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60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

& RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday: 9-7-25

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

Sunday: 9-14-25

STAY TUNED!!

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

WORSHIP

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 AM

NOTE: SUMMER HOURS

THE OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

OFFICE HOURS:
9:30 AM-4 PM M-TH

ONLINE WORSHIP AVAILABLE

August Sunday Funday

August 24 following worship

Potluck brunch in place of Fellowship Hour

RAIN OR SHINE!

River Float or movie / games

Campfire Worship

Thursday, August 28 @ 5:30 pm

RAIN OR SHINE!

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 chats

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES/ Daily Devotions: lhm.org

DAILY DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE:

Christ in Our Home & Portals of Prayer (Jul-Sep)

Sunday, AUG 10:
Vocal Pickup Choir
rehearse @ 8 am,
participate in worship

Sunday, AUG 17
Strings Pickup Choir
rehearse @ 8 am,
participate in worship

AUGUST WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	3-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	31-Aug
Presiding Minister	Lay Led Holcomb	Pr. Joyce Heinz	Pr. Natalie Bassett	Pr. Nicole Behnke-Welke	Lay Led Geri Luer
Assisting Minister	MJ Horvat	Tim Holcomb	Paul Grewe	Andy Walters	Tim Logemann
Reader(s)	Diane Peterson	Sharon Semling	JoAnn Grewe	Susan Mazique	Pam Bootz
Greeter 1	K Toth	Barb D	MJ Horvat	Jillian/Liliana J	K Toth
Greeter 2	Bonnie Anderson	Susan Mazique	Jean Korpela	Adam Pleuss	Barb D
Usher 1	Marty Krahn	Jenn Holcomb	Laurie Sturzenegger	Hank Pleuss	Marty Krahn
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Josh Stumpner	Mike Sturzenegger	Andy Heise	Greg Behrendt
Communion Assistants	No communion	Mindy Schuette Kay Walters	Barb Denfeld Andy Walters	Theresa Bootz Jill Falkowski	No communion
Altar Guild			Jenn Holcomb & Diane Peterson Laszewski		
Fellowship Hour	Kay Walters	TBD	TBD	Sunday Funday Potluck	TBD

TOWN HALL MTG

8-17-2025 * 10 AM

Please make every effort to attend. This is our platform for updates and Q&A.

President's Letter

Rooted In Christ - 60 years of Discipleship; GATHER. GROW. GO.

Greetings fellow disciples from your council president. There is so much happening here at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Can you believe we are approaching 3 years without a rostered minister? We have overcome previous challenges, and it now seems that we are beginning a new chapter.

On Sept 7th, we will GATHER together to celebrate 60 years of discipleship together. We continue to serve the Wausau area and demonstrate God's love together. We gather to worship, to pray, to feed, to serve and to play as a community of believers, sometimes joined with other ELCA congregations. As we GROW together not only in numbers but in our faith journeys, we are showing God's grace and love in Christ through our actions. We see growth in our service to the unhoused through our monthly work at the WMC shelter. All we need to do is ask, and donations and volunteers come in abundance. We see growth in our evangelism through a group of hard working – boots on the ground individuals – who are spreading the Good News of GSLC door to door. We have several disciples attending the ECSW Lay School deepening their understanding of the faith so they can lead others. We now are called to GO and share God's Grace and Love in our words and deeds, because God's Love is real.

In the past year, GSLC received two substantial legacy gifts from members who thoughtfully planned ahead, enabling us to GATHER. GROW. GO. by increasing our ability to look at options to possibly add an ordained minister that will provide theological leadership and pastoral care to our disciples. These gifts serve as a temporary bridge to our future, not a lasting solution. We humbly thank God for their foresight and trust that we will be good stewards of these gifts. It is also necessary for us to continue contributing time, skills, and financial resources to support the activities of the congregation. As we enter this transition, let us stay focused on His guidance. The Lord is ever present with us on this journey and is already in our future, preparing the way before us. Parts of the journey may be challenging or uncomfortable. But heed these words of hope:

"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." DEUTERONOMY 31:8

I am eternally and humbly grateful to be joining you all in this journey of transition and change towards a more sustainable future. I look forward to all that is to come – the joys, the challenges and the growth – Together as disciples of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Always in His Peace,
Laurie Sturzenegger, Council President

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office hours:

9:30 AM-4:00 PM

Monday-Thursday

NOTE:

**We will be closed
Fridays through the summer**

**Sunday Worship at GSLC
@ 9:00 am**

Online Worship Available
Released on
Sundays

go to
GSLC Wausau WI on Youtube,
www.gswausau.org
Facebook

**(they remain available at
our youtube channel)**

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Treasurer



CALLING NEW MEMBERS!

