



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

AUGUST 2025

BIRTHDAYS

1—Josiah Neenan
3—Evelyn Kessler
4—Eric Shelton
6—Michelle Blevins, Fred Rudacille
7—Grace Shelton
8—Kirsten Robbins, John Yarnell
11—John Denny
15—Will Candisky
16—Randy Aument
18—Chad Street
22—Donna Siple
23—Stephanie Bowman
24—Doris Ruesskamp
29—Perley Allen
30—Donna Toomey

ANNIVERSARIES

3—Jeanette & Perley Allen
10—Shirley & Mark Crone
21—Debbie & Dave Eicholtz

August

August 2025

September 2025

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August 2025

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jul 27	28	29	30	31	Aug 1	2
					5:30pm Wedding rehearsal	Gonzalez wedding (afternoon)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			10:00am Outreach Committee Meeting (Adult Sunday school room)	6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	6:00pm LWMML meeting		6:00pm Council Meeting	6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
				6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal	8:00am Men's Breakfast	
31	Sep 1	2	3	4	5	6

OCTOBERFEST DINNER

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Friday, October 10th – 5-7 p.m.

Ticket Prices

Adult \$20, Child (5-12 years) \$12, Free (< 5 years), Carry Out \$12

Benefiting New Church Roof

Menu: Pork Schnitzel, Bratwurst, Red Cabbage,
Sauerkraut, Spaetzle, Bread, Dessert, Beverage

Live Music by Alpenlanders German Band



Sponsored by Shepherd's Flock Fellowship

Men's Zoom Bible Study will not be meeting during the month of August. We will resume at our usual day/time of Thursday 9:30am on September 4th. The Book of Joshua will be our next study. If you would like to join us, or would like additional information about our study, please contact Ron Webb or Dave Stetler.

Outreach committee is meeting on **Wednesday August 6** at 10am at church in the adult Sunday school room.

Men's Chorus: " Oh sing unto the Lord a new song" (Psalm 96:1). Thank you, Men's Chorus, for singing a patriotic medley to celebrate the 4th of July. Al Mokris accompanied the group and Lynda Weidner directed.



Congratulations graduates!



Ian McEvoy graduated from west York area high school. He will be attending University of Pittsburgh- Greensburgh campus in the fall.

Isabella Landis graduated from West York High School and will be attending Stevenson University as part of their cheer team, honors college, leadership college, and will major in Psychology



MULTI-AGE SUNDAY SCHOOL: The students having been learning many things from the Bible this summer.

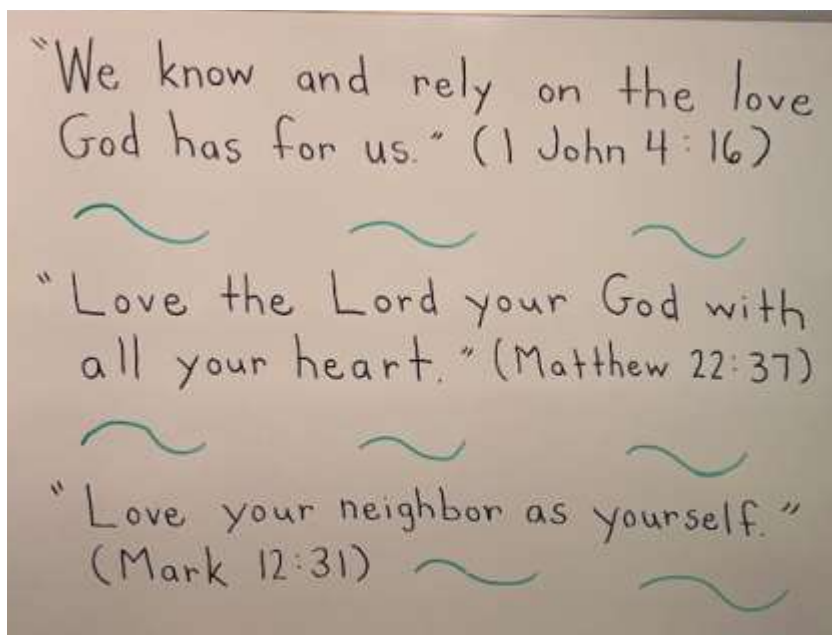
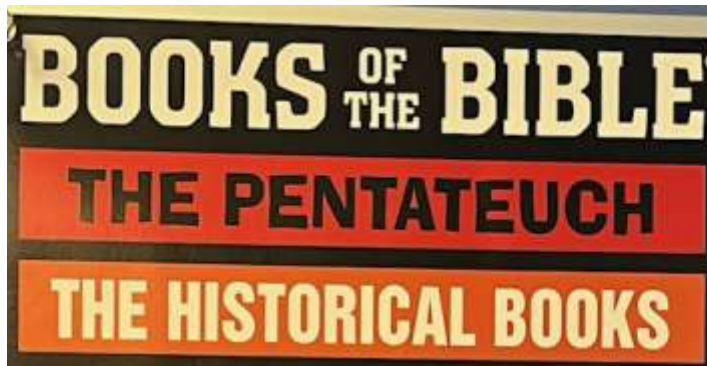
Our June Bible lessons have taught them:

