

# THE ECHO

## **GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
*Followers of Jesus Christ, sharing the Love of God with all people.*

### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

**8:30 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP**

**9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL for ages 3 through adult**

**11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**

**Nursery Available for those up to age 5**

**SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS!**

**Invite someone to church!**

**APRIL 1**

**PALM SUNDAY (SUNDAY OF THE PASSION)  
HOLY COMMUNION  
First Holy Communion Reception (Fellowship Hall)**

**APRIL 5**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 6 P.M. Potluck Supper  
Viewing of slides from Pastor's mission experience in Africa.  
7 P.M. Worship**

**APRIL 6**

**GOOD FRIDAY  
7 P.M. TENEBRAE SERVICE OF DARKNESS**

**APRIL 8**

**EASTER (THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD)  
HOLY COMMUNION  
FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY**

**APRIL 15**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
HOLY COMMUNION  
NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED**

**APRIL 22**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
HOLY COMMUNION AT BOTH SERVICES  
YOUTH WILL LEAD WORSHIP AT 11:00 A.M.**

**APRIL 29**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
HOLY COMMUNION**

*If you need a ride to church for worship service or another church function,  
contact Phyllis Waid at 593-2334.*

# April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1 HOLY COMMUNION PALM SUNDAY</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion at 11:00 Service</b> Noon First Holy Communion Reception in Fellowship Hall <b>4:00 Confirmation Class</b>	<b>2</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>3</b> <u>No</u> Cover Girls Ministry 4:30 Worship & Music 6:30 Christian Education	<b>4</b> NOON-Women's Finnish Heritage (FH) 5:00 Choir Homework 5:30 Choir Supper 6:00 Choir Practice 6:00 Mom's Group	<b>5 MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> 6:00 Pottluck (African Slides to be Shown) 7:00 Worship	<b>6 GOOD FRIDAY</b>  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  <b>PASTOR'S DAY OFF</b>  7:00 Worship	<b>7</b> 9:00 Men's Breakfast
<b>8 EASTER FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Baptism	<b>9</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 5:30 – 6:30 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students with Pastor 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>10</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry Noon Women's Bible Study 5:30 Executive Committee 6:00 Mutual Ministry 7:00 Evangelism	<b>11</b> 2:30 Social Ministry 5:00 Cherub Choir 5:30 Choir Supper 6:00 Choir Practice 6:00 Mom's Group	<b>12</b> 11:30 CAMA (FH)  7:00 Conneaut Quilters Guild	<b>13</b> <b>PASTOR'S DAY OFF</b>	<b>14</b> 11:00 Wedding
<b>15 HOLY COMMUNION EASTER 2</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Noon Social Ministry	<b>16</b> Noon Salvation Army 5:30 Adult Bells 5:30 – 6:30 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students with Pastor 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>17</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 7:00 Council	<b>18</b> 5:00 Cherub Choir 5:30 Choir Supper 6:00 Choir Practice 6:00 Mom's Group  ECHO ARTICLES DUE	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>PASTOR'S DAY OFF</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22 HOLY COMMUNION EASTER 3</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Children's Service	<b>23</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 5:30 – 6:30 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students with Pastor 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>24</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>PASTOR'S DAY OFF</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29 HOLY COMMUNION EASTER 4</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship	<b>30</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 6:30 Adult Choir 5:30 – 6:30 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students with Pastor	<b>April 30 – May 4 - Ohio Virtual Academy 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.</b>				

# 2007

## What does it mean to be a member of Good Shepherd?

1. Being a member means **publicly taking a stand with the congregation.**  
 “That is my congregation!”  
 Sometimes in a modern society that type of stance is vaguely put down. Being a member means being willing publicly to be labeled a follower of Jesus.
  
2. Being a member means **being willing to discover your spiritual gifts.** If we are followers of Jesus that means we need to serve Him. We do that by discovering our gifts and then putting them to use. There are a variety of spiritual gifts; the list is long. Being a member means “I’ll try to do my part in the ministry God has given this congregation.”
  
