

The Shepherd's Staff

From the Pastor:

Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

On February 7-9, I had the opportunity to be with our youth at the Allentown Quake. 16 youth and 6 adults attended this event from Good Shepherd. It was an amazing experience for all involved.

The main speaker was Bob Lenz, the President of Life Promotions. His main message was grace and growing in love with Jesus. He spoke the Gospel loud and clear. We saw the Gospel in motion as the Holy Spirit came and touched the lives of, not only, our youth but also many others who attended.

This message is timely as Lent is starting. Lent is about grace. It is about growing in love with Jesus more and more. As you grow in love with Him, slowly you will be transformed. You will leave your old life behind and embrace the kingdom of God. Grace describes what Jesus did for you and me. He died so we can have eternal life. The cost of this priceless gift is nothing. It is a gift given in love. Love that is unmeasurable.

So, as you go through Lent this year, reflect on how much Jesus loves you and how you can grow more in love with Him.

Yours in Jesus

Pastor Gary



Planning Ahead.....

Soup Sale
March 1

Lenten Service
March 4
11am
7pm

New Member Reception
March 8

Food Bank Sunday
March 8

Soup Sale
March 8

Lenten Service
March 11
11am
7pm

In Touch Sunday
March 15

Coffee & Chatter
March 15

Soup Sale
March 15

Lenten Service
March 18
11am
7pm

Soup Sale
March 22

First Communion Class
March 24

Lenten Service
March 25
11am
7pm

First Communion Class
March 31

Lenten Service
April 1
11am
7pm

Palm Sunday
First Holy Communion
April 5



From the Office of the Church Secretary...

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Worship Service

9:00 AM

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Congregation Council

David Hausman, President

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(Alexis is not a member of Council)

Richard Brown

Brenda Koch

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Donna Pavlick

Happy Birthday...

Conor Sandt	March 3
Brandon Koch	March 5
Christina Weaver	March 5
Samuel Tameler	March 7
Lorie Filipovits	March 8
Margaret Fogel	March 8
Blair Hower	March 8
Catherine Miller	March 8
Emma Rogers	March 9
Andrea Gillette	March 10
Bradley Newhard	March 12
Stephanie Schwarz	March 12
Colin Schmall	March 14
Jennifer Oberman	March 15
Stephanie Rogers	March 15
Eric Borger	March 16
Kylee Pavlick	March 16
Thomas Kramer	March 17
Brian Dungan	March 18
Barry James	March 18
Andrew Smoyer	March 20
Sally Sherman	March 21
Joan Webb	March 21
Alyssa Cantrell	March 22
Gloria Jones	March 22
Donna Williams	March 24
Margaret Lawlor	March 25
Edwin Marshall	March 25
Emily Ann Schweitzer	March 25
Christopher Holub	March 29
Joseph Fehr	March 31
Michael Rogers	March 25

Happy Anniversary...

Kevin & Judy Readinger

March 8

35 years!

Colin & Louise Saylor

March 8

Alan & Lorie Gaugler

March 22

Parochial Report

Date	Attendance
January 5, 2020	82
January 12, 2020	121
January 19, 2020	Cancelled due to snow
January 26, 2020	101
Total	304
Average	101

President's Corner

I can't believe it is March already. It seems like Christmas just ended. March brings us to the Lenten Season. I encourage you to attend our mid-week services leading to Holy Week in April. We will reflect on Jesus' life from His birth to His ministry and His ultimate sacrifice on the cross.

March also is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time, which gives us longer daylight hours and, hopefully, warmer days.

We will also be starting the renovations of our Social Hall Toilet Rooms. Unfortunately, the use of the Social Hall will be off limits while this work is being done. It will take approximately three (3) months for the project to be complete. As they say “a temporary inconvenience for a permanent improvement!”

Yours in Christ,

Dave Hausman
President



January Financial Report

As of January 31, 2019

	General	Building Repair	Memorial
January 5, 2020	\$2,875.00	\$195.00	
January 12, 2020	\$3,007.00	\$80.00	
January 19, 2020	Cancelled	Due to snow	
January 26, 2020	\$3,195.00	\$65.00	
Income in January	\$9,077.00	\$340.00	
Expenses in January	\$13,013.00		

PASTORAL ACTS



We rejoice that those listed below have been liberated from sin and death by being joined in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ through the sacrament of Holy Baptism:

Warren Jeffrey Krill

Son of Steven & Jessica Krill

Born: May 22, 2018

Baptized: February 2, 2020

McKenna Emery Krill

Daughter of Steven & Jessica Krill

Born: September 9, 2019

Baptized: February 2, 2020



We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of the following member of Good Shepherd who passed into eternal life.

