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THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DEC 25-27, 2024 & JAN 1&2, 2025 IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

**GROW** in Purpose **GATHER** in Blessings **G O** with Passion



Join in Midweek worship with us this Advent Season: Wednesdays Dec 4, 11 & 18: at 5:30 pm Sundays at 9:00 am

December 24<sup>th</sup> Worship Schedule: 2:00 pm: Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 pm: Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 pm: Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion at St. Stephen Lutheran Church

Christmas Day Worship Schedule: 10:00 am Christmas Day Service @ Good Shepherd

# It's time to Brunch & Win! | Dec 1!

# 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall

There will be a brief time to purchase last minute tickets then everyone is invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall this morning following worship for a special brunch. While everyone is settled and eating, Winners will be drawn to reveal the silent Auction Basket Winners! Hosted by our Women of Good Shepherd / Bazaar Coordinators.

A portion of the proceeds from this year's bazaar including the basket ticket sales will help to offset a mandatory update to the kitchen ventilation hood.

We thank everyone for participating in this fun way. We also thank the Lorraine Beyersdorff / Women of Good Shepherd for the wonderful hospitality!



# **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 (Oct-Dec) Jan 2024 JUST IN!

Times may be modified slightly due to scheduling needs. Watch your emails.

NO REHEARSALS THE WEEK OF DEC. 30<sup>th</sup> & JAN 6<sup>th</sup>. Music rehearsals will resume the week of January 13, 2025.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL IN DECEMBER:

Sunday School is preparing for the Christmas Program!
They will read and present the gospel at the 5 pm service
on Christmas eve. Sundays, December 1, 8, 15 & 24 @ 10:15
am will be dedicated to preparing. All are welcome! Come
children!

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### Worship

Sundays @ 9:00 am Advent: Weds @ 5:30 pm

Sunday & Wednesday Worship services are recorded and available.

Go to

GSLC Wausau WI on Youtube, www.gswausau.org

Facebook

(they remain available at our youtube channel)

### STAFF Dr. Kartika Putri

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#### **Brian Wiese**

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Parish Nurses

# **Cory Toth LaPointe**

Treasurer

Date	1-Dec	8-Dec	15-Dec	22-Dec	24 Dec 2pm	24 Dec 5pm	29-Dec
Presiding Minister	Pr. Leslie O'Callaghan	Pr. Nicole B-Welke	Pr. Nicole B-Welke	Lay Led	· 1		Lay Led
Assisting Minister	Tim Holcomb	Paul Grewe	Andy Walters	Laurie Sturzenegger	Paul Grewe	Oliver Merkey	MJ Horvat
Reader(s)	Diane Peterson	x	JoAnn Grewe	Kyiah Walters	Jenn Holcomb	Diane Peterson	Andy Walters
Greeter 1	K Toth	Barb Denfeld	MJ Horvat	Jillian/Liliana Jensen	Jean Korpela	K Toth	Bonnie Anderson
Greeter 2	Karen Maier	Bonnie Anderson	Helen Vance	Adam Pleuss	Karen Maier	Helen Vance	Barb Denfeld
Usher 1	Marty Krahn	Andy Heise	Laurie Sturzenegger	Hank Pleuss	JoAnn Grewe	Marty Krahn	Laurie Sturzenegger
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Josh Stumpner	Mike Sturzenegger	Paul Grewe	TBD	Greg Behrendt	Mike Sturzenegger
Communion assistants	Jill F Bobbie S	Karen M Kay W	Theresa B Barb D	x	Bobbie B Karen M	Theresa B Jill F	х
Alar Guild	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman	Bobbie Salzman
Coffee Hour	Lorraine Brunch	Helen & Mike (1/2)	MJ Horvat	TBD	х	x	TBD

Worship
Assistants are
still needed
where there
are open
fields. Contact
the office for
the
opportunity to
help!



























#### **CONFIRMATION:**

#### **ADVENT MID-WEEK WORSHIP**

And just like that, we are in Advent! We're so excited for this season of the church year.

