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

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WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS 9:00 am EDUCATION / FELLOWSHIP HOUR 10:15 am Sunday School * Fellowship Adult Faith Forum Bible Study Town Hall Meeting: Moved to April 27 SHARED LENTEN SEASON WORSHIP Wednesdays through Lent @ GSLC: APR 2 & 9, 2025 Noon Lunch Worship: 12:00 pm 5:30 pm Worship / Soup Supper: 6:00 pm HOLY WEEK: 4.13.25: Palm /Passion Sunday @ GSLC 6:30 pm 4.17.25: Maundy Thursday @ GSLC 6:30 pm 4.18.25: Good Friday @ ST STEPHEN Noon & 6:30 pm 4.20.25: Easter: 6:00 am @ SYLVAN HILL 9:00 am @ GSLC

Good Shepherd Gathers for:

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:

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES/ Daily Devotions: lhm.org

DAILY DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE: Christ in Our Home & Portals of Prayer

MUSIC MINISTRIES: APRIL SCHEDULE: No Rehearsals April 21-May 1

MONDAYS: 5:30 pm Shepherd Strummers / 6:30 pm Shepherd Strings WEDNESDAYS: Shepherd Ringers 6:10 pm / Shared / Adult Choir 7:00 pm

READERS: Palm Sunday is April 13. We will be reading the Luke gospel this year and I need quite a few readers for that. Let me know if you are interested and open to read and I will assign you with something!

Maundy Thursday will be held at Good Shepherd this year (April 17). Let me know if you are open and willing to assist. We will be celebrating First Communion then, too, so we may need extra help with ushering. CO leaders, I'm more than happy to assign CO students for this service if they are encouraged to attend!

Thank you! Kartika

| Date | 30-Mar | 6-Apr | 13-Apr | 20-Apr (Easter) | 27-Apr |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Pres. Minister | Lay Led | Pr. Natalie | Lay led | Pr. Nicole | Pr. Nicole |
| Asst. Minister | Jenn Holcomb | Andy Walters | Tim Logemann | Tim Holcomb | Laurie Sturzenegger |
| Reader(s) | Robin Mueller | Diane Peterson | Readers ministry | Olliver Merkey | Pam Bootz |
| Greeter 1 | MJ Horvat | K Toth | Bonnie Anderson | MJ Horvat | Jillian/Liliana J |
| Greeter 2 | K Toth | Barb D | Karen Maier | Jean Korpela | Adam Pleuss |
| Usher 1 | Paul Grewe | Marty Krahn | Jovid Schuette | Laurie S | Hank Pleuss |
| Usher 2 | JoAnn Grewe | Greg Behrendt | Andy Heise | Mike S | Josh Stumpner |
| Communion assistants | no communion | Jill F, Bobbie S | Mindy S, Kay W | Theresa B, Barb D | Jill F, Kris Kamrath |
| Altar Guild | Covered | Kay W, Theresa B | Kay W, Theresa B | Kay W, Theresa B | Kay W, Theresa B |
| Coffee Hour | Netzer's | Kay W, Mary O | Lorraine Egg Hunt | Lorraine Easter Brkft | |

APRIL Presiders

Pr. Matalie Bassett April 6

> Lay Led April 13

Pr. Micale Benke-Welke April 20 & 27

Easter Worship and Breakfast

Mark your calendars for two worship opportunities at 6 am for our annual Sunrise worship at Sylvan Hill and then at 9 am for all the Easter finery! Pr. Nicole will be presiding for both.

There will also be a breakfast served between worship services. If you would like to help Lorraine Beyersdorff and Kay Walters and the Women of Good Shepherd, check in with one of them or the office to find out more!

G A T H E R. Worship

We are in need of some pick up/ delivery service from Festival Foods.

> 4-10 / 4-11: Palms 4-18: Easter Flowers

Check in with Angie in the office for details.