3. Being a member means **seeking to be faithful at worship.** We are blessed at Good Shepherd with a very high percentage of members who make worship an absolute priority. When they can’t attend they are able to hear the word delivered on-line at the congregation’s web page. To access the sermons go to [www.gslcc.org](http://www.gslcc.org) click on sermons and select the sermon you wish to hear.
  
4. Being a member means **seeking the will of God for our lives.** Private devotions, Bible readings, small group, sharing, and prayer are all ways we can seek God’s will for our daily living. A member of Good Shepherd will be diligent in the life with God.

Pastor Frank

<b><u>MARCH ATTENDANCE</u></b>			
	Worship		Sunday School
	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>	
March 4	<b>42</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>59</b>
March 11	<b>37</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>50</b>
March 18	<b>46</b>	<b>125</b>	N/A
March 25	<b>41</b>	<b>119</b>	N/A

<b><u>MARCH ATTENDANCE</u></b>		
March 1	CAMA Lent Worship at GSLC	85
March 7	Supper	77
March 7	Worship	69
March 14	Supper	80
March 14	Worship	66
March 21	Supper	65
March 21	Worship	61

<b>OFFERINGS</b>		
<b>Amount Needed Each Week \$ 3,884.00</b>		
Offerings Received for the General Fund as of March 25, 2007	(under budget)	- \$ 8,817.96
Offerings Received this time last year	(under budget)	- \$ 6,882.95

Parishioners of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church:

I'm sure many of you heard Pastor Gore's talk on Sunday, March 25, asking us to be disciples and good stewards for our church.

To me, being a good disciple is to tell everyone about the love our Lord Jesus Christ has for all of us, to invite them to come to our wonderful church and learn more about all of our programs, and to feel the outpouring of friendship and love.

Being a good steward for Good Shepherd is encouraging me to give to the church my Biblical tithe, that is 10% of my income. Yes, *some already tithe, but there are many who give nothing.*

We are entering into the summer months with quite a large budget deficit. As of March 20, *our general fund offering is already about \$17,000 below the budget approved by the congregation.* In fact, if giving stays down as it is, do we drop programs? Cancel Vacation Bible School? Lay off our secretaries? Let our music staff go? All church council is asking is for all to give a little bit more, according to what we have received. To allow all of our ministries to continue, we might skip a meal out at a restaurant, or go to McDonalds one less time, and lovingly add those funds to our weekly offering.

*The time is NOW to cut this deficit!* I am confident that when you examine the use of your resources, you will decide to increase your weekly gift significantly – *according to what God has given you.*

As Pastor Frank reminded us in the sermon on March 25, we must ask ourselves if *when God's vision is right in front of us, do we close our eyes and ignore it? Does greed and selfishness destroy that vision because of our lack of commitment?* I pray that the people of God at Good Shepherd will rise up and say **NO** to those questions; that God will open our eyes, touch our hearts, and give us the love to support his ministry fully at Good Shepherd.

In Christ,

Duffy Guthrie  
Council Vice President

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES IN APRIL

*REMINDER: IF THERE IS A CONFLICT WITH ANY OF THE SCHEDULES, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT AND NOTIFY THE CHURCH SECRETARY OF ALL CHANGES. THANK YOU!!!*

### 8:30 A.M.

#### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Apr 1 Jim Arcaro  
 Apr 5 **(Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.)**  
 Apr 8 Dick Pelow & Pam Deemer  
 Apr 15 Waino Nyman  
 Apr 29 Marti Lillie

### 11:00 A.M.

Wanda Gore  
 Jerry Brookhouser  
 Bob Hybert & Al Gee  
 Marne Gonzales  
 Mark Lytle

#### NURSERY

Apr 8 Kathy & Ty Paden  
 Apr 15 Molly & Tony  
 Todaro

#### GREETERS

Apr 1 Dick Pelow  
 Apr 8 Ron & Janet Maenpaa  
 Apr 15 Mildred & Art Niinisto  
 Apr 22 Michael Malys, Jr.  
 Apr 29 Estella Grow

