

N O V E M B E R : 2 0 2 2

Town Hall Meeting
Sunday, Nov. 20
10 am

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

ADULT FORUM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS @ 10 am
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY * NOVEMBER 6
2023 STEWARDSHIP "STRIVE TO THRIVE!" SUNDAY * NOV 13
TOWN HALL MEETING * NOVEMBER 20 @ 10 AM
THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE * NOVEMBER 23 * 6:30 PM



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JOIN US FOR LIVE WORSHIP!

Sundays @ 9:00 am

**SUNDAY ONLINE WORSHIP
AVAILABLE**

**MIDWEEK ADVENT: STARTING
Wed. Nov 30 @ 5:30 pm**

**Kartika's WEEKLY:
Hymn of the week offering**

MONTHLY: J&T Podcast

Located in our Youtube archives

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

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 (Oct-Dec)

MIDWEEK
ADVENT
WORSHIP
Wednesdays
@ 5:30pm.
Nov 30
Dec 7
Dec 14
Dec 21

Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Social

November 23 @ 6:30 pm / St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Good Shepherd is collaborating with St. Andrew and First English Lutheran Church! A combined effort of worship assistants, confirmation students, choirs and all our congregations' members are invited to give thanks together. This marks the first annual! Next year First English will host and in 2024, Good Shepherd will host. Please make plans to join in, get to know our Church brothers and sisters and enjoy the gathering and sharing of our many blessings!

MUSIC MINISTRIES:

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

Mon @ 5:30 pm: Shepherd Strummers

@ 6:30 pm: Bell Choir

Wed @ 6:00 pm: Shepherd Strings

@ 7:00 pm: Adult Choir

All Saints Day- Sunday, November 6
If you would like to submit names of loved ones who died between November 2, 2021 and November 1, 2022, Please contact Kartika by Wednesday, November 3rd.

Date	6-Nov	13-Nov	20-Nov	27-Nov
Asst Minister	Andy Walters	MJ Horvat	Tim Holcomb	C Logemann
Reader	Diane Peterson	Sharon Semling	*multiple readers	Jill Falkowski
Greeter 1	K Toth	Barb Denfeld	Bonnie Anderson	Joyce Nick
Greeter 2	Jean Korpela	Helen Vance	Kamraths	C Rocheleau
Usher 1	Greg Behrendt	Kevin Yoltz	Martin Krahn	Laurie S
Usher 2	Hank Pleuss	Craig Netzer	Jovid Schuette	Mike S

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Worship
Sundays @ 9:00 am

Worship services available
Released for:
Sundays
Wednesdays

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

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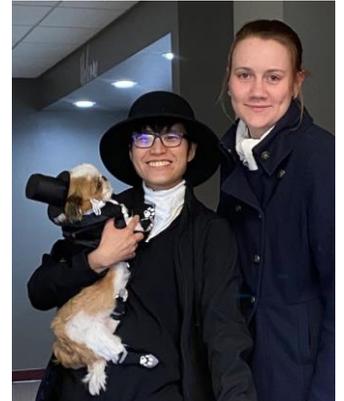
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2022 CHURCH COUNCIL

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Mike Sturzenegger-VICE PRES
Chad Majewski-SECRETARY
Cory Toth-LaPointe-TREAS
Shelly Ellenbecker
MJ Horvat
Cheryl Rocheleau
Jenny Samperisi
Laurie Sturzenegger



Trunk or Treat
Spooktacular
Fri, Oct 28
Weather!
Friends!
Laughter!
Good Meal!
Great music!
Forever Memories



Building Resilience is Not an Individual Practice

By Rev. Libby Howe, WCC's Congregational Support Coordinator for Peace & Justice Ministries

Resilience. It's all the rage. It's the new buzzword that is buzzing around church board meetings and leadership conferences, and clergy gatherings. At the intersection of (at least) three major crises, a pandemic, economic volatility, and socio-political unrest, resilience matters. It is one of the things that we hope will help us fruitfully navigate this moment in time.

I did a quick survey (totally unscientific) of the articles coming across my social media feed that address resilience. Most of them are addressed to an individual reader and are a "how to" on becoming more resilient. One of these is from the New York Times on Dec. 9, 2021, titled "4 Ways to Cultivate Resilience in 2022: Pandemic life doesn't have to be just about survival. You can become stronger and ready for the next challenge." The 4 ways are:

- Build a strong social network
- Find moments for optimism
- Interrupt the stress cycle
- Embrace the shake-up.

