

The Family of God Together May 25, 2008

GOOD MORNING! We thank God for this time together! We pray that the grace of God will heal your hurts; that the strength of God will give you courage to face the work before you; that the power of God will prepare your way; and that the peace of God will keep you secure and steady in Christ Jesus.

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of Christi Jordan's 17th birthday, Paul Jordan's birthday, and Cathy Jordan's graduation. In celebration of Richard & Jamie Toth's 14th wedding anniversary. Celebration of Caity Palomba's birthday.

Confirmation Sunday, June 1st @10:30 am service

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The church needs your help mowing our grass. Both riding and push mowers used, as well as gas weed whackers. You need to be at least a freshman in high school** or older. Training is available. If you're able to spare some time, please contact Maureen Puricelli at 732-536-6202 or email MoeMoe57@optonline.net. (**A note to high school students--time volunteered would qualify as National Honor Society service hours or other school service hours you might need.*)

Attention 8th - 12th graders! Come on out to a lock-in on Friday, 5/30. It will be from 8PM - 8AM and we plan to have some fun with food, fellowship, devotion, games, movies, sleep(?) and more! 8th graders, we are so excited we can include you and this is a great way for you to come out for your first LYF activity! Please see a member of the LYF to sign-up at the kitchen counter!

Good Shepherd Scholarship Applications Now Available: Any Good Shepherd high school seniors attending college are eligible for the Good Shepherd Scholarship. The application deadline is June 8 and the scholarships will be awarded during the baccalaureate service on June 22nd at 9 am. For more information, please pick up an application from the table outside the sanctuary or contact AJ Ford at 732-586-4333 / aj.ford@gmail.com.

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

COAT CLOSET: If you have left anything in the coat closet, please remove it. The closet is being cleaned out, and anything left behind will be donated to charity. Thank you for your assistance.

ANNUAL JOYOUS JUNK SALE: The annual garage sale is scheduled for **Sat. June 7th** (Rain or Shine), from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. \$15.00 per spot. **NO** clothing will be accepted this year. If you have items you wish to **donate** to the church to sell, you can drop them off at church **the week BEFORE** the event. More information to come.

Congregational Meeting: June 22nd after the **9:00 am service**. There will be a vote on the new constitution and by-laws

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP: Bring your family. Bring your friends. Why not start the season off right with a day of fun and a Mercy Me concert? The **LYF is sponsoring** a trip to Great Adventure on June 7th where you can spend the day in the park and your evening seeing Mercy Me. Star 99.1 is also hosting an all-you-can eat buffet lunch with games, prizes, musical guests and lots of surprises. The park tickets are greatly reduced to \$31.00 and the lunch tickets are \$13.50. Please sign up at the counter with a member of the LYF. Next meeting will be June 8th 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!

FAMILY OUTING: The Fellowship committee is hosting a family outing on June 29th to see the Blue Claws play, and a concert after. The game starts at 1:05 pm and around 4:00 the concert will begin. Tickets (if we get 25 or more) are \$8.50 for adults, and \$6.00 for children ages 5-10, and Seniors (over 60). If you are interested in attending, please see Kathy Hogan.

WANTED: Patio bricks. If you are replacing a brick patio and would like to donate some of the bricks to the Church, please call the Church office.

SUMMER MUSIC OPPORTUNITY: Would members of your family enjoy creating your own family choir to sing during one of our summer services? Is there a soloist or duet that could offer a choral offering of music as a part of our worship? Is a member of your family a gifted musician who could add to our worship experience during the summer? If so, please speak to Mary Zeffiro, our organist, after a service to tell her what you'd like to do.

Acolytes: Summer is right around the corner, and I will need people to acolyte during the 9:00 am services. If you can do any Sunday, please call me or e-mail me in the office and let me know. If you do not plan on being an acolyte next year, please let me know also. Thank you for your assistance.

