

THE ECHO

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

876 Grove Street, Conneaut, OH 44030
440 599-8908

Mission Statement

We are a Christian community united in God's call to serve others by proclaiming, celebrating, inviting, and sharing Christ's Love.

Purpose Statement

"God's Word, Our Mission"

AUGUST 2016

***HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATED
EACH SERVICE***

**8:30 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
10:15 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP**

AUG 7 *Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

AUG 14 *Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Capital Campaign Offerings
and Food Pantry Donations*

AUG 21 *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

AUG 28 *Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

PLEASE SHARE THE INFORMATION OF YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS

EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE: goodshepherd@suite224.net

THE SEPTEMBER ECHO DEADLINE IS AUGUST 22

TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 30, 2016

GENERAL FUND – BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2016

\$ 11,849

MONTH	INCOME	YEAR TO DATE	% ESTIMATED		YEAR TO DATE	% ESTIMATED
			BUDGETED REVENUE	EXPENSE		OPERATING COST
January	\$ 20,054	\$ 20,054	111.9%	\$ 16,211	\$ 16,211	88.3%
February	\$ 16,614	\$ 36,668	99.9%	\$ 23,816	\$ 40,027	109.0%
March	\$ 19,547	\$ 56,215	102.1%	\$ 17,046	\$ 57,073	103.7%
April	\$ 15,289	\$ 71,503	97.4%	\$ 17,025	\$ 74,098	100.9%
May	\$ 19,817	\$ 91,320	99.5%	\$ 18,469	\$ 92,567	100.9%
June	\$ 16,287	\$107,607	97.7%	\$ 15,220	\$107,787	97.9%

Roof/Addition Mortgage balance as of July 8, 2016

\$ 84,363

GSLC

2016 Softball Schedule



AUGUST

Tuesday August 2nd playoffs begin.

ALL GAMES ARE PLAYED AT LAKEVIEW PARK

ATTEND OUR GAMES TO SUPPORT OUR GSLC TEAM!!



The Annual Rummage Sale

Friday, August 5th & Saturday, August 6th

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Donations and volunteers are needed and welcome!!

(Setup, Sale, Cleanup)

To benefit Christian Education



Pastor's Page August 2016

Ah, the beginning of the end of summer.

Summer is the time when pastors get to relax a little. NOT. Having dealt with the 4th of July parking, block party, and VBS, the last week of July was used to try to get a little break. But, no. It's time to think about the rummage sale and D-Day reenactment. This church doesn't really stop at all in the summer. It just keeps rolling along. God bless all the members that help to keep this church active and involved with the community and with families.

I am nearly at my one year anniversary. I hope that means that I will not be surprised by anything new that might happen at Good Shepherd. I have been a witness to so many great ministries that this church has established. Ministries that affect our community in positive and, we hope, long lasting ways.

Now, my sights are set on the coming of Sunday school, especially the coming of confirmation classes. Because we do not have a Youth and Family Minister, the role for education of confirmation kids lies with me. I will be looking at different ways we can make this time enjoyable but at the same time understand what Luther had to say about those things that make a Christian education important. This includes looking at the ten commandments, the Lord's prayer, and the Apostle's creed and the sacraments. I will still have sermon notes and service hours that have to be logged, but the students will be keeping their own records of these. As well as records that parents or supervisors help the student to complete these.

I have enjoyed this training period for the last year and I look forward to trying new things and finding ways to improve our ministries here at Good Shepherd. My goals will include improving worship so that more of the laity can contribute. Liturgy actually means "work of the people" and it is the people that make up the church that helps to continue in its growth and success. Not success as we normally think of it, but successfully spreading the Good News about Jesus Christ to all who we meet.

Have a great rest of the summer which will probably fly by. Stay safe and cool in the dog days of summer and may God grant that you feel the presence of Jesus everywhere in your life.

