

## The SHEPHERD'S VOICE March 2020

*They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. (Psalm 1:3)*

I've been learning to knit this winter. Well, I only can do purl stitches, but at least I am trying to learn something which I have never tried

before. Our young adult member is my knitting teacher. She is patient and encouraging. She tells me, "Pastor, it's about muscle memory. Keep doing it, and eventually you will get it."

I wonder if there is muscle memory for our faith, too, I mean something we practice or do on a regular basis, which eventually becomes a part of us. So when a crisis happens, our muscle memory of faith kicks in. Can you think of any examples?

One example for me is prayer. When I was in junior high at my Lutheran school in Japan, I had to memorize the Lord's Prayer (in Japanese, of course!). One teacher who loved to tell us about ghost stories always said to the class that when we were scared at night, recite the Lord's Prayer. Ghosts or evil spirits would go away. I am not sure that the Lord's Prayer in Japanese would work with English speaking ghosts, but I believe that prayer is our muscle memory of faith because whether we are 1 year old or closer to 100 years old or in-between, we can pray anytime and anywhere. No tool is required, just a breath and a talk with God.

And the good thing about prayer is that it can take various styles. The Lord's Prayer is one way to pray (it is a solid basic prayer which Jesus taught us to pray), and another way I like to pray is through singing hymns. Some days I cannot express my grief, worries, or even joys in words, so I sing hymns as my prayer. Hymns are simple but powerful prayers. I witness every month when we lead the Hymn Sing at the nursing home. When the intro of Amazing Grace starts, the residents begin singing from their hearts. Their faith muscle memory kicks in.

Other examples of muscle memory of faith can be tasting God's life through communion, the rhythm of liturgy in worship, daily devotions, reading the Bible (Psalms are good to try), and making a sign of cross while taking a shower to remember our baptisms. If you do not have a regular habit to pause with God in a daily basis, you may try one during this Lenten seasons. Try for 40 days and see how your relationship with God grows.

If you are interested, we have the Lenten devotion book *Wondrous Love* in the church. Or come to mid-week Lenten luncheon on Wednesdays at 12pm, or show up to mid-week Wednesday Evening Service (supper at 5:30pm, service at 6:30pm) for holy food, God's holy people, and God's holy words. I believe that faith requires discipline. Faith takes time to grow, but eventually we build muscle memory of God's unconditional love. In God's grace, Pr. Miho



### Lenten Devotion Book *Wondrous Love*

*Wondrous Love* explores Jesus' journey from baptism to the cross and the empty tomb, as depicted in Matthew (the gospel focus for 2020, year A in the Revised Common Lectionary). Jesus predicts that he will be betrayed, arrested, abandoned, and put to death, yet he continues on to Jerusalem and the cross. The wondrous love show by Jesus on this journey guides us on our baptismal journeys and inspires us to sing, serve, and share God's love with others.

### **Mid-Week Lenten Evening Service**

#### **Wednesdays supper at 5:30pm, service at 6:30pm**

Come and join us for mid-week Lenten Evening supper and service. Lent is a season of reflection and learning of God's words. This year we will learn about vocation, God's calling. We will read the stories of God calling God's people. The service is simple and conversational. Let's explore God's call together.

#### Supper schedule

- March 4 WELCA soup & sandwich + dessert
- March 11 Worship/Music Committee
- March 18 Stewardship Committee
- March 25 Learning Committee
- April 1 Men's Group

## March Meetings at Good Shepherd

**PIECE CORPS QUILTERS** will meet Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** will meet Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE** will meet March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm.

**LENTEN LUNCHEON at Good Shepherd** March 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE** March 4<sup>th</sup> supper at 5:30pm, worship at 6:30pm.

**HANNAH CIRCLE** will meet March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the home of Rene' Johnson.

**PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP** will meet March 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

**HYMN SING** at the Lena Living Center will be March 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE** March 11<sup>th</sup> supper at 5:30pm, worship at 6:30pm.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** will meet Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at noon for a Potluck Dinner & entertainment with "*Gone Fishin*".

