



*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,*

*"Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile" ~Mother Teresa.*

*So how do you achieve that kindness? You do that by spending time with God daily: in prayer and reading. When you do that kindness will be seen in your actions. If your actions show kindness, your whole being will show kindness.*

*Every month we have In Touch Sunday. We pick a name out and send a card and we feel we did our duty. How about we keep that name always before us for the month, praying for them daily and send several cards. If you know their phone number, give them a call and let them know they are thought about.*

*We do a wonderful job when we collect items for school kits, and any other social ministry needs. Can you imagine the warmth people feel when they receive their gifts? A simple act of kindness can bring joy and hope.*

*Finally, I know I say this often and you are probably tired of me talking about it— our Food Bank. If you have been paying attention to the news, the agencies that provide food for the food banks have had their funding reduced. We need to help our local food bank as much as we can. In the upcoming months, it will be more of a struggle. I know all of us are hit with higher food bills as well as other expenses. We need to show kindness and try, the best we can.*

*We will never know all the people we have helped on this side of heaven, we will find out as we enter the Gates.*

*Your Brother in Jesus,  
Pastor Gary*



## **September 1**

Labor Day  
Church office closed

## **September 2**

Christian Ed. 7pm

## **September 3**

Worship & Music  
7pm

## **September 4**

Handbell Practice  
6:30  
Choir Practice  
7:30

## **September 6**

Rummage Sale  
9-2pm

## **September 8**

Council Meeting  
6:30pm

## **September 11**

Patriot Day  
"Never Forget"

## **September 14**

Rally Day

## **September 20**

Music on the  
Mountain  
10-4pm

## **September 21**

Harvest Home

## **October 5**

Blessing of the  
Animals  
1-2pm



**DATE: SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 6th**

**TIME: 9am-2pm**

**PLACE: GOOD SHEPHERD  
1335 OLD CARRIAGE ROAD,  
NORTHAMPTON**

**DON'T FORGET TO COME BY AND CHECK OUT ALL OF THE GREAT ITEMS. THE KITCHEN WILL BE OPEN. WE WILL BE HAVING A SPECIAL AFTER HOURS PROMOTION. FOR \$10.00 YOU MAY PURCHASE A TICKET TO SHOP FROM 2:15 UNTIL 3:15 FOR FREE. TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

### 2025 Financial breakdown for September

Amount needed weekly to meet budget = \$ 3,180.00

Amount needed weekly to pay bills =\$2,810.00

Date	Weekly offering	Memorial	Building repair
7/6	2882.50		220.00
7/13	2065.50		35.00
7/20	1815.00		20.00
7/27	2100.50		110.00



We are always on the lookout for anyone interested in helping during Sunday worship service. If you can help, please sign up on the sheets on the bulletin board. If you are interested, please inquire at Sunday service.

We will show you the ins and outs of the job. Whether it's being an usher or helping the altar guild, you already come to church...why not give it a try.



We welcome back Girl Scout Troop 8133. The troop will meet every Monday starting on September 8th.

IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE GOES INTO THE HOSPITAL, PLEASE LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF **GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH** IN NORTHAMPTON. USE OUR **CODE #232**. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 610-262-9517 AND LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR PASTOR GARY. THIS WILL HELP US, SO WE CAN VISIT AND ADD YOU TO THE PRAYER LIST. **LET'S BE SAFE OUT THERE.**





Sandra Graver	9/1
Ann Hoff	9/7
Sandra Osiecki	9/7
Thomas Schwartz	9/7
Norma Bauer	9/8
Charles Burrell	9/8
Kitty Buss	9/8
Andrew LaBarre	9/8
Susan Ritton	9/8
Crystal Ungiran	9/10
Barry Saylor	9/11
Daniel Pavlick	9/13
Boyd Moore	9/13
Juliett Fatzinger	9/15
Robert Buss, Jr.	9/22
Brenda Koch	9/22
Paul Peters	9/22
Beverly Lubenesky	9/25
Alan Shook	9/25
Suzanne Tyler	9/25
William Grannetino	9/27
Gloria Wunderler	9/27
Barry Miller	9/28
Jean Bealer	9/29

Jodie & Gene Budihas-Roginsky	9/3	20yrs.
Mark & Chrissy Weaver	9/3	9yrs.
Alan & Stephaine Shook	9/4	31yrs.
Mary Dennis & Edwin Marshall	9/7	33yrs.
Michael & Stephanie Rogers	9/8	17yrs.
Al & Barb Wiemann	9/24	49yrs.
Peggy & Ralph Tobias	9/27	67yrs.
Barry & Kathleen Gilbert	9/28	40yrs.