Blessings of peace in Christ's name,

Pastor Patrick J. Van De Motter



**Prevent a summer shortage.
Give blood
D-Day weekend
Aug. 19
2-7 pm**

**D-Day Weekend
Annual Perch Dinner
Friday, Aug. 19**

**4 – 7:30 pm
Perch, coleslaw
potato salad, baked beans**

There is a lot of preparation for this event and any help would be greatly appreciated. Contact Shirley Harco, Pearl Ann Curtis, or Duffy Guthrie.



Join us at the **Church Picnic!**

AUG 28

**All are invited to the annual church picnic after the 10:15 service
Hot dogs and beverages will be provided.**

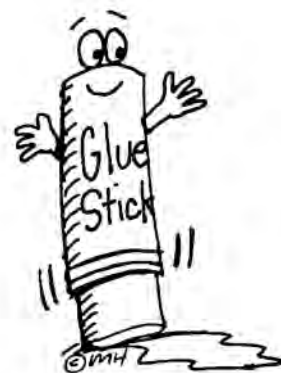
**There will be plenty of food,
fun, games and prizes.**

Please bring a covered dish to share.

Volunteers are needed to help setup, run games and cleanup crew. Any help is greatly appreciated.

GLUE STICKS

We are collecting **Glue sticks** to benefit the Conneaut City Schools.
Deadline 8/7.



A Moment In Faith
By Richard Tulino, A Laymen's Interpretation



Wouldn't it be nice if everyone came to church on Sunday morning, not only in their best clothes, but also on their best behavior, not to mention with their best mood? The previous week was great, you slept 8 hrs. the night before, and life is good. When you walk through the doors and someone asks how you are and you answer by saying, "Fine, just fine," and really mean it, and you come to church running on all cylinders.

But let's be honest, that's not the way life is. Usually when you come to church you bring your life with you. The arthritis in your joints makes walking difficult, you may not remember where you put your glasses, the kids have been on your nerves all week. Perhaps you ran out of money this month paying the bills. Maybe you need a new car but you have too much negative equity on your loan so you have to keep the old one another year or two.

And because of all these problems, and maybe some others, you come to church..... well, sometimes you come with a chip on your shoulder, but figure it's better than staying home and being miserable by yourself. There's that old saying about, "Misery loves company."

One day when not in church, Jesus was confronted by a man who was in a really bad mood. It was bound to happen someday, I guess, but even though Jesus did not identify himself as a counselor, it was automatic that people were driven to him. Not only for healing and teaching, but also for the miracles he could perform. No, they came to ask Jesus for help in solving their problems.

This man shouted out during one of Jesus' teaching moments and said, "Teacher, tell my brother divide our father's estate with me." Take note that he didn't use the magic word, PLEASE! Weren't we all taught to use the magic word when we wanted something? But some people never get it. Obviously, this man was a younger brother because if he were older, he would be the one getting the inheritance. This was the custom in those days. There is a lot of responsibility when you're the oldest, and there is power to go along with it. I learned through my life as a younger son that the oldest may have had the influence and power, but the youngest was the most loved. Take that all you older siblings! In Luke 12:13-21 there are many stories about wanting more than we have, so please take the time to read it so that you can get a better understanding.

Everywhere Jesus went there were people who were greedy and selfish, who had forgotten that God owns the world. They didn't realize that we all are God's servants, and therefore we are to live sensitively, caringly, and generously with others.

So, what was your mood when you came to church last week? If it was not what you know it should be, or what you want it to be, maybe it's because you've slipped into the trap of thinking that your value in God's eyes is based on what you have and not on who you are. Chances are that if you come to church in a bad mood, it is because of something you thought you owned, but in reality, it owns you. So, would you like a new lease on life? Remember that above all else, you are a child of God, the one who gives you all that you have and all that you are. Keep that in mind, and it might make all the difference in your life. It is the most valuable lesson in the entire world.