1. They can show love to God by listening to His Word like Josiah.
2. They can show love to God by obeying like Jonah eventually did.
3. Making good choices like Solomon pleases God.
4. They can trust God to care for them just like David did.

Our July Bible lessons taught them:

1. The most important rule is to love God and each other just like Jesus told a man in the crowd who tried to trick Him.
2. They should keep on forgiving like the king forgave his servant.
3. It is important to give cheerfully to those in need like the believers did to those in Jerusalem.
4. Sharing what they have shows love just like Paul and Lydia.

We have also been reviewing the books of the Bible, starting with those pictured. Our memory verses are pictured as well.





GOOD SHEPHERD YARD SALE

Saturday, Sept 13th—8a.m.—1p.m.

Spaces available @ \$15 and tables @ \$10

FOOD TENT AND BAKED GOODS TABLE

Contacts:

Reserve Space/Table—Shirley Dreyer

General Info—Larry Kaetzel

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX TO
HELP OR TO PROVIDE BAKED GOODS**



SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) - 2025

Will you help put smiles on the faces and joy in the hearts of some needy children this Christmas? **You can**, by filling a shoe box with toys, school supplies and personal items for the many less fortunate children throughout the world: children affected by war, poverty, disease and natural disaster?

This is an early reminder so you can take advantage of all the *Back To School* special sales!

(Plastic shoeboxes to fill will be available in the Narthex in **October**.)

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August Men's Breakfast

At Church, Friday, August 29, 2025 at 8:00 AM!

Come, enjoy the fellowship. We receive food for our body, and also for our spirit.

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Lutheran Women's Missionary League

- * Meeting will be held Mon. Aug. 11 @ 6pm. All ladies are invited to attend.
- * Mites will be collected August 24 and 31. Look for the mite box in the narthex.
- * August charity donations:
 - * Harvest of Hope
 - * Lehman Center
- * Look for our upcoming project in September: Gift cards
- * Unfortunately our bazaar has been cancelled for 2025. Who knows what 2026 will bring?

Back to School Project

During the of month August we're asking for donations from the congregation to fill backpacks, donated by Thrivent, with school supplies.

Help keep students at the top of their game.

Take a 'pencil' from the LWML bulletin board, purchase the supplies listed, and place the items in the basket located in the hallway.

The backpacks, filled with mechanical and colored pencils, glue sticks, 3-ring binders, pocket folders, notebook paper, crayons, and pens, will be delivered to the York Salvation Army in support of the York City School District.

Thank you for your support!





