



930 Edgewood Road Wausau, WI 54403
(Change Service Requested)

OCTOBER: 2026

OCTOBER Officials

OCT. 4: PR. NICOLE BENKE-WELKE

OCT. 11: PR. DAN SIRE

OCT. 18: PR. NICOLE BENKE-WELKE

OCT. 25: LAY LED: CARIE TRUCKEY

PS...remember to turn back the clock, Sat. night Oct. 31!

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

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JOIN US FOR LIVE WORSHIP!

SUNDAYS @ 9:00 AM

WEDNESDAYS @ 5:30 PM

ONLINE WORSHIP AVAILABLE

LOCATED IN OUR YOUTUBE ARCHIVES

BLESSING OF PETS OUTDOOR WORSHIP

10-4-26

REFORMATION SUNDAY

10-25-26

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

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 here)

Fall Music Ministry

Mondays @ 5:30 pm: Shepherd Strummers (Ukulele choir)
Tuesdays @ 10:00 am: Shepherd Strings (String orchestra)
Wednesdays @ 6:30: Shepherd Ringers (Handbell ensemble)
Wednesdays @ 7:30: Good Shepherd Choir

Questions? Talk to Kartika
or email kartika@gswausau.org

Come as you are!

We are celebrating All Saints Day on November 1st. If you have a loved one who died between 11-5-25 and 10-28-26 and you would like them to be recognized, please submit their name to the office by 10-28-26.

NOVEMBER 1

ALL SAINTS
SUNDAY

OCTOBER 25

REFORMATION
SUNDAY

WEAR RED!



OCTOBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Please note: schedule changes are still occurring post publishing and may not be updated here.

	OCTOBER 4	OCTOBER 11	OCTOBER 18	OCTOBER 25
Presiding Minister	Pr. Nicole (pet blessing)	Pr. Dan Sire	Pr. Nicole Behnke-Welke	Lay: Carie Truckey
Assisting Minister	Paul Grewe	Jenn Holcomb	Andrew Walters	Julie Yandell
Reader(s)	Alicia Herrera	Kyiah Walters	Jeff Gosch	Rick Lohr
Greeter 1	K Toth	Bonnie Anderson	Barb Denfeld	Susan Mazique
Greeter 2	Helen Vance	Karen Maier	Jean Korpela	Adam Pleuss
Usher 1	Marty Krahn	Tim Holcomb	JoAnn Grewe	Hank Pleuss
Usher 2	Greg Behrendt	Josh Stumpner	Paul Grewe	Andy Heise
Communion assistants	Jill Falkowski Bobbie Salzman	Mindy Schuette Mike Sturzenegger	Alicia Herrera Kay Walters	TBD
Altar Guild	Jill & Robin Falkowski	Jill & Robin Falkowski	Jill & Robin Falkowski	Jill & Robin Falkowski
Coffee Hour	Team 1	Team 4	Team 2	Team 5

Come, eat with us and dwell in the Word together at

DINNER CHURCH

Wednesdays at 5:30pm

930 Edgewood Road, Wausau, WI 54403

October

Noisy Offering

Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry

Funds collected this month will help to provide perishable and non-perishable items. Good Shepherd opens this pantry once a month but also helps those in immediate need. This ministry is grateful for all the support shown. 2

Pastor Nicole's Nuggets for Thought:

It is no mystery that fall has arrived. We have had days filled with nice warm sun, cool rain, wind, and everything in between. As I have driven to church over the last week or so I have noticed the leaves changing colors in a manner that almost seems like they change right before my eyes. There is such beauty and awe that is found in creation.

Every year at this time, beyond the beauty that surrounds us in new ways, there are so many fun activities. We just took a trip to the apple orchard, and a pumpkin patch is on the horizon. Carving pumpkins is one thing that we always did as children, and we continue to do as a family. We have done carving competitions, used stencils, painted them, the whole gamut. This year I extend this way of carving out to you and maybe it is just one of the pumpkins that you carve or just a way to pray during this time of year as maybe you reflect on the last time you carved a pumpkin.