CONSOLIDATION. Task Force

GPS (Good Shepherd, Pilgrim, St. Stephen) Press Release

The congregational task forces on Shared Ministries from <u>G</u>ood Shepherd, <u>P</u>ilgrim, and <u>S</u>t. Stephen (<u>GPS</u>) met on March 18, 2025. Our joint ministries were reviewed, especially in the areas of the Community Outreach Fund and working with the unhoused. The Community Outreach Fund is being established by the 3 GPS congregations for swift reaction to immediate needs of the community, such as support for the unhoused.

Through the task forces, our congregations are participating in a presentation by the Wausau Police force on the unhoused in the community. Presentations are scheduled for Tuesday, March 25th at the Grand Theater and Monday, March 31st at St. Stephen. Both programs are open to all.

The discussions about a questionnaire and accenting the positive have evolved into a list of ministries already being pursued. These GPS Talking Points were discussed and refined to help in our conversations with congregants. An active discussion was held about where we are on this journey as a group of congregations coming together, where we think we are going, and where we expect to be by the end of the year. There was consensus on continuing and expanding our shared ministries.

Our next meeting of the GPS group will be May 20, 2025 at Good Shepherd and an update meeting will be held on April 26th with Synod representatives.

~Your GSP Task Force Team



NOISY OFFERING

Got a bunch of change rattling around in your pocket or purse? We can help you with that via the Noisy Offering! This weekly endeavor collects and directs funds to charitable projects/ groups in the Wausau area. You will see and hear people coming around with jars to collect bills and loose change. It's an easy way to lighten your load and to help worthy organizations, most of which are not included in annual budgets. The Noisy Offering does not take the place of our regular offering. It is simply another way to be God's hands. The recipient of the Noisy Offering changes monthly. Let's make a difference a few coins or dollar bills at a time!

GOOD SHEPHERD TASK FORCE UPDATE...MARCH 25, 2025

The Good Shepherd Task Force once again partnered with the Church Council, met with small groups of congregation members during the town hall meeting time on March 16 to address issues and collect congregants' insights and ideas. Each group reported touching on tough and emotional issues, as well as sharing excitement about the variety of shared ministry opportunities available to us during the Lenten and Easter season. Thank you to those who have taken the time to share thoughts and questions with the representatives of the congregation; your contributions are appreciated!

The GPS (Good Shepherd, Pilgrim, St. Stephen) combined task force met on March 18 at St. Stephen. A Community Outreach Fund, established by St. Stephen's Good Stewards, is a shared ELCA ministry project created to help provide support, quick response and funding for those who are unhoused. A representative from the Wausau Police Dep. Will be offering a presentation on the unhoused situation on March 25 (at the Grand Theatre) and March 31 (at St. Stephen). More details will be coming.

The combined task force groups broke into small groups to discuss future efforts; discussion questions included:

*Where are we at in our journey? *Where do you think we are going? *Where do you see us at the end of 2025?

GOOD SHEPHERD'S





Saturday, May 17 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Sale continues after worship on Sunday, May 18 10:15 am-noon

Located in the Fellowship Hall

Contact the church office for information 715-675-1997

THANK YOU!!!

To the Tom Domka Family for donating the famous and beautifully homegrown assortment of tomatoes and potting plants!

LOOKING FOR HELPERS SATURDAY & SUNDAY!

Funeral: Phyllis Baumer March 1, 2025 Pr. Gail Sowell officiatina



G A T H E R. Ministries & G R O W. Faith Formation

Calling New Members!

Spring is coming and so is the time to celebrate new beginnings. We are aware of several families interested in formalizing membership. This is great news! If you have questions or want to get onboard, contact the office so we can plan and celebrate!

