

August 17-18, 2019 | Weekly Newsletter of Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

# notes & news

12:30pm

Join us after Sunday worship for fine dining in the Church Lower Level! Help support Our Shepherd's mission with the Family of God community in Detroit. Details below.

W E L C O M E

## ... worship theme ...



"How is the Struggle Going?" (Hebrews 12:1-12) We welcome Rev. Jim Hill to the pulpit this weekend. Pastor Hill serves at Family of God Lutheran Church in Detroit. In the sermon he will ask and answer, "Are we sinners because we sin, or do we sin because we're sinners?" From the text, we hear about three principles of running the Christian race, how we can resist temptation, and the discipline our faithful God gives to His children. In preparing to hear God's Word, please read the text, also 1 Corinthians 10:13.

## ... family of god special event ...

Join us for a gourmet meal and fellowship in the lower level following the 11:00am service; we are fundraising for our ongoing mission of feeding the community around FoG once a month. Dining at it's finest with Chef Ron Rebecca, the menu includes Chicken Marsala, a beef carving station, awesome sides and a sweets table. Yet another way YOU can participate in our mission! COST: \$25 per plate, \$10 for children age 12 years and under. Payment may be cash or check, made to OSLC, with comment "for FoG benefit". Give to Terry or Barb Hynes, leave in special envelope in the bookstore or pay at the door. Contact Terry / Barb: 248-631-8369 or thynes2537@sbcglobal.net.

## ... august blood drive ...

The need is great and your generosity has been amazing in supporting the OS Blood Drives! The Red Cross is back at our church Monday, August 19th. The drive is in the Lower Level from 1:00-7:00pm. Please connect online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call Beth at 248-760-0468 to schedule an appointment. Three lives can be saved with your one pint donation. Eat iron-rich foods, avoid tea a few days before giving, and hydrate well! Thank you so much for making these drives so successful in helping others!

## ... school opening service and barbecue ...

Our 2019-2020 school year begins during 11:00am worship next Sunday, August 25th. After the service everyone is invited to the "Back to School Barbecue" over at the school beginning at 12:45pm. There will be fun activities for children, and great food!

## *Blessing of Bags, Backpacks, and Briefcases!*

All ages are invited to bring their backpacks to worship the weekend of August 24-25, for a special backpack blessing to kick off the new school year. All students, teachers, librarians, administrators, and school workers are invited to participate in this blessing as part of the worship service you attend.



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Our Shepherd gathers, nurtures, and serves because Jesus loves.



We join together to worship God because of the love He has shown us in His son Jesus Christ. As we worship, we are assured of our forgiveness. By gathering we are responding to the love of God in Christ Jesus with our prayers and praise.

# Our Shepherd Lutheran

CHURCH • SCHOOL • CHILD CARE

## Church

(248) 646-6100  
2225 E. 14 Mile, Birmingham  
churchoffice@ourshepherd.net

## School

(248) 645-0551  
1658 Lincoln, Birmingham  
schooloffice@ourshepherd.net

## Child Care Center

(248) 645-5273  
Church and School Locations  
earlychildcare@ourshepherd.net

[www.ourshepherd.net](http://www.ourshepherd.net)

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### Regular Worship Schedule

Contemporary Saturdays  
at 6:00pm

Traditional Sundays  
at 8:30am and 11:00am

Bible Education Hour  
Sundays 9:45- 10:45am

### Giving made easy

Text "give" to 248-430-4403

If you're home or away, Kindrid | Give.Church makes it easy to schedule regular donations. Click on "Give" at [ourshepherd.net](http://ourshepherd.net), or text "give" to Our Shepherd's dedicated giving number (above). It's easy to change your gift and giving dates at any time. Give it a try!



## Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

All worship services are presented on the screen. Sunday morning we follow Divine Service Four, page 203. God bless our worship together.

OPENING HYMN.....578, vs. 1-4  
"Thy Strong Word"

SCRIPTURE READINGS:  
Jeremiah 23:16-29  
Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3  
Luke 12:49-56

SERMON HYMN.....655  
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS  
"Blest Are They" ..... (on screen)  
"There is a Redeemer" ..... (on screen)

CLOSING HYMN .....813, vs 1-4, & 7  
"Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

## Participants in Worship

PREACHER ..... Rev. Jim Hill (Family of God)  
LITURGIST ..... Rev. Dr. Evan Gaertner  
SATURDAY MUSICIANS:  
Sarah Ewing, Keith Fielden, Jannah Garback, Alex Wilson  
SUNDAY ORGANIST ..... Todd Sager

### Church Attendance

(Last weekend)

Saturday 6:00pm ..... 57  
Sunday 8:30am ..... 107  
Sunday 11:00am ..... 159  
Weekend Total ..... 323

### From the Treasurer

Contributions Needed  
AUGUST \$ 107,311

Date	Envelope & Plate
Aug 4	\$ 18,100
Aug 11	\$ 38,505

### Notes & News Deadlines

Articles due Mondays at noon.  
Additions to the Prayer Page  
due Wednesdays by 5:00pm.  
NO CLASSIFIED ADS PLEASE.

