

From the Pastor:

Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

On Reformation Sunday of this year, we will begin a year long preparation to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. This event 500 years ago changed the face of Europe, culture, music, art and, of course, religion. Some used Luther to achieve their own desires—to pillage, steal and murder. Or a person like King Henry VIII who used the Reformation to divorce wives and changed England totally.

Through the years, pastors have used the Reformation as a Lutheran Independence Day. Their sermons were Catholic bashing. I remember the first pastor I served with had a half hour sermon on how bad the Catholic Church was. Of course, many priests have done the same thing in talking about the Lutheran Church.

One of the key points of the Reformation is that it is an ongoing event. The church constantly needs to reform, to change, and to walk closer to Jesus on a daily basis. We can not conform to our culture but always need to be true to the Gospel. To reform means to change to a better state or form and also to cause a person or institution to abandon wrong or evil ways of life or conduct.

We need to look at our lives and our church to see how a reformation needs to happen. It need not be as painful as the Reformation was 500 years ago with thousands and thousands of people dying and the destruction of churches and villages. The wars and hatred lasted for many years. It is time we all need to work together for one purpose—to defeat evil in our world and bring peace every where.

During the next year, look for bulletin inserts, newsletter articles and adult classes about the Reformation. On Reformation Sunday this year, the Rev. Dr. Michael Bennethum will be preaching (yes, Pastor Gary will be there also, so you can't skip church). Pastor Bennethum is the Assistant Bishop of Northeast Pennsylvania Synod.

Hopefully, this will be a great year to learn, celebrate who we are and where we came from, but also look towards where we need to go.

In His Arms always,

Pastor Gary

Planning Ahead.....

**Blessing of the Animals
October 2**

**Food Bank Sunday
October 9**

**In Touch Sunday
October 16**

**Reformation Sunday
October 30**

**All Saints
November 6**

**Christ the King Sunday
November 20**

**Penny Party
November 25**





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9:00 AM

Sunday School
10:15-11:00 AM

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Director of Music Ministries

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Congregation Council

Brenda Koch, President

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Laurie Andrew, Executive Secretary

(Laurie is not a member of Council)

Alexis Saylor, Recording Secretary

(Alexis is not a member of Council)

Jolynn Claroni

Paul Evans III

Dave Hausman

LeAnne Krill

Christopher Holub

Lisa Mann

Karen Hahn

Happy Birthday...

Adrienne Gaugler	October 1
Willard Frack, Jr.	October 3
Shirley Buss	October 5
Emma Dungan	October 7
Megan Layton	October 8
Hope Eisenhard	October 10
Carolyn Werner	October 10
Jean James	October 11
Christine Andrew	October 13
Linda Heimpel	October 15
Kara Klusaritz	October 15
Cody Liebert	October 15
Carole Holub	October 17
Judy Luckenbill	October 17
Kayla Gogle	October 19
Olivia Dixon	October 20
Sandra Newhard	October 23
Kathleen Januszewski	October 24
Louise Saylor	October 25
Thomas Lawlor	October 26
Gordon Mann	October 26
Pauline Faust	October 27
Alan Gaugler	October 25
Amy Hower	October 28

Pearl Zuberka	October 29
Alison Dixon	October 31
Jacquelyn Kalynych	October 31

Happy Anniversary...

Matt & Kara Klusaritz
October 9

Roy & Roseann Koehler
October 13

Brian & Denise Schmall
October 13

Paul & Lorraine Einfalt
October 14

Forrest & Brenda Koch
October 14

Blair & Amy Hower
October 19

Richard & Judy Fehr
October 23

Gerald & Shelia Persing
October 25

Norman & Sharon Graver
October 28

Parochial Report

Date	Attendance
8/7	63
8/14	91
8/21	60
8/28	47
TOTAL	261
AVG.	65.2

President's Corner

Happy October everyone! The weather sure did change quickly. I love fall but I'm not sure if I am ready for it. This month is Pastor Appreciation Month, so make sure Pastor Gary is feeling the appreciation from the congregation. Thank you to Pastor Gary for everything you have done for me and my family.