Communion Instruction

Last call...If you are interested in learning more about Holy Communion. Instruction is scheduled on Saturday April 12, 1-4 pm at St. Stephen with Pr. Karoline providing the instruction. Students will have the opportunity to make a communion chalice at Clay Corner to be used in worship at Maundy Thursday worship as well as participating in making the communion bread as part of the class activities. This is joyfully available for all ages! First Communion Milestone will be shared at Maundy Thursday worship on April 17th at Good Shepherd .

Confirmation

Confirmation class schedule: April 2 & 9 @ GSLC No class on Wed. April 16 April 23 & 30, classes will resume at 5:30 pm at St. Stephen.

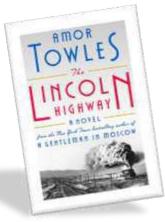
Save the date: Sunday, May 18 Affirmation of Baptism!

Adult Forum

Will not be meeting Easter Sunday, April 20 or the 27th. The Town Hall Meeting is rescheduled for the Sunday after Easter!

Sunday School

The last day of Sunday School will be Sunday, May 11, 2025.



Corks n covers

Thur, April 24 1:30 pm

Riverlife Apartment Community Room

Book: THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY

by Amor Towles

RSVP PLEASE To: Bonnie Anderson 715-551-6975

bring a friend!

dear Howard, I want to skank you for the box of stamps you and your freends from Good shepkerd Lutteran sent us. yesterday I worked on the box and was so pleased with the adviset cutting & trimming of the stamps, about 14" around. There are many of us Volunteer here in allardo Row working in the stamp room. He trin, sort and then prepare them for Sellize either on EBay or to Collectors waiting for them. Last year the sales weeve down \$15,000 that we contributed le Vible traselation projects. This year we expect to dosate more to the 5 New tritament starts in taden Europe x Widdle East. These are to people graups who never trave had the bible in their heart langeage. Please express our thanks to your friends and continues + send stanips when punible. Sinierely; Sena Setattmille CBUR OWN CHOWARD DREBENSTEDT HAS BEEN COLLECTING STAMPS FROM OUR OFFICE AND OTHER

WE COLLECT THEM ALL! POSTAGE STAMPS * EYEGLASSES INK CARTRIDGES * XMAS LIGHTS

G 0. Work of the Church

VOLUNTEERING 102

Volunteering – Finding the Right Fit and Getting Started

April is recognized as National Volunteer Month and as part of the Lenten message of reaching out to help others, we are offering the services of a "Volunteer Advisor" to make it easier to get started. Throughout the month of April, Tony Omernik, retired Director of the Retired and Senior Volunteer program has offered to meet with you and provide personalized assistance in helping you identify and find the type of volunteering that is the best fit for your time, talents and interests. Tony will meet with you individually and help you narrow down the community volunteer options that are the best fit. He will then help connect you with that organization if you decide you want to take the next step. No commitments, just a time to explore and learn if there is a volunteering opportunity that you would enjoy and find meaningful. Contact the office or Tony direcly (715-432-2079) for more info or to schedule a time to meet. This program is provided by Tony Omernik who has spent his working career in the nonprofit sector and volunteerism.



GOSPEL TLC

April

NOISY OFFERING

Their Mission:

The Gospel TLC will provide a faith-based, long-term, life-transforming program that will address key needs within our community:

- Addiction
- Housing
- Workforce Development
- Belonging

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BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday May 1 * 1-6 pm For appt call 1-800-redcross 1-800-733-2767 Or Visit redcrossblood.org

Social Concerns / Women of Good Shepherd, etc...

OUTLETS AND COMMITTEDLY SUPPORTING THIS STAMP

MINISTRY . IT HAS MEANT SO MUCH TO HIM TO BE ABLE TO

ENJOY A HOBBY AND HELP OTHERS SHARE THE HOLY WORD!

CTHANK &OU!

