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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.

AUGUST 2011

HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATED EACH SERVICE

SUNDAY 8:30 A.M. OUTDOOR WORSHIP

11:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Sat., August 6 **Family Center Car Cruise, Noon to 6 pm at
Evergreen Lake Park, Center Rd., Conneaut**

AUGUST 7 **EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
GSLC-Sponsored Community Center Concert
Mark Posey's Bluegrass/Gospel Band 6:30 pm

AUGUST 14 **NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
MISSION SUNDAY
Bring in items for Food Pantry and
Capital Campaign Offerings

AUGUST 21 **TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
Believer's Fire Concert 6:30 pm at Community Center

AUGUST 28 **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
Church Picnic following 11 a.m. worship

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES IN AUGUST

Reminder: If there is a conflict with any of the schedules, please find a replacement and notify the church secretary of changes. Thank you!

COMMUNION

8:30 A.M. ASSISTANTS 11:00 A.M.

Aug 7	Duffy Guthrie	Dianne Young
Aug 14	Katrina Pavolino	Dianne Young
Aug 21	Dianne Young	Susan Lytle
Aug 28	Betty Monday	Susan Lytle

ALTAR GUILD

Shirley Harco
Peggy Harco
Janelle Cole
Phyllis Waid

8:30 A.M. GREETERS 11:00 A.M.

Aug 7	Jim & Betty Monday	Frank & Mary Behling
Aug 14	Katrina Pavolino	Heidi Cowey
Aug 21	Dick & Diana Stoker	Al & Ellen Gee
Aug 28	Marti Lillie	Joanne Mechling

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

JANET MAENPAA

Pat Haas

Marilyn Hathy
Molly Todaro
Laurie Bidwell

8:30 A.M. READERS 11:00 A.M.

Aug 7	Shirley Harco	Dianne Young
Aug 14	Kim Chiodo	Dianne Young
Aug 21	John Chapin	Mark Lytle
Aug 28	Duffy Guthrie	Mark Lytle

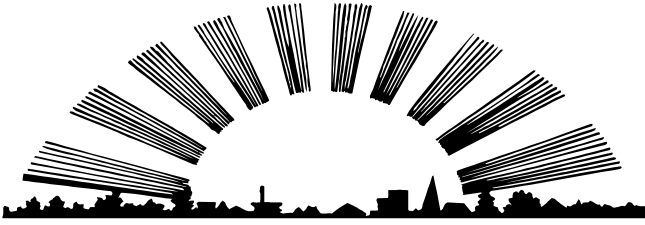
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Aug 7	Pearl Ann Curtis Pam Deemer	Dianne Young Jim Arcaro
Aug 14	Gary Anderson Dick Pelow	Mike & Suzanne Malys
Aug 21	Peggy & Shirley Harco	Jack & April Sabo
Aug 28	Katrina Pavolino JoAnne Seavey	David Uthe Kelsey Walters

HOSPITALITY 11 a.m.

Aug 7 Michelle Logan
Aug 14 Wanda Gore
Aug 21 Kelsey Walters
Aug 28 *Church Picnic*

Pastor's Corner August 2011



An easy bible quiz...

Here is your 1st hint – In a very short story of the Old Testament, there is a woman who is also named in the genealogy of Jesus... She says, *“Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go: where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.”*

Who is she? What book of the Old Testament and in what chapter and verse can this verse be found?

What impresses me about this woman is her willingness to give up everything she has including herself in order to remain in a relationship with another person. Her life wasn't like this before. She was married and had a young husband who would take care of her and their family as they grew. But tragedy struck her family and she was by herself. Yet, she had the strength, the insight, and the wisdom to place her faith in God. She did this because another person witnessed to her. They shared their life experience with God and she became a believer.

I hope when you look up this book you take the time to read it. It's not that long but it is deep with meaning. This woman leaves a home where she is safe to move to a place where she is an outcast. She has no rights, no money, and no way of supporting herself. She followed her campaign in faith and found faith.

(That's enough hints)

Take a minute and reflect on your own faith journey. Who is it you would thank for bringing you into a relationship with God? Perhaps you were already in that relationship, so who would you thank for helping you strengthen that relationship? Is it your mother, father, grandparents, in-laws (another hint about our mystery book), a friend, a teacher? How did that person help you grow?

R grew in her relationship with God and became a faithful follower. She grew because she had someone nurturing and supporting her. Her () gave **R** wisdom and guidance on life issues as well as faith issues. **Who can you help?**

“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

REPTAR



Children may bring up their coin offering and place it into the mouth of Reptar the dinosaur during the offertory time.

