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MAY OFFICIANTS

May 4: *Pr. Dan Sire*

May 11: *Pr. Dan Sire*

May 18: *Pr. Natalie Bassett*

May 25: *Lay Led*

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

WORSHIP

SUNDAY WORSHIP
9:00 AM @ GSLC

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM
May 18, 2025

ONLINE WORSHIP
AVAILABLE

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

ZOOM: Watch your email for the opportunity to join in online group meetings

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

Worship Toolbox

If you have curious kids here in worship, we have just the thing! Grab a toolbox right outside the sanctuary. It is filled with items to help worship come alive and make sense.

Date	4-May	11-May	18-May	25-May
Presiding Minister	Pr. Dan Sire	Pr. Dan Sire	Pr. Natalie Bassett	Lay Led
Assisting Minister	Andy Walters	Jenn Holcomb	Pr. Karoline	Paul Grewe
Reader(s)	Diane Peterson	Sharon Semling	Oliver Merkey	Pam Bootz
Greeter 1	K Toth	Bonnie Anderson	MJ Horvat	Jillian/Liliana J
Greeter 2	Barb Denfeld	Karen Maier	Jean Korpela	Adam Pleuss
Usher 1	Marty Krahn	Jovid Schuette	Laurie Sturzenegger	Hank Pleuss
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Andy Heise	Mike Sturzenegger	Josh Stumpner
Communion assistants	Andy Walters Bobbie Salzman	Mindy Schuette Kay Walters	Theresa Bootz Jill Falkowski	no communion
Hospitality Hour	Kay Walters	Marj Viergutz.	MJ Horvat	NEED VOLUNTEER
Altar Guild	Barb Denfeld Connie Heise	Barb Denfeld Connie Heise	Barb Denfeld Connie Heise	Barb Denfeld Connie Heise

NOTE: Changes may have been made after publishing.

Faith Formation Appreciation

As summer approaches and the school year winds to a close, we want to thank all the folks who dedicated their time this last year to enriching the faith lives of all the ages!

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Jillian Jensen

CONFIRMATION:

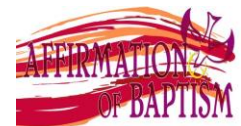
Tim & Jenn Holcomb * MJ Horvat * Pr. Karoline Schwantes

ADULT FORUM:

Kris Kamrath

We also give thanks to God for those who helped in any way.

Well done good and faithful servants!



May 18, 2025 * 9 am

We prayerfully ask everyone to remember our own baptismal promises and join in the communal proclamation on this most special of days! Let us show our youth that faith is a continuous journey as we celebrate and join with them!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, May 11,
is the final day of
Sunday School

*Thank you all for
a great year!*

TOWNHALL MEETING

No meeting in May.

Next meeting:

Sun, June 15

Coffee & Fellowship Hour



Helpers Needed

May and June Calendars are being filled now. The sign-up sheet is in need of new participants and located outside Angie's office. Contact Kay (715-675-4556) or the office to find out the "what, where, when and how"!

BLOOD DRIVE

Sign up today on

*Tue, May 1 * 1-6 pm*

1-800-733-2767 or

www.redcrossblood.org

OFFICE CLOSED

Mon, May 26
in observance of
Memorial Day

Join The Women of Good Shepherd Tuesday, May 13

11:30 am

WE INVITE ALL WOMEN TO ATTEND A LUNCHEON
POTUCK AND SOCIAL BUSINESS MEETING.

THE WOMEN OF GOOD SHEPHERD HELP MINISTRY AND OPERATING TASKS NOT SPECIFICALLY UNDER ANY OTHER MINISTRY. THESE INCLUDE SUPPORTING FUNERAL LUNCHEONS, THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR, THE EASTER EGG HUNT, VARIOUS OTHER SOCIAL GATHERINGS AND EFFORTS TO IMPROVE AND SUPPORT UNBUDGETED PROPERTY AND GROUNDS NEEDS.

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPAND THIS MINISTRY AND ITS PARTICIPANTS AND SENSE YOU WOULD BE A GREAT FIT! BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO PASS AND YOUR BESTIE 😊

Around the table is a great place to start!