What better time to ring in the new than when we celebrate our past, present and future! On September 7 we will welcome our newest siblings in Christ, as they formalize their membership during our 60th Anniversary Celebration! 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 so we can plan and celebrate!

FIRST COMMUNION

If you and your child are interested in the rite of Holy Communion,
please contact the office.

We have had some interest in getting a class together
and need to know how many to plan for.

Community Dinner:

Sunday, August 10, 2025

Good Shepherd is responsible for coordinating and serving the community meal on this date. Please contact Ruth Henkelman to find out how to help. 715-432-1589

Riverview Neighborhood Meeting

Thur. 8-28-25 @ 6:30 pm

GSLC Collected

19 pints of blood

On July 17!

THANK YOU

**To all participants, donors
& volunteers!**

Corks N Covers:

Thur, 8-28-25 @ 1:30 pm

Meets at Riverlife Apt Mtg Room, Contact Bonnie Anderson if you would like to know more.
715-432-3561



AUGUST Birthdays

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Connie Miskowiak
Mark Westberg | 20 Mike Duginske
Connie Heise |
| 2 Amy Merkey
Mindy Schuette | 21 Christy Clemens
Patti Yolitz |
| 4 Greg Glovinski | 22 Allyson Schreiber |
| 6 Ava Bootz
Marcus Josiger | 23 Ron Budimlja |
| 8 Brenda Grubb | 25 Roger Pensinger |
| 9 Bruce Beyersdorff | 28 Denise Mattice
Elijah Pergolski |
| 12 Tracy Gattiker
Mason Ramthun
Eric Semling | 29 Kallie Majewski |
| 15 Casey Sturzenegger | 30 Lori Ann Wunsch |
| 16 Karen Maier | |
| 17 Thomas Keith
Wendy Kreager | |

AUGUST Anniversaries

HAPPILY
ever after

- 3 Tony & Mary Omernik
- 5 Tim & Cari Logemann
- 7 Barry & Rhonda Hallam
- 9 Dennis & Cindy Weinkauff
- 11 Andrew & Connie Heise
Craig & MJ Netzer
- 14 Greg & Jenny Glovinski
- 15 Jay & Kris Kamrath
- 16 James & Karen Bliese
- 20 Travis & Kelly Berndt
Stan & Sarah Sobiesczyk
- 21 Keith & Jennifer Samperisi
- 22 Bruce & Bonnie Beyersdorff
- 23 Jacob & Jamie Hoover
- 25 John & Donna Gwidt
- 31 Mark & Tabitha Bartz



Sunday Funday

Aug 24 starting around 10:15 am

We will kick off with a Potluck Brunch in place of Fellowship Hour Refreshments

then...

Good Weather: Float the River (Wisconsin)
depart from north of the "S" Curves on Hwy W
Rainy Weather: Movie & Games
There will be a sign up for the float



Shepherd Strummers

will strum by the river again
on Mondays at 5:30 on RiverLife Trail
(by Briqs ice cream shop), beginning June 3.
All are welcome to strum and sing with us!
(Rain location: RiverLife Apartment party room)

GOOD SHEPHERD AUGUST CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Online Worship Available Sundays					1 OFFICE CLOSED	2
3 9:00 am Worship Jenn Holcomb leading 10:15 am Fellowship/ Adult Forum	4 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers @ River Walk 6-9 pm WMC Good Steward Night 1 st United Methodist Church	5 9:00 am LWR Quilters 3-7:00 pm Kwik Trip #601 Mtg Fellowship Hall	6 5:30 pm Worship Committee Mtg	7	8 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 am Howard Drebenstedt Visitation 11:00 am Funeral Lunch follows funeral	9
10 8:00 am Pickup Choir 9:00 am Worship Pr. Joyce Heinz presiding 10:15 am Fellowship/ Forum 4:00 pm Community Dinner @ 1 st United Methodist Church	11 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers @ River Walk	12 9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting	13 OFFERING COUNT	14	15 OFFICE CLOSED	16
17 8:00 am Pickup Strings 9:00 am Worship Pr. Natalie Bassett presiding 10:15 am Fellowship/ Town Hall Meeting	18 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers @ River 6-9 pm WMC Good Steward Night 1 st United Methodist Church	19 9:00 am LWR Quilters	20	21	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23
24 9:00 am Worship Pr. Nicole Behnke- Welke presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum SUNDAY FUNDAY	25 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers @ River Walk	26 9:00 am LWR Quilters	27 OFFERING COUNT	28 1:30 pm Corks n Covers @ River Front Apartments 5:30 pm Campfire Worship 6:30 pm Riverview Mtg	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30
31 9:00 am Worship Lay Led	1 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED					6