Confirmation Classes shift over to Good Shepherd church for the next four Wednesdays. Worship will be at 5:30, followed by a shortened lesson time, still concluding at 7:00. Everyone in the family is welcome at the worship, and even to sit in on the lesson.

### CORKS-N-COVERS

Here is the information for our December 5th Christmas Luncheon.

Next meeting: December 5, 12:30 at 2510 Restaurant in the banquet room. Room near deli is already blocked off for entire day, so they will let us use the banquet room at the far east end of the building.

We are reading <u>Out Stealing Horses</u> a novel by Per Petterson. Story takes place in Norway. I have started the book, and I can hear the author reading it in English with a Norwegian accent.

Also, if you are attending, please **RSVP** Bonnie Anderson so she can call in the number of people to 2510 Restaurant by Monday, December 2nd.

Thank you.

**Bonnie** 



January Town Hall / Annual Meeting
Sunday, January 21, 2025
10:15 am
Following 0 am worship

Following 9 am worship

COMMITTEE REPORTS DUE

Reports by committee leaders need to be submitted by December 18th.

Fellowship Hall & Kitchen Floor Project

Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 5-7

We have a team of workers and food providers preparing to scrub, strip and wax the floors.

There are a couple spots open yet.

Thursday: 3:30- till done: Moving furniture / scrub & strip

Friday: Floor Drying

Saturday: 8 am- till done app. 3 hours: Wax

Tuesday? Put Kitchen back Together

We also have a couple spots open for bringing food

Sign-up sheet is located outside the office

See the office for details

Community Partners Resource Center

**DECEMBER** 

**NOISY OFFERING** 

CONGREGATIONAL

**MEETING** 

As the Good Shepherd task force continues to meet to work through issues, it was decided that the combined task force group of Good Shepherd, St Stephen and Pilgrim will now be referred to as one entity known as the GPS task force (Good Shepherd, Pilgrim, St Stephen). The GPS task force met on October 15. Pastor Karoline led the group in a "how are you feeling?" session as members shared feelings of excitement, the sense of being overwhelmed, uncertainty, frustration and hopefulness. The GPS group met on November 19, with Pastor Cath Mode, synod supplied coach, being zoomed in. She led us in devotions, compared our journey as to "following God's parade"....that some join the "parade" later than others, but together, we can "follow the paths as yet untrodden." She reminded us that the process is just as valuable as the destination; that things will ALWAYS change and every success, even if small or only partial, is one to celebrate! Pastor Cath left us all with homework: we are to expand and add to our shared ministry; we are to shift from thinking of "my" events to "our" events sharing events and activities should be an overriding element of planning; we are to go for the "quick wins", that is, those projects, activities and events that are easy to accomplish.

Please contact any Good Shepherd task force member (JoAnn or Paul Grewe, Jennifer Holcomb, Laurie or Mike Sturzenegger, Kay Walters) with any comments, concerns, questions, suggestions,

ideas. We so greatly appreciate it!

https://www.ecsw.org/youth-gathering-2025





https://www.crosswayscomps.org



#### Mark Your Calendar & Check Your Schedules!

Registration for 2025 Family, Youth, and Confirmation Camp opens in just 2 weeks on December 1st! Start planning your camp adventure today!



schools.



- 1 Cory Pfantz
- 2 Jacob Duellman Jeremy Grubb
- 4 Mike Rocheleau
- 5 Dean Schwede
- 6 Quillan Cummings
- 8 Pam Hildebrandt

# DECEMBER Birthdays

- 9 Esme Ehrhardt
- 10 Emma Graveen
- 10 Cheri Guenthner Dakota Schalow
- 12 Harper Derus
- 13 Rebecca Chapman
- 17 Angie Huckbody
- 20 Paul Josiger
  Ryan Kroening
  Katherine Uttecht
- 21 Andy Davis

