

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Shepherd's Staff April 2025

## Join us for Wednesday Evening Lenten Services April 2nd & 9th at 7:00 pm

Services are livestreamed on Good Shepherd's facebook page.

A fellowship meal will be served before the services 5:30-6:30 pm

### Holy Week Schedule

#### Palm Sunday - April 13th

Our children will lean a palm processional into the sanctuary.

#### **Maundy Thursday - April 17th**

Service with Holy Communion - 7:00 pm
The elders will host a potluck fellowship meal starting at 5:30 pm
Bring a main dish and a salad or dessert to pass.

#### **Good Friday - April 18th**

Tenebrae services at 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm

#### Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19th

Two area LCMS churches will be hosting multi-congregational Easter Vigil services this year.

Grace Lutheran Church in Fairgrove, and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Marlette. Pastor Bagnall will participate in leading the service in Marlette. Both services will begin at 7:00.

#### Easter - April 20th

Sunrise Service with Holy Communion - 7:00 am Easter Breakfast served by our youth group - 8:00 am Easter Service with Holy Communion - 9:30 am

Service Time Sun. 9:30 am

Education Hour Sun. 11:00 am Sept.—May

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# Philippians Conference Learning & Teaching Stewardship



**Featured Speaker:** 

**REV. DR. NATHAN MEADOR** 

LCMS National Mission Stewardship Specialist and author of Stewardship for the Care of Souls

As our economy, culture, and population shift, new challenges of stewardship arise in our Lutheran churches.

All LCMS Thumb pastors, elders, lay leaders, and members are encouraged to attend the Philippians Conference to gain a fresh perspective on stewardship — not only financial stewardship, but also care for the soul. Our goal is for each participant to come away with one or two action items that can be immediately put into practice in their own congregations.

Sign up sheet in narthex. No cost to attend!

Free-will offering lunch provided.

Saturday, April 12 ■ 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church 299 Garden St., Harbor Beach (989)479-3615

### Set Apart to Serve

Where do we get pastors who preach and care for us with God's Word? Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? Set Apart to Serve (SAS) is partner-

ing with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts and others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. Will you please take a brief online survey at <a href="mailto:lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey">lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey</a> and let us know how we can make SAS more beneficial to your congrega-

tion? We want to hear what you have to say.

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## LWML Thumb Zone Spring Rally

Guest Speaker:
Richard Schumacher
Lutheran Special Education Ministries



Tuesday, April 22, 2025 6:00 pm St. Peter Lutheran Church 5098 Dwight St., Kinde MI

Light Dinner and Rally Following

Ingathering: Monetary donations to provide Lutheran schools and teachers with necessary resources to support special learning difficulties addressed.

Cost: \$8.00 Registration Fee & Free Will Offering

## April Voters' Meeting-Sunday, April 27

On Tuesday, April 15th Church council will meet. They will be establishing the agenda for the voters' meeting. If you have an item that you would like to bring before the voters, please give it to a council member before their meeting.

Council members are Ron Pawloski, Steve Ewald, Allison Schulz, Sue Pawloski, Paul Kruse, Pete Martin, Michelle Hoppe, Cindy Clements, Gin Lounsbury and Shannon Horning.



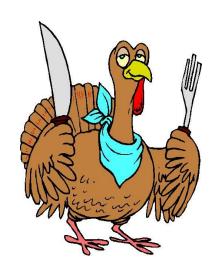
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#### Thank you!

Thanks to all that helped and/or contributed to the turkey dinner. It was a very busy weekend, and we had very good help with all aspects of the meal: hauling food, cooking turkeys, peeling potatoes, setting up the dining room, serving on Sunday, and

cleaning and putting the kitchen back together after the meal.

A special thank you to the Clements family for donating the rolls for the dinner, and to Gin Lounsbury for taking on the daunting task again this year of organizing and leading our Turkey dinner team.



## Lawn Mowing

Spring is on it's way, and pretty soon the grass will turn green and start growing. The trustees are looking for people who will take a turn mowing our church

grounds this summer. Our mowing season starts in May and runs through October. There is a lawnmower for your use in our shed. We do ask that you

bring gasoline to fill the tank. Sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway if you are able to help. Thank you!