A total of **\$170.66** has been collected to date and will be shared with Eligiver Kigembe to help her attend primary school and to help our Cub Scout troop buy scout shirts.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Deadline is August 7, 2011 for the 24-count boxes of **crayons** we are collecting to benefit Conneaut City Schools. A box is in the gathering space for your donations.

Social Ministry has decided to collect items to help the children of our local area with school supplies. When you are out shopping, please consider purchasing the following items to help in this mission:

Pencils and erasers

Crayons

Blunt Scissors

Rulers

70-Count Notebooks

Colored Paper

Glue Sticks

SYMPATHIES

We hold in prayer Stacie Brink, her family, and all friends and family of **David R. Shank, Jr.** who departed earthly life July 5, 2011.

Our sympathy is also extended to Sabrina Lane Graham and the family of **Jerry Lane** who passed away on July 10, 2011.

HOSPITAL VISITING TEAM

There is an opening in the hospital visiting team. If you feel the call to join this ministry, please contact PA Nancy Guthrie.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Watch the kiosk for sign ups and details for upcoming outing. In September...breakfast at an Amish home and/or Flea Market. In October...Bingo. Dates and details will be announced. Bring a friend, and as always, all women are welcome!

SOFTBALL TEAM

Support your **GSLC softball team**. Come and cheer them on at the final season game to be played at Malek Park August 2 (Tues) at 6:05 p.m.

6th ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

9 AM – 3 PM

Items can still be donated. Anyone interested in helping with this fun event, please contact Suzanne Malys or the church office. Proceeds from this sale go towards the Christian Education Fund.

THANK YOU

To Duffy Guthrie and Josh Woodard for special music at the 11:00 worship service.

To Everyone at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Thanks for all your thoughts and well wishes. Knowing you care is very special. God's power is bringing me back through all of you renewing my body and spirit.

From Michelle and me, Thank You!
Steve Logan

Pat Haas would like to thank everyone for their cards and prayers during her recent surgery.



A Moment In Faith

By Richard P. Tulino, A Layman's Interpretation

As a child might cry to his father or mother, so David cried to God. David was not saying, "Don't punish me," but, "Don't punish me while you are angry". He was telling God that he deserved to be punished, but he asked that God temper his discipline with mercy. Like children, we are free to ask for mercy, but we should not deny that we deserve to be punished.

This month I have chosen to take a look at Psalm 38. The main theme of this psalm is: "Sorrow for sin brings hope". God alone is the true source of healing and protection for those who confess their sins to Him! Psalm 38 is called a penitential psalm because David expressed sorrow for his sin (38:18). He stated that his sin led to health problems (38:1-8) and separated him from God and others, causing extreme loneliness (38:9-14). He then confessed his sin and repented (38:15-22).

David saw his anguish as judgment from God for his sins. Now we all know that God does not send physical illness to punish us for sin, but in this verse (38:2-4) and others in Scripture (Acts 12:21-23; 1st Corinthians 11:30-32) tell us that He does in certain circumstances, send physical illness. You see our sin can have physical or mental side effects that can cause great suffering. Sometimes God has to punish his children in order to bring them back to Him and His graces. (Hebrews 12:5-11). In order for us to receive God's promise of forgiveness, we have to be repentive for our sins. God will always deliver us from sin's eternal consequences, but He does not promise to undo all of sin's earthly consequences.

When others tear us down it can be very difficult to be silent because we want to protect our reputation. We find it difficult to do nothing while they assault something as precious to us as our reputation, but we don't need to lash out in revenge or justify our position because we can trust God to protect our reputation. Wasn't Jesus silent before his accusers (Luke 23:9-10)? He left his case in God's hands (1 Peter 2: 21-24). That's a good place to leave our case too!