Ruth Perkins & Janelle Cole  
 Mildred & Art Niinisto  
 Robin Bryant & Amanda Wright  
 Bob Hybert  
 Millie Hennessey & Evelyn  
 McCall

#### APRIL FUNERAL COMMITTEE

**Janet Maenpaa**  
 Shirley Harco  
 Sue Chapin  
 Pam Deemer  
 Peg Harco  
 Millie Hennessey

#### READERS

Apr 1 Jim Arcaro  
 Apr 5 **(Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.)**  
 Apr 8 Dolores Pelow  
 Apr 15 Amy Gallagher  
 Apr 22 Linda Hall  
 Apr 29 Sandra Horvath

Shirley Harco & Quinn Rudler  
 Phyllis Waid  
 Clarence Baugher & Emilee Esposito  
 Jerry Brookhouser & Adie Manniko  
 Jim McKiethan

#### HOSPITALITY 8:30 Worship

Apr 1 Parkomaki &  
 Horvath Families  
 Apr 8 Mutual Ministry  
 Apr 15 Kantola Family

#### ACOLYTES

Apr 1 Rebecca Parkomaki  
 Apr 8 Jacob Eddy  
 Apr 15 Rick Kantola  
 Apr 22 Analynn Difilippo  
 Apr 29 Lucas Malys

Shae Brink & Emily Esposito  
 Alyx Ruffo & Felicia Kobernik  
 Aaron Eddy & Kadie Giles  
 Quinn Rudler & Bryan Gildone  
 Adie Manniko & Justyn Olivarez

#### USHERS

Apr 1 Rich & Julie Kantola  
 Apr 8  
 Apr 22  
 Apr 29

Ron & Diane Young  
 Malys Family  
 Children's Service  
 Peg Harco & Shirley Harco

#### HOSPITALITY 11:00 Worship

Apr 1.....First Communion  
 Reception  
 Apr 8.....Kyle Vidmar  
 .....Jaime Moore  
 Apr 15...Pat Haas  
 ...Phyllis Waid  
 Apr 22...Irene Hopkins  
 ...Wanda Gore  
 Apr 29...Molly Todaro  
 ...Cheryl Poff

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you would like to make a donation for Hospitality instead of hosting a Sunday, you can put an offering in an envelope marked "**Hospitality**" and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

**ALTAR GUILD**

**Apr 1** E. Jay Hybert, Wanda Gore & Ruth Brown

**Apr 5** E. Jay Hybert, Wanda Gore & All Guild  
Members to strip Altar

**Apr 6** Ruth Brown

**Apr 8** Phyllis Waid, E. Jay Hybert, Ruth Brown  
& Pat Haas

**Apr 15** Ruth Brown & Pat Haas

**Apr 22** Phyllis Waid & Wanda Gore

**Apr 29** Phyllis Waid & Wanda Gore

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

<b>2</b>	Herb Hopkins	<b>15</b>	James Sackett
<b>4</b>	Patricia Haas	<b>16</b>	Stephanie Mischka
<b>5</b>	Alfred Gee	<b>17</b>	Skip Sanford
<b>6</b>	Kelsey Kehoe	<b>18</b>	Lena Orrenmaa Luke Patriarco
<b>7</b>	Jacob Kehoe Richard Pelow	<b>19</b>	Deanna Brown Sally Sillanpaa
<b>8</b>	Shannon Burton Lee Murtha	<b>22</b>	Gary Anderson Christopher Jewell
<b>9</b>	Gregory Betteridge	<b>24</b>	Robert Hybert
<b>10</b>	Irene Baugher E. June Daykin Ty Paden	<b>25</b>	Nancy Litz
<b>11</b>	Will Belcher	<b>28</b>	Michael Malys III
<b>12</b>	Dagmar Bozard	<b>29</b>	Martha Lillie
<b>14</b>	Jennie Hutchison Jim Salo Ryan Thompson	<b>30</b>	Timothy Jackson