**MAY NOISY OFFERING
SYNOD ASSEMBLY**

Mission Project & Bishop's Fund



Spring Yard Clean Up Day

We will meet this Saturday, May 10th at 8:00 am to help freshen up the yards, fix the lawns from snow plow damage, pick up sticks, pine cones and prepare for the summer mowing season. Marty Krahn can answer questions and point you in the right direction: 715-297-6449.

Cleanup usually wraps up around 1 pm.

MAY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 am Shared Ministry Worship Planning Mtg 1:00 pm Blood Drive	2	3 10:00 am Lay School Celebration in Shawano
4 9:00 am Worship Pr. Dan Sire- presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum: Sunday School 4:00 pm Wausau Symphony Band Concert Picnic in the Park @ the Pavilion	5 5:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting	6 9:00 am LWR Quilters	7 5:30 pm Confirmation Class @ St. Stephen 6:00 pm Ringers 7:00 pm Choir	8	9 Lay School 7:00 pm Pro Musica Concert @ First Presbyteria n Church	10 Lay School 8:00 am Yard Cleanup Day 3:00 pm Pro Musica Concert @ First Pres. Church
11 9:00 am Worship Pr. Dan Sire presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum Last day of Sunday School	12	13 9:00 am LWR Quilters 11:30 am Women of Good Shepherd Mtg/ Potluck 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting OFFERING COUNT	14 Eunice Bauer Funeral Arrangements- Pr. Gail Sowell officiating 10:00 am/ Visitation 11:00 am/ Service Lunch to follow 5:30 pm @ GSLC Confirmation 6:00 pm Ringers Bell Cleaning 7:00 pm Choir	15 Kartika Synod Assembly prep	16 Plant Drop off	17 8:00 am Plant Sale 8:30 am ECSW Synod Assembly- In Green Bay
18 9:00 am Worship Pr. Natalie Bassett-presiding Affirmation of Baptism/ Confirmation 10:15 am Plant Sale <i>No Town Hall Mtg</i>	19 6-9 pm Good Stewards Shelter Help @ First Methodist	20 9:00 am LWR Quilters 5:00 pm GPS Meeting @ GSLC	21 5:30 pm @ GSLC Youth Trip Meeting	22 11:00 am Aspirus Hospice Service 1:30 pm Corks n Covers @ River Front Apartments 6:30 pm Riverview Mtg	23	24
25 9:00 am Worship Lay Led	26 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED	27	28	29 OFFERING COUNT	30 SUMMER HOURS: OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS THRU SUMMER	31

MAY Birthdays

1	Daniel Young		
2	Nicole Batterman		
	Diane P. Laszewski		
4	Dale Thurs	19	Gregory Glovinski
6	Jane Johnson		Kaylen Majewski
	Joyce Nick	20	Jovid Schuette
7	Wesley Salzmman	24	William Lakus
	Kennedy Thoma		Joel Mattice
8	Cason Haffner	25	Kristine Boulanger
	Deborah Huckbody		Claudette Harring
	Jamie Oswald	26	Geraldine Luer
9	Courtney Derus	27	Jennifer Gruna
14	Bob Guenthner	28	Clyde Babcock
	Marion Kloth		Shelly Ellenbecker
15	Trevor Doering		Jacob Gruna
	Ryan Ramthun		Sarah Kane
16	Mike Sturzenegger		Paisley Thoma
	Breanna Thoma	29	Bonnie Beyersdorff
18	John Boulanger	30	Bonnie Anderson
			Brooke Heise
		31	Greg Huckbody

MAY Anniversaries

2	Harold & Beverly Eisenman
13	Les & K Toth
14	Chris & Sadie Trapp
21	Cyrus & Laurie Bootz
22	Alan & Jamie Oswald
27	Jovid & Mindy Schuette
30	Robin & Jill Falkowski



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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office hours:

9:30 AM-4:00 PM

Monday-Friday

(Office Closed 5-26-24)

In observance of Memorial Day

CLOSED FRIDAYS

B/T MEMORIAL & LABOR DAY

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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Barb Denfeld