May God's hands of protection be extended over you at all times

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1	Art Niinisto	14	Gary Gansel
2	David Heinonen	15	Maylene Gonzales Kylee Schwartz
3	Kaija Graham Bobby Houser Paige Houser LilliAnn Swartzfager	16	Analynn DiFilippo Zach Hathy
4	Frank Behling James Jerina	17	Sylvia Jerina
5	Dolores Pelow	19	Mary Behling
8	Judy Barch	20	Felicia Kobernik Rebecca Parkomaki
10	Amanda Davey Sam Lampela	23	Natalie Wood
11	Beth Tulino	24	Jamie Kantola Stephanie Wood
12	Lisa Bean Drew Rudler	25	Cody Houser Phyllis Waid
13	Lisa Murtha Sofi Thompson Molly Todaro	28	John Chapin Susanne Horvath
		29	Marjorie Palo Howard Seavey

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1	Bob ♥ Tina Beagle Dennis ♥ Mary Steighner
13	Luke ♥ Amy Gallagher Howard ♥ JoAnne Seavey
19	Paul ♥ Joanne Mechling
25	Duffy ♥ Nancy Guthrie
26	Scott ♥ Rochelle Carpenter Kenneth ♥ Connie Woodring
29	Frank ♥ Mary Behling

Thank you to everyone who rang the bell for Salvation Army's Red Kettle drive at K-mart:

Joan Barnett
John Chapin
Andy & Kim Chiodo
Courtney Coe
Stephanie, Tom, Bryan Gildone
Nancy Guthrie
Shirley Harco
Cherrie & Paige Houser
Marge Kent

Margaret Lampela
Mike Malys, Jr.
Bob & Jackie Miller
Betty Monday
Rebecca Parkomaki
Anita Poser
Bob Reed
Joan Richards
Karen Simons

Thank you all,

Marsha Taylor



“S.E.N.I.O.R.S. SUNNY SUMMER PICNICS”



The final “Sunny Summer Picnic” for this season will be on **August 18, 11:00 a.m., at the Township Park Upper Pavilion.** A short devotion, health checks and the last day for bingo (with prizes, of course!) will be included.

Lunch for this day is again participatory! Together we will share a delicious **pot luck!** *If you are able, please bring a dish to share.* Drinks and tableware will be provided.

In September we return to the normal 10:00 on the first and third Thursdays at GSLC. Watch for more details on the fall seniors ministry in the next Echo.

Come support **your** GSLC Community S.E.N.I.O.R.S. and enjoy our beautiful lake. Bring a friend!

GSLC is sponsoring a **Summer Concert** at the Conneaut Community Center for the Arts (Kilpi Hall) on **Sunday, August 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.** featuring **Mark Posey’s Bluegrass/Gospel Band.** Come support this concert and enjoy an evening of music. The concert is free. Bring a lawn chair and a friend.

Also on **August 21 at 6:30 pm** GSLC’s **Believer’s Fire** will be performing at the Conneaut Community Center.

PERCH DINNER

There will be a Perch Dinner here at Good Shepherd **Friday, Aug. 19**, in conjunction with the D-Day Re-Enactment.

TIME: 4-7 p.m.

PRICE: Adults \$10.00
Children \$5.00
Tickets will be available at the door.

MENU: Lake Erie Perch, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Rolls, Dessert, Coffee, Cold Drinks

For more information, contact Duffy Guthrie at (440) 228-0712 or the church at (440) 599-8908.

All donations for the dinner would greatly be appreciated including perch.

CHURCH PICNIC

(An Old-Fashioned Picnic)

Sunday, August 28, 2011

Please bring a covered dish to share. The church will furnish table service, beverage, and ice cream.

Noon to 1 p.m. – Potluck

1 to 1:30 p.m. – Relay Races

1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Bingo with the Chapins

Corn hole and ladder golf will be set up for those who do not want to play bingo.

There will be some small games for the younger children.

Come join us!

2ND ANNUAL GSLC GOLF SCRAMBLE

Evangelism would like to thank Greg & Deanna Brown, Duffy & Nancy Guthrie, all those who made donations, and the sponsors, teams, and volunteers for a successful, fun event!

A special thank you to these families and businesses who were hole sponsors for the tournament:

Anchor Insurance Group	Kister Marina
Andover Bank	Lake Erie Correction Institution
Bortnick Tractor and Supply	Luke Gallagher, Attorney at Law
Burdick Plumbing & Heating	Marcy Funeral Home
Bushnell Store	Morris Flowers & Gifts
Chris Brecht State Farm Insurance	Nolan Door & Hardware
Chuck's Towing	Orlando Bros. Golden Dawn
Conneaut Collision	Port Conneaut Federal Credit Union
Conneaut Savings Bank	Rescue Service Electric
Dairy Queen	Robert E. Naylor, Attorney at Law
Dean's Auto Service	Simak Trucking
Dr. Albert J. Hoffman	Snug Harbor
Duffy & Nancy Guthrie	Snyder Collision Center
Evergreen Lake Park	The Mane Design/Dark by Design
Frew & Jackson	The Schoneman Family
H&R Block	Thompson Smith Funeral Home
Iarocci Law Firm	Villa at the Lake