Robert Teets
January 22, 2020



We gladly received the following new members into the family and fellowship of Good Shepherd's congregation:

John Hoff

Ann Hoff

Shelby Hoff

Timothy Hoff

Denise Reiner



Received in the month of January

In Memory of Martin Edelman

Given by

Robert & Karen Hite

Dolores Hoppes

Thomas & Jo Ann Koehler

Dale & Jayne Santee

In Memory of Robert Teets

Given by

Pastor Gary & Linda Walbert

News



Sunday School is every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. All ages are encouraged to attend. So after the church service, please make your way down the hallway and find the classroom that is right for you. We also have a Nursery for newborn to 6 years old. We hope to see everyone.

Coffee and Chatter Group

Once a month we will have a “coffee and chatter group” during the Sunday School hour. This will be a time to grab a cup of coffee and come down to the adult Sunday School room to talk about whatever subject you want or ask any questions you want. Next class is March 15th.



Easter Egg Hunt

Rain or shine Saturday, April 11th at 11:00 AM for all children up to 6th grade. Due to the fellowship hall bathroom construction, we will meet in the confirmation room upstairs by the church office.

Any questions you can contact LeAnne at 610 262-0293 and leave a message. Thank you!



Redner's Save-A-Tape

The Fundraising Committee is taking care of the Redner's Save-A-Tape program.

All you need to do is shop as usual and use your Redner's reward card at check out. **Please use your Redner's Save A –Tape Card. Any receipt without it cannot be used!**

There is a new red box in the Narthex for the receipts to be placed.



Good Shepherd Committees The Spotlight Is On You

Girl Scout Troop 8133

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 8133 has been blessed to be able to meet at Good Shepherd for over 10 years. The troop meets on Monday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:00pm, September thru early June. The troop is currently composed of girls in 6th grade to 8th grade. The troop is very active and does many activities outside our normal troop meetings: such as Fall and Winter camping, hiking, and events/programs with Girl Scouts of Eastern PA. Since September the girls have earned 7 Badges and Awards. One of our girls received the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for helping run a Girl Scout Brownie Troop and accumulating over 100 volunteer hours.

The girls take a leadership role in the troop by planning and leading activities such as badge work, camping trips and community service projects. One of the awards the girls are most proud of is their Leadership-In-Action (LIA). With 1-month of preparation, they planned and implemented a program to teach Girl Scout Brownies (1st and 2nd graders) about our connection with girls around the world. The program they prepared included presentations, crafts, games, and snacks for 4 different countries. With a focus on the literacy problems the world is facing, the girls collected new and slightly used books to help spread literacy in our local towns. The books were then donated to Cops 'N Kids.

The girls have been progressively working towards completing the requirements needed to begin their quest for the Silver Award, the highest Girl Scout award a Cadette level girl can achieve. This award gives the girls a chance to demonstrate their abilities as leaders are organized, determined and dedicated to improving their community.

Recent Community Service Projects include decorating the Northampton Food Bank for the Holidays, making Tray Favors for Meals on Wheels, collecting items for the Hope Chest project which provided Christmas presents for at risk youth, pet items collection for The Center for Animal Health and Welfare and food collection for Northampton Food Bank.

This is a big year for Girl Scout it is time for our National Convention, which only takes place once every 3 years. The National Convention is a forum for National Delegate (adults and girls 14-18 years old) to represent our Council and provide input to Girl Scouts USA on proposals and elect the National Board. Our troop is heading to Orlando, FL in October to participate in this event. The girls have been selling lots of cookies, doing fundraisers and budgeting their troop funds for over 2 years. We are very excited for the girls to be able to experience government at work.

To Join: www.gsep.org

Troop Contact Information:

Kathi Nemeth 484-375-528

Ann Hoff 610-248-6769

Email: gsleader725@gmail.com



Good Shepherd Music Notes

As we head towards the Easter Holiday I would like to take the opportunity to share some important dates with you all!