It is the Pumpkin Prayer. In this prayer you carve the pumpkin as you pray and it shares how to carve it.

PUMPKIN CARVING PRAYER

Dear God,
As I carve my pumpkin help me say this prayer:

Open my mind so I can learn about You;
(Cut the top of the pumpkin)

Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do.
(Clean out the inside)

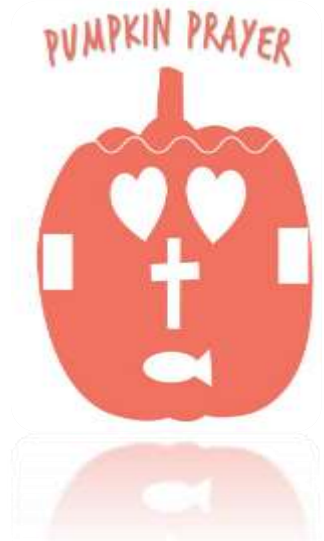
Open my eyes so Your love I will see;
(Cut the eyes out in heart shapes)

I'm so sorry for turning up my nose to all you've given me.
(Cut a nose in the shape of a cross)

Open my ears so your word I will hear.
(Cut the ears shaped like the Bible—we did rectangles)

Open my mouth so I can tell others You're near
(Cut the mouth in the shape of a fish)

Let Your light shine in all I say and do! Amen.
(Place a candle inside and light it)



(You can attach a tag with Matthew 5:16 on the stem if you desire or sing This Little Light of Mine as a family.)

*"In the same way, let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."*

- Matthew 5:16 (NRSVue)

Sunday School has kicked off Join in @ 10:15 am

We are so excited to welcome you and your children to an exciting year! You can still register and join in the excitement.

All children
4k-5th grade are WELCOME!

We will gather from
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



Let's just go!

Blessing of the Pets

Indoor / Outdoor Worship Service at
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

RAINDOWNSHINE



This Sunday

October 4 @ 9 am

All Well behaved pets are welcome!
Bring your lawnchairs and dress for the weather.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Welcomed New Disciples In Ministry

Sunday, September 13, 2026

The following Disciples
formalized their
membership in February.
We look forward to
celebrating them this
morning!

Clarice Aarthun
Buck & Linda Birkholz
Emma Janke-Buckli
Mark & Melinda Haase
Rick & Joyce Lohr

New Disciples

Pr. Nicole & Nicolle Behnke-
Welke and Thomas
Pat Drews
Dakota & Allyson Osborn
and Eloise
Carolyn Schelling
Daniel Zinsmeister



We ask God's blessings for them
as we step forward in ministry partnership!

Confirmation -

Wednesdays 5:30 -7 pm
Includes Dinner Church
Come hungry 🍽️

Confirmation meets Wednesdays, 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 will meet every Wednesday starting
with dinner church and moving into
instruction afterwards. If you are newly
registering, please come with health
insurance info, student's birth date and
student's baptism date.

Feel free to call Tim Holcomb (715-212-
3633) or Jennifer Holcomb (715-581-5516).



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Blood Drive

930 Edgewood Rd

**Thursday, October 22, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Good to schedule an appointment.



Come to give blood Oct. 18-Nov. 22 for a \$10 Amazon Gift Card by email PLUS earn 200 bonus points toward exclusive Donor Rewards! See rctblood.org/Make for details.



1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

Marty Bus Outreach Taskforce Meal

Formerly held on River Drive-now held at the Hmong American Center on north 6thSt.

Volunteers from Good Shepherd prepared and served a chicken dinner to 87 individuals on September 4. Going forward, our team of volunteers would like to serve one day a month. If you would like to support this important outreach, watch for wish lists of meal ingredients needed, or contact the office if you would be interested in volunteering time cooking or serving. The next date is Wed. October 21. The team arrives at 10:45 to serve from 11 am-2 pm. The vision is to build a couple 4 person teams to alternate months.

Riverview Neighborhood Meeting

Thur. 10-22-26 @ 6:30 pm

Winter Prep Lawn Care

Fall is a busy time for winterizing, especially cleaning up sticks, pinecones and needles. We have a team of folks who tend to the lawn cutting but could really use a hand with picking up the items that are too big to be swept up by our cyclone sweeper.