The Church Council has two empty seats and is looking for two able bodied congregation members to join us on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm. This meeting discusses what is going on in the congregation. If you have ideas and opinions, we would love for you to join. If you are thinking about joining, please come to a meeting and see what we are all about. The next council meeting will be on Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7pm.

May God bless each and every one of you!

Sincerely,

Brenda

Brenda Koch

President



September Financial News

August

Current Balances	
Checking	\$8,464.71
Building Repair	\$1,568.47
Mem. Fund	\$16,427.83
Money Mkt	\$66,731.53
Thrivent	\$401.00

	General	Building Repair	Memorial
August 7, 2016	\$2,588.00	\$170.00	\$895.00
August 14, 2016	\$1,738.00	\$10.00	\$275.00
August 21, 2016	\$1,438.00	\$70.00	\$30.00
August 28, 2016	\$1,402.00	\$60.00	\$100.00
Vanco			
Income in August	\$7,874.00	\$365.00	\$1,300.00
Expenses in August	\$13,311.01		

From the Console



Adult choir begins at 7:15PM on Thursdays. All are welcome! No audition needed. The only thing needed is a desire to sing Praise and glorify our risen Lord.

Handbell Choir



Bell choir will continue to meet in the Nave on Sunday Morning at 11:00. All are welcome to join the bell choir. We do have at least 2 openings, and we could also use someone who can read music that would be willing to fill in for anyone that is missing.

In planning ahead, I am looking and hoping at having the hand bells play on Reformation Sunday, Christ the King Sunday, and of course Christmas Eve. We have a lovely

arrangement of "O Worship the King" for hand bells, organ, piano and choir. What a wonderful way to begin the service on Christ the King Sunday. Won't you please consider joining the Bell Choir and be part of making a Joyful Noise?

Sing-cerly

Harold



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is responsible for manning the food bank for the month of November.

The schedule and details will be posted in the Narthex as soon as we receive the dates from the food bank.

New volunteers to help are welcomed
and greatly appreciated.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANT LIST

(If you are unable to keep your scheduled time, please find someone else to fill in for you)

Date	Acolyte	Assisting Minister	Pouring Chalice	Chalice Bearer	Lector	CD Ministry
October 2	Emily Schweitzer	Dave Hausman	Gail Loch	Judy Fehr	Dave Hausman	Mike Hahn
October 9	Zachery Tyler	Chris Holub	Mark Weaver	Donna Walck	Edwin Marshall	Al Wiemann
October 16	Nick Miller	Jason Bogden	Jessica Kirkpatrick	Diane Hausman	Ben Bogden	Brandon Koch
October 23	Hope Eisenhard	Laurie Andrew	Linda Siekonic	LeAnne Krill	Diane Hausman	Mark Weaver
October 30	Kyle Koehler	Carole Holub	Renae Yelles	Laurie Andrew	Carole Holub	Zachery Tyler

Date	Ushers
10/2 & 10/9	Jason Bogden, Morry Pulley, Donald Ruch & Doug Yelles
10/16, 10/23 & 10/30	Karen Hahn, Dave Hausman, Dean & Roseann Yelles

Good Shepherd is affiliated with Lehigh Valley Health Network Pastoral Care. If ever you are admitted to one of the Lehigh Valley Network Hospitals (Cedar Crest, Muhlenberg or 17th Street) please give them code 232. This tells the hospital you are a member of our church. The Church Secretary calls daily to get an update to see if any members are hospitalized.

Popcorn Sale
 Cub Scout Pack # 40 will be selling popcorn before and after worship on October 9th!

**Committee Chairs
 Organization Leaders**

In order to ensure Congregation Council meetings run smoothly, please remember to submit a report, **in writing**, to be included in the Council member packets. The packets should be available for pick-up the Sunday prior to the Council Meeting.