Another one is by Karl Vater on Feb. 19, 2021, called "What To Do When Life And Ministry Feel Overwhelming." He lists 5 things:

- Be Proactive Whenever You Can
- Reduce Clutter
- Design Long Term Solutions
- Say No More Often
- Ask for Help

A "Checklist to Build Resilience" infographic from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services encourages people to take care of your body, be proactive, be self-aware, practice journaling, break down big tasks into smaller, more manageable ones, and boost your mental health by eating well, prioritizing sleep and finding exercises you enjoy.

So, dear weary human, while you are treading water and holding back tears of frustration and keeping yourself from hurling the bad news tv into next week, you need to build a strong social network and design long term solutions and pick up a journaling practice. Ok? And when you get done with that, if you could just be a little more optimistic, I sure would appreciate that, too. (eye roll. sheesh!)

When I think about what has helped me bounce back from difficult situations in the past, it wasn't because I did any of those things with the intentionality these articles suggest. I won't argue that eating well, getting enough sleep, and moving my body helps make EVERY DAY better. Indeed, everything listed does. They are helpful tips for living in general. And when they are all clicking, any and every difficult situation is less taxing. But that's just it. They have to be clicking BEFORE the stressful event. Who sits down to design long term solutions in the midst of daily trauma? Kudos to the human who can. Most of us can not.

But more importantly, none of these articles name the true source of resilience. **The reason I'm still functioning these days is because I have family and friends who love me.** Full Stop. They will make sure I am ok. They stop their lives to help me with mine. They make me laugh when I can't. But that's not all. I also have a job that pays better than a living wage. So I have access to resources like mental health care. I have a safe home. And I have access and money to pay for food that nourishes my body. When I am spinning out these are the things that stop and ground me. These are where my resilience lies. Most of them have little to do with my own effort and a lot more to do with the random circumstances of my birth and the path laid down for me because of my skin color and middle-class upbringing. **I am concerned that our thinking about resilience is just a repackaged version of bootstrap mentality when so much of an individual's resilience is dependent on communal and familial relationships and access to life sustaining resources.**

When Jesus began his ministry (Luke 4), he sat down before people in the temple and read from the scroll of Isaiah, chapter 61.

*'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.'*

He might as well have said, "**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to build resilient communities where everyone has what they need, where everyone is free, where everyone is seen, where everyone is known and loved and feels God's favor.**"

Resilience is not an individual endeavor. And it is not a skillset one can build, especially in the midst of enormously difficult circumstances. **Resilience happens in how we treat each other, how we work for one another's welfare, how we make sure no one is discarded, and how we share the good news that everyone matters to God and to us as God's beloved.**

The early Christian community was known as the Koinonia, a Greek word we translate to mean Community. But it is more than just a group of people. A better translation is "see how they love one another!" **We build resilience by loving our neighbors. We build resilience by creating an environment that values every person and provides for every need.** Imagine...a world that doesn't tell people who are struggling what they need to do to bounce back but gives them a soft place to land when they fall and then helps them get up, saying, "We will do this together."



Strive to Thrive

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
STEWARDSHIP 2023



G S L C Ministry Excellence Drive 2023

Together we are on a mission we can fulfill . . . as we all pull together and give generously in support of the ministries of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Sunday, November 13

Please bring your intent card to be presented during offering.

Please remember that GSLC relies solely on the giving of its members and financial supporters. Intent cards can be mailed in or dropped off at your convenience if you are unable to attend. Courtesy calls will be made to those from whom we do not get a response.

Future Town Hall Meetings

3rd Sundays of the Month

Our Good Shepherd Church Council reviewed surveys and the questions and comments posed at the recent Town Hall meeting. Going forward for the near future, we will hold Town Hall gatherings following 9 am worship on the third Sunday of the month.

NEXT MEETING: November 20

Check out the weekly and monthly Youtube videos

The J&T Podcast (Oct 12) & Kartika's HotD Weekly Update (Oct 19)

Community Supper

November 13
First Presbyterian Church
Meal Served 3:45-pm

Currently meals are available for pick up 3:45 until gone.

Contact Ruth Henkelman: 715-432-1589

BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday November 3

1-6 pm

For appt call

1-800-redcross

1-800-733-2767

Or

Visit redcrossblood.org

The office will be closed Nov. 24 & 25 in observance of Thanksgiving.

CORKS - N - COVERS

NOTE: DATE CHANGE Thur. Nov 10th, due to Thanksgiving. We will be reading **Little Faith** by Nickolas Butler. Kris Kamrath will lead the discussion.

