



The Shepherd's Voice

Serving Rockland County, NY, & Northern Bergen County, NJ

November 2016

Reaching and Risking to Welcome the World in the Word that has come among us in Jesus Christ.

In honor of this month of November being a month filled with remembrances of Saints and Souls, holy moments, and visions of eternity, it seemed to me to make sense to let one of the saints talk to us this month. In this excerpt from his book, *Escape Routes: For People Who Feel Trapped in Life's Hells*, Johann Christoph Arnold relates the story of Carole Neal.

To be gripped by eternity while still in the clutch of time; to live for heaven in a world that often seems more like hell; to live for love and humility in a culture that rewards selfishness, greed, and self-aggrandizement – this clearly demands a daily fight. It may be a spiritual one, but that does not make it any less real; for the irreconcilable forces of life and death often clash in painful, concrete ways. That truth is illustrated well enough by the stories in this book, but it was driven home for me by Carole Neal, a close friend who died of cancer. I'll quote her directly, from an interview she gave a few months before her death:

"When I found out that I had cancer, I felt somehow relieved – I don't know why. Maybe it's because I had always been afraid of dying, and all of a sudden there it was, and I didn't have to worry about it anymore. Sure, I've gone to pieces over it since then. After the first bout of chemo, I felt this lump under my arm, and I just fell apart.

On the other hand, I've been almost frantically afraid of cancer all my life, but then when it came, right there, square in my face, I wasn't afraid.... My husband, Dave, even joked that it would be a terrible shame if I died of something else, since I had worried so much about cancer all my life.

Still, you can't just lie down and accept it, because it's a deadly disease. You can't just fold up and crash. You have to fight with everything you have. That's why I went for chemotherapy. I felt it was the answer, because with chemo you're really fighting the disease with everything you have. I was going to take the most explosive kind, you know – whatever it took.

Then I found out that the survival rate for my type of cancer was basically nil, one to ninety-nine. But I hadn't asked, and I didn't care. I already knew from my sister's death [of the same disease] that the statistics were pretty bleak. So I said, 'Forget the numbers. I'm not going to spend the rest of my life in bed, sick and vomiting and everything else. I'm going to live with everything I've got.'

What does it mean to fight for your life? Well, Dave and I start each day by reading the Gospels, and it absolutely blows my mind every time I read those words. Jesus did and said just what he felt, straight out. He loved everyone without reservation – the rich and the poor. And at the same time he tackled people when they sinned: with compassion, but straightforwardly. Not that I could ever do that. But that's how I've wanted to live my life, with that kind of fervor.

You know, we spend so much of our time dealing with petty problems and thinking petty thoughts, and I've come to see that that just has to go. We hurt one another, and get hurt over little things. But it's stupid – just plain stupid – to spend time on those things.

With cancer you begin to realize that you have to make use of every day; each minute becomes precious. Dave and I have talked about how we've probably wasted years of our lives carrying little grudges and things that we couldn't work out, or struggling to find enough humility to confront a problem, or apologize, or whatever. So you're going to think this is weird, but to me, having cancer has been like an adventure, the adventure of my life.

The present moment – the time we have right now – is the same for you as it is for me or for anyone. It's all we have. We tend to think, "'I'll do that tomorrow,' or, 'I'll wait till I have time to follow through on that.' But we actually don't have tomorrow. None of us does. We only have today and we only have each other – the person next to us, the person we live with or work with. Seeing this has been a tremendous challenge to me.

I'm not saying we all have to be intense or energetic. But each of us has a life to live – and once we've found it, we ought to live for it. We need to be ready to give up everything else that distracts us from that – our plans, absolutely everything, in order to go after what we've found. To really live demands all your fire.

Statistically speaking, few of us are destined to share Carole's fate; by the same token only a fraction of us will ever know the emotional burden of a conspicuous medical condition. Still, their lives, like that of every person whose story I have related in this book, carry a meaning that is greater than the sum of their suffering. Simply put, it is the truth that even if they are denied the worldly happiness bought by popularity, attractiveness, or personal charisma, they radiate a deeper, more lasting happiness – the happiness that comes from loving and being loved. This happiness is neither based on "quality of life" nor limited by circumstances or genetic makeup. In its light even the strongest feelings of self-hatred yield. In it, even the most wretched person can find his or her God-given purpose, and the deep satisfaction that comes from seeking to fulfill it."