On Palm Sunday the choir will be performing the passion narrative with a choral oratorio and the orchestra will be playing as well! **On Easter Sunday** at our festival service at 9am we will have a wide variety of music from our orchestra and choirs.

Then finally, I would like to highlight our 50th anniversary service which will be on April 26th. All of Good Shepherd's musicians will be performing as well as professional musicians that will be added to fill our ensembles. We will also premier two new works commissioned especially for our anniversary year! It should be a very memorable service!

We hope to see you at all these special services coming up in the near future!

Thank you,
Alex Haggerty



SOUP SALE MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22

By the Fund Raising Committee

Looking for some delicious homemade soup to serve after worship during March in Lent? Well, look no further, because some will be offered for sale in the Narthex the first four weeks in March.

The committee is asking congregational members once again to join us in this effort. Do you have a favorite soup recipe that you wouldn't mind making and sharing with the congregation? Pint soup containers will be provided, and through Thrivent Financial we have obtained some financial support which we can offer the cooks toward ingredients.

Look for the signup sheet on the bulletin board, and thank you for your support!

Questions? Contact Carole Holub at 610-262-7493 or caroleholub@gmail.com.

MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANT LIST

(If you are unable to keep your scheduled time, please find someone else to fill in for you)

Date	Acolyte	Assisting Minister	Pouring Chalice	Chalice Bearer	Lector	CD Ministry	Nursery	Altar Guild
March 1	Olivia Talbot	Ben Bogden	Mark Weaver	Donna Pavlick	Sarah Borger	Josh Klusaritz	Karen Hahn Emma Dungan	Sally Sherman
March 8	Talbot Houck	Sarah Borger	Barb Wiemann	LeAnne Krill	Richard Brown	Owen Dungan	Diane Kramer Kayden LaBarre	Diane Hausman
March 15	Owen Dungan	Chris Holub	Jessica Kirkpatrick	Donna Walck	Chris Holub	Al Wiemann	Shelly Dorn Olivia Talbot	Carole Holub
March 22	Lindsey Reimer	David Hausman	Matilde Brown	Laurie Andrew	Diane Hausman	Ben Klusaritz	Jennifer Driscoll Gavin Seitter	Diane Kramer
March 29	Bry Bogden	Richard Brown	Linda Siekonic	Diane Hausman	Good Shepherd Youth	Callia Wiener	Karen Hahn Sara Houck	Donna Pavlick

Date	Ushers
3/1, 3/8 & 3/15	Forrest Koch, Nick Miller, Donna Pavlick, Doug Yelles
3/22 & 3/29	Talbot Houck, Jessica Kirkpatrick, Dean & Roseann Yelles

FOOD BANK

**201 items in February
286 items for 2020**



Good Shepherd is affiliated with Lehigh Valley Health Network Pastoral Care. If ever you are admitted to one of the Lehigh Valley Network Hospitals (Cedar Crest, Muhlenberg, 17th Street) or St. Luke's please give them code 232. This tells the hospital you are a member of our church. The Church Secretary calls daily to get an update to see if any members are hospitalized.

- Food Bank Sunday is the second Sunday of each month. Please bring your food items on that day and place them in the bins in the narthex. Good Shepherd is especially responsible for canned fruit, jelly, and applesauce. Of course, any food staples will be accepted on any Sunday. On the Second Sunday of the month (**March 8**) our prayers will include the food gifts, the recipients, and the donors.
- IN TOUCH" Sunday is always the third Sunday of the month (**March 15**). Take a name of a member and send a card so they know we are thinking of them, remember them, wish them well and are keeping them in our prayers.



First Holy Communion Classes

Holy Communion is the most important sacrament we have. In it, we celebrate the Last Supper and partake in the Holy Meal. It is one of the steps to confirmation.

If your child is in second grade or older, they are able to make their first communion. They need to participate in the communion classes which will be held on March 24 and March 31st at 7pm in the sanctuary. First communion will be celebrated on Palm Sunday during the 9 am service.

If you are interested in having your child participate, please contact the church office.



Continental Easter Breakfast

This year due to the construction of the fellowship hall bathrooms we will be having a continental breakfast upstairs in the 3rd and 4th grade Sunday school classrooms; there will be seating in the Boy Scout room and Confirmation room.

