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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.

APRIL 2009 WORSHIP SERVICES

HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATED EACH SUNDAY

8:30 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL AGES 3 THROUGH ADULT

11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Nursery Available for those up to age 5

APRIL 5

**PALM SUNDAY (Sunday of the Passion)
First Holy Communion**

APRIL 9

**MAUNDY THURSDAY
6 p.m. Potluck Supper
7 p.m. Live Dramatization of
Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper"**

APRIL 10

**GOOD FRIDAY
7 p.m. Tenebrae Service of Darkness**

APRIL 12

**EASTER (The Resurrection of our Lord)
MISSION SUNDAY (Bring in items for Food Pantry and
Capital Campaign Offerings)
New Members Received**

APRIL 19

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST

April 12, 2009 9:00 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

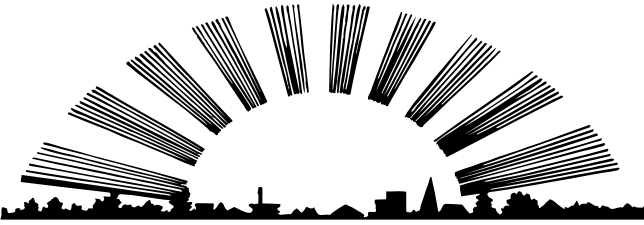
Bring the family and enjoy a pancake breakfast with your church family.
Proceeds from donations received will be used towards a new outdoor sign.
Breakfast sponsored by the Evangelism Committee

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday, April 19th – 12:30 – 4:00 -Youth to help as Volunteers for the Special Olympics Bowl-A-Thon			1 9:30 Villa Bible Study 5:00 Genesis Bells 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry 6:00 Soup Supper 7:00 Worship	2 10:00 Senior Program	3 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	4 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt FH in use 3 pm – 7 pm
5 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 1st Holy Communion 1:30 Worship at Villa PALM SUNDAY	6 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	7 9:00 Quilting Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry 9:30 Finance Committee 10 – 1 Youth Work Day 5:30 Capital Campaign Property Committee	8 9:00 Men's Breakfast at Anthony's 2:30 Bingo at County Home 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry 6:45 Genesis Bells	9 Noon CAMA 6:00 Potluck 7:00 Last Supper MAUNDY THURS	10 PASTOR'S DAY OFF 7:00 Service Of Darkness GOOD FRIDAY	11
12 HOLY COMMUNION MISSION SUNDAY Baptisms New Members Received 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:00-10:40 Pancake Breakfast 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship EASTER	13 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	14 9:00 Quilting Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry Noon Women's Bible Study 6 00 All Committees 7:00 Committee Potluck	15 9:30 Villa Bible Study 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry 6:45 Genesis Bells	16 10:00 Senior Program	17 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	18
19 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 12:30 Confirmation Class	20 Noon Salvation Army Board Meets 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	21 9:00 Quilting Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry 5:30 Executive Committee 6:30 Council Meets	22 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry 6:45 Genesis Bells	23	24 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	25
26 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Noon Pulled Pork Lunch	27 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	28 9:00 Quilting Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry	29 9:30 Villa Bible Study	30		

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Pastor's Corner April 2009



It's not Easter morning yet... but we can at least read this celebrating statement...

Alleluia He Has Risen!!! He Has Risen Indeed, Alleluia!!!

In just a few days, you can scream it out and spread the news. As a follower of Jesus, I know you will be in worship to celebrate that glorious morning when the tomb was found empty.

To me the Easter celebration is about a **new beginning in life**. Not just the life we have today but the life we share with God today, tomorrow and forever. As we look back on our life, we find times of joy and of sorrow. There is much to be thankful for and there is much we could do better. We may never be perfect but we'll always be faithful.

When Easter arrives it brings with it a new and wonderful feeling. It's a feeling of joy as the winter gives way to a **new beginning**. The brilliance of the spring, the wonder of a new creation, the warmth of the sun and radiant light in the empty tomb are all blessings of hope from God. Embrace each day with the love of Christ given as a sacrifice on the cross and a love of God shown to us through the resurrection. **Celebrate your new beginning with Christ** as we continue to gather in his name for worship.

