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Monthly Newsletter

[February 2019](#)



We are entering into February; the heart of our Minnesota winter and this verse seems to be very appropriate. . .

Romans 5:3-5 we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Maybe this verse explains the origin of "Minnesota Nice"!!! The good that comes from all of our suffering!

We are entering the heart of the winter now, and endurance is a necessity, especially with all the sub zero weather we saw in late January. The cloudy, cold days bring the spirits low and our energy even lower.

But this struggle we face each winter is very similar to our spiritual struggles. Our sufferings and struggles over time just wear us down. When we become subject to suffering, we often question God, and our spiritual endurance is challenged. Our emotional energy is used up in dealing with the suffering, and we feel beaten down and depressed.

But Paul looks at suffering in a different light. It is something that produces endurance. We train physically so we can have endurance. We become tired in

the process of training, but the next time out we can endure more before we get tired.

In the spiritual sense, the increased endurance produces character. Better equipped to handle pain and suffering in the future. Character produces hope. We become less intimidated by the future. We are confident that God will get us through.

The basis of our hope was given in the preceding verses:

Romans 5:1-2 (ESV) *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.*

Through our dark and dreary seasons of life, it is having been justified that gives us peace. Faith gives us access to His grace, in which we stand, and in hope of the glory of God, we rejoice. In your down and dark moments this winter, remember what Jesus has done for us, and may His peace enliven our hearts and minds as we give glory to Him.

In His Name,
Pastor Ted

Highlights

Submit Your Recipes



***Ok, Good Shepherd,
hand 'em over!***

You know what we're talking about . . . those delectable recipes that we've tasted but don't know the secret ingredients.

YES! IT'S TIME FOR A NEW GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH COOKBOOK!

With your help this cookbook will integrate Good Shepherd's HISTORY with stories and photos along with recipes we love! And better yet, . . . let's put the proceeds toward beautifying our Lord's church!

Send us your family's favorite recipes and Good Shepherd historical photos to tedjenn82@gmail.com. *Thank you!*

Puppet Workshop

Join us to learn more about the Puppet Ministry

Workshop

Saturday, February 2nd 2-6:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 3rd Noon-1:30 p.m.

Performance

Sunday, February 10th 8-10:30 a.m.

Do you want to share God's love with others? Do you struggle doing it in person? Puppets are a great way to share God's love while being behind-the-scenes.

The puppet team will host a workshop on Saturday, February 2nd and Sunday, February 3rd and will then perform on Sunday, February 10th for the Sunday School students.



Come and learn more about puppets: puppet technique, prop construction, share ideas and have fun.

This is a great way to see if puppets is the right fit for you and it only requires a three day commitment to find out.

Sign-up in the Sunday School area by January 27th .

****Bring \$7 for pizza on Saturday 2/2 and a bag lunch on Sunday 2/3.****

Contact Lissa at tlmarcello@msn.com or 763-783-3790 with any questions.

Everyone Helping on Wednesdays Family Service Events February 27, 2019

A service event for the whole family! Set time aside to care for those less fortunate. As Christians, God calls us to care for others in need:

The schedule for Everyone Helping on Wednesdays is as follows:

- 5:30 pm - Meet at Good Shepherd if you need a ride or are willing to drive to Feed My Starving Children
- 5:50 pm - Arrive and check in
- 6:00-7:30 pm - Volunteer work shift
- 7:30 pm - Thank you for serving

1 Peter 5:



2 - Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them - not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve.

Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit humanitarian organization that invites volunteers six years old (with parent/s) and older to hand-pack meals for starving children. These meals are then shipped to nearly 70 countries around the world, truly offering hope to the hungry. Your help, along with your family and friends will feed God's starving children by packaging meals. This opportunity allows all of us to put our faith into action!

**Feed My Starving Children
401 93rd Ave NW
Coon Rapids MN**

Total distance from Good Shepherd is approximately 9 miles. For directions go to www.fmssc.org or call 763-504-2919.

How to sign up:

Sign-up sheet will be available in the church lobby. We as a congregation have made a commitment to Feed My Starving Children to fill 50 volunteer slots on our Wednesday in February. This is a great opportunity to invite family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors to join us in serving others in the name of Jesus Christ!

Who can participate?

We encourage adults and children to participate together. Children ages 6 years through 5th grade will need to participate in the service event with a parent.

