

GSLC Gleanings May 4 - 10



## **Pray Scripture**

#### Ask God for a kind spirit.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Ephesians 4:29

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#### Friday's FB Bible Study Topic:

Since people began exploring the planet they have depended on navigational aids. Early on, they used the charting of the sun and stars. Later, they discovered the compass. As they explored, they made maps of the places



they'd been. We need a sense of direction as we travel whether on familiar roads or unknown highways. It's hard to find your way when you're lost and disorientated. People die in the desert because they discover they've been traveling in circles getting nowhere near help or safety.

Today we depend on all of those navigational aids. Without them, we might lose our way. Suppose a friend told you, "I'm going to my dad's place. You know the way." That works only if you know where the dad lives. If you don't know where he lives, your maps, GPS and other directional aids will do you no good. This was Thomas' guandary. Jesus said He was going to His Father's house. It may be that Thomas was taking Him literally. Join Pastor Byron on Facebook!



COFFEE + CONVERSATION

Tuesday at 7:00PM OR Thursday at 10:30AM (Same study offered at two separate times)

#### **Next Week's Topic:**

This week we are going to focus on the core message of the Christian faith, the Gospel, and how we can make it clear for our friends. It is not enough to have a head knowledge about Christ, saying "yes, I agree with what the Bible says." We need to take the next step and be ready to respond to questions about our faith in Jesus Christ. ~ Pastor Byron



Mark your calendars for the return of the

# Teddy Bear Band

Sunday, May 21st at 2:00PM This event is FREE! Bring a friend and join the fun!



Stellar Vacation Bible School is coming to Good Shepherd beginning Monday, June 26th for four nights through Thursday, June 29th from 6:00-8:00PM each evening. Open to ages 3 years-5th grade. Check out the display in the lobby. We are looking for volunteers!

FREE! Sign up HERE.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> after second service for the Good Shepherd's annual voter's meeting.

All voting members (those who are confirmed and at least 18 years of age) are invited to attend.



The proposed budget for the next budget year will be shared and voted on.



Did you have a spruce tip pot and now you don't want the pot?

We are happy to take them to recycle and reuse for the Wing's sale at the end of this year.

Contact Eugenia Steffens at 651-271-1850.

May 7th - 13th will be Good Shepherd's next opportunity to serve at the St. Andrew's Family Shelter.

If you are already a volunteer, click <u>HERE</u> to sign up to donate food (Please note meals are needed only for Friday and Saturday this week!) or serve at the dinner shift or the overnight shift. Volunteers are



especially needed for the overnight shifts. Please consider helping out - it's easy! Contact <u>Judi</u> with questions!

If you are not currently a volunteer but you are interested, please contact <u>Judi Krueger</u> to get signed up.



The **Moms Connect** year-end gathering will be held on **May 11th from 7:00-8:00PM**.

We'll be playing games and will have an ice cream sundae potluck.

The ice cream will be provided, just bring your favorite topping or something else to go with ice cream!

# Power Pack

This program focuses on children who get little or

no food at home from the time they leave school on Friday afternoon until they return Monday morning.

They usually pack items for over 300 kids per week. All students are part of the Centennial School District K-12.

Food and financial donations are being accepted. Items needed are: ramen noodles, cereal cups, granola and/or cereal bars, applesauce cups, tiny bags of snacks and cookies, and microwaveable ravioli and spaghetti.





## Update on New Security System

This spring will bring the activation of the church's new security system. We thank you for your willingness to help us make our church as secure as possible.

If you currently do not have a key to access the building, this change will not affect you. If you need access during the hours the church is open, you will continue to use Door 4 and press the silver button on the device pictured here. We will be able to see you and communicate with you as well as to let you in.

**Ministry leaders who have a key** will exchange it for a key fob which will be the new way for you to unlock Door 4.



<u>Important:</u> Your key fob will open the door, HOWEVER, if you are entering outside of business hours, you will need to disarm the alarm using the distinct 4 digit code you will be assigned. You will be trained on how to use your fob and how to disarm the alarm BEFORE the system is implemented.

The goal is to implement this security system as soon as possible with documentation and training being made available before implementation.

Thanks again for your willingness to adapt to this change.



#### Email Scam Alert

Please be aware of email scams that come to your email in box and *look like* they are from Pastor Ted.

If you receive a suspicious email, take a look at the line at the top of the email that shows the email address it is

coming from. (See example below\*.)

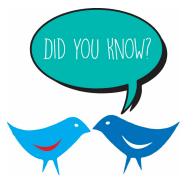
It should be coming from **PTed @ goodshepherdlink.org**. If it is, then it's a good email. If not, block that sender from your email and delete it. If you have any concern, do not reply to the email in question, but start a new email and send directly to **PTed @ goodshepherdlink.org** to check with him on the email's validity.

Pastor Ted will NEVER ask for money or gift cards.

\*Notice the email header below which states it is from a scammer: >, not Pastor Ted's email. Please do not reply to emails like this for your own safety and security. Thank you.



PASTOR TED DIEDRICK <officeonline7170@gmail.com> To Office



# Are you looking for something in particular?

Check out the links below.

If you have other questions, please contact <u>Ann</u>.

Join us for Traditional Worship with organ-led hymns at 8:30AM or Contemporary Worship with praise band led praise songs at 10:45AM. Communion is held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at both services. Feel free to sign the register as it comes around during service. Thank you!





#### **Bible Study Corner**

At Good Shepherd, we each seek to Grow in our relationship with Jesus through God's Word. Check out the following opportunities!

• Sunday morning children and youth studies (Sept -

May) plus Pastor-led study (year round).

- Are you a Facebook user? Did you know there is a <u>Bible Study on Facebook</u>? Pastor Byron posts a new devotion each Friday. Feel free to read along with him and post your thoughts! (See weekly topic above.)
- You can also find a number of online studies on the *YouVersion Bible App* for your phone, it's free! Study on your own or with a friend.
- Men's, Women's and marriage study options see the website.

#### Free WI-FI

If you want to use WI-FI while in the building, open your WI-FI settings and select **"Good Shepherd Guest"** and enter the password **"Shep55014!"**.





If you wish to include an announcement in the Sunday bulletin or the Thursday Gleanings, please submit your short article by Tuesday at noon.

You may email the office at <u>office@goodshepherdlink.org</u> or drop your article in Ann's mailbox in the workroom.

#### Altar Flowers

<u>Click here</u> to see how you can purchase altar flowers for any Sunday and also take them home with you after the 10:45AM service if you desire.





#### What is homeschooling? Is homeschooling right for my family?

If you've ever asked similar questions, click <u>HERE</u> to begin to find answers. Good Shepherd is here to support you in

whatever school choice you make. Please contact us with your questions, concerns, or

needs.

Click to set up and access Good Shepherd's directory online or from your phone.





# How to Worship and Serve the Lord through the Generosity of Giving

There are three ways to financially support the mission of Jesus Christ at Good Shepherd. Click <u>HERE</u> to discover how.

How can you support the Youth Group at Good Shepherd?

Click <u>HERE</u> to find out!

Youth Group FUNdraiser

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