

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF



















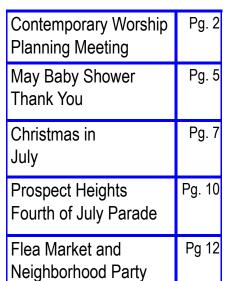












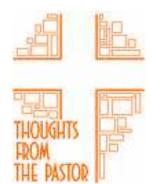
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Sing to the Lord a new song! - Psalm 96

These words from scripture are an inspiration and a blessing. These words call on us to sing – to lift our voices in joy. These words name the reason for our joy as well – we know the Lord, and the Lord knows us; our songs don't just leave our lips and dissipate into the air, someone who loves us hears them. These words promise that there is always a chance to do something new and different in praise of God.



I was glad to read these words again as I leafed through

my bible because the worship leaders at Good Shepherd are preparing a "new song." It's been a year since we began our ministry together at Good Shepherd. One of the highlights of this past year has been working with our Worship and Music Committee. Worship requires a lot of moving parts to come together, and it's been a blessing to me to know those parts work together here like a well-oiled machine.

In the time I've been your pastor, I've been working with Worship and Music to build on an already strong worship life here at Good Shepherd. So far, the bulk of our attention has been on the "traditional" worship service because this is the style of worship that we gather for most often, the style of worship we use to mark the great feasts of the church year, and the style of worship that has the most resources available for it. But it isn't the only style of worship that speaks to people, nor is it the only style of worship we use to sing to God here at Good Shepherd.

Our "contemporary" service has grown and changed over the years since it began. In the time I've been here, I have seen and heard strong support for this service. The support for this service has included people sharing their thoughts and concerns with me in the hope of enriching this service. As a team of worship planners and leaders, we have been listening and discerning how to offer a contemporary service that speaks authentically to this community.

In an effort to do just that, we are excited about a new worship opportunity. Beginning this fall we will continue to offer contemporary worship once a month, but we will offer it at a different time from our traditional worship. On the second Sunday of the month, we will gather for traditional worship at 9:30, and for contemporary worship at 11:30.

Many things led us in this direction. We began with a conversation on what the "non-negotiables" are for worship. We came up with a list of things we felt were absolutely necessary as a part of worship, and a list of things that were "open to debate." Based on this conversation, an outline for a new contemporary service began to emerge. This framework was significantly different than the one we use for traditional worship. Seeing this, the idea of a second service looked increasingly like the right direction for us to go. Having a second service allows people to worship how they prefer to worship – folks who treasure the traditional style will be able to worship this way consistently, while those who are hungry for a different experience can worship at a service that is very distinct from the traditional style.

The proposed schedule had to take many things into account as well, including other things going on at Good Shepherd on Sundays and the availability of our musicians. The 11:30 time won't rush the earlier service, allows the praise band time to prepare for the later service, and keeps a usable amount of time between services for Sunday School, Youth Group, fellowship and meetings. (And gives folks some time to sleep in if they want to...) At the moment, we are still only able to offer contemporary worship once a month for budgetary reasons. However, an upside of this situation is that everyone will be worshipping together on other Sundays, so we won't be split into "two congregations," as often happens when there are multiple worship times.



Please plan to join us for a planning meeting as we continue to piece together what this Contemporary service will look like. We will meet after worship on Sunday, July 15. And join us for worship on Sunday, September 9 at 11:30 am as we accept the psalmist's invitation and sing to the Lord a new song!

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Shine, Jesus, Shine



Shine, Jesus, Shine!
Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze!
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow river flow —
Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your Word, Lord,
And let there be light.

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness shining, Jesus, light of the word, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance, By the blood I may enter Your brightness, Search me, try me, consume all my darkness, Shine on me. Shine on me.

GRAHAM KENDRICK

As Christians who pray, "Your Kingdom come," we long to see our homes, neighborhoods, and workplaces filled with Jesus' light. The words of this uplifting song explain how this can happen.

The more time we spend in God's awesome presence, the more we become changed into His likeness. Every minute that we spend gazing into His face, the more He will consume our darkness so that our faces can display His glory. Because we tend to become like those with whom we spend time, why not spend some time lingering in God's presence today? Imagine His perfect ways that can weave together a good plan for your life. Listen to His gracious and forgiving words as you confess your failures. Soak in His relentless tenderness as you give Him your burdens. Gaze on His kingly brightness so that your face can display His likeness. The more you spend time with Him, the more you will be changed. Then so will your world.