There is a stirring in the air... So many opportunities, needs and dreams are being tossed around for ways to do the things old and new! These are exciting times! Won't you join us as we put our heads together to be Church. You are needed and appreciated!



let's make some

Ukrainian Easter Eggs

Saturday, April 12th 9:30 a.m. at Pilgrim Lutheran Church



A centuries-old tradition, called pysanky in Ukraine, eggs are decorated with patterns and symbols using wax and dye. Materials and instructions will be available at the event, so just bring yourself, your family, and friends.

If you would like to participate, please sign up by Sunday, Mar. 30th.

Because of the use of heated wax, plastic eggs (and no wax) will be used for children.

> A multigenerational shared ministry event of St. Stephen, Good Shepherd, and Pilgrim.

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Wisconsin River Valley Spring Event

Saturday, April 26, 2025

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH 310 S. SUPERIOR STREET ANTIGO WI 54409 715/623-3102 "Therefore, encourage and build one another up, just as you are doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Registration 8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. enjoy morning breakfast treats, beverages and fellowship We will start the meeting at 8:45 in the sanctuary Welcome, Business Meeting, Guest Speaker, Worship and Luncheon will be on the agenda.



Guest Speaker will be Antigo resident Mary Wilhelm. Mary will address her journeys and experiences of Encouraging Women through her work with "Thrive". The

Encouraging Women through her work with "Thrive". The mission of Thrive is to journey with women ministering overseas by providing spiritual resources, transformative experiences, and authentic one-on-one relationships to replenish them as they invest in Kingdom work.

In Kind-gifts: Will go to Cherished Baby Center

located in the basement of First Baptist Church in Antigo. They supply local families in need. Their current needs: Diapers (size 3-6), sippy cups, baby shampoo, baby lotion, baby wipes, diaper rash creams.

During worship an offering will be collected in support of the ELCA Synodical Women's Organization and honorarium for our guest speaker.

Registration Fee is \$15.00 and a form is included (please make copies as needed)

Please make checks payable to: Calvary Lutheran and mail to 310 S. Superior St., Antigo WI. 54409 Deadline for Registration is April 15, 2025

Save the date! Sunday, April 13 EASter DOOOO HUNL Watch for ways Get inpolved !!



COMMUNITY OBFFERINGS BOW THE KNEE-TRINITY LUTHERAN WAUSAU SAT & SUN APRIL 5 (7 PM) & 6 (2:30 PM) ZION EASTON SAT & SUN APRIL 12 (7 PM) & 13 (2:30 PM)

GNCA: A NEW BEGINNING FREE CONCERT-SUN, APRIL 13 Holy Name Catholic Church (3 pm)

