

Shepherd's *Voice*

Monthly Newsletter of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - LCMS September 2023

LWML 2023-2025 Mission Grants

1. Orphan Grain Train Servant Center — Orphan Grain Train, U.S. \$100,000
2. A Healing Space for At-Risk Children — Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, ND \$100,000
3. Serving God's Children with Special Needs — Journeys Lutheran School, Milwaukee, WI \$100,000
4. Fortifying Faith in Those with Vision Impairment — Lutheran Braille Workers \$100,000
5. Disaster Response Team — Trinity Lutheran Church, Tyler, TX \$50,000
6. Mobile Kitchen — Forged by Fire Services, Gulf Coast Region, U.S. \$85,000
7. Upheld by God's Hand, Mental Health Outreach — LCMS Life Ministry \$96,500
8. Expanding Gospel Proclamation Worldwide — Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO \$100,000
9. Equipping Young Leaders — LCMS Youth Ministry \$50,000
10. Set Apart To Serve — LCMS Office of Pastoral Education \$100,000
11. Lutheran Women in Mission Finish the Job — Ministry in Mission, Haiti \$85,000
12. Sharing Christ Crucified with High School Youth — Lutheran High School of Greater New Orleans, LA \$35,000
13. Water and the Word — Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya \$80,000
14. Enhancement of Deaf Ministry and Outreach — Ephphatha Lutheran Mission Society, U.S. \$47,000
15. Feeding Haitian Children Through Gospel and Meals — Trinity HOPE \$58,082
16. Care for Street Children of Western Kenya — Capstone Ministries \$50,000
17. Nurturing Faith for the Aging — Lutheran Ministries Media (Worship Anew) \$100,000
18. Zoe's Home Support — Zoe's Home, Trinity Lutheran Church, Clinton, MO \$75,000
19. Tanzania Children's Homes — Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania, Africa \$74,500
20. Sharing Christ with Women and Children in Kazakhstan — Lutheran Hour Ministries \$100,000
21. Healthy Together: Healthy Workers, Healthy Church — Lutheran Family Services, U.S. \$106,000
22. Expanding Gospel Outreach to Hispanics in U.S. — Lutheran Hour Ministries \$100,000
23. A Legacy of Love for Special Needs Children — Lutheran Special Education Ministries, U.S. \$100,000
24. God's Word for Central and South American Missions — Lutheran Heritage Foundation \$100,000
25. Bringing God's Word to India — India Bible Translation Project \$100,000
26. Life Connection Events and Kits — Lutherans for Life \$70,000
27. Siouxland Lutheran Hispanic Ministry — Hope Lutheran, South Sioux City, NE \$50,000
28. Growing Our Place: Care for Special Needs Students — Our Place After School Care, Inc., NE \$20,000
29. Repairs for St. Paul's Lutheran School — St. Paul Lutheran School, Cullman, AL \$50,000
30. Showering Love on the Least of These — Mercy Holistic Ministry, CA \$100,000
31. PARTIAL Breaking Generational Poverty in Detroit — Camp Restore Detroit, MI \$58,988.62

September Church Events

- 9.4 QUARTERLIFE at GSLC at 6:00 pm
- 9.5 Mission Planning 7 pm
- 9.6 Adult Bible Study 10 am
- 9.6 ZOOM Prayer Group 9 pm
- 9.10 Rally Day
- 9.11 Women's Guild 1:00 pm
- 9.13 Adult Bible Study 10 am
- 9.13 Shared Ministry at GSLC 6:30 pm
- 9.13 ZOOM Prayer Group 9 pm
- 9.14 Heritage Hall 2 pm
- 9.17 Worship w/Baby Crosby Baptism
- 9.20 Adult Bible Study 10 am
- 9.20 Worship Committee 4 pm
- 9.20 ZOOM Prayer Group 9 pm
- 9.27 Adult Bible Study 10a .m
- 9.27 ZOOM Prayer Group 9 pm

Sunday Events

Prayer Group: 8:30-9:00 a.m. (meets in the Sanctuary)
Adult Bible Study: 9:00 a.m. led by Pastor Lanning "
Worship: 10:00 a.m.
After service Bible Study (led by Gary Seider)

Children's Church is offered on non-Communion Sundays, during the Sermon.

PET PROJECT

Pick up will be arranged by calling when we have items ready. At this time, you will no longer be accepting pill bottles. Please bring in your clean empty cans and clean dry plastic milk jugs or other plastic jugs that have handles.

Please make sure your jugs are clean and dry inside.

