



# *The Shepherd's Voice*

October 2021

Beloved of God,

The church is always called to share the Good News. That is more important than ever during this global pandemic. People are hungry for good news, for a word of hope. Our Stewardship Appeal for 2022: **HEAR THE GOOD NEWS** is focused on helping us to share good news in word and music in ways that people can hear. To share God's word of life, we will invest in our **sound system**, repair the grand **piano**, and continue to invest in our **staff**. We will also continue to **give 26% of our budget** to God's work beyond our congregation.

## **Sound**

Good Shepherd has worked so creatively throughout this pandemic to share God's word of life. Now as some gather for in-person worship and others remain worshipping online, we need to invest in our sound system. The sound for those gathered in the sanctuary needs some updating. We also need some additional technology to help capture the sound for the worship recording that we are sharing on YouTube, the radio, and the public access channels. We are working with an audio engineer at D.B. Acoustics, Inc. from Marion, IA to get recommendations on this project. We will share more specifics about the plans to improve the sound at an adult forum on Sunday, October 24 (note date change on this forum).

## **Music**

The singing in this congregation is amazing! The piano and organ help us to sing praise to God together. They help us to share good news through music and song. Our grand piano needs significant renovation and repair.

## **Staff**

The staff of Good Shepherd have worked incredibly hard, throughout the pandemic, to help our congregation share good news. We want to continue to invest in our staff especially as we welcome a new Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry and prepare for a transition in the office staff position.

## **Giving**

Together we give 26% of our budget to God's word beyond our congregation. We are part of a larger church that serves, accompanies, and shares good news. Together we can do so much more!

To carry out this work together, our goal is to increase giving by \$20,000 over 2021 in new offerings throughout 2022. Please pray for Good Shepherd. Please prayerfully consider the way that you can be part of sharing good news through Good Shepherd in 2022.

Peace,

*Pastor Amy*

# Stewardship

## HEAR THE GOOD NEWS! Stewardship Appeal for 2022 Giving

As Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, we share *Good News* in word and song with a hurting world. Our goal for 2022 is \$20,000 in new giving to support updates to our **sound system**, repairs on the **piano**, investments in **staff**, and continued **giving of 26% of our budget** to God's work beyond our congregation.

### Important Dates:

October 10 and 17	<b>Temple Talks</b> in Worship
October 24	<b>Adult Forum</b> about the stewardship appeal at 11am (note date change)
Week of November 8	<b>Phonation</b> reminding members of Stewardship Intent Sunday
November 14	<b>Stewardship Intent Sunday</b> - we will place our statements of intent in front of the altar during worship. You can also mail your intent to the church or make an intent online.

## August Treasurer's Report

### 1. Income versus Expense

Income to date is \$206,928.13. Expenses to date are \$217,144.24. That results in a deficit of \$10,216.11. Recall that we still have non-income funding for the Youth Director position. Subtracting that \$4,846.40 expense from the deficit, our current deficit, in fact, is \$5,370.11. Recall, also, that we have not used any of our \$29,625.48 surplus (most of this is a result of our PPP grant). In short, we remain in solid financial shape.

### 2. Comparison to 2020.

Last year's income at this point was \$198,70.75 and last year's expenses at this point were \$200,443.39. The primary increases in expenses, most of which were anticipated, have been in Benevolence (approximately \$3,000), Worship and Music (up about \$6,000) and Facilities and Grounds (up about \$6,000)

### 3. Statements of Intent

The 2021 statements of intent projected \$195,602 in offering income to this point. The actual number is \$193,776. In other words, members of the congregation have been quite faithful in carrying out their intended giving.

# EWALU CAMPER THANK YOU!

Your generous giving to Good Shepherd makes it possible for us to provide camperships to EWALU.  
Thank you for supporting our mission.