COSTA RICA: WILD SCIENCE! As many of you are aware I will be leading a small group in a hands-on science adventure this June! Registration for the **June 2009 trip is NOW OPEN. Any student 12 or over interested in 2009 may travel without a parent.** Any parent, or adult, is welcome to join us, with the following understanding: As a hands-on eco-tourism adventure, the group must stay together as a group with our Certified Tour Guide. The following adventures will occur on this trip: Snorkeling, Hiking, Boating, River Fishing, Swimming in the great Nauyaca Waterfalls, Horseback Riding, and a Service-Learning Event. All students with or without a parent **must be able to swim** to join. TEN persons are needed to travel. See Faith Caban at the counter for questions and brochures.

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.

MAY PRAYER PETITION: Dear God: With our country we raise our voices in prayer, praise and thanksgiving for the grace given us through your son Jesus, who ascended to Your right hand, and is still with us today. Amen.

PRAYER LIST: Please review the list below, and if anyone can be removed, or needs to be added, please let me know. Thank you – Marie

IN OUR PRAYERS: we remember: **those recovering:** Gunhild Nelson, Les Ebersole, Lyman Laub; **those in nursing homes:** Dorothy Palmer, Emmy Moore, Leela Mallepalle; **those who are shut-in:** Josie Schubert, Irene Inneo, Marion Morgans; **those in treatment or struggling with cancer:** Lloyd Lee,

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 Katora, 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 Katora, Jeff Katora, Joseph Puoplo, Rob Farrell, Brian Borkowski; **and our missionaries:** Rev. Chuck & Jeanette Groth in Cambodia, & LINC, NJ.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Pastor		Rev. William A. Qualman
Vicar		Ben Mallepalle
Deacons	(8:00 AM)	B.Meyer , W. Krawiec
	(10:30 AM)	S. Hansen , T. Hansen
Organist		Mary J. Zeffiro
Ushers	(8:00 AM)	R. Humiston, P. Bowen
	(10:30 AM)	T. & G. O'Conner, B. Meitzner, D. Landgraf
Acolytes	(8:00 AM)	Erin Cole, Paige Weiss
	(10:30 AM)	Nicole Stacy, Brian Puricelli
Altar Guild		L. Burke, K. Larkin, L. Pudwell, A. Medina
Bulletin Folder		Christine Kim
Counters		T. White-Stevens, A. van Riemsdyk, P. Pryor

Weekly Budget/Expenses Amount:	\$ 7,740.00
Contributions received 5/18/08:	\$ 6,374.00



“Jesus Christ said more about money than about any other single thing because, when it comes to a man’s real nature, money is of first importance. Money is an exact index to a man’s true character. All through Scripture there is an intimate correlation between the development of a man’s character and how he handles his money.” (Richard Halverson)

Good Shepherd Events
Week of May 25 – June 1, 2008

Sunday, May 25, 2008

Service of Holy Communion	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday School & Bible Studies	9:15 AM
Service at the Manor	10:45 AM
Choir Rehearsal	11:45-1:00 PM

Monday, May 26, 2008

Happy Memorial Day

OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, May 28, 2008

Celebration Bells	7:30 PM
Women's Bible Study	8:00 PM

Friday, May 30, 2008

Grades 8 – 12

LOCK IN

8:00 PM

Sunday, June 1, 2008

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Service of Holy Communion	8:00
Confirmation Service	10:30
Sunday School & Bible Studies	9:15 AM
Choir Rehearsal	11:45-1:00 PM



By nature, we are selfish and greedy people. Our society encourages that sinful mindset by telling us that more and newer is better. Although Scripture nowhere teaches us that being rich is sinful, it does warn us that wealth may be a trap and temptation *“that plunges men into ruin and destruction”* (1 Timothy 6:9). Jesus said, *“You cannot serve both God and Money”* (Matthew 6:24). An indication that our money has become overly important to us is when we ignore the needs of others and the needs of our church. With God's strength, we can place God first and overcome the temptation to love our money.