

THE FEBRUARY 2023 EDITION OF THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF IS  
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REV. GARY WALBERT AND LINDA WALBERT, BY JOAN MILLER

## *From the Pastor:*



Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

Lent begins on February 22. It is our annual journey with Jesus in His walk to the cross. So I ask, is this Lent going to make a difference in your life? Will you grow to love Him more and want Him to be a great part of your life?

You have heard me say in the past about the old idea of giving up something for Lent. People would give up candy, cake and items they really didn't need. As I have told you before, you need to add to your spiritual life during the Lenten season, such as Bible readings, or other types of devotional reading. You might make it a part to attend regular worship and be present in the church during Holy Week. You may want to make a sacrifice and bring in food items for the food bank weekly. By doing that, you are doing what Jesus wants us to do by helping those in need. You could even volunteer your time somewhere to help others.

As we do these small actions, and keep in mind how we can grow closer to Jesus on a daily basis, we will have a fruitful Lent and enter Easter as a new person.

See you in church!

Pastor Gary



### *Planning Ahead...*

**February 4**  
Confirmation Retreat

**February 5**  
Scout Sunday

**February 11**  
Valentine's Dance

**February 12**  
Souper-Bowl  
Collection/  
Dine & Donate  
Seemsville Pub

**February 18**  
Mardi Gra Pot Luck  
& Talent Show

**February 20**  
President's Day

**February 22**  
Ash Wednesday

**March 12 & 19**  
Intergenerational  
Sunday school/  
Soup sale

**March 17**  
Game Night

**March 26**  
Annual  
Congregational  
Meeting/  
Soup sale

**April 1**  
Movie Night

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
1335 Old Carriage Road  
Northampton, PA 18067

**Church Office Hours**

9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Monday—Thursday

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**Worship Service**

**9:00 AM**

**STAFF**

Pastor Gary L. Walbert  
Cell # 610-217-6852

Jeffrey Raub  
Director of Music Ministries

Jennifer Baker  
Church Secretary

John Moschella  
Sexton

*Happy Birthday...*

Lorie Gaugler 02/01

Janice Andrew 02/02

Jaxson Dennis 02/02

Sheila Persing 02/03

Ralph Tobias 02/03

Kristine Meyers 02/04

Jennifer Burrell 02/05

Ruth Violet Goodin 02/07

Lauren Courtney Hahn 02/07

Fran Shoemaker 02/08

Lauren Yelles 02/09

Ava Talbot 02/11

Christine Vash 02/12

Nicholas Vash 02/12

Zachary Vash 02/12

Jennifer Gaugler 02/15

Tori Schaffer 02/16

Kristen Weiner 02/16

Joshua Holub 02/19

Benjamin Klusaritz 02/20

Mark Weaver 02/20

Douglas Yelles 02/20

John Hoff 02/21

Shelby Hoff 02/21

Ahren Dennis 02/22

Paul Evans III 02/22

Christina Talbot 02/22

Keegan Edelman 02/25

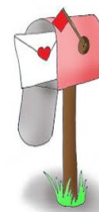
Alexa Wiland 02/25

Brock Weiner 02/27

Michael Hahn 02/28

Barbara Weimann 02/28

Please feel free to mail in  
your contributions or  
drop them off at the  
office Monday thru  
Thursday between 9:00  
and 2:00 if you cannot  
be with us on  
Sunday.