- Food Bank Sunday is the second Sunday of each month. Please bring your food items on that day and place them in the bins in the narthex. Good Shepherd is especially responsible for canned fruit, jelly, and applesauce. Of course, any food staples will be accepted on any Sunday. On the Second Sunday of the month (**October 9**) our prayers will include the food gifts, the recipients, and the donors.
- "IN TOUCH" Sunday is always the third Sunday of the month (**October 16**) Take a name of a member and send a card so they know we are thinking of them, remember them and wish them well and keeping them in our prayers.



Blessing of the Animals Service

October 2, 2016
2:00 pm
the Pavilion.

Come and have your picture taken with your pet!

Rain or Shine. If it rains, we will be in fellowship hall.

Freed & RENEWED
in Christ 500 YEARS OF GOD'S
GRACE IN ACTION

Reformation 500
Project

Ministry Team is collecting stories of faith from Lutherans around the synod. This will be a way to help us connect with one another and to share God's Good News with those who are hungry to know about God and God's love for them.

We are looking for stories related to the experiences people have with God's grace/ unconditional love and worship. This is for everyone. It does not matter if you are in confirmation or homebound. All are welcome. Please give your story to Pastor and a picture would be awesome. Let's tell others about what our God has done for us!



Good Shepherd is in a Parade!

The Jack Frost Parade

October 20th, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

Rain Date- October 27th, 7:00 p.m.

The theme for Good Shepherd's entry is Old Fashioned Values. Members of the church will be dressed in garb representing the years from 1900 to 1960. Our goal is to recapture respect, patriotism, kindness, compassion, integrity and honesty, which are the core values that built our great country.

Please join Congregation Council and the Outreach Committee and participate in one of the oldest parades in the Lehigh Valley.

It is not too late to sign up to participate in the parade. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex under Outreach.

Details? See Pastor, Karen Hahn or JoLynn Claroni.





Stewardship Committee is once again asking you to take the \$20.00 or More Challenge for Commitment Sunday on November 20th, 2016.

Please take a Challenge Bank from the Boxes in the Narthex.

Between now and November, give up a little something here and there and place the money instead in your bank. When we reach Commitment Sunday, bring your bank to Church and we will offer what you have saved to the glory of God and our mission here at Good Shepherd. If you would like credit for your donation, please include your name and envelope number on a slip of paper in the box.

Last year our challenge collected over \$1700 for our general fund and the missions we support. Help us to meet or exceed that total this year!



Reformation 500

So how much do you know about the Reformation?

Do you why Luther wrote the 95 Theses or why the Roman Church responded why did?

How well do you know the Catechism?

These and many other questions will be answered in our new Adult Sunday School Class.

Details coming!



BLACK FRIDAY PENNY PARTY

Friday, November 25, 2016

Please remember to save the date, November 25, 2016 for our Black Friday Penny Party to be held in our Fellowship Hall. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. to purchase tickets, eat great food, and to peruse basket and raffle items. At 5:00 p.m. the Penny Party begins!

Even though this is our Third Penny Party here at Good Shepherd, we hope this review reminds you what a Penny Party is. Please help our committee by spreading the word. Tell immediate family, distant family, neighbors and friends.

The Fun(d) Raising Committee thanks you for the many donations already received, and asks that you place future donations in the box in the Narthex (*see list at bottom). Do you have a lot of pennies and/or penny wrappers? Please consider donating them by placing them in the Wishing Well in the Narthex. Look for a sign up sheet in the future to help make and sell food as well as volunteer to help set up and run this event.

New this year: We will have three new and exciting drawings for 2016. As usual, we will donate a 10% tith of the profits. This year we have chosen NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Lehigh Valley, who serves as an advocate for the mentally ill (www.namipalehighvalley.org).

This will be a fun, relaxing time after the busy Thanksgiving Day. Forget about Thanksgiving leftovers but do bring any leftover relatives from the holiday to the party!

Questions? Contact a Fun(d) Raising committee member: Carole Holub, JoLynn Claroni, Randy Claroni, Dorothy Clauser, Brenda Koch, Lisa Mann, