



# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Shepherd's Staff May 2025

## Summer Monday Evening Services

Good Shepherd's spoken word summer Monday evening services will begin on June 2nd at 7:00 pm and continue each Monday evening till Labor Day.

There will not be a service on Monday, June 23rd because Pastor Bagnall will be attending the Michigan District convention.

## Confirmation - Sunday, May 18th

**Congratulations** to Abby Melton and Brad Horning who have completed their studies and will be confirmed on May 18th. Abby is the daughter of Mike & Stephanie Melton. Brad is the son of Frank & Shannon

Horning.

On Sunday, May 4th the congregation is invited to witness Abby & Brad's confirmation questioning in the sanctuary after our 9:30am service.

## Congratulations Graduates

Congratulations to our High School graduates Kian Hoppe, son of Jeff & Michelle Hoppe, Rylan Kruse, son of Paul & Brandi Kruse and Garrett Reinke, son of Jason & Jamie Reinke.

And to George Lapp who graduates from Saginaw Valley with a bachelors degree in business.

Women's Ministry invites the congregation to a special coffee hour on Sunday, May 11th at 11:00 am to celebrate and honor our graduates and our confirmands Brad and Abby.

**Service Time**  
**Sun. 9:30 am**  
**Mon. 7:00 pm**

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

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# April Voters Meeting Minutes

## **VOTERS' ASSEMBLY** **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City, Michigan** **April 27, 2025** **Minutes**

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Pastor Bagnall.

The minutes from the January meeting were read by Mike Melton with no additions or corrections. Frank Horning made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Susan Hoppe and the motion passed.

The treasurer's report was read by Allison Schulz. A motion to accept the report was made by Frank Horning and seconded by Beth McCallum. The motion passed.

**Communications:** No Communications

### **BOARD REPORTS:**

**Elders-** Paul Kruse reported that the elders will order new cruets for the communion wine.

**Trustees-** Pete Martin reported that the narthex has been painted. Parsonage repairs included drain issues and fixing the garage door with a new spring. The church's lawn mower is good for the season. Frank gave a couple of estimates for the pavilion but more information will be obtained. The trustees are not looking into an addition to the building.

**Board of Education-** No report.

**Board of Evangelism-** The Easter bread giveaway was a success. Tom Lounsbury will be giving a presentation on the Cass River on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. There will be a future canning class by MSU extension in June (date to be determined). On June 8<sup>th</sup> the board will sponsor the original "Willy Wonka" at the theater. Another movie will be sponsored on August 17<sup>th</sup>. On July 4<sup>th</sup> there will be an ice cream social and on July 11<sup>th</sup> the board will provide snacks at Music in the Park.

Jerry Guinther made a motion to accept the board reports. It was seconded by Susan Hoppe and the motion carried.

### **BUSINESS:**

- The turkey dinner was a success this year with over 400 served. Profit was \$3,842.91
- After discussion on the Long Range Planning Committee a motion was made by Amy Talaski to keep the Long Range Planning Committee. It was seconded by Susan Hoppe and the motion carried. Amy will put up a sign up sheet for those interested in joining the committee.

**President's Report:** No Report.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Bagnall spoke briefly on the Stewardship seminar. More information to follow.

**Certificates of Appreciations** were given to Stacie Dorsch, Adam & Stephanie Kubacki, and Doug & Connie Britt.

A motion was made by Jerry Guinther to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Guinther and passed.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer  
The next voter's meeting will be July 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Mike J. Melton, Acting Secretary

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## Can You Serve?

At last month's Voters' meeting the members decided to continue Good Shepherd's Long Range Planning Committee.

This steering committee was formed a few decades ago to look into the needs of the congregation and to make recommendations to the congregation about how those needs could be met.

Some of the projects that came out of the committee include: air conditioning in the sanctuary, the current organ, the altar area remodel, the bell tower, and our storage shed.

In order for the committee to look forward to future congregational needs the committee needs new members. If are interested in the future

of Good Shepherd and are available to attend one meeting per quarter, sign up on the sheet posted on the hallway bulletin board.

## Our Adopted Missionary

A few years ago voters selected to support Rev. Gerald Paul a LCMS Missionary in the Caymen Islands, through our Adopted Missionary program. On Sunday June 29th Rev. Paul will preach and give us a presentation during

the Bible study hour, after which we will have a traditional Lutheran potluck meal. Rev. Paul does send us a monthly newsletter. It is posted on the bulletin board by Pastor's office.



## Prayer Chain

The prayer chain is a group of people in our congregation that are ready to sup-

port 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.

## Quilting

The Good Shepherd quilters will meet for their last quilting sessions until fall on Tuesday, May 13th & 27th. They start work at 10:00 am and usually finish around 2:00 pm. Bring a lunch and join in, or drop in and work for as long as you

are able.

While spring cleaning or going to garage sales, consider what older sheets you could donate to the quilters. They use them for backings or for the inside of a quilt.

If you would like to help out by assembling quilt tops at home this summer, speak with Sharon Rockwell or Joann Guinther.

## Women of Good Shepherd

Did you know that every woman at Good Shepherd is a member of Women's Ministry?

We serve as caretakers of our congregation by supporting and helping Pastor and church council care for the members of our church. We often think of our role as that of Mom, we do everything we can to make sure things go smoothly and that all feel cared for.

