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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.

MARCH 2008 WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL – AGES 3 THROUGH ADULTS

11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Nursery Available for those up to age 5

Wednesdays in Lent

March 5

March 12

6 p.m. Supper

7 p.m. Worship

MARCH 2 **FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
HOLY COMMUNION**

MARCH 9 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MISSION SUNDAY**

*****NOON: Special Congregational Meeting

MARCH 16 **PALM SUNDAY
HOLY COMMUNION
First Holy Communion**

MARCH 20 **MAUNDY THURSDAY
6:00 Potluck Supper
7:00 Worship with Holy Communion**

MARCH 21 **GOOD FRIDAY
7:00 Worship**

MARCH 23 **EASTER
HOLY COMMUNION**


MARCH 30 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY COMMUNION
NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED**

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
						1 9:00 Men's Breakfast	
2 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 12:30-2:00 First Holy Communion Class 3:00 Baccalaureate Planning	3 5:30 Capital Campaign Property Committee 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	4 NO Cover Girls Ministry ELECTION DAY	5 6:00 Cherub/Youth Choir 6:00 Mom's Group WED LENT 6:00 Supper --7:00 Worship	6 9:30 – Noon GSLC Community Seniors Program 6:00 Conneaut Quilters Guild 6:30 CAMA Lenten Service at GSLC	7 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS	
9 MISSION SUNDAY (Capital Campaign & Food Pantry Offerings) 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Noon: Special Cong. Meeting	10 Noon Salvation Army Board Meets 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	11 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry Noon Women's Bible Study 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:00 All Committees Meet 7:00 Committee Potluck	12 2:30 Social Ministry at Ashtabula County Home 6:00 Cherub/Youth Choirs 6:00 Mom's Group WED LENT 6:00 Supper – 7:00 Worship	13 6:30 CAMA Lenten Service at East Conneaut UMC	14 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	15 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt	
16 HOLY COMMUNION PALM SUNDAY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 3:00-5:00 Confirmation	17 5:30 Executive Committee 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	18 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 6:00 Girl Scouts 6:30 Council Meets	19 6:00 Cherub/Youth Choirs 6:00 Mom's Group ECHO ARTICLES DUE IN OFFICE	20 9:30 – Noon GSLC Community Seniors Program 6:00 Potluck 7:00 Worship MAUNDY THURSDAY Holy Communion	21 7:00 Worship GOOD FRIDAY	22	
23 HOLY COMMUNION EASTER 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship	24 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	25 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry 5-8 Girl Scouts (FH)	26 1:00 – 6:00 Bloodmobile	27	28 7 pm Pinewood Derby Setup (FH)	29 9 am – 5 pm Pinewood Derby (FH)	
30 HOLY COMMUNION NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship	31 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 Boy Scouts	PASTOR ON VACATION MARCH 24-29					

2008

Pastor's Corner March 2008



I placed my writing a little closer to the cross this month because more than ever, I need the "Cross of Christ". I need it to guide my heart, to guide my mind, to guide my spirit, to guide my life. The cross is what helps me get through tough days, long days, and even happy days. The cross brings comfort to the weary. To know that God loved me so much is sometimes so amazing and yet, sometimes, I can feel so alone.

Sometimes I feel so helpless in this big world. Helpless to be the amazing husband that I want to be, helpless to be the amazing father that I want to be, and helpless to be the amazing servant that I want to be. The cross reminds me when I get those helpless feelings that Jesus is with me to the end of age.

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. **And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."***

I hope that by sharing my feelings of helplessness, you will also be able to place your heart, your spirit, and your life, at the foot of the cross. We all go through times of helplessness but Jesus promises to be with us. It's during these moments of helplessness, I say thank you Jesus for loving me so much. And then the tears begin to fall and I am again touched by his love.

I hope you take the time this month to humble yourself before the cross. For Jesus will be there as he says, *"I am with you always, to the end of the age"*.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday – March 16, 2008

(1st Holy Communion) Celebrated at 11:00 Service

Maundy Thursday – March 20, 2008

6:00 PM – 6:45 PM

7:00 PM – **"The Living Dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's the Last Supper"**

Worship Service with Holy Communion

Good Friday – March 21, 2008

7:00 PM Service

Easter Sunday – March 23, 2008

8:30 and 11:00 AM Service

"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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES IN MARCH

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

8:30 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

March 2	Amy Gallagher	Jerry Brookhouser
March 16	Heidi Parkomaki	Tim Jackson
March 20	Maundy Thursday 7 p.m.	Phyllis Waid
March 23	Jim Arcaro and Dick Pelow	Pat Haas and Mark Lytle
March 30	Dick Pelow	Wanda Gore