Dear Good Shepherd,  
Thank you for the scholarship to camp EWALU. I had so much fun. It was my first time going to the full week camp. **Bristol Parker** (via email)

Thank you Good Shepherd for helping send me to camp. I love the Ewalu counselors. This year, camp really helped my faith grow. **Abby Larson** (via email)

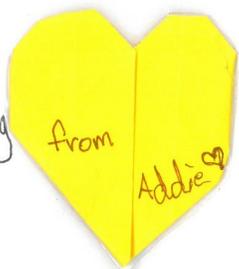


Dear Good Sheppard, thank you so much for the campership. I met many new friends and did so many fun activities. I've made so many meories at Ewalu, and hope to go next year.  
Your Friend, Poppy\*

Hi Good Shepard!  
Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to go to Camp Ewalu. I had such a great time there. We made Pear juice ~~on~~ one of the days we were there. Another day, we went to an Amish farm. It was interesting to see the very big horses. I really appreciate you giving me the campership. Thanks Good Shepard.  
Sincerely, Lulu



Thank you for helping pay for our camp experience



I know I loved being at camp it was so fun to go ziplining

# October Youth Events

## Youth Gathering Fundraising/Info Meeting

October 22nd, 6pm

**Bob and Ann Naslund's home - hot dogs, s'mores and campfire**

Youth attending the ELCA Youth Gathering and their families are invited to a hot dog supper and information meeting at Bob and Ann Naslund's home (right by Good Shepherd, address will be shared via email.) Youth and families will hear more detailed information on the overall cost of the trip, along with upcoming fundraising events to help lower the cost. After the brief meeting, youth are invited to hang out around the campfire with Kelli. Rain location for the meeting: Good Shepherd Fellowship Hall.

## Luther Rope Course Event

October 30th 9am-12pm

Good Shepherd Youth Forum (grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) are invited to come "hang out" and try something new at the Luther College Rope's Course! Please bring \$10 and the signed rope course waiver if you are interested, by October 13th. The waiver will be sent out soon. Apple Cider and candy will be provided at Good Shepherd after the event.

Questions about these events? Contact Kelli - [kelli@goodshepherddecorah.org](mailto:kelli@goodshepherddecorah.org)



**GOOD SHEPHERD INFORMATION SESSION:** Want to learn more about Good Shepherd? Wondering how you can connect here and share your gifts? Interested in membership? Come to an information session with Pr. Amy, the Outreach and Hospitality Committee and current members of the congregation Sunday, October 10 at 11:00am in the sanctuary. New members will be received in worship on Sunday, October 24.

**SHEPHERD NEW MEMBERS!** Get to know some of the new faces around Good Shepherd by *servicing as a shepherd for a new member household*. This involves welcoming them at worship on New Member Sunday, Oct. 24 and helping them to connect at Good Shepherd after that. If you can attend the Oct. 10 Information Session that is also helpful (but not required for shepherds). If you can help with this, email Marie Freerking [mariefreerking@yahoo.com](mailto:mariefreerking@yahoo.com) or call the church office.

# October Prayer

Merciful God, amidst all the struggles of our world that we carry together--COVID, hatred and violence, Afghanistan, hurricanes, floods, fires, and more--there are also the private struggles of our hearts--aches, guilts, fears, wounds. Be with us in our personal burdens; bring healing, wisdom, courage, strength, and peace. Help us carry our weaknesses and wounds with compassion. Help us remember that everyone else also carries struggles, most known only to them. Help us to reflect your gentle spirit and loving touch in all we think, do, and say.

Loving God, one of the great mysteries of our lives is that there is joy as well as struggle and sorrow. Shield our joy. Protect memories of joys you have given in the past. Open our hearts to the joy you give today. Help us rejoice with others in their times of joy.

God of abundance, thank you for surrounding us with people who share your gifts: the bounty of summer gardens; prayers; smiles; help with daily needs. Open our hearts and minds to recognize how the labor and love of others contributes to our lives. Help us remember that we are carried through life by the labor and love of an endless stream of people, most of them unknown to us. Help us to bless and give thanks for all these signs of your endless flow of love. Help us to be a channel of your love flowing back into the world. Amen.