In the midst of this new beginning, I am looking to the past. Let me explain... Over the past few years, I've learned that the history of Good Shepherd is missing. There are no pictures of the church being built or ground breaking. There are no pictures of picnics, worship, special events, dinners, craft making and Sunday school. That's right, over the past 46 years of ministry; we have no picture record to put into our library. We have a "NEW" history committee and I am pleading with every member of GSLC to look for pictures they have at home or your family may have in boxes. Bring them in for the history committee to copy. You can help build another aspect of history for Good Shepherd and even though it's the past, it's another new beginning.

Here's what we need you to do:

- Look for the pictures (even newer members) because we need all the years we can to make these books fill up with the love of Christ.
 - Write names of people in the picture and date the picture if you can. If you're worried about messing up the picture by writing on the back, please write it on a piece of paper.
 - Put the pictures in an envelope and bring them to the office and give them to Shirley Brookhouser. If your pictures are on the computer, you can always e-mail them to the church e-mail address. (goodshepherd@suite224.net)
 - Shirley will give them to the history committee to make copies and return your original to you.
- As I think about the life we share this day together with Christ, I have "Hope" that we will be able to piece together the life of Good Shepherd. I value the relationship we share today as well as what was shared in the past. Thank you in advance for going through the dusty boxes and old photo albums. I look forward to seeing our history develop and grow.

"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 APRIL

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

April 5	Rich Kantola	Duffy Guthrie
April 9	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday	Phyllis Waid
April 12	Julie Lowery/Skip Sanford	Duffy Guthrie & Suzanne Malys
April 19	Julie Kantola	Diane Young
April 26	Jim Arcaro	Diane Young

ALTAR GUILD

Sue Chapin
Pam Deemer
Pat Haas
Betty Monday
Ruth Brown

GREETERS

April 5	Marti Lillie	Peggy & Shirley Harco
April 12	Jack Parkomaki	Millie Hennessey
April 19	Jan Uveges	Pat Haas
April 26	Waino & Betty Nyman	Manny & Marne Gonzales

READERS

April 5	Jim Arcaro	Dianne Young Bryan Gildone
April 9	7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday	Wanda Gore
April 12	Mike Malys Cheryl Jewell	Mark Lytle Michael Nelson
April 19	Marti Lillie	Shirley Harco
April 26	Susan Chapin	Paul Mechling

HOSPITALITY 8:30 a.m.

April 5 Pam Deemer
April 12 No Hospitality
Pancake Breakfast served between worship services.
April 19 Dick & Dolores Pelow
April 26 Jim & Betty Monday

USHERS

April 5	Mike & Laurie Bidwell	Ben Betteridge, Lucas Malys Jim & Candy Arcaro
April 12	Rich & Ricky Kantola Jim Arcaro Mike Bidwell	Ruth Brown, Wanda Gore Ernie Waid, Faye Lampela Jim Arcaro, Mike Malys
April 19	John & Sue Chapin	Cindy Nelson, David Uthe Peggy Harco, Shirley Harco
April 26	Pearl Ann Curtis Pam Deemer	Manny & Marne Gonzales Michelle Logan, Duffy Guthrie

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

JANET MAENPAA
Shirley Harco
Sue Chapin
Pam Deemer
Peg Harco
Millie Hennessey

ACOLYTES

April 5	Analynn DiFilippo	Quinn Rudler Aaron Eddy
April 12	Cheryl Jewel	Cody Nagy Jacob Eddy
April 19	Rick Kantola	Bryan Gildone Michael Nelson
April 26	Jennifer Gallagher	Jaela Dragon Alyx Ruffo

3HOSPITALITY 11:00 a.m.

