

# 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 THEGOOD NEWS OF JESUS!**

Invite someone to church!

**JANUARY 7**

**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD  
HOLY COMMUNION**

**JANUARY 14**

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**JANUARY 21**

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
HOLY COMMUNION**

**JANUARY 28**

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

# January 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sub Sandwich Sales For Super Bowl Sunday	<b>1</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  <b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>	<b>2</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 6:30 Christian Education	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:00 Conneaut Quilters Guild	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>EPIPHANY</b>
<b>7 HOLY COMMUNION</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 4-6:30 Confirmation <b>BAPTISM OF OUR LORD</b>	<b>8</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 12:15 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Executive Committee 7:00 Evangelism	<b>10</b> 2:30 Social Ministry 5:00 Choir Homework Help 5:30 Youth Choirs Supper 6:00 Youth Choirs Practice 6:30 Taking down greens	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  LYO Winter Youth Gathering, Independence, OH	<b>13</b> 9:00 Men's Breakfast
<b>14</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship  <b>EPIPHANY 2</b>	<b>15</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts  <b>ANNUAL REPORTS DUE</b> ECHO Articles Due	<b>16</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 7:00 Council	<b>17</b> 5:00 Choir Homework Help 5:30 Youth Choirs Supper 6:00 Youth Choirs Practice	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21 HOLY COMMUNION</b> 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Family Bowling 1:00-2:30 PreK-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade 3:00-4:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grades  <b>EPIPHANY 3</b>	<b>22</b> 5:30 Adult Bells 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Adult Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>23</b> 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry	<b>24</b> 5:00 Choir Homework Help 5:30 Youth Choirs Supper 6:00 Youth Choirs Practice 1:00-6:00 Red Cross Bloodmobile	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
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## Pastor's Corner January 2007

Paul writes, *"Above all, clothe yourselves with love which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful."* Col. 3:14-15

### **I am thankful!**

The members of Good Shepherd have clothed themselves with Love and have shared that Love with Wanda and me. This wonderful body of Christ, which lets Him rule their hearts, has blessed us.

Love does bind us together. We are bound together through the Love of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I am thankful for our friendship, our love for each other, our shared ministry, and our God.



Christ's Love spoke through you as you ministered to us in word and deed. Paul continues in Colossians saying, *"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."* Your words and actions reflect your faith as a congregation and as a council. The words we heard this year were words of care such as, "We love you", "We pray for you and Wanda", and "We love your family". Your actions spoke as strong as your words as we received your love in various gifts. Your love touched us so deeply and words of thanks just do not seem enough. But what else can a person say?

Therefore, I will say thanks through love; I will do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. My actions and words for the one body of Christ will be my thanks to God for bringing me to Conneaut. My actions and words will be my thanks to God for blessing me with you. My actions and words will be my thanks to God for the love of faithful followers of Christ.

My actions and words will be my thanks to God for a wife who understands my passion to serve Jesus and serves Him with me.

I look forward to the upcoming year and the ministry that God has planned for us.

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can Boast."* (Eph. 2:8-9)

Pastor Frank

**STATEMENT OF INCOME and EXPENSE**  
**November 2006**

Column 1      amount budgeted  
Column 2      actual income and expenditures  
Column 3      amount budgeted YEAR TO DATE  
Column 4      ACTUAL INCOME & EXPENSES for the year to date

INCOME LESS EXPENSE is shown for each of the categories at the bottom of the report.

**OFFERINGS AS OF**  
**DECEMBER 24, 2006**

Benevolence - \$ 4,576.50  
General        + \$ 3,033.18

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2007** are available in the Gathering Space. Please pick yours up soon so that your offerings may be appropriately accounted for in the new year.

## **MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES IN JANUARY**

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

### **HOSPITALITY**

Please sign up to provide refreshments after worship services. There is a sign-up sheet on the ministry opportunity board in the entrance way as you enter the church building. Thank you!