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Serving in Worship This Month

Lay Reader: <u>Communion Deacon:</u> <u>Altar Guild</u>

Denise Marriner Barb Kiehn July 1: Karen Neubarth July 8: Kenneth Bartelt **Chuck Peterson** Karen Neubarth July 15: Don Zitzewitz **Zack Bartelt Judy Nowak** July 22: Karen Speidel **Chuck Wille Judy Nowak** July 29: Fred Morey Michael Malonev Bev Moody

We extend <u>our deepest thanks</u> to these dedicated individuals. Volunteers are always needed — call the church office to sign up!



Financial Report for May

	Month	YTD
Income	\$18,677	\$108,358
Expenses	20,873	103,831
FUND BALANCE	(\$ 2,196)	\$ 4,528

Full Finance Reports are posted on the bulletin board by the coffee area. The above figures represent \$6,050 transferred from reserved funds YTD.



Summer is here! It's time for us to work out in the yard to pull weeds, water, and plant flowers. Please consider helping to keep your church grounds beautiful. After all, it is such a beautiful creation of God's. The tasks are small and would only have to be done on a bi-weekly or monthly basis. If you can help in this way, PLEASE contact Joan Welch or Jan Albrecht.













May Baby Shower

In May, Social Ministry held their annual May Baby Shower. The Yarns of Love Ladies donated many beautiful handmade items, and the congregation, as always, was so very generous!

All of your gifts were delivered to thankful smiles at the Hope Center in Palatine. A worker unloaded the gifts, and with a big smile on his face he exclaimed, "Oh, wow, look at all those diapers!" They were so happy to receive our gifts. Thank you to everyone who so generously donated to this effort.



Flea Market Vendors Notice

This year parking lot spaces for the popular Flea Market will be limited

to 50, so vendors are asked to preregister. More details can be found on the flyers elsewhere in this issue of the Staff.





Save your gently-used, clean clothing & household items to donate to the Church/Preschool Rummage Sale to be held on July 21. You may leave your donations in the Music Room after July 7. All Saints Hall is occupied with LCGS Summer Camp until that week. If you can assist with sorting the rummage sale donations during the week of July 15, please contact Sue Gallagher.





Ever wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone?

What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets? What if we flipped through it several times a day? What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it? What if we used it to receive messages from the text? What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it? What if we gave it to kids as gifts? What if we used it when we traveled? What if we used it in case of emergency? This is something to make you go....hmm... where is my Bible? Oh, and one more thing. Unlike our cell phone, we don't have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill. Makes you stop and think 'where are my priorities? And no dropped calls!

Don't miss the fun on Saturday, July 21!

Recycled treasures at bargain prices will be the theme of the day in Good Shepherd's parking lots and All Saints Hall. Yummy homemade bakery items will sell out quickly, hamburgers and hot dogs will be sizzling on the new LCGS barbeque grills, kids will be making crafts and playing games, but best of all — the spirit of Good Shepherd members will be evident as they welcome neighbors and passersby to our fourth annual **Flea Market and Neighborhood Party**. MANY VOLUNTEERS are needed to make all of this happen! Sign up to sort, bake, work a shift or come for the day. Fill out the Volunteer Form and return it to the church or contact event cochairs Andrea Schlichting or Alice Perkins.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY is here!

During the month of July we will once again be having our *Christmas in July* event. This year's recipients are a Vietnam veteran, 64, and his wife, 62. The husband suffers from dementia and cancer, along with the effects of Agent Orange. Neither he nor his wife are able to work and are

living on minimal social security benefits. They are in need of clothing, and have requested a coffee grinder, coffee-maker and queen sized sheets; however, their biggest need is to have their washing machine repaired.

How can you help? There are several things you can do. First, please include them in your prayers. Second, you can donate a gift. Cash donations may be placed in an envelope marked "Christmas in July." Gift cards may be purchased through our Shop-Share-Donate program. Mark on an envelope the card you wish to purchase (noting it is for "Christmas in July") and place it in the offering plate or the Worship and Music mailbox. Clothing needs will be described on the red, white and blue ornaments by the Christmas tree. These may be purchased and placed, unwrapped, under the tree anytime during the month of July.

Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated by this family. Thank you in advance!

THE SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE "They'll know we are Christians by our love."





God's Work, Our Hands

Mission Interpretation - Where Does My Offering Go?

What is the **Mission Investment Fund** (MIF) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

It helps build the church — and share God's love with the world — by providing loans, investments, and related services to ELCA congregations, members and ministries.