If you would like to join our yard crew for a one-time effort or get into a rotation, contact Marty: 715-297-6449

GSLC has been feeding people!

Maggie's Pantry

Maggie's Pantry was a flurry of activity on Mon, Sep 28. Many hands helped to coordinate, serve and assist the dispersal of food to 101 families / 400 individuals. The next date is Oct. 26. 2-5 pm.

DARTBALL: October 2026

OCT. 5: ST MATTHEW RANGERS @ GSLC
OCT. 12: GSLC @ ST MARK BEAVERS
OCT. 19: ST PAUL PACKERS @ GSLC
OCT. 26: GSLC @ ST STEPHEN SAINTS

CSA Produce Box

On Tue, Sep 29, 44 boxes of beautiful produce were distributed within 20 minutes. There are 3 dates scheduled for October. October 6, 20 & 27, starting at 3 pm.



Hearts were full and memories abundant on Saturday, September 19, at Waypost Camp of Crossways Ministries. Waypost has long been the catalyst that brought youth and young adults into focus with their budding faith lives. While laughter and tears mixed freely, the gratitude for Waypost and its forever place in countless hearts of central Wisconsin Lutherans will be a forever favorite. Thank you God for those choosing lives of ministry because of this place and camping ministries.



CALLING EVERYONE!! Mark your calendars for Saturday night, October 31 (4-7 pm). This is a HUGE Good Shepherd Outreach project which is on Halloween this year. There will be something for **EVERYONE!!**

We are planning to have Trunk or Treat outside and a free open house style meal. This annual event has drawn more and more neighbors every year. Riverview is a heavily trafficked neighborhood so we will want to be ready for the crowds!

We will need trunks, decorators, activity facilitators, meal servers, clean up, hospitality, MC and lead up administrative help. Watch for sign-ups in the narthex or call the office for details. YAY, we're havin' a party, and everyone's invited!!



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✓ **Members can act sooner**

BEFORE Choice Dollars accrued over time	NOW Available in full at the start of the year
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All 2026 Choice Dollars are available to direct now. Encourage members to act today.

✓ **Intuitive calendar year**

BEFORE Directions due by Mar 31	NOW Members can direct anytime through Dec 31
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Support for your mission when it matters most — anytime during an intuitive calendar year.

💰 **EFT deposit date change**

Electronic fund transfers will now be issued on the **10th** of the month (or next business day). Instead of the 5th. Please share this with your finance person.

ACTION REQUIRED

Confirm Your Organization's Information

ORG NAME Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	THRIVENT ID 504745310
EMAIL ON FILE angle@gsausau.org	BANK ON FILE PEOPLES STATE BANK *****3445

Four things to verify now

- Your catalog listing**
Check your organization's description in our Thrivent Choice catalog at [Thrivent.com/organizations](https://thrivent.com/organizations)
- Your landing page**
We've updated our catalog experience. Bookmark your new landing page URL.
- Email address**
Confirm the email shown above is active and monitored. If 'None' is listed, please provide one.
- Bank account**
Verify your account on file for EFT deposits shown above is accurate.



To request updates, complete our form at bit.ly/orgupdateform or scan this QR code.

Something special is coming...

Giving Tuesday • Dec 1, 2026

Thrivent has something exciting planned. Now is the perfect time to ensure donors and members can easily find your organization, and funds can reach you without delay. Details coming soon.

Holiday "Fall" Bazaar Baskets

It's time to start thinking about the holiday bazaar. Your help would be so appreciated! Raffle baskets are helpful fundraisers. Now is the time to start planning your basket theme! They can be dropped off anytime starting November 1, where they will be displayed and tickets can be purchased. There will be a special fellowship time Sunday, November 29th when winners will be announced after worship during brunch. See Lorraine Beyersdorff for all details regarding participation with the bazaar.