If you would like to donate any items please sign the sheet on the bulletin board. Please keep in mind when you sign up to donate items for breakfast we will not be able to use the kitchen to bake or heat items.

Any questions you can contact LeAnne at 610-262-0293 and leave a message.

Thank you!



Lenten Journey: Pictures of Jesus

All of us have pictures of family. When we want to remember events from the past, we pull out the family album to relive those beautiful memories.

Suppose Mary and Joseph had a camera, what pictures would they have taken?

Each week we will look at a section of Jesus' life and look at the picture in our minds.

As we have done in the past, we will have 2 services each Wednesday:
11am and 7pm.

March 4	Baby Pictures
11am	Lenten Service
7pm	Lenten Service
March 11	Growing up
11am	Lenten Service
7pm	Lenten Service
March 18	Baptism
11am	Lenten Service
7pm	Lenten Service
March 25	Ministry
11am	Lenten Service
7pm	Lenten Service
April 1	The Great Reunion
11am	Lenten Service
7pm	Lenten Service

Come join us as we explore together pictures of Jesus.



April 5 Palm Sunday
First Holy Communion

April 8 Service of Renewal
7pm

April 9 Maundy Thursday
11am Holy Communion
7pm Holy Communion
Foot Washing
Stripping of the Altar

April 10 Good Friday
Noon The Shadow of the Cross
Community Service, Hope Lutheran, Cherryville
7pm Tenebrae

April 12 Easter
6:30am Easter Sunrise Service
Holy Communion

Easter Continental Breakfast

9:00am Festival Service
Holy Communion



Homemade Easter Candy

**Proceeds will go to:
The Youth For "Quake"**

The church will be taking orders for homemade candy starting March 15th through March 29th all candy is \$8.00 a ½ lb.

If you would like to place an order please return your order form by March 29th to LeAnne Krill or place in an envelope marked candy order and place in the offering plate. Please make checks out to: **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**

All orders will be ready for pick up on Palm Sunday, April 5th after the service.

Please return this part with your order

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Type of Candy	Chocolate Type	Price	Qty.	Total
½ lb Coconut cream rolled in Peanuts	Dark	\$8.00		
½ lb Coconut Cream	Dark	\$8.00		
½ lb Peanut Butter	Milk	\$8.00		
½ lb Peanut Clusters	Dark	\$8.00		
½ lb Peanut Clusters	Milk	\$8.00		
½ lb. Choc. Pretzels	Milk	\$8.00		
½ lb Non Pariels	Dark	\$8.00		
½ lb Non Pariels	Milk	\$8.00		

Total Amount _____

If you would like to sell candy this year you can find an order form on the bulletin board.

Easter Flowers

ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED

By March 15, 2020

YOUR NAME _____

TELEPHONE _____

FLOWERS

6 ½" Mums **\$8.00**

Available colors: (a) white (b) yellow (c) purple

7" Hardy Azalea **\$8.50**

Available colors: (a) pink (b) lavender

6" Triple Hyacinths **\$6.00**

Available colors: (a) pink (b) blue

6" White Lilies** **\$8.00**

Due to an Easter Lilly shortage across the country, the florist will do their best to fill the orders but some lilies may be partially subbed with a white (smaller) Asiatic Lily

FLOWERS	COST	COLOR	QUANTITY	TOTAL \$
Mums	\$8.00 Each			
Azalea	\$8.50 Each			
Triple Hyacinths	\$6.00 Each			
White Lily	\$8.00 Each			

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION:

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Please return this form to Carole Holub, Diane Hausman or Barb Wiemann with your payment.

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SYNOD NEWS

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Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Assembly 2020 “We Are Church Together”



**We Are Church
Together**
NEPA Synod Assembly 2020

INFORMATION SESSION LIVESTREAM via YouTube**With Bishop Samuel Zeiser****- Live from The Kalahari Resort -****Thursday, March 19 at 10:30 AM**

Join Bishop Zeiser and others on the 2020 Synod Assembly Planning Team, LIVE via YouTube Livestream from the Kalahari Resort. This Information Session will give you the latest details on:

- The election of a new Bishop
- Ministry table displays
- What will happen when
- The speakers, presenters and special guests
- Who should attend and why
- How to download and use the Guidebook app

This YouTube video stream will be available live at the date and time listed above; or you can view it anytime later, as a recording.