What if you, as a member of the ELCA, could grow your personal finances, while helping to grow your church?

And what if, in turn, mission congregations, established congregations and ELCA-related ministries could finance capital building projects with competitively priced loans and take advantage of comprehensive building-consulting services?

The Mission Investment Fund of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America makes both of these dreams possible. Through the fund, individual members, congregations and ministries of the ELCA can purchase investments, earning interest at competitive rates. With these investments, the Mission Investment Fund makes loans to help ELCA congregations purchase land, expand their current facilities or begin new building projects that directly benefit their members and surrounding communities. Currently, the Mission Investment Fund has nearly 800 active loans totaling over \$475 million to ELCA ministries throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Though the loans are for a wide range of uses, they all have one thing in common: each is helping to grow the ELCA and advance its mission.

As a ministry of the ELCA, MIF shares this church's continuing mission to share God's boundless love with the world.

MIF works toward accomplishing this in two ways:

- by providing investments that are similar to savings accounts, checking accounts, money market accounts, and CDs to ELCA members, congregations and ELCArelated ministries, and
- by providing loans and supporting services to new and established ELCA congregations and related ministries.

То	learn	more,	contact	MIF	at 877	'.886	.3522	or e	elca.	org/i	mit

If a seed in its dark, restless journey underground is not content until it breaks through the mountain of soil and strains ever higher toward the sunlight, will we human beings be content to have our faith remain simply a seed full of potential?

Mary Anderson





*"Love your neighbor as you love yourself"*Jesus Christ



Volunteer Form

Flea Market and Neighborhood Party Saturday, July 21, 2012 8 AM to 2 PM

Good Shepherd volunteers are needed for lots of jobs:

Baker, bake sale, flea market, traffic director, cashier, food tent,
rummage sale, welcome table, kids games, kids crafts, set-up, and cleanup *

Questions? Contact Co-chairwomen Andrea Schlichting or Alice Perkins

 □ Help with pre-event sorting of Rummage Sale items in All Saints Hall □ Donate a Door Prize □ Bake for the Bake Sale (Pie, cupcakes, cookies, bars, brownies, coffeecake, sweet breads) 						
Work a shift on Saturday, July *Check where needed or indicate		a particular area listed above.				
 ☐ 7:30 AM to 10 AM ☐ 10 AM to 12:30 PM ☐ Noon to 2:30 PM ☐ All day 	☐ Where needed	☐ Area				
☐ Do not currently have, so will need a Good Shepherd "Everyone's a Neighbor" lime t-shirt						
Circle size: S, M, L, XL, XXL (Volunteers will wear their lime Good Shepherd t-shirts for the July 4 th Parade & on July 21 st)						
NAME						
PHONE						
E-MAIL						

Fill out and drop in offering plate or at the church office. Thank you!

Fourth of July Parade!!

Get ready, because we are again participating in the Prospect Heights Fourth of July Parade! We will have trinkets and flyers about our July 21st party, and need YOU to help advertise our church. We hope that you can participate by either walking, riding a bike, roller-blading, or driving in your car. The parade will line up at







the train station on Wolf & Camp McDonald Road at 9 AM, but staging starts at 8:30 AM. The parade will proceed west on Camp McDonald to Wheeling Road, north to Willow Road, then west on Schoenbeck, and will end at Hebron Presbyterian Church. Hebron will again provide a hot dog lunch to all participants. It is a lot of fun, so we hope you can join us in waving your flag and handing out trinkets advertising our church. It is definitely a good thing!

<u>During the past weeks we have included the following in special</u> prayer petitions:

Darlene Borgwardt - sister of Bonnie Weiss

Fred Strauss

Suzanne Strauss - sister-in-law of Fred Strauss

Vivienne Prakope

Diana Perham - friend of Bev Rossman

Wally Marros

Barbara Halatek

Linda Poe - former member

Barb Watterson - friend of Bud and Shirley Bartelt

Polly Gorski - daughter-in-law of Sharon Gorski

Daneen Adams - daughter of Sharon Gorski

Bonnie Jenkinson - niece of Sharon Gorski

Wonders Family - friends of Ken Bartelt

Dolores Bartelt - sister-in-law of Bartelts

June Albert - friend of Lee Trevor

Emma Gittler - mother of Cathy Buffa

Lily Cox - friend of Julie & Greg Juhl

Robert Dean - husband of Nancy Asquini-Dean

Sylvain Boh - friend of Lee Trevor Dee Goben - friend of Ken Bartelt



Good Shepherd,



Thank you so much for the care packages. They were delicious and such a great idea. They really helped us eat healthy during finals.