**CHURCH COUNCIL** meets on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE** March 18<sup>th</sup> supper at 5:30pm, worship at 6:30pm.

**GOOD SHEPHERD AT FRIENDSHIP CENTER** for Devotions & Dessert March 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm.

**MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE** March 25<sup>th</sup> supper at 5:30pm, worship at 6:30pm.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Hymn Sing** will be March 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Holy Week and Easter Services

! Palm/Passion Sunday (April 5) 9:30am

! Maundy Thursday (April 9) 5pm at GS, 7pm at Lena UMC.

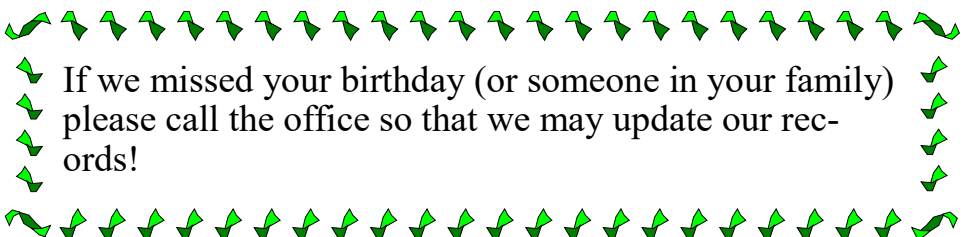
! Good Friday (April 10) 3pm at Lena UMC, 7pm at GS.

! Easter Sunday (April 12) 6:15am at Lena Cemetery, 7am & 9:30am  
Easter breakfast will be served 8am-9am.





<b>M A R C H</b>	3/1	Cheryl Torkelson	<b>B I R T H D A Y S</b>
	3/1	Chloe Flack	
	3/3	Connor Kurth	
	3/3	Cindy Tessendorf	
	3/3	Duane Christen	
	3/3	Jessica Anderson	
	3/4	Jessica Alexander	
	3/5	Jarret Winder	
	3/6	Ryan Hastings	
	3/8	Raeger Sullivan	
	3/9	Michelle Andrews	
	3/11	Lois Paulsen	
	3/13	Bob Schlachter	
	3/13	Ella Wolfrom	
	3/14	Logan Fahr	
	3/14	Don Wienand	
	3/15	Larynn Shumaker	
	3/16	Nakoah Cornwell	
	3/18	Connie DeWilde	
	3/19	Barbara Price	
3/20	Pastor Sarah Schaffner		
3/23	Paige Hancock		
3/23	Pat Esker		
3/24	Chuck Kraft		
3/28	Matthew Huber		
3/27	Kristi Patterson		
3/31	Caroline Jam		



If we missed your birthday (or someone in your family) please call the office so that we may update our records!



**Rockford Rescue Mission**  
**rescue + recovery + restore**

Thank you for remembering Rockford Rescue Mission—and those we serve—with your gift! Your congregation's compassion for our homeless and disadvantaged neighbors is in keeping with the command set forth in Micah 6:8 (NLT):

...and this is what He requires of you:  
to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk  
humbly with your God.

As we begin this New Year, I'm grateful for church families like yours who reach out to those who are suffering—who show kindness for strangers you may never even meet—because it's the right and godly thing to do. When you congregation and other compassionate partners demonstrate your concern for the poor through your gifts and prayers, our entire community is lifted up and made stronger.

Because of your church's support, we can continue to offer those in need of the basics of food, shelter, life-changing guidance, Christian encouragement, and unwavering hope for a new life in the new year ahead. Thank you again and God bless you.

