

THE SHEPHERD GAZETTE - July 2016 Edition

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE (Thank you!)

Liturgists

July 03 Vera Karel
10 Dianne Mota
17 Gary Willey
24 Teri Vosicky
31 Tad Hunt

Children's Sermon

July 03 Anna Hanselmann
10 Jen Bailey
17 Pastor Jeff Warrick
24 Dee Hughes
31 Julie Havener

Ushers

July 03 Youth
10 Jim Vosicky & Julie Havener
Larry Bitney & Frank Schmal
17 Stan Docter & Doug Obermeier
John Bailey & Beth Languis
24 Gary Heusel & Grayson Lowe
Myles Dymacek & Kevin Weiss
31 Wayne Worm & Jane Basoco
Larry Eaton & Betty Bartlett

Offering Counters

July 03 Myles & Rose Dymacek
10 Dawn Bonness & Jackie Meister
17 Dave Hughes & Doug Obermeier
24 Lyle Bender & Franklin Reis
31 Stan & Sally Docter

Acolytes

July 03 Mia Rikli
10 Serina White
17 Carson Mousel
24 Kaleyah Keller
31 Ella Bonness

Activity Time

July 03 Chris Hartley
10 Makenna/Eli Schmal
17 Shelby Warrick
24 Luan Pitsch
31 Shealyn Warrick

Greeters

July 03 Cody Meehan &
Sally Docter
10 Gary & Karen Heusel
17 Lucille Smith & T.B.A.
24 Shirley Bradsby &
Virginia Dietz
31 Al & Kay Schwindt

Deacons on Call

June 19-July 2 Dawn Bonness
July 3-16 Bill Baker
July 17-30 Dorothy Megrue
July 31-Aug. 13 Karen Heusel

Cookie Sunday

July 10 Choir
Aug. 14 New Life Bible Study Gr.

*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."*

GREETINGS FROM PASTOR JEFF!

As of this publication of the Gazette, Pastor Jeff was in Portland, Oregon serving as a teaching elder (pastor) commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA on behalf of Homestead Presbytery. Homestead Presbytery is the grouping of PCUSA Churches in eastern Nebraska to which Good Shepherd belongs. Pastor Jeff reports that the election of the co-moderators of the General Assembly was exciting and he was impressed with the skill and spiritual presence with which they answered questions from the commissioners on the floor of the General Assembly. The General Assembly meets every 2 years and is the highest governing body of our denomination. Business of all sorts is considered from the structure of the church organizations, to Presbyterian Mission Agency budget, to theological and polity issues related to our constitution. Pastor Jeff plans to give a brief report in worship June 26th and a full report in the next gazette and to the presbytery at the next meeting.

Some other tidbits of information: There are 594 commissioners gathered in Portland for the 2016 General Assembly in equal numbers of pastors (teaching elders) and ruling elders (non-pastor elders) from all over the country. There are 141 of Young Adult Advisory Delegates as well. On Sunday, Portland area churches hosted the folks attending the assembly for worship and lunch.

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NOTICE: THE SHEPHERD GAZETTE NEWSLETTER

is now being emailed to those who have email addresses and mailed first class to those who don't. If you have an email address and haven't provided it to the church office in the past, please let the office know. The Session agreed that due to the

extended time it takes for bulk mail to arrive in mailboxes after we drop it off, the extra expense involved with our current bulk mail & handling fees, and that it is more environmentally friendly, we will email the Gazette if possible and send via first class to those without regular email access. Also, the latest Gazette can always be found on the church website: www.goodsheppc.org

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A Big Thank You to all who helped with the outdoor clean up last Saturday. Myles Dymacek, Tim Calkins, Ed Hartley, David Hartley, Josiah Anderson, Stan Docter, Paul Bartlett, and Pastor Jeff, you are all greatly appreciated. We are thankful so many of you could come out on a hot Saturday morning. ...Building & Grounds Team



TAD'S TIDBITS.....