Do you have a new email address?



Each month, we will publish changes in e-mail addresses so that everyone can keep up to date with you. If your e-mail address has changed, please notify Nancy in the church office.



Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd presents its fourth

FICA Market food warren in the community gathering for a flear market food warren. market, food, games, and music! **leighborhood** Saturday, July 21, 2012

Come and: • Meet and greet your neighbors

- · Sell your stuff to others and make some cash
- Purchase some great buys and save some cash

• INDOOR RUMMAGE SALE

DONATE GENTLY USED ITEMS AFTER JULY 7

- FOOD
- GAMES
- KIDS' ACTIVITIES
- DOOR PRIZES

Rain or shine! 8 AM TO 2 PM

- BAKE SALE
 - MUSIC

Lutheran Church of the 1111 N. Elmhurst Road GOOD SHEPHERD | (South of Fill 2 Road)

(South of Hintz Road)

(847) 537-4353, email: goodsheplc@sbcglobal.net Web site: lcgoodshepherd.com



Welcome neighbor!

Got some stuff to sell, but don't want to have your own garage sale? Well, join us in our neighborhood celebration!

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ea Market Neighborhood Saturday, Pa July 21, 2012

Rain or shine! 8 AM to 2 PM

Church parking lot at 1111 N. Elmhurst Road (South of Hintz Road)

We are advertising in the newspapers and throughout the area with signs. If you have any questions, contact the church office at (847) 537-4353 or goodsheplc@sbcglobal.net

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(847) 537-4353, email: goodsheplc@sbcglobal.net Web site: lcgoodshepherd.com

For \$15, rent a space at our Flea Market to sell your gently used items or crafts

(sale of new manufactured items is not allowed)

Rental spaces will be available until all spaces are sold.

We will accommodate as many sellers as possible, but space is limited to 50 vendor spaces. Pre-registration will be taken through July 16. To pre-register, send a check made payable to LCGS along with your name, address, phone number and email address to LCGS, 1111 N Elmhurst Road, Prospect Heights, IL 60070. Sorry, no refunds.

Remaining spaces will be assigned on a "first come, first serve" basis beginning at 6 AM, July 21st. Rental fees for these spaces will be collected as you enter the parking area on the south side of the

Set-up time is 6 AM to 7:30 AM. Unload your merchandise, and then park your car as directed by parking lot attendants.

The sale will be open to the public from 8 AM to 2 PM.

TERMS:

- 1. You must provide your own table and chairs. Each Flea Market space measures approximately 9 X 18 feet.
- 2. There are no electrical hookups.
- 3. The sale will end at 2 pm. We ask that you stay to the end of the sale to avoid congestion and obstruction with other sellers and buyers.
- 4. We will not be held responsible for damage to your merchandise, automobile or personal items, or for lost or stolen items.
- 5. Sale of new manufactured items is not allowed due to village regulations.
- 6. Tents are advisable as shade is limited.
- 7. All trash and unsold items must be removed from the premises after the event. Please call if you have any questions.

Come join us for this great community event. We hope to see you at worship services, or around the neighborhood!

July 2012

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 AM Communion 1:00 PM Good News Korean Church	2	7:00 PM Finance 8:00 PM Exec Comm	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	5 7:00 PM Thurs Nite AA	6 7:00 PM Al-Anon	7
8 9:30 AM Communion 1:00 PM Good News Korean Church	9	10 7:00 PM Bd of Ministers	11	7:00 PM Thurs Nite AA	7:00 PM Al-Anon	14 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:30 AM Communion 10:30 AM Contemp Wshp Planning Mtg 1:00 PM Good News Korean Church	16	17	18	7:00 PM Thurs Nite AA	20 7:00 PM Al-Anon	21 8:00 AM Flea Market 7:00 PM Cursillo
9:30 AM Communion 1:00 PM Good News Korean Church	23	24 7:00 PM Committee Night	25	26 7:00 PM Thurs Nite AA	27 7:00 PM Al-Anon	28 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
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"Knowing Christ and Making Him Known"

We're on the web: www.lcgoodshepherd.com Rev. Eric Schlichting, Pastor
Gloria Sun Oh, Organist
Susan Baushke, Choir Director
Nancy Krieg, Office Administrator
Valerie Meier, Preschool Director

Office hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Children of the Shepherd Preschool Phone: 847-459-7992