Also, thank you to all who donated prizes:

Beef & Beer Restaurant	Key Bank
Big Pearl Paint Ball	Marshall's Auto Supply
Blue Matrix Design	Orlando Bros. Golden Dawn
Conneaut Telephone Company	Sam Lampela
Crazy Dave's Sugar Bowl	Snap Fitness
Dairy Queen	Stanley Steamer
Deanna Brown	State Street Auto
Greg Sweet	Zimmers
Joslin-Landis Insurance	

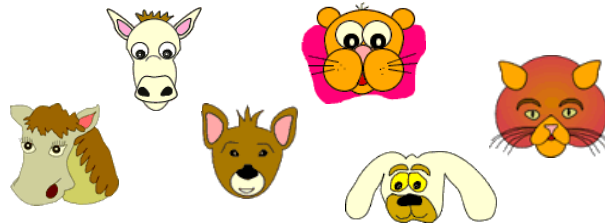


Do you croak like a frog?



Do you chirp like a bird?

Come on in, and join the choir herd!



Chancel choir rehearsals begin on Monday, Sept. 12, 6:00 p.m. Contact Nancy Guthrie (599-9090) for further details, or just show up. All God's creatures have a place in the choir. Hope to see you there!

CHOIR NEWS

Because of his present work schedule, **Paul Shellhammer** has resigned as Chancel Choir and Bell Choir Director. Paul says "I wish to thank you (Pastor Gore) as well as all the members of Good Shepherd for your kindness and support. I shall surely miss the people and musical groups that I have come to know and enjoy these past two years."

Nancy Guthrie has applied for this position.

After much prayer, discernment and discussion with my husband, I applied for the position of chancel choir director / bell choir director because I believe that God is calling me into music ministry at this time. In the six years since I retired from the position, I have missed it more and more.

But missing doing it is not why I have accepted the position. The reason is: how can I say "No" to God? I can't! I am blessed, and I want to share that blessing.

I expect that directing these groups will not interfere with my call to be your Pastoral Assistant. On the Sundays that I am delivering the sermon, Taylor Peel will be the director. Taylor is well qualified and she is respected and loved already at GSLC.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Rally Day for Sunday School will be on September 11 at 9:45 am.

We are in need of a few teachers and substitutes. If you love children and enjoy spreading the Good News about our Savior, please consider joining us in this rewarding experience!

Contact the church office (440-599-8908) or Suzanne Malvs (440-599-8308).

RECENT VISITORS TO GOOD SHEPHERD

How many did you greet?

The Allen Family
Rev. Julie Applegate, Strattanville, PA
Earl H. Baugher
Evelyn Brown, Conyers, GA
Eileen Bucknum, Virginia Beach, VA
Debbie Burgeser
Charris Champine
Danny Chapin
Joan Chapin
Paul Cole
Wes & Susan Combs, Stafford, VA
Betty Craib
Elenea Cuertis
Joel Dina
Mason Druge
Caleb Felger
Rev. Harry & Pam Fox
Nancy Garwood
Julie Gee, Cave City, KY
Tom Gildone
Shannon & Brandy Haas, Ohio City, OH
Kathe Hawn
Clyde Hilliker
Aidan Houy
Pam Hunt
Fran Hupp, Beaver Falls, PA
Kathy Ilardi
Dick Johnston
Rich Kananen
Amber Kissman
Rev. David & Becky Laakso, Erie, PA
Joy Lake, Sault Ste. Marie, MI
R. Limbaugh
Alice Mackey
Geraldine Magtoto
Giseue Magtoto
Leticia Magtoto
Pablito Magtoto
Robyne Malys
Yollie Malys
Josh & Adelynn Maxey, Ohio City, OH
Bruce Scott McQuisten, Strattanville, PA
Chris Medvec
Lynda Minken

Pamela Monroe & Kevin Henderson
Ross & Sharon Niinisto
Bernadette & David Nolan
Hannah Pipers
Bill Pitzer
Mick Poff
Darlene Powers, New Brighton, PA
Pat Reynolds
Pam Roseto, Poland, OH
Gail Sackett
Amy & Vina Sanford
Julie & Mork Shull, Ada, OH
Maribeth, Jay, Olivia & Cierra Sorrell
Tim, Pam & Manny Tan
Dale Walters
Lee & Lorraine Weaver

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

July 3	186
July 10	188
July 17	183
July 24	197

We welcome **Fred & Diane McCall** who were received into membership Sunday, July 17, 2011 at the 8:30 service.