Email:  
publications@ourshepherd.net  
~OR~  
Text: 248-672-8248

Articles are subject to editing.  
Include run dates. If no dates  
are submitted, items will run for  
two weeks. Flyers may run as a  
full page one time only, then is  
reduced to half page or smaller.

Katie Priskorn, Editor

# PRAYER

## In Need of Prayer

Elena *friend of Jo Demeyer, recovering from elbow surg.*  
Irene *friend of the Vettters, needs liver transplant*  
Tim Barbe  
Stephen Cash *Rick & Marilyn Lane's son in law*  
Dorothy Coordes  
Kevin Curley  
Chuck Cuthbertson *father of Mary Hewelt*  
Dutcher family *friends of Pfeiffers*  
Taylor Hlebak *friend of Wolgasts*  
Jan Haezebrouck  
Jim Holbrook *son in law of Chuck and Eileen Root*  
Al Kroening  
Mark Leinhos *brother in law of Lorri Wilkerson*  
Barbara Martens *outpatient procedure 8/23*  
Linda Madson  
Dorothy McAlliser *friend of Alice Macey*  
Kellee Morford *daughter of Arline Sheffer*  
Jean Pfeiffer *mother of Kurt, upcoming surgery*  
Florence Raetzel *mother of Karen Pfeiffer*  
Laura Reading *mother of Karl, hospitalized*  
Marilyn Robertson  
Will Schmidt *age 10, nephew of Emily Gottschling*  
Sandra Schram *knee replacement 8/16*  
Linda TenEyck *mother of Cherè Howcroft*  
Daniel Tharpe  
Nicholas Verbruggen *friend of H. Adams*  
Ron Vieregge *hip surgery 8/16*  
Ruth Wright *mother of Sue Barbe*

## Those with Cancer

Linda R. *friend of Rae Vieregge, brain cancer*  
Cindy *friend of Marlene Jennett, brain cancer*  
Gloria *friend of Anne Fournier*  
Kalvin *friend of the Pfeiffers*  
Robin *friend of Nancy Preece*  
Amy Arini *niece of Vicki Schram, breast cancer*  
Rick Baker *friend of Tom and Ellyn Downs*  
John Belert *Eileen Root's father, bladder cancer*  
Lisa Bonham *friend of Joy Miller, lung cancer*  
Kelly Burns *relative of Howard Adams, ovarian*  
Jennifer Carbary *friend of Mark & Lisa Moine*  
Nicholas Davis *nephew of Michelle Schulmeister*  
Erin Fallucca *stage 4 colon cancer*  
Michelle Foster *friend of Tom and Ellyn Downs*  
Bob Foth *prostate / lymph nodes*  
Shirley Engel Harris *aunt of Sherri Flesher*  
Edith Iwarma *aunt of Bob Johnson*  
Bruce Jones *cousin of Joy Miller*  
Susan Kemmer *daughter of Dick Zuehlke*  
Cheryl Madson *sister of Linda, breast cancer*  
Dan Morris *brother of Roy Morris*  
Tim Perry *friend of Anne Zowada*  
Laurie Putman  
Sarah Reichart *daughter of the Wahnefrieds*  
Jeff Robertson *son of Marilyn*  
Tommy Schomaker *2019 graduate of LHNW*

## Cancer (Con't.)

Kelly Schultz *Don & Diana's daughter in law*  
Payton Shock *age 10, friend of the Cudneys*  
Holly Tacoma *sister of Stacey Carlson*  
Austin Tomlinson *friend of A. Zowada*  
Kathie Jo Wright *breast cancer*  
Kisha Williams *friend of Sandy Fletcher*  
Lisa Zimmermann *friend of the Stroeters*

## In Hospice Care

Chuck O'Grady, at Shelby Nursing Center

## In the Military

Keith Allen  
Andres Galarza  
Nick and Val Kulesza  
Erik Marcus  
Moneake McNeal  
Nathaniel Nimtze  
Sebastian Pica  
Jacob Rebecca  
Sarah Steele  
Nic Stroeters  
Roger VanVechten  
Tyler Volz  
Kara White