What to expect:

The approach is simple. Volunteers who have completed kindergarten and older pack nutritious meals made up of rice, soy, vitamins, and dehydrated vegetables. Feed My Starving Children partners with relief organizations worldwide to distribute these meals to starving children. There are site managers to guide volunteers every step of the way. It is not hard work - it just takes caring hearts and hands, and some of your time!

What do you need to bring?

No supplies are required. You **MUST** wear closed toed shoes (no sandals) and a hair binder for longer hair.

Can I drop my child off and not participate in the event?

NO, unless your child is 14 years of age or older and has a ride to and from the event. We encourage all adults to participate, it provides an opportunity for families to serve together.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the church office or Carrie Hoshaw at 763-784-8417 or [email Carrie](mailto:carrie@st-andrews.org).

St. Andrew's Family Shelter Update

In 2019, we will again be serving our neighbors in need at the St. Andrew's Family Shelter in Hugo. Good Shepherd will be serving on the following dates:

January 27 - February 2
May 5 - May 11
August 11 - August 17
November 3 - November 9



St. Andrew's Family Shelter is the overnight shelter where families, from our own neighborhoods, that are experiencing homelessness stay while receiving case management at the Community Resource Center at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi. During our scheduled weeks of service, volunteers are needed for the dinner shift (5:00 - 8:30 pm), and the overnight shift (8:15 pm - 9:15 am).

All volunteers at St. Andrew's Family Shelter are required to have completed a volunteer application for a background check and view a Safe Boundaries training video prior to volunteering. (If you are already signed up to be a part of this ministry, you should have received an email recently with a link to sign up to serve during this upcoming service week.)

We would love to have you join our group of volunteers! If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Linda Carlson (612) 803-4376 or lcarlson416@gmail.com.

Youth & Children's Ministry

Youth News

Youth Fundraising - Attention Congregation

- **Heggie's Pizza Sale:** Thank you to all who ordered pizzas to support Good Shepherd's Youth Group! If you have not yet picked yours up, please contact [Melanie Appelquist](#).

- **Butter Braid** sales information will be coming soon. Be sure to check out the bulletin for more information.

Youth Events

Update:

- On January 6th the youth had a **Beat The Winter Blues Movie Party**. We had some yummy lunch and watched the movie Soul Surfer. Soul Surfer is the true-life story of Bethany Hamilton who was attacked by a shark. Even though she had only one arm she overcame the odds with the help of God and became a pro surfer.
- A big thank you to everyone who help with and made cookies for the cookie sale! It was a huge success.



Upcoming:

- **Roller Skating/Roller Blading at Cheap Skate** on February 3rd Noon-3:00 p.m. We will have a quick lunch here then we will go skating. If you are interested in provided lunch please let me know or sign up on the youth bulletin board outside the youth room. The cost is \$12. This event is open to 6th-12th grade students and friends. Contact [Melanie](#) with questions.

Children's Ministry

Sunday School

Sunday School is back in session after taking some time off for the holidays! Come and join the fun!

Exciting news: The Sunday School raised \$178 for **Heifer International**. We were able to purchase a sheep, honeybees, and flock of chicks. AMAZING JOB!



January-May they are raising money for **Feed My Starving Children**.

Just a reminder. **Each Day Club** is held every Wednesdays night!
Come and join the fun! *Bring a Friend!*



Each Day Club

Each Day Club...walking with Jesus is our Wednesday evening children's programming for kids in kindergarten through 5th grade. Each week as a member of the club, kids will be encouraged in their relationship with Jesus Christ. They will embark on an evening of interactive fun with praise music, teachable Bible moments, crafts, and fun games. Parents must bring their child downstairs to the Sunday school area to sign-in each Wednesday.

Each Day Club is held every Wednesday night from 6:00pm - 7:30pm!
Come and join the fun! Bring a Friend!

Ongoing Fundraisers to Support Youth at Good Shepherd!

Like to Shop?

You can help support Good Shepherd Youth by signing up at www.goodshop.com. This website has some amazing deals and each time you use one of their sponsored retailers Good Shepherd's



Youth Group receives a percentage of the amount you spent from GoodShop. Make sure you select Good Shepherd Youth when you setup your account.

Also, if you like to shop on Amazon, use [Amazon Smile](#). Select Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Each time you purchase something through Amazon Smile the youth group will receive a percentage from Amazon Smile!

If you have any questions please contact [Melanie Appelquist](#) 763-784-8417.