Learn this prayer: Oh Lord, that you love us not because of what we have, but because finally and fully you are a God of love. Love us even when we do not say; **"Please and Thank you!" Amen**

You are invited to a Beach Party

When: August 14th

12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM

Where: Township Park Beach

**We will barbeque hamburgers
for lunch**

Beach attire is appropriate

Sponsored by:

#The Landing

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



God's work.
Our hands.

Mark your calendar
for Sunday,
September 11, 2016

From Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton:

'God's Work. Our Hands.' Sunday reminds us that we are church together for the sake of the world.

GSLC members are called to put our faith into action! We will be participating in an afternoon of service to our community, together with members of other Conneaut area churches. Meet here at 1:00 for a light lunch and then go out to serve.

All ages and gifts are needed. The outdoor project focus this year is Malek Park. Those who prefer something less active will visit lonely care facility residents and write thank you notes to active duty military as well as local emergency services personnel.



To the Cover Girls Quilting ministry who sent 15 quilts to the flood victims of West Virginia

Sunday
Morning *Worship*

Sunday 8:30 Outdoor Worship Services continue through September 4 along with the 10:15 time for the Traditional Service. Sunday School starts on September 11 and the Traditional Service moves back to 11:00.

**JOB
OPENING**

**GOOD SHEPHERD
CHURCH CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Sept-May

Call 440-599-8908

Or email

gslcpastor@suite224.net

JOSHUA MISSION TRIP MUSINGS

By Rae VanDeMotte

I can't believe that it is already August and the back-to-school supplies are beginning to appear in the stores! It seems like the mission team just returned from Steubenville.



And if you haven't heard some of the details of the trip from one of us, here is a list of just some of the accomplishments completed by the team.

10 on the list – Mary Steighner became the leader of the top mini-blind hangers and painters.

#9 – Kimberly Chiodo learned about the ups and downs of running electricity in an abandoned house.

#8 – Pastor Pat learned how to “dab” upon command. (don't ask)

#7 – Andy Chiodo is now the master of scaffolding and how NOT to move it unless experts are present!!

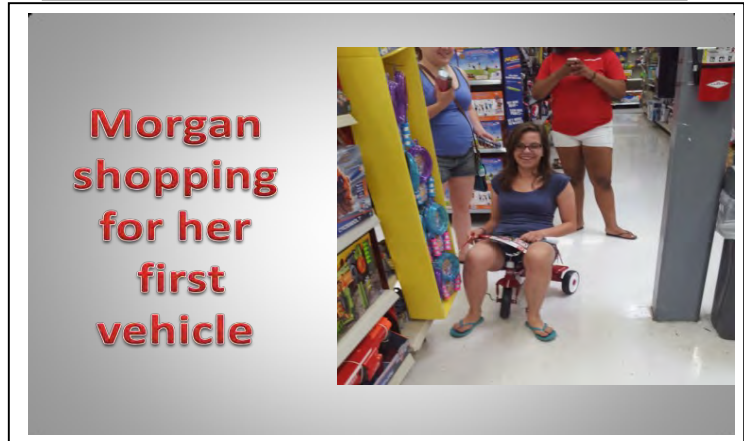
#6 on the list of accomplishments is Rae VanDeMotte for attending to the most injuries and illnesses on a five-day trip, including her own!



#5 – Jada Sackett wins the “newbie” prize for the biggest smile of the week and for making the most new friends.



#4 – Morgan Owens learned that a tricycle is not a vehicle of choice for her first car – ask her – not me!!!



#3 on the list, and running a close tie with #1 and #2, is Tyler Pew who learned how to jump off a roof into a prickler bush without ONE injury!



And tied for the #1 spot on the list of accomplishments learned on a mission trip goes to (..... drum roll) Leah Gallagher and Jasmine Steighner for learning nearly all of the words to “Hamilton” the musical. Not sure if this qualifies for a mission skill but they sure were entertaining.