Peace to you in this season of remembrance!
+Pastor Lena

**The Evangelical Lutheran
Church of the Good Shepherd**

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Pearl River, New York 10965

OUR MISSION

**“Welcoming the World in the
Word that has come among us
in Jesus Christ”**

WORSHIP

Sundays: 8:15, 9:30, & 10:30 a.m.

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Voice Publication Deadline

Items to be included in *The Shepherd's Voice* must be submitted to the church office by **Nov. 12th** for the Dec./Jan 2016/17 issue. Electronic submission (e-mail) is preferred. Articles submitted after the deadline may not be published, due to space and time restrictions. Please e-mail articles to: secretary@gspr.org.

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LIFE STATIONS

Deaths

Michael H. Fury
Jean MacRobbie

Date

10/11/16
10/31/16

Baptism

Jake Eugene Arcidiacono

10/19/16

Tree of Life Leaf

In Memory of Edna L. Borchers and Arlene Borchers Bottoms.
Given by Their Sisters and Brother.

Elevator Fund

Given by Dorothy Urquhart

2016 CHURCH COUNCIL

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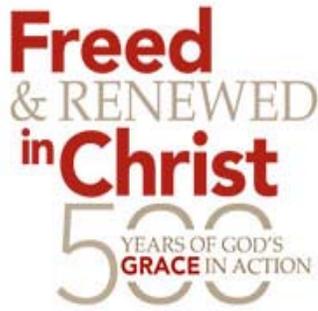
**INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING OBSERVANCE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT 7:30 PM
AT TEMPLE BETH AM,
60 EAST MADISON AVE.
PEARL RIVER, NY**

PRAYER CHAIN

If you, a loved one, or a friend experience difficulty and you desire prayer support, the Good Shepherd Prayer Chain may be helpful.

When you have a request or a thanksgiving to share, please call: lone Mensing at 201-664-1235; email: himensing@gmail.com or Carol Westphal at 845-624-5732; email: carolwestphal9@gmail.com

The Prayer Chain will then be activated, and many will be praying with and for you.



In October, we began an exciting year of celebration...the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. As Lutherans, this will be an opportunity to look at our history, the impact of Martin Luther and the Reformation in history, to study the tenets of our faith, to become re-connected with Luther, the man...his teachings, his love of Katie, his frank "table talk," and his family life.

We will explore all these areas through worship, study, music (one of his passions), and festive meals and activities. If you are interested in helping us develop this program for the year, or have questions regarding it, please contact Lone Mensing at himensing@gmail.com.

MAINTAINING YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The congregational constitution states that membership is maintained by annually receiving the sacrament and making a contribution of record. Every January, the congregation updates its membership records by noting those who have maintained membership or removed themselves from the rolls.

**GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH
WILL HOLD ITS
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING ON SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 20th,
FOLLOWING THE 10:30 SERVICE**

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Good Shepherd's Men's Breakfast Group has resumed meeting on the third Saturday of every month at 9:00 am, in Fellowship Hall. All men of Good Shepherd are invited to join in for fellowship and a great breakfast! Mark your calendars for November 19th.



ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**Food Faith & Friends Meets Tuesday,
November 15, 2016, from 7 to 8:30 pm**

We cordially invite you to join us for Food, Faith & Friends on November 15 at 7 pm in the Church Parlor. Come share in this opportunity to meet people of all ages, share a little about our faith journeys (including our questions), and eat a meal together. Bring yourself, an open heart, an open mind, and an appetite! Invite a friend! If you have any questions, please contact Rich Bowman at rpbp@yahoo.com or the Church Office at (845) 735-2243.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
November 6, 2016

**Good Shepherd Church
is on Social Media**

See our church webpage at: www.gspr.org

"Like Us" on Facebook at:

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

"Follow Us" on Instagram at: [good_shepherd_pearlriver](https://www.instagram.com/good_shepherd_pearlriver)



CREATIVE PLAY

Two months into school, and we have been very busy and we won't be slowing down for November. This month the parents from our Program Committee will be putting on a short show for the children about the first Thanksgiving. The Native American/Pilgrim show teaches the children about what life was like for the children and families during those times. The children will get to pretend they are on the Mayflower, live in a teepee and play games the children in those days enjoyed.