Shepherd Supply

Offering free household supplies to those in need.
Open Saturday 9-12 & Wednesdays by appointment only
contact Sheryl Bartels, (afternoons at 573-881-7879)
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Operation Christmas Child

This year Good Shepherd is combining the two efforts we did last year. We will no longer have the numbered boxes with envelopes to take home, nor the store. Look for containers on the OCC display, located in the narthex, for the monthly featured items collections. Each month we will announce what item we suggest buying for the boxes. We ask that you participate by bringing the items and putting them in the containers to collect throughout the year. In November, we will pack boxes at the Second Saturday event and as a church on the Sunday after. These two efforts will encourage our church and community to pray for this ministry. Lunch will be provided on Sunday. If you choose to take a box home to fill on your own, please feel welcome to do that. If you have any questions, please contact Hannah Lanning or Jacki Stelzer.

Collecting all year – shipping \$10 per box, if writing check make payable to GSLC with OCC shipping in memo.

April – soap in wrapper, inside washcloth and placed in zip-lock baggie; May – Small stuffed Animal/toy

June – Toothbrush, (NO toothpaste), brush, comb; July – Shirt, Socks, underwear

August – sticker/coloring book, school supplies (pencils, eraser, crayons, ruler); September – WOW toy

Shared Ministry Workgroup

The Shared Ministry Workgroup met at Campus on August 1. We discussed the asset mapping exercise and decided both Campus and Good Shepherd needed additional time to complete their portions. We are continually looking for servant events to participate in. Pastor Pierce made the suggestion the Workgroup consider activities both congregations can participate in as we get to know each other. A hayride is being planned for October at Good Shepherd with hotdogs and s'mores. The next meeting will be at Good Shepherd on September 13 at 6:30 P.M.



Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory! (Psalm 24:7-10)

The King is Coming

Traditionally celebrated the first Sunday in October, Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday can be celebrated any time. Throughout human history, God pictured the coming redemptive King through various images of His promise, providence, provision, and protection for His people. We could easily become down and out because of the evil of our world, and quickly give up because of the constant bad news; but hope, peace, joy, and love is the promise of our God for His people. Christ is the King of Glory! The Gospel is our only hope, as the King of glory comes in, with, and through the Gospel, as we were buried with Him in Baptism and raised with Him to a new life!

*Hallelu- Hallelu- Hallelu, Hallelujah; Praise ye the Lord!
Praise ye the Lord; Hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord; Hallelujah!
Praise ye the Lord; Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!*

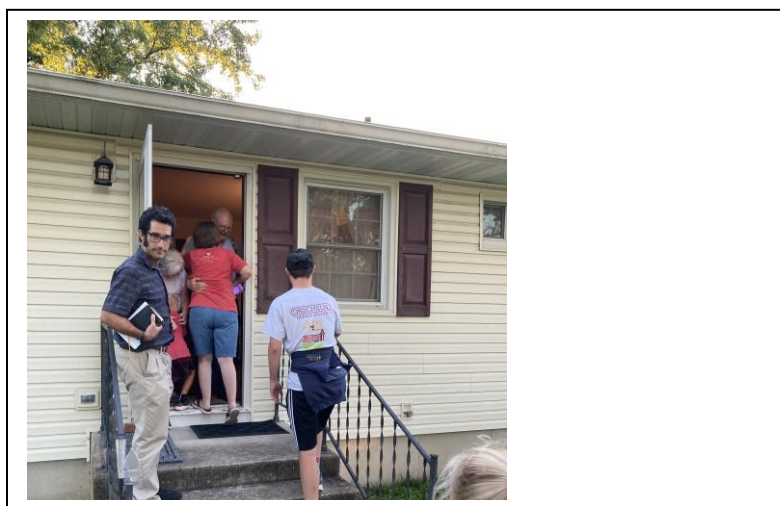
VBS at Good Shepherd was a blessing to many. We had an average of 17 kids each day. About half were “our own” and half were guests who may know someone in our congregation. At least one family came from the invitations made at our 2nd Saturday tent.



Special thanks to the steady presence of several of you who cooked, brought in food, decorated, led events such as music, games, story, crafts or science!

We started each evening about 5:30 pm with a tasty meal and then moved into the sanctuary for fun music. The big VBS group was divided in half each night—one half went Upstairs (that was an exciting change!) for Bible story time and a visit by our fav puppet girl Suzy; the other half visited the science and craft table in the Fellowship Hall. After 25 minutes the groups switched places. At 7:30 we started a game such as Build the Well or Helping Hand Tag or Carry the Fish. VBS kid Allison was helpful in explaining and encouraging others to play Nine-Square-in-the-Air. At 8 pm, as the sun set in the west, folks left until the next day.