**For the safety of our members, we are no longer putting dates on birthdays or anniversaries.*



Art Niinisto
Amiah Berry
Dave Heinonen
Kaija Graham
Bobby Houser
Paige Houser
Frank Behling
James Jerina
Molly Todaro

Dolores Pelow
Janet Vanzin
Judy Barch
Lori Punkar
Samantha Lampela
Beth Tulino
Lisa Bean
Sofi Thompson
Mary Behling

Gary Gansel
Maylene Gonzales
Kylee Schwartz
Vincent Todaro
Michael Vendetti, Jr.
Analynn DiFilippo
Zachery Hathy
Sylvia Jerina
Howard Seavey

Rebecca Watson
Natalie Wood
Jamie Bolt
Stephanie Wood
Gabriel Kincaid
Phyllis Waid
John Chapin
Susanne Horvath



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Bob ♥ Tina Beagle
David ♥ Jessica Van Epps
Tim ♥ Pam Moga
Howard ♥ JoAnne Seavey
Paul ♥ Joanne Mechling

Duffy ♥ Nancy Guthrie
Scott ♥ Shelly Carpenter
Ken ♥ Connie Woodring
Frank ♥ Mary Behling
Brian ♥ Jaime Fattler

Craig ♥ Natalie Huya



RECENT VISITORS
How many did you greet?

Ashley Allen, Nashville, TN
 Kim Bell, Cleveland, OH
 Barry, Jennifer,
 Jacob & Noah Breaux, Lithia, FL
 Bonnie Brain
 Tiffany, Cameron & Ethan Blom
 Chesterfield, VA
 Aaron, Brittany & Bailey Brown, Erie, PA
 Gary & Sandy Brown, Geneva, OH
 Eileen Bucknum, Virginia Beach, VA
 Cindy Chudik, Struthers, OH
 Paul Cole
 Sally Crawford
 Rachel Cumberbatch
 Rich Cypher
 Dee Daddona, Plano, TX
 Mike Doyle, Struthers, OH
 Katriina Emery, Kingsville, OH
 Brooke Ertl, Apex, NC
 Elandra Fritzsch
 Brad, Becky & Ashley Gee, Bexley, OH
 Chris Harco
 Mike Harco
 Steve & Jackie Hopkins
 Chad & Eric
 Steve Horvath
 Cathy Horwood
 Jeff & Kathy Horwood
 Aiden Houy
 Vela Houy
 Karen Keskinen, Long Island, NY
 Christopher Lawton
 Eliisa Lawton
 Mia Lytle
 Erik Maenpaa
 Yollie Malys
 Andrew Marcum

Tamara Matlock
 Ryan McCormick
 Melissa Morley
 Addison, Jacob, Sofia Nolan, Proctorville, OH
 Waino Nyman
 Alyssa Ogelsby
 Brian & Jennifer Ondo
 Chris & Mathew
 Chrissy & Emma Parkomaki
 LeRoy & Myrtle Phelps
 Brooklynne Phillips
 Gary & Karen Randall
 Karissa Recker
 Mary K. Robinson
 Donald Sackett & Jada
 Amy Sanford
 Debbie Sanford
 Savanna Sanford
 Polly Sauerwein
 Amanda Smith & CJ
 Heidi Sturtevant
 Bob Thayer, Columbus, OH
 Heather Thompson
 John & Beth Thompson & Chloe
 Linda Towne
 Patrick Turner & Julia Barton
 Kevin Tyson
 Sherry Tyson
 Sheri Walbridge
 Sonia Walla
 Bill & Lisa Watson
 Bud Watson
 Lee & Lorraine Weaver
 Tina Zapka, Struthers, OH

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
WORSHIP SERVICES	
July 3	136
July 10	156
July 17	144
July 24	129

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Rally Day for Sunday School will be on September 11 at 9:45 am.
There will be Installation of Staff during the worship services.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

2016-2017

SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADE _____

STUDENT NAME _____ BIRTHDAY _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Name)

BAPTIZED YES _____ Date Baptized _____ NO _____

FIRST COMMUNION YES _____ Date _____ NO _____

SCHOOL GRADE _____

STUDENT'S ADDRESS _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

LIVE WITH PARENT(S) _____
(Name/s)

LIVE WITH GUARDIAN(S) _____
(Name/s)

HOME TELEPHONE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____
(Name) (Relationship) (Phone)

Special learning needs, allergies or medical problems _____

Permission for pictures and web site

Parent's Signature

FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY,
PLEASE COME TO THE CLASSROOM AT DISMISSAL.

