues they care about. This event is co-sponsored by the Healthy Aging Coalition of Marathon County and the Senior Empowerment Project. If you have questions or want more info, please feel free to contact Tony Omernik at 715-432-2079.

Join us on Sept. 24 from 1-4 pm at the Lakeview Conference Center located at 1000 Lake View Dr., Wausau WI. The Senior Summit is a free event. Please register at www.senior-empowerment.org

Blood Drive

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to give blood or help out in any way! 26 pints were collected!

September Noisy Offering

RENT ASSISTANCE SUPPORT



Riverview Neighborhood Meeting

Thur. 9-25-25
@ 6:30 pm

August, 2026 Official Acts

Baptism

Barrett Teuchert
August 23, 2026
Pr. Nicole Behnke-Welke

THANK YOU!

PANTRY VOLUNTEERS!

We give thanks and praise to God for the hands and feet of servants and the bountiful shelves and coolers of food that we were able to share with **79 FAMILIES** ~300 INDIVIDUALS

HYGIENE DRIVE

- Soap
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Diapers & Wipes
- Baby Shampoo & Lotion
- Laundry Detergent
- Cleaning Supplies
- Toilet Paper & Paper Towel
- Diapers Sizes Newborn-7
- Pull-Ups Sizes 2T-5T
- Unexpired Infant Formula
- Menstrual Hygiene Products



Help support The Neighbor's Place by bringing the following items to church and placing them in the laundry baskets in the Narthex before September 10th.



Grieving a loss?

Find hope and healing after the death of a loved one.

Join us at
Grief & Share®

Weekly grief support group

When: Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
September 14-December 7, 2026

Where: St. Stephen Lutheran Church:
Conference Room
512 McClellan St. Wausau, WI

Contact: Shirley Ostrem, Lay Facilitator
715-359-5531
sjostrem2113@outlook.com

Register: griefshare.org/indagroup

WANT TO HELP BUT NOT SURE HOW?

**Sunday Morning
Coffee Hour and the
Technology
(Streaming) Ministry
are taking turns and
we are building
teams! Talk to
Lorraine about
coffee hour and
Kartika about
worship streaming.**



September 27 @ 9 am:

Blessing of Lutheran World Relief Quilts & their Makers

Following worship, we will get to work packing boxes for the delivery and upcoming journey to the Twin Cities warehouse.

If you are interested in delivering these quilts to our local drop site, please check in with the office. This year's details have not yet arrived, so stay tuned.



Outdoor Worship

October 4 @ 9 am

Blessing of the Pets & Animals

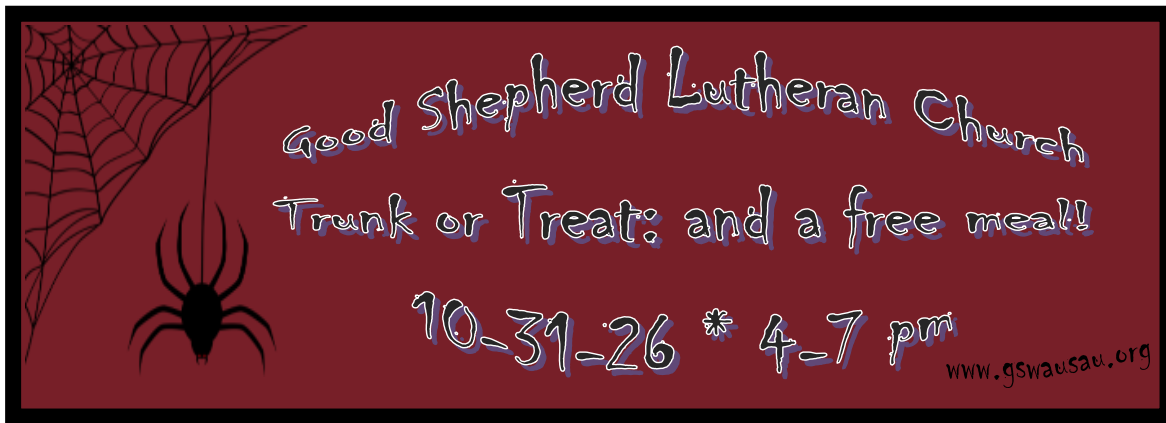
We will enjoy the last of the summer together on the lawn outside, worshipping with our pets.