#### Easter Baked Goods Giveaway

Our Good Shepherd board of Evangelism, along with the Clement family, is once again organizing a Easter baked goods giveaway to the Cass City community on Saturday, April 19th, 9:00 am until 12:00 pm

If you are able to bake for the give away, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board or call in to the office. You can bring your baked goods in on Friday when you come for service or on Saturday morning before 9:00 am. If you have any questions, speak with any member of the board: Cindy Clements, Jackie Guinther, Joann Guinther, Cheryl Guinther, or Chris Weippert.



## Prayer Chain

The prayer chain is a group of people in our congregation that are ready to support you by praying for you. To place yourself or another person on

the prayer chain, call Chris Weippert at 670-0524 or Joann Guinther at 872-4967.



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#### Mother - Daughter Luncheon

All women are invited to join with their sisters in Christ for a special luncheon on Sunday, May 4th at 12:00 pm.

A fellowship meal will be prepared and served by the men of Good Shepherd.

If you have a wedding dress that you would like displayed

or modeled at the luncheon, please speak with Beth McCallum.



## Quilting

The quilts are piling up in the cupboard but the quilters are still hard at work adding to the pile.

This month work sessions will be held on Tuesday, April 8th and 22nd. The group starts work at 10:00 am and usually finishes up before 2:00 pm. If you would like to assist the group in any way, speak with Sharon Rockwell or Joann Guinther.



#### Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated baked goods to the Turkey Dinner bake sale or purchased something from the sale.

Women's Ministry raised \$300 from the sale to go toward mission projects and activities

here at Good Shepherd such as the upcoming Mother/Daughter luncheon.

A special thank you to Jackie Guinther for overseeing the bake sale all afternoon.



## Women's Ministry

The executive committee will meet on Tuesday, April 8th at 7:00 pm. If there are any service projects, social activities, or missions that you would

like the group to support please speak with a committee member. President Diane Lowe Secretary Traci Schulz Treasurer Lynette Witherspoon

Chairwoman of:

Caring Ministry Chris Weippert
Church Care Amy Talaski
Fund Raising Susan Hoppe
Service Projects Evelyn Jameson
Social Activities Beth McCallum

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#### February Financial Report: submitted by Allison Schulz: Treasurer

#### **Year to Date**

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Exp</u>	<u>enses</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Current	\$18,598.4	4 \$ 24	,802.71	-\$6,204.27
Missions	\$541.50	)		
LRPF	\$319.00	)		
Com. Ser.	0.00	)		
<b>Facility Use</b>	20.00	<u>)</u>		
Total:	\$19,478.94	4		
<u>February</u>				
Current	\$9,068.92			
Expenses	\$10,956.53			
	-\$1,887.61			
Checking acc	ct. \$1	18,358.23		
Less Dedicate	ed <u>\$´</u>	16,591.57		
Balance	9	1,766.66		

#### **OnLine Giving**

At the January Voters' meeting the assembly accepted the adoption of a new electronic giving program. Vanco is a well know platform that provides a secure and user-friendly way to give to Good Shepherd.

A link to Vanco is on our website: goodshepherdcasscity.com under the heading On-Line Giving. Or scan the QR code below.

There are fees involved in giving this way. When using a credit or debit card the fee is 2.90% +.45 per transaction. The ACH processing fee is 1.00% +.45 per transaction. If you



have any questions or need help speak with Amy.



<b>April 3</b> Kim Frank	<b>April 12</b> Cheryl Guinther		
Mari Lowe	April 14		
April 4	Elyse Hoppe		
Kian Hoppe	<b>April 17</b> Jim Guinther		
April 5			
Tony Schuette	Cindy Kruse		
<b>April 10</b> Kris Adams	<b>April 18</b> Janice Sting		
<b>April 11</b> Wendy Leppert	<b>April 20</b> Paul Kruse		

April 21
Marty Zawilinski
April 23
Ona Kramer
April 26
Kate Collins
Evelyn Jameson
April 27
Diane Lowe
April 28

Jason Reinke **April 29**Mike Lowe



**April 14** Scott & Tana Shrader

April 30 Chris & Anna Irwin Sam & Wendy Leppert