Offered by Jane Jakoubek

# October Scriptures

<b>19<sup>th</sup> Pent. October 3, 2021</b>	<b>Teaching about Relationships/ Jesus Blesses Children</b>	Genesis 2:18-24 Psalm 8	Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Pent. October 10, 2021</b>	<b>The Rich Man</b>	Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 Psalm 90:12-17	Hebrews 4:12-16	Mark 10:17-31
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Pent. October 17, 2021</b>	<b>The Request of James and John</b>	Isaiah 53:4-12 Psalm 91:9-16	Hebrews 5:1-10	Mark 10:35-45
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Pent. October 24, 2021</b>	<b>The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus</b>	Jeremiah 31:7-9 Psalm 126	Hebrews 7:23-28	Mark 10:46-52
<b>Reformation Day October 31, 2021</b>	<b>If the Son Makes You Free</b>	Psalm 46	Romans 3:19-28	John 8:31-36

# October 2021 Ministry Team

DATE	LITURGY/WORSHIP	USHER	FELLOWSHIP
Sunday, October 3	Asst. Minister: Jane Kemp Reader: Richard Ylvisaker Cantor: Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. *Lyle Otte 2. Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. Marion Pruitt-Jefferson 2. Marie Freerking 3. Carol Hasvold
Sunday, October 10	Asst. Minister: Harland Nelson Reader: Jane Borelli Cantor: Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. *John Jefferson 2. Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. Ingrid Callaghan 2. Lyle & Sue Luzum 3.
Sunday, October 17	Asst. Minister: Reader: Bob Larson Cantor:	1. *Jim Fritz 2. Lyle Otte	1. 2. 3.
Sunday, October 24	Asst. Minister: Ruth Bruce Reader: Harland Nelson Cantor: Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. *Christy Tomlinson 2. John Jefferson	1. 2. 3.
Sunday, October 31 Reformation Sunday	Asst. Minister: Reader: Cantor: Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. *John Jefferson 2. Marion Pruitt-Jefferson	1. Ingrid Callaghan 2. 3.

## Ministry Team Opportunities Abound!

The [Ministry Team Signup](#) for the remainder of 2021 has many slots to fill.

Please take a moment to add your name to fill a spot to assist in worship and fellowship this fall.

We ask that all members serve at least four times a year.



**A big thank you** to everyone who contributed to the LWR kits. We will be assembling them this month and taking to Olson Trucking to be delivered to the warehouse in St Paul along with donations from other churches in Northeast Iowa.

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will be hosting** the fall gathering of the Upper Iowa Cluster on Saturday, October 16th. Our speaker will be the Reverend Ginny Olson, Pastor of St. Peter's in Eldorado. Reverend Olson will be speaking on the 50th Anniversary of Women's Ordination in the ELCA. Coffee and pastries will be served beginning at 8:30 am and the gathering will begin at 9 am. Please contact Bev Sheridan if you can help with the coffee/treats. Masks are recommend. All are invited to come.

**CLA circle will meet on October 26** at 6 pm in the church fellowship hall to assemble baby care kits. Cloth diapers and infant sleepers are still needed for these kits. Gather bible study will follow at 7 pm. Kris Peterson will lead the discussion. All are welcome.

#### **Gather Bible Study**

Did you notice that your **Gather magazine** is now a **bimonthly** publication? Print and online subscribers will now receive combined monthly issues in their homes six times a year. So, please do not recycle your magazine but save it for our October meeting also.

#### **The Gift of the Spirit**

Celtic Christians likened the Holy Spirit not to a dove, but to a goose. In these three sessions of the fall *Gather Bible study*, the Rev. Sara Olson-Smith, associate pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa, will lead us on our own divine Wild Goose chase. We'll track the Holy Spirit's actions throughout the Bible and throughout our lives. We'll explore how the Spirit moves God's people into adventures and lives we would never dare risk on our own.