AUGUST

If you are unable to serve,
please contact someone to serve in your place!

8:30 WORSHIP STEWARDS

DATE	ASSISTING MINISTERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	READERS	USHERS	GREETERS	HOSPITALITY
AUG 7	Linda Hall	Dave Nolan	Jerry Brookhouser	Don & Sue Cummins	Patriarco Family	Pam Deemer JoAnne Seavey
AUG 14	Susan McCarron	Phyllis Waid	Kay Peterson	Peggy Harco Shirley Harco	Bob & Joe Reed	Marilyn Hathy Pam Hunt
AUG 21	Mike Malys	Katrina Pavolino	Dolores Pelow	Ron & Janet Maenpaa	Don & Sue Cummins	Dolores Pelow Nancy Altman
AUG 28	Richard Tulino	George Peterson	John Chapin	Pam Howland Gary Howland	Pam Deemer	Susan Chapin

ALTAR GUILD

Ruth Brown
Kelsey Walters
Michelle Logan

SECURING THE CHURCH

August 7 Nancy Guthrie
August 14 Andy Chiodo
August 21 Michelle Logan
August 28 Stacy Racut

10:15 WORSHIP STEWARDS

DATE	ASSISTING MINISTERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	READERS	USHERS	GREETERS	HOSPITALITY
AUG 7	Dianne Young	Nancy Guthrie	Annie Vendetti	Michelle Logan Stacy Racut	E. Jay Hybert	Ruth Brown
AUG 14	Andy Chiodo	Ron Young	Taylor Peel	Phyllis Waid Kelsey Walters	Taylor Peel Bethany Juncker	Molly Todaro & Grace
AUG 21	Nancy Guthrie	Dianne Young	Ron Young	Todd Pew Tyler Pew	Connie Farr Hannah & Heather	Tammy Owens Morgan & Madeline
AUG 28	Phyllis Waid	Karla Tallbacka	Jennie Hutchison	Ruth Brown Stacy Racut	John & Jennie Hutchison	Church Picnic

AUGUST

Sunday

Monday





Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	1	2 9:00 "3M"Men's Ministry	3	4 6:00 Weight Watchers	5 9 am-3 pm 	6
7 8:30 Outdoor Service 10:15 Traditional Service 1:30 Worship at the Villa	8	9 9:00 Men's Breakfast at Angela's Cafe	10 1:30 Social Ministry Bingo at County Home	11 5:45 Finance Committee 6:00 Weight Watchers	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13
14 MISSION SUNDAY BAPTISM 8:30 Outdoor Service 10:15 Traditional Service Noon – 3 pm - #The Landing	15	16 9:00 "3M"Men's Ministry 5:30 Executive Meeting 6:30 Council Meeting	17	18 6:00 Weight Watchers	19 OFFICE CLOSED  4-7:30 PM RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 2-7	20  D-Day Weekend Annual Perch Dinner Friday, Aug. 19
21 8:30 Outdoor Service 10:15 Traditional Service	22 ECHO ARTICLES DUE	23 9:00 "3M"Men's Ministry	24	25 6:00 Weight Watchers	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27
28 8:30 Outdoor Service 10:15 Traditional Service 	29	30 9:00 "3M"Men's Ministry	31	OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - It is never too early to start shopping for shoebox gifts. Every time we fill a shoebox for OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD we are packing a "Gospel Opportunity", sharing the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ. 