Partners in Hope,  
Sherry Pitney  
Executive Director

**March 4, 2020 is the Wednesday Noon Lenten Lunch  
hosted by Good Shepherd.**

*Hannah Circle is coordinating the soup and sandwich meal. We will meet at 9:00 am on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 to set-up and prepare the meal. If you would like to help with set-up and preparation before, or clean-up after, or both, please contact Rene' Johnson at 815-369-2818 or just show up. We welcome all who would like to participate. Come and enjoy a Lenten message along with soup and sandwich.*



**Lena Area Lenten Luncheon Schedule**

Theme: Picture of Bread

March 4<sup>th</sup> at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,  
March 11<sup>th</sup> at Lena E-Free Church, 720 N Freedom Street  
March 18<sup>th</sup> at Synergy Church, 845 Birch Drive  
March 25<sup>th</sup> at St. John's, 625 Country Lane  
April 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph's, 410 West Lena Street  
April 8<sup>th</sup> at Lena UMC, 118 W. Mason

Luncheon starts at noon followed by a short devotion. A free will offering will be accepted. All are welcome!

**Give Thanks for Elders**

*Elders are blessing to all of us. Their wisdom, stories, and adventures in faith inspires us. Good Shepherd family will lift our elders in prayer. Each week one of elders (who are over 90) will be lifted up in Sunday morning worship. We thank God for our elders!*



**Prayer Chain:**

If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 815-369-5552. We lift up the following loved ones in assisted-living facilities/ nursing homes, those who are homebound, etc. in prayer: Lois Paulsen, and Fern Harnish. They would love to hear from you. Consider visiting, calling, or sending them a note Please call the church office if you need an address.

**It is time to order Easter Lilies**

Lilies will be **\$12.00** per plant and can be ordered by using the flower envelopes provided in the pews. Please place them in the offering plate or you can drop them off at the church office. Orders must be in by **March 15<sup>th</sup>**. Lilies may be picked up after the 9:30 am Easter Sunday Service.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

Dear Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$485.00 to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) ministries through ELCA Good Gifts.

Your Good Gift is a very good gift, indeed. With resources like seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations and vegetable gardens, Bibles and blankets, you're equipping God's people—around the world and around the corner—with what they need to live abundant lives.

Thank you for your leadership in the vital ministries that we do together—and for your very good gift!

In God's abundant grace,  
Rachel Wind  
Executive for Development



**"Souper Bowl of Caring"**

The Youth Group of Good Shepherd would like to thank all worshippers who donated to the Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>. We have collected \$152.53. Thank you. Your donations will be given to Le-Win Food Pantry and Lutheran World Relief

**Thank You for your support!**



## Treasurer's Report from Treasurer Jay Andrews

Incoming January 2020	\$5541.00
Expenses January 2020	\$10,055.75
Net Income (Loss)	\$(4,514.75)
Income, Year to Date 2020	\$5541.00
Expenses, Year to Date 2020	\$10,055.75
Net Income (Loss)	\$(4,514.75)

### Volunteers needed !!

*To sign up for treats for Fellowship after Sunday Church Service. Sign up sheet posted in Fellowship Hall.*

### Need of a ride to church on Sunday?

**Call:** Donna Gullickson at 369-4708



We love worshipping with you, and we want to help make sure you can get here to join us! If you are interested in being added to this list of available drivers, please contact the church office at 369-5552

### Parkinson Support Group Meeting

On Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30pm the Parkinson Support Group will meet in Fellowship Hall. This month we will watch a video, have discussion and talk about ideas for future meetings. Jackie Roach from FHN will be our speaker.

Invite all those you know who are interested in sharing an afternoon of Parkinson Disease information.

Any questions call Betty Allen at Good Shepherd, 369-5552 or email [goodshepherdic@mediacombb.net](mailto:goodshepherdic@mediacombb.net)



## Highlights from February Council Meetings

On Sunday February 16th a brief Council Meeting was held. The Secretary's report from January was approved the Treasure's report was approved. Discussion of names of those who might be asked to come on council and the date of the next council meeting was set. Next Council meeting will be on the 12th of March.