I haven't seen the new "Finding Dory" movie, but I have to tell you, I'm excited. I saw "Finding Nemo" in theaters when it came out, and it became one of my favorite movies. One of my favorite scenes in "Finding Nemo" is when all the fish in the ocean are telling each other how Nemo's dad is risking his life fighting sharks and jellyfish, and one of the fish says, "This guy will stop at nothing to find his son." My eyes tear up every time I hear that. The Love portrayed in that scene is the same type of Love God has for us. In Matthew 18:12-14, Jesus says, "What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off. In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish." God rejoices when one of us comes to him, but God leaves his flock and stops at nothing to find the lost. It gives me joy to know that our heavenly father Love's us the same way Nemo's father loved him. I'm not sure how "Finding Dory" will turn out, but I am excited to go see it.

Upcoming Events:

Youth Mission Trip: The youth will be going to Bear Trap Ranch in Colorado Springs from June 26-July 1. Please keep them in your prayers.

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**THANKS to Our
VBS Volunteers!**

VBS "SURF SHACK" 2016

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!!

Thanks to everyone who helped make VBS Surf Shack a success this year. We had 29 children registered this year. Our outreach project was once again The Eastridge Food Pantry. A van load of 445

pounds of items was delivered to the Pantry on Friday following Vacation Bible School. The week ended with the traditional "Hotdog Luncheon". Thanks to those of you who provided the yummy treats for our closing activities! Your time, talents, prayers and monetary donations helped us have another successful and fun filled event. A special thanks to our volunteers for the week who are listed below:

Jean Baker	Dawn Bonness	Bob Basoco	Mikayla Donahoe
Myles Dymacek	Gary Heusel	Karen Heusel	Connie Hilligoss
Dee Hughes	Jan Hughes	Tad Hunt	Grayson Lowe
Chelsea Mc Caskill	Heather Morse	Mackinzie Morse	Rylie Morse
Isaac Mousel	John Mousel	Shawn Mousel	Jason Obermeier
Rhonda Obermeier	Serigo Rikli	Eli Schmal	Anna Vosicky
Laura Warrick	Pastor Jeff Warrick	Shelby Warrick	Celeste White

Your Beach Buddies,

Karen Heusel, Tad Hunt and Rhonda Obermeier



Special Music

SUMMER WORSHIP MUSIC - here are two opportunities to add your voice to praising God through song.

1) there has been a request for a men's group to sing "GOD BLESS THE USA" on July 3. Do you know that patriotic hit? Or would you like to join in? Plan to gather in the choir room downstairs before service on July 3 for rehearsal at 9:25am. You will be inspired by gathering to share faith and patriotism as we sing this inspiring song together.

2) another opportunity for ladies and gentlemen and children and teens to add music to the service on July 10 will be to gather for rehearsal at 9:25 that morning. We will join in singing a familiar hymn in preparation for raising our voices during the worship hour. Summer music slots are quite empty so this is a good time for you to lend your voice. Check the sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

If you have any questions, check with Alice Miller. Thank you for being a part of the worship experience.

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- FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS -

The Friendship Group will meet Friday, July 8th, at 1:00 p.m. at the church. Hostesses will be Lucille Smith and Verneil Shamburg. The program will be presented by Vera Karel on her trip to the Presbyterian Women of the Synod of Lakes & Prairies Gathering in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Dessert will be served and members will be called. Visitors are always welcome. Vera Karel, Moderator



Friendship Group

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Craft Work Day

Is your front door in need of a little summer spruce up? Do you crave a little time to craft with some like-minded individuals? Join us for another Craft Day on Saturday, July 16th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Parlor. We will be painting door art - see examples provided by Terry Hostetler in the

back of the sanctuary. Craft supplies will be provided and cost for each participant will be \$10. Bring your lunch, and a treat to share with the group (crafting can make you hungry!) and be prepared to have a lovely time fellowshiping with members of your church family. Questions? Contact Terry Hostetler, Project Leader or Teri Vosicky, Congregational Outreach Team.