The children are making crafts for Thanksgiving, like macaroni necklaces, feather headbands and special placemats that they will bring to our Creative Play Thanksgiving Feast. Parent volunteers will help serve the children a meal of mashed potatoes, turkey and corn.

We are all so thankful for the beautiful children and our wonderful teachers at Creative Play.

Maureen Connolly, Director

SIXTH ANNUAL GOOD SHEPHERD TURKEY RUN

November 19 is BRING YOUR TURKEY TO CHURCH DAY.

We'll be collecting turkeys and Thanksgiving fixin's for distribution at Epiphany Lutheran Church (Pastor Larry McFarland's church) and to Fordham Lutheran Church (Pastor Jonathon Recabarren's church)



This year we'll be receiving your donations on **Saturday, November 19** from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the church parking lot. In addition to the 50 – 60 turkeys (or chickens or hams) we hope to receive, the following Thanksgiving items are welcome so we can assemble a bag of groceries to accompany each turkey: stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, sweet potatoes, canned veggies, instant potatoes. We've seen an increase in *donated fresh vegetables* and these are always much appreciated too.

If you can't shop but would still like to donate, then ShopRite gift cards (available in the church office and benefitting our youth) and checks made out to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – memo note Turkey Run work well too. **We'll also be happy to pick up your donation.** Call Jayne or Tom Knarich at 845-358-7632.

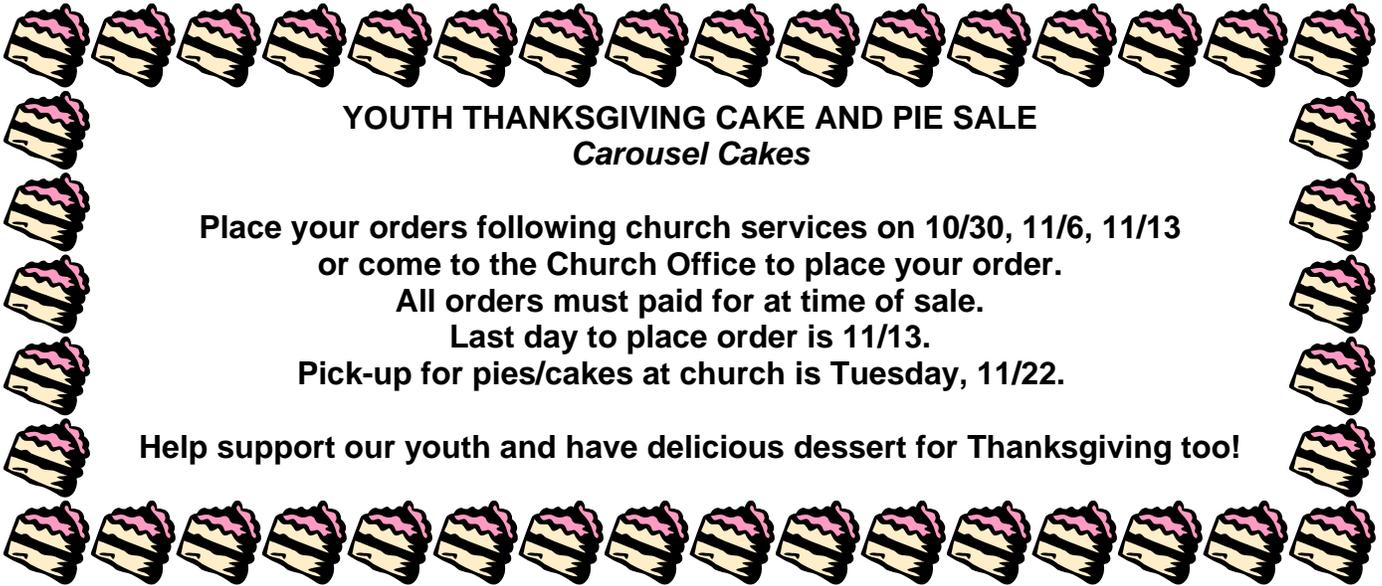
Lastly, we would love to have some help in sorting the groceries in Fellowship Hall on the morning of the 21st. If you would like to be a driver to the Bronx churches, just call Jayne or Tom. There will be people at the two churches to unload when we get there. Many hands make light work.