#### **Session 2: Breath of God: Reviver and reformer**

The Holy Spirit is the breath of God, giving life and building community. Beginning with the breath God gave that first human, continuing with the breath that made dry bones dance, God's Spirit continues to revive us. We will see the ways that the Spirit gives life—not just to us as individuals, but to our communities, reconciling us and forming us into life-giving communities, even in our diversity. (from the Gather magazine)

#### **October 26 Circle Gathering**

**6 pm - Fellowship Hall to assemble baby care kits.**

**7 pm - Gather Study**

**Masks Recommended**



By God's grace and the Church's call  
**Amalia Joann Vagts**

will be ordained to the ministry of  
Word and Sacrament in Christ's Church

**Saturday, October 23, 2021**  
**at 1:00 pm**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
701 Iowa Avenue Decorah, IA 52101

Bishop Deborah K. Hutterer  
of the Grand Canyon Synod  
of the ELCA will preside.

The Rev. Jeff R. Johnson will preach.

All are invited to wear festive and red attire.  
Masks and vaccinations required. Dancing optional.

Service will be recorded.

Amalia has been called to serve  
Our Saviour's Lutheran in Tucson, Arizona

## **LISTENING SESSIONS FOR GOOD SHEPHERD'S DRAFT RACIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 7:00 p.m. - Zoom**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 11:00 a.m. - In person at Good Shepherd**

Thank you to all who participated in our congregational conversations around race and racial justice on September 19 and 26. Building upon the groundwork we laid in those conversations, Good Shepherd's Antiracism Task Force will facilitate discussion and collect responses to our congregation's draft Racial Justice Statement.

Please join one of these sessions.

The statement and grounding scriptures are included on pages 11-12 of this newsletter. We ask you to pray and reflect as you consider this statement and ask yourself the following questions:

- a. **What words or phrases resonate well with you? Which words or phrases lift your spirit?**
- b. **How is God at work in what is resonating for you and lifting your spirit here? How is God calling to you through this?**
- c. **What words or phrases bring heaviness or defensiveness, or are painful?**
- d. **How is the Spirit moving in the feeling of discomfort or heaviness within you? Where is God in what you are experiencing?**

# Racial Justice Statement

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Decorah, IA

**We proclaim** that God has created the diversity of humankind in God's image and we are all equal and beloved children of God. Racism and white supremacy are evils that estrange us from one another, from God, and the fullness of our humanity. (*Genesis 1:27a*)

**We are in need** of liberation from the sins of racism and white supremacy. (*Romans 3:23*)

**We confess** by what we have done and left undone that we have perpetuated systems of racial injustice and violence. (*Micah 6:8*)

**We acknowledge** that Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is built on land that was home to the Ioway, Otoe-Missouria, Eastern Dakota, Sac and Fox, and Winnebago tribes. In 1848, over two thousand Winnebago were forcibly displaced from here by the U.S. military to make way for European-American settlers. ([2016 Assembly Action CA16.02.04 Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery](#))

**We lament** that the white Church, through its dominant place in American culture and history, has actively constructed, justified, and sustained systems of racial injustice and violence. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has marginalized Lutheran Black, Indigenous, and People of Color leaders and communities and perpetuated a patriarchal, monocultural and racially segregated status quo. ([From Declaration of the ELCA to Peoples of African Descent issued by ELCA Church Council, June 27, 2019](#))

**We trust** in the new life made possible through Christ's resurrection and we are hopeful that the Church is an ideal place to engage in the lifelong and transformative work of racial justice. Fostering antiracist ideas and actions is one way that we can follow Jesus' example of love for our neighbor. When we fail, we will rely on God's grace, that God might work in and through our broken humanity and that we might be sustained to learn from our mistakes and continue to show up for the work of antiracism. (*2 Corinthians 5:17-18*)

**We commit** to listen, learn, and act with courage, kindness, respect, and humility as we practice antiracism both individually and as a congregation. (*Galatians 5:22*)

**We publicly declare** that we will actively pursue racial justice in all aspects of our congregational life and make changes to adopt antiracist policies and practices around worship, education, advocacy, stewardship, governance, and through our community partnerships and relationships. (*Galatians 5:22, Isaiah 56: 6*)

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## Grounding Scriptures and ELCA Statements