Parish Nurse

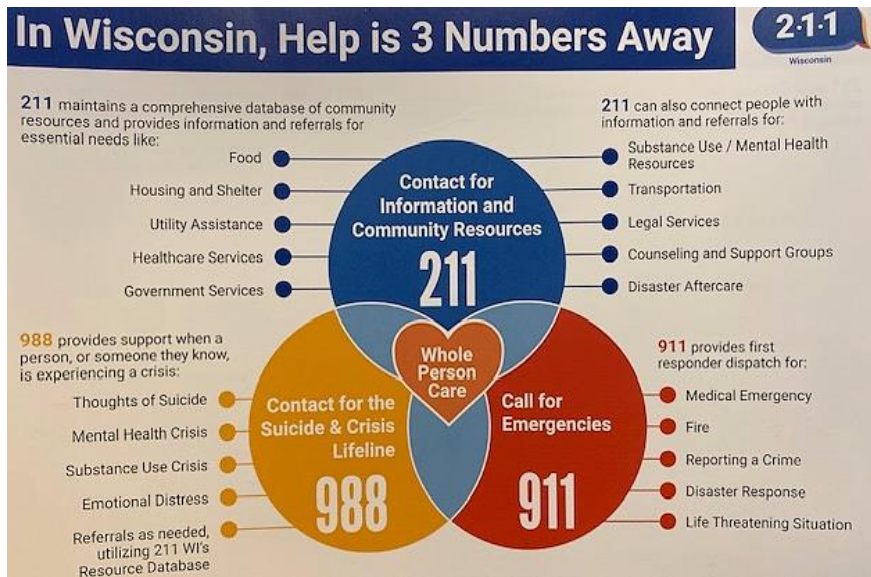
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Good Shepherd Task Force Update...April 25, 2025

The Good Shepherd task force met on April 4; time was spent reviewing and working on multiple shared ministry Lenten events as well as organizing planning on other topics. The GPS (Good Shepherd, Pilgrim, St Stephen) joint meeting was postponed due to the date conflicting with Holy Week; the next meeting is scheduled for May 20.

Synod reps will be meeting with Wausau area councils/task forces on Saturday, April 26.

As always, we ask that you keep the Good Shepherd task force, as well as all the ELCA congregations, in your prayers.



A note from Bobbie on our Home Communion Kits.

Our Altar Guild leader Bobbie Salzman has asked that all Home Communion kits be returned to home base (here at GSLC) for the first Sunday of the Month for maintenance and blessing. They can then either be taken back out with you or picked up at your convenience.

For clarity, Bobbie will always refill the communion wafers and the small bottles of wine on a regular basis. This allows for the home visitors to be confident that the kits are always maintained as needed.

High School Youth

Hi Friends.

Parents and students are invited to an informational meeting on Wednesday, May 21, 5:30 pm at Good Shepherd Church, where we will present details about a couple upcoming high school summer trips: a week-long mission trip in 2026 and the National Youth Gathering in the summer of 2027, both including lots of service to others plus tons of faith building.

These trips are open to students just completing 8th through 12th grades. So, the 2026 trip would be for today's 7th to 11th graders and the 2027 trip would cover today's 6th to 10th graders. Please come learn more about these two awesome opportunities to continue your faith journey.

Any questions, feel free to email, text or call me.

Peace.

Tim Holcomb

715-212-3633, alissasdad03@gmail.com



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI
Church Council Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2025

Call to Order & Attendance

6:33 pm - Present: Lorraine Beyersdorf, Jennifer Holcomb, Emily Jauch, Marty Krahn, Stephanie Martell, Craig Netzer, Josh Stumpner, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Marjorie Viergutz, Andy Walters.

Also present for Treasurer/Financial Reports: Treasurer Paul Jauch (pronounced "YOW").

Gathering Litany

God's Word

Devotional Time - Craig Netzer - group shared "highs & lows" around the table

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

- Agenda Review/Approval (MSC: Martell/Stumpner)

March Treasurer/Financial Report

Group reviewed financials - Contributions for March were \$64,525.13 (including a \$46,000 legacy gift received). Expenses for the month were \$18,427, resulting in a gain of about \$1,600 for the month after mortgage transfer, not including the special gift. Also noteworthy is that \$80,000 has been redistributed out of the checking account (earning no interest) in an effort to take advantage of interest-bearing investments, including into a money market and a short-term CD. Further transfers will be made on a regular basis from the money market to CDs ('laddering' them to ensure adequate liquidity - that is, they will mature at different times, releasing funds back into use).

