

December 11, 2016

Worship 10:30 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday, Dec. 11th - 3rd Sunday in Advent/Cookie Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship - Kid's Christmas Pageant
- 2:30-7:00 p.m. Caroling Event & Party
NO RIPPLE or WAVE

Monday, Dec. 12th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare

Tuesday, Dec. 13th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare

Wednesday, Dec. 14th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 1:00 p.m. P.W. Holly Tea (Parlor)
- 2:00 p.m. City Mission Work Day (26th & O St.)
- 5:45 p.m. Worship Team
NO Men's Book Study
- 6:30 p.m. DIVE Bible Study (Room 109)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, Dec. 15th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Friday, Dec. 16th

- 7:15 a.m. Daycare
- 9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast Fellowship
(Village Inn, 66th & O St.) **Note date change.**

Saturday, Dec. 17th

- 2:00 p.m. A. Miller's Recital (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Staff Christmas Get Together
(T. Hostetler's Home)

Sunday, Dec. 18th - 4th Sunday in Advent

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship - Choir Christmas Message
- 4:00-5:00 p.m. RIPPLE Christmas Party
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. WAVE Christmas Party

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church:

"Welcomes you into a place of worship and friendship, where all generations grow together spiritually and strive to be more Christ-like."



ADVENT

Welcome to Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

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Celebration of Worship

3rd Sunday in Advent



*Advent is a season of expectation as we count down the weeks until we celebrate the birth of our savior Jesus on Christmas Day! This Third Sunday of Advent we light the pink Candle of Joy signifying that in the baby Jesus we find true joy. The angels rejoiced, the shepherds rejoiced, and so do we rejoice! John 1:14 "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."
Welcome to worship of the Good Shepherd at Good Shepherd Presbyterian!*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES.....Stan and Sally Docter

*HYMN #9 **"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"** (verses 1 & 2)

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION (Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles to
Kaleyah Keller & Carson Mousel)

BAPTISM of Kambridge Joyce-Alex Trueblood.....Elder Peggy Moeller &
The Reverend Jeff Warrick

Following the baptism the 3-5 year olds may join Peg Moeller at the back of the sanctuary to go for the Activity Time. Note that we have a nursery on the lower level for children 2 and under should any parents wish to take advantage of it.

Hymn #25 **"Away in a Manger"**

Presentation

Profession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Leader: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Ghost?

People: I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy [†]catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. - Amen.

Note: [†]catholic here denotes the whole or universal Christian Church

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Thanksgiving Over the Water

Leader: The Lord be with You.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. . . . - Amen.

The Baptism

*Welcome and Passing of the Peace

OFFERING MUSIC.....Pianist April Barnes

*Hymn of Praise #46 "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" (verses 1-3)

ANTHEM "The Music of Christmas" GSPC Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION.....Liturgists Jean Baker & Pastor Jeff Warrick

Scripture: **Luke 2:1-16** (Pew Bible pgs. 715-716)

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT (presented by the children of GSPC with a special thank you to John Baily & Jen Bailey and Tad Hunt)

*BENEDICTION.....Pastor Jeff Warrick

*Response Hymn #41 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Verse 1)

Note: *Those able to stand are invited to do so.

If you are a guest with us today, please feel free to stop by The Welcome Information Center at the back of the sanctuary to pick up your gift of a Good Shepherd mug. Thank you for joining us today for worship and we hope to see you back again soon!

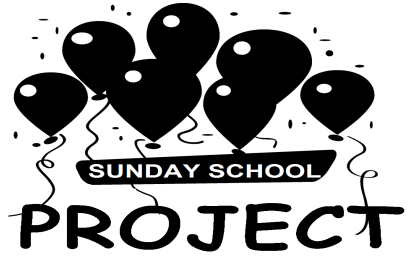
NOTICE: There are hearing assist devices on the usher's table at the back of the sanctuary. They are easy to use. If you need hearing assistance, pick one up and give it a try.

Today's Worship Assistants

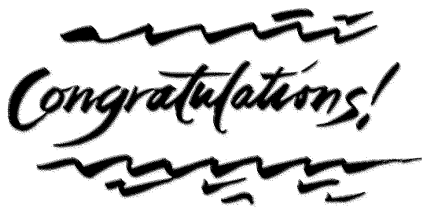
Acolyte.....Addisyn Keller
Ushers.....Gary Heusel, Myles Dymacek, Grayson Lowe, Kevin Weiss
Greeters.....Dorothy Megrue & Dianne Mota
Offering Counters.....Andy & Dawn Bonness



Receiving their 3rd grade Bibles today are:
Kaleyah Keller and Carson Mousel.