**APRIL  
WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1** Frank ♥ Melanie Olivarez
- 2** Jerry ♥ Shirley Brookhouser
- 3** Ron ♥ Dianne Young
- 14** Greg ♥ Glenda Betteridge
- 15** Martin ♥ Mary Herpy
- 20** Bob ♥ Pat Haas
- 21** Michael ♥ Diane Nipper
- 24** Rich ♥ Julie Kantola
- 28** Bud ♥ Nancy Sackett
- 29** Waino ♥ Betty Nyman

**OOPS!**

**COMPUTER OPERATOR ERROR**

**Birthdays not listed in the March ECHO include:**

**March 16** Dinah Grimes

**March 17** Brian Bidwell

**March 19** Haylee Belcher

**March 20** Amy Gallagher

Manny Gonzales

**We wish all belated birthday greetings**

### HEARTFELT THANKS

to Pastor Gore and Nancy Guthrie for their prayers and visits while I was in the hospital; and many thanks for the cards, wishes and prayers of my many friends at Good Shepherd. They were all deeply appreciated.

With love,  
Ruth Cain

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped prepare, serve, and clean up at the fish dinner March 16, 2007. You made everything run so smoothly. Many hands make the task so much easier!

God bless you all!  
Pat Haas

### PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES

Church office is expecting that the directories will be available for pick up on Easter Sunday, April 8, 2007.

### FOOD PANTRY

Please continue to consider this community need when doing your regular grocery shopping and bring in canned goods the second Sunday of the month.

**Our next Food Pantry Sunday will be Easter Sunday, April 8, 2007. Our goal will be to collect 400 pounds.**

Our March 11, 2007 Food Pantry offering came to 369 pounds. Thank you all!  
**Special thanks to Ron Young** for taking the items to the Conneaut Human Resource Center.

### CONFIRMATION ACTIVITIES

**Apr 1:** Serving in worship (helping Pastor with Palm Sunday Service)

**Apr 5:** Maundy Thursday Service

**Apr 6:** Good Friday Service

### ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND FAMILIES

The Children's Service will be **April 22, 2007 at 11:00 a.m.** We need all youth from pre-school through high school to participate. Different areas are being assigned, so if you know you will NOT be here on that day, please let the class teacher or Mrs. Malys know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

In God's Love,  
Suzanne Malys

The Conneaut Community Center is looking for volunteers to help with this summer's **FINN FEST**. Contact Penny Armeni at 593-5888.

## **ADVERTISE IN THE ECHO!**

Beginning with the May issue of the ECHO we hope to develop a business page so your business would have a place to advertise. Members from Good Shepherd will then have the opportunity to support these businesses because of your advertisement.

For the next newsletter, information should be supplied to the church office by April 18, 2007. Questions? Call the office at 599-8908.

You may e-mail the information to [goodshepherd@suite224.net](mailto:goodshepherd@suite224.net) or mail to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 876 Grove St., Conneaut, OH 44030 or drop the business card or information off at the church Monday through Thursdays between 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. or Friday between 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

## **LOST & FOUND**

A Lost and Found box is located in the church office and is now overflowing with items that have been turned in. If you know of someone who is missing something, please come in and check our box.

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION UPDATE**

**APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> is Palm Sunday.** We will be celebrating First Holy Communion with students from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade up. They have been studying about this Holy Sacrament with Pastor Frank for 3 weeks. With help from Wanda Gore, the students have painted their own chalices. They baked bread with Ruth Brown. Now they are awaiting this special time in their lives. **Let's all join them at a reception following 11:00 a.m. worship service on that day!**

**APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup>, Youth led service.** Mark this date on your calendar as it will be the Children's Service at 11:00 a.m. **ALL** youth preschool through high school are needed to participate. **TEACHERS: please donate a bag of cookies for hospitality on that day. Thanks!**

**MAY 20<sup>th</sup> will be Confirmation for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have completed two years of study.** A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

**MAY 20<sup>th</sup> will also be the last day of Sunday school for this year.**

**SOCIAL MINISTRY**

**and**

**NOTICE OF ORIENTATION MEETING**

Social Ministry is no longer just a small group of people who go to Bingo games each month at the county home or a handful of people who pack baskets for the holidays. Our committee is now taking on many additional jobs at the church as our membership continues to grow and we are attempting our Christian outreach in many areas.