MARCH FUNERAL COMMITTEE

JANET MAENPAA
Pat Haas
Sandra Horvath
Kathy Vaux-Paden

GREETERS

March 2	Heidi & Rebecca Parkomaki	Mike & Suzanne Malys
March 9	Rich & Julie Kantola	Herb & Irene Hopkins
March 16	Steve & Rochelle Martin	Robin Bryant & Amanda Wright
March 23	Mike & Laureen Bidwell	Frank & Mary Behling
March 30	Jim & Marilyn Salo	Al & Ellen Gee

USHERS

March 20	7 p.m. Maundy Thursday	John Bidwell, Suzanne Malys, Dane Malys, Lucas Malys
March 23		Faye Lampela & Cindy Nelson
March 30		Bob & E. Jay Hybert

READERS

March 2	Linda Hall	Duffy Guthrie
	Rebecca Parkomaki	Michael Nelson
March 9	Jim Arcaro	Susan Tan
	Rebecca Parkomaki	Felicia Kobernik
March 16	Amy Gallagher	Manny Gonzales
		Justyn Olivarez
March 20	7 p.m. Maundy Thursday	Phyllis Waid
March 23	Sandra Horvath	Jerry Brookhouser
	Rebecca Parkomaki	Michael Nelson
March 30	Dolores Pelow	Dianne Young
		Jacob Eddy

ALTAR GUILD

Ruth Brown
Mary Lou Moisiso
Molly Todaro

NURSERY

March 2 Shannon Ruffo

ACOLYTES

March 2	Rick Kantola	Alyx Ruffo & Cheryl Jewel
March 9	Analyynn DiFilippo	Justin Olivarez & Bryan Gildone
March 16	Rebecca Parkomaki	Shae Brink & Aaron Eddy
March 23	Rick Kantola	Bryan Gildone & Alicia Ngiraingas
	Rebecca Parkomaki	
March 30	Analyynn DiFilippo	Felicia Kobernik & Emilee Esposito

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1	Karen Eddy Squeak Helfinstine	20	Amy Gallagher Manny Gonzales
3	Michelle Jewell	21	Hayley Griswold
5	Jessica Anderson Colton Cameron	22	Ellen Gee Margaret Houy
6	Ray Sillanpaa	23	Nancy Sackett
9	Jerry Lampela	24	Donna DeMarco Lee Heinonen Nickolas Mason
10	Kadie Giles Jake Kesatie	25	Willard Hall Chris Lampela Tammy Monday
11	Leah Gallagher	26	Penny Armeni Rebecca Betteridge John Hutchison Noah Mechling
13	Margo Kaihlanen	27	Micah Bidwell E. Jay Hybert
14	Marla Griswold Emileigh Rhoads	28	Shawn Sackett
15	Constance Fedor Hollie Swartzfager	31	Bruce Britton Suzanne Malys
16	Dinah Grimes		
17	Brian Bidwell		
19	Haylee Belcher		

MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10 Charles ♥ Janiece Woodworth

15 Gaylord ♥ Dagmar Bozard

SPECIAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

NOON – SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2008

to discuss and vote on

- ▶ Income property for alternative income
- ▶ Revitalization of Sanctuary
(vote on carpet and tile)

Please plan to attend this important meeting!

February 25, 2008

Members of Good Shepherd,

There is a wonderful opportunity being presented at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ashland, OH on April 12, 2008.

They are hosting a program, “Strengthening Your Congregation” and inviting leaders and members of ministry to attend.

Please consider attending this program. The cost is \$12.50. We will leave from GSLC on the morning of the program. The car pool will leave about 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 12, 2008.

Please register through the church office. There is a form to fill out and you can leave your registration fee with Shirley or Chris.

Faithfully Serving,
Pastor Frank

The next **Marriage Encounter Weekend** will be **March 28-30, 2008**.

This weekend gives couples the opportunity for a safe, encouraging atmosphere where they can recommit to each other while learning new and vital intimate communication skills. For further information contact

John & Robin Legan
at (330) 425-2176
or
thelegans@excite.com.

You may also register at www.ilmeone.org. A \$45 non-refundable registration fee ensures your place.

**DONATIONS OF
CANDY AND COFFEE CANS (24 oz. size)**

**are needed by Sunday, March 9
for Good Shepherd's**

**EASTER EGG HUNT
to be held
SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008 AT 10:30 A.M.**

**Your donations may be placed in the specially marked box located on
the table in the Gathering Space.**

**Please contact Tammy Owens at (814) 922-3638 about providing
snacks such as juice, cookies or cupcakes.**

EASTER PLANTS

**Tulip and lily plants will be available at a cost of \$7.50 for each plant. Payment along with this
form may be placed in the offering or mailed to the church office.**

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
876 Grove St, Conneaut, OH 44030**

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS MARCH 9, 2008

We would ask that one name or one couple be honored or memorialized for each plant ordered.