Motion to Accept Treasurer Report as presented (MSC: Walters/Krahn)

Our Response to the Word

Standing Agenda Items

- 1) **Kartika's Korner:** a) idea for creating a garden area on the property in the summer with the goals to be to support higher anticipated food needs in the neighborhood and encourage serving together, which could turn to greater participation; Laurie will ask Kartika to bring more details and will update Council via email. b) Kartika is exploring a new sound board/system. c) 40-Days sorting will start this week. d) Recent concerns have been raised regarding some Facebook posts that are connected to Good Shepherd. Requesting Council to review our presence on these social media platforms and possibly develop policies/guidelines to help protect the face of our organization (to be added to May Council meeting agenda).
- 2) **GPS Task Force Update:** taking the month of April off (usual meeting would be during Holy Week); will meet again in May and then take a sabbatical over the summer reconvening in the fall. The time away will be a time for each congregation to assess/focus internally and get a better sense of the future. Know that we will continue to work together over the summer; only the formal task force work will be on a break.

Current Agenda Items

- 1) Staff Roles & Duties - a team will be assembled to understand the current work of our staff members in an effort to support their work and to help better position us for the future. Emily Jauch offered her expertise and will lead a team! Thank you, Emily.
- 2) Congregational Letter - draft shared with Council members.
- 3) Accountability Partners - group polled for willingness to participate and conversation about process.
- 4) Angie Summer Hours - requesting the same schedule as last summer: office will be open Monday through Thursday, closed on Fridays, starting after Memorial Day and ending at Labor Day. Will ask for excellent communication/marketing of this change so those who need to are in the know.
- 5) Forward Planning - a small, enthusiastic group of congregation members are working to enliven our outreach to Riverview neighbors and beyond and a sample of a door-hanger with Holy Week worship services times was approved for printing and distribution. We envision that this group will be refreshed (Good Shepherd has had a Forward Planning committee in the past!). Huge thanks to these dedicated disciples.

Noisy Offering - The following schedule is planned: April - Gospel TLC; May - Synod Assembly; June - Positive Alternatives; July - Make A Wish Foundation of Wisconsin. If you have ideas of other organizations you would like us to consider supporting through the Noisy Offering, please share your idea with any Council member. Thanks in advance!

Follow Ups for May meeting -

- 1) Honoring Jim Nick's memory with a special musically-related item/idea
- 2) Review of Facebook page[s] and policy conversation

Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

- Meeting Adjourned at 8: 11pm (MSC: Walters/M Sturzenegger)

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Holcomb
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Secretary

We've been dreaming!

Imagine... beautiful, accessible raised garden beds lush with fresh healthy, free options for anyone in need!

Imagine... an engaging, safe, mentoring community and programming for our babies, children and high school youth!

Imagine... a welcoming, inclusive & creative space where the littles can move and play freely yet still be with their family in the sanctuary!

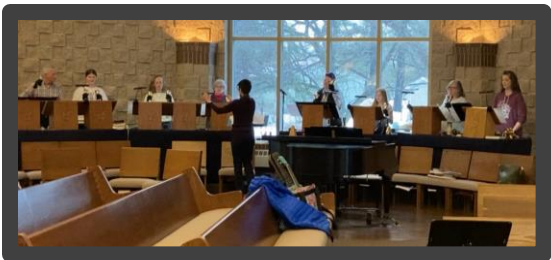
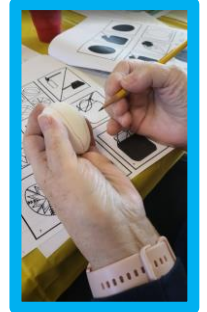
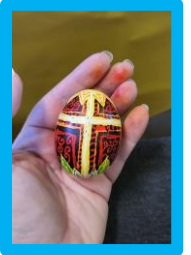
Imagine... creative, grassroots efforts to invite and welcome our Riverview neighbors and offer ways for GSLC to bring value to lives!

Imagine... being a part of something lifegiving alongside others in Wausau to bring shelter, food and survival needs for our vulnerable!

Imagine... gratitude, joy and commitment of working together to help make this community and world a little better for so many!

Imagine... the blessings of the last 60 years and the blessings to come as we embark boldly into the next 60!

*Join this Good Shepherd community as we turn these dreams into reality!
This is going to need a LOT of hands, hearts and joyful effort!*



EASTER EGG HUNT / MAUNDY THURSDAY