Thank you for your generous Thanksgiving donations for the Sunday School adopted family. Because of your donations we were able to provide them with many food items, along with a turkey for their Thanksgiving meal! They are so thankful and appreciative for everything they received. Now, we are looking forward to Christmas. We will again be collecting food items at the back of the sanctuary but would also like to provide them with some Christmas gifts. This year's family is a single mother and her 5 children. On their Christmas wish list they only listed clothing; however, it would be great to get them some other necessities and toys for the kids. There is a list at the back of the sanctuary providing the ages and genders of the kids. If you choose to donate a \$25 gift please add your name to the list and get it to Krystle Anderson.



Congratulations Graduate!

Clara Calkins will be graduating from the University of Nebraska Lincoln in December. GO BIG RED!!

Her future plans include substitute teaching and looking for a full time teaching position for the 2017-2018 school year.

Clara, we wish you all the best in your future endeavors. As you enter the next chapter of your life, remember the words from **Jeremiah 29:11:**

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

The Barnabas store is in need of volunteers. Times to fill are Thursday 9:30 to 11:30 AM to assist in the store during shopping and Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons for sorting and putting up donations. More information can be provided by contacting Vera Karel 402-464-2642.





“HERE WE COME A-CAROLING!”

PLAN TO JOIN US for Good Shepherd's Christmas Caroling event for our home bound members this afternoon. We are meeting at the church at 2:30 p.m. to split into teams to go caroling, and return to the church afterwards for a soup supper. Please bring cookies or a dessert to share. Soup, sandwiches, and beverages will be provided. **Please sign up on the sheet provided on the table at the back of the sanctuary.** ..Cong. Outreach Team & The Seekers

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the individuals in our church who volunteered this past year for activity time! They are: Katie Bonness, Chris Hartley, Peg Moeller and Celeste White, Isaac and John Mousel, Luan Pitsch, Heidi, Makenna and Eli Schmal, Anna Vosicky, and Shealyn, Shelby and Shannon Warrick. This ministry is so important to our children, ages 3 – Kindergarten, and to their parents as it provides a time to worship - and we could not provide that if it weren't for you! At this time we are looking to make our list for next year and would like to have some additional names of individuals who would be willing to be in the rotation. You would be scheduled for activity time approximately 3-4 times a year! If you would consider this ministry please let Joani Szudlo, John Bailey or Rhonda Obermeier know and we would love to add you to our list!



Praises & Prayer Requests

. . . . For those with cancer

Continued prayers for **Luan Pitsch's daughter-in-law, Amanda**, who has been diagnosed with papillary thyroid carcinoma. Thyroid removal surgery was performed and further blood test follow-up will determine any further treatment.

Barbara Karel, granddaughter of Vera Karel, is recovering nicely after surgery on Sept. 23rd. She went back to work, but will be scheduled to start radiation treatments later this month. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers for her and our family. Please continue with prayers as she goes into this next phase of recovery.

Please continue to pray for **Ronda Dix, a friend of Chris Hartley**. She was admitted to the hospital for tests where they found a mass in the side of her brain. Surgery was performed to remove the mass but it was found to be a very aggressive form of cancer. Unfortunately she has been moved to Hospice care and will live out her last days as positively and gracefully as possible. Continue prayers for her and her family

Continued prayers for **Laurie Hedgecock, friend of Sally & Stan Docter**, who is dealing with Stage IV Rectal Cancer with multiple metastases to her liver. Her last two CT scans showed that she is in remission. This is a good thing, however, she's still on chemo via infusion every 3 weeks and oral chemo 7 days on /7 days off. The oral chemo makes her very sick. Please continue your prayers heavenward for **Laurie and her family**.

Continued prayers for healing and strength as my aunt, **Phyllis Meister**, battles cancer.

...**Ashley Gregory**

Please continue to pray for **Cheryl Havener, sister-in-law of Julie Havener**, as she undergoes chemo therapy treatments for breast cancer. Cheryl began chemo treatments in early August and will continue them through the end of the year.

Please continue to pray for **Grace Fry, 9 year old daughter of Jeff & Mandy Fry and granddaughter of Greg & Sharon Schnasse, friends of Alice Miller**, who has been diagnosed with Leukemia. She was sent to Children's Hospital in Omaha and placed on medication that is making her very weak. Pray that she improves and will feel better soon.

Please continue to pray for **Melissa Rogers & Family, friends of Julie Havener**, as she battles a rare and serious cancer. Melissa has chosen not to treat growth of the cancer in her vertebrae and rib bones, but continues to treat existing tumors with a milder form of chemo. Her courage and optimism inspire everyone.

. . . .For those with other health concerns

* Prayers for a **young lady who attends the same violin studio as Shealyn Warrick**. She attempted to commit suicide this week and nearly succeeded. Praises that she is still alive and prayers for **her and her family** going forward.

