

The *Choice*

*From the Pastor
Tamara Keen*

of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Dear Friends in Christ,

It is fall and fall often equates with stewardship in the church. In former years when society was mostly agricultural, it was the time of year when the harvest was finished and compensation for those goods allowed giving to the church to occur. Thus, the stewardship emphasis at this time of year. Even the assigned Sunday texts echo themes of stewardship! So it is of no surprise that the ministry of Good Shepherd Church and our call to serve God is placed before us. It is at this time of year that we purposefully and collectively reflect upon our gifts in time, talent and tithe and return to God our blessings.

I invite you to prayerfully consider ways in which you might grow in the generous giving of your self, your time and your possessions. I also ask you to invite me to do the same.

Your contributions honor God. Your giving permits the life and ministry of this congregation to exist. In serving God and in reaching out to others with the Good News of Jesus Christ, he is honored.

Giving and growth are connected. We grow spiritually as we look beyond ourselves and look more deeply at our relationship with God. In God we know how truly blessed we are. We are blessed to be a blessing.

Enclosed in this newsletter is an intent to give card. Please fill it out, prayerfully considering what you are able to give to the ministry of Good Shepherd Church. If you are even able to increase your support by 1% annually it would make a big difference in our ability to serve the Gospel of Jesus Christ. On Sunday, October 16, your cards will be collected and placed in the offering plate for consecration.

Know that your contributions in time, talent and tithe are greatly appreciated.

Pastor Tamara

I I Corinthians 9:8 Our generosity honors God the source of all generosity. Our generosity makes God's purposes known. By God's power, our generosity provides the announcement of the Good News of salvation and the deeds of mercy. The actions of love, which serve the needs of the people everywhere.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Sunday, October 16 is STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY in our congregation. Please bring your Estimate of Giving Card with you to worship and place it in the offering plate. Your generosity will be blessed. Matthews 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

UPCOMING NOVEMBER EVENTS

Arts and Craft Fair, -- Nov. 5

Bishop's Convocation, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri -- Nov. 8-10

Women's Thank Offering -- Nov. 13

Annual Meeting and Potluck -- Nov. 29

IN SYMPATHY

We remember with sympathy and compassion the family and friends of Irene Henschel, who passed away on Friday, September 16. She will be remembered well. *"The eternal God is your dwelling place, and underneath are the everlasting arms."* (Deut. 33:27a)

REFORMATION SUNDAY

REFORMATION SUNDAY is October 30. This is a wonderful festival day in the church. A day when we celebrate God's gift of grace through faith in Jesus Christ. A day of thanksgiving for the great reformers, Luther, Calvin, Wesley, . . . A day of prayerful reflection on the needs of the church, . . . A day to gather in praise of God's goodness to us, His people. Mark your calendar. Wear red. Bring a friend or two with you.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

What a joy that day was. The excitement and joy of that day was written on the faces of all -- grandparents, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren. . . Thanks to all those who responded to the special questions that were sent out. The booklet is a nice keepsake. If you did not receive one, see the display table or ask for your copy in the office. It is a wonderful way to reflect on the past and to embrace the future, especially with your family.

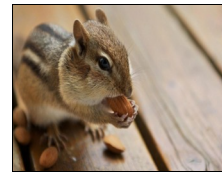
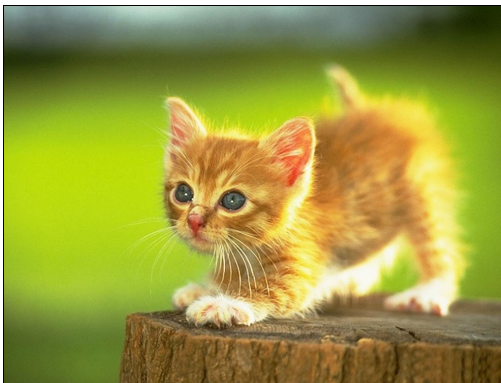


Pictured from left to right in front row: Louie Plummer, Bud Bryant, Bob Burns, Linda Bernhardt, Carolyn Frauenfelder, Hermie Medlock, Back row: Willie Cooper, Art Keller, Dolores and Nelson Haugh, Veda and Curtis Haugh, Joan Eberhardt, Lorraine Delzer and Dorothy Rickords.