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI

Church Council Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2025

Call to Order & Attendance

6:28 pm - Present: Lorraine Beyersdorf, Jennifer Holcomb, Emily Jauch, Marty Krahn, Stephanie Martell, Craig Netzer, Josh Stumpner, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Marjorie Viergutz. **Not Present:** Andy Walters.

Gathering Litany

God's Word

Devotional Time: Stephanie Martell - in the wake of a natural disaster, a community rebuilt! Much like we have been rebuilding here at Good Shepherd. Let's keep moving forward with a commitment to serve. Together!

How have we seen God at Work? - All

[MSC = motion/second/carried]

Agenda Review/Approval

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

June Treasurer/Financial Report

Group reviewed financials - Contributions for June were \$15,072. Expenses for June were \$20,667, resulting in a loss of \$4,083 for the month after mortgage transfer. Please see the Treasurer's report.

Brief conversation was had relative to expenses exceeding income for the third month running.

[*Secretary note: in the June 10, 2025 Council Meeting minutes, the April Treasurer/Financial report should reflect the month of MAY*]

Motion to Accept Treasurer Report as presented (MSC: M Sturzenegger/Netzer)

Our Response to the Word

Standing Agenda Items

Kartika's Korner:

[Nothing presented for this month]

Current Agenda Items

- 1) Update from Conversation related to declined membership request - a second congregational letter will be sent out with the update related to the altered decision.
- 2) Legacy Gift Updates - Finance Committee has met to understand the details of the 10-year legacy gift that has been recently received. Also looking at resources to help us in the planning of how to responsibly steward these financial gifts. Recommendation was received to recognize the musical-related improvements that were made possible through Jim Nick's gift.
- 3) Staffing update:
 - a. Current staff members' tasks review - job descriptions review, and observation/discussion of current tasks has been completed (thank you, Emily!). It is evident that the workload of our two dedicated staff members routinely exceed what it provides for individual and organizational success. We also discussed how to work through the needs and the tasks to be done and what steps we should take next. How we might increase VOLUNTEER presence and 'giving' of time was discussed, as well. There are many tasks that could be done via dedicated volunteers - and it may well be time to rebuild our volunteer base! **What skills and passions do YOU have that you can offer to this amazing congregation?!**

b. Pastoral Support Options - A typical Pastoral call process, were it be found to be a viable option for us, would take a minimum of one year. There is a way for us to hire what the synod calls a 'Bridge Pastor' - this would be a rostered Minister with whom we could contract to perform duties as we designate them. The Finance Committee is exploring what Good Shepherd can reasonably afford; other work will continue around determining what our congregation really wants/needs from a Pastoral support type individual as decision-making progresses.

- 4) Governance Meeting Education - a Synod Representative will be here on September 14 to offer the Council and other interested members education on governance for a church organization.

Noisy Offering Plan:

July - Make-A-Wish Foundation of Wisconsin

August - NAOMI Wausau

September - Pastors Fund

October - Support for our Cleaning Team

November - Focus on Thanksgiving meal provision (specific organization TBD)

December - Wausau/Marathon County Shelter

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 **SEPTEMBER** meeting:

- 1) Social Media policy review

Sending and Lord's Prayers

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

- Meeting Adjourned at 8:14pm (MSC: Krahn/Viergutz)