- Logan Glovinski
- 23 Abigail Trapp
- 24 Cory Toth-LaPointe
- 26 Christine Mertes
- 27 Kassandra
  Bargender
  Nancy Bergstrom
- 28 Barbara Budimlija William Bootz
- 30 Annora Millerleile
- 31 Barbara Baumgardt

# DECEMBER Anniversaries

- 1 Jeremy & Jennifer Gruna
- 8 Douglas and Lori Crawford
- 9 Bert and Gail Koehler
- 15 Dan and Vicki Young
- 20 Scott and Denise Mattice
- 29 Dave and Le Ann Gallagher
- 29 Laurel & David Schmieder



# Ralph Kohnhorst

Died on November 14, 2024

Funeral Service was held at Peterson / Kraemer Funeral Home

November 21, 2024

The Rev. Dave Mahler officiating

**WAUSAU PRO MUSICA & LYRIC CHOIR** 

**PRESENT** 

**Tidings of Comfort and Joy** 

First Presbyterian Church

Friday, Dec. 13 @ 7:30 pm Saturday, Dec. 14 @ 3:00 pm Free Will Offering

# DECEMBER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Online Worship Available Sundays		Online Advent Worship Wednesdays				
ADVENT 1 9:00 am Worship Pr. Leslie O' Callaghan preside 10:15 am Silent Auction Winners Announced @ brunch Sunday School Adult Forum	5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Dartball: GSLC @ St Stephen 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA	9:00 am LWR Quilters 5:30 pm GSLC Task Force	4 ADVENT 1 5:30 pm Worship & Confirmation @ GSLC 6:00 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Adult Choir	5 HCE Christmas Party @ GSLC 3:30 pm Fellowship / Kitchen Floor Project	Fellowship / Kitchen Floor Project: Floor Dry Day or Finish stripping if necessary	8:00 am Fellowship / Kitchen Floor Project: Wax Day
8 ADVENT 2 SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship Pr. Nicole B-Welke 10:15 am Sunday School Adult Forum	5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Dartball: Mt Olive Oilers @ GSLC 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA	9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg	ADVENT 2 5:30 pm Worship & Confirmation @ GSLC 6:00 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Shepherd Choir	12	6:00 pm Lay School @ St Andrew 7:00 pm Pro Musica Concert @ First Pres.	9:00 am Lay School @ St Andrew 3:00 pm Pro Musica Concert @ First Pres.
ADVENT 3 9:00 am Worship Pr. Nicole B-Welke 10:15 am Sunday School Town Hall Mtg	5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Dartball: St. Paul Packers @ GSLC 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA	9:00 am LWR Quilters 5:30 pm GPS Task Force @ TBD	ADVENT 3 5:30 pm Advent Worship @ Confirmation @ GSLC 6:00 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT	19	20	21
22 ADVENT 4 9:00 am Worship Lay Led 10:15 am Sunday School	5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Dartball: OFF 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA	24 CHRISTMAS EVE Pr. Leslie O'Callaghan presiding Candlelight & Communion Service @ GSLC 2:00 pm & 5:00 pm w/ Sunday School 10:00 pm Shared Worship @ St. Stephen Pr. Karoline & Kartika lead	25 CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 am Christmas Day Shared Worship at GSLC / Pr. Karoline & Kartika lead  Office Closed	26 Office Closed	Office Closed- Angie Vacation	28
9:00 am Service of Renewal	Dartball: OFF No Rehearsals 7:00 pm AA	YEAR END OFFERING COUNT	Office Closed	Office Closed		

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI

# **Church Council Meeting Minutes**

# November 12, 2024

### **Call to Order & Attendance**

**6:32 pm - Present:** Lorraine Beyersdorf, MJ Horvat, Josh Stumpner, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Marjorie Viergutz, Andy Walters, Chad Majewski, Craig Netzer, **Not Present**: Jennifer Holcomb, Cheryl Rocheleau

# Gathering Litany God's Word

Devotional Time - Lorraine Beyersdorf

Where have you seen God's work lately? - All

# **Agenda Review/Approval** [MSC = motion/second/carried]

• Agenda Review/Approval (MSC: L. Sturzenegger/Walters)

### **September Treasurer/Financial Report**

- Group reviewed financials
  - October Income: \$16,860 [plus \$1,511 transferred from building fund to general fund for mortgage payment]
  - o October Expenses: \$17,769
  - o October financial review and approval (MSC: Stumpner\Netzer)
- Review September financials and approve (MSC: Walters\Majewski)
  - Kerber Rose has been adjusting numbers as the year has progressed, and the changes were never shown on reports available to council
  - O Questions arose as to what adjustments were made, and what the process is for monthly financials
  - o Mike will discuss with Kerber Rose and provide more information
- Discussed the Building Fund discrepancy and it was explained by Mike that there was ~\$4000 of restricted money for a preschool remodel that wasn't reflected in the report. Discussion was had on potentially releasing that restricted money into the Building Fund. Also discussed was that the Building Fund isn't raising enough funds to pay the mortgage and is continually depleting and will eventually run out. Council discussed what would be done at that time to continue to pay our mortgage.

# Preliminary Budget Review (update provided)

No budget topics for discussion this month.

### Our Response to the Word

<u>Council Survey/Revamp of Town Hall</u>: Task Force was informed there was some common concerns that have been shared that Town Hall Meetings are getting stale, not sharing new information, and people are not feeling validated or heard at the meetings. The Task Force had some discussions and have asked council to provide input and feedback as to how they can be better. Council members shared their thoughts on some of the concerns that were brought up.

Motion made by L. Sturzenegger, seconded by Majewski to move meeting to closed session at 7:58pm.

<u>Unhomed Overflow Site:</u> L. Sturzenegger has met with Wausau PD about GSLC being an off-site location for a warming shelter. The housing GSLC would provide would be for "Emergency On-call" from December – March where the forecasted temperature is below -10 degrees. Wausau PD has a website where approved locations can sign up for 1-week intervals to be 'on-call'. Wausau PD attempts to provide 48-hour notice to the host facility. Wausau would provide a mobile trailer with cots, bins for belongings, bedding, etc. GSLC could expect 12-15 people to stay overnight. Those people would be dropped off by the city bus at 7:30pm

and be picked up at 8:00am the following morning. GSLC would be expected to provide a hot meal for supper and a grab-and-go breakfast. It is important to note that 'Emergency' criteria was only used 4 nights during the 2023-24 winter season.

Laurie will follow up with the Wausau PD to find out what dates/weeks are still available. Council is interested in this community service opportunity. Council discussed possibly avoiding Christmas/Lent holidays. Kartika has mentioned Lent services could be shifted to the sanctuary in needed.

Kartika's Korner: no updates

**2025 Council Returnees/Nominations:** Church Council will have 2-5 open positions for 2025-2027 term. C. Majewski and M.Horvat are departing, Dia was never replaced. M. Sturzenegger and L. Sturzenegger do plan to stay on, unless there are willing people that want to join Council. If you or anyone you know are interested in joining Council, please reach out to any council member for information, or call the office and Angie will gladly assist.

# Lord's Prayer Sending/Motion to Adjourn

• Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm (MSC: Walters/L Stumpner)

Respectfully Submitted, Chad Majewski **NEXT UP!** 

Good Shepherd Leadership is looking for several Church Council nominees.

Our church council is made up of caring, bold, open, and faithful individuals.

Most don't feel ready, capable or worthy to lead.

The good thing is you don't need to.

We learn as we go. Together.

YOU ARE NEEDED! CONSIDER HELPING GOOD SHEPHERD MOVE FORWARD.

Check in with the office or Council Members.

					Go	od Shepherd -	2024 YTD Inc	ome & Expen	ses						
	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	2	19	\$166,141.49		
Transfer															
Income	\$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	(3.	SI.	\$15,108.60		
Expenses	\$16,108.94	\$22,136.84	\$19,293.33	\$16,712.61	\$23,179.35	\$16,093.48	\$13,788.48		\$16,386.76		60.00	60.00	\$179,393.19		
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	\$602.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,856.90		
					G	ood Shepherd	- Rolling Inco	me & Expens	es						
	Oct-24	Sep-24	Aug-24	Jul-24	Jun-24	May-24	Apr-24	Mar-24	Feb-24	Jan-24	Dec-23	Nov-23	Rolling Totals		
Income	\$16,860.51	\$18,520.19	\$13,191.76	\$14,039.72	\$15,588.42	\$14,969.11	\$23,157.64	\$16,816.19	\$19,598.24	\$13,399.71	\$38,519.19	\$18,412.70	\$223,073.38		
Transfer Income	\$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			\$15,108.60		
	\$17,769.27	\$16,386,76	\$17,924.13	\$13,788.48	\$16,093.48	\$23,179.35	\$16,712.61	\$19,293.33	\$22,136.84		\$22.093.53	\$15,122.84	\$216,609.56	6	
Total	\$602.10	\$3,644.29	(\$3,221.51)	\$1,762.10	\$1,005.80	(\$6,699.38)	\$7,955.89	(\$966.28)	(\$1,027.74)		\$16,425.66	\$3,289.86	\$21,572.42		
					Go	od Shepherd -	2023 YTD Inc	ome & Expen	ses						
	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	*Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Shared Rev/Exp	Reclass Items	YTD Totals
Income	\$17,613.90	\$21,687.81	\$16,906.71	\$23,189.80	\$29,162.38	\$54,622.26	\$19,741.29	\$18,970.80	\$13,639.02	\$18,223.67	\$18,412.70	\$38,519.19	(\$5,702.00)	(\$25.42)	\$284,962.11
Expenses	\$17,217.30	\$25,782.29	\$18,535.53	\$17,505.03	\$20,223.27	\$19,065.29	\$20,315.12	\$20,892.07	\$22,180.06	\$15,865.80	\$15,122.84	\$22,093.53	(\$5,702.00)	(\$25.42)	\$229,070.71
Total	\$396.60	(\$4,094.48)	(\$1,628.82)	\$5,684.77	\$8,939.11	\$35,556.97	(\$573.83)	(\$1,921.27)	(\$8,541.04)	\$2,357.87	\$3,289.86	\$16,425.66	20.0	wii ii	\$55,891.40
			etention Cred	its (\$34,437.50	0) and interest	for Q2 2020 a	and Q3 2021 (	52,243.76) rec	eived from the	IRS.					
Contributio	n income was	\$17,941.	10000												
							2022 YTD Inc								
	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	YTD Totals		
Income	\$17,043.00	\$14,009.00	\$25,166.00	\$21,327.00	\$24,494.00	\$17,619.44	\$22,937.68	\$16,250.28	\$14,230.43	\$22,025.00	\$18,366.17		\$238,907.10		
Expenses	\$22,316.00	\$36,463.00	\$24,828.00	\$20,373.00	\$28,267.00	\$24,001.06	\$27,704.35	\$21,677.49	\$23,984.98	\$15,961.00	\$15,542.39		\$284,211.23		
Total	(\$5,273.00)	(\$22,454.00)	\$338.00	\$954.00	(\$3,773.00)	(\$6,381.62)	(\$4,766.67)	(\$5,427.21)	(\$9,754.55)	\$6,064.00	\$2,823.79	\$2,346.14	(\$45,304.13)		

Advent Blessings and
Happy Holidays
to everyone from your staff
here at GSLC!
We are thankful for this
year and all that
each of you mean to the
community and mission of
Good Shepherd!

Be you blessed





# **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

# 2024 Poinsettia Order Form

Poinsettias will be used to beautify the sanctuary and honor loved ones for the Christmas worship services.

### Order form and payment due in the church office no later than Monday, December 8.

COST: Single plant: \$10 / Double Plant: \$20 Checks can be made out to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

NAME	PHONE
Please indicate your choices below.	
: Given to the Glory of God	
: Given in memory / honor of	
: Will take plant home	
: Would like plant donated to home bound member.	