CROP HUNGER WALK

CROP Walk is Sunday, October 9. Registration begins at 1:00 and the walk starts at 2:00 at Sedgwick Country Park. Donations are being given to local and world hunger organizations. St. Paul's Saturday Breakfast is one of the recipients. Please give as generously as you are able for this beneficial fundraiser for the hungry. Jars of peanut butter will also be distributed to the Local food bank.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE



Sunday, October 2, at 2:00 p.m. Good Shepherd will have its first blessing of the animals Service. It is a brief service -- 20 minutes or so. You may bring your pets or pictures of them for a blessing. You are welcome to invite your friends or neighbors for this event, as well. It is a great opportunity to celebrate all of God's creation and the special 'critters' in our lives.



Arts & Craft Fair November 5, 2011

Crafters come join the
fun.

Shoppers we have it
all

Christmas is
Coming!!

“Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
To all the people you can
As long as you ever can.” John Wesley

First fall meeting of The Women of
the ELCA will be October 8th at 9:30

at the
Good Shepherd
Lutheran Church



Please continue to bring food items for
the Food Pantry. The donations this past
month went to the Kansas Food Bank.

NEW ADDRESSES:

Nelson & Dolores Haugh
500 E. 50th St. S. #106
Wichita, KS 67216
(same ph. #)

Doris Moran
1221 MacArther Rd. Apt. #224
Wichita, KS 67216

It is better to light one small
candle than to stumble in the
dark.

249 BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATIONAL and 121 CAMPELL'S

labels were sent to the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Rock Point,
AZ. The points from the box tops & labels generate dollars that reimbursed
to the Mission. For products that do not have box tops or labels, their bar
code beginning with 51 or 14 also qualify.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO COLLECT

The basket is on the glass table in Fellowship Hall. They do make a differ-
ence! Their newsletter is also on that table.



Birthdays in October

- 2 Ryan Maynard
- 4 Emily Jo Reed
- 6 Galen Eberhardt
- 7 Bob Burns
- 8 Eleanor Spencer
- 9 Aidan Haugh
- 9 Lynn Standrich
- 10 Brent Albright
- 13 Macyn Mai Cook
- 16 Christy Haugh
- 18 Art Keller
- 18 Nelson Haugh
- 18 Bryan Haugh
- 21 Felicia Kuhlman
- 25 Kelsey Haugh
- 28 Paul Bohlken



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10/24/55 Art & Carol Keller



Live Laugh Love



Please remember these individuals in daily prayer:

- Louis Plummer (Nursing Home)
- Hermie Medlock (Nursing Home)
- Carol Keller (Nursing Home)
- Paul Bohlken
- Loretta Niedens
- Perry Bernhardt
- Todd Whisler
- Vi Brozek (Stroke)
- Ben Bryant (Bud Bryant's brother)
- Eleonore Johnson
- Glena Hansen
- Daryl Spencer
- Anita Brubakken
- Shirley Jones
- Kevin Keen
- Myrtle Page



Prayer Support Available

If you have a concern for which you would like much timely prayer support, please call the church office (524-3401). Your concern will be communicated promptly through our prayer chain.

"Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." James 5:16

**REMEMBER TO:
Help with the Newsletter!!
Please send articles, notes of
interest, happenings,
anything to share.
By Oct. 24, 2011**

Smile it makes people wonder
what you are up to.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>Golcal Mission</i>
2 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 2:00 Pet Blessing	3 7:00 Council	4 Area 5 meeting	5	6	7	8 Women of the ELCA 9:30
9 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 1:00 Crop Walk	10	11 9am Text Study @ St. Paul's	12	13 6:00pm Fleet Reserve	14	15
16 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship	17	18 9am Text Study @ St. Paul's	19	20	21	22 Birthday party in Fellowship Hall All Day
23 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship	24	25 9am Text Study @ St. Paul's	26	27	28	29
30 Reformation 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship	31 Halloween					

Men's Fellowship

President:
Secretary: Roger Brubakken
Treasurer: Earl McCain

Women of ELCA

President: Dolores Haugh
Vice President: Mary Bryant
Secretary: Willie Cooper
Treasurer: Lorraine Delzer

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Council Members

President: Sue Draper
Vice President: Brent Albright
Secretary: Kerri Kuhlman
Deacon: Joan Eberhardt
Elder: Vacant
Mission Coordinator: Willie
Cooper
Treasurer: Nelson Haugh

*I am the
good
shepherd.
I know
my own
and my
own know
me, just as the Father knows me and I know
the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.
I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I
must bring
them also,
and they
will listen
to my voice.
So there
will be one
flock, one
SHEPHERD.
John 10:14-16*

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