

The Family of God Together
November 30, 2008

GOOD MORNING! We are so pleased you are here to worship with us. We pray by the hearing of His Word you find your burdens lighter, your hearts encouraged, and your souls refreshed. May the Spirit of God dwell within you and may He overwhelm you with His love.

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 card which can be found in the pews, or ask the Usher for one, and place the completed card in the offering plate. After passing through the greeting line, please honor us by signing the visitor's book.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of Taylor Marie Bliven's Baptism given by her grandparents, Marie & Dave Bergfeldt

December 7th Ordination & Installation of Ben Mallepalle

ANGEL SHARING TREE: is up in the Narthex. We will be buying gifts for the Sayreville Group Home residents, moms and their children from Amandla Crossings, and our neighbors from Old Bridge Welfare. This year, we will also be doing My Brother's Keeper, which is Patros's Discretionary fund for members in need. The limit is \$25.00 for each person (Except for Pastor's fund). Please bring your gifts back NO LATER than December 14th to allow time for distribution.

HYMNALS: If you find a hymnal that needs to be repaired, please give it to an usher AFTER the service. Someone has volunteered to repair such hymn books.

Ben Mallepalle's Ordination and Installation Service will be here at Good Shepherd on Sunday, **December 7th @ 4:00 pm**. There will be a dinner immediately following the service. Sign-up sheets are on the kitchen counter. Due to the Installation, Confirmation Class for that night will be cancelled.

GIFT CARDS: Most of you are aware that the Church sells Gift Cards for Shop Rite, PathMark, and A&P stores. Did you know that each person who purchases their groceries by using one is helping increase donations to our building fund? The stores give the Church 5% of all we sell, and over a year's time that can add up to thousands. If you do not know what to get employees, teachers, bus drivers, or even family and friends for the holidays, please consider gift cards! Several regular denominations are available at the counter. If told in advance, others can be ordered. Even some of our angels on the angel tree this year might be able to utilize a gift card for their own personal shopping. Consider this worthy suggestion this holiday season. Any questions, see Faith Caban.

SHEPHERD SINGERS & JUBILATION BELLS: Both Shepherd Singers and Jubilation bells will start practice on December 3rd. Shepherd Singers at 6:30 pm, and Jubilation Bells at 7:00 PM. No experience necessary. Any questions, please contact Amber Brown.

ACOLYTE TRAINING: Acolyte training will be held during the Sunday School hour on, December 7th. ALL Confirmation students who have not been trained or would like to repeat the training are to meet with Pastor in the Sanctuary at 9:30 am.

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.

NOVEMBER PRAYER PETITION: “Dear Lord, With praise and thanksgiving we lift our voices for all the blessings you have given us, in our families and at Good Shepherd. We pray and ask You to continue to guide and bless us. Amen.”

IN OUR PRAYERS: those recovering: Jamie Toth, Alma Meyer, Gunhild Nelson, Les Ebersole, **those in nursing homes:** Tom Qualman, Dorothy Palmer, Emmy Moore, Leela Mallepalle; **those who are shut-in:** Josie Schubert, Irene Inneo, Joan Brenner, Marion Morgans; **those in treatment or struggling with cancer:** Patrick Rose, Brian Staudinger, Lloyd Lee, Dorothy Palmer, 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: Marie Bergfeldt,** Olivia Rae Vargas, Michael Troutman, 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, Elizabeth Roslak, David Haczyk, Dustin Brown, Fabian Lopez, Jeff Borkowski, Guy Kotora, Jeff Kotora, Joseph Puoplo, Rob Farrell, Brian Borkowski; **and our missionaries:** Rev. Chuck & Jeanette Groth in Cambodia, & LINC, NJ.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

8:00 & 10:30 AM

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| Pastor | Rev. William A. Qualman |
| Vicar | Ben Mallepalle |
| Deacons (8:00 am) | Laurie Burke, Bob Shipley |
| Deacons (10:30 am) | Ed Siclari, Beth Meyer |
| Organist | Mary Zeffiro |
| Manor Deacons | Joe Kotora, Bill Arhsberg |
| Manor Pianist | Gayle Ferreria |
| Acolytes (8:00 am) | Please call church office if you can acolyte |
| Acolytes (10:30 am) | Michael Junco, Maggie O’Connor |
| Ushers (8:00 am) | R. Humiston, P. Bowen, J. Kotora, K. Prenderville |
| Ushers (10:30 am) | T. & G. O’Connor, T. White-Stevens, S. Herbert |
| Greeters | Ken & June Hullings |
| Counters | T & M Puricelli, K. Arzberger |
| Altar Guild | A. Dill, P. Hacker, D. Dooley, J. Previte |
| CD Burner | Gayle Ferreria |

Good Shepherd Events
Week of November 30 – December 7, 2008

Sunday, November 30, 2008

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| Service of Holy Communion | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM |
| Sunday School | 9:15 AM |
| Adult & Teen Bible Study | 9:30 AM |
| Service @ the Manor | 10:45 AM |
| Confirmation Learning Event | 6:00 – 8:00 PM |

Monday, December 1, 2008

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| Bowling | 8:30 PM |
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Tuesday, December 2, 2008

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| B&G Meeting | 7:30 PM |
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Wednesday, December 3, 2008

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| Little Sheep | 4:30 PM |
| Heavenly Dove Bells | 5:00 PM |
| Shepherd Singers | 6:30 PM |
| Jubilation Bells | 7:00 PM |
| Celebration Bells | 8:00 PM |
| Women's Bible Study | 8:00 PM |

Thursday, December 4, 2008

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| Stewardship Meeting | 7:30 PM |
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Sunday, December 7, 2008

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| Service of Holy Communion | 8:00 & 10:30 AM |
| Sunday School | 9:15 AM |
| Bible Study | 9:30 AM |
| Ben's Ordination/Installation | 4:00 PMM |

Confirmation Cancelled

StewardshipEmphasis

*"I have held many things in my hand and I have lost them all. But whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."
(Martin Luther)*

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| Weekly Budget/Expenses Amount: | \$ 7,740.00 |
| Contributions received 11/23/08: | \$ 6,311.60 |
| Checking Balance | \$--5,324.60 |



Stewardship Corner: Thanksgiving is a culmination of all the labor of the preceding year – the tilling of the soil, the planting of the seed, the rain and sunshine nourishing the crop, and then the harvest! The same principle of hard work followed by a reward holds true in the spiritual realm. *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up"* (Galatians 6:9). *"For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete"* (Deuteronomy 16:15b).