Continued prayers for **Ed Schnabel** who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Prayers for **Capt. Mark Gaudet**, deployed to Korea, and **his wife, Lindsay, and two young sons** while he is away. Lindsey is the niece of **Lyle & Ivette Bender**.

Continued prayers are requested for **the Andy & Chanel Smriga Family, friends of Anna Hanselmann**, for health and continued strength for their premature daughter, Quinn.

* Prayers for quick healing and successful rehab for **Lila Karthaus** who fell Friday, November 25th, suffering leg injuries. She is at the Madonna Rehabilitation Center, 5401 South St., Room 420A.

Prayers for **Cecil Moreland** who was admitted to Bryan/West Hospital, Room 601. Tests are being conducted to determine what course of action will be taken in his recovery.

Please continue to pray for **Annette Kliewer, Julie Havener's mother and Lindsey Kliewer's grandmother**, who has been struggling with severe back pain. Please pray for relief from the pain and for physical therapy to be successful.

Continued prayers for **Jason Heusel, son of Gary and Karen**, who is continuing ongoing kidney dialysis treatments while beginning the process to undergo a kidney transplant.

Brin Jinright (Freshmen in high school), (**Tammy Mousel's, Supervisor's Daughter**) is doing a little better. She is at home and getting Peritoneal Dialysis at home. On 11/14 she started her Freshman year with the rest of her classmates. At this point she is going for 1/2 the day. In the next week or two she will try going all day as she's able to tolerate it.

Thank-you for the continued prayers and thoughts.

...For those who mourn

Continued prayers for comfort for **Jan Hughes, Dee Hughes, Family & Friends** on the death of Dave Hughes Sunday, November 13th. Services were held at the church, Wednesday, November 16th.

...Praises

Prayers for comfort for the **family and friends of Jackie Meister** who passed away Thursday, December 1st. Funeral services were held at the church Thursday, December 8th.

THANK YOU ALL for the prayers, cards and support that has been given for my mom and our family following the car accident my mom was in. It is always so appreciated. We are blessed to have such great thoughtful caring friends and church family.

...Kris Peterson and Family

THANKS TO THE DEACON'S for the nice bag of goodies. We're enjoying it very much!

...Don & Jo Hobbs

* Indicates new prayer or updated information since last publication.



Elders (Session Board)

Jean Baker (2016)	Congregational Outreach
Jane Basoco (2016)	Worship
Sally Docter (2016)	Building & Grounds
David Hanselmann (2016)	Personnel
Chris Hartley (2016)	Faith in Action
Josiah Anderson (2017)	Building & Grounds
John Bailey (2017)	Christian Education
Gary Heusel (2017)	Worship
Mark Langrud (2017)	Stewardship & Budget
Codie Meehan (2017)	Little Lambs Child Dev. Center
Rhonda Obermeier (2017)	Christian Education
Teri Vosicky (2017)	Congregational Outreach
Peg Moeller (2017)	Clerk of Session
Franklin Reis (2018)	Stewardship & Budget
Bob Pitsch (2018)	Personnel
Tammy Rikli (2018)	Faith in Action
Connie Hilligoss (2018)	Little Lambs Child Dev. Center
Maggie Horak (2018)	P.W. Representative

Deacons - Deacon on Call (Dec. 4th-17th) - Alyce Rae Willey

Paul Bartlett (2016)	Nominating
Thelma Mahlman (2016)	Funerals
Mary Stout (2016)	Meals
Alyce Rae Willey (2016)	Cards/Funerals
Dawn Bonness (2017)	Moderator
Beth Languis (2017)	Vice Moderator
Dorothy Megrue (2017)	Funerals
Marcia Moreland (2017)	Cards/Funerals
Bill Baker (2018)	Funerals
Tim Calkins (2018)	Secretary
Karen Heusel (2018)	New Arrivals
Kay Schwindt (2018)	Treasurer

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Becky Hartley (2017)	Secretary
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Kim Moeller (2018)	Member at Large

Staff

Carole Beach	Adm. Church Secretary
Alice Miller	Choir Director/Pianist
Terry Hostetler	Church Treasurer
Tad Hunt	Director of Student Ministries
Mandi Haumont	Little Lambs Director/Teacher
Sarah Schneider & Miatta George	Little Lambs Teachers
Norma Christiansen, Jessa & Tyler Newby	Little Lambs Asst. Teachers
Maggie Zimmerman	Little Lambs Asst. Teacher
Frannie Calkins	Nursery Supervisor
The Reverend Jeff Warrick	Pastor
April Barnes	Pianist (Sept.-May)
Luan Pitsch	Webmaster