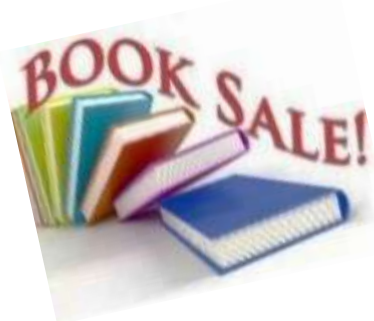


Corks n Covers Booksale @ the Holiday "Fall" Bazaar

Booksale will be Saturday and Sunday November 14 & 15.
This is our annual call to steward your books to the next reader!

You can bring your new, new to you and gently used literature throughout October.
Books can be stored in the library. Watch for details for setup.
If you have questions, contact Bonnie Anderson @ bonhealthcorner@yahoo.com.

Puzzles & games accepted as well ☺



GOOD SHEPHERD

Lutheran Church

Fall Bazaar

Saturday, November 14 * 9-12 pm

Sunday, November 15 * 10-12 pm

- **Variety of Homemade Baked Goods, Pies, Cookies & Other Treats**
 - **Homemade Egg Rolls**
 - **Homemade Soups by the Quart or Pint**
- **Vendors will have craft tables of Homemade Treasures**

Special hand carved wood including Santas, beautiful painted birds and animals, home sewn specialties, bird feeders, fishing baits, special soaps for stocking stuffers & other unique items

- **Corks n Covers Book Sale**

Tickets for a Handcrafted Quilt and various baskets

Additional quilts up for bids (Pieced and donated intricate treasures)

***Drawing: Sunday November 29th
following worship with a potluck brunch to begin the season of Advent***

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

930 EDGEWOOD ROAD WAUSAU, WI 54403

We are in need of:

Soups * Baked goods *
Crafters/ Vendors * Craft Items
* Books * Helpers * Shoppers *
Advertisers
and Silent Auction Baskets
which can be brought starting
November 1st.

Contact Lorraine to
find out more:

715-370-1784

P.s...there have been visions of
including a rummage space.
Feedback is welcome!



OCTOBER Birthdays

OCTOBER Anniversaries

- 4 Barb & Aaron Baumann
- 4 William & Theresa Bootz
- 14 Wayne & Tama Gehrke
- 17 Clyde & Marlene Babcock



UPDATES & INFORMATION SHARING

- We would love to hear from you if:
- Your birthday and anniversary dates have not been on the newsletter list.
- You have updated your phone, email or address.
- You are in the hospital or had recent housing changes into assisted or nursing homes.
- If you are homebound and give permission for your address to be shared on this page in the newsletter for letters or visitors.

*For all of these, we are not automatically notified.
THANK YOU FOR HELPING!*

- 3 Baley Berndt
Travis Berndt
Lee Ann Gallagher
- 4 Ken Martell
Andrew Walters
- 5 Marty Krahn
- 6 Tama Gehrke
Natalie Stumpner
- 8 Charles Schwede Jr
- 9 Barbara Denfeld
- 11 Charlotte Doering
- 12 Greg Behrendt
Grace Burch
Haley Klinger
Hank Pleuss
Yvonne Schepp
- 13 Madalyn Bartz
- 14 August Elmergreen
- 16 Ava Marie Clendenning
Keith Samperisi
- 17 Ben Merkey
- 18 Robert Barofsky
- 19 Cyrus Bootz
- 22 Larry Korpela
- 24 Cynthia Weinkauff
- 25 Dale Schwede
- 27 Ruth Henkelman
Conner Mattice
- 28 Tyler Guldán
Diane Schmidt
- 30 Richard Burch
Lisa Clendenning
Malory Smith
- 31 Ron Fritz

GOOD SHEPHERD

LUTHERAN CHURCH

930 EDGEWOOD RD
WAUSAU, WI 54403
(715) 675.1997
info@gsausau.org

Office Hours:
MON-THU

9:30 am-4:00 pm

Fridays to be determined
After October 13.