**We proclaim...** “God created humankind in God’s image, in the image of God, God created them,” (Genesis 1:27a)

**We are in need...** “since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,” (Romans 3:23)

**We confess...** “He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” (Micah 6:8)

**We acknowledge...** our ELCA 2016 churchwide assembly, voted to “repudiate explicitly and clearly the European-derived doctrine of discovery as an example of the ‘improper mixing of the power of the church and the power of the sword’ (Augsburg Confession Article XXVIII), and acknowledge and repent from this church’s complicity in the evils of colonialism in the Americas, which continue to harm tribal governments and individual tribal Members.” ([2016 Assembly Action CA16.02.04 Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery](#))

**We lament...** The ELCA Church Council, In 2019, issued a declaration to Peoples of African Descent which recognizes that “Institutional racism currently exists in the ELCA through discriminatory treatment within the call process; inequitable compensation of clergy of color; racial segregation; divestment from black communities and congregations; systemic policies and organizational practices; and failure to fully include the gifts of leadership and worship styles of people of African descent.” ([From Declaration of the ELCA to Peoples of African Descent issued by ELCA Church Council, June 27, 2019](#))

**We trust...** “So If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.” (2 Corinthians 5:17-18)

**We commit...** “the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control” (Galatians 5:22)

**We publicly declare...** “For [Christ] is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us...so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace,” Ephesians 2: 14-15

“Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?” (Isaiah 56: 6)

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# Good Shepherd Announcements



## **OCTOBER 1 - CHARTER MEMBER VERNE KOENIG'S 100th BIRTHDAY**

*His family will be hosting an open house at Good Shepherd Church, in Fellowship Hall, Oct 2, 2021 from 1pm to 3pm. Masks will be mandatory to attend this event. The community is welcome to attend.*

**OFFICE HOURS FOR KELLI GAPINSKI:** Kelli will be doing her ministry throughout the week. She will also offer consistent office hours on Thursdays from 4:30-6:30pm. Congregation/Youth Forum members, Sunday School helpers, or College Ministries students can stop in to her office to chat/have coffee/plan/pray together. Kelli is in the middle office in the office hallway. Her door will be open, and simply an offering for those who wish to connect.



**SAVE THE DATE! *Good Shepherd will host*** the ordination of Amalia Vagts on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 1pm in the GS Sanctuary. Amalia is being ordained into the Ministry of Word and Sacrament. She has been called to serve at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Tucson, AZ.. All are invited to wear festive and red attire. Masks and vaccination required.

**RECORDING WORSHIP:** Would you like to help out with worship by recording the service for YouTube? We have a simple process. It involves simple set up and uploading the service. We pay a stipend for this work. If you are interested, contact Brooke Joyce: [wbojoyce3@gmail.com](mailto:wbojoyce3@gmail.com)

**SIGN UP TODAY PLEASE! Awaken your faith by helping with children and youth.** We have 29 children and youth registered for Sunday School and Youth Forum this year! We have 3 classes now and 3 great lead teachers as well as Kelli Gapinski, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry, working with our kids. We need **2 - 3 helpers each Sunday** as the Good Shepherd Abuse Prevention Program stipulates that we have 2 adults working with each class. The teachers do all the prep and leadership. The other adult is simply a second, supportive presence in the room. We also occasionally need a helper with the Wednesday, 7pm, Confirmation class. This requires just 45-60 minutes of your time a few times a year and a very brief background check for new volunteers. Sign up under the sign ups tab on the website.

**TIME AND TALENTS REMINDER:** How can you share your gifts of time, talents, and treasures to be part of God's work through Good Shepherd? If you have not turned in your survey, please drop it off next Sunday or send back to the church office. It is so useful to know who we can call on you when we have a need for help in our life together!

**AFGHAN REFUGEES :** The Congregation Council encourages members, friends and groups of Good Shepherd to support Afghan refugees through Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin. Many refugees are being housed at Fort McCoy (40 miles east of Lacrosse.) Learn more and see how you can help at [lsswis.org/service/refugee-resettlement/](http://lsswis.org/service/refugee-resettlement/). Note the [FAQ sheet](#) about refugee resettlement. Financial assistance is also needed. You can give to Good Shepherd and note **LSS WI** on the memo line of your check or online donation.