APRIL CALENDAR

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | THESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | 8 a t |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| | Election Setup | 1 7:00 am-8:00 pm Dist.6 Spring Election 5:30 pm GSLC Task Force | 2 LENT 4 -Touch 12:00 pm Lunch Worship @ GSLC 5:30 pm Worship @ GSLC/ Confirmation/ Supper to follow 6:10 pm Shep Ringers 7:00 pm Shep Choir | 3 9:00 am LWR Quilters | 4 | 5 HCE Learning Day Building Wide |
| 6 9:00 am Worship Pr. Natalie Bassett presiding 10:15am Fellowship Hour / Sunday School / Adult Forum | 7 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shep Strings | 8 9:00 am LWR Quilters 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg | 9 LENT 5 -Taste 12:00 pm Lunch Worship @ GSLC 1:00 pm Bible Study in Library 5:30 pm Worship @ GSLC/ Confirmation/ Supper to follow 6:10 pm Shep Ringers 7:00 pm Shep Choir | 10 Palms need to be picked up | 11 Lay School | 12 Lay School 9:30 am Ukrainian Egg Event @ Pilgrim SHARED MINISTRY 1:00 pm Communion Instruction @ St Stephen |
| 13 PASSION/PALM SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship Lay Led 10:15 am Fellowship Hour NO Sunday School/ 10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt 3:00 pm Greater Northern Valley Spring Concert @ Holy Name Cath. Church | 14 5:30 pm Shep Strummers 6:30 pm Shep Strings | 15 9:00 am LWR Quilters 3:00-8:00 pm Kwik Trip 601 In Library OFFERING COUNT | 16 7:00 pm Shep Choir- tentative (if needed) | 17 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:30 pm Worship @ Good Shepherd w/ Communion Milestone SHARED MINISTRY Flower Pickup | 18 GOOD FRIDAY 12:00 pm / 6:30 pm Worship @ St. Stephen No worship @ GSLC SHARED MINISTRY Flower Pickup | 19 |
| 20 EASTER 6:00 AM Sunrise Worship @ Sylvan Hill EASTER BREAKFAST 9:00 am Worship Pr Nicole B. Welke presiding both | 21 OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF EASTER- No Rehearsals | 22 9:00 am LWR Quilters | 23 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephen | 24 1:30 pm Corks n Covers @ Riverlife Community Room 6:30 pm Riverview Mtg | 25 | 26 9 am-3 pm Synod Day @ GSLC 8:00 am WELCA Spring Event @ Calvary, Antigo |
| 27 9:00 am Worship Pr Nicole B. Welke presiding Baptism: Savannah Lynn Ullenbrauck 10:15 am Fellowship Hour Sunday School Town Hall Meeting | 28 6:00 pm Forest Park Mtg | 29 | 30 8:30 am-3:00 pm Homemaker's County Day 5:30 pm Confirmation @ St. Stephen Month End OFFERING COUNT | 1 | 2 | 3 |

APRIL Birthdays

| HAPPY BIRTHDAY |
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- 1 Michael Selby
- 3 Camden Majewski
- 5 Susan Jirgl Evelyn Trapp
- 6 Brandt Schreiber
- 7 Cody Beyersdorff Gary Jarntowski Zuri Woodards
- 16 Jenny GlovinskiStephanie Martell
- 17 Luke Gallagher
- 20 Bev Korpita Chris Petterson
- Pam Daigle 21 Tyler Beyersdorff 23 **Christian Boulanger** Helen Vance Ali Ramthun 24 Jan Bootz-Dittmar 25 Janice Meachen John Sickels 26 Keith Laszewski **Emily Sickels** Jennifer Samperisi 27 Chad Majewski 28 Karen Lakus 29 Kaitlynn Bargender 30 Jarret Miles-Kroening

APRIL Anniversaries

- 11 Richard & Arlene HenkeJames & Kay Walters
- 15 Dave & Brenda Blaubach



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9:30 AM-4:00 PM Monday-Friday (Office Closed 4-21-25)

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)

Dr. Kartika Putri Minister of Worship and Music Office: 715.675.1997 ext.: 103

Angie Huckbody Parish Administrator Office: 715.675.1997 ext.: 101

Brian Wiese Interim Financial Secretary 715.539.6700

> Barb Denfeld Parish Nurse

Paul Jauch Treasurer

Treasurer's Report February 2025 / Council Meeting / March II, 2025

Contributions for February were \$18,532. Compared to the 'budgeted' amount of \$20,833 that shows below by \$2,300. Average giving over the past 3 years has been about \$18,432 so this month is 'average'

As I mentioned last month, contributions don't come in evenly throughout the year. On the attached rolling income/expenses I compared the last 3 years of data to determine what percent on average comes in each month. Using that data, a better comparison for February would be \$20,147 so a little bit better but still below.

I sent revised budgeted monthly data to Pam at Kerber Rose to update for future financial statements to better reflect how the contributions come in each month for better budgeting purposes.