## OS Prayer Warriors

Activate our prayer chain by contacting  
Marlene Jennett: [kanabkitty@wowway.com](mailto:kanabkitty@wowway.com)  
or 248-709-6316

*Prayer chain requests are kept private.*

*blessed*

## Homebound Ministry

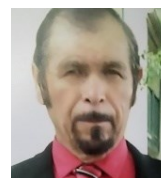
We are in need of blank note cards. Please put in Jackie Hetrick's mailbox (37B) or on the pickup shelf in the church Library. For more info or to help with this ministry, call Jackie at 248-759-4329. *Thank you!*

## ALTAR FLOWERS



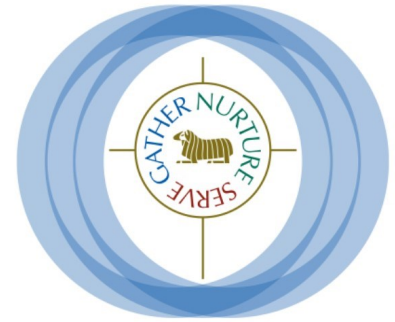
*In Loving Memory of  
Carol Woodfin  
By the Woodfin family*

## ETERNAL VICTORY



*Donato Morales  
Born April 7, 1952  
Called Home August 8, 2019  
Loving husband of Irene.  
Prayers of comfort for the Morales family,  
dear friends of Bill and Joan Vetter.*

# Mark Your Calendar: Renewing Our Shepherd Capital Campaign Update



**RENEWING**  
Our Shepherd Lutheran  
CHURCH • SCHOOL • CHILDCARE

## August 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Witness Weekend

God is extraordinary and He certainly works in these ways. Join us at any of our three weekend services to see how the Lord is moving in the lives of others and our church.

## August 26<sup>th</sup> Creative Giving Seminar 7:00pm Lower Level

Our capital campaign helps us meet our needs today and lays the foundation for our future. In order to reach our goals, we're asking members to consider maximizing their financial impact by contributing gifts of assets, and to make these significant contributions through creative giving strategies. Creative giving strategies allow you to:

- Increase your current income
- Avoid taxes
- Make a generous gift to our campaign and our church community

Join Ron Chewning Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm to learn more.

## September 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Commitment & Celebration Weekend

On this day we turn in our Commitment Cards. This will be a time of commitment to sacrifice and faith. We have the opportunity to invest in something larger than ourselves - something that will outlast our lives on this earth.

*"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10).*

God put us on earth to do a specific work that only we can do. Ephesians says God created us to do good works and He planned in advance what we would spend our lives doing. However, He didn't expect us to do that work alone. **Let's celebrate what we can accomplish together as we commit to Renewing Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Capital Campaign. Stay tuned for celebration details.**

## September 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Renewing Our Shepherd Guided Time of Prayer

One of the essential components of our capital campaign is not only seeking God's help that our campaign is successful, but also that the Lord be in partnership with those who contribute.

Join us to move our campaign and faith forward together!

**Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> ..... 4:45-5:45pm**

**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> ..... 7:15-8:15am**

**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> ..... 9:45-10:45am**

If you have questions, please contact  
Jill Hoegmeyer at 248-890-0830, or Jessica Merz 313-460-4621

*(more details on next page)*

## Your Prayers are needed for the Capital Campaign

We seek your prayer support for the campaign in one or more of the following ways:

- ◆ Please pray daily for the capital campaign that God would guide and direct each member of the congregation in how they can be a part of this renewal process.
- ◆ Pray the campaign would lead not only to the renewing of our facilities, but a renewed desire to seek God's will and to reach the lost.
- ◆ Join us commitment weekend at one of our prayer vigils to pray together for God's leading and blessing.

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The Prayer vigil is held in the sanctuary, and led by various individuals. You may contact Jill Hoegemeyer 248-890-0830 or Jessica Merz 313-460-4621 to sign up to attend or indicate a desire to help lead prayer during these events. If you are unable to attend one of these times, and would like a prayer guide to assist you, we would be happy to provide that also. Thanks so much for lifting our congregation in prayer.



*Put me on your fridge!*

### Please join in prayer for our Capital Campaign

*Resurrected and Faithful Shepherd,*

You **GATHER** us together as a family who follow You and **NURTURE** us with Your Word and Sacraments.

Everything we have belongs to You.