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Save your ink cartridges!

Don't throw Away your ink cartridges!

Good Shepherd Youth have launched a fundraising project with the help of an inkjet recycling company **Empties4Cash**. Empty inkjet cartridges can be recycled and remanufactured. Our group will receive up to \$4.00 for each cartridge turned in.

You can help! Any inkjet cartridge with a print head can be recycled, regardless of brand or type.

Do you have an HP, Lexmark, Xerox, Compaq, Brother, Dell, Canon, or Apple printer? Bring in your empty OEM inkjet cartridges (placed in the original box that you would have thrown away to keep it safe from spills and damages, or a Ziploc bag) to the school. (Note: Epson cartridges cannot be recycled - they don't have a print head.) Please give them to Melanie Appelquist.

Opportunities to Learn, Grow, Serve!

TO MOVE MOUNTAINS... GOD'S DESIGN FOR YOUR LIFE!

Family Ministry Bible Studies for 2019
Sunday and Wednesday Opportunities

"What is impossible with man is possible with God." Luke 18:27

What's Next for 2019?

Join us as we search for the desire and gather tools to WANT to be the hands and feet of Christ.





TO MOVE MOUNTAINS

God's Design for your Life

Sunday Morning
Cross-Generational Small Group DVD
Bible Study
Education Hour 9:30-10:30am

Jesus Among Secular Gods: The Questions of Culture and the Invitation of Christ
Begins February 17, 2019 - 9:30am - Lifetree Cafe' area

Ravi Zacharias and Vince Vitale

**Defending The Hope of Christ
Against the Beliefs of Today**

Belief in the secular gods of atheism, scientism, pluralism, humanism, relativism, and hedonism continues to grow. Can you defend the claims of Christianity? This six-session Bible study challenges the popular and trending philosophies of today, skillfully pointing out the fallacies in their claims and presenting compelling evidence for absolute truth as found in Jesus and revealed in Scripture. Learn how to share your faith in a culture of opposing worldviews and how to articulate why you believe Jesus stands tall above other gods.

This Bible Study Will:

- Develop your confidence in challenging modern philosophies and worldviews.
- Equip you to respond to difficult questions posed by unbelievers.
- Teach you to competently counter cultural challenges while sharing the Christian faith.

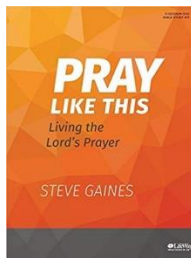
[Jesus Among Secular Gods DVD series](#) by Ravi Zacharias and Vince Vitale helps seekers explore the claims of Christ and provides Christians with the knowledge to articulate their faith that Jesus stands tall above all other gods. This six-session small group study is video based and designed to encourage meaningful dialogue and practical application through essential scripture passages.

Childcare provided for ages six weeks through preschool. Watch for nursery care sign-up in the Sunday school area.

Sunday mornings from 9:30 AM-10:30 AM (Lifetree Café area)

Session titles:

February 17	Be Prepared
February 24	Atheism and Scientism
March 3	Pluralism
March 10	Humanism and Relativism
March 17	Hedonism
March 24	Conversations that Count



Pray Like This: Living the Lord's Prayer
Continuing through February 10, 2019

Remaining Sunday Session Titles:

February 3	And Forgive US Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors
February 10	And Do Not Bring Us into Temptation, but Deliver Us from the Evil One

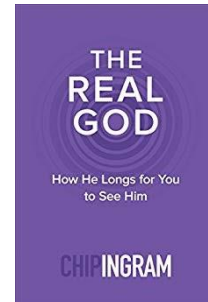
Questions: contact [Carrie Hoshaw](#) 763-784-8417.

Wednesday



Evening
Cross-Generational Small Group DVD
Bible Study
6:00-7:30pm

The Real God: How
He Longs for You
to See Him
Continues through
February 20th



Remaining Wednesday Session Titles:

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| February 6 | Justice of God |
| February 13 | Love of God |
| February 20 | Faithfulness of God |

Questions: contact [Carrie Hoshaw](#) 763-784-8417.

Couples Bible Study

Anxious for Nothing: Finding
Calm in a Chaotic World by Max
Lucado
January 4, 2019 - 7:00-9:00pm



Anxiety just comes with life. The question becomes how does it impact our marriages and those we love? How do we find calm in this chaotic world? Where do we find strength in the uncertainties of life's challenges?