Expenses for the month were \$20,036 which is about \$1,100 under budgeted and showing a loss of \$1,503. After adding in the transfer of \$1511 from the building fund to cover the mortgage payment there was a positive balance of \$7.

| Month ending account balances are: | January | February |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Checking account | \$118,438 | \$116,136 |
| Building fund | \$ 10,273 | \$ 9,053 |
| Work of the Church | \$ 15,918 | \$ 15,941 |
| | | |

Paul Jauch Treasurer

% of total

| Mar-25 Apr-25 | May-25 | Jun-25 | Jul-25 | Aug-25 | Sep-25 | Oct-25 | Nov-25 | Dec-25 | YTD Totals |
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| | 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 |
| | \$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 |
| 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 | \$1,510.86 | \$18,130.32 |
| Transfer Inc | \$1,510.86 | | \$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 |
| Expenses | \$16,108.94 | \$22,136.84 | | | (\$6,699.38) | | \$1,762.10 | | | \$621.53 | (\$7,136.01) | \$8,582.10 | \$3,322.42 |
| Total | (\$1,198.37) | | | | | | | 6.45% | 9.05% | 8.24% | 7.03% | 11.78% | |
| % of total | 6.55% | 9,58% | 8.22% | 11.32% | 7.32% | 7.62% | 6.86% | 0.43% | 9.00% | 0.2470 | 1.0070 | 1111070 | |

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| | 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 |
| | sectores | 001 000 04 | 840 000 74 | 600 400 00 | \$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 |
| Income | \$17,613.90 | \$21.687.81 | \$16,906.71 | \$23,189.80 | | \$19,065.29 | \$20.315.12 | | \$22,180.06 | \$15,865,80 | | \$22,093.53 | (\$5,702.00) | (\$25.42) | \$229,070.71 |
| Expenses | \$17,217,30 | \$25,782.29 | \$18,535.53 | \$17,505.03 | \$20,223.27 | | (\$573.83) | | and the second se | and the second sec | \$3,289,86 | \$16,425,66 | | | \$55,891.40 |
| Total | \$396.60 | (\$4,094.48) | | | \$8,939.11 | \$35,556.97 | | 7.64% | | 7.34% | 7.42% | 15.51% | -2.30% | | 10 |
| | 7 000/ | 0 7/0/ | 6 81% | 9 34% | 11.75% | 7.23% | 7.95% | 1.04% | 0,4070 | 1.04/0 | 1.46.70 | 10.0170 | | | |

% of total 7.09% 8.74% 6.81% 9.34% 11.75% 7.23% 7.95% 7.64% 5.4% *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

| 1 | 1 00 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 | YTD Totals |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | Jan-22 | | | | | \$17,619,44 | \$22,937,68 | \$16,250,28 | \$14,230,43 | \$22,025,00 | \$18,366.17 | \$25,439.10 | \$238,907.10 |
| Income | \$17,043.00 | | \$25,166.00 | | | \$24,001.06 | \$27,704.35 | \$21,677.49 | \$23,984.98 | \$15,961.00 | \$15,542,39 | \$23,092,96 | \$284,211.23 |
| Expenses | \$22,316.00 | \$36,463.00 | \$24,828.00 | \$20,373.00 | \$28,267.00 | | | and the second se | the state of the s | \$6,064.00 | \$2,823.79 | | (\$45,304.13) |
| Total | (\$5,273.00) | (\$22,454.00) | \$338.00 | \$954.00 | (\$3,773.00) | (\$6,381.62) | | | 1 | | | | 1040,004110 |
| Turai | 7.13% | | 10.53% | 8.93% | 10.25% | 7.38% | 9.60% | 6.80% | 5.96% | 9.22% | 7.69% | 10.65% | |
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| Income per mor | th as percent | t of annual tot | al (2022-2024) | . Does NOT in | nclude the ER | C credit in Ju | ne 2023 | | | 0.070(| 7.00% | 40.059/ | |
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| Income per mor Average % | 6.93% | 8.06% | 8.52% | 9.86% | 9.11% | 1.4170 | ne 2023 8.14% \$18.906 | 6.96% \$16,138 | 6.83% \$15.463 | 8.27% \$19,036 | 7.38% \$17.058 | 12.65% \$29,352 | \$232,517 |
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LENT MEAL PLANNING: QUILTERS



ST. STEPHEN BIBLE STUDY AFTER THE FIRST LENT LUNCHEON





UNEXPECTED REUNION @ GORSKI'S CELEBRATING OUR FAVORITE LOUANN



SO MANY WORSHIPERS THAT WE HAD TO RESET IN THE SANCTUARY!