From the Ruth Blecha Library:

Thank you to the following: Kay Schwindt for donating the following books: Journey Through Heartsongs, The Hidden Book in the Bible, God is in the Small Stuff at Christmas; Luann Pitch for What Happens When Women Walk in Faith; and also to an anonymous donor for

A Shelter of Hope.

Additions to the Children’s Library include Author of Liberty, Veggie Tales Veggietown Voyage, Tricertops T Rex, You’re a Rude Pig, Bertie, Young People’s Atlas of the United States.

Twenty-three women read four or more books from the 2015-2016 PW Homestead Presbytery book list.

“A good book is the best of friends.” - English Proverb

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**Faith in Action Lunch & Learn Event:
Sunday July 17th, following the worship service.
Save the date!**

Brian Obermeier & Mikayla Donahoo will share about their mission trip to Trinidad. Please stay for lunch & listen to them tell about their exciting adventure.

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**Come And Enjoy The Day!
At Camp Calvin Crest Annual Quilt Auction
Saturday, August 27th**



10:00 a.m. Quilts on display in the air-conditioned Proett Conference Center, lower level.

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. A BBQ lunch will be served in the dining hall. Adults - \$10; Youth 9-4 years old, \$4; 3 years old & under no charge.

1:00 p.m. Quilt Auction (If you wish to submit a quilt to be auctioned, please submit it to Calvin Crest by Monday, August 1st.)

There, also, will be open swimming, afternoon activities, an evening cookout (freewill offering) and campfire for everyone.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| 03 CELESTE WHITE | 19 MARY STOUT |
| 12 JIM BRENDEL | KENDRA SZUDLO |
| MAGGIE HORAK | 20 BETTY BARTLETT |
| BRYAN MEEHAN | 21 JASON OBERMEIER |
| MARY LOU PHILIPPI | 22 LINDSEY MOTA |
| VERNEIL SHAMBURG | 24 PEG MOELLER |
| 13 ANDREA LANGRUD | PAT WENSEL |
| 16 FRED KOONTZ | 25 CECIL MORELAND |
| JOHN NELLESSEN | 27 BILL RAINEY |
| 19 JEANNE RIPLEY | 30 BARBARA WITTSTRUCK |

**THE FOLLOWING ACTION ITEMS WERE MADE,
SECONDED AND APPROVED AT THE the June 7th,
2016 Session Meeting:**



1. Approved accepting the Bizco bid of \$5921 for the Blue Ray DVD/HDMI video projector upgrade project. To be paid from Foundation's Specific Giving Fund.
2. Approved to begin sending the "Shepherd Gazette Newsletter" electronically to those with an email address and by first class mail to those who don't have an email.
3. Approved CE Team request to allow the Team to approve special campership scholarships.
4. Approved CE Team request to the Foundation for \$1000 seed money to set up an account for a Spiritual Enrichment and Couple Marriage Enhancement scholarship fund.
5. Approved CE Team request to hold a Youth Auction – tentatively November 6th, 2016.
6. Approved Little Lambs Child Development Team request to purchase a Rocking Chair for approximately \$250 to be paid either by request of funds from Foundation Specific Giving Fund earmarked for Nursery/Early Childhood Designation or Operations Fund.
7. Approved Building & Grounds Team request to accept bid of approximately \$1425 to repair the glass in 4 fogged windows (3 in the entryway and 1 by the "Barnabas" window, replace the weather stripping and repair the Astragal in the 4 outside double doors on lower and upper levels. To be paid by request from Foundation funds.
8. Approved the Stewardship & Budget Team request to accelerate the PC USA Loan payoff by paying an additional \$200 monthly - making the monthly loan payment approximately \$2000 per month.
9. Approved Faith In Action request for a Special Offering, if necessary, to help Bethany Wood with expenses for upcoming year.
10. Approved the formation of a Stewardship & Budget sub-committee to begin investigating future building needs and options.



EASTRIDGE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY
From Ken Stading, Food Pantry Manager: We give special thanks "To the Good People of Good Shepherd" for their generous donations so far this year. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

According to Ken, For July, the Priorities are:

EVERYTHING!