2011 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STAFF

**Amy Gallagher, Allyson Clark, VBS Directors
Pastor Gore**

Judy Barch	Jennifer Groulx	Erica Nickels
Glenda Betteridge	Pat Guglielmo	Ryan Oatman
Laurie Bidwell	Nancy Guthrie	Tammy Owens
Sara Bowers	Marilyn Hathy	Julia Pew
Shae Brink	Melissa Howland	Vicki Portzer
Ruth Brown	Matthew Jury	Aaron Reed
Sue Chapin	Alyssa Kardoheley	April Sabo
Courtney Coe	Sara Kardoheley	Amy Sanford
Janelle Cole	Tammy Kobernik	Mandy Sanford
Analynn DiFilippo	Michelle Logan	Sandy Spees
Emilee Esposito	Suzanne Malys	Mary Steighner
Mary Falcone	Hanna Merlene	Molly Todaro
Jeremy Ferguson	Janet Merlene	Sherri Vendetti
Jim Fuller	Stephanie Mischka	Phyllis Waid
Bryan Gildone	Betty Monday	Kelsey Walters
Kelly Gore	Renee Montagano	Stephanie Wood
Wanda Gore	Kris Mucci	

Thank you to everyone for a very successful week of vacation bible school. We averaged 75 to 85 children each day with 15 to 20 volunteers each day. Teaming with St. Mary/St. Frances Cabrini was a great new partnership that we are looking forward to continuing. Our largest class was the grade 4-6 program. They were able to work at 2 houses this week and help out home owners who needed a variety of improvements done.

This would not have been possible without the help of many volunteers. Some were there every day all day and some helped for a day as their schedules allowed. All of the volunteers pulled together to help make it successful. In addition we are very thankful for all of the donations we received to help with our marketplace crafts. The children enjoyed the choices and opportunities to try some new things.

TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 30, 2011

GENERAL FUND - BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2011

\$13,680

MONTH	INCOME	YEAR TO DATE	% ESTIMATED OPERATING COST	EXPENSE	YEAR TO DATE	% ESTIMATED OPERATING COST
January	\$19,058	\$19,058	113.2%	\$18,842	\$18,842	111.9%
February	\$15,954	\$35,012	103.9%	\$19,350	\$38,192	113.4%
March	\$17,284	\$52,296	103.5%	\$18,854	\$57,046	112.9%
April	\$20,070	\$72,366	107.4%	\$18,780	\$75,826	112.6%
May	\$19,899	\$92,265	109.6%	\$18,410	\$94,236	111.9%
June	\$14,887	\$107,152	106.0%	\$16,132	\$110,368	109.2%

Need \$16,842 Each
Month = \$202,098 for 12
months

\$101,052

AUGUST 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 9:00 "3M" Ministry 6:05 Softball Game	3	4 6:30 Weight Watchers	5 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">GSLC Rummage Sale 9-3</div> OFFICE CLOSED	6 Noon - 6 GSLC Car Cruise At Evergreen Lake
7 8:30 Outdoor Worship 9:40 Special Council Meeting 11:00 Traditional Service 1:30 Worship at Villa 6:30 GSLC Sponsored Concert at Conneaut Community Center	8	9 9:00 "3M" Ministry	10 1:30 Social Ministry at County Home	11 6:30 Weight Watchers	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13
14 MISSION SUNDAY 8:30 Outdoor Worship 9:30 Confirmation Parents 11:00 Traditional Service	15 Noon Salvation Army 4:00 Finance Meeting	16 9:00 "3M" Ministry 5:30 Executive Committee 6:30 Council Meeting	17 ECHO ARTICLES DUE	18 11:00 SENIOR Program at Township Park 6:30 Weight Watchers	19 OFFICE CLOSED Perch Dinner 4-7 pm	20
21 8:30 Outdoor Worship 11:00 Traditional Service 6:30 Believer's Fire Concert at Community Center	22	23 9:00 "3M" Ministry	24	25 6:30 Weight Watchers	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27
28 8:30 Outdoor Worship 11:00 Traditional Service GSLC Picnic	29	30 9:00 "3M" Ministry	31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">RALLY DAY Sept. 11 Sunday School resumes 9:45 am</div>		

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