All well behaved species of pets are welcome to come forward for a blessing!

Bring your lawnchair/s.

We will gather on the west lawn weather permitting. Backup plan will be to meet in the fellowship hall.

There will be some chairs inside for those preferring to worship indoors and shade tents outside



MORE UPCOMINGS

CALLING EVERYONE!!

Mark your calendars for Saturday night, October 31. This is a HUGE Good Shepherd Outreach project. There will be something for E V E R Y O N E!! We are planning to have Trunk or Treat outside, and a free open house style community meal inside. This annual event has been an opportunity for Good Shepherd to provide a safe place to enjoy a beloved Fall Holiday. The event will run from 4-7 pm.

We will need 1-2 parking lot marshals, trunks, decorators, meal servers, clean up, hospitality, candy and trinket donors, and lead up administrative help. Since this is on actual Halloween, we are expecting traffic to be robust!

YAY, we're havin' a party and everyone's invited!!!

LAY SCHOOL

Kicks off September
18th

There is still time to
sign up until 9-4-26

Ecswlayschool.org



2026 HOLIDAY BAZAAR

MARK YOUR
CALENDARS &

**SAVE THE NEW
DATES:**

**NOVEMBER
14 & 15, 2026**

We will be set up
Saturday & Sunday

We will again be
looking for
raffle baskets
Soups
Baked goods
Crafts & possibly
even rummage sale
items. Stay tuned!

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

WE NEED TO PUT
THINKING CAPS ON
HOW TO SHOW OUR
APPRECIATION!

Check in with the office
if you would like to
help.

Corks N Covers: Meets at Riverlife
Appt Mtg Room @ 1:30 pm, Thur,
9-24-26. Contact Bonnie Anderson
if you would like to know more.

715-432-3561

SEPTEMBER Birthdays



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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Katie Martell | 19 Donna Gwidt |
| 2 Melissa Kriewaldt | 20 Elizabeth Boulanger |
| 3 Kay Walters | 21 Stu Krause |
| 4 Dave Gallagher | 22 Justin Mork |
| 5 Halle Lashua | 23 Dennis Weinkauff |
| Tony Omernik | 24 Sharon Semling |
| 6 Paul Grewe | Gracie Wistrom |
| Jean Krause | 25 Allison Berg |
| 7 Jennifer Holcomb | Jack Kane |
| 8 Jim Bliese | 26 Lance Carmichael |
| 10 Cari Logemann | 28 Bernard Graveen |
| 12 Lia Rose Lashua | Danielle Neitzke |
| 14 Theresa Bootz | 30 Wayne Viergutz |
| 15 Addison Stumpner | |
| 16 Pam Bootz | |
| 18 Brenda Blaubach | |

SEPTEMBER Anniversaries



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| 11 Loren & Connie Beyersdorff | 21 Wayne & Marjorie Viergutz |
| 14 Joshua & Jill Stumpner | Kevin & Patti Yolitz |
| 16 John & Thea Kordus | 25 Lance & Carol Carmichael |
| 17 Chad & Deborah Kane | Tim & Jenn Holcomb |
| 18 Bernie & Karen Lakus | 28 Stu & Jean Krause |
| 20 Jeremy & Brenda Grubb | 30 Todd & Lori Wunsch |

GOOD SHEPHERD

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WAUSAU, WI 54403
(715) 675.1997
info@gswausau.org

School Year Office Hours:
MON-THU
9:30 am-4:00 pm
Fridays to be determined

Office Closed:
Monday, Sept. 7, Labor Day

Sunday Worship @ 9 am

Online Worship Available
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GSLC Wausau WI on Youtube,
www.gswausau.org
Facebook
(they remain available at
our youtube channel)
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Good Shepherd Bridge Pastor
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715.539.6700