Sunday Worship @ 9 am
Wednesday Dinner church @ 5:30 pm

Online Worship Available
go to
GSLC Wausau WI on Youtube,
www.gsawausau.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

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Treasurer

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI

Church Council Meeting Minutes: September 8, 2026

Call to Order & Attendance (meeting led by Vice President, Stephanie Martell)

6:31 pm - Present: Lorraine Beyersdorff, Jennifer Holcomb, Marty Krahn, Stephanie Martell, Josh Stumpner, Mike Sturzenegger, Andy Walters. **Not present:** Craig Netzer, Laurie Sturzenegger, Marjorie Viergutz

Gathering Litany

God's Word

Devotional Time: Andy Walters (October: Marty Krahn) - From 1 Peter 5:7 - "Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you!" As Christians, our strength is in letting go, not in holding on!

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: Walters/M Sturzenegger**)

August Treasurer/Financial Report

Group reviewed financials - Contributions for August were \$18,456 (compared to budget of \$18,260). Expenses for August were \$19,704.10. Please see the Treasurer report for more details.

Motion to Accept Treasurer Report as amended to include corrected August expense numbers (MSC: M Sturzenegger/Beyersdorff)

Our Response to the Word

Standing Agenda Item

Updates from the Office Team:

Pastor Nicole Q2 meeting summary:

- A) Dinner church has moved to Wednesdays; sign-up sheet is available for members to provide a main course for meals (pizza is an acceptable alternative if needed); other attendees bring a dish to pass;
- B) Pastor Nicole would like to observe a Council meeting in the future to better understand how the team works; discussion ensued regarding recording meetings vs Office team asking for further information from the Executive Team as needed;
- C) Budget information/training is desired - will arrange with Pr Nicole;
- D) Stewardship - focus on return of pledge cards.

Kartika's notes: update name of this section to "Updates from the Office Team"; desire has arisen to return to "I Give Online" cards being available; more training is happening for live-streaming; discussion about adding a PowerPoint to live church in the sanctuary (seems like the timing is not right for this).

Current Agenda Items

- 1) Fall Events - schedule and needs - reviewed from August minutes; no needs were voiced at this time; note that Thanksgiving week service will be held on TUESDAY this year!
- 2) Portico Benefits recommendation for 2027 (deferred to email communication).
- 3) Property updates: electronic sign (no update available), window washing (still working on), security doors (update has been done), donated furniture (working on)
- 4) Name Tags - working on printing/preparation process
- 5) Future Planning: team being assembled to look ahead at the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) and a future call process; consider working with synod resources to focus on updating Good Shepherd's 'vision'.

- 6) Office Hours Schedule - request to continue with the office being closed on Fridays (as is done during summer hours); further information will be gathered and will be brought back to the October Council meeting; until the October Council meeting, the office will remain closed on Fridays.
- 7) Church Directory - seeking a volunteer to lead this effort (recommendation to bring an announcement to a Sunday service to gauge potential interest); Laurie has a connection to another church using a specific directory service and will provide feedback on their experience.
- 8) Budget Process introduction - budgeting needs to begin soon!
- 9) Advertisement offer -Council determined we are not interested in a print ad at this time.

Sending Litany and Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at **8:01pm (MSC: Krahn/Walters)**

Noisy Offering Plan:

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) October: Welcome team & bags/Evangelism
- 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”

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Holcomb

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Secretary

Treasurer Paul's Page / Financial Snapshot:

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	\$18,456.76					\$311,329.75
Transfer Inc	\$831.00	\$448.00	\$420.00	\$625.00	\$470.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$945.00					\$4,399.00
Expenses	\$23,152.81	\$22,391.54	\$22,661.81	\$26,367.67	\$27,304.69	\$19,799.41	\$56,451.94	\$19,704.10					\$217,833.97
Total	(\$6,346.03)	(\$13.89)	\$17,196.77	(\$7,806.69)	(\$5,966.00)	\$6,137.62	\$94,995.34	(\$302.34)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$97,894.78
% +/- average	-0.4%	18.8%	101.1%	-16.6%	-3.4%	52.5%	746.4%	-0.9%	-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	\$64,537.82	\$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%	

**Treasurer's Report
August 2026
Council Meeting
September 8, 2026**

Contributions / "Total Income"

- Total for August was \$18,456 compared to the budgeted amount of \$18,260.
- For the year, total contributions of \$305,244.15, \$ 49,832 over budget which is \$255,412.

