



PASTOR'S NOTE

Greetings from Pastor Chris Enstad

Innovation and Gratitude

We continue to navigate our way through these trying and anxious times. I am amazed at the many innovative ways the Kingdom work of God can be accomplished while coping with social distancing, stress and the fear of the unknown! Thank you for continuing to pray for and support your church! Please continue partaking in the many tools we have available for you to stay connected to each other and the church including our website at gslcwi.com, our Facebook page, our YouTube page, and our GSLC app.

Update on Pr. Joe

I am happy to report that Pr. Joe went home on Tuesday, April 21! As the Brosious family adjusts to their own new realities, we join together in prayer that Joe's healing and rehab continues surrounded, at last, by the love and support of his family! Welcome home Pastor Joe!

Financial Update

Many of you have reached out to share your concerns about the financial well-being of the congregation. I am grateful to report that despite the fallout from the pandemic and the financial challenges it has

caused many members, the vast majority of our members continue to show their generosity through their weekly tithes and offerings. This allows Good Shepherd to continue to fulfill its mission of welcome, forgiveness and service at a time when it is needed the most! Thank you for your generosity! There is a detailed report from our Church Treasurer on our current financial situation on page three.

We also hope to convene an online Town Hall meeting in June to show how Good Shepherd continues to welcome, forgive and serve during the pandemic, and how we plan to move forward when things begin to return to normal. Look for more updates in the weeks to come.

I pray that you are catching glimpses of the Resurrection promises in your daily lives. Thank you for continuing to walk together as one church: many, many campuses!

The peace of Christ be with you.



Pastor Chris Enstad



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY What's Happening in May

Church School Gathering
Sunday May 3 and May 17 at 10:00 a.m.
(before online worship)

Gather & Games 3rd-5th Grade
Thursday May 7 & May 21 at 3:00 p.m.

Watch for the children's ministry family email for a zoom link. If you do not currently receive children's ministry weekly email, please email Joanne at jzastrow@gslcwi.com Stay engaged at home with weekly Bible lessons, activities, games, crafts & prayers at gslcwi.com/kids-connect.

Births

Congratulations to Craig and Maria Golden, St. Paul, MN, on the birth of their son, Jonah Golden, born March 23, 2020. Congratulations to grandparents Tom and Karen Golden.

Congratulations to Sean and Sara Sweeney on the birth of their son, Tyler Louis Sweeney on April 2, 2020. Congratulations to grandparents Dave and Kathie Schroedel.

HOLY BAPTISM Baptism Class on May 17

Instruction for Holy Baptism is available to anyone wanting to be baptized or have their child baptized. The Baptism Class will be held virtually via Zoom on Sunday May 17 at 11:30 a.m., following worship. To register for the baptism class and receive the link to the Zoom meeting, please contact Katie Wagner at kwagner@gslcwi.com. Visit gslcwi.com/baptism to learn more about baptism a Good Shepherd.

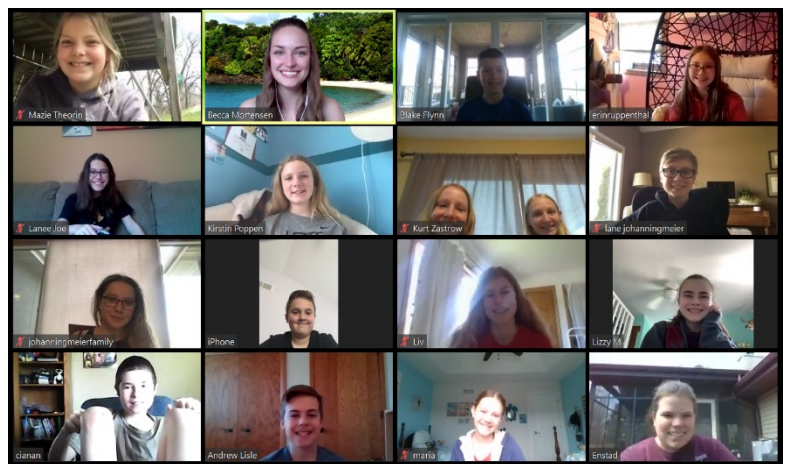
Christian Sympathy

Christian Sympathy to Ryan Panzer and family on the death of his grandmother, Joan Ryan who died, March 10, 2020 in Appleton, WI

Christian Sympathy to Wanda Martinelli on the death of her sister, Lucille Steele who died, March 27, 2020 in Richland Center, WI.