Little Faith was inspired by the news story about a family from the Wausau area that refused medical treatment for their diabetic child due to their faith. **In this moving new novel from celebrated author Nickolas Butler, a Wisconsin family grapples with the power and limitations of faith when one of their own falls under the influence of a radical church.**

CONFIRMATION

Wednesday evenings will usually look like this:

5:30 pm Gathering and Announcements @ St Stephen

5:35-6:25 pm Lesson and Learning Activities

6:25 pm Closing

Classes will dismiss around 6:30 (by 6:35 at the latest)

There will be some special outings/events/times too.

November 2, 16 - lessons

November 23- Thanksgiving Eve service @ St. Andrew

NOVEMBER



Birthdays

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| 1. Mark Hildebrandt
Craig Netzer
Marjorie Viergutz | Benjamin Stich | Bowen Bootz |
| 2. Mary Ann Howard
Roger Juedes
Mari Rybarczyk | 10 Kris Kamrath
Jamie Lodholz | Lori Crawford |
| 4. Andrew Heise
Tim Woods | 11 Brody Trantow | 23 James Janke
Logan Mork
Jerry Netzinger
Jackson Schulz |
| 5. Lili Gulsvig
Sadie Weinkauff-Trapp | 13 Harold Grubb
Renee Laffin | 24 Laney Schreiber
Geraldine Seidler |
| 6. Judy Rose | 14 Jarek Gehrke
Ivy Oswald | 26 Avary Ramthun
Nathan Sielaff
Kenneth Sitko |
| 7. Dorece Johnson
Milt Pachal
Gina Ramthun | 16 Natalie Doering
Tanner Falstad
Jasmine Mitchell | 27 Dana Liebers |
| 8. Hayden Bartelt
Ryan Selby
Lucas Worden | 17 Jennifer Barthels
Torrie Maier | 28 Marjorie Schwede
Brett Waldinger |
| 9. Nona Beyer | 18 Brittany Waldinger | 29 Deborah Kane
Kaitlyn Stich
Amy Yolitz |
| | 19 Shane Jozwiak | |
| | 21 Rick Clemens | |
| | 22 David Johnson
Maria Schalow | |

NOVEMBER Anniversaries

- 1 Rick & Anne Buntrock
Greg & Angie Huckbody
- 12 John & Stephanie Bresnahan
- 14 William & Robin Mueller
- 16 Marty & Colette Krahn
- 23 Tim & Diane Worden
- 26 Alfred & Nona Beyer
- 30 John & Kristine Boulanger



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Dream, Dream, Dream...

Women of Good Shepherd

If You are: A female (age negotiable 😊)

Watch for something in the next couple months. Following the Bake Sale, we will gather to redefine:

Who are the Women of Good Shepherd?

What is our purpose?

Where can we make an impact?

When are we needed?

Why wait any longer?

Official Acts

BAPTISMS:

10-2-2022

Liri June Woodards

10-23-2022

Noah Ronald Schultz

WEDDING:

10-8-2022

Rylee Reiche

&

Andrew Dehnel

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p>Online Worship Available Sundays</p>			<p>Online Kartika's HotD Update Wednesdays</p>			
<p>9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School Adult Forum</p>	<p>Dartball: GSLC @ St. Stephen Saints 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA</p>	<p>1 9:00 am LWR Quilters</p>	<p>2 9:00 AM Wed AA 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephens 6:00 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>3 1:00 pm Blood Drive</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 1-3:00 pm Joseph Burch Visitation 3:00 pm Funeral Luncheon to follow</p>
<p>6 ALL SAINT SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship Pr. Phil Bogen 10:00 am Sunday School Adult Forum</p>	<p>7 4:00 PM Kwik Trip 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Dartball: GSLC @ St Paul Packers 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA</p>	<p>8 9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg</p>	<p>9 9:00 AM Wed AA 6:00 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>10 1:30 pm Corks-n-Covers @Kris Kamrath's Community Room</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 9-1 pm GSLC Holiday Bazaar</p>
<p>13 9:00 am Worship Pr. Jenn Hoffman 10:00 am Sunday School Adult Forum Community Dinner@ First Pres STRIVE to THRIVE SUNDAY Intent Cards</p>	<p>14 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Dartball: St Mark Beavers @ GSLC 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA</p>	<p>15 9:00 am LWR Quilters</p>	<p>16 9:00 AM Wed AA 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephens 6:00 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Adult Choir OFFERING COUNT</p>	<p>17 6:30 pm Riverview Neighborhood Mtg ?????</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School Adult Forum</p>	<p>21 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Dartball: GSLC @ St Matt. Rangers 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA</p>	<p>22 9:00 am LWR Quilters 9-11 am Kwik Trip Mt 4-6 pm Kwik Trip Mt</p>	<p>23 9:00 am AA 6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Social St Andrew Lutheran Church</p>	<p>24 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed</p>	<p>25 Office Closed</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 ADVENT 1 9:00 am Worship Pr Joyce Sunday School and Adult Forum to follow worship</p>	<p>28 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:00 pm Dartball: GSLC @ Covenant Turtles 7:00 pm Mon Nt AA</p>	<p>29 9:00 am LWR Quilters</p>	<p>30 MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP 5:30 pm 9:00 am AA 9:00 AM Wed AA 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephens 6:00 pm Shepherd Strings 7:00 pm Adult Choir OFFERING COUNT</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH * COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