#### **8:30 A.M.**

#### **11:00 A.M.**

#### **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:**

Jan 7	Linda Hall	Greg Betteridge
Jan 21	Pam Deemer	Duffy Guthrie
Feb 4	Dick Pelow	Manny Gonzales

#### **GREETERS**

Jan 7	Rich & Julie Kantola	Millie Hennessey & Evelyn McCall
Jan 14	Jack Parkomaki	Shirley & Peg Harco
Jan 21	Susanne Horvath	Ruth & Bob Cain
Jan 28	Estella Grow	Mary & Frank Behling
Feb 4	Alex & Jan Uveges	Jerry & Shirley Brookhouser

#### **READERS**

Jan 7	Jim Arcaro Rebecca Parkomaki	Greg Betteridge Felicia Kobernik
Jan 14	Linda Hall Rick Kantola	Manny Gonzales Bryan Gildone
Jan 21	Dolores Pelow	Dianne Young
Jan 28	Sandra Horvath Analynn DiFilippo	Marne Gonzales
Feb 4	Amy Gallagher Rebecca Parkomaki	Mark Lytle

#### **ALTARGUILD**

Pat Haas  
Wanda Gore

### **VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED**

If you would be interested in sharing some of your time and the availability of your vehicle to provide transportation to those needing a ride to and from church, contact Phyllis Waid at 593-2334. This is a marvelous opportunity to help others share in the love of Jesus!

## NURSERY

Two or three adults are needed to be in the nursery during the 11 o'clock worship service. **Please sign up on ministry opportunity board in the entrance way!**

Please sign up on the ministry opportunity board in the entrance way as you enter the church building to be an usher at either the 8:30 worship or 11:00 worship service.

## THANKS!

**From Marsha Taylor**

This year's Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive was a success because of the generous volunteers who gave their time to ring the bell. I want to thank:

Manny Gonzales	Ron Young
Marne Gonzales	Diane Young
Mike Malys	Robert Hybert
Susanne Malys	E. Jay Hybert
Lucas Malys	Pat Haas
Dane Malys	Rose McKiethan
Michael Malys	Dixie Onion
Rich Kantola	Kathy Paden
Julie Kantola	Hayley Belcher
Ricky Kantola	Pearl Ann Curtis
Katelyn Kantola	Julie Curtis
Jim Arcaro	Martha Jayne Thompson
Frank Behling	Ali Frew
Mary Behling	Shirley Brookhouser
Ernie Waid	Budd Brookhouser
Janet Maenpaa	Kelly Sanford
Shirley Harco	Joanne Mechling
Peggy Harco	Amy Gallagher
Pam Deemer	Leah Gallagher
Devin Ledlow	Jennifer Gallagher
Mark Lytle	Michelle Logan
Susan Lytle	Sue Furman
Mia Lytle	Joan Monda
Deb Sturtevant	Diane Brunening
Jennifer Sturtevant	Dan Cline
Amanda Sturtevant	Mrs. Gaugh

**THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!**

**THANK YOU**

Thank you for your prayers and concerns when I had my knee replacement. Thank you, Pastor Gore, for being with me before going into surgery. God's blessings!

Love,  
Estella

## CHANCEL CHRISTMASTREES

Did you notice our Christmas trees looked extra special this year? There are now two beautiful lighted stars on the tops. Many thanks to Martha Jayne and Dave Thompson for donating them. There are also 58 more lovely Chrismons. Don and Betty Meier made them for our church. We are grateful for their generosity!

The week before Christmas is always very busy in the church office. **A BIG THANK YOU** to the following who volunteered time by folding and stapling all the bulletins for Sunday morning and Christmas Eve.

Wanda Gore  
Estella Grow  
Laura Gustafson  
Nancy Guthrie  
Margaret Lampela  
Betty Nyman

## ABIDING MEMORIALNEWS

The Abiding Memorial Committee has been saving memorial donations for a new project: **THE REVITALIZATION OF OUR WORSHIP SPACE**. The carpet in the sanctuary has begun to show its age. The tile under the pews is original. It is our obligation to maintain our worship space and to keep the sanctuary looking its best.

The project is a long-term vision and will take several years to complete. There is \$2,500 in the Abiding Memorial Fund. We want to keep the congregation informed so that you will be aware of this need and this special way our loved one's memorials will be used to glorify God.