### **Northwest Conference Women of the ELCA**

To all the ladies of the Lutheran churches of the ELCA:

*The Conference Coordination Committee (CCC) of the Northwest Conference would like to invite all ladies and guests to join us at the Spring Assembly gathering in March 28, 2020 at First Lutheran Church, 303 S. Galena Ave., Freeport, Il. For brunch and a program on "Doors Open Wide". Find out how the "Dow" house is ministering to young girls and their babies in our community.*

*Gathering starts with registration at 9:00am and brunch served at 9:30am with the program to follow. It is a great time to have fellowship with our friends in the NW Conference of WELCA. Reservation and a fee of \$10. to cover the brunch and the program is needed by **March 21, 2020**. See registration form at the bottom of the flier. A free will offering will be taken for ongoing programs of the NW Conference Committee.*

*Please join us for a morning outing with friends.*

Judy Castle, Conference Coordinating Convener

Checks payable to: NW Conference WELCA

Return to Nancy Rice      815-275-0303  
11751 E. Greenvale Rd.  
Stockton, Illinois 61085

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Unit: \_\_\_\_\_



At Kishwaukee College

21193 Malta Road, Malta, IL 60150 between DeKalb & Rochelle on IL Route 38

8:30am-2:30pm

Sponsored by the Northern Illinois Synod Congregational Life Committee, the Congregational Resourcing Event (CRE) is one of this synod's finest yearly events. Church council members, teachers, musicians, staff, volunteers, and leaders – just about everyone in a congregation – can take advantage of this learning event to strengthen skills, gather resources, network with others, and discover new ways to enhance congregational and individual ministries.

Come, experience and bring home new ministry tools. The Congregational Resourcing Event offers many varied educational workshop selections for you, your key congregational leaders, and other interested congregation members. Many groups, agencies, and institutions have displays.

In addition to workshops from the keynote speaker and NIS Bishop Jeffrey Clements, other workshops feature topics including: Congregational Leadership, Evangelism/Outreach/Hospitality, Faith Formation & Growth, Social Justice, Spirituality/Wellness, Stewardship, Worship, and Youth/Family/Children.

Bring everyone from your congregation to attend different workshops. Then get together and learn from each other!

**Supervised childcare** is provided with pre-registration, but parents will need to bring a sack lunch and snacks for their children. A free-will offering will be accepted to cover child-care costs.

If you are interested, talk to Pr. Miho or go to the synod website: <https://cre.nisynod.org/> for more information.



**Hannah Circle** will meet on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 9:00 am at the home of Rene' Johnson-621 Deer Trail Dr., Lena. Rene' Johnson (815-369-2818) is the Bible Study leader. This is "Potluck"—we will not have a hostess.

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Our first Bible Study for 2020 is by Kathryn A. Kleinhans is from our January/February 2020 "Gather Magazine" "**We are called!**"

*Introduction to our study from Gather Magazine:*

Before the 16th-century and the Reformation, the word "vocation" or "calling" was used primarily about people who were dedicated exclusively to serving God and God's people through the work of the church, such as priests, monks or nuns. Reformer Martin Luther expanded the use of this work to include not just religious work, but all of the many kinds of work people do. Luther also expanded the understanding of vocation to include aspects of life other than employment, such as family life, our involvement in our communities and so on. According to Luther, everything we do to respond to the needs of our neighbor in any way is a vocation, a calling from God

In the next four sessions of this Bible study, we will explore vocation in many contexts. As we learn more about how our ancestors in faith heard and responded to God's call, we will reflect on our own lives and callings. How do we help others hear and respond to this call in our own lives.

The title of this study, "We are called!" is a reminder that our callings, while deeply personal, are never private. We are called in the midst of community, and we are called to keep building community, wherever we are.

The first session, "Hearing God's voice," focuses on the call of several Old Testament prophets.

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Please come and join us, if only for breakfast; all are welcome at God's table. We have extra magazines to share with you for this study, call Rene' Johnson (815) 369-2818 or Pastor Miho to get one.