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Donor's Name _____ Envelope No. _____

No. of Plants Ordered _____ Amount Enclosed _____ Tulip _____ Lily _____

COVER GIRLS QUILTING MINISTRY

The Cover Girls have had a busy new year having made 124 quilts since the first of September. We have been blessed with many dedicated helpers. We thank Frank Behling for taking a large box of material home to cut into squares and to Mary for helping to put tops together. We enjoy our visits from Bob Cain who faithfully brings us tops sewn by Ruth who has been working hard at her sewing machine. When Bob drops the completed tops off at church, he always takes a few more kits back home for Ruth to sew. Our friend, June Walton, has also sewn and delivered several tops for us. Thanks to Jan Uveges, Barb Bisbee, and Carol Allds who continue to sew tops at home. And, we are pleased to welcome Pat Laughlin as our newest home helper! Thank you, Pat, for your willingness to help!! We also appreciate Irene Baugher and Sue Chapin who “man” the sewing machines and Peg Harco who has been busy assembling kits of squares. These people are just a few of the many dedicated helpers who keep our ministry flowing. Each plays a vital part in our work sessions and is truly appreciated!

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Forty-seven residents recently attended the bingo session at the Ashtabula County Nursing Home and were helped by Frank & Mary Behling, Marsha Taylor, Shirley Harco, Betty Laitinen and Bill Bort. Valentine cards made by our Sunday School students were directed to our shut-ins via mail and personal delivery by Marsha Taylor to those residing at Inn Conn and by Shirley Harco to those residing at The Villa

CONNEAUT FOOD PANTRY

Mission Sunday

March 9, 2009

The grocery cart will be available in the gathering space for your donation. Please consider this worthy cause when doing your grocery shopping. If each person attending worship that day were to bring just one can or box item, we could fill the cart! Sometimes stores offer "Buy One, Get One" sales. You can turn that into "Buy One, Give One!" Thanks for remembering those less fortunate.

GSLC COMMUNITY SENIORS PROGRAM

All who are age 55 and older (whether or not you are a member of Good Shepherd) are welcome to join us!

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and activities follow until noon. Lunch is available for a \$1.50 donation.

Thursday, March 6, 2008

Nancy Hutchens, RN, from Conneaut Community Hospital will offer insight on the topic of arthritis.

Thursday, March 20, 2008

George Adams will be speaker.

Pastor Gore will lead devotions for both programs.

RECENT VISITORS TO GOOD SHEPHERD

...How many did you greet?

Chuck Anthony
Tim Blood
Brian F. Burke, Ashtabula, OH
Floyd & JoEllen Cameron
Linda Cameron
Amanda Colby
Paul Cole
Cheyanne Cottrell
Don & Sue Cummins
Kevin Esposito
Florence Gable
Paul, Emilie & Devin Gauvin
Paul Gavin
Tracie Getchell
Amanda Gore
Brandon Gore
Kevin, Becky, Parker, Andrew
Art, Brandon and Amanda Gore,
Wallace Heinonen
Richard & Linda Holm, Woodstock, ONT
Stephen Horvath
Jim Houseknecht
Pam Hunt
James M. Jerina
Glenn Kobernik III
Susan McCarron
Hunter McClintoch
Darrel, Megan, Alexander & Donovan Mobley
Keith & Pauline Mueller, New Hamburg, ONT
Alexandra Nardo
Jessica Osborne
Alyx Pasanen
Todd, Julia, Emily & Tyler Pew
Michelle Picard
Rayona Potter
Ignacio Rivera
Shelly Rose
Karen Sabo
Katelyn Sackett
Chris Smith
Mary Steighner
Dick & Diana Stoker
Phyllis Sturtevant
Tim Stutzman
Rick Vidmar
Adam Wright
Marilee Zappitelli

WORSHIP
ATTENDANCE

February 3	216
February 10	115
February 17	198
February 24	195

SPECIAL SERVICES
ATTENDANCE

Feb 6	Ash Wed	11:00 a.m. Worship	34
	Ash Wed	Supper	50
	Ash Wed	7:00 p.m. Worship	93
Feb 13	Lent	Supper	35
	Lent	Worship	51
Feb 20	Lent	Supper	44
	Lent	Worship	47

OFFERINGS

Amount Needed Each Week \$3,884.00

Offerings Received for the General Fund
as of February 24, 2008
under budget - \$ 4,779.58

Please notify the church office (599-8908) if you or a member of your family is hospitalized. If you desire, a member of the **Hospital Visiting Team** will visit.

SPLASH FOR CASH

Flyers will be available
for admission to
Splash Lagoon on
Sunday, April 6, 2008
from 2 pm - 6 pm
for \$14.95 Half Day

20% of your swimmer admission goes to
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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MARCH 16 – PALM SUNDAY
Holy Communion – First Holy Communion

MARCH 20 – MAUNDY THURSDAY
Holy Communion
6:00 Potluck Supper – 7:00 Worship

MARCH 21 – GOOD FRIDAY
7:00 Service

MARCH 23 – EASTER
8:30 Contemporary Worship
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Worship