

# The Good Shepherd's Fold

**JUNE/JULY 2018**

**May you have a safe, and restful summer remembering to give thanks to the Lord through Worship and Praise.**



## **NEWS OF NOTE**

**The new GSLC Constitution has been approved by the Synod Council and ratified by the Congregation.**

**The following were elected at the Spring Voters' Meeting to serve on the Nominating Committee—Lola Dean, Elsie Kroussakis, Fred LaVail and Anita Nigrin.**

**The Call Committee was approved as follows: Lydia Eckert, Tom Jenkins, Robert McCardel, Sara Stieg and Frank Wolfenbarger.**

**Alternates are: Wanda Damstra and Louise Sass.**

From Our Interim Pastor's Desk



### Greetings from Pastor Phil

As I've shared the past few Sundays, it truly is a joy to be with you and serve as the Interim Pastor at Good Shepherd. I am grateful for the reception you have provided me as I work to get to know you and join with you in ministry to the community of Irving.

As most of you know, I come to Good Shepherd with 35 years of pastoral experience and have served in a variety of settings that include small rural communities, fast growing suburbs and outdoor ministries. While this is the first time that I have ever served in the role of Interim, I believe these various previous experiences have well prepared me to serve at Good Shepherd during this time of pastoral transition.

As the Interim Pastor at Good Shepherd I understand my role to be that of providing pastoral guidance, leadership and support as we move through the grief of goodbye and the joy of joy of new beginnings. Serving on Tuesday, Wednesday and in Worship on Sunday my focus will be preaching, teaching, providing pastoral care, and providing any guidance that may be necessary and helpful to the congregation celebrate the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as it prepares to extend a Call to a new pastor.

To that end I extend an invitation to all to join us on Sunday where we will celebrate the visible presence of God's love in worship at 9:00 am and for congregational fellowship immediately following worship around 10:00 am. At 1:30 pm on Tuesdays we have Bible Study, where we explore more deeply the Word of the Lord and its impact on our lives, and everyone available during the week is invited. Should you have any need for pastoral support I encourage you to call the church office at 972-790-2121 to arrange for a visit.

In the short time that I've been around it's very clear to me that Pastor Carroll was a beloved pastor of this congregation and he is missed. At the same time, it's equally clear to me that this congregation knows the hope of the Gospel and is looking forward to an exciting future and the leadership of a new pastor. My goal is to be a bridge that links the grief of farewell and Godspeed to the joy of welcome and new relationships. It's my prayer that God bless our time together that it becomes beneficial to all!

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### TUESDAY MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

The study for June, July and August will be "Justice in the New Testament", the Books of Matthew; Luke; Romans; 2 Corinthians and Colossians.

**COME JOIN US WHENEVER YOU CAN!**

**1:30 PM**

**THE CONFERENCE ROOM IN THE OFFICE WING**

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that everyone has a great summer and can enjoy some nice vacation time.

As most of you are aware we have a new Interim Pastor. His name is Pastor Phil Geleske and he comes to us having recently retired from running Briarwood. He has been with us for 3 weeks now and certainly seems to be catching on fast. We are blessed to have him with us and I hope everyone gets to spend some time with him. He will be our Interim for the time being, but also has some opportunities coming up that he may need to take advantage of.

The Council met at our normal Monthly meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. We finished the work we needed to do on the Call Committee and that was presented to the Congregation at our meeting last Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>. At our Congregational meeting we approved the Call Committee and the Nominating Committee for the upcoming year. We also approved the new Constitution and got to hear from our Synod Assembly representative. I then met with the Call Committee and Pastor Kris from the Synod on Monday evening the 21<sup>st</sup>. We went over the Call Process and the procedures that they have in place. The Call Committee will now proceed with weekly meetings until they have a candidate that they would like to present to the Congregation. Lydia agreed to be the Chairperson of the group with Sara being the Secretary. We all need to say a prayer for and share our Thanks with Frank, Lydia, Robert, Margaret, Thomas and Sara.

We are just entering the summer and are already dealing with our second A/C breakdown. Don has been working with our A/C repair folks to get it fixed. It seems that a drip pan has rusted out so is now leaking. As I also mentioned on Sunday we are also considering getting the concrete out front replaced so look for more to come on that.

I also wanted to take a minute to talk about Many Helping Hands. We are continuing to host the Thursday Night Feed and I know that the MHH board is looking for a facility to use as a Day Resource Center. The Council voted at the May meeting to grant another 6-month extension so Thanks for that. The Rummage Sale we had at FUMC raised \$1,300.00 for the ministry so Thanks to everyone who donated for it.

Lastly, but certainly not least. A Big Thank You to Cathy and Lydia for all that they do for Good Shepherd. With Pastor being gone I know their duties have grown some and I appreciate all the efforts.

If you have any ideas or concerns that you would like to share please feel free to call me at 972-910-0588.

