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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 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

MARCH 1

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 8

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MISSION SUNDAY (Bring in items for Food Pantry and
Capital Campaign Offerings)

****Daylight Saving Time Begins at 2 a.m.**

MARCH 15

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 22

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Classical Guitar Concert by Tom Gwilt at 3 p.m.

MARCH 29

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Soup Supper

7 p.m. Worship

Worship leaders will be

March 4 – Lay Leader Greg Betteridge

“God’s Mirror”

March 11 – Pastor Gore

“The Journey”

March 18 – Lay Leader Mark Lytle

“There Is Hope”

March 25 – Pastoral Assistant Nancy Guthrie

“No Blame Necessary”

April 1 – Pastor Gore

“If... Then”

Daylight Savings Time begins 2 a.m. March 8, 2009

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 12:30-2:30 1 st Communion Class 1:30 Worship at Villa	2 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	3 9:00 Quilting Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry 9:30 Finance Committee 5:30 Capital Campaign Property Committee	4 9:30 Villa Bible Study 5:00 Genesis Bells 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry WED LENT 6:00 Soup Supper 7:00 Worship	5 10:00 GSLC Community Seniors Program 6:00 Conneaut Quilters (FH) 7:00 Community Lent Service at St. Francis	6 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	7
8 HOLY COMMUNION MSSION SUNDAY (Capital Campaign & Food Pantry Offerings) 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 12:30-2:30 1 st Communion Class	9 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	10 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 9:00 Men's Breakfast at Anthony's Noon Women's Bible Study 6:00 All Committees Meet 7:00 Committee Potluck	11 2:30 Social Ministry at County Home 5:00 Genesis Bells 6:00 Cherub Choir 6:00 Puppet Ministry WED LENT 6:00 Soup Supper 7:00 Worship	12 7:00 Community Lent Service at Good Shepherd	13 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	14 YOUTH WORK DAY 10 AM – 2 PM Bake Sale at Sock Hop
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22 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship 3:00 Tom Gwilt Guitar Concert	23 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	24 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry	25 1-6 Red Cross Bloodmobile 5:00 Genesis Bells WED LENT 6:00 Soup Supper 7:00 Worship	26 7:00 Community Lent Service at First United Methodist Church	27 PASTOR'S DAY OFF	28 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby (FH)
29 HOLY COMMUNION 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional Worship Basket Fundraiser Begins	30r 5:30 Bell Choir 6:00 Cub Scouts 6:30 Chancel Choir	31 9:00 Cover Girls Ministry 9:00 "3M" Ministry	April 4, 2009 – Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. April 5, 2009 – Palm Sunday – First Holy Communion at 11 am April 9, 2009 – Maundy Thursday (<i>The Last Supper</i> at 7 pm) April 10, 2009 – Good Friday – <i>Service of Darkness</i> at 7 pm April 12, 2009 – Easter – <i>Resurrection of Our Lord</i>			

Youth 30-Hour Famine

Pastor's Corner March 2009

“What happened at the special meeting in February?”

We've all seen the buckets sitting around the church hallways and in the gathering space. We've seen the water dripping in the light fixtures and on chairs and tables in the lounge. Some of you've seen the water dripping on the office staff as they work around the leaking roof.

Yesterday the congregation voted to change all that and a little more. The people of Good Shepherd voted to expand the classroom space and change the office location as well as the roof. This makes sense because it was going to have to be done in a few years anyway. Mark summed it up this way; “Let's do the addition now instead of cutting into a perfectly good roof.”

Eighty-one members of GSLC were in attendance and all voted in favor of doing the complete project instead of half now and another half later. The members along with council discussed in detail the project and how it would affect the congregation as a whole. All of God's people are encouraged to support this project as we move forward.

When I stepped off the chancel to give my wife our pledge card I witnessed an emotional Marsha Taylor reading scripture and called on her brothers and sisters to hear God's Word.

During the meeting I watched and listened as the Holy Spirit moved people into discussion and even testimony to faithful living for Jesus Christ. It seemed dreamlike as people in our congregation spoke openly about how Christ has changed them. The passage below is what Marsha had read and I believe God led her to this passage for all his people to hear.

“Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling, consider that Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ² was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses also “was faithful in all God's house.” ³ Yet Jesus is worthy of more glory than Moses, just as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴ (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.)”

On the back of this page is the future of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Like the builders before, we embark on this journey together. **No one is alone in the call to sacrifice.** We're all together, one in the Body of Christ. Therefore please pick up a pledge card and sign the “Historical” commitment ledger as the founders did when they built the church on the corner of Lake and Grove. This document will be placed in our history and when the next generation of Christians grows up at GSLC, they will celebrate and thank those who had the vision for Christ's church. God truly is the builder of all things. For without him, we would only be a building and not a church.