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wausau WI

Church Council Meeting Minutes March 11, 2025

Call to Order & Attendance

6:31 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 - Marjorie Viergutz - from "Devotions from the Garden", on waiting!

Welcome, Emily, to your first meeting!

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

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

• Agenda Review/Approval (MSC: Krahn/Netzer)

February Treasurer/Financial Report

Group reviewed financials - Contributions for February were \$18,532. Expenses for the month were \$20,036 showing a loss of \$1,503. After adding in the transfer of \$1511 to cover the mortgage payment, we saw a \$7 gain for the month. Please see the Financial Report provided. Paul has begun to look at and report each month as compared to the same month in prior years to better understand some of the seasonality of our church's giving (income) and expenses. Thank you, Paul, for your new perspective.

Motion to Accept Treasurer Report as presented (MSC: Martell/Viergutz)

Our Response to the Word

Standing Agenda Items:

Kartika's Korner: no report/urgent needs this month.

<u>GPS Task Force Update</u>: 1) Our response letter was delivered to Immanuel Lutheran Church in reply to their request for merger consideration. 2) Many opportunities are coming up in the Lenten season for 'shared service' experiences, learning more about each other and how we can work together. 3) A few Good Shepherd Task Force members attended a recent townhall meeting at St. Stephen where Pastor Cath Mode shared the same information she shared with GS Council and Task Force members in the past about an organization's (including churches!) life cycle, the change process, and the fact that changes <u>are</u> coming - we just don't know exactly what those changes are or when they will be coming!

Current Agenda Items:

<u>Legacy Gift receipt</u> - from the estate of Jim Nick, an undesignated, sizable gift was gratefully received. Given Jim's love for and personal gift of musical talent, Kartika will be asked to come up with a few ideas to use a small portion of the funds to honor Jim's memory [follow up for next meeting]. Thank you for your generosity, Mr. Nick!

<u>Prospective New Members</u> - brief discussion that we would like to better understand the process for accepting new members and look in the near future to shore up this process as needed. **Motion to proceed with acceptance of new members**, pending draft of letter to be shared with congregational members and the implementation of accountability partnership as per covenant **(MSC: Walters/Beyersdorf)**

<u>Noisy Offering</u> - The following schedule is planned: <u>March</u> - Granite House; <u>April</u> - Gospel TLC; <u>May</u> - Synod Assembly; <u>June</u> - Positive Alternatives. 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!

<u>Finalization of Council Contact List</u> - list was circulated and updates offered; Angie will update master and distribute to Council members. Thank you, Angie!

<u>Stewardship Drive</u> - at the annual meeting, the question was raised about when we should run our next stewardship drive - should we plan something now or wait until fall? Discussion about evangelism (PR-type focus) drive along with stewardship focus. Andy Walters volunteered to be the Council liaison. Thank you, Andy! This effort will begin the planning stages now and will take place later this calendar year.

<u>Resurrecting the Women's Group at GSLC</u> (Lorraine Beyersdorf) - it feels like it's time to bring back the Women's group here! Lorraine is willing to lead this charge, unless another woman would be interested - if so, please talk with Lorraine. Thank you for considering!

Staff Duties Discussion - deferred to the April meeting due to time constraints.

Follow Ups for April meeting -

- 1) Honoring Jim Nick's memory with a special musically-related item/idea
- 2) Agenda item: staff duties discussion

Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

Sending/Motion to Adjourn

• Meeting Adjourned at 8:35pm (MSC: Walters/Netzer)

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Holcomb Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Council Secretary