Call to Order & Attendance

6:34 pm – **Present:** Josh Stumpner, Chad Majewski, Jenny Samperisi, Corey Toth-LaPointe, Laurie Sturzenegger, Mike Sturzenegger, Cheryl Rocheleau, Shelly Ellenbecker. **Not Present:** MJ Horvat

Gathering Litany

Corey Toth-LaPointe

God's Word

Devotional Time – Chad

Where have you seen God's work lately – ALL shared their experiences

Review/Approval

- Agenda Review/Approval (MSC: Cory/Laurie)
 - Added "Options" discussion as topic #2
- July Minutes Review/Approval (MSC: Laurie/Jenny)

Treasurer/Financial Report

- (MSC: Laurie/Mike)
- Cory presented monthly report

Our Response to the Word

2023 Budget

- Still being worked on
- Does NOT include new pastor salary
 - Need this to be able to begin to call a new pastor

Options Moving Forward

Confirmation

- Will be doing jointly with Immanuel Lutheran
- Pastor Niveen Sarras will be leading

Pastoral Recruitment

- Options being looked at are calling our own pastor, sharing a pastor, calling a pastor with another congregation(joint), using a pastor from another congregation that currently has two

Wednesday Services

- Decision made to discontinue these services
 - Attendance low and doesn't make sense to pay a pastor to preach

Stewardship

- Meeting was held Sept. 13th. (Dori, Angie, Josh)
- Discussion on Theme
- Discussed Goal of finding a new pastor

Sale of Unused Items

- Puppets
- Chad has pictures and needs to get to Jenny

Trunk or Treat

- Oct. 28th, 2022
 - Work in progress, local business have been invited

- Looking to host meeting after service on Oct. 2, 2022
- Informational meeting to inform members and answer questions

Harvest Host

- GSLC is signed up and now appear on the Harvest Host website (<https://harvesthosts.com/>)
- Mike is the lead contact for now

Communion

- Will hold 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month
- If we have a pastor, we will have communion

Kartika Update

- Work Visa paperwork is completed

Committees Needed

- MSP Committee – 6 total members, only 2 can be from Council
 - Need congregation members to help out

Email Changes

- PK's email has an out of office and will be turned off in the near future
- Council has established an email address, churchcouncil@gswausau.org
 - Please use to ask questions, raise concerns, or share something good!
 - We will review these at each month's Council meeting if deemed appropriate.

Tabled

- Involvement with Riverview Elementary
- Good Shepherd Constitution review, update, amendment(s)
- Strategic Planning
- Re-start the visioning work that we had begun toward the end of last year

Action Items

- Trunk or Treat
- Engaging our congregation
- Town Hall Meeting

Prayers of the Church/Lord's Prayer

- I. The Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned 8:01 pm (MSC: Cory/Laurie)

Respectfully submitted by Chad Majewski, council Secretary

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	\$14,009	\$25,166	\$21,327	\$24,494	\$17,619	\$22,938	\$16,250	\$14,230				\$173,077
Expense	\$22,316	\$36,463	\$24,828	\$20,373	\$28,267	\$24,001	\$27,704	\$21,677	\$23,985				\$229,615
Total	(\$5,273)	(\$22,454)	\$338	\$954	(\$3,773)	(\$6,382)	(\$4,767)	(\$5,427)	(\$9,755)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$56,538)



On *holy* *night,* *the stars are brightly shining.*

**GOOD SHEPHERD
HOLIDAY
BAZAAR**

November 12, 2022 9 AM to 1 PM

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

930 Edgewood Road Wausau WI 54403

Crafts Baked Goods-Cookies, candies, and
eggrolls, breads, etc.*

Homemade Soups by the Quart

*Silent Auctions Featuring Handcrafted Quilts
and various baskets*

Drawings will be held December 4th after church service

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. JOHN 1:9 (NIV)*

DESIGNED BY: [unreadable]