**Anniversaries**

Jolene LaBarre (17) 02/05

Joyce & Morry Pulley (44) 02/14

Dean & Roseann Yelles (47) 02/22

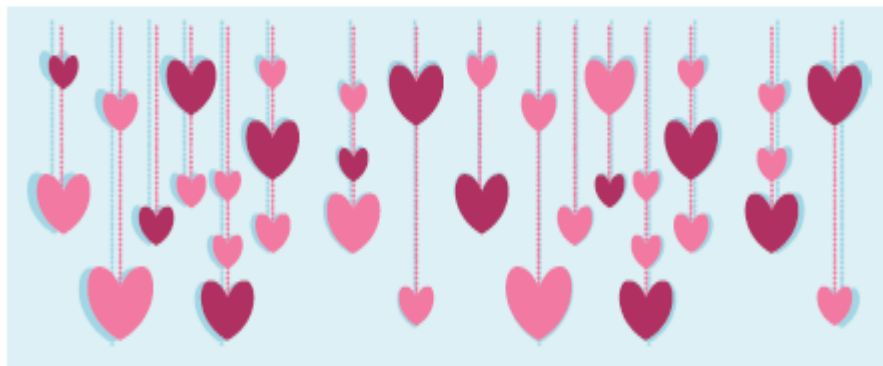
Nancy Kochenash (60) 02/24



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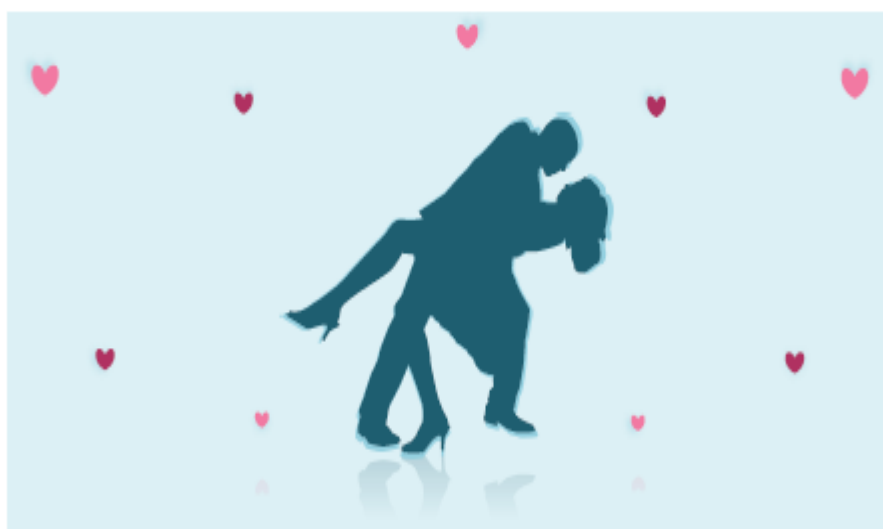
Thank you for taking the time to repairing our Crucifix !



You are invited to join us!

## VALENTINES DANCE

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church invites you to join us February 11<sup>th</sup>, Family Friendly dance party with DJ and light fare. Come see what Good Shepherd Lutheran Church has to offer! Accepting new members.



FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> 7PM-10PM

1335 OLD CARRIAGE RD

KRIEDERSVILLE 18067

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Sunday service 9:00am

Office open Mon-Thur 9-2 / 610.262.9517 / [goodshepherdlutheran@rcn.com](mailto:goodshepherdlutheran@rcn.com)

**Intergenerational  
Sunday School**  
March 12 & 19th  
After service in  
Fellowship Hall

**The showing of Tyler  
Perry's  
"The Passion"**

Join us in the  
Fellowship hall for  
coffee and donuts  
and celebrate the  
Lenten season.  
All are welcome.



### *Our Lenten Journey*

Lent begins on February 22. We will have two worship services on Ash Wednesday, 11AM and 7 PM. We will also have our mid week worship service at 11AM & 7PM. This year we will be exploring "Seeing Jesus through Matthew's eyes".

## **Special project**

The new year has begun and our church really needs to have a good cleaning. We would like to have the pew seats cleaned and the wood work cleaned and polished. The church has some money already for it. Unfortunately, it will not cover the complete cost. On Feb. 12, 2023 we will have envelopes inside the bulletins for donations. If you find that you can help with this bill, any small donation can help, place your donation in the envelope. Please put your envelope number on it to receive credit and place it in the offering plate on Feb. 19 or Feb. 26, 2023. It can also be sent in or dropped off at the office during the week.

Thank you,  
Nicole Bogden  
Council President



## **WELCA**

### *Women of ELCA*

are a community of women provide services in their churches, communities, and even the world. Our Good Shepherd Ladies, in the past have worked on projects such as school kits and backpacks for Lutheran World Relief. THANKOFFERING DAY, Lutheran Disaster Relief and annual Cookie Sale.



Lutheran women in the United States have been gathering in mission since the 1800s, and we owe much to our foremothers who responded to God's call, created a place and lived out a purpose when women had no voice in the church.

**GSCLC is looking for someone to rebuild and revitalize this wonderful group of Women here at our church.**

If you feel that you would be interested in doing so, please speak with our president, Nicole or Pastor Gary.



***GSCLC Game Night***  
***March 24th***  
***Fellowship Hall***  
***Doors open 6:30pm***  
***Gaming starts at 7:00pm***



## **GSCLC MOVIE NIGHT**

**APRIL 1**

**In Fellowship Hall**

**Doors open 6:30pm/ Movie begins at 7:00pm**



Family Camp. It is a comedy about a family that attends a church camp.

We will be having hot dogs, s'mores and bug juice. Please bring blankets, sleeping bags and/or camp chairs.

## President's Corner

Thank you to everyone for the generous donations. We had a lot going on the past few months. Now we start a new year. With a new year becomes a new beginning. I am reminded of a hymn, one of my favorite to sing. It starts "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that our unity will one day be restored." and the second verse states, "we will work with each other, we will work side by side and we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride"

"And they'll know we are Christians by our love."