April 5 No Hospitality
First Holy Communion
April 12 No Hospitality
Pancake Breakfast served between worship services.
April 19 Art & Mil Niinisto
April 26 Molly Todaro

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1	Karen Picard	16	Melissa Howland Stephanie Mischka
2	Herb Hopkins		
		17	Skip Sanford
4	Pat Haas		
5	Al Gee	18	Luke Patriarco
6	Kelsey Kehoe	19	Deanna Brown Sally Sillanpaa
7	Jacob Kehoe Dick Pelow	22	Gary Anderson Rebecca Burr Christopher Jewell
8	Lee Murtha		
9	Greg Betteridge	23	Timothy Montagano
		24	Bob Hybert
10	Irene Baugher June Daykin Ty Paden	25	Nancy Litz
11	Hannah Farr	28	Michael Malys III Julia Pew
12	Dagmar Bozard	29	Marti Lillie
14	Tyler Pew Jim Salo Ryan Thompson	30	Tim Jackson Amanda Sanford
15	Jim Sackett		

APRIL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1	Frank ♥ Melanie Olivarez	20	Bob ♥ Pat Haas
2	Jerry ♥ Shirley Brookhouser	24	Rich ♥ Julie Kantola
3	Ron ♥ Dianne Young	28	Jim ♥ Nancy Sackett
14	Greg ♥ Glenda Betteridge	29	Waino ♥ Betty Nyman

YOUTH CHOIR SCHEDULE

1st & 3rd Sundays – 15 minute practice
9:30 – 9:45 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays – 15 minute practice
10:30 a.m.

ALL ARE INVITED!

**Bring your kids and grandkids
to the GSLC Easter Egg Hunt on
Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 10 a.m.**

Please have your children dress accordingly in case they choose to paint wooden crosses. Each child must bring their own basket, bag, bucket, or whatever container they would like to collect their eggs in.

Thanks to all who have donated candy. Just a reminder--we can only accept individually wrapped candy.

GSLC LAWN CARE

This year we would like to spread out the lawn mowing fun among several GSLC volunteer servant families. Special training will be offered on our beautiful new mower for all who volunteer. Please prayerfully consider if you might be willing to commit to lawn care for a few weeks or more this summer. To sign up for this opportunity to serve, please call the church office at 599-8908. Call soon to reserve the weeks of your choice.

MUTUAL MINISTRY RAFFLE

Mutual Ministry will be raffling off three baskets for Mothers Day. Tickets go on sale April 19. Price is \$1 for one ticket or \$5 for six tickets. Drawing will be held on May 10th for Mothers Day. Proceeds go towards the church picnic.

MUTUAL MINISTRY needs volunteers for the 11 a.m. worship service. If you would like to be part of the team, please contact Faye Lampela (599-1273) or Michelle Logan (599-8383).

ALTAR GUILD- Notice!!

There will be a special meeting Maundy Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. Plans will be made concerning the Stripping of the Altar.

BBQ PULLED PORK LUNCH

at

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Sunday, April 26, 2009
Noon to 1 p.m.**

Adults \$6.00

Children 10 & Under \$4.00

Benefit for Cooks for Christ

TURKEY BOX

The Turkey Box will be put out in the gathering space after Easter. Please drop in any loose change you may have. Donations will be used to take care of 2009 Thanksgiving and Christmas families. By starting early, everyone has opportunity to give a little at a time and we can once again provide for the families. We thank everyone for their past generosity!

ERIE SEA WOLVES CHURCH NIGHT

Tuesday, May 19, 2009 6:35 p.m.

Jerry Uht Park, Erie, PA

All are invited to attend.

Sign up deadline is April 19, 2009.

For only \$3.00 you will have a reserved seat, a chance to enter the Group Sweepstakes Drawing, and opportunity to enjoy hot dogs, fountain Pepsi, popcorn and cotton candy for only \$1.00 per item.

BOX TOPS & SOUP LABELS

Amanda Sanford thanks everyone for contributing 58 soup labels and 184 Box tops for Education for Lakeshore Primary School. The collection box will remain in the gathering space.