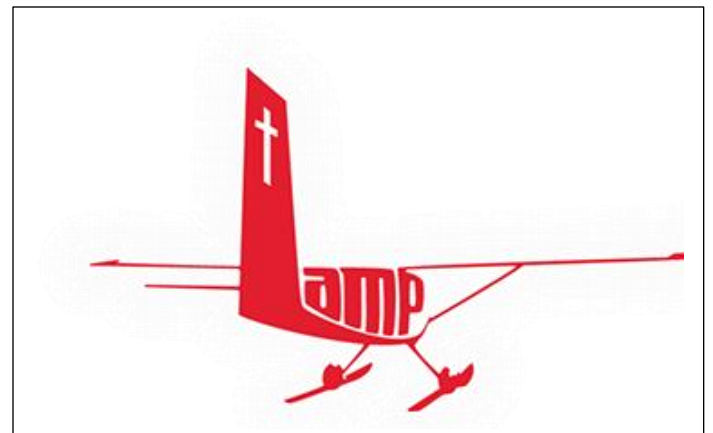
Please pray for these families as they are now getting used to a new year at school. Pray that they remember the lessons from God's Word about the grace that God shows us in His creation and the gift of Jesus as our Savior.



GSLC VBS 2023 Highlights – Many thanks to Ann and her band of volunteers.



Just a few highlights from our LAMP Missionary team. Thank you to Hannah and Gary for making the trip to teach the children in Brochet about Jesus!



SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 8:30 am Prayer Service 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am Worship w/Holy Communion w/guest Rev. Nathan Schuetze	4 QUARTERLIFE at Good Shepherd 6 pm	5 7:00pm Mission Meeting	6 Adult Bible Study at 10:00am ZOOM Prayer Group at 9:00 pm	7	8	9
10 8:30 am Prayer Service 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship Service Sunday School Rally Day!	11 Women's Guild meet at 1:00 pm	12	13 Adult Bible Study at 10:00am Shared Ministry at 6:30 pm ZOOM Prayer Group at 9:00 pm	14 2:00pm Heritage Hall	15	16
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September Birthdays

Darrell Gronefeld	9.4
Kelsey Jaeger	9.4
Angel Arnall	9.11
Donna Hoek	9.16
Ben Robertson	9.18
Gary Seider	9.18
Judy Mahieu	9.19
Wiley Rojas	9.21
Cody Jaeger	9.26
Kayne Walters	9.27
Aaron Seider	9.29
Ernestine Ramsey	9.30

September Anniversaries

Vivian & Matt Diener	September 5
Palmyra & Richard Dubbert	September 5
Henry & Kimberly Rainey	September 22





**LUTHERAN HOUR
MINISTRIES**
www.lhm.org

September 3

"Entryway"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(Psalm 26:8)

September 10

"Not Just a Formality"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(Psalm 32)

September 17

"The Problem of Praise"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(Psalm 103)

September 24

"High Ground"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(Psalm 27)

Broadcasting

Columbia, MO

KMCV 100.9 FM Sunday Mornings at 8:00am

Moberly, MO

KWIX 92.5 FM Sunday Afternoons at 1:30pm

September 3: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 16:21-28

September 10: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 18:1-20

September 17: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 18:21-35

September 24: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Text: Matthew 20:1-16

**Serving The
Lord**

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**Church Fellowship Hall and Church
ballfield scheduling & maintenance**

**Be sure to check "Church Updates" for the
latest church news and prayer requests, as
well as serving and giving opportunities at
Good Shepherd. Sign up and register at**

www.churchupdates.org



New Contact Information

Ed and Ernestine Ramsey
Tiger Place 2910 Bluff Creek Drive Apt 516
Columbia, MO 65201
Phone 573 442 5669

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE

July 30
Attendance **42**
 Current \$ 780.00
 Building \$ 290.00

Total **\$ 1,070.00**

August 6
Attendance **47**
 Current \$ 2,633.00
 Building \$ 180.00

Total **\$ 2,813.00**

August 13
Attendance **46**
 Current \$ 1,207.00
 Building \$ 90.00

Total **\$ 1,297.00**

August 20
Attendance **40**
 Current \$ 870.00
 Building \$260.00

Total **\$ 1,200.00**

August 27
Attendance **54**
 Current \$ Will report in October
 Building \$

Total **\$**

Current
 10% of our current offerings are sent to Missouri District for missions. The remaining 90% is used for GSLC budget expenses.

Building
 100% of money designated for building stays in our congregation for budget expenses.