Christian Sympathy to Pat Westimayer and family on the death of her mother, Jane Arbogast who died, April 11, 2020 in Madison, WI

Christian Sympathy to Jan Fenley and extended family on the death of her husband, Dale Fenley who died, April 20, 2020 in Madison, WI



AMPED Meeting Together Weekly

AMPED Small Groups touch base throughout the week at a time when they are able to gather. Another option for Middle Schoolers to stay connected is the "zoom lunch" with Becca and Laura.

FINANCES

March Financial Dashboard

Statement of Activity - General Fund

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Contributions and Other	\$ 501,930	\$ 456,894	\$ 45,036
Special Bequests	-	-	-
Total Revenue	501,930	456,894	45,036
General, Admin & Program Expenses	(484,715)	(489,674)	4,959
Mortgage Principal - General Fund	(34,736)	(38,908)	(4,172)
Revenue less Expenses and Mortgage	\$ (17,521)	\$ (71,688)	\$ 45,823

Fund Balances

	March 2020	December 2019	YTD Change
General Fund	\$ 575,148	\$ 559,240	\$ 15,908
Board Designated Funds	192,540	248,080	(55,540)
Restricted Funds	315,168	569,628	(254,460)
Total Cash & Investments	\$ 1,082,856	\$ 1,376,948	\$ (294,092)

Mortgage Balance

	March 2020	December 2019	YTD Change
Loan Balance Outstanding	\$ 2,544,551	\$ 3,129,727	\$ (585,176)

GENEROSITY

Giving Thanks for the Work of the Church

by Don and Krista Nelson, Good Shepherd Members for 32 years.



During the COVID-19 pandemic, we are thankful we can stay connected to our Good Shepherd family in a variety of ways, including Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services online. But since we can't worship in person, we are concerned members may forget to continue to financially support Good Shepherd. All of us are being torn in many directions during this national crisis, but supporting our church financially remains important. While some of you who are unemployed due to the pandemic will need the stimulus check from the government, there are some of us who will also receive a stimulus check who might have some more flexibility. We have decided to give part of our stimulus check to Good Shepherd to boost the financial well-being of our church. We're hoping other members consider this as well. Thank you for your generosity, especially now, and thank you for supporting Good Shepherd.

Good Shepherd Receives PPP Loan

To protect our ability to retain and pay our church staff, Good Shepherd applied and was approved for the Payroll Protection Program. The program allows organizations negatively affected by COVID-19 to borrow money at favorable terms. We expect the majority, if not all, of the loan we received will be forgiven based on its intended use. Thank you for your continued support of our church!



**PICTURE OF THE MONTH
Special Delivery**

Easter bags were delivered to Church School students for a safe and special way to celebrate Easter

Do You Need Tech Help?

With much of our ministry moving to an online format, there can be some issues in getting everything up to speed. We want to work to help identify and solve your issues so you can participate in worship, groups and more. Send an email to dmaysack@gslcwi.com or give her a call at 608-640-4931.

Team WorldVision Global 6K

You can help fight poverty and this pandemic at the same time by joining the Global 6K for Water. The Global 6K is great because you can do it anywhere! Walk or run the distance, by yourself or with your family, and be part of this global movement to change lives. Whether you join from the treadmill or your favorite trail, the neighborhood or the track... on May 16, you'll bring life-changing clean water to those who need it most. More info will be available in the weeks ahead!

Devotionals Available for You

We have lots of the April – June "Word In Season" devotionals, that we would be happy to mail to you. The daily readings will help keep you focused on the word of God along with the accompanying stories each day. To request a devotional, you can either send an email to Judy at jhoard@gslcwi.com or call 608-271-6633.



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TOGETHER. WHEREVER YOU ARE.
Weekly Ways to Connect

All links available at
gslcwi.com/touchpoints

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Worship 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Coffee Hour After Worship</p>	<p>Daily Prayer 10:00 a.m.</p>				<p>Men's Group 6:30 a.m.</p>	
	<p>Podcast Chat 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Wine & Word 8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Worship 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Contemplative Life Group 6:30 p.m.</p>		