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Holcomb

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Secretary

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	\$64,525.13	\$18,320.31	\$17,740.16	\$15,072.56							\$150,260.31
Transfer Inc	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86	\$1,510.86							\$9,065.16
Expenses	\$19,722.66	\$20,036.08	\$18,427.03	\$25,835.98	\$21,950.15	\$20,667.20							\$126,639.10
Total	(\$2,142.29)	\$7.42	\$47,608.96	(\$6,004.81)	(\$2,699.13)	(\$4,083.78)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32,686.37
% +/- average	0.3%	0.5%	-0.5%	-18.8%	-22.4%	-11.6%							
% of total giving (calculated at end of year)													
* 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%	

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	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			\$55,891.40
% of total giving	7.09%	8.74%	6.81%	9.34%	11.75%	7.23%	7.95%	7.64%	5.49%	7.34%	7.42%	15.51%	-2.30%		
*June income includes the Employer Retention Credits (\$34,437.50) and interest for Q2 2020 and Q3 2021 (\$2,243.76) received from the IRS.															
Contribution income was \$17,941.															

Good Shepherd - 2022 YTD Income & Expenses													
	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	\$25,168.00	\$21,327.00	\$24,494.00	\$17,619.44	\$22,937.68	\$16,250.28	\$14,230.43	\$22,025.00	\$18,366.17	\$25,439.10	\$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	\$23,092.96	\$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)
	7.13%	5.86%	10.53%	8.93%	10.25%	7.38%	9.60%	6.80%	5.96%	9.22%	7.69%	10.65%	

Income per month as percent of annual total (2022-2024). Does NOT include the ERC credit in June 2023

Average %	6.93%	8.06%	8.52%	9.86%	9.77%	7.41%	8.14%	6.96%	6.83%	8.27%	7.38%	12.65%	
Average \$	\$16,019	\$18,432	\$19,630	\$22,558	\$22,875	\$17,050	\$18,906	\$16,138	\$15,463	\$19,036	\$17,058	\$29,352	\$232,517

Budgeted giving by month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
250,000	17,313	20,147	21,301	24,653	24,428	18,516	20,344	17,408	17,084	20,665	18,449	29,692	250,000

Treasurer's Report
June 2025 Council Meeting
July 8, 2025

Contributions for June were \$15,072 which is \$1,978 / 11.6% below the average giving for the month of \$17,050 and \$3,444 / 18.6% below the budgeted amount of \$18,516. This is the 3rd straight month of contributions being down significantly compared to average (18.8, 22.4 and 11.6%)

Giving for 2025 is at \$150,260 compared to \$126,358 budgeted which is still \$23,902 ahead of budget. If giving the rest of the year would be similar to past monthly averages, we would be around \$273,902 compared to our budgeted amount of \$250,000. Based on the decreases we have been seeing the past few months, if that continues, we will probably be more around the \$250-255,000 total. Again, if it weren't for the larger donation of \$46,000, we would be looking at giving of around \$204-\$209,000 for the year or about \$40,000 under budget.

Expenses for the month are \$490 under budget at \$20,667.

- o **Comprehensive Insurance** (#5480) – Church Mutual is normally \$830 a month but both May and June billing were paid in June which is why it shows \$932 over budget.
- o **Copier Lease** (#5583) - \$992 compared to \$337 budgeted. The bank reconciliation from Kerber Rose usually has details of all transactions but not this month so I'm not sure what is in that number and why it is higher.
- o **Maintenance Equipment** (#5750) \$583 over budget for the month but again, no details so I'm not sure why that is up.

For the month, ordinary income shows a loss of \$5,594. Adding in the transfer of \$1511 from the building fund to cover the mortgage payment the loss was \$4,083. Year to date net income is \$33,301 ahead of budget. Without the \$46,000 donation it would be a loss of around \$12,700 for the year. The building fund only has \$1,106 remaining which won't be enough to cover the mortgage payment of \$1511 for July or any more for the rest of the year.

Month ending account balances – see new spreadsheet showing monthly totals for 2023 through 2025 including a fancy little graph. I have been working with Pam at Kerber Rose to get payroll data and QuickBooks backup for the year to start setting up payroll going forward for July and also transitioning the accounting work. I'm sure there will be a few bumps along the way but I'm looking forward to the changes.