# Good Shepherd Announcements

**3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Wellington Place Bingo Party; Tuesday, October 12, 1:00-1:30 Game, 12:30 setup.** Bring treats and prizes for 30 people; facilitate the game. Please call the church office to volunteer.



You are invited to help provide meals for **Jane Jakoubek** following her up-coming knee surgery. Please drop the meal off at Jane's home between 5-5:30 PM on your chosen date, knocking on Jane's back door before entering. She prefers moderate portions for one of healthy food, low in fat and sugar. Please no garlic. You may sign up for the Meal Train here at this link: <https://mealtrain.com/yvl4gy>

Signups are also possible on the Good Shepherd website homepage at the link under the Sign-Ups tab. If you have any questions regarding sign-up or meals, please contact Kris Peterson.

## GOOD SHEPHERD & THE DECORAH PRIDE FESTIVAL 2021

One way Good Shepherd lives out our commitments as a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation is to participate in the Decorah Pride parade (Saturday, October 9, 3 pm). We will also participate in the parade as a congregation. **Meet at 2:30pm in Mary Christopher Park.** Look for the Good Shepherd Reconciling in Christ banner. The Congregation Council acted to again sponsor Pride at the "Unicorn" level of \$250.



Pride is a celebration of people of diverse sexual and gender identities and expressions. Decorah Pride is open to all through the greater Decorah area who are part of or supporters of the LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer-identifying) community. The Decorah Pride Parade begins the Pride Festival. **Because there will be a large number of people gathering close together, the Pride committee requests that masks be worn, even for outdoor events.**

**Changes to the RELIGION COLUMN in the PUBLIC OPINION NEWSPAPER:** Sponsorship of the weekly religion column is coordinated and sold through a third party for publication. Driftless Multimedia has been informed that the third party company will cease offering this service as of Nov. 21, and the religion column will no longer be published in the Public Opinion. The current schedule of articles will continue through to the Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> issue of the Public Opinion. The newspaper is currently looking at other options for churches to increase awareness of their congregations in the newspaper. For more information or with any questions, please call Kate Klimesh at 563-382-4221, or email [kate.klimesh@driftlessjournal.com](mailto:kate.klimesh@driftlessjournal.com).

**St. Peter Lutheran Church**, Eldorado is celebrating our 160th anniversary with a Drive-Thru Anniversary Dinner - Sunday, October 3, 2021, serving 11am-1pm. Menu: pulled pork sandwich, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, & brownie. *Freewill donations will support the church painting project.*

**Lutheran Cemetery Association** is looking for someone to mow the cemetery property starting in 2022. Please contact Ryan Brynsaas at [brynsaas6499@gmail.com](mailto:brynsaas6499@gmail.com)