Food donations have been way down and needs are way up, so anything you can donate will make a HUGE difference! They need Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Rice, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Crackers, Dish & Hand Soap, Bath Soap, Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Canned Tuna & Meats, Canned Fruit, Jell-O, Candy & Cookies for Kids, Syrup, Pancake Mix, Pudding, Cooking Oil, Box Dinners, Cleaning Supplies, Laundry Soap, Tooth Paste & Toothbrushes, Sanitary Napkins, Deodorant, etc.

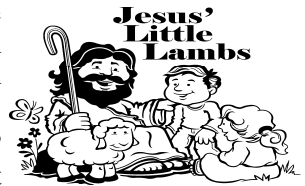
As always, ALL non-perishable food donations are gratefully accepted.

The Food Pantry can always use cash in order to purchase food! If you wish to contribute, make your check out to Good Shepherd and designate it for the food pantry. Checks can be mailed or just put in the offering tray.

Donations of food or money to those in need, is just one more way in which we can serve. Good Shepherd continues to do a great job.

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Little Lambs has some new things on the agenda. Be on the look out for some new info on the bulletin board in the main hall and in the bulletin next month! In the mean time I would like to share this devotion on belonging!



Have you ever felt left out, forgotten or unwanted? Maybe someone in your class had a party and didn't invite you. Or maybe your parents are divorced, and one parent doesn't visit or call you.

Sometimes it can feel like we just don't belong. That's when it's important to remember this awesome truth: We all belong to God's family, and our heavenly Father will never forget us! The Bible says that all the people in the world who love Jesus make up one big family called the Body of Christ.

Think about the many different body parts you have. On a sheet of paper, list or draw some parts of your body, such as ears, hands or eyes. Imagine what might happen if those parts didn't work. The Bible tells us in 1 Corinthians 12:20-21: "As it is, there -are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I don't need you!' And the head cannot say to the feet, 'I don't need you!'"

Just like our body parts work together to make one complete body, every person works together to make one healthy family or community at home, church and school. Here are things we can do to keep our families healthy and show others that they belong.

- If you see someone eating or playing alone, invite her to join you.
- Tell someone you love why he is an important part of your life.
- Do your chores to make your home clean and help your family.

Read Romans 12:4-8, and think of how you can use your special gifts to help others. ..Mandi Haumont, Director

Praises & Prayer Requests

. . . . For those with cancer

Prayers for **Dave Hughes** who began a new infusion cancer treatment for Multiple Myeloma on Thursday, June 2nd. The earlier 2 treatment plans failed to control the cancer.

Continued prayers are requested for **Barbara Karel, granddaughter of Vera Karel**, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. The first of six chemo treatments began Friday, April 29th. She is experiencing some side effects.

Continued prayers are badly needed 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. Please pray for her recovery from surgery, for her encouragement, and for effective treatment to halt and defeat the cancer.

Please continue to pray for **Melissa, a friend and co-worker of Julie Havener**, who is battling a rare and serious cancer. Melissa is continuing alternative treatments and will soon complete scans to determine their effectiveness. She and her family appreciate your prayers!

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**

Continued prayers for **Cheryl Havener, sister-in-law of Julie Havener**, who was diagnosed with breast cancer. Tests are being done to determine stage and severity. Please pray for God's presence to surround Cheryl and her family during this time.

Continued prayers for **Jennifer Somers, daughter-in-law of Mary Stout**, who has been diagnosed with thyroid cancer. Jennifer had surgery Feb. 26th for thyroid and lymph node removal. She has had a radiation treatment and a follow-up test will be done to see if cancer is still present around early September.

. . . . For those with other health concerns

Prayers for **Gary & Alyce Rae Willey's niece, Tami Shay**, who was admitted to the ICU at Mary Lanning Hospital in Hastings, NE in critical condition. Pray for a quick resolution of her problems.