Pray about your building commitment and pledge. The pledge cards will be available after services. Chris will have a table in the gathering space for you to make your pledge and sign the commitment ledger for the historical significance of this project.

“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)

DRAWING NOT AVAILABLE ON LINE

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 1	Amy Gallagher	Bob Hybert
March 8	Jim Arcaro	Bob Hybert
March 15	Pam Deemer	Mark Lytle
March 22	Dick Pelow	Mark Lytle
March 29	Betty Monday	Greg Betteridge

ALTAR GUILD

Shirley Harco
Peggy Harco
Robin Bryant
Cheryl Poff

GREETERS

March 1	Heidi Parkomaki & Rebecca	Tom & Connie Farr
March 8	Mike & Laurie Bidwell	Herb & Irene Hopkins
March 15	Jim & Betty Monday	Mike Malys, Jr.
March 22	Amy Gallagher, Jennifer & Leah	Al & Ellen Gee
March 29	Joy Dittler, Laura Gustafson	Bud & Nancy Sackett

NURSERY

March 1 Kristy Boyle
 Wanda Gore

READERS

March 1	Linda Hall	Al Gee
	Analynn DiFilippo	Bryan Gildone
March 8	Jim Arcaro	
	Shae Brink	
March 15	Analynn DiFillipo	Manny Gonzales
	Analynn DiFilippo	Bryan Gildone
March 22	Dolores Pelow	Marne Gonzales
March 29	Amy Gallagher	Greg Betteridge
	Analynn DiDilippo	Bryan Gildone

HOSPITALITY 8:30 a.m.

March 1	John & Sue Chapin
March 8	Jim & Betty Monday
March 15	Laurie Bidwell
	Pauline Arbuckle
March 22	Kyle Vidmar
March 29	Marilyn Hathy

USHERS

March 1	Mike & Laurie Bidwell	High School Students
March 8	Phyllis Waid	Wanda Gore, Ernie Waid
	Janet Maenpaa	Jim & Candy Arcaro
March 15	Pam Deemer	Greg & Glenda Betteridge
	Pearl Ann Curtis	David Uthe, Michelle Logan
March 22	Rich & Rick Kantola	Ruth Brown, Janet Maenpaa
		Faye Lampela, Jim Arcaro
March 29	Duffy Guthrie	Ernie & Phyllis Waid
	Jim Arcaro	Marne & Manny Gonzales

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

JANET MAENPAA
Pat Haas
Sandra Horvath
Kathy Vaux-Paden

ACOLYTES

March 1	Analynn DiFillippo	Tyler Pew
		Quinn Rudler
March 8	Rick Kantola	Sierra Brink
		Hannah Farr
March 15	Cheryl Jewell	Bryan Gildone
		Michael Nelson
March 22	Rick Kantola	Emilee Esposito
		Jeneane LaRusch
March 29	Jennifer Gallagher	Shae & Sierra Brink

HOSPITALITY 11:00 a.m.

March 1	Peggy & Shirley Harco
	Mildred Hennessey
March 8	David & Martha Jayne
	Thompson
March 15	Faye Lampela
March 22	Cindy Nelson
March 29	Michelle Logan

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1	Karen Eddy Squeak Helfinstine	20	Amy Gallagher Manny Gonzales Ruth Ann Lloyd
3	Michelle Jewell	22	Ellen Gee Marge Houy
4	Don Cummins	23	Connie Farr Nick Mason Nancy Sackett
5	Jessica Anderson Colton Cameron	24	Donna DeMarco Lee Heinonen
6	Ray Sillanpaa	25	Willard Hall Chris Lampela Tammy Monday
9	Jerry Lampela	26	Penny Armeni Rebecca Betteridge Noah Mechling
10	Jacob Kesatie	27	Micah Bidwell E. Jay Hybert Shannon Ruffo
11	Leah Gallagher	28	Shawn Sackett
13	Margo Kaihlanen	31	Bruce Britton Suzanne Malys Todd Pew
14	Cheyenne Cottrell		
15	Constance Fedor Hollie Swartzfager		
16	Dinah Grimes		
17	Brian Bidwell		
19	Haylee Belcher Theresa Salo		

MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10	Charles ♥ Janiece Woodworth
15	Gaylord ♥ Dagmar Bozard
19	Chuck ♥ RuthAnn Lloyd

**GSLC YOUTH
WILL STARVE FOR FOOD**

Beginning Friday, March 13th our youth will gather at the church to take part in the **30 Hour Famine**. They're going to raise money by not eating for 30 hours so that other kids can eat every day. Please pray for the Famine participants and prayerfully consider how you can offer your financial support to help save kids' lives.

**High School Bible Study &
Coffee House**

**Monday Mornings
at Crazy Dave's
6:40 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.**

IT's FREE!