## YOUTH CHOIR MENU

January 3, 2006	Soup Sandwich Dessert Bug Juice
January 10, 2006	Tacos Dessert Bug Juice
January 17, 2006	Baked Chicken (Legs&Thighs) Potatoes Vegetable Dessert BugJuice

**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**  
**SUBMARINE SANDWICHSALE**  
**(January 1- January28)**

It is time to order your Super Bowl Super Sub! Cost will be \$3.00 per sub. Pre-orders will be taken in the Gathering Space between worship services, or you may see your favorite sales teen. All subs are prepaid at the time of ordering. The money will benefit the Youth Group and Youth Missions. **PLEASE PICK UP YOUR SANDWICHES FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICES ON SUPER BOWL SUNDAY.** Thank you for your continuing support of our youth!

Wednesday, January 10 at 6:30 is the day and time for taking down the Christmas decorations at the Church. Help is needed to pack up all the trees, wreaths and Chrismons. All are invited!

**HELP!**  
Altar Guild is missing several clear plastic flower vases. If you find one, please return it to the church office.  
Thank you!

**JANUARY**  
**WEDDING**  
**ANNIVERSARIES**

3 Gene ? Janice Boyle  
4 John ? Susan Chapin

Greetings from Florida!

Things are fine here – having beautiful weather – and I think Conneaut is, too!

We'll visit Bob's sister in Northern FL on Saturday and will be with his brother and wife on Christmas Day.

Do hope that things are going well at Good Shepherd. We send our love to all – See you in May.

Bob & Jackie

**Thank you for supporting the Tree of Warmth.** Received were:  
36 hats  
2 hat & mitten sets  
2 scarves  
20 pairs of gloves.

**YOUTH GROUP**  
**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Sunday, January 21, 2006  
Bowling at El Camp Lanes

1:00-2:30 p.m.   Preschool-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
3:00-4:30 p.m.   3<sup>rd</sup> Grade-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Cost is \$0 for the youth.  
All others will be \$3.00  
Cheese pizza & pop will be provided

Please submit all annual reports to [goodshepherd@suite224.net](mailto:goodshepherd@suite224.net) by Monday, January 15, 2007. If you do not have access to e-mail, please submit your reports by Monday, January 8, 2007. If necessary, grammar will be corrected.

**RECENT VISITORS TO GOOD  
SHEPHERD ...*How many did you  
greet?***

Joseph Adcock, Akron, OH  
Chuck Anthony  
Barb Bisbee  
Jana Braden  
Danny Bramwell  
Cate Butler  
Pat & Howard Campbell  
Scott Carpenter  
Nancy Casey  
Mary Cole  
Cheyanne Cotrell  
Jennine & Don Curtin  
LuAnn Dersch  
Jim & Jackie Eaton  
Jody, Shelley & Jacob Evans  
Kyle & Amy Freeman  
Bobby Fuller, Albion, PA  
Deborah Gallagher, Portsmouth, VA  
Luke Gallagher  
Evelyn Gallardo, Toronto, Canada  
Gerald Tan Gallardo, Toronto, Ontario  
Tracie Getchell  
Laurie Gipson  
Manuel Gonzales, Jr. Louisville, CO  
Art Gore  
Ed & Mary Griswold  
Debra & Phil Gruzosky, Porter, IN  
Jason Haas, Fernandina Beach, FL  
Chris & Paula Hamric, Chicago, IL  
Bethany & JHoe Hardy, Arlington, VA  
Charity Harris  
Trudy Hazen  
Norm Hill  
Stephen Horvath  
Jim Houseknecht  
Bonnie & Lou Howell  
Jacob Howell  
Pam Hunt  
Tim Jackson  
Amanda Jensen, Louisville, CO  
James Jerina  
Dick Johnston  
Martha & Caitlin Joseph  
Margo Kaihlanen  
Karen Keskinen, Hempstead, NY  
Glenn Kobernik III  
David & Diane Kopacz  
Michael Laituri  
Chris & Sam Lampela