Lead us individually and corporately to be faithful stewards of Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, School and Child Care. In this season of our Capital Campaign, renew us to **SERVE** Your people in this community.

*In Your Name, Christ our Savior,  
Amen*

*Prayer*  
**CHANGES**  
*Things*

### Giving Us Your Daily Bread Isn't the Only Way You Can Support Our Campaign



There are a whole host of ways you can make gifts to our campaign. Gifts of stocks, bonds, real estate, personal property, insurance, trust arrangements, and bequests can make a huge impact in helping us reach our goals. To learn more, please attend our

### Creative Giving Seminar

Monday, August 26  
at 7:00pm  
Church Lower Level



We are committed

*to nurturing one another through the study of God's word, Christian education, and living life together. We accomplish this by engaging in small groups and supporting one another through life's circumstances.*



## Annual Fall Men's Retreat Camp Arcadia - September 5-8, 2019

The politicians' of this country are slowly but surely closing the window in our country on religious freedoms we have taken for granted since the founding of our country. The LCMS has a representative in Washington D.C. who lobbies on our behalf to maintain our freedom to preach and make disciples, and who works to keep us aware and informed regarding what is happening in this arena.

Lutheran Hour Ministries is hosting their Annual Fall Men's Retreat for their 74th year at Camp Arcadia, located on the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan, with the featured speaker Dr. Rev. Gregory Seltz who is the Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Freedom. The Retreat is from the evening of Sept 5 (Thursday) until Noon on Sunday, Sept 8 with a closing worship service. For more information you can call Camp Arcadia (231-889-4361) or contact Chris Allmand at [callmand@gmail.com](mailto:callmand@gmail.com).

We are only 4 weeks away from this great time of fellowship and learning in a beautiful location. You will learn the freedoms to worship are being constrained and prohibited by the politicians we elect.

Follow this link to learn more about Dr. Seltz's Lutheran theological mind and ministry. <https://erlc.com/resource-library/capitol-conversations-espicious-gregory-seltz-and-the-lutheran-center-for-religious-liberty>.

*submitted by Kurt Pfeiffer*

Take  to Nurture

This week's focus:

1 Corinthians 13:13

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

## Our Shepherd Nursery NEEDS YOU!!

We are pleased to continue offering a staffed nursery for our littlest lambs during worship. We are currently recruiting loving individuals to help out. For more information contact Meg at [meghanperrault@gmail.com](mailto:meghanperrault@gmail.com). The position pays \$15/hour.

Faith Family Reunion



## Faith Family Reunion Retreat Sept 7, 2019 | St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

When children leave the church and faith in Jesus Christ, parents that are left behind often feel isolated and alone. The feelings of guilt and shame can become overwhelming as they wonder what they did wrong, could have done better, or failed to do. The end result is parents feel they are living solo and need to carry this burden on their own. You are invited to a one-day retreat with other parents on September 7th at St. Lorenz. Together, let's explore the notion that maybe we are really not alone on this road. Register today at [www.faithfamilyreunion.com](http://www.faithfamilyreunion.com).



## We tell people

*about Jesus both through words and actions. As our relationship with Jesus grows, our lives overflow with His love as we serve others. Our service to our community finds its source in God's amazing grace.*



## FAMILY OF GOD

Thanks to so many of Our Shepherd volunteers, this ministry to our neighbors at Family of God in Detroit has been a great success! Here are the scheduled dates for the remainder of this year.

- Tuesday, September 17
- Tuesday, October 22
- Tuesday, November 19
- Tuesday, December 17

### Tasks for Our Shepherd volunteers are:

- Cook / Prep food at OS:..... 2:30pm
- Load food, leave OS:..... 4:45pm
- Arrive, unload, setup at FoG:..... 5:45pm
- Serve meal:..... 6:15pm
- Cleanup and depart:..... 7:30ish
- Talk/socialize with families at FoG: .... arrival to departure

Contact Terry Hynes for details:  
thynes2537@sbcglobal.net or 248-631-8369

Family of God Lutheran Church  
7354 Whittaker Street, Detroit, 48209  
www.fogdetroit.com

## RECRUITING NEW USHERS

**Forming New Youth Usher Team**  
Young men and women (eighth grade and up) are being recruited to take part in a new team. Ushering is a fun and easy and rewarding way to serve, while not requiring an outside time commitment.

For information contact Josh Morrison at morrison.joshua7@gmail.com.