We missed it!  
Our apologies for missing  
a birthday.  
Happy Belated Birthday  
wishes to Jules Pail- 8/5  
Hope it was happy.



*First Day Of Fall*

**SEPTEMBER 22nd Autumn begins**

"Fall is proof that change is beautiful"

**just kidding!**

Devil walks into church one day, sits right down in the front row seat. Scares the whole congregation. Everybody flees out all the exits, leaving only two people in the church besides the devil. The Pastor and a old man, a farmer. The devils says to the Pastor, now I know why your not afraid of me, because God protects all his preachers, but the devil says to the old man, the farmer. But Sir I can't figure out why your not scared of me. So the old man, said to the devil, "Well why should I be scared of you" I've been married to your sister for 47 years.

# Music on the Mountain

Hosted by the Music Program

Good Shepherd Lutheran 1335 Old Carriage Rd.  
Northampton, Pa 18067

The teams have been working hard at organizing and preparing for this event and it is here!

On Saturday, September 20th from 10am-4pm GSLC will be having an indoor & outdoor celebration. This event is hosted by the Music Dept. We will have 40+ vendors and there will be music, music, music!!! We will have a special "kids corner" where there will be games and face painting and activities and a fire truck. Of course our kitchen will be open. Special raffle for prizes. This is a great opportunity to meet our community and spread the gospel. Please join us! This is a FREE event.



Our popular Basket Auction will be a 2 day event this year. Friday, Oct. 17th & Saturday, Oct. 18th. We are now excepting donations. It can be a completed basket or maybe a gift card or a donation for us to make a basket for you. For more information about donations and to volunteer please contact Jen Gaugler at 610-422-5489.



We deeply appreciate all of your good wishes, cards and celebration. We love you all and are thankful for your love and friendship.

*Pastor Gary & Linda*



# PASTORAL ACTS

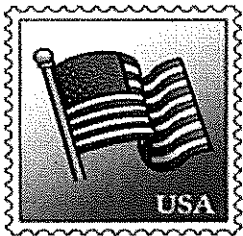


GSLC Music Dept. wants to thank everyone that contributed to our fundraising for the restoration of the handbells. Everyone was so generous. We raised a total of \$1784.00.

GREAT JOB! The bells are now completed and back at the church. They will be ringing in perfect tone. Please plan to stop in on Oct. 19th to hear their debut.

**In Touch-** Every first Sunday of each month, one of the great ministries we have at Good Shepherd is our In Touch. It is a very important way we can tell our homebound members that we really care!

**Food Bank Sunday-** Every 2nd Sunday of each month, please bring a canned good to Sunday service to donate to the Northampton Area Food Bank. GSLC collected 126 items for the month of July. Remember when you are shopping to pick up that extra item and drop it off in the narthex. Every item helps and the Northampton Area Food Bank always appreciates what we do here at Good Shepherd. Hunger happens all year not just at the holidays.



Thank you to Kathy Toth and Linda Heimpel for the donation of stamps for our newsletter mailing. Much appreciated!



We would like to take a moment to thank George Balzer and his family for a generous donation from his Mother, (pictured left) Shirley Balzer's estate. Shirley was born in Easton, PA and was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Easton. She volunteered and was engaged in her community. Sadly, Shirley passed in February of 2024 at the age of 97. She was committed to her faith and included her church in her final wishes. Shirley's church no longer exists and merged with a second church. Shirley's family made the choice to finalize her wishes by donating to our Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. This was a gracious gesture for them to make this decision and to honor Shirley's wishes. Please include them in your prayers and wish them blessings.

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS**

As a result of war and natural disasters, families around the world face serious obstacles to obtaining school supplies so that their children can receive an education. The Social Ministry Committee is assembling drawstring backpacks with essential supplies for distribution by **Lutheran World Relief**.