# Jr. High After School Arts & Cooking

If you are in Jr. High and interested in art and/or cooking, come to this new after school program. We'll meet every **Wednesday 3:45pm-5:15pm** for art/cooking. It's free! Sessions will alternate each week. Cooking session will meet at Lena UMC, 118 W. Mason, (March 4, 18, April 1, 15, 29, May 13). Art session will meet at Synergy, 845 Birch Drive (March 11, 25, April 8, 22, May 6, 20). We are also looking for volunteers. If you are interested or have any questions, please talk to Pr. Miho.



## **Good Shepherd Scholarship Applications for 2020**

*The criteria for eligibility are as follows:*

1. Participating member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.
2. Graduating senior presently enrolled in college, or a returning college student.
3. Full time student with a minimum of 12 credit hours.
4. Student entering an Associate or Bachelor degree program.
5. Thorough completion and timely return of application.
6. Adult student returning for courses toward certification, associates or bachelor degree.

Since 1997, sixty-nine scholarships have been awarded. Applications for 2020 scholarships will be available April 1, 2020 at the church office. They must be returned to the church office by April 30, 2020.

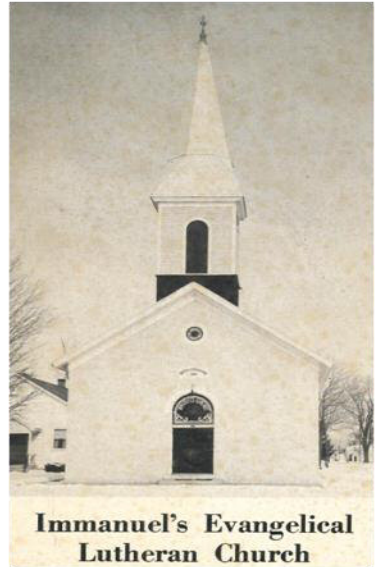
Recipients may not reapply for additional scholarships. Amount of scholarship is not to exceed \$1000, and may be less than this amount as demand requires. Also offered is a \$200 award for adults returning for class work.



# HAPPY 163 Anniversary March 14, 1857



**Amity Lutheran Church**



**Immanuel's Evangelical  
Lutheran Church**

## **A Brief History of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 1857-1970**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is a merger of two congregations (Amity and Immanuel) who organized on the same date, March 14, 1857, who built and used the same building for eleven years, who went separate paths for ninety-seven years, and who became one again February 27, 1966.

Stephenson County was the last county in Illinois to be settled, waiting until after the close of the Blackhawk War of 1832 for the influx of settlers. The first came largely from New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania, followed closely by the large German immigration. These two groups of people, many Lutherans among them, provided the background for organizing two Lutheran congregations in Lena on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 1857.

The Rev. George Donmeyer, who had been sent from Pennsylvania in 1850 as a missionary to the Lutherans in Stephenson County, served the spiritual needs of those early settlers. Services were held in various homes and in an old stone village school located at the corner of Lena and Franklin Streets.

The Rev. Eli Fair came to Lena in the spring of 1856 in a typical immigrant wagon, settling on a farm one and a half miles northwest of Lena. He began preaching and farming to pay expenses. He was the spiritual father of Amity, organizing it with twenty-seven charter members. Immanuel's congregation was organized the same day by Pastor Donmeyer.

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The two congregations, divided because of language and evangelism practices, agreed to build a “house 35 x 50 feet, with a basement story surmounted by a cupola or dome.” the two congregations used this building jointly for about eleven years.

During 109 years twenty-two pastors served Amity. One was elected president of Carthage College; another president of Synod. In 1912 during the pastorate of the Rev. Edward Derr, extensive remodeling resulted in the sanctuary we now use.

Thirteen pastors served Immanuel's congregation. Two of these, Pastor Bahr and Piper, served 68 years. Three men have entered the pastoral ministry: Richard Keplinger (Amity); William Heidenreich (Immanuel); and Paul Pieper (Immanuel).