Join other youth who want to hear the Word in a casual and inviting atmosphere.

Start each week right. Join us as we talk with each other, listen to each other, and reflect on God's word.

Coffee Flavors Available

Regular	French Vanilla
Mocha	Hazel Nut

We look forward to seeing you!!

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.

**YOUTH WORK DAY
SATURDAY MARCH 14
10 AM - 2**

Youth are looking for members of the church who are in need of cleaning services at their homes. These services may include window, floor, and wall cleaning, or light yard work, such as picking up litter and storm debris.

Donations may be made for these services, but are not necessary. Any donations will be split between the Youth Fund and the 30-Hour Famine Organization.

Please stop at the table in the gathering space by March 8 for more information or to sign up.

SPLASH FOR CASH

MARCH 29, 2009

Get a flyer from the church office and take it to Splash Lagoon on Sunday, March 29th from 2 pm - 6 pm for \$21.95 Half Day.

20% of your swimmer admission paid by cash or credit card goes to the

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

The youth thank everyone for their support during the Super Bowl sub sale. The youth had fun making the sub sandwiches and with your help raised over \$375 for their Youth Fund.

Thanks be to God!

On March 29, 2009, the children in Sunday School will be coloring eggs. We will be seeking donations as the time draws near. Look for more information in the weekly bulletin.

BAKERS ... START YOUR OVENS!

The Evangelism Committee and Cooks for Christ are teaming up to take advantage of a fundraising opportunity with a bake sale at the upcoming sock hop at the Conneaut Human Resource Center on March 14, 2009. Donations of baked goods for the sale are needed; a sign-up sheet is on the kiosk in the gathering space. Goodies can be dropped off Saturday, March 14, 2009 until 2:00 p.m. at the church.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS ...

The next benefit concert at GSLC will be a Classical Guitar Concert by Tom Gwilt on March 22, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. Donations will benefit the Family Center.

THINK SPRING!

It's almost time to trade our snow shovels for our lawn mowers! Before we know it, the grass around our House of God will be in need of care. Would you take part in that care?

This year let's spread out the 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 GSLC 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.

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!

Ever wanted to be the man (or woman) behind the camera for an exciting, action-packed video?

Now's your chance! Learn to videotape our worship services that are subsequently aired on Channel 6.

If you would like to video the 8:30 service, just meet Susanne Horvath at 8:10 a.m. in the sanctuary on March 1, 15 or 29.

Meet Greg Brown at 10:40 a.m. on March 8 or 22 to video the 11:00 service.

Once trained, you'll be an understudy we can call into action should Sue or Greg not be able to video on their assigned Sundays. Please consider it!

CLASSICAL GUITARIST TOM GWILT COMES TO GSLC ON MARCH 22

The next concert benefiting the future GSLC Family Center will feature Tom Gwilt, professional classical guitarist. The concert will be held in the GSLC sanctuary on Sunday, March 22 beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Tom Gwilt was born in 1953 and started playing guitar at the age of 16. Tom is self-taught and attended Bowling Green State University where he was awarded the Music Talent Award and full scholarship. He has performed throughout the United States and has played with the Erie Chamber Orchestra, the Greenville Symphony, and the Ashtabula County Choral Music Society.

We are so fortunate to be able to hear this talented musician locally. Mark your calendars now so you don't miss a great concert benefiting a great cause – our future Family Center. See you there!

February 23, 2009

Lent Coin Offerings

Dear Members of Good Shepherd,

The Stewardship Committee handed out the Lenten Coin/dollar offering folders before and after services on February 22, 2009. By passing them out in church they saved mailing costs and other expenses. It is one way that the church is looking at how we become better stewards of the gifts you give. If you didn't receive one of the folders, please contact the church office or stop in and pick one up.

The Lent coin/dollar offering folders will be used this year to replace the carpet in the lounge and other items that need to be fixed in the lounge.

This Lent giving begins Ash Wednesday. You are encouraged to use this folder in your 40-day Lenten journey. If you are going to place a check for the total sum, I encourage you to look at the folder each day. By looking at it each day with your devotion, the folder pictures remind us the reason for our sacrifice.

Christ's Peace be with you

Paster Frank

Rev. Franklin J. Gore

We thank **Clarence Baugher** for offering to serve as the Council President of Good Shepherd for the remainder of 2009 to fill the vacancy created upon the resignation of Marne Gonzales. Clarence was installed as part of the 11 a.m. worship service February 15, 2009.

The Library staff would like to thank whoever donated the Feature Films for Families videos. They are a wonderful addition to our church library!!

“To Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

We at Lakeshore Primary Elementary School appreciate all of your donations of hats, gloves, and scarves. Our children are very happy to receive them to keep warm.

Thank you for your kindness. The hats were beautiful.