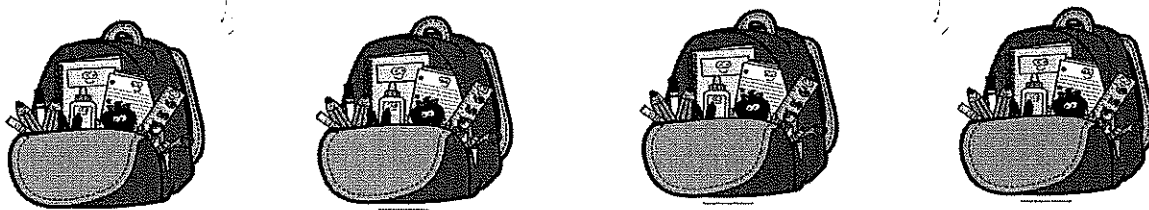
We are off to a wonderful start! Members of our congregation donated fabric for the backpacks. Three talented seamstresses – **Cindy Evans, Judy Fehr, and Roseann Yelles** – have constructed over 190 bags from that fabric.

Now we need to gather school supplies to fill the bags! You can help by either purchasing needed items or making a monetary donation which we will use to purchase items. Donations will be accepted from **August 1 until September 8**. There will be a donation table in the Narthex for Sunday donations or donations may be brought to church on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (use the back entrance by the church office). Checks should be made payable to “Good Shepherd Lutheran Church” and note that the funds are for school kits.

The supplies that go into each backpack are:

- 70-sheet spiral bound notebooks of wide or college ruled paper, approx. 8 x 10 1/2 inches (no loose-leaf paper)
- 30 centimeter rulers, or a ruler with centimeters on one edge and inches on the other
- pencil sharpeners (small ones)
- blunt scissors (such as safety scissors with steel blades)
- unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- erasers, approx. 2 1/2 inches long

**BOXES!** We need boxes to pack our school kits for shipment to Lutheran World Relief. The ideal box size is 12 by 18 inches, but larger and smaller sizes can be used. Boxes can be brought to church during the Secretary's hours Monday thru Friday 9-2 or on Sunday mornings.




### **Lutheran World Relief School Kits**

During August we collected supplies to fill school bags for Lutheran World Relief. Now it is time to prepare those supplies so that we can pack them into the bags and then box the kits for shipping to LWR.

We will meet on Thursday September 11 at 1 PM at church. Many tasks can be done sitting down. We will be removing packaging, rubber banding pens and pencils, and gathering the eight school items into the bags. Everyone is invited to join us for a time of service and fellowship. Refreshments will be served.

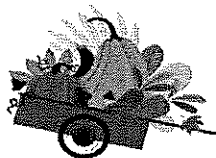
If you have any questions, contact Barb Wiemann, 610-262-6977 or [blwiemann@gmail.com](mailto:blwiemann@gmail.com).

# September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>LABOR DAY</b>  Office closed	<b>2</b> Christian Ed. 7pm  Boy Scouts Cub Scouts	<b>3</b> Worship & Music 7pm	<b>4</b> Bells 6:30 Choir 7:30	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  Rummage Sale 9-2pm
<b>7</b> Worship 9am <b>IN TOUCH</b>	<b>8</b> Council Meeting 6:30pm  Welcome back Girl Scouts!	<b>9</b> Boy Scouts Cub Scout	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Bells 6:30 Choir 7:30  Patriot Day "Never Forget"	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Worship 9am <b>RALLY DAY</b> <b>FOOD BANK</b>	<b>15</b>  Girl Scouts	<b>16</b>  Boy Scouts Cub Scout	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Bells 6:30 Choir 7:30	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>MUSIC ON THE MOUNTAIN</b> 10-4 pm
<b>21</b> Worship 9am <b>HARVEST HOME</b> <b>PEACE DAY!</b>	<b>22</b> Autumn Begins!  Girl Scouts	<b>23</b>  Boy Scouts Cub Scout	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Bells 6:30 Choir 7:30	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>  Worship 9am	<b>29</b>  Girl Scouts	<b>30</b>  Boy Scouts Cub Scout				