Barb Denfeld
Parish Nurse

Paul Jauch
Treasurer

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	5:30 pm Final Strummers sing along by the river	1 9:00 am LWR Quilters 3-6 pm CSA Produce Box Distribution 1 st Day of School	2 5:30 pm Dinner Church GSLC serving lunch at the Hmong Alliance Ctr	3	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5 Funeral Arrangements of Louann Miles St. John, Luth. Edgar 9-11 am: Visitation 11:00 am Funeral Interment & Lunch to follow
6 9:00 am Worship Lay Led-Andy Walters 10:15 am Adult Forum & Fellowship Hr.	7 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers final night at the river LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	8 9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting K Toth covering office	9 5:30 pm Dinner Church K Toth covering office Karen Maier covering office	10 Barb Denfeld covering office	11 OFFICE CLOSED	12
13 RALLY SUNDAY & NEW MEMBER SUNDAY Blessing of Backpacks 8:00 am Pick Up Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Adult Forum & Fellowship Hr. 9:00 am Pr. Nicole B. Welke presiding Sunday School registration and fun with Ms. Julie	14 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers	15 9:00 am LWR Quilters Strings AM	16 5:30 pm Dinner Church 5:30 pm Confirmation Kickoff 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT	17	18 6:00 pm Lay School @ St Andrew	19 9:00 am Lay School @ St Andrew Holy Closure Celebration Day at Waypost Camp of Crossways Ministries See pg 4
20 9:00 am Worship Lay Led-Tim & 10:15 am Sun. School Fellowship Hr. TOWN HALL MTG	21 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers	22 9:00 am LWR Quilters Strings AM	23 5:30 pm Dinner Church 5:30 pm Confirmation Kickoff 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir	24 1:30 pm Corks-n-Covers 6:30 pm Riverview Meeting 1:00 pm Senior Summit @ Lakeview Conf Ctr	25	26
27 QUILT BLESSING 9:00 am Worship Blessing of Quilts & Quilters Pr. Nicole Behnke-Welke presiding 10:15 am Sunday School / Adult Form	28 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers	29 9:00 am LWR Quilters 3-6 pm CSA Produce Box Distribution	30 5:30 pm Dinner Church 5:30 pm Confirmation Kickoff 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir MONTH END COUNT			8

NOTE: Due to a family medical appointment, Angie may be out of the office Tue, Sep 8 through Fri, Sep 11. The office will be closed on Friday, September 11. The Fall Friday office hours will be confirmed after the council meeting.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI
Church Council Meeting Minutes: August 11, 2026

Call to Order & Attendance

6:30 pm - Present: Lorraine Beyersdorf, Stephanie Martell, Craig Netzer, Josh Stumpner, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Marjorie Viergutz, Andy Walters, *Paul Jauch-in person to present Treasurer/Financial Report*. **Via Phone:** Marty Krahn. **Not present:** Jennifer Holcomb

Gathering Litany

God's Word

Devotional Time: Laurie Sturzenegger – Psalm 139, 'The Matrix' from *The Book of Mysteries* by Jonathan Cahn
How have we seen God at work this week? - ALL
[Note: **MSC** = motion/second/carried]

Agenda Review/Approval

Agenda Review: updates made and approval/acceptance noted - (**MSC: M Sturzenegger/Netzer**)

May Treasurer/Financial Report

Group reviewed financials - Contributions for July were \$151,447.28 (includes \$137,655 Bauer Trust Fund distribution; regular monthly contributions were \$12, 642). Expenses for July were \$56,451 (includes budgeted expense for parking lot of \$32,500, and a few other smaller items). Please see the Treasurer report for more details.

Motion to Accept Treasurer Report as presented (MSC: Martell/Viergutz)

Our Response to the Word

Standing Agenda Item

Kartika's Korner:

New Member Welcome / Rally Sunday Sept 13

Quilt Blessing Sept 27

Pet Blessing Oct 4

Thanksgiving Eve will be hosted by First English

Blue Christmas with St. Stephen December 21

Trunk-or-Treat ?? (See Agenda)

Holiday Bazaar Nov. 14

Julie Yandell volunteered to take on leadership role for GSL Youth Sunday School

Dinner Church is planning to continue this Fall with consideration to move to Wednesdays

Current Agenda Items

- 1) New Member Welcome/Sunday School Rally Sunday is 9/13
- 2) Trunk or Treat and Holiday Bazaar date recommendations
 - a) Bazaar: Saturday, 11/14 event w/prize drawings on Sunday, 11/29
 - b) Match Trunk-or-Treat schedule with City of Wausau, overwhelmingly popular doing this last year! Saturday, Oct. 31.
Motion: Up to \$500 can be used for Trunk-or-Treat financial needs for meal.
(**MSC: L. Sturzenegger/Martell**)
- 3) Window washing
 - a) The windows have been washed professionally in the past; request to Property Committee to get quotes for window washing. Crystal Clean was brought up as a potential provider