Continued prayers for **Liana Rikli, daughter of Brad & Tammy**, as she recovers from ear reconstruction surgery at home.

Prayers for **Mary Lou Philippi** who is getting over a bout with pneumonia. She was transferred to the assisted living wing of The Landing.

Continued prayers for **Lori Jones** as she recovers from shoulder surgery.

Prayers for healing and medical resolution for **Brin Jinright**, 14 year old girl, (**Tammy Mousel's, Supervisor's Daughter**). Brin was diagnosed with Kidney Failure, 4 weeks ago. This past week, she had to receive a blood transfusion due to her hemoglobin dropping to 6.2 . Doctors and nurses are trying to prevent the need for dialysis, or a Kidney transplant. She is on several medications, one is a cancer medication.

Continued prayers for **Virginia Dietz** who is recuperating at home from a heart attack.

Continued prayers for **Clayton Lowe** for pain relief and normal sleep. Clayton is suffering from amplified pain syndrome cycle which may have resulted from a condition he battled called Parry-Romberg syndrome which is now, thankfully, inactive. Clayton is receiving treatment at a clinic at Children's in Omaha. Prayers also for success at the clinic and for those providing treatment are appreciated.

Continued prayers for **Ethan Langrud, baby son of Mark & Andrea**, as he recovers from heart repair surgery.

Continued prayers for **Franklin Reis** as he recovers from shoulder surgery.

Bob Mohlman wishes to thank everyone for their prayers upon his entry into Hospice Care.

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.

Continued prayers for Anna Hanselmann's friend, **Lee's sister, Lynn**, who is suffering from a failing liver.

... Other praises & prayer requests

Prayers for **Dorothy Megrue's friend, Gay**, whose daughter was killed in a car accident in Kansas.

Praise God for little blessings! Evelyn Bea Rippe was welcomed into the world Sunday, June 5, 2016 at 7:11 a.m., weighing 8 1/2 lbs and 21" long. **Parents: Ashley & Blake Rippe, Grandparents: Deanna Hughes & Ron Kreinbrook; Great-grandparents: Jan & Dave Hughes.** Evelyn is named after her Great-great grandmother, **Evelyn Owens.**

A Big Thank You for all the cards, prayers and visits during and after my recent knee surgery. What a blessing my church family is. ...**Stan Docter**

I Want to Thank All for the cards, calls and visits while I was adjusting to my medications for the heart attack I suffered. They must be working as I'm getting stronger. ...**Virginia Dietz**

Thank you for your ongoing prayers and concern for Ivette Bender's brother, Vet Beyeler, with his health issues. The results of a CT Scan and blood work were very positive. No cancer was found. There are still some old lymph nodes present that should not become cancerous. Vet will have infusion treatment every three months for lymphoma maintenance. Prayers have been answered.



JULY

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>COMMUNION 3</p> <p>10:00 Worship 1:00 Communion to Homebound</p>	<p>Independence Day 4</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>Vacation 5</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p> <p>7:00 Bldg. & Gr. Team</p>
<p>COOKIE SUNDAY >10</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p> <p>7:00 Personnel Team</p>
<p>17</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p>	<p>< Youth 19</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p>
<p>24</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p> <p>Deadline to Submit Articles for August Gazette</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7:15 Daycare</p>
<p>NOISY SUNDAY 31</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p>		<p>7:00 Stew. & Bud. Team</p>

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Independence Day

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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13 7:00 Women's Bk. St 7:15 Daycare 1:30 City Miss. Wk. 5:45 Worship Team	14 7:15 Daycare 7:00 Child Dev. Tm.	15 7:15 Daycare	16 9:00-2:00 Craft Project Day
20 7:00 Women's Bk. St 7:15 Daycare	Triennium 21 7:15 Daycare 7:00 Deacons Meet	22 7:15 Daycare 9:00 Men's Breakfast Fellowship	>23
27 7:00 Women's Bk. St 7:15 Daycare 1:30 City Miss. Wk.	28 7:15 Daycare 7:00 Faith in Action	29	30

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