Paul Jauch, Treasurer, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

SUNDAY FUNDAY: JULY 27
A LOVELY BRUNCH & THEN REFRESHING BIKE RIDE





Lay School Dates

September 19-20, 2025	January 16-17, 2026
October 24-25, 2025	February 13-14, 2026
November 14-15, 2025	March 20-21, 2026
December 19-20, 2025	April 17-18, 2026
	May 15-16, 2026

**** Celebration Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 10am ****
At Zion Lutheran Church in Shawano

Course Schedule

Friday Evening:

5:15 – 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Core Program

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Old Testament- Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarra

8:10 – 9:40 p.m. Liturgy and Life- Rev. Jen Fite

Continuing Education Time

6:00 – 7:30 p.m. History of Christian Mysticism- Rev. Jennifer Wojciechowski

7:40 – 9:10 p.m. A Time to Pluck Up, Tear Down, and Throw Away: Reexamining the Biblical Roots of Misogyny and Queerphobia- Rev. Josh Fite

Saturday Morning:

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 – 8:50 a.m. Worship

Core Program

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Faith and Spirituality- Rev. Cheryl Davis

10:40 – 12:10 p.m. Lutheran Theology- Rev. Rachel Knoke

Continuing Education Time

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Worship: Theology and Praxis (Liturgy & Life 2.0)- Rev. Justin Smoot (Prerequisite: Liturgy & Life Core Course)

10:40 – 12:10 p.m. Reading the Instructions - Serving Our Congregations Faithfully and Thoughtfully - Instructor: Rev. John Meachen

Revised 6/25/2025

Your Blood Program *Impact*

The lifesaving chain from blood donor to a patient in need depends on the commitment of our partners to host drives regularly throughout the year. Here's a snapshot of your recent lifesaving impact:



10 blood drives



279 units collected



86.4% efficiency



17 first-time donors



44 Power Red



56.6% percent of Type O collections



27.9 APO (Average per Operation)



837 potential lives impacted

Thank you for your lifesaving impact—your support proves to be an invaluable resource to the patients whose lives depend on it.

SAVE THE DATE

NAOMI 15TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY PICNIC

MONDAY AUGUST 25, 2025 5:00PM MARATHON PARK
WE WILL GATHER AT THE "BIG KITCHEN"
FREE PICNIC – HOT DOGS, DRINKS, DESSERTS, & MORE

Everyone is invited: NAOMI friends ... old & new, join together as we answer the call to help our communities better serve the needs of all residents.

This year, Certificate of Appreciation will be awarded to the following organizations.

- H2N – Hmong & Hispanic Communication Network
- Peyton's Promise – Serving local Food Pantries
- New Beginnings for Refugees – Our New Neighbors

Send NAOMI an email – naomi4justice@yahoo.com to let us know you will be with us.



Wausau ELCA

God's Work. Our Hands.

September 14! Noon-2 pm

Watch for ways to make a difference!

AWESOME SUPPORT! THANK YOU!

This year's effort is being coordinated between First English, GSLC, Pilgrim, River of Hope Congregations (Bethlehem, Mount Calvary & St. John), Saint Andrew and St. Stephen! We will be heading back to the Marty Bus...serving lunch, making music with the Shepherd Strummers, handing out toiletry care bags and clothing options. Plans are still evolving so check in to see how you can join the special day. The Marty Bus is located on the east side of River Drive.





Sunday School Registration (2025-2026)
Ages Pre-K thru 5th Grade
Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Sunday School

930 Edgewood Road
Wausau, WI 54403
(715)675-1997

Parents' names: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell: _____ Text: Y / N

*Email address: _____

**We do not share this address*

Name of contact Parent: _____ I prefer to receive Sunday school information by:
Circle one: **Email** **Sent home** **Mail**

NOTE! For safety purposes, parents must accompany their child/ children into the classroom when dropping off and picking up at the end of class. There is often only one teacher, and remaining children cannot be left unattended. Thank you for your cooperation.

I / We would be willing to help with :

_____ Teaching / Helping _____ Snacks for special occasions _____ Substitute teacher

_____ Christmas program _____ Drop off & Pick up Times _____ Children's Music _____ Puppets

Other ways you would like to help: _____

1) Childs name: _____

Age: _____ M / F Grade: _____ Birth date: _____

Child's special interest and activities _____

Any known allergies? _____

2) Childs name: _____

Age: _____ M / F Grade: _____ Birth date: _____

Child's special interest and activities _____

Any known allergies? _____

PERMISSION FOR OCCASIONAL MEDIA INCLUSION: I give permission for my child/ children to be photographed or videotaped. Any media is for the archiving or sharing of GSLC ministries on GSLC platforms only. YES / NO