Good Shepherd congregation is marking it's fifth year. It is striving by the grace of God to proclaim Christ in this community and throughout the world. Its worship, study, and fellowship is prayerfully directed toward this God-given goal.

“...forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

**The Apostle Paul—Philippians 3:13-14**

*Taken from 1971 Good Shepherd Church directory.*





# March 2020 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Lena, IL



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>9:30am Worship Service- First Sunday of Lent</b> 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Sunday School 11:00am Confirmation Class 11:00am Choir Practice 12:00pm Chime Practice	<b>2</b> 6:00pm Property Committee Meeting  National Banana Cream Pie Day  	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 12:00pm Lenten Luncheon at Good Shepherd 5:30pm Supper (WELCA) 6:30pm Mid-week Service	<b>5</b> 9:00am Hannah Circle at the home of Rene' Johnson	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <i>Turn your clocks ahead!</i>  
<b>8</b> <b>9:30am Worship Service</b> 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Sunday School 11:00am Choir Practice 12:00pm Chime Practice	<b>9</b> 1:30pm Parkinson Support Group  Full Moon  	<b>10</b> 9:45am Hymn Sing Lena Living Center	<b>11</b> 8:00-11:30am Piece Corps Quilters 9:30am-11:30am Pr. Miho at NW Conference meeting, Prince of Peace, Freeport 12:00pm Lenten Luncheon at E-Free 5:30pm Supper (Worship/Music) 6:30pm Mid-week Service	<b>12</b> 12:00pm Friendship Club Potluck/ Entertainment "Gone Fishin"  6:30pm Council Meeting	<b>13</b> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	<b>14</b>   Good Shepherd 163 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary
<b>15</b> <b>9:30am Worship Service</b> 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Sunday School 11:00am Confirmation Class 11:00am Choir Practice 12:00pm Chime Practice  <b>5:00pm Chime Practice</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b> 8:00-11:30am Piece Corps Quilters 12:00pm Lenten Luncheon at Synergy Church (hosted by Synergy/Beloved) 5:30pm Supper (Stewardship) 6:30pm Mid-week Service	<b>19</b> 1:00pm Good Shepherd at Friendship Center Devotions and Dessert	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> National Common Courtesy Day  
<b>22</b> <b>9:30 am Worship Service</b> 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Sunday School 11:00am Choir Practice 12:00pm Chime Practice	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 8:00-11:30am Piece Corps Quilters 12:00pm Lenten Luncheon at St. Johns 5:30pm Supper (Learning ) 6:30pm Mid-week Service	<b>26</b> National Spinach Day, to celebrate our love of spinach.  	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Men's Group 4:30pm
<b>29</b> <b>9:30 am Worship Service</b> <b>5th Sunday Hymn Sing</b> 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Joint Sunday School and Confirmation class 11:00am Choir Practice 12:00pm Chime Practice	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 9:00am-3:30pm Pr. Miho at continuing education, Faith, Rochelle	<div style="background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black;"> <b>March Communion Set-up/Clean up Bob &amp; Sharon Schlachter</b> </div>			

## March Worship Volunteers

### **March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Lector :** Tena Rackow  
**Acolyte:** Kayla Runkle  
**Assisting Minister:** Wayne Kurth  
**Worship Assistant:** Marybeth Brinker  
**Communion Assistants:** Jay and Michelle Andrews  
**Communion Ushers:** Andrew Martin and Jim Swain  
**Sound System:** Denny Luke and open  
**Greeters:** Tim Gordon, Bari Raymer  
Chris and Angie Brinker  
**Ushers:** Don and Lisa Wienand,  
Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon  
  
**Elevator Operator:** Sue Diddens

### **March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector:** Jay Andrews  
**Acolyte :** Jacob Runkle  
**Assisting Minister:** Jay Andrews  
**Worship Assistant:** Sue Diddens  
**Communion Assistants:** Beth Martin and Sheila Keene  
**Communion Ushers:** Virgil and Joanne Martin  
**Sound System:** Tim Gordon and open  
**Greeters:** Troy and Cindy Doubler  
Bill and Jean Engel  
**Ushers:** Gene and Vivian Hesselbacher,  
Paul and Shirley Fox  
  