If we intend to keep the church thriving and alive, to do our Lord's work, we truly need to remember these lyrics. We all come to church for the same purpose, I hope. To hear the Lord's word, receive his love and forgiveness and to live as the Lord wants us to live.

2023 is a new year, let us make this year a good year for  
**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH!**

Please remember to feel free to contact me if needed. Thank you.

God Bless,  
Nicole Bogden  
Church Council President  
E-mail: bensmom1101@ptd.net  
Cell # 484-241-1275

### Fundraising News

The Soup Sale is on!

Dine And Donate -There are many scheduled dates coming up, some are:

**February 12** from 11 AM -3 PM at  
Seemsville Pub

**March 5** from 3 PM – 8 PM at Northampton  
Diner

Basket Raffle, Indoor Yard Sale and Bake Sale  
Event

Is scheduled for December 9th from 9AM –  
2PM. We will let you know when we will start  
taking items.

If you have an idea for  
the committee please  
feel free to join us, our  
next meeting is  
scheduled for  
February 19 at  
10:30AM after  
church.

Thank you for your  
support,  
The committee





# February Worship Assistant Schedule

Date	Assisting Minister	Lector	Pouring Chalice	Acolytes
2.5	Chris Holub	Lorie Filipovits	Mark Weaver	Cody Reimer
2.12	Jessica Kirkpatrick	Rick Fehr	Linda Siekonic	Bre LaBarre
2.19	Mark Weaver	Nicole Bogden	Gail Loch	Andrew LaBarre
2.26	Chris Holub	Jen Burrell	LeAnne Krill	Will Burrell

Date	Ushers	If you cannot keep your scheduled time, please arrange for someone to fill in.
2.5	Ed Filipovits, Doug Yelles, Dean Yelles, Roseann Yelles	
2.12	Allison Qaurtararo, Rick Fehr, Dean Yelles, Roseann Yelles	
2.19	Dan Pavlick, Doug Yelles, Allison Quartararo, Doug Yelles	
2.26	Charles Burrell, Doug Yelles, Dean Yelles, Roseann Yelles	

It's that time again for our **Annual Soup Sale Event.**  
The Fundraising Committee will start taking orders after church February 6<sup>th</sup>

All Orders due by: February 26<sup>th</sup>

All soups are \$6.00 a pint, if you would like to order soup for any or all the weeks, please fill out the form below and return to the church or LeAnne Krill along with payment, make

checks out to: **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

All orders will be ready for pick up on date marked from 10:15 AM – 11:00 AM



Please return this part with your order & Payment cash or check

Name:		Phone:		
Pick up Date				
	<b>Soups</b>	<b>Price/ pint</b>	<b>Qty.</b>	<b>Total</b>
March 12	Potato	\$6.00		
	Beef vegetable	\$6.00		
March 19	Ham & Bean	\$6.00		
	Cheese & Broccoli	\$6.00		
March 26	Chicken Corn	\$6.00		
	Italian Wedding	\$6.00		



# PASTORAL ACTS



The Northampton Food Bank would like to thank the congregation of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for the generous donations in January. (34 items)  
Thank you very much!



**On January 29th, Good Shepherd Lutheran church officially welcomed new members into the congregation:**

**Mr. & Mrs.  
Laudenslauger**

**Mr. & Mrs. Peters**

**Mr. & Mrs. Schwartz**

*Welcome!*

## 2023 Souper Bowl is on!

On February 12th, after service, we will have our annual Souper Bowl collection to benefit the Northampton Area Food Bank. Please remember to bring your spare change to fill up our collection bowls!

### REMINDER:

Just a reminder that the church does have a wooden suggestion box on the table in the Narthex. If you have an idea or concern and not sure who to talk to or want to do it anonymously, please write it down and place it in the suggestion box. It will be checked weekly.

### *Sunday school*

*Please join us for Sunday school after service every Sunday in the classrooms!*

*Bell Choir practice is Thursday @ 6:30pm*

*Please contact Jeffrey if interested in joining Bell Choir!*

For updates regarding worship services and events you can continue to visit our Facebook page; you can also visit our website: [www.goodshepherdkreidersville.org](http://www.goodshepherdkreidersville.org) or you can call the Church Office. In the event of inclement weather, please check WFMZ for cancellations of Sunday service.

## Food Bank offering from Jan– Dec 2023

We collected 61 food items in December. The total amount of food items collected in 2022 is 1,560. Monetary donations sent to the food bank equals \$1,416.50 (amount includes Souper Bowl Sunday, Harvest Home and Produce Sharing Table.)