**WORLD FOOD DAY ON OCTOBER 16TH** is a day to commit to ensuring that hunger is eradicated and to honor those who produce our food. Locally, the **Decorah Community Food Pantry** makes food available to food insecure people in Northeast Iowa. *Ways that you can help:* We need volunteers on Thursdays from 5:00 to 7:00 PM., contributions of 16 oz bottles of ketchup and oil, and monetary donations are always welcome. For further information consult our website [decorahfoodpantry.org](http://decorahfoodpantry.org) or call 563 202 0872.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8:45am - Band warmup 9:30am - In-person Worship @ 10:45am - Sunday School - 4yr- 10:45am - Youth Forum grade @ 11:30am - Online Worship @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 6:30pm - AL/ANON @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7:30pm - Antiracism Task Force 8pm - Jon A practice	8:30am - Office Hours 1:30pm - ESL Instruction @ Good 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7pm - Choir rehearsal 7pm - Confirmation Class 8pm - Band rehearsal	Recycle 8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Bible Study @ Good 10am - Jon A practice 1:30pm - Property and 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice	8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Jon A. practice 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice	10am - Jon A practice 3pm - Decorah Pride Parade
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Baptism of Henry Burrell 8:45am - Choir warmup 9:30am - In-person Worship @ 10:45am - Sunday School - 4yr- 10:45am - Youth Forum grade @ 11:30am - Online Worship @ GS 10:45pm - Good Shepherd	8:30am - Office Hours 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 4:30pm - Stewardship 6:30pm - AL/ANON @ GS	Wellington Place Bingo Prizes 8:30am - Office Hours 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7pm - Racial Justice Listening 8pm - Jon A practice	8:30am - Office Hours 9:30am - Opportunity Homes @ 10:30am - Aase Haugen 1pm - Wellington Place 1:30pm - ESL Instruction @ Good 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 4:45pm - Education Committee	8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Bible Study @ Good 10am - Jon A practice 1:30pm - Travel Club @ Good 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 4:30pm - Kelli's Office Hours 7pm - Council Agenda Planning	8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Jon A. practice 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice	8:30am - WELCA Cluster Meeting 10am - Jon A practice
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Hosting Luther Football Reunion 8:45am - Handbell practice 9:30am - In-person Worship @ 11am - Football Reunion Event 11:30am - Online Worship @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 6:30pm - AL/ANON @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 6:30pm - Sons of Norway @ 7:30pm - Cong. Council Mtg. @ 8pm - Jon A practice	8:30am - Office Hours 11am - Eastern Star Communion 1pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:30pm - ESL Instruction @ Good 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7pm - Choir rehearsal 7pm - Confirmation Class 8pm - Band rehearsal	Newsletter Deadline Recycle 8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Bible Study @ Good 10am - Jon A practice 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 3pm - Endowment Fund 4:30pm - Kelli's Office Hours	8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Jon A. practice 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 6pm - Youth Gathering Supper	10am - Jon A practice 12pm - Sanctuary and 1pm - Amalia Vagts Ordination
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
New Member Sunday 8:45am - Choir warmup 9:30am - In-person Worship @ 10:45am - Sunday School - 4yr- 10:45am - Youth Forum grade @ 11am - Stewardship Adult 11:30am - Online Worship @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 6:30pm - AL/ANON @ GS	8:30am - Office Hours 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7pm - WELCA Circle Mtg. Gather 8pm - Jon A practice	8:30am - Office Hours 1:30pm - ESL Instruction @ Good 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 7pm - Choir rehearsal 7pm - Confirmation Class 8pm - Band rehearsal	5pm - Roseville Lutheran Youth Group staying in Fellowship Hall 8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Bible Study @ Good 10am - Jon A practice 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice 4:30pm - Kelli's Office Hours	8:30am - Office Hours 10am - Jon A. practice 1pm - Friends of Recovery @ GS 2pm - Melanie Holm Practice	9am - Youth Ropes Course Event 10am - Jon A practice
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jazz Worship Reformation Sunday - 8:45am - Choir & Band warmup 9:30am - In-person Worship @ 10:45am - Sunday School - 4yr- 10:45am - Youth Forum grade @ 11am - Racial Justice Listening						

## Worship and Adult Education Opportunities

WATCH OR LISTEN TO A RECORDING OF IN PERSON WORSHIP EACH WEEK

We record and upload the in person service by 11:45am each Sunday.

Worship services are broadcast through KWLC at 11:30am each Sunday.

**Decorah Public Access Channel** Our online worship services from the previous Sunday will be available each Friday at 6:30 p.m. on Mediacom Public Access **Channels 15 and 79-2.**

**Podcasts** of worship, music and sermons are now available. Click on the **buzzsprout icon**, upper right on our website's homepage, for a shortcut to the Good Shepherd podcasts.

**Listen to Good Shepherd Sermons online** through the **GS website**, watch just the sermon on YouTube or contact the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

### BIBLE STUDY

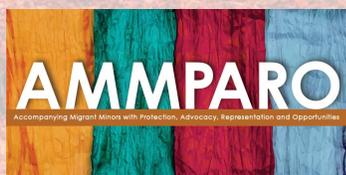
**Weekly Bible Study Every Thursday at 10am.** This group meets in the library, masks are required; a Zoom option is available.

**Gather Bible Study** meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. See page 7 for more information. All are welcome to this study group.

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