Expenses for the month were \$19,471 compared to \$20,746 budgeted or \$1,275 under budget. For the year \$217,770 compared to \$232,294 budgeted which is \$14,523 under budget for the year.

- Mortgage – New monthly amount of \$1,340.59 after refinancing.
- Benevolence – None for the month. That should catch up next month. Also, for the year, total of \$8,034 versus budget of \$12,770. This should also catch up next month when it is based on the recent legacy gift received.
- Pastoral salaries - \$60,596 versus \$69,061 budgeted, still from bridge paster not starting right away in January like budgeted for.

For the month, 'ordinary income'/deficit of \$1,247 compared to the budgeted deficit of \$4,609 or \$3,361 better than budgeted. For the year \$93,559 of net income compared to \$23,718 budgeted or \$69,841 above budget.

Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry received donations of \$2,694 for the month with \$1,918 spent. Remaining funds available of \$4,109 at the end of August.

Checking accounts / Assets

Checking account at \$131,371. \$32,500 was moved from money market to checking in July to cover the parking lot project, now moved \$32,500 back to money market this month. Overall assets about the same as prior month. Another \$15,000 should be moved to a new CD this month from operating checking.

Paul Jauch, Treasurer, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



New Member / Rally Sunday



GOOD SHEPHERD OCTOBER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 OFFICE CLOSED	3 8 am -12 pm LWR Quilt Delivery
4 9:00 am Blessing of Pets / Outdoor Worship Pr. Nicole Behke- Welke presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum Fellowship Hour Sunday School	5 5:30 pm Shep. Strummers 7:00 pm DARTBALL: St. Matthew Rangers @ GSLC	6 9:00 am LWR Quilters 10:00 am Shepherd Strings 3:00 pm CSA Produce box distribution	7 5:30 pm Dinner Church / Confirmation 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir Pr. Nicole- in office all day	8	9 OFFICE CLOSED Pr. Nicole- Work from home	10
11 9:00 am Worship Dan Sire presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum Fellowship Hour Sunday School	12 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 7:00 pm DARTBALL: GSLC @ St. Mark Beavers Pr. Nicole- in office	13 9:00 am LWR Quilters 10:00 am Shepherd Strings 6:30 pm Council Mtg	14 5:30 pm Dinner Church / Confirmation 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT Pr. Nicole- in office all day	15	16	17
18 9:00 am Worship Nicole Behnke-Welke presiding 10:15 am Adult Forum Fellowship Hour Sunday School God's Work Our Hands 3:00 PM Wausau symphony @ First Presbyterian Church	19 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 7:00 pm DARTBALL: St. Paul Packers @ GSLC Fall Conference: Pr. Nicole & Kartika out	20 9:00 am LWR Quilters 10:00 am Shepherd Strings Fall Conference: Pr. Nicole & Kartika out 3:00 pm CSA Produce box distribution	21 5:30 pm Dinner Church / Confirmation 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir Kartika & Pr. Nicole- Back for worship	22 1:00 pm Blood Drive 1:30 pm Corks-n- Covers @ Riverlife Community Rm 6:30 pm Riverview Meeting	23 Lay School 6:00 pm	24 Lay School 9:00 am 7 am-1 pm American Legion District Conference
25 REFORMATION SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship Lay Led: Carie Truckey 10:15 am Adult Forum Fellowship Hour Sunday School	26 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers 7:00 pm DARTBALL: GSLC @ St. Stephen Saints 2:00 pm Maggie's Pantry	27 9:00 am LWR Quilters 10:00 am Shepherd Strings 3:00 pm CSA Produce box distribution	28 5:30 pm Dinner Church / Confirmation 6:30 pm Shepherd Ringers 7:30 pm Shepherd Choir OFFERING COUNT Pr. Nicole- in office all day	29	30 Pr. Nicole Work from home	31 Trunk or Treat 4-7 pm 12