Sincerely,
Tammy Kobernik
LPS Clinic”

The Cover Girls Quilting Ministry was pleased to be recipients of a \$500 donation toward batting for this year. We are grateful to Jeff Shinabery and the Thrivent team for keeping our group in mind each time additional funds are available!

The Quilting Ministry is still looking for people who can help sew school kit bags or tops for our quilts. Many weeks we only have a few tops to process into completed quilts while we have many willing workers present to cut and assemble. Please contact Pat Haas or Shirley Harco if you can help!

Brittany Jackson, our wonderful webmaster, submitted the following report which was to be included in the GSLC Annual Report for 2008.

WEBSITE UPDATE FOR ANNUAL REPORT

After a re-design last year, the website has continued to grow and be added to. We added a “Support GSLCC” section where people can download a form and donate to the church. The website has been updated almost daily.

This next year, there may be a minor re-design to the homepage to make upcoming events announcements show for a full week at a time.

Thank you for all of your support and guidance for the website!

Sincerely,
Brittany L. Jackson

*Thank you, Brittany,
for so faithfully serving our
congregation in this capacity!!*

SPRING IS COMING Marriages Can Use Some “Miracle Grow” Too!

Find out how your communications and love can be nourished to grow and grow. Treat yourself to a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend **March 27-29** at the SpringHill Suites Marriott in Solon, Ohio or **October 9-11** or **November 6-8** at locations to be determined. Reserve your place for \$45. (A freewill offering will be taken at the end of the weekend.)

Contact John & Robin Legan at (330) 425-2176 or robinlegan@windstream.net or register online at www.ilmeone.org.

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.

March 5 – Devotions will be led by Rev. Charles Graham from the First United Methodist Church. Richard Blood will entertain with a video presentation on area covered bridges.

March 19 – Rev. Raymond Thomas from St. Mary/St. Frances Parish will lead devotions. Penny Armeni, from the Conneaut Community Center for the Arts, will speak on Conneaut's Finnish Heritage.

WANTED!

Vintage photographs and stories of Conneaut!

Do you have archives of old photographs or vintage postcards? Are you knowledgeable about your local history?

Contact Conneaut native David Owens at (440) 599-7769 or (724) 263-6752. Dave can be reached by e-mail at david@wharts.com by May 1, 2009.

He is compiling a photographic history of Conneaut and would like your help in keeping local history alive!

Circle of Hope

Grief Support Group

This six-week educational support group is for adults adjusting to life after the death of a loved one.

**Six Wednesdays
March 4 to April 8, 2009**

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Location:

Hospice of the Western Reserve

Ashtabula Office
1166 Lake Avenue
Ashtabula, OH 44004-2930

Advanced registration is required.
Please call Mary McKernan-Gryzmala at
(440) 997-6619

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

Amanda Angelo
 Chris Angerman
 Chuck Anthony
 Sandra Buckel
 Brian & Renée Cavanagh
 Donald & Heidi Cowey
 Kevin Esposito
 Debra Gallison, Warren, OH
 Thomas Gallison, Warren, OH
 Paul Gavin, Devin & Emilie
 Art Gore, Warren, OH
 Jason Graham, Warren, OH
 Linda, Jillian & Erik Heinonen
 John, Melissa & ReAna Howland
 Nick, Lisa, Mari & Laina Iarocci
 James Jerina
 Walter Kaczoroski
 Glenn Kobernik III
 Ron, Gabriele and Jeneane LaRusch
 Alexis Lott
 Mathew Manniko
 Linda Minken
 Cody Nagy
 David & Bernadette Nolan
 Sis Pataky
 Brianna Plats
 Joan Richards
 James E. & Dorothy Sackett
 Karen Simons
 Sierra Stadalsky
 Bob Thayer
 Randy Uveges
 Rick Vidmar
 Jim Winslow
 Kenneth & Connie Woodring, Ashtabula, OH

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Robert G. Beagle
 Tina D. Bowers
 Stephanie L. Bowers
 Aaron S. Bowers
 Sara N. Bowers
 Melissa Howland
 ReAna Howland
 Steve M. Salo
 Theresa M. Salo
 Steven R. Schoneman
 Sharon F. Schoneman
 Mary Margaret Steighner
 Jasmine Marie Steighner

**These new members were received
during worship services
February 1, 2009**

**WORSHIP
ATTENDANCE**

February 1	200
February 8	198
February 15	189
February 22	197

OFFERING

Amount Needed Each Week \$3900.00

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

Behind Budget - \$2,653.47

Hi from Lake Placid, Florida
 Something awful has come between us...
 like too many miles!

Finally enjoying our time here. It has warmed up
 – was very cool the first month. Miss our church
 friends. See you first part of April.

Love,
 Waino & Betty

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