Max Lucado states when it comes to anxiety, depression, and stress-related illnesses, America is the front-runner. Thankfully, there's a practical prescription for dealing with them. Max provides a roadmap for battling with and healing from anxiety and reminds us what God's Word reveals, anxiety doesn't have to dominate life. In this five-session video-based Bible study, he looks at seven admonitions from the apostle Paul in Philippians 4:4-8 that lead to one incredible promise: "The peace of God which surpasses all understanding." Max unpacks each verse, and shows how God is ready to give comfort to help us face the calamities in life, view bad news through the lens of sovereignty, discern the lies of Satan, and tell ourselves the truth. We can be anxious for nothing and discover true peace from God that surpasses all human understanding.

Join Good Shepherd's Couples Bible Study ([click here for preview](#))! Whether you are engaged or married Max will take you on the journey to true freedom and experience more joy, clarity, physical renewal, and contentment by the power of the Holy Spirit through each session. Anxiety comes with life. However, it doesn't have to dominate your life.

Friday monthly session dates: Please join us for any or all sessions.

September 7	Rejoice in the Lord Always
October 5	Let Your Gentleness Be Known To All
January 4	In Everything by Prayer... with Thanksgiving
February 1	The Peace of God... Will Guard Your Hearts
March 1	Meditate on These Things

***Each couple will receive an Anxious for Nothing Study Guide.* This Guide invites us to develop into Philippians 4:6-7 Christ followers, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." The study guide includes six small-group sessions, relevant Scripture, and personal-study content and activities for five days of study for each session, it also allows couples time together to build on what they learned during the session.

Questions: contact [Carrie Hoshaw](#) 763-784-8417.

Women's Prayer and Praise Retreat

Mark your calendars!
Friday August 23rd - Sunday, August 25th

Do you need a reason to slow down and really see the beauty in God's magnificent creation?

When was the last time you truly got away from your daily responsibilities and took the time to clear your thoughts and listen to God?

Do you long for a long, uninterrupted time to talk with God in prayer?

Jesus provided us with an excellent example of the need to "get away" from everyone for a while and have time with our heavenly Father. As women we care for others on a regular basis, we also need a break once in a while.



Invite your mother, daughter, sister, like-a-sister friend to join you. Plan now to join us for a special weekend in the Northwoods ... just outside Danbury...where we can enjoy the luxury of a room with a view, hike along wooded trails and lakes, canoe/kayak, read, rest, soak in a hot tub, make s'mores around a campfire, re-connect with God, and make some wonderful memories with other Christian women.

Cost per person: \$190 for the entire weekend and includes all meals, snacks, planned activities & materials-2 people per lodge room.

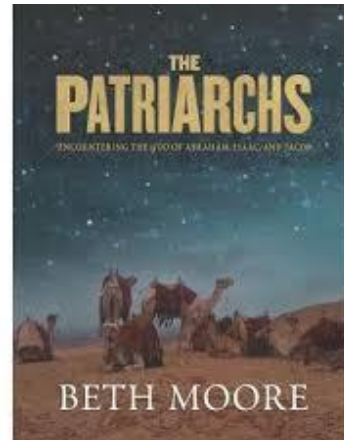
More information to follow.

Questions? Ask Eugenia 651-483-1991 or Kristine 612-810-0315

Women's In-Depth Bible Study

The Patriarchs: Encountering the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by *Beth Moore* provides a personal study experience for this in-depth women's Bible study of Genesis 12-50.

Discover God's pursuit of a relationship with man, and marvel as His plan to bless all people unfolds. Full of twists and turns, ruin and redemption, revelation and mystery, this Bible study will keep us captivated by the God who stars in it! We will explore concepts such as blessings, covenant, and promise, and the bearing each has on New Testament believers lives today. We will also study the Hebrew name of God introduced on the early pages of Scripture.



Throughout 11 sessions and 10 weeks of DVD lessons on exciting and engaging intrigue, we will plunge into the heart of Genesis to God's remarkable pursuit of relationship, and to the unfolding of His earthly plan: that through one nation - and ultimately one man - all people on earth will be blessed. Many of the most profound and enduring concepts in the whole counsel of God's Word are initiated in this marvelous book of beginnings.

Women's In-Depth Bible Study will meet on selected Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the lower level of the church.