- 4) Property updates: donated furniture, security doors; playground equipment; roadside signs
 - a) Playground equipment – structurally is fine but needs pressure washing and staining
 - b) Furniture – GSLC will use trailer to pick up furniture and review. Things we don't keep, we will find location to donate items.
 - c) Security doors – 2nd quote for 2 doors, \$1,784 for 3 years. Access through phone App. but would not be able to set open/closed times. Also would not have card access. Motion: Proceed with Per-Mar quote for upgrade per Property Committee Recommendation **(MSC: L. Sturzenegger/Beyersdorf)**
 - d) Observed a few issues with our lighted sign and are working on an LED solution. During evaluation of existing electric/lighting, additional issues with faded lettering and peeling letter/stickers were observed. Property Committee will look into getting new vinyl sign inserts made.
- 5) Evangelism/Welcome Team update/status - goal for team by October
 - a) Additional updates on team members involved and updates forthcoming
- 6) Name Tags
 - a) Name tag badges have arrived! Angie to work on printing name tag badge inserts (congregation member name) and Angie/Nicole/Kartika floating ideas on how to organize pre-service pickup and post-service drop off.
- 7) Future Planning: Call process discussion
 - a) Creation of Call Committee. Includes Ministry Site Profile (MSP) creation. Synod recommendation for this process should take 4-8 months. Call Committee should consider what “defines” Good Shepherd. A few people outside of council have contacted Laurie with interest. Josh and Andy volunteered to be on the Call Committee. Laurie will follow up with interested congregation members to see if there is a volunteer to be committee chair.
- 8) Council Leadership Transition planning
 - a) ‘Soft’ handoff schedule to be worked on between Laurie and Stephanie
- 9) Constitution Work
 - a) Will defer to 2027, constitution submittal deadline to Synod assembly is Dec. 2028; congregation will need to approve at Jan./Feb 2028 Annual Meeting. After Laurie hands off President duties she would like to focus on this process based on the current/ongoing work she has been doing.

Sending Litany and Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at **7:55pm (MSC: Stumpner/M. Sturzenegger)**

Noisy Offering Plan:

August - Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry (every other month)

September - Rent Assistance support

October - Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry (every other month)

November - TBD

December - Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry (every other month)

Follow-Ups for future meetings:

- 1) **September:** Evangelism/Welcome Team and welcome bags
- 2) 2027 – Support Laurie S. with work on new constitution model – Synod deadline of Dec. 2028, will need congregational approval at 2028 annual meeting (Jan./Feb.)
- 3) No date: Consider moving to an Executive Team that includes a “Past President”
- 4) **August/September:** Finalize Dinner Church plans for Fall– email communication

Respectfully Submitted, Andy Walters

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Member

**Treasurer's Report
July 2026
Council Meeting
August 11, 2026**

Contributions / "Total Income"

- Total for June was \$151,447.28 compared to the budgeted amount of \$117,549. This included a distribution from the Bauer Trust at Associated of \$137,655. \$100,000 was conservatively budgeted for when we weren't sure how much the distribution would be last year.
- Regular monthly contributions (acct #4030) were \$12,642 for the month which is lower than usual for July and was budgeted at \$17,549.
- For the year, total contributions of \$292,872.99, \$55,120 over budget which is \$237,752.

Expenses for the month were \$56,451 compared to \$63,246 budgeted or \$6,794 under budget. For the year \$198,329 compared to \$209,425 budgeted which is \$11,095 under budget for the year.

- Bank charges - \$1,204 for the month because of a renewal fee for the mortgage/building loan of \$1,165
- Support contracts - \$1,769.67, included two months for IT and data entry services
- Mortgage - Zero for the month, no payment was due as the loan renewed. Monthly payment was previously \$1,510.86 and now \$1,340.59 after refinancing.
- Repairs/maintenance - Paid off the rest of the parking lot project/quote of \$32,500 which was budgeted for.

For the month, 'ordinary income' of \$94,995 thanks to the trust fund distribution compared to the budgeted income of \$54,303 or \$40,692 over budget. For the year \$97,997 of net income compared to \$28,327 budgeted or \$69,670 above budget.

Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry received donations of \$6,125 for the month thanks to the \$4,000 grant from the Synod. Remaining funds available of \$3,334 at the end of July.

Checking accounts / Assets

Checking account at \$164,794 with the trust fund distribution.

Money market decreased from \$36,576 to \$4,101 as \$32,500 was moved to checking to cover the parking lot project before the trust fund distribution had been received.

Two CD's matured in June and July of a little over \$15,000 each and were applied to the outstanding building mortgage from \$148,030 to \$116,453

Paul Jauch, Treasurer, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



Good Shepherd - 2026 YTD Income & Expenses													
	Jan 26	Feb 26	Mar 26	Apr 26	May 26	Jun 26	Jul 26	Aug 26	Sep 26	Oct 26	Nov 26	Dec 26	YTD Totals
Income	\$15,975.78	\$21,929.65	\$39,438.58	\$17,935.98	\$20,868.69	\$25,277.03	\$151,447.28						\$292,872.99
Transfer Inc	\$831.00	\$448.00	\$420.00	\$625.00	\$470.00	\$660.00	\$0.00						\$3,454.00
Expenses	\$23,152.81	\$22,391.54	\$22,661.81	\$26,367.67	\$27,304.69	\$19,799.41	\$56,451.94						\$198,129.87
Total	(\$6,346.03)	(\$13.89)	\$17,196.77	(\$7,806.69)	(\$5,966.00)	\$6,137.62	\$94,995.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$98,197.12
% +/- average	-0.4%	18.8%	101.1%	-16.6%	-3.4%	52.5%	746.4%	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	
% of total giving (calculated at end of year)													

Good Shepherd - 2025 YTD Income & Expenses													
	Jan 25	Feb 25	Mar 25	Apr 25	May 25	Jun 25	Jul 25	Aug 25	Sep 25	Oct 25	Nov 25	Dec 25	YTD Totals
Income	\$16,069.51	\$18,532.64	\$84,537.82	\$18,372.92	\$17,818.88	\$15,148.78	\$14,852.36	\$26,059.66	\$18,074.86	\$15,153.93	\$17,666.83	\$20,481.00	\$262,769.19
Transfer Inc	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$760.47	\$348.00	\$544.00	\$403.00	\$958.00	\$13,589.49
Expenses	\$19,722.66	\$20,036.08	\$18,427.03	\$25,835.98	\$21,950.15	\$20,667.20	\$19,349.44	\$19,658.40	\$18,153.66	\$24,405.99	\$16,080.58	\$20,719.27	\$245,006.44
Total	(\$2,142.29)	\$7.42	\$47,621.65	(\$5,952.20)	(\$2,620.41)	(\$4,007.56)	(\$2,986.22)	\$7,161.73	\$269.20	(\$8,708.06)	\$1,989.25	\$719.73	\$31,352.24
% +/- average	0.2%	0.4%	-0.4%	-14.6%	-17.5%	-8.6%	-17.0%	40.0%	12.2%	-16.1%	2.7%	-24.5%	
% of total giving	6.12%	7.05%	24.56%	6.99%	6.78%	5.77%	5.65%	9.92%	6.88%	5.77%	6.72%	7.79%	
* March Income includes legacy gift of \$45,000 from former member													

Good Shepherd - 2024 YTD Income & Expenses													
	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	YTD Totals
Income	\$13,399.71	\$19,598.24	\$16,816.19	\$23,157.64	\$14,969.11	\$15,588.42	\$14,039.72	\$13,191.76	\$18,520.19	\$16,860.51	\$14,395.32	\$24,098.30	\$204,635.11
Transfer Inc	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$18,130.32
Expenses	\$16,108.94	\$22,136.84	\$19,293.33	\$16,712.61	\$23,179.35	\$16,093.48	\$13,788.48	\$17,924.13	\$16,386.76	\$17,749.84	\$23,042.19	\$17,027.06	\$219,443.01
Total	(\$1,198.37)	(\$1,027.74)	(\$966.28)	\$7,955.89	(\$6,699.38)	\$1,005.80	\$1,762.10	(\$3,221.51)	\$3,644.29	\$621.53	(\$7,136.01)	\$8,582.10	\$3,322.42
% of total giving	6.55%	9.58%	8.22%	11.32%	7.32%	7.62%	6.86%	6.45%	9.05%	8.24%	7.03%	11.78%	

