

The Family of God Together April 6, 2008

GOOD MORNING! And in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, welcome. May your experience of worship and fellowship with us refresh and ready you for the week ahead.

IF YOU ARE A VISITOR with us we extend a warm welcome to you and invite you to worship with us again next week and participate in our church life as outlined in our monthly newsletter, The Staff, which can be found in the Narthex on the table. Please take the time to fill out a Visitor form which can be found by the Visitor's book, or ask the Usher for one, and place the completed form in the offering plate. After passing through the greeting line, please honor us by signing the visitor's book.

May 4th Friendship Sunday

ALTAR FLOWERS: in celebration of Jennifer Bergfeldt's 23rd birthday given by her family, and in celebration of Jeffrey Patterson's 24th birthday given by his mother Lorraine Morrison.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES: Classes for new members began March 30th. Please join us in the Resource Room if you would like to become a member. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

COFFEE HOUSE: Come out and enjoy a great meal and great music by Joshua's Trumpet, April 19th at 6:30 PM. Come hear the "other" music that Joshua's Trumpet sings. I think you will be pleasantly surprised, and you may even find yourself clapping and singing along!

BUSY BAGS FOR LITTLE HANDS: Bags are available for young children to keep them busy during the service. Please return all items and bags at the end of the service.

SPRING TEA: Please join us on April 20th, at 2:00 PM for the Spring Tea. This Tea is open to all women, so bring in friends and neighbors. We will also be providing babysitting services for those who have small children and would still like to participate. There is a small charge of \$10.00 per person to help cover the cost of the food and beverages. If you have any questions, please see Kathy Hogan, Pat Brietweiser or Elizabeth Pedersen. We will need some volunteers to help with set up, making sandwiches and desserts, and we might also have to borrow some china sets and tea pots. We will also need at least one male volunteer to help with the bigger pots of hot water.

Mark your calendars!! The May Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 18 following each of the two services. Our business will include the election of Administrative Board members and review/approval of proposed Amendments to the LCGS Constitution and By-Laws. Current Board members Faith Caban and Jamie Toth, whose terms are expiring, will stand for re-election and are endorsed by the Administrative Board. Copies of the proposed revisions to the Constitution and By Laws may be found in the Narthex. An open meeting will be held on Sunday, April 27 between services (approx 9 – 10am) for all interested Congregation members to review and discuss the proposed changes with members of the Administrative Board.

Good Shepherd has an ongoing program whereby Bill Sardone shares information regarding “Church happenings and events” with local / state-wide newspapers, cable media and other sources. Please e-mail Bill any contact information you may see for local community newspapers. Articles will be written and sent to all of them about our various year round programs. Bill is on email wsardone@n2nconsultants.com.

HOSPITAL STAY: If you or a family member are anticipating a hospital stay, or a stay in a nursing home or a rehab facility, or you know of someone from the congregation who is hospitalized, please contact the church office @ 732-679-8883, or e-mail the church at office@lc-goodshepherd.org. You can leave a message on the answering machine. Please give us the name of the person, what hospital or nursing home they are in, and your name and number in case we need more information. Thank You.

IN OUR PRAYERS: we remember: **those recovering:** Gunhild Nelson, Les Ebersole, Lyman Laub; **those in nursing homes:** Emmy Moore, Leela Mallepalle; **those who are shut-in:** Josie Schubert, Irene Inneo, Marion Morgans; **those in treatment or struggling with cancer:** Dorothy Palmer, Mino DeMaglie, Laurie Burke, Kathy Hogan, Kyle Pelligrino, Laurie Troutman, Mary Morrison, James Murphy, Michelle Conway, Fred Connin, Ingrid Russel, Ruth Cousens, Peggy DeMarco, Marie Giacomini, Joseph Spinelli, Debbie Pryor, Kathy Hill, Dan Grauer, Bob Mauland; **those with other needs:** Gloria Carias, Evelyn Kotora, Ruth Gunderson, Ray Monel, Jake Johnson, Gregory Pryor, Vincent Siclari Jr, Terry Hayes, Eric Brown, Dylan Brown, Margaret Wrigley, Trudy Conway; **those in the military:** Steve Kaminsky, Marc Artache, Robert Bracero, Brian Farrell, Jon Griswold, Chris O’Shea, Matthew Munoz, Dustin Brown, Fabian Lopez, Jeff Borkowski, Guy Kotora, Jeff Kotora, Joseph Puoplo, Rob Farrell, Brian Borkowski, and Ashley Welsh; **and our missionaries:** Rev. Chuck and Jeanette Groth in Cambodia, and LINC, NJ.