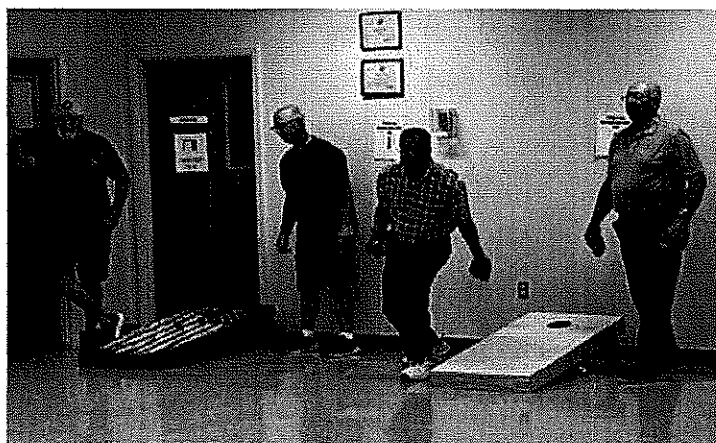


Gather up your furry and not so furry friends for the **Blessings of the Animals on Sunday, October 5th from 1-2pm.** Our companions bring us so much joy and love and deserve all the blessings we can give them. Mark your calendars.



Good Shepherd will commemorate **Harvest Home on Sunday, September 21.** Harvest Home is a traditional festival that celebrates the end of the harvest season with an expression of gratitude for the bounty of the land. Everyone is invited to participate by bringing canned and nonperishable food items or fresh items from your garden. We will collect items on Sundays in September, during office hours the week of Sept. 15-19, or on Saturday morning from 11am to noon. All items will be displayed around the Altar on Harvest Home Sunday.

All nonperishable food will be donated to the Northampton Area Food Bank to aid our neighbors in need. Victory House, a shelter for homeless veterans and men, will receive the perishable items. Let us all thank God for our bounty and remember those who struggle.



The Annual Church Picnic was held on Aug. 17th. We had a good turnout and there was plenty of food to choose from. The cornhole competition got started and there was no stopping it! The Cornhole Champs of 2025 were again Bob Davidson & Ben Bogden. As always, if the heat of Cornhole was too much there was a friendly game of Bingo happening as well. We had a couple of cakes to honor some celebrations. Linda Walbert's birthday and the 50th wedding anniversary for Pastor Gary and Linda. Thanks to everyone who made something to share and to everyone who helped with the set-up and clean-up.



Special shout out to Luke Meier age 12. Luke is the grandson of Dave & Jane Laudenslager. Luke was the big winner of the game to guess the weight of the watermelon at the church picnic. His winning guess was 13.7lbs. Nice job! That's a lot of watermelon.



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**Church Office Hours**

9:00 AM—2:00 PM

Monday—Friday

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**Worship Service 9:00 AM**

**Pastor Gary L. Walbert**

Cell # 610-217-6852

**Kristen Merkert**

*Organist /Choir Director*

**Beverly Moore**

Church Secretary

*Hope to see  
you on Sunday.*



***Keep us in the loop***

*If something has changed, maybe you have moved or have a new phone number. Perhaps a new addition. We want to hear from you so we keep our information current.*

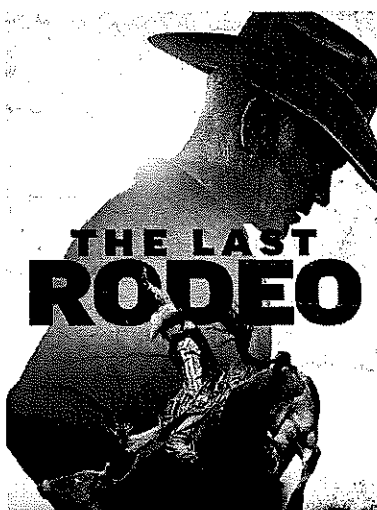
*Give us a call at 610-262-9517 or email us at: [goodshepherdlutheran@rcn.com](mailto:goodshepherdlutheran@rcn.com)*



Choir Practice starts on **September 4th.**

Bell practice is at 6:30 and Choir practice starts at 7:30pm. Practice will be every Thursday.

Our choir has rested their voices over the summer and we are excited to have them back with us on Sundays. Join us at our 9am worship to hear them sing and to hear our refurbished handbells ring out in praise.



Movie Night was a success. This time we mixed things up and held it at the pavilion. It was such a beautiful night. Snacks were served and the movie was a hit. Keep your eyes on the calendar as I sure there will be another movie night scheduled soon.