GSLC COMMUNITY SENIOR PROGRAM

Join this groups of seniors (ages 55 and over) every first and third Thursday of the month for devotions, exercise, blood pressure monitoring, fellowship and a program. A light lunch is available for \$2.00. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

April 2 – Devotions will be led by Rev. Tim Kraus from the Church of Christ Church. Rev. Robert Tarasiak of the Foursquare Fellowship Church will speak about Honduras.

April 11– Rev. Jon Singer of the First Baptist Church will lead devotions. Mr. & Mrs. Thompson of Ashtabula will have a program on American Indians.

4th ANNUAL “OVER 90” LUNCHEON

May 16, 2009

at The Villa

12:15 p.m. Registration

1:00 p.m. Lunch

Those age 90 and over are invited to attend and may bring one guest. To bring additional guests, please contact Bill Cox or Jim Lauer.

**Register by April 30, 2009 by calling
Bill Cox at 593-4561 or
Jim Lauer at 593-3986**

Conneaut Community Center For the Arts

presents the production of the
comedy “Harvey”

Friday, April 3rd at 6:30 p.m., a dessert and coffee bar will offer an assortment of desserts and a variety of coffee flavors to enjoy during the play. Cost is \$13.50 per person (\$12.00 for Center members).

Saturday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m., enjoy the evening of theater only for \$10.00 per person (\$8.00 for Center members).

Make reservations for April 3 only by calling the Center at (440) 593-5888 or e-mail your reservations at kilpi1025@suite224.net. Tickets are available by calling the Center at (440) 593-5888.

Penny Armeni, Executive Director

ALL NEW RACEWAY 7 All Faiths Night at Raceway 7

Friday, May 22, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

**Special Ticket Prices
for Groups of 10 or More
\$7.00 Adults \$4.00 Kids**

Here’s what makes your outing special -

- ❖ Your group will get to sit together in a special reserved seating area. Ask about our family section seating.
- ❖ Bring a vehicle and choose someone to represent your church in the pre race lap.
- ❖ Ask about the opportunity for your church choir to do the national anthem.
- ❖ Ask about the chance to do the pre-race prayer.
- ❖ Ask about the chance to put your clergy in a car for the faster pastor race! (Top 3 finishers will receive a percent of their ticket sales donated back to their church)

If you would like to attend individually, bring a church bulletin to the ticket window to receive \$2.00 off the \$10.00 race price (limit 4 tickets) valid on May 22nd only.

Call (216) 695-3484 and mention “All Faiths Night” to order your tickets for the May 22nd show.

Terry Adams, Raceway 7

THANK YOU

The Cooks for Christ and the Evangelism Committee would like to thank all the bakers who baked dozens of yummy treats and those who made homemade fudge for the recent Sock Hop bake sale. We thank John and Sue Chapin who created a wonderful sign that attracted people to our goodies section. Nancy Guthrie, Sue Chapin, Deanna Brown, and Shirley Harco manned the sale. The sale netted \$324.

THANK YOU, GSLC TEENS!!

We thank the teens of Good Shepherd for cleaning windows and raking leaves as part of the recent youth work day. What the teens did in half an hour would have taken us all day.

You are great!! Thanks again.

Satch & Marilyn Hathy

WE STARVED FOR FOOD!

Through the 30-Hour Famine Event held the weekend of March 13 & 14, a total of \$682.55 was raised. This was enough to help feed and care for one child (almost two) for an entire year!

The students in our congregation have ACTED. They have fasted. They have raised money for World Vision to feed hungry children worldwide. The 16 students who participated were able to realize through this experience just how much hunger can impact a life; and how just one dollar can make a difference. Through World Vision, just one dollar can feed a child for a whole day. Even though it was a challenge for the students to go 30 hours without food, they all participated in Bible sessions, games, activities, and a service project of yard work for the congregation, all with little moaning and groaning! The weekend ended with a spaghetti dinner prepared by the Cooks for Christ enjoyed by the students and their families.

Thank you to all who participated in and donated to this worthwhile event!

THANKS!