8th ANNUAL - RELAY FOR LIFE CAR SHOW

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH - 2121 ROOSEVELT AVE, YORK

MON, SEPT 1, 2025 - 10AM – 2PM

All types of vehicles are welcomed!! \$10 donation per vehicle (until 12pm)

50/50 raffle, Silent Raffle, Door prizes, Trophies (multiple categories)

Come out show off your vehicle, have fun and support a great cause – American Cancer Society

RSVP and/or questions – jmfrantz3@hotmail.com

We ask that everyone please refrain from any Loud music, Burn-outs or Dragging the show. Weapons, Drugs & Alcohol are strictly prohibited. American Cancer Society and Good Shepherd reserves the right to refuse admittance to any persons or vehicle who is not keeping with the quality or safety of the show.

Facebook event – under Central PA Car Shows

DJ Rick Rock

FOOD VENDORS



Why do Lutherans worship like they do? Part Two

What about Liturgy? Is it Biblical?

The early Church did not reinvent the wheel in how it worshipped. It merely followed how the Jews worshipped for centuries, since the vast majority of first generation believers were Jewish. Remember, all the apostles were Jewish. The Church patterned its worship on the practice found in Jewish synagogues: Prayers, Scripture reading, a homily, and singing. The main differences were the additions were the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Several years ago, I remember asking a Greek Orthodox friend, "Where is the earliest reference to 'liturgy' in the writings of the Church Fathers?" (I assumed it had to be there). His answer surprised me, because he quickly replied: "It's in the Bible." Automatically I thought he must be mistaken, because in all my years of studying the Scriptures, I have never seen 'liturgy' mentioned. It wasn't until some months later that I discovered the term 'liturgy' is used in Acts 13:2, but NOT in any Protestant Bible. My Greek Orthodox friend could answer "in the Bible" without hesitation because he was reading the New Testament in its original language, without the bias of translators.

The Greek New Testament clearly has the word 'liturgy' in it. In fact it is the very first word in Acts 13:2. It is in the verb form (λειτουργέω - pronounced, li-toorg-eh'-o), and means 'to perform a work' or 'to do a service'. As it pertains to worship it speaks of that sacred service performed by the one who presides over the worship. Our English translations do not accurately convey what is going on at the Church at Antioch in Acts, chapter 13. They either have 'ministered' (KJV, NJKV) and 'ministering' (NASB), or 'worshiping' (NIV, RSV, NRSV). Even some Catholic Bibles do not reflect the Greek text: the Challoner-Rheims Version also has 'worshiping', while the Jerusalem Bible has 'offering worship'.

The word 'liturgy' is merely a transliteration of the Greek λειτουργέω. The text of Acts 13:2, should read something like this: "As they performed the liturgy to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said: Separate to me" The implications of this verse are important in our understanding of how the apostles themselves worshiped. This verb 'liturgy' (λειτουργέω) is also found in Romans 15:27 and Hebrews 10:11.

So the bottom line is that the vast majority of Christians throughout the world still maintain liturgical worship. Yes, they vary, but they still have the same elements of worship. And in case you were wondering, Lutheran worship, along with Anglican worship is based on the Western/Latin liturgy, whereas the Orthodox Church primarily uses the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, and Coptic Churches primarily follow the Liturgy of St. Basil.

Perley Allen



A Joyful, Generous Heart

When we think of stewardship, a main topic is often tithing. The Old Testament has so many instructions regarding tithing that we often think of tithing as the last word, the law. However, both the Old and New Testaments say something more and better about our giving.

In Exodus 25 and 35, the LORD gives detailed instructions to Moses regarding building the sanctuary and tabernacle. About giving and donations for this building, the LORD says:

Speak to the people of Israel, that they take for me a contribution. From every man whose heart moves him you shall receive the contribution for me. Exodus 25:2

Take from among you a contribution to the Lord. Whoever is of a generous heart, let him bring the Lord's contribution: gold, silver, and bronze. Exodus 35:5

The idea here is to give from the heart with freedom and joy, generously and willingly.

And the New Testament continues this idea of joyful, generous giving.