We now have members who visit our shut-ins monthly and who offer Communion. We oversee the Cover Girls Quilting Ministry, Blanket Sunday, Lenten Soup and Sandwich meals, the church picnic, school kits, Operation Christmas Child, the Block Party in July, and our Thanksgiving and Christmas family activities. These are just a few of the events we handle each year.

Most of our activities take place during the day. Several of our older members are now unable to do some of the many jobs they did faithfully for so many years. We are looking for some of our younger members to assist us with some of the tasks. We will adjust the times.

Help will be needed in the fall with packing quilts and school kits. We need helpers for dinners and other events sponsored by Social Ministry. We could use helpers to visit our elderly. The list is endless, and any help would be greatly appreciated. We do not require you to go to monthly meetings, but graciously accept your volunteer time at some of our events.

We are holding the following orientation meeting to acquaint you with our committee. Please come and join us as we serve the Lord. This is one of the most rewarding committees as you watch the shut-ins light up with your visit and you experience the joy of delivering a basket of food over the holidays.

**Social Ministry Meeting**  
**Sunday, April 15 at noon in the church lounge**  
**Please join us!**

If you have any questions, please call Marsha Taylor at 593-1960  
or Shirley Harco at 594-3873

**RECENT VISITORS TO  
GOOD SHEPHERD**

*...How many did you greet?*

Joe Allgeier  
Chuck Anthony  
Gloria Badgley  
Regina Best  
John Chapin  
Kevin Esposito  
Luke Gallagher  
Tracie Getchell  
Star Grimes  
Alice Hanson  
Wallace Heinonen  
Mike & Squeak Helfinstine  
Terry & Lisa Hennessey  
Norm Hill  
Jim Houseknecht  
Alexis, Candace & Shelby Kirby  
Richard Kirby  
Glenn Kobernik III  
Kevin Markielowski  
Emily Martin  
Jennie Mather  
Michael & Diana McCorkle  
Shelly Mullen  
Kim & Norma Nordquest  
Gary & Shirley Pyle  
Katelyn Sackett  
Mr. & Mrs. Sanford  
Phil & Jill Schar  
Courtney Schienng, Beaver creek  
Sharon Schoneman  
Shelly Spaller  
Dick & Diana Stoker  
Laura Taylor  
Larry & Nita Vorisek, Silver Spring, MD  
Michael & Kathryn Warner, McBee, SC  
Marilee Zappitelli

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

Weighing in at 3 pounds 14 ounces,  
Eden August Rae James was born  
March 2, 2007 and is doing well.

Eden is the granddaughter of Susan  
Leuenberger. Her parents are Rebecca  
Simon and David James.

**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP  
DURING HOLY WEEK!**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**APRIL 1, 2007**

**8:30 a.m.** Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

**9:45 a.m.** Sunday School for ages 3 through adults

**11:00 a.m.** Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

There will be a reception after worship for those  
young disciples who have received First  
Communion instruction.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**APRIL 5, 2007**

**6 p.m.** Congregation potluck dinner and viewing of slides  
from Pastor's mission experience in Africa. These  
slides will show how our mission dollars make a  
difference to the lives of those in Africa.

**7 p.m.** Worship Service in Sanctuary  
Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**APRIL 6, 2007**

**7 p.m.** TENEBRAE (Service of Darkness)

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**APRIL 8, 2007**

**8:30 a.m.** Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

**9:45 a.m.** Sunday School for ages 3 through adults

**11:00 a.m.** Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

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**HOLY  
COMMUNION**

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays

**8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship**

**9:45 a.m. Sunday School**

Ages 3 to Adult

**Handicap  
Accessible**

**11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**

Nursery available for children 5 years old and younger

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