## 2023 Financial breakdown for February

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$ 3,137.00

Amount needed weekly to pay bills = \$2,813.00



date	Attendance	Online Attendance
12.4	54	167
12.11	52	165
12.18	61	172
12.25	30	89
<b>total</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>593</b>
<b>average</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>148.2</b>

Date	Weekly offering	Memorial	Building repair	Total weekly
12.4	3371.00		135.00	3506.00
12.11	3880.00	25.00	45.00	3950.00
12.18	3706.00			3706.00
12.24	4479.00			4479.00
12.25	1453.00			1453.00

## Treasurer Report – December 2022

We had income in December of \$9,670, which decreased our net loss position to \$6,800. Some notable activity for the month is the following:

Monthly offerings were approximately \$25,100. We had a great fundraising event that raised \$7,300.

Some other notable activity includes:

Offerings including Christmas was \$17,800

\$200 for Music Fund

Some notable expense activity includes:

\$240 for choir music purchased from Music Fund

\$470 for Flowers

\$330 for Organ Maintenance

\$370 Paid to TDS Technology

\$245 for offering envelopes

\$170 Gift Cards for Employees

\$925 for fundraising expenses (Jess Fin Foundation (\$800) and Gaming License (\$125)) Net \$6,375 from Fundraising Event

\$500 Paid to SMEEC for maintenance

\$1,379 for Defibrillator paid for by Memorial Fund

At the end of December, we had \$12,100 in checking account. Our savings account has a balance of \$14,100 which is unchanged from the prior month. Plan on transferring amounts from Checking Account to Savings Account in January.

There is about \$2,100 in outstanding checks that will clear in the upcoming days. See A/P Aging Summary for details.

Total assets, all bank accounts and CDs, were \$184,000 at December 31, 2022 compared to \$190,000 at December 31, 2021.



## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

One of the steps in growing up in the church is receiving your first Holy Communion. We give First Holy Communion instruction to anyone who is in second grade or older.

Our First Communion classes will take place March 28th and April 4th. The classes will begin at 7:00pm in the 3rd/4th grade room. They will last approximately 45 minutes. At least one parent must attend.

First Communion will be celebrated on Palm Sunday during the 9:00am service.

If you are interested in having your child participate, or have any questions, please call the church office.



# DINE & DONATE

## Seemsville Pub & Grille



**\*February 12th**  
**11:00am– 3:00pm**

Come out and support Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and have a great meal!



10% of food sales from the listed time above will be donated to GSLC!



### ***2023 sponsorships***

- ◆ Altar Flowers
- ◆ Wine and Wafers
- ◆ Eternal Flame
- ◆ Bulletins
- ◆ Newsletter

Sponsorships are a beautiful tribute to a loved ones anniversary or birthday, or a tribute to the memory of a loved one. Please consider signing up for a sponsorship today! Sign up in narthex or call the office.

# February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Bell Choir 6:30pm Choir 7:15pm	3 Office closed	4 Confirmation Retreat
				<b>COUNCIL REPORTS DUE</b>		
5 Worship 9:00am-Scout Sunday Sunday school 10:15am	6 Worship & Music 7:00pm	7 Christian Ed 7:00pm	8	9 Bell Choir 6:30pm Choir 7:15pm	10 Office closed	11 <b>Valentines Dance 7-10pm</b>
12 Worship 9:00am Sunday school SOUPER BOWL Dine & Donate	13 Council Meeting 6:30pm	14 	15	16 Bell Choir 6:30pm Choir 7:15pm	17 Office closed	18 Mardi Gras Talent Show & Pot Luck
				<b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b>		
19 Worship 9:00am Sunday school 10:15am	20  Office Closed	21 Fasnacht Day	22 Ash Wednesday Service 11:00am Service 7:00pm	23 Bell Choir 6:30pm Choir 7:15pm	24 Office closed	25
26 Worship 9:00am Sunday school 10:15am	27	28				

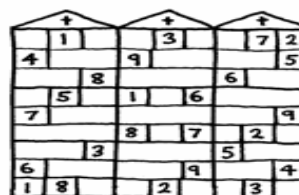
## HYMNS

IT IS QUITE EASY TO JOIN IN

① FIRST OF ALL FIND  
THE RIGHT BOOK



② THEN FIND THE  
RIGHT NUMBER



HYMN NUMBERS  
MUST BE  
CALCULATED  
BY A  
COMPLICATED  
PROCEDURE  
INVOLVING  
ADDING  
ROWS AND  
COLUMNS

③ BE SURE YOU ARE SINGING  
THE RIGHT TUNE



④ MAKE SURE YOU FOLLOW  
THE VERSE NUMBERS CAREFULLY



(IT CAN BE EMBARRASSING TO KEEP  
SINGING WHEN EVERYONE ELSE HAS STOPPED)