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon His name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

1 Chronicles 16:8

2018 ELCA Houston Youth Gathering ***(for those currently in grades 7 through 11th)***

If your child is interested in exploring the possibility of attending the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering, please **contact the church office** by email at: office@gspr.org or at (845) 735-2243 or speak to Rich Bowman in church or contact him at rpbp@yahoo.com. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) will hold its 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas, from **June 27 to July 1, 2018 (departing New York on June 26)**. The Youth Gathering meets for five days every three years, and provides youth with the opportunity to participate in community service, study, worship, fun, and meaningful experiences with 30,000 of their ELCA peers.



YOUTH THANKSGIVING CAKE AND PIE SALE
Carousel Cakes

Place your orders following church services on 10/30, 11/6, 11/13
 or come to the Church Office to place your order.

All orders must be paid for at time of sale.

Last day to place order is 11/13.

Pick-up for pies/cakes at church is Tuesday, 11/22.

Help support our youth and have delicious dessert for Thanksgiving too!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to all our returning and new Sunday School students, as well as our returning and new Sunday School staff.

We are excited to have two new teachers this year – Jocelyn Witherall & Nicole Lai who co-teach the pre-k/kindergarten class.

To date, we have approximately 75 registered students.

As many of you may already know, we have some exciting new changes to the Sunday School format. First, instead of starting in Fellowship Hall with a mini service our children now attend the start of the 10:30 worship service with their parents until the conclusion of the children's sermon.

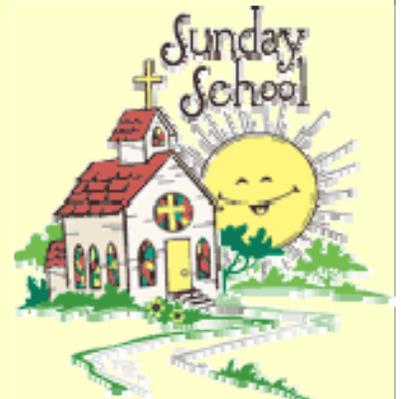
This gives the students a chance to experience an actual worship service with their family, as well as giving our staff the opportunity to expand on the lesson of the day once they return to the classroom. So far the change is working well. It has been impressive to hear the students share with us what they have learned during Pastor Lena's sermons.

If you get a chance, please stop by the bulletin board in the hallway at the top of the stairs near the 5th grade classroom. Each grade has a specific month when they select the theme and decorate the bulletin board.

The October theme was created by our third and fourth graders as they were able to "Fall in Love with Jesus." Students shared personal messages on their pumpkins, what they love about Jesus, and what they think Jesus loves about them.

If you would like to learn more about our program or would be interested in a volunteer position, such as being a substitute teacher or hall monitor, please contact me either by email—jeanettekunow@gmail.com, or feel free to call me at 845-494-8755.

Jeanette Kunow
 Sunday School Superintendent





**Stenland Lodge No. 727
Vasa Order of America**
an Educational, Cultural and Fraternal Organization
Invites you to their
Annual Lucia Celebration
and
Christmas Party
at **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**
Fellowship Hall



Sunday December 4, 2016, at 2:00 p.m.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served

Requested Donation \$10.00 Children under 16 are free.

For information contact Ingrid Allison at ingridallison@optonline.net or 845-425-1574.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTING

During the holidays, our hearts are opened to those in need. At Good Shepherd we offer these suggestions as possibilities for you to choose from. Doing this as a family activity is a teaching tool, living out the joy of giving to others.

