



· · · worship theme · · ·

“MICHAELMAS” - Every Sunday we hear in the Proper Preface “therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven...” But that’s about the only mention angels usually receive in our worship. This weekend as we celebrate the feast of St. Michael and Angels, we have an opportunity to talk about the presence of angels in our lives. Michaelmas allows us the chance to acknowledge the presence of spiritual warfare in our world, past, present, and future. The Bishop of Oxford once said, “Christianity is a kind of extreme sport, it’s not for those who want to sit out of life.” As we venture into the world to do the hard and sometimes scary work to which Jesus Christ calls us, we take comfort that we have St. Michael on our side. And let us receive and give thanks for the message of the archangels and angels, with whom we often sing and pray.

· · · installation of second grade teacher · · ·

Mrs. Susan Grams has accepted the call to serve Our Shepherd as second grade teacher. Sue will be installed Sunday October 6, at the 8:30am service. Also, please keep Miss Hannah Walsh in your prayers as she continues to deliberate the call extended to her as Youth and Family Ministry Leader.

· · · communication changes · · ·

You are reading the last weekly issue of the Notes and News! Starting next weekend the Notes and News becomes a monthly publication. It will be distributed the first weekend of each month, copies will be available throughout the month at the Welcome Center, on the slat wall, and online. We will also launch a new weekly bulletin sheet that will focus on worship, opportunities for spiritual growth, and information to help navigate and learn more about Our Shepherd. These changes are designed to streamline the amount of paper we use each week, and simplify the information distributed. Items you are accustomed to seeing weekly such as the prayer page (now called “just pray”), birthdays, baptism birthdays, and a weekly calendar will be available as stand alone items on the slat wall, available for you to take. We encourage you to visit this information center every week, as fliers and other events will be promoted here as well.

· · · capital campaign update · · ·

The gap is closing! We are nearing our challenge goal of \$2.5 million. Total pledges are just short of \$1.9 million, with many families still to make their pledge. If you haven’t had a chance to pledge your gift toward the future of Our Shepherd, please take a moment and do so this weekend. Pledge cards can be found in the atrium and church office. You may also have received a mailing in the last few days with a pledge card included. Let’s pull together and finish strong as we seek to Renew Our Shepherd.



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

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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, 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!



Church Attendance

(Last weekend)

Saturday 6:00pm 115
Sunday 8:30am 124
Sunday 11:00am 257
Weekend Total 496

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

All worship services are presented on the screen. Sunday morning we follow Divine Service One, page 151. God bless our worship together.

OPENING HYMN.....832
"Jesus Shall Reign"

SCRIPTURE READINGS:
Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3
Revelation 12:7-12
Luke 10:17-20

SERMON HYMN.....830
"Spread the Reign of God the Lord"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"686
"Children of the Heavenly Father"725

CLOSING HYMN864
"Shepherd of Tender Youth"

Participants in Worship

PREACHERRev. Steve Woodfin
LITURGISTRev. Dr. Evan Gaertner
SATURDAY MUSICIANS:
Jannah Garback | Alex Wilson
SUNDAY ORGANIST Scott VanOrnum
SUNDAY MUSIC (11:00am)..... Senior Choir

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
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



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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Honor of Allison Wolgast's
30th Birthday September 25th
by Dan and Val Wolgast

PRAYER

In Need of Prayer

Irene *friend of Vettors, recovering from liver transplant*
Eric Brushaber *friend of Bob Johnson*
Rachel Cash *daughter of Rick & Marilyn Lane, surgery 9/10 to repair severely fractured ankle and leg*
Dutcher family *friends of Pfeiffers*
Fran Garthe *aunt of Tim Garthe*
Jan Haezebrouck
Doug Heussner
Al Kroening
Dorothy McAllister *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*
Will Schmidt *age 10, nephew of Emily Gottschling*
Daniel Tharpe
Nicholas Verbruggen *friend of H. Adams*
Mabel Webb *friend of Bob Johnson*
Ruth Wright *mother of Sue Barbe*

OS Prayer Chain

Activate our prayer chain by contacting Marlene Jennett:
kanabkitty@wowway.com
or 248-709-6316

Prayer chain requests are kept private.

BAPTISMS

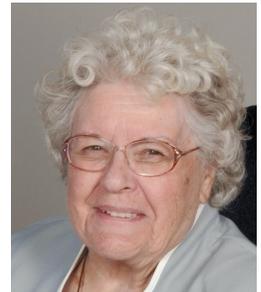
BAPTIZED SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Amelia Gertrude Bender

Parents: Stephen and Jennifer Bender
Big Brothers: Charlie and Henry
Sponsors: Matthew Bender,
Laura Bender, and Brian Moeller

Special Birthday

God's Blessings
Alice Collins
celebrating 91 years
October 1st!