DATES:

- **February 11 & 25**
- **March 25**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Eugenia Steffens at 651-271-1850 or Eugenia.steffens@hcmcd.org



Men's Bible Study

We will be continuing our comparisons of the four Gospels which we began last winter. This study basically takes one person's attempt at putting all four Gospels in chronological order. So far, this has proven to be a very rewarding look at the Bible. We basically take turns reading the various texts and then discussing the differences. We will be finishing up the 2nd year of Jesus' ministry and then moving on to the 3rd year.

Please consider joining us. Our study coincides with the Monday night Women's Bible study. If you have questions please contact Dan Netland or Pastor Ted.

DATES:

- February 11 & 25
- March 25

Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study



The Ladies' Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets in the Lifetree Cafe area from 9:30-11:00am.

In February we will continue our study of the book of Revelation "Worthy is the Lamb." See the meeting dates below.

If you would like to join us in this study, please contact Charlene Behne at 763-784-8320.

February dates: 5, 12, 19, 26



LWML Winter Workshops

The LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission) Winter Workshop will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Eastern Heights Lutheran Church; 616 Ruth Street N, St. Paul, MN 55119-3936 from 9:00-11:00am.

Registration and a light breakfast begins at 9:00am; speaker 9:45-11:00am; free will offering.

The focus of the speaker will be the "Jonathan House", one of which is located in our metro area. It helps people survive and recover from forces displacement by offering shelter and community.

If you are interested in attending, please let Charlene Behne (763-784-8320) know by January 30 so we can carpool together.

LWML Delegate Board Meeting

The St. Croix River LWML Zone Delegate Board Meeting will be held February 11th at 9:00am at Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Houlton, Wisconsin.

Delegates from Good Shepherd are Lissa Marcello and Melodee Belford.

WINGS News



WINGS (*Women in God's Service*) will meet on Saturday, February 16th at 9:30am in the Lifetree Cafe' area. We will begin with a light breakfast with the meeting and program to follow. We will be meeting during the winter on Saturday mornings. For those of you who don't care to come out in the evening, come and join us that morning.

The program for that morning will be "Drive Wisely" led by Ruth Halverson. Hostess will be Charlene Behne!

At the January meeting motions were made to donate \$500.00 to help fund those attending the National Youth Gathering; \$300.00 to purchase gift cards from Target, Walmart, and Holiday for the Giving Tree Project; and \$600.00 for the Centennial Food Shelf. The funds for the above activities come from the December Craft and Bake Sale and aluminum can collections held in 2018. Thank you for your help and donations in the above activities.

If you have any questions, please contact Charlene Behne, WINGS Chairperson, at 763-784-8320.



Quilting News

Join us as we continue to quilt for Lutheran World Relief and other purposes, and to make pillows for our soldiers.

No experience is required. Quilts are given to those who need encouragement and a reminder of how much they are loved and cared about by Jesus Christ, and that He is always with them as they travel along life's journey.

If you would like to help or provide material, please contact Lissa Marcello at 763-783-3790 or just come on the designated Thursday evenings.

February Dates: 7, 14, 21, 28

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Place: Lower level - Sunday School area

Soul Food News



The Soul Food Ministry Team is designed to serve others with the love of our Lord Jesus.

Good Shepherd volunteers periodically gather together and prepare homemade soups. We then freeze them, so they can easily be delivered to individuals and families who could be blessed by the love-gift of a ready-made meal and a short visit.

If you know of someone who may be blessed by the gift of a Soul Food meal delivery, please let us know. Also, if you have a heart to serve in this ministry or have any other questions, please contact Darlene Sandbakken at 763-780-4614 or Val Hicke at 763-807-5562.



Young Adult Small Group

Young adults connecting with young adults!

Join us on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30 pm at Good Shepherd in the senior high youth room in the lower level. This group is for college age and up.

Want more information? Contact Brandon Fudali at 651-329-4317.



Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
or
Thursdays at 10:30 am

- Week of 2/3 - "**What Your Atheist Friend Wants You To Know:** The conversation no one is having."
- Week of 2/10 - "**What Would You Do For Love?:** One guy's outrageous, risk-it-all adventure to get the girl"
- Week of 2/17 - "**We're Not Alone?:** The search for intelligent life on other planets."
- Week of 2/24 - "**Why, God?:** When personal tragedy doesn't make sense."

Invite your friends for conversation. Fliers are available at the display in the church lobby. We're also on Facebook!