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP: Next meeting is April 13th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Check out our website: youth.lc-goodshepherd.info for info about events, and pictures of what we've been up to so far! Grades 9-12 are welcome!

JOSHUA’S TRUMPET: Did you know that we have over 75 Praise and Worship songs that are used in our Sunday worship services? Which one is your favorite? Do you have suggestions for a Praise Song that you would like to hear? Please let us know.

APRIL PRAYER PETITION: Dear Lord: We praise and thank You for the new life that comes to our world in spring. Help us to also praise and thank You for the new life You have given us through Your son Jesus Christ. Amen.

ALTAR GUILD & FLOWERS: **NO flowers will be ordered unless paid for in advance.** Please go to the Altar Guild room to pick them up **after** the late service. If you wish to make a donation to cover the cost of altar flowers, OR If you wish to join the Altar guild, please see Alma. **No experience necessary.**

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Pastor	Rev. William A. Qualman
Vicar	Ben Mallepalle
Deacons (8:00 AM)	B. Meyer, W. Krawiec
(10:30 AM)	L. Burke, R. Shipley
Greeters	Gayle, Paige & Carly Ferriera
Organist	Mary J. Zeffiro
Ushers (8:00 AM)	Eugene Clapsis
(10:30 AM)	J. Campbell, B. Fruh, D. Bergfeldt
Acolytes (8:00 AM)	Paige Weiss, Jason Cocklin
(10:30 AM)	Andrew Junco, Carly Ferreira
Altar Guild	A. Meyer, B. Meyer, J. Jocus, B. Freeborn
Bulletin Folder	Donna Dooley
Counters	

Weekly Budget/Expenses Amount:	\$ 7,740.00
Contributions received: 3/30/08:	\$ 4,870.00



“Radical generosity is totally alien to our culture. The attitude of, ‘I earned it, it’s mine,’ ‘I work hard for my money’ are totally prevalent. This worldly attitude of selfishness underlines plots of sitcoms and soaps and daytime TV. It takes a conscious decision not to allow that ‘background-noise’ attitude to seep into your thinking. Don’t let the world squeeze you into its mold.” (Mike Taylor)

Good Shepherd Events
Week of April 6 – April 13, 2008

Sunday, April 6, 2008

Service of Holy Communion	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Adult & Teen Bible Study	9:30 AM
New Member Class	9:30 AM
Learning Event	6:00 – 8:00 PM

Monday, April 7, 2008

Women's Bible Study	CANCELLED
Bowling	8:30 PM

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

Women's Bible Study Dinner

Wednesday, April 9, 2008

Little Sheep	4:30 – 5:00 PM
Heavenly Dove Bells	5:00 – 5:45 PM
Interpretive Worship Team	5:45 – 6:30 PM
Shepherd Singers	6:30 – 7:00 PM
Jubilation Bells	7:00 – 7:30 PM
Celebration Bells	7:30 PM

Friday, April 11, 2008

Confirmation II Retreat

Sunday, April 13, 2008

FAMILY SUNDAY

Service of Holy Communion	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School & Bible Studies	9:15 AM
New Member class in Resource Room	9:30 AM
Service at the Manor	10:45 AM
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Jesus hangs on the cross. People stand watching and jeering: “He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ of God, the Chosen One” (Luke 23:35). They didn’t know that God’s power in Christ was working their salvation and ours. “He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by God’s power. Likewise, we are weak in Him, yet by God’s power we will live with Him to serve you” (2 Corinthians 13:4).