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*
Len Gross *uncle of Tim Garthe*
Shirley Engel Harris *aunt of Sherri Flesher*
Bruce Jones *cousin of Joy Miller*
Susan Kemmer *daughter of Dick Zuehlke*
Diana Klaub *grandmother of Corey Kelso*
John Little *friend of the Fick family*
Dan Morris *brother of Roy Morris*
Tim Perry *friend of Anne Zowada*
Marilyn Pope *friend of McCaffreys, lung cancer*
Laurie Putman
Sarah Reichart *daughter of the Wahnefrieds*
Jeff Robertson *son of Marilyn Robertson*
Tommy Schomaker

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*
Lois Stromme *aunt 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

Shirley Brushaber *friend of Bob Johnson*
Jim Currie
Cheryl Madson *sister of Linda*

In the Military

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



Fall Small Group Bible Study Campaign

The mission of Our Shepherd Lutheran is to **Gather**, **Nurture**, and **Serve** because Jesus loves. Small Group Bible Studies offer a great opportunity for **gathering**, **nurturing**, and **servicing**. A Small Group is a group of people who gather regularly for the purpose of growing in their relationship in Christ, often through Bible Study.

Being part of a Small Group is vital to spiritual growth and fulfilling God's plan for one's spiritual life and walk with Him. Jesus modeled the importance of small groups in His relationship with the twelve apostles. The early church carried this tradition on when they, "*devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer.*" Acts 2:42. Consider joining a small group as a Leader/Facilitator, Host, Participant, or Ambassador. A leader facilitates the study and discussion . . .

- Leader/Facilitator** - will be trained and are not expected to have all answers to every question.
- Host** - open their home and provides hospitality and refreshments. (The Leader may also serve as Host)
- Participant** - join and regularly attend small group.
- Ambassador** - represent small group ministry in the congregation and community.

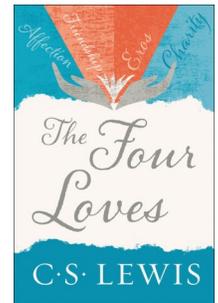
Denis Agosta is one individual who stepped out in faith to serve as a small group leader, and his wife, Val, is the host. Having never facilitated a small group before, Denis shared, "Just push past the fear and do it. When you lead or teach, you are the invariably the one who ends up learning. You don't have to be a Bible expert, believe me, I'm not; but we all end up learning together."

For more information, contact Mark Nimtz at nimtzm@ourshepherd.net or Josh Gottschling at jgottschling@gmail.com.

Young Adult Small Group Study

We welcome you to join us for a fellowship dinner and bible study at our home (15 min east of Our Shepherd). We are studying "The Four Loves" by C.S. Lewis. Meetings are every other Wednesday, from 6:00-8:00pm. Our next meeting is October 2nd. If interested, email Andrew Tursic (andyroo573@gmail.com) or call/text (859) 907-

Join Us



Women's Retreat

- When:** November 1-3 (Fri-Sun)
- Where:** Maryville Retreat Center
18307 Taylor Lake Rd, Holly
- Cost:** \$190 - Full Weekend (Includes Room & Meals)
\$85 - Saturday Only (Includes Meals)

"Created for His Glory"
based on Isaiah 43:7



Valerie Matyas
Visual Faith Coach
www.visualfaithmin.org



Come for the weekend, one night or just for the day. Pricing based on double rooms; single rooms are available for additional \$50. All rooms have a private bath. Full weekend includes dinner Friday, 3 meals on Saturday and Sunday breakfast. Saturday only includes 3 meals on Saturday.

Registration is available online
www.ourshepherd.net

PUT THE FUN FUNDRAISER

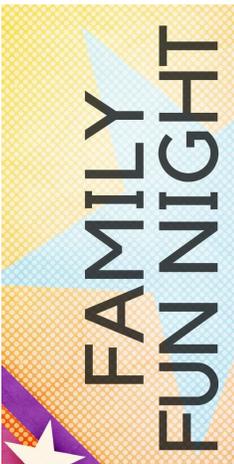
8TH GRADE CLASS TRIP *to Washington DC*



The 8th grade class has their first fundraiser of the year. They are selling high quality, microfiber bed sheets. They are soft and wrinkle free with no pilling or fading and fits mattresses up to 16" deep. Michelle Gallo bought a set from another fundraiser last year and loved the sheets so much she brought the sheets to OS! Any size bedsheet set is \$40. Set includes flat sheet, fitted, sheet and 2 standard pillow cases. Twin (one pillow case with twin) - Full-Queen - Cal King and King are available. See any 8th grader to see fabric samples and colors and to purchase.