To watch it, either live or later: simply search this name on Google: “NEPS Assembly 2020 Info Session”, or type this into your internet browser: <https://youtu.be/RwZFsLahD34>.

For event details about Synod Assembly 2020, including to register and to book a room at Kalahari, you can visit the Assembly 2020 Event page at <http://nepasynod.org/event/assembly-2020>.

For all information needed for the Assembly itself (nomination forms, resolution forms, agenda, etc.), you can visit the Assembly 2020 Information page at <http://nepasynod.org/assembly2020-info>.

Festival Worship at the Assembly

On Friday morning there will be a Eucharist with Bishop Zeiser preaching and music led by Bobby Siegfried. The offering will be for the World Hunger Appeal.

On Saturday morning there will be a Eucharist in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the ordination of women. Dr. Catherine Ziel will preach, and music will be led by Deacon Tom Yenser and a brass quintet.

Pianist becomes Organist at Trinity, Bangor



Before Easter our organist/music director resigned at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bangor, PA. We let it be known to the community through FB, emails and the synod newsletter that we needed an organist/music director. For a few weeks we had substitute organists with no choir director. The choir continued to practice, and we managed to do some *a capella* pieces for a few weeks. The choir improved dramatically, feeling determined to sing with much more focus and dedication.

Within weeks we had some inquiries from pianists and organists. We interviewed Ms. Bethann Kratzer. She is an excellent pianist, but she admitted that she didn't play the organ. She does play 8-10 other instruments. We hired her for the summer on a trial basis, since we do worship services during the summer in our air-conditioned fellowship hall and only use the piano for that worship.

In addition, we asked her if she was willing to take organ lessons from Dr. Michael Krentz over the summer. We offered to pay for 10 lessons and to continue paying for 1 lesson a quarter over the next year. She agreed to try. By the end of the summer she had "fallen in love" with the organ and is becoming an accomplished organist. She now plays the organ for worship in our sanctuary, works with our Sunday School children, leads the choir, and plays the piano when needed. We are thrilled with her willingness to try and learn the organ, her ability to work with the choir, and her outstanding piano playing. We have hired her as our full-time music director. She continues to take organ lessons on her own and learn the instrument.

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MARCH 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL SOUP SALE	2 GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM WORSHIP & MUSIC 7PM	3 CUB SCOUTS 6:45PM BOY SCOUTS 7PM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 7:00PM	4 LENTEN SERVICE 11:00AM LENTEN SERVICE 7:00PM BSA TROOP 540 (GIRLS) 6:30PM	5 BELL CHOIR 6:30PM CHOIR 7:15PM	6	7
8 FOOD BANK SUNDAY NEW MEMBER RECEPTION GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL SOUP SALE	9 GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM COUNCIL 7PM	10 CUB SCOUTS 6:45PM BOY SCOUTS 7PM	11 LENTEN SERVICE 11:00AM LENTEN SERVICE 7:00PM BSA TROOP 540 (GIRLS) 6:30PM	12 BELL CHOIR 6:30PM CHOIR 7:15PM	13	14
15 IN TOUCH SUNDAY 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15AM COFFEE & CHATTER SOUP SALE	16 WELCA 1PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM OUTREACH 6:30PM	17 CUB SCOUTS 6:45PM BOY SCOUTS 7PM	18 LENTEN SERVICE 11:00AM LENTEN SERVICE 7:00PM BSA TROOP 540 (GIRLS) 6:30PM	19 BELL CHOIR 6:30PM CHOIR 7:15PM	20	21
22 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL COFFEE HOUR SPONSORED BY SOCIAL MINISTRY & PROPERTY SOUP SALE	23 GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM PROPERTY 7PM	24 CUB SCOUTS 6:45PM BOY SCOUTS 7PM FIRST COMMUNION CLASS 7PM	25 LENTEN SERVICE 11:00AM LENTEN SERVICE 7:00PM BSA TROOP 540 (GIRLS) 6:30PM BOY SCOUT COMMITTEE MTG. 7PM	26 BELL CHOIR 6:30PM CHOIR 7:15PM	27	28
29 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL	30 GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM	31 FIRST COMMUNION CLASS 7PM				