## HOW CAN I HELP CARE NET?

One of the greatest gifts you can give is your **TIME.**



### Become a Care Net VOLUNTEER!

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Client Advocate
- Man2Man Client Advocate
- Medical Team
- Receptionist
- Administrative Support
- Boutique Assistant
- Clean/Fix Baby Equipment
- Date Entry
- Handyman Team
- Hospitality Team
- Mail Crew
- Office Cleaning
- Church Liason
- Board Member
- Event Volunteer
- Development Committee

#### Volunteer Informational Meetings

- Berkley Location  
Tuesday, Aug. 20th @ 1 pm  
Tuesday, Sept. 10th @ 7 pm
- Detroit Location  
Tuesday, Aug. 13th @ 7 pm  
Tuesday, Sept. 10th @ 7 pm

Questions? Contact Valerie at 248-545-6411 at our Berkley Location or Ginny at 313-243-1267 at our Detroit Location



Pictured left to right: Travis Kersten, Dan Carlson, Karl Reading, Joey Morrison, Tim Amerson, Mike Gunn, Josh Wilt, Josh Morrison, Jeremy Morrison, Steve Lemke, Corey Kelso

Players not in picture: Pastor Evan Gaertner, Jim Volz ,and Kevin Siekfer



## OSL Team 2 Wins Championship!

After a double header series Wednesday night (8/14), our OSL Team 2 lead by Corey Kelso and Karl Reading won against OSL Team 1 to take First place in the playoffs tournament. This is Team 2's second straight season championship title.

They were exciting games, and great season overall. OSL Team 2 tied for the regular season division title with a record of 10-2. Congratulations guys!!



# August

# LET'S celebrate

## August 18~Sunday

8:30 & 11:00am..... Worship Services - Sanctuary  
9:45am .....Bible Education Hour and Sunday School  
12:30pm..... FoG Fundraiser Dinner - Lower Level

## August 19~Monday

1:00pm .....Red Cross Blood Drive - Lower Level  
6:30pm ..... Board of Finance - WW Conf Rm

## August 20~Tuesday

10:00am ..... Quilting - Lower Level Rm 5  
12:30pm..... Women's Bible Study - Church Library

## August 21~Wednesday

6:00pm ..... Call Committee Meeting - Lower Level  
6:30pm ..... Women's Bible Study - Church Library

## August 22~Thursday

6:30am .....Men's Bible Study - Church Library  
10:00am ..... Quilting - Lower Level Rm 5

## August 23~Friday

## August 24~Saturday

6:00pm ..... Contemporary Worship - Sanctuary

## birthdays

### August 17

Sara Klausmeier  
Grace Novak  
Marlene Jennett  
Michele Mack

### August 18

Hannah Merz  
Dick Zuehlke  
Dan Malec  
Stacey Carlson

### August 19

Dorothy Dixon  
John Groth  
Meg Perrault

### August 20

Lucas Gaertner

### August 21

Charles Novak  
Cyndi McAuliffe

### Aug 21 (Con't.)

Debbie Pierce  
Cindy Vieregge

### August 22

Emily Eshelby  
Jessica Siefker

### August 23

Paloma Denne  
Laura Krahn  
Krystal Schmandt

### August 24

Dave Boehne  
Angela Allen  
Lizzie Nimtz

### August 25

Matthew Gunn  
Alaina Ballentine  
Ed Springs  
Louis Vieregge

## LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Attention Ladies! Lifelight will resume September 5th, with a study on Revelation. We meet Thursdays from 9:30 - 11:00am in the church library. Please text contact Phyllis (248-252-1512 or phylls98@aol.com) for more info. Order deadline is August 22 to ensure study guides will arrive on time. Invite a friend! All are welcome.

## COLLEGE MINISTRY

Our college ministry of encouragement for students is gearing up. We want to support and pray for your college student. Information needed: name, school address, phone, email, school name, and anticipated graduation year. Please email Kathy Harper at kaharper51@comcast.net, or put the information in Kathy's church mailbox (35C) by September 9. Local students also encouraged to participate - college is still a challenge, even when we are close to home. Thanks to Kathy Harper and Andrea Coughlin who organize this ministry.

## baptisms

### August 17

Stacey Carlson

### August 18

(none)

### August 19

Julie Hall-Anderson

### August 20

Ruth Dixon  
Sheryl Dalton  
John Carlson  
Alexander Holbrook  
Ava Pickett  
Rocco Pickett  
Dan Wiedenbeck

### August 21

Missy Macavage  
Kyle Hall

### August 22

Cathy Hoch  
Joey Klausmeier

### August 23

Christine Bates

### August 24

Lizzie Nimtz  
Ella Heisner

### August 25

Alissa Butcher