1. **White Gifts** – We will collect gifts for children, wrapped in white paper and noted with age/boy/girl, and dedicate them at a 10:30 service. These gifts will be taken to the children in the Bronx. – sponsored by Youth/Sunday Church School
2. **Project Joy** – Collection of gifts for needy families (determined by *People to People*). Chart will be available for sign-up; delivery of gifts will be taken to *People to People* – sponsored by Social Ministries
3. **Mitten Tree** – Mittens, scarves, hats for children in Appalachia – sponsored by Creative Play.
4. **Gifts for teens in Psychiatric Hospital** - PJs, T-shirts, sweatshirts and pants, games, PlayStation games (other items will be provided on list in coat room) – sponsored by Social Ministries.
5. **Men's Breakfast** – Collection of money to be given to needy families in the Bronx.
6. **Food Pantry** – *People to People* food pantry – food and non-food items are always needed - sponsored by Social Ministries
7. **Lutheran World Relief:** Lutheran World Relief works with local partners to provide lasting solutions to poverty, injustice and human suffering. They are working in refugee centers, providing health and financial aid in areas affected by disasters, drought, ebola, and wars, by providing shelter, quilts, kits. Give: www.lwr.org; call: 800-597-5972 or mail to Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297
8. **God's Global Barnyard** – Buy an animal:www.elca.org/ELCA/eCards/Categories/GodsGlobal-Barnyard
9. **Buy your Christmas Gifts from SERRV International** – This organization works with artisans across the globe, by marketing in a just and direct manner. Beautiful items are found on their website: www.serrv.org



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

All CHILDREN of our church are welcome to bring the story of Jesus' birth to life!

Presented on CHRISTMAS EVE,
4:30 pm Worship Service

3 Rehearsals: Thursdays 4:30-5:30 pm
December 1, 8, 15

Especially for children Pre K - 7th grade. Your child will be in costume, and can choose to sing, or have a speaking part, or just be in the group as a shepherd, animal, or angel. This is a wonderful way to learn the real meaning of Christmas!

If you are interested, just email me or give me a call any time.

Everyone is welcome!

Brenda
gthomferguson@gmail.com
845-634-2729



Thou hast given so much to me,
Give one thing more — a grateful heart;
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if thy blessings had spare days,
But such a heart whose pulse may be
Thy praise.

—George Herbert



Music @ Noon Sacred Concerts 2016

Monday, October 10 11:00 am	Renaissance Camerata at Meals On Wheels, Nanuet
Saturday, October 22 6:00 pm	Tuba Quartet - Larry Zaidan for Oktoberfest Fellowship Hall
Sunday, December 4 Noon	Renaissance Camerata "Celtic Advent & Christmas Cantata" Canzona Youth Orchestra in our sanctuary
Sunday, December 11 Noon	Sanctuary Choir "Mystery and Majesty" Advent & Christmas Cantata in our sanctuary
Wednesdays, Nov 30, Dec 7, 14	12:30 pm Candlelight Organ/Piano Meditations in our sanctuary
CHRISTMAS EVE	4:30 pm Christmas Pageant - Children of the Church 7:30 pm Renaissance Camerata Christmas Eve Concert 9:30 pm Evening Bells Christmas Eve Concert



Join us for the Good Shepherd Scavenger Hunt!!

This event is for Upper Elementary / Jr. High (5th through 8th) grades:

When: Saturday, November 19th

Where: Good Shepherd Fellowship Hall

Time: 6-8PM

Please RSVP to church office by November 12th

Please provide name and grade when you RSVP to:

Email: office@gspr.org or by phone 845-735-2243

Things to note:

- This is a super-fun event in which the children will be split into teams and given a list of puzzles to solve and things to find throughout the Education building and the Sanctuary.
- It is important to pre-register for the event so we can plan accordingly.
- Each group will need at least one digital camera or a cell phone that can take pictures.
- A few adult chaperones will be needed, so please let us know if you are available when you RSVP.

Support our Confirmation Project!!!