If you have any questions, please contact: Melanie Appelquist, Darlene or Marty Leiding, or Ann Wellmann.

Reminder: Host and Friendship Teams, please arrive one hour early.

[Lifetree February Calendar](#)



Monthly Prayer Meeting

The last Sunday of each month at 6:00 pm in the lobby.

Next Meeting: February 24

Praying in daily life is as important as breathing. Just as we all need oxygen to

live, we need God's presence in us for us to be fully alive.

"We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defense. We pray when there's nothing else we can do, but God wants us to pray before we do anything at all. Most of us would prefer, however, to spend our time doing something that will get immediate results. We don't want to wait for God to resolve matters in His good time because His idea of 'good time' is seldom in sync with ours." Oswald Chambers, Scottish teacher, writer and minister, 1874-1917.

Attention: Centennial High School and Middle School Moms!



Do you worry about your children? Come experience God's peace and hope when you pray alongside other moms. Moms in Prayer International (formerly Moms In Touch), gathers moms together to pray for God to transform our children and schools. Won't you join with us in prayer for this next generation?

Please contact Leanne Abraham at 651-766-7442 or MIPICentennial@gmail.com for information about our local group. For more information about Moms in Prayer International visit their [website](#).



Prayer at Good Shepherd

How do I submit a prayer request?

1. Fill out a prayer request card (found in the pew) and place it in the offering plate during the offering on Sunday. OR
2. Go to the [website](#) and click on "Prayer Request" at the top. OR
3. [Email](#) or Phone (763-784-8417) your request in.

**Do you have compassion for others?
Are you a Prayer Warrior?**

- Join the Prayer Team on the 4th Sundays at 6pm

(You can bring your requests and those of other to the meeting. You can pray with the group or just listen and support at the group prays.)

- Consider joining Moms in Prayer

- Sign up to be an email prayer chain member

1. Send an email to office@goodshepherdlink.org indicating your interest in being a part of the prayer chain.
2. You will be added to the email list and receive emails with requests to add to your personal prayer time.

Anyone who has a heart to pray for others is invited.

The power of prayer is an instrumental way to lift up your brothers and sisters in Christ who are requesting prayers. Good Shepherd invites and encourages you to be part of the Prayer Chain. This can be done in your own private prayer time.

These prayers would come from those submitted from Sunday Worship as well as prayers emailed or called in directly to the church.

What is the Power of Prayer?

Never underestimate the power of prayer. When you are praying according to God's will, your prayer is unstoppable. Therefore, we should never give up or back down. We need to keep praying. That is why Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7).

Mark 11:25 - Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

1 John 5:14-15 - And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

Get Connected & Keep Connected

Help us keep up-to-date on your current contact information.

Keeping connected to your church home and family is crucial to busy day-to-day schedules.



Forms are available on the "Welcome Center" in the church lobby for whenever your information changes (address, phone, email, etc.).

If you would like to include or update your picture in the directory, just send it via your smart phone or computer to the church office at office@goodshepherdlink.org. We also know not everyone has the capability to send it electronically. Just call the church office at 763-784-8417 to arrange a time for us to take your picture for you.

Thank you for helping us keep you CONNECTED to Good Shepherd!



Contributions made simple. Good Shepherd wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering.

Do you find yourself forgetting to write out your check or leave it at home on Sundays? Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you may already do with other obligations? We highly recommend "**Simply Giving**". It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church. To set-up electronic donations, simply complete an Authorization Form and place it in the drop off box, both are located at the Welcome Center.



The Centennial Community Food Shelf is located at 200 Civic Heights Drive (in the lower level City Hall building).

Good Shepherd continues to work with the Food Shelf and would like to thank everyone for their generous volunteer support and contributions.

Good Shepherd has a drop box for food donations located by the coat rack in the lobby. If you would like to make a financial donation to the local food shelf, please make checks payable to: Centennial Community Food Shelf and mail to:

Centennial Community Food Shelf
c/o Gethsemane United Methodist Church
7330 Lake Dr
Lino Lakes MN 55014

The food shelf provides emergency foods (3-5 days supply) for about 250 local households each month. Volunteers are always needed to serve on the first Thursday of the month from 3:45-6:15 at the Centennial Food Shelf. Team members come together with a driving compassion to serve the community by meeting the needs of others.



Please contact Darlene Leiding at 651-484-0119 if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.