Chuck & Ruth Lloyd  
Sally Lytle  
Erik Maenpaa  
Robyne J. Malys  
Michael Mills, Conneaut  
Matilda Minster  
Jim & Betty Monday  
Jim & Tammy Monday  
Dan & Betty Morrow, Conneaut  
Lois & Lou Murtha  
Dan Natto, Jr.  
Virginia Nuzum  
John Nyman  
Elliott Pagenkopf  
Kathy Phillips  
Mick Poff  
Joyce Pyle, West Springfield, PA  
Tony Rapose  
Nicole Rivera  
Gary & Doris Rudler  
Larry Ruffo  
Becky Sackett  
Gail Sackett, Columbus, OH  
Melissa Sackett  
Dennis Sanders  
Justin & Amanda Sanford  
Ann Schepman  
Marion Schirmer, Springboro, PA  
Kristy Schiro, Worthington, OH  
Steve & Sharon Schoneman  
Eric Simon, Carlsbad, CA  
Karen Smith  
Ron Snow, Jr.  
Maribeth & Jermaine Sorrell, Parkville, MD  
Cindy & Richard Spink  
Mary & Jasmine Steighner  
Shannon Stevens  
Norma Squire, Erie, PA  
Alison Tan  
Laura Taylor  
Tammy & Kalyn Thompson  
Linda Towne  
Rick Vidmar, Conneaut  
Bill Vogtmann  
Ron Ward  
Sharon Waszmer, Hempstead, NY  
Robin Whitely, NJ  
Michelle Williams  
Adam Wright  
Judy & John Yesso  
Stephanie Yopp & Children

## *WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO KNOW?*

Why does God permit suffering?

What do Lutherans teach about miracles of healing?

What do I say when someone asks, "Are you saved?"

What do Lutherans teach about evolution and creation?

Those are topics of discussion coming up this month in the adult video study class. Each class begins with a short videotape recommended by Pastor Frank, followed by open discussion of the contents and our own questions.

You, too, can participate in this class, held in the lounge at 9:45 each Sunday. Give it a try this week!

## FLOWERS, BULLETINS & MEMORIAL CANDLE

New sign-up charts for the year 2007 are posted on the Administrative Information bulletin board across from the office.

### Please note price changes.

Flowers (One Vase)	\$35.00
Bulletins	\$15.00
Memorial Candle	\$4.00 <b>for each Sunday</b> <b>in the month.</b> (NOTE: Some months have 5 Sundays.)

## SPOTLIGHT ON “VISION”

What do you think is at the top of **God's** top 10 priorities for Good Shepherd? What should our goals be? These were questions posed at the “Visioning” meeting in October. This month's *Spotlight on “Vision”* column focuses on goals related to our building. Here are just a few of the specific and attainable goals which you suggested for the next 1—3 years.

- Hire a full-time custodian
- Tent for outdoor worship service
- Reseal exterior brick
- Paint exterior doors
- Increase number of hours heat is on
- Install magnetic closures on restroom doors
- Install new sanctuary carpeting
- Install sanctuary air conditioning
- Make adjustments to our sanctuary so that we make optimum use of the worship space (including more room between pews)

To plan for the future of GSLC, we need your input! Look for the tear-off sheet in this *Echo*, and submit your ideas to the church office.

Next month this column will detail some of the goals which were suggested for GSLC for the next 1—3 years, relating to our overall church growth. Watch for the “**Spotlight on Vision**” column in upcoming editions of this newsletter.

What do you think is at the top of  
**God's** top 10 priorities for Good Shepherd?  
What should our goals be?

Your input is needed and greatly valued. Please submit your ideas below to the church office.

As we are listing what we think those goals are, we ask ourselves, "Is it attainable within the next 1-3 years?" and "Can we measure the success of that goal?"

This is what I think God wants for Good Shepherd in the next 1-3 years:

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**SUNDAYWORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

		<b><u>8:30 A.M.</u></b>	<b><u>11:00 A.M.</u></b>
Dec 3	51	155	
Dec 10	57	105	
Dec 17	43	107	
<b>Dec. 24 10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>128</b>		
	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>134</b>	
	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>185</b>	
	<b>11:00 P.M.</b>	<b>63</b>	

**ADVENT ATTENDANCE**

December 6	51
December 10	64
December 13	46
December 20	42

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

December 3	64
December 10	56
December 17	65

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**HOLY  
COMMUNION**

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

**Handicap  
Accessible**

**[www.gslcc.org](http://www.gslcc.org)**

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

**9:45 a.m. Sunday School**  
Ages 3 to Adult

**11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
Nursery available for children 5 years old and younger

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