This event is organized by Lilly Bernard and Steven Nostro



OUR Cupboards are Bare!...And the Need is Still There!

~ Shopping List ~

Cereal or Oatmeal
 Canned Juice & Juice Boxes
 Canned Vegetables
 Canned Chili & Beef Stew
 Individual Fruit Servings
 Snacks (Apple Sauce, Peaches, etc.)
 Soup (Dry & Canned)
 Beans (Dry & Canned)
 Pasta (All Varieties)
 Macaroni & Cheese (Boxed)
 Flour, Rice & Sugar
 Tomato Sauce & Tomato Puree (Canned & Jarred)
 Tuna Fish
 Mayonnaise (Regular & Reduced Fat)
 Cooking Oil (in Plastic Bottles)
 Peanut Butter & Jelly
 Parmalait & Powdered Milk

~ Other Needed Items ~

Diapers (All Sizes)	Shampoo & Conditioner
Toothpaste & Toothbrushes	Feminine Hygiene Items
Toilet Paper & Tissues	Deodorants and Lotions



(Donations can be left in our Food Bin, located at the entrance of the Education Bldg.)

THANK YOU to Henry & Dennis Fisher who deliver donations to *People to People* for us!

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2016

The Rite of Confirmation was received by eleven young people at Good Shepherd on October 30th, Reformation Sunday. In Confirmation, we affirm the promises made on our behalf at Holy Baptism.

Confirmation Class of 2016

Kate Madeline Amtmann	Steven August Nostro
Kayla Nicole Artuso	Michael Robert Reineke
Lillian Elisabeth Bernard	Katia Grace Skoog
Christopher Alec Falborn	Aidan Dexter Tuohy
Eric Edward Genua	Lauren Nicole Verde
Paige Alexa Lamadrid	



6th through 8th Grade Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Class will be held the following evenings in Fellowship Hall:

6th Grade – Monday, **November 7** – 7:00 to 8:15 pm
7th Grade – Monday, **November 14** – 7:00 to 8:15 pm
8th Grade – Thursday, **November 17** – 7:00 to 8:15 pm

For more information, contact the Church Office at (845) 735-2243.

Enjoy the Convenience of Online Giving

Good Shepherd Church wants to remind you that you can give to the church through our "eOffering" website link at www.gspr.org. We offer an online giving option as a way to automate your regular weekly and special offerings. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregational members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.



eOffering can direct debit your checking or savings account in the amount and frequency you choose, and transfer those payments directly to Good Shepherd's bank account. To set up your online eOffering account, please visit Good Shepherd Church's website (www.gspr.org), look for the word "Give" in the box on the lower left hand side of the home page, and click "eOffering" to enter Online Giving. Click to create a new profile and follow the directions on the page. Once you create a profile, you can, at any time, set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation, or view your online donation history.

As you contemplate future financial contributions to Good Shepherd Church, please consider electronic giving. The church office can provide you with additional information. If you have any questions or need assistance setting up an eOffering profile, you can contact Rich Bowman at (845) 627-6967 or by email at rbbp@yahoo.com.

GOOD SHPHERD'S BOY SCOUT TROOP 36 **WREATH AND GRAVE BLANKET SALE**

Boy Scout Troop 36, sponsored by Good Shepherd Church, will be selling Christmas Wreaths (\$20) and Grave Blankets (\$30). The wreaths and blankets are beautifully hand-decorated by the Scouts, with natural evergreens, pine cones, a red bow, and seasonal decorations.



The Troop wishes to thank the congregation for their past generous support for their annual fundraiser. Order wreaths and blankets beginning early November, by signing the order sheets found at the entrance to the Church (narthex windowsill), and the entrance to the Education Bldg. (on bulletin board), or call Scoutmaster Bob Klein at 845-624-3216. Ordered wreaths can be picked up on November 29th and December 6th. Additional wreaths will be for sale on these dates, as well. If you need your wreaths before Thanksgiving, please call the Scoutmaster to make arrangements.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL OKTOBERFEST

On Saturday, October 22, over 100 folks celebrated Oktoberfest at Good Shepherd.