Our first restaurant event is Sunday October 6th at MOD Pizza in Troy (Big Beaver and Rochester Rd). You can get your family fed between 12:30-6:00pm and help the 8th grade earn money for their class trip. YOU MUST HAVE the flyer present when ordering to receive the funds. Flyer is in student's Friday Folder this week. Flyers will also be available at the Welcome Center in the Atrium. Thank you for your support!



NOTHING RAISES FUNDS LIKE A GOOD BURGER



Bring this flyer into Bagger Dave's® and
we'll donate 15% of your groups net sales
back to your organization when you dine in or take out.

*Must present this flyer to server prior to ordering at the specified location(s), on the date and time listed below in order to receive donation credit. Donation credit only offered on the date at the location indicated on flyer. Offer excludes additional promotional discounts. Gift certificate purchases cannot be used toward donation credit.

Our Shepherd Lutheran-Fellowship nite to support 8th grade trip
Monday October 28, 2019 • 5pm-9pm
Only Valid at 2972 Coolidge Hwy, Berkley 248.543.3283

Santa Shop



"Regiftables" for Santa Shop

As in the past the 8th grade class will be doing a "Santa Shop" fundraiser. Students at the school will have a chance to bring in money and shop for their parents, grandparents, siblings and relatives with the help of an 8th grader. We need donations of new items that the students will be able to purchase and are small enough for them to carry home. Examples : small toys, towels, flashlights, lotion, stationary, pens. You can drop off items in the church and school office over the next month. Questions contact: Jessica Merz crosseyed@juno.com.

Volunteer. Engage. Support.

Get INVOLVED



FAMILY OF GOD

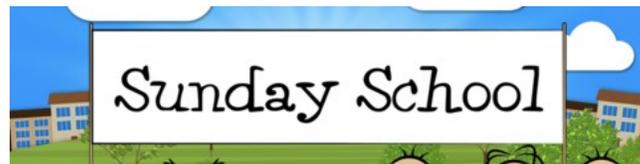
www.fogdetroit.com

Our ministry to feed the community at Family of God Lutheran Church:
ALERT!! October event date has been changed!
It will take place Wednesday, October 23rd.

Needed: 3-4 helpers for food prep at 3:30pm in the OS kitchen; many drivers and others to go to Family of God about 5pm to serve, and mingle. Dinner begins promptly at 6:15pm; at least 2 volunteers to come back to OS around 8:00pm and help Terry Hynes with clean up.

Future opportunities to serve meals at FoG:
Tuesday, November 19
Tuesday, December 17

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



We welcome all children ages 3 through Grade 6 and any adults who love to work with children. We gather in the Lower Level every Sunday morning at 9:45am.

Our rotation this week continues our study of the days of Creation. Come join our **CAMPFIRE OPENINGS** (A campfire in the Lower Level - yep, come and see!) Music led by Alex Wilson. Our discussion will center around days five and six. 3-4th grades will learn through food, led by Mrs. Merz. Grades 1-2 will do a special art/craft project, led by Mrs. Barbe. Kindergarten will learn through drama and games led by Mrs. and Mr. Alder. Grades 5-6 will GLOW as witnesses with Mrs. Fairo. Lizzie Nimtz leads our littlest lambs (age 3-PreK) in learning more about their Lord.

Come join the FUN!

Family Discussion Questions

1. How many days of creation are there?
2. What happened on the fifth day of creation?
3. What happened on the sixth day of creation?

Luther
the Rock Opera
Words and Music by
Lost And Found
based on
Luther, the graphic novel
by **Dr. Rich Melheim**
with images and illustrations
by **Jonathan Koelsch & Sherwin Schwartzrock**

Come hear the story of Martin Luther and the start of the Reformation, like you've never heard it before.
Lost And Found perform their original songs along with 300 images from the graphic novel to set the scenes.

Monday, Oct 21, 2019
7:00pm
OUR SHEPHERD CHURCH
2225 East 14 Mile Road
Birmingham, MI
\$10/person or \$20 max/family

Join Us!

Free Admission for Our Shepherd members, school & child care families. Get tickets from the church or school office, or at the Welcome Center starting the end of September.

COMMUNICATION

Notes and News ~ Now a MONTHLY publication

Starting in October the Notes and News becomes a monthly newsletter. Here's how it looks:

Monthly Notes and News

As the name suggests, this will now be a monthly publication. The monthly newsletter can be found at the Welcome Center or on the slat wall outside the Sanctuary doors by the Giving Station, as well as online. Articles to be included in the monthly newsletter need to be submitted by the 25th of the month.