Thanks,  
Art

# Thank You

Thank you all for the wonderful farewell gathering on Saturday April 7. The food was great, the entertainment was super, and the company was fantastic. Thank you also for the very generous snow blower fundö monetary gift. It will be put to good use. We appreciate all the signed cards and thoughts and prayers you offered as well as the beautiful plaque. Sharon especially likes the blue bonnet soap, the Texas bracelet and Texas state candle. The Texas themed event was a fitting way to conclude nearly ten years of ministry together. We pray our blessings upon the many members of Good Shepherd in the days, weeks, and months ahead as you continue this transition process. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide the right person to lead the congregation into this new chapter of history. Your partnership, friendship, and thoughtfulness will never be forgotten. Thank you for everything.

*May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand..*

Pastor Brad & Sharon Carroll

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**A “BIG SHOUT OUT” and “THANK YOU” GOES TO**

**THE ALLAN JENNING’S AGENCY  
1303 W. Walnut Hill Lane, Suite 140  
Irving**

**Their generous donation to the Fish and Loaves Food Pantry will  
help feed many families.**



## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Women Piecemakers



It is exciting to report that our recent donation of 60 quilts and 65 school kits has arrived at the Lutheran World Relief Warehouse in Maryland and are currently being processed and prepared for shipment as needed. Depending on current need, supplies are often shipped out immediately, and nearly all materials will be shipped within six months. We anxiously await learning of their final destination, where they will greatly bless the lives of their recipients!

A recent report from LWR shows that 305,490 quilts were distributed in 12 countries in 2017. Our quilts were all shipped to Georgia, where I am certain they were greatly appreciated during this past extremely cold winter. During the same time frame, LWR shipped 214,490 school kits to children in 17 countries, one of which was Bosnia, where our kits were sent. How thrilling to think of the excitement felt by these children, many of whom will now be able to attend school for the very first time because they have these supplies! Speaking of the school kits, now is an excellent time to be on the lookout for back to school sales on the supplies which will be needed to fill our next batch of school kits!

In the meantime, the Piecemakers are off to a great start on our next contribution to LWR, with 15 quilts already in some stage of production! In addition, we have a graduation quilt for Emily Stieg, who will be off to TCC in the fall, and one quilt in the process of being completed to be auctioned later this year!

We also want to thank you for all the donations of sheets used for backing our quilts. Please note that due to guidelines from LWR, only gently used (no stains, holes or spots) sheets may be accepted.

We have transitioned to our summer schedule of meeting in the quilting room on the first and third Mondays of the month from 10:00 - 1:00. Everyone who is interested in participating in this important ministry is welcome! We look forward to seeing you as your schedule allows! For further information you can contact Sharon Josefy @ 972-986-8321 (hm) or 972-951-7995 (cell) or [djosefy@verizon.net](mailto:djosefy@verizon.net).

Sharon Josefy



## GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH COUNCIL

**Officers:** Art Schneewind (President), Tony Hazelwood (Vice President), Mark Fox (Treasurer), Clarence Stieg (Financial Secretary), Betty Glendye (Secretary)

**Council Members and Committee Chairs:** Frank Wolfenbarger, Ed Halter, Lydia Eckert (Worship), Marilyn Potter (Discipleship), Don Heyden (Property), John Lukert (Fellowship), Linda Krampitz (Education), Georgia Carmody (Outreach)

### ELDERS

Ardie Schneewind, Tom Jenkins, Anita Nigrin, Marcel Lund

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Rev. Phil Geleske, Interim Pastor

Cathy Gribnitz, Parish Musician [cagribnitz@gsclcirving.com](mailto:cagribnitz@gsclcirving.com)

### Mission Statement:

*Nurtured by God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
we joyfully share God's Word of love and forgiveness.*



## JUNE CELEBRATIONS

Marilyn Potter	6/04
Donald Falk	6/05
Amanda Jenkins	6/12
Marianne Cannon	6/22
Shirley Sele	6/22
Kimberly McBrayer	6/29



## ANNIVERSARIES

Brian and Pam Sele	6/04
John and Lydia Eckert	6/09
Joe and Sarah Rosenbaum	6/20
Don and Sharon Josefy	6/29
Clarence and Jean Stieg	6/29

## JULY CELEBRATIONS



Robyn Rorschach	7/03
Lola Dean	7/10
Shirley Wheeldon	7/14
Jennifer Harvey	7/18
Jonathan Stieg	7/19
Terry Petrick	7/22
Caitlynn Sparkman	7/23
Alberta Sparkman	7/24
Robert McCardel	7/25
Marcel Lund	7/26
Aaron Willms	7/30
Clarence Stieg	7/31

## ANNIVERSARIES

Robert and Valerie McCardel	7/04
Dan and Janet Smith	7/30

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY IS MISSING, IT MEANS WE DO NOT HAVE THIS INFORMATION ON FILE. PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE SO WE MAY ADD IT TO THE LIST.**