Our responsibilities include:

- Providing food for – suppers, funeral dinners, coffee hour, bake sales, etc.
- Knitting shawls for the sick.
- Sending cards or visiting shut-ins.
- Organizing potlucks/dinners for special occasions such as meetings, celebrations.
- Care and cleaning of the kitchen.
- Providing money or supplies needed for organizations in

our community.

- Organizing special social activities such as Greenhouse Hop, Loon games, game nights, Spirit games, etc.

We have a central committee of women to organize these events and activities for the congregation. The committee meets six times a year to discuss events coming up and develop a plan to complete tasks. This involves asking the women of the congregation to help in a variety of ways, and there are always those willing to help. But every year it seems to get harder to find women willing to take on leadership roles. As our congregation ages and are unable to work, we need more women willing to step up and take on these roles. If you receive a call asking you to take on a committee

member position, before you say no, we ask that you pray on it. Remember you will have backing of all the women of Good Shepherd and the Lord to help and guide you.

*God Bless You!*



**Women's Ministry**  
**Coffee Hour**  
**&**  
**Election of Officers:**  
**Sunday, June 1st, after**  
**worship**

# Greenhouse Hop

## Saturday, May 17th 9:00 am

We will start the morning here at Good Shepherd . Maps will be given out for you to find & explore the local greenhouses.

Each greenhouse has something unique to offer.

Come and have some fun traveling around the Thumb.

## LWML News

The Thumb Zone LWML is having a mission opportunity with Lutheran Braille Workers in Auburn on May 21st at 10:00 am. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Joyce Edwards of Forestville by May 18th at (989) 550-0749.



## Homebound Members

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Loretta Hacker  
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Pat Sontag  
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Cass City, MI 48726

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Woodland Acres AFC  
3855 Downingtown Rd.  
Snover, MI 48472

Joanne O'Dell  
4334 Krapf Rd.  
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John Jameson  
3385 Cass City Rd.  
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Shirley Kappen  
3192 Cass City Rd.  
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Marcia Hoffman  
Heritage Hill Assisted Living  
1430 Cleaver Rd.  
Caro, MI 48723

Bruce Hecht  
2620 N. Bliss Rd.  
Caro, MI 48723

## Orphan Grain Train- Sebewaing

Thank you to everyone who has donated items to Orphan Grain Train by placing them in the white barrel by our kitchen.

Check out OGT's wish list

which is attached to the barrel.

Thank you to Ron & Sue Pawloski, who faithfully take the donations to the Sebewaing warehouse.



## Greeting Cards

For a long time we have had boxed greeting cards displayed in a cabinet in the educational wing hallway. These cards are for various occasions and are very inexpensive, but sometimes you may not need a whole box of a particular card.

Check out our new display of

individual cards for Baptisms, Confirmations, Anniversaries, Sympathy etc.

The cards are 50 cents apiece. If there is a card you would like to see us carry, speak with Michelle Hoppe.



## Women's Ministry Officers

President	Diane Lowe
Secretary	Traci Schulz
Treasurer	Lynette Witherspoon

### Chairperson of:

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

Thank you to Beth McCallum and her committee for organizing and preparing Good Shepherd's Mother - Daughter brunch.

# Holy Week 2025



## Thank you to

- The children for their palm procession and leading us in song on Palm Sunday.
- All who donated baked goods for our Bread & Desserts give-away.
- All who gave flowers to beautify our sanctuary for Easter.



# March Financial Report

submitted by Allison Schulz; Treasurer

## Year to Date:

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<b>Current</b>	\$30,946.09	\$37,100.58	-\$6,154.49
<b>Missions</b>	\$1,212.03		
<b>LRPF</b>	\$439.00		
<b>Com. Ser.</b>	0.00		
<b>Facility Use</b>	<u>\$45.00</u>		
<b>Total:</b>	\$32,642.12	Checking acct.	\$22,220.25
		Less Dedicated	<u>\$20,809.32</u>
<b>March:</b>		Balance	\$1,410.92
<b>Current</b>	\$12,347.65		
<b>Expenses</b>	<u>\$12,306.88</u>		
<b>Difference</b>	\$40.77		

## Investments

CEF 2 yr note: \$403,685.80  
 Thumb Bank CD \$62,000.00  
 CEF Plus \$11,117.33  
 Thumb Bank CD \$116,000.00

Copies of monthly reports are available on the Narthex table.



### **May 3**

Selma Schulz

### **May 5**

Marcia Hoffman

### **May 11**

Jim Jamieson

### **May 15**

Abby Strong

### **May 16**

Brandi Kruse

### **May 17**

Eli Reinke

### **May 18**

Frank Horning

### **May 19**

Jackie Guinther

### **May 20**

Rich Witherspoon

### **May 21**

Amos Moses Clements

### **May 22**

Shirley Kappen

### **May 27**

Killian Clements

Adam Habicht

Isaiah Schuette

### **May 29**

Jerry Guinther

Judy Hahn

Tim Kramer



### **May 12**

George Lapp & Allison Schulz  
 Johann & Traci Schulz

### **May 19**

Don &amp; Jane Phillips

### **May 25**

Steve & Jennifer Bagnall  
 Doug & Connie Britt