Weekly Publication

Each week there will be a one-page handout specific to the worship services for the weekend. This piece will help members see what their "Next Steps" can be in the areas of gather, nurture, and serve. There will be a ministry spotlight as well.

Prayer Page | Calendar Page | Birthdays and Baptism Birthdays . . .

The slat wall outside the Sanctuary doors by the Giving Station will become an important information hub. This is where you will find event fliers, our prayer bulletin, a listing of monthly birthdays and baptism birthdays, a calendar of events, and more! We encourage you to visit the information hub every week. All of these pieces will also be available online at www.ourshepherd.net.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

Abortion ends the life of defenseless babies in the most barbaric fashion. Their lives are taken with the support of many in our world and often with tax funding. Their only defense is you. The largest 40 Days for Life campaign started in 505 cities on September 25. Going out to pray where abortions happen is the appropriate response to the most critical human rights issue in history. Through the power of prayers, we've now seen:
191 abortion workers quit their jobs and become pro-life
104 abortion facilities close their doors and go out of business...FOREVER
16,004 children spared from abortion

Join us at one of the local Peaceful Vigils for 40 Days for Life starting Wednesday, September 25th.

23338 Woodward Ave., Ferndale
24450 Evergreen Rd., Southfield
11474 15 Mile Rd., Sterling Heights
3810 17 Mile Rd., Suite #1, Sterling Heights
15921 E 8 Mile Rd. Suite #1, Eastpointe

If you have any questions or would like someone to pray with, contact Todd or Jessica Merz (248) 414-4511 or crosseyed@juno.com.



Bubble Soccer for 7-12 Grade Students

Students are invited to the OS School soccer field on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 3pm, as we face off against the Redeemer youth group for our third annual Bubble Soccer tournament! In the event of rain, we will play in the gym. After playing a few games, there will be food provided. Best of all, it's FREE! We're hoping for a good turnout on our home turf!

September

LET'S
celebrate

birthdays

September 28

Ethan Hall
John Wittrock
Jodie Heisner

September 29

Brandon Ott
Anna Twork
Will Twork
James Sobczak
Talitha Farah
David Herceg
Mel Quirk

September 30

Jeff Kersten
Christopher Schmandt

October 1

Andrew Lemke
Alice Collins
Ken Smith
Diane Conlon

October 2

Evelyn Lower
Val Agosta
Suzanne Sparks
Joanne Abbott
Matt Perry

October 3

Cora Conlon
Susan Wittrock
Karimi Igeria
Emily Woodfin

October 4

Billy Gordon
Ted Sheppard

October 5

Cory Spanos

October 6

Wyatt Simpson
Cooper Kelso

baptism birthdays

September 28

Jill Hoegemeyer
Dimitri Luhning

September 29

Marlene Jennett
Steve Sheppard
Anna Twork
Will Twork

September 30

Benjamin Pott

October 1

Eric Johnson
Mikaila Doede

October 2

Jeremy Fick
Tristan Hall

Oct 2 (Con't.)

Aaron Gunn
Sam Anderson

October 3

Noah Buerkel
Josh Klausmeier
Louis Vieregge

October 4

Wamucie Karimi
Conner Lemke

October 5

Ellen Woodfin

October 6

Michele Mack

September 29~Sunday

8:30am and 11:00am..... Worship - Sanctuary
9:45am..... Bible Education Hour and Sunday School
9:45am..... Confirmation Class - Church Gym
12:30pm First Communion Class - Church Library
3:00pm..... Youth Bubble Soccer - School Soccer Field

September 30~Monday

October 1~Tuesday

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

October 2~Wednesday

9:30am..... MOPS - Lower Level
10:00am..... Adult Bible Study - Church Library
6:30pm..... Women's Bible Study - Church Library

October 3~Thursday

6:30am..... Men's Bible Study - Church Library
10:00am.....Quilting - Lower Level Rm 5
6:00pm.....Childcare CPR Training - Lower Level
7:30pm.....Senior Choir Rehearsal - Church Balcony

October 4~Friday

1:00pm..... Pinochle Club - Lower Level

October 5~Saturday

7:00am..... Men of Integrity Bible Study - Lower Level
6:00pm.....Contemporary Worship - Sanctuary

College Ministry

As we have done in the past, goodie boxes will be packed and mailed mid-October to our college students, along with a letter of encouragement from the pastor. Please help us fill their goodie boxes! You may leave items in the church library marked COLLEGE MINISTRY by October 13th. Suggested donations:

Chewy granola bars, snack size candy bars, packs of gum, individual packages of cookies, cocoa, chips or pretzels, microwave popcorn, fruit snacks, Goldfish crackers, instant oatmeal and Kleenex.

Thank You!