We were entertained by Larry Zaidan and his Tuba Quartet. Lynn Merring and many hands planned, decorated, and cooked a delicious meal. Gift baskets were donated and a Tricky-tray was held, to the delight of many.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit our youth going to the 2018 Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas.

(Pictured...Lisa and Larisa Filatov, Robin Riemenschnieder with Skyler and Phoenix.)



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">2016</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">November</p>		<p>1</p> <p>9:00-1:00 Creative Play/UPK 9:15-10:20 Creative Play Yoga—FH 1:30 WELCA—Parlor 3:00-6:00 Organ School 7:00 Boy Scouts—Fellowship Hall 7:00 Reformation 500 Mtg.—Parlor</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 11:00 Staff Meeting 3:00-6:00 Organ School 7:00 Worship & Music Mtg.—Parlor</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 12:30 Bible Study—Parlor 3:30-4:15 Organ School 4:30 Sacristy Singers & GHB 7:30 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK</p> <p>7:45 AA/Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6 ALL SAINTS</p> <p>8:15 Holy Communion Service 9:30 Contemporary Worship 9:45-10:15 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 10:15-10:30 Cherub Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Holy Communion/SCS/Sacristy Singers/Cherubs 12:30 New Member Class—Parlor</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 6:00 Evening Bells 6:30 CP Teacher Mtg. 7:00 Confirmation 6th Gr. 7:00 Renaissance Camerata 7:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry 8:00 Youth Orchestra</p>	<p>8 ELECTION DAY</p> <p>No Creative Play 1:00 Piecemakers—Youth Room 3:00-6:00 Organ School 8:00 Woman's Faith Life Group</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 11:00 Staff Meeting 3:00-6:00 Organ School 4:30 Executive Committee</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 12:30 Bible Study—Parlor 3:30-4:15 Organ School 4:30 Sacristy Singers & GHB 6:30 Baptismal Conference 7:30 Sanctuary Choir <i>Martin Luther's Birthday 1483</i></p>	<p>11 Veteran's Day</p> <p>No Creative Play</p>  <p>7:45 AA/Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 PENTECOST 26</p> <p>8:15 Holy Communion Ser./Evening Bells/Temple Talk 9:30 Contemporary Service/Temple Talk 9:45 Sanctuary Choir rehearsal 10:15-10:30 Cherub Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Worship Service/SCS/Evening Bells/Temple Talk 6:00 AA/Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:00-1:00 Creative Play/UPK 6:00 Evening Bells 7:00 Renaissance Camerata 7:00 Confirmation 7th Gr. 8:00 Youth Orchestra 8:45-9:30 Organ School</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:00-1:00 Creative Play/UPK 1:00 CP Program Set-up—FH 1:00 Piecemakers 3:00-6:00 Organ School 7:00 Boy Scouts—Fellowship Hall 7:00 Food, Faith & Friends—Parlor</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00-1:00 Creative Play/UPK Creative Play Native Amer. Program 11:00 Staff Meeting 3:00-6:00 Organ School 7:00 Church Council—Parlor</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 12:30 Bible Study—Parlor 3:30-4:15 Organ School 4:30 Sacristy Singers & GHB 7:00 Confirmation 8th Gr. 7:30 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK</p> <p>7:45 AA/Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:00-10:00 Turkey Run 9:00 Men's Breakfast 6:00-8:00 Youth Event Scavenger Hunt for grades 5-8th</p>
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<p>27 ADVENT I</p> <p>8:15 Holy Communion Service 9:30 Contemporary Service 9:45 Sanctuary Choir rehearsal 10:15 Cherub Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Worship Service/Cantorem Choir of Men & Boys 6:00 AA/Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 6:00 Evening Bells 7:00 Renaissance Camerata 8:00 Youth Orchestra 8:45-9:30 Organ School</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 1:00 Piecemakers 3:00-6:00 Organ School 7:00 Boy Scouts—Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>30 Andrew Apostle</p> <p>9:00/1:00 Creative Play/UPK 11:00 Staff Meeting 12:30-1:00 Advent Candlelight Organ/Piano—Sanctuary 3:00-6:00 Organ School</p>			
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