**Elevator Operator:** Anna Patterson

### **March 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector:** Shirley Fox  
**Acolyte:** Maaddi Diddens  
**Assisting Minister:** Sheila Keene  
**Worship Assistant:** Shirley Fox  
**Communion Assistants:** Troy and Cindy Doubler  
**Communion Ushers:** Virgil Gordon and  
Tim Gordon  
**Sound System:** Denny Luke and open  
**Greeters:** Donna Gullickson, Tena Rackow  
Gene and Vivian Hesselbacher  
**Ushers:** Virgil and Joanne Martin  
Jerry and Beth Martin  
  
**Elevator Operators:** Taylor and Kristy Patterson

### **March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Lector:** Wayne Kurth  
**Acolyte:** Ethan Fye  
**Assisting Minister:** Wayne Kurth  
**Worship Assistant:** Vivian Hesselbacher  
**Communion Assistants:** Cora Hudik and Denny Luke  
**Communion Ushers:** Bob and Sharon Schlachter  
**Sound System:** Troy Doubler and open  
**Greeters:** Virgil and Joanne Martin  
Jerry and Beth Martin  
**Ushers:** Bill and Jean Engel  
Troy and Cindy Doubler  
  
**Elevator Operator:** Chris Brinker

### **March 29<sup>th</sup>**

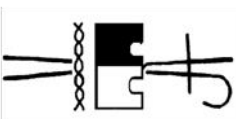
#### **5th Sunday Hymn Sing**

**Worship Assistant:** Sue Diddens  
**Communion Assistants:** Marybeth Brinker and  
Wayne Kurth  
**Communion Ushers:** Paul and Shirley Fox  
**Greeters:** Bob and Sharon Schlachter,  
Wayne and Janis Kurth  
**Sound:** Jay Andrews  
**Ushers:** Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon,  
Denny Luke, Bari Raymer  
  
**Elevator Operator:** Jean Engel

*Please mark your calendars for the dates that you have been assigned, if you cannot serve on the day that you have been assigned please switch with someone and /or call the church office by Tuesday of the week that you are to*







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GoodShepherdLena@outlook.com

*The Good Shepherd cares for us.  
He gives His Life for us and to us.  
We give and use our lives in love,  
care and service of one another.*

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NEWSLETTER  
DEADLINE for the April 2020  
Newsletter is March 13, 2020  
Thank You!

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sunday Worship Service 9:30 am  
*Pre-K & K Sunday School after Children's Message*  
Fellowship Hour 10:30 am  
Sunday School 10:45 am  
**CHURCH OFFICE 815-369-5552**  
Pastor Pastor Miho Yasukawa  
Church Secretary Betty Allen

For More Good Shepherd  
Pictures and highlights go to  
**Facebook: "GSLClenall"**  
or [www.GoodShepherdLena.org](http://www.GoodShepherdLena.org)

### **Month's Highlights!**

- March 4 Lenten Luncheon, 12:00pm at Good Shepherd.  
March 4 Lenten Dinner hosted by WELCA 5:30pm, Lenten Service 6:30pm  
March 5 Hannah Circle 9:00am  
March 9 Parkinson Support Group 1:30pm.  
March 10 Hymn Sing at Lena Living Center 9:45am  
March 11 Lenten Dinner hosted by Worship/Music Committee 5:30pm, Lenten Service 6:30pm  
March 12 Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment 12:00pm  
March 18 Lenten Dinner hosted by Stewardship Committee 5:30pm, Lenten Service 6:30pm.  
March 19 Good Shepherd at Friendship Center for Devotions & Dessert 1:00pm.  
March 25 Lenten Dinner hosted by Learning Committee 5:30pm, Lenten Service 6:30pm.  
March 29 5th Sunday Hymn Sing