Kris Cameron

We extend our sincere sympathies to:

Samantha Lampela and her family. Samantha's brother, Ryan M. Schwartzfigure, passed away March 15, 2009.

Ernie Waid and his family. Ernie's sister, Wilda "Marie" Boggs passed away March 21, 2009.

YOUTH EVENTS

Monday Morning Coffee House
Free to High School Students
6:40 am to 7:00 a.m.

Bible Study at Crazy Dave's
High school youth are invited
to hear the Word

in a casual and inviting atmosphere.

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| April 7 | 9:30 – 1:00 p.m.
Youth Work Day |
| April 19 | 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. Special
Olympics Bowl-A-Thon |
| May 19 | Erie Sea Wolves Baseball Game |
| June 20 | Alive Concert |
| June 28 | Car Wash 10 am – 1 pm |

If you are in need of child care, you may contact one of the following:

Shannon Ruffo, 1st/2nd grade Sunday School teacher, is providing childcare in her home. Contact her at 599-9074.

Mary Steighner is providing childcare for the young ones Monday – Friday from 6 am – 6 pm. She can be contacted at 593-3788.

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

Chris Angerman
 Chuck Anthony
 Bob & Regina Best
 Renee C. Cavanaugh
 Donald & Heidi Zlamel-Cowey
 Cathy & Jacob Crislip
 Kevin Esposito
 Debbie, Tommy & Jason Gallison, Warren, OH
 Paul, Devin & Emilie Gauvin
 Ryan Harco
 Christian Hathy
 Linda & Jillian Heinonen
 Justin Heinonen
 April Holdson
 Monika, Celine & Jordan Hosken
 John Howland
 Nick & Lisa Iarocci, Laina & Mari
 James Jerina
 Steve Krenisky
 Michael Laituri
 Ronald, Gabriele & Jeneane LaRusch
 Eugene Lowery
 Lynda Minken
 Cody Nagy
 Alexis Nelson
 David & Bernadette Nolan
 Brianna Plats
 Joan Richards
 Karen Simons
 Tom Spencer
 James B Stringer, Jr., Parma, OH 44130
 Bob Thayer
 Rick Vidmar
 Katrina Walters
 James Winslow
 Kenneth & Connie Woodring
 Marilee Zappitelli
 Lexi Zappitello

ATTENDANCE

	WORSHIP	SUNDAY SCHOOL
March 1	213	N/A
March 8	214	70
March 15	206	63
March 22	184	45
March 29	212	N/A

**SPECIAL SERVICES
ATTENDANCE**

Wednesdays	Supper	Worship
March 4	39	62
March 11	54	53
March 18	48	57
March 25	55	65
 Thursday Community Lent		
March 12		88
 Classical Guitar Concert		
March 22		56

OFFERING

Amount Needed Each Week \$ 3900.00

Offerings Received for the General Fund
as of March 22, 2009

Behind Budget - \$ 1,116.44

GSLC YOUTH GROUP

Also find this information on the church web site!

Youth Work Day Tuesday, April 7th 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Meet at the church. One, possibly two drivers are needed. **Everyone is expected to be there or give a valid excuse!**

Lunch provided at church at 1:00.

Bring rakes, buckets and outdoor clothes! Dress for the weather!

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 4th 9:30 – 11:30 am

Several volunteers are needed to help hide eggs, fill eggs, and keep watch over the little ones. Consider helping for service hours and fun!

New Service Project Option! April 19, 2009 Sunday 12:30 – 4:00 pm

Special Olympics Bowl-A-Thon
Volunteers are needed to serve as lane monitors and assist bowlers. You will not be bowling.

Sign up by Palm Sunday!

Permission slips for both the Youth Work Day and the Sea Wolves Baseball Game are due by April 5th at Sunday School!

We will be having a Bake Sale on Mother's Day to go along with Ben's Breakfast. Everyone will be expected to bring in a contribution – a dozen cookies, cupcakes or a loaf of bread. More info will be sent to help you with this project!

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