# WORSHIP SERVERS



## JUNE 03

Acolyte: Emily Stieg

Ushers: Ed Halter, Betty Glendye,  
Debi Gebhardt, Jenni Harvey

## JUNE 10

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: Sharon Josefy, Tony Hazelwood,  
Don Josefy, Elsie Kroussakis

## JUNE 17

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: John Mikkelsen, Lydia Eckert

## JUNE 24

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: David Krampitz, Lola Dean,  
Georgia Carmody, Marilyn Potter

## JULY 01

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: Anita Nigrin, Clarence Stieg,  
Art Schneewind, John Lukert

## JULY 08

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: Ed Halter, Betty Glendye,  
Debi Gebhardt, Jenni Harvey

## JULY 15

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: Sharon Josefy, Tony Hazelwood,  
Don Josefy, Elsie Kroussakis

## JULY 22

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: John Mikkelsen, Lydia Eckert

## JULY 29

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: David Krampitz, Lola Dean,  
Georgia Carmody, Marilyn Potter

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO FIND A REPLACEMENT IF YOU ARE GOING  
TO BE GONE ON YOUR ASSIGNED SUNDAY**



# REMEMBER IN PRAYER



## Current Prayer Concerns

Becky and Dan Bellar, Michael, Larry,  
Steve, Alex and Jenny Nelson,  
Brittany, Molly Johnson, Pat Williamson,  
Eva Dintamen, Lee Ann Porch, Dave Sheridan,  
Gary Robbins, Sue Mikkelson, Shirley Wheeldon,  
Margaret Denton and Family,  
Curtis and Martha Dane and Family, Jason Strickland,  
Sharon and Bob Jorgenson, Rhoda Schollars, Richard Delle

## Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Thelma Trojan, Oswald Hoffman, Brian Sele, John Eckert, Linda Sims,  
Karl Gutzke, Dana Beth Harvey, Mary Ann Nichols,  
Robyn Rorschach, Rodney Sims, Steve Lund,  
Sandy Mashon and Rachel, Terry McClure, Joseph,  
Nancy, Acie, Karen Freundt

*If you would like to add a prayer request to this list, please write your request on the forms in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall and place them in the prayer boxes. New prayer requests will remain on the Prayer List for 4 Sundays unless otherwise requested. You may also add prayer requests at any time by calling the church office or by sending an email to [prayers@gsclcirving.com](mailto:prayers@gsclcirving.com).*

**PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW WHEN TO REMOVE A NAME FROM THE ONGOING PRAYER LIST.**



**Blessed are those who die in the name of the Lord.**

Our sympathy and prayers to Curtis and Martha Dane and family on the passing of their son Greg on March 31.

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Virginia Morton. Virginia passed away on April 5.

Our sympathy and prayers to Sharon and Don Josefy on the passing of Sharon's aunt and Godmother Hilda.

**Rest eternal grant them O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.**





**Psalm 98 says to “sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Shout for joy to the Lord all the earth; burst into jubilant song with music”.**

**As another choir year ends for our summer break, please remember to thank a musician for joyfully leading in worship each week. It takes much commitment, dedication, and love of the Lord to do this. Together we are a praying family. Won’t you consider joining us in the fall? Rehearsals resume Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**CHOIR**

**Mark Fox  
Debi Gebhardt  
Jenni Harvey  
Ed Halter  
Tony Hazelwood  
Tom Jenkins  
John Mikkelson**

**Ardie Schneewind  
Art Schneewind  
Janet Smith  
Clarence Stieg  
Emily Stieg  
Sharon Stieg  
Margaret Thompson**

**OTHERS**

**Elizabeth Apple  
Jessica Krampitz  
Izumi Lund  
Marcel Lund**

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## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST**

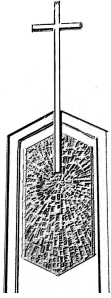
**Might be summer time, but it is not too early to be thinking of looking for sales on school supplies to fill the LWR School Kits. The items needed for each kit are listed as follows.**

- 4 Spiral notebooks (70 pages each/narrow or wide rule)**
- 1 Ruler (30 cm or both cm and inches)**
- 1 Pair Blunt Tip Scissors**
- 1 Pencil Sharpener**
- 5 Pencils (#2 with erasers and unsharpened)**
- 5 Black or Blue Ballpoint Pens (No gel ink)**
- 1 Pink Eraser (2 1/2 inches)**
- 1 Box Crayons 24 Count**

**You may purchase all of the above or just an item or two, it doesn't matter, as all donations are greatly appreciated and welcomed. Supplies may be dropped off in the church office on Mondays or Tuesdays or brought to the church on Sunday and left either in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall marked for LWR. Without these school kits the children would not be able to attend school.**

**THANK YOU FOR CARING AND SHARING!**





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### **Worship & Study**

Communion Service Sunday 9:00 am

Adult Education Sunday 10:30 am (Sept. - May)

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