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

In this passage, along with joyful, heart-felt giving, the New Testament adds the idea of a person deciding ahead of time how much he will give. This verse suggests that giving should be by percentage.

The takeaways from these passages:

1. If you have assets, you have the joy of giving to the Lord's work.
2. The Lord delights in your giving.
3. Decide ahead of time how much you will give based on your income.
4. Give with a joyful, generous heart.

Submitted by Kathy Mokris



Good Shepherd Quilters

If you are wondering how to volunteer - look no further.

Making quilts for Lutheran World Relief(LWR) is a tangible way to express love to our neighbors in need. Quilts can be used as warm bedding, simple tents or floor coverings. Each one reflects God's loving presence in a 'world rife with suffering' (quote from LWR website).

Here at Good Shepherd we have a dedicated group of people who love making quilts for those in need. We started this mission project in 2022 making 22 quilts the first year. This year we made 68. We are getting better. We meet Thursday mornings at 9:30 AM for 2 1/2 hours, starting in Sept and ending in May. We use donated cotton and cotton mix fabrics and donated sheets, pillow cases, curtains, table cloths, fabric shower curtains, shirts, and other quilt worthy fabrics.

We take our finished quilts to a warehouse in New Windsor MD where they are packed and stored until there is a need for them. This past year the quilts made here at Good Shepherd may have been sent to North Carolina, Ukraine, The Congo, or Turkiye.

Our quilters plan to sell Ham & Cheese Pretzel Roll Sandwiches to raise funds to support our project. Please look for the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex in September.



NEEDING OUR PRAYERS for body, soul, and spirit:

Adams family; Hester Allen; Josh Allen; Frank Altland; Sonya Alwine; Annette Anderson; Tina Bell; Darlene Bentzel; Tammy Bosley; Bill Bucher; Nancy Buckley; Jeffery Cogan; Dawn Coley; Dona Dellinger; Joyce Devan; Judy Eckenrode; Dave Eicholtz; Jane Esterby; Bob & Marge Filangeri; Pastor Thurman Frey; Jack & Donnalene Gingerich; Bob and Sandy Hahn; Wayne, Allyson & Christopher Hoffmann; Alice Jakupciak; Bob Jakupciak; Beatrice Jeanette; Sandy Knisely; Linda Latif; Marva Matz and family; Randy Miller; Neenan family; Norma Orsie; Dave Polimeni; Yvonne Rudacille; Denise Sater; Tom Shearer; Bill Smith; Cary Smith; Pat Smith; Bill Svobota; Beth Ann Thompson; Joe & Donna Toomey; Elizabeth Turner; Ella Weisbord; Jim Williams; John Yarnell; Cole Young



Chris & Will Candisky

Denise Eckert

Sandy & Bob Hahn



Patty Hoshall

Joanne Reese

Our Homebound Members

Doris Ruesskamp

Pauline Schaefer



Donna Siple

Lola Strickler

Donna & Joe Toomey

Sharon Warnecke

George Yovich

Through mid-July we have sold a total of \$13,260 Weis and Giant gift cards. The Building Fund received 5% or \$ 663 of the sales. Please continue buying these cards in the narthex from Tom or Marilyn each Sunday.



August's Local Mission:

Valley Youth House

Provides support to youth 18-24, especially those leaving foster care or experiencing homelessness. If you would like to contribute, please include "Local mission" in the memo of your donation.

Ushers for August: Dave & Louann Stetler and Jon & Joy Williams

Acolytes for August: Nathan & Chelsea Street

Attendance

SUNDAY	9am In-Person	11am In-Person	YouTube Views
June 1	36	77	14
June 8	37	72	31
June 15	31	68	27
June 22	33	72	26
June 29	25	73	22
July 6	23	77	23
July 13	33	71	31
July 20	27	72	26
July 27	28	63	27



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Sunday Worship:

In-person or Livestream

9:00 Alternative

10:00 Sunday School

11:00 Traditional

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are
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