Other July/August Deposits

7/30/23	Hall Rental	\$ 120.00
8/6/23	Lutheran Witness	\$ 20.00
8/13/23	District Partnership Grant	\$ 750.00
8/13/23	Campus Lutheran Shared	\$1,250.00
8/20/23	Rally Day Donations	\$ 70.00

Offering envelopes - please use your envelopes for your church giving as much as possible. It makes things much easier for our financial secretary when counting and recording member information. If you need envelopes just let

Jesus Loves the Little Children

A well-known song says that Jesus loves the little children — all the children of the world. It does not matter what color they are — red, yellow, black, or white. In the Gospel of Mark, you find four times where Jesus is healing a child, casting out demons that were living in children, and inviting children to come to him. In Mark 7:26-30, Jesus cast out the demon from the daughter of the Syrophenician woman, a Gentile.

In Mark 10:14, Jesus rebuked the disciples for preventing the children to be near him. Jesus said, *“Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.”* Truly, what great love Jesus has for the little children!

Several weeks ago, we “Celebrated the Lord of the Nations” and voted on the mission grants for the 2023–2025 biennium. Check out the list of grants on the lwml.org website. Lutheran Women in Mission saw the needs of children and provided 10 grants that directly affect children. Others will help children and adults. As you fill your Mite Box, pray for the children of the world as they receive these gifts of love and hear about our Lord Jesus Christ.

Patricia Peters
 LWML South Dakota District President

(The LWML mission grants are listed on page 1 of this newsletter.)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Ed Ramsey-injuries sustained after fall at home at Tiger Place; Susan Ross; Gayle Billings; Ed & Ernestine Ramsey; Bill & Judy Mahieu; Kyle Lutz – recovering from kidney/pancreas transplant; Bonnie Berthelsen; Arland Stemme - mother of Alane Gronefeld; Mark Ramsey; Calvin Stemme – treatment for cancer; Doreen Loeffler –cancer treatments; Julia Rainey; Travis Barr –cancer treatments; Mary Brechler; Jane St. John; Linda Benoit; Dennis & Jackie Nadler; Don Crump – uncle of Jacki Stelzer; Martha Blevins; Susan Harris; Wayne Nolan – stepfather of Jeff Jaeger; Michelle Smith – daughter of Jane St John; Arla Benskin – daughter of Mary Brechler.

Missionaries - Pastor Tim Schulte and his wife Erin

Community Prayers: Father Mike Coleman; Susan Prewitt; Donna Hargis; Tracy Ross; Evie Ross (2 months old) – heart defect; Phil Nelson – cancer; Jennifer – liver failure.

ARMED FORCES

Brandon and Jesse Lowery, U.S. Navy – brothers of Rachel Rojas (Robertson); Donevin Leonard, U.S. Marine Corps – grandson of Russell & Jacki Stelzer; Rafe Mechlin, U.S. Marine Corps – husband of Abby Mechlin, brother to Brittany Gorczyca and Shelby Banks; Chris Chism, U.S. Navy – son of Vickie & Eric Chism; grandson of Barbara Fischer; Brittany Macklin – great-niece of Ernestine Ramsey; Zachary Warden – grandson of Betty Warden; Community: Ray Finlay, U.S. Army.

BEREAVED

We remember in our prayers the family of Mary Brechler, who departed this life on Wednesday, August 23, 2023.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date!!

Sunday School Rally Day will be **September 10th** following the service. Fun activities for all ages are being planned.

GSLC Women's Guild is hosting the **LWML Fall Rally on October 1, 2023**. Following a 2 pm short zone business meeting, Hannah and Gary will be presenting information about *Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots* (LAMP). Part of the fun to host a rally is to offer refreshments to the attendees which are estimated to be about 50 LWMLers, a few pastors, and guests. Please consider attending and if you would like to help us with refreshments--contact a Women's Guild member or sign up on our Refreshment sheet on the table in the narthex.

Hayride following hot dog roast with S'mores – Sunday, **October 15th at 6 p.m.** a joint fellowship opportunity with **Campus Lutheran Church** at GSLC. In event of inclement weather games will follow the meal.

QUARTERLIFE

On Monday, 9/4, at 6pm, Quarterlife will meet at Good Shepherd in Centralia for a grill out as well as indoor/outdoor games.

Quarterlife Camp-Out at Arrow Rock State Park on Friday, October 13, through Sunday, October 15. Join us for hiking, bonfires, fishing, and more! Camp gear is available to borrow. If you're interested and/or have questions, please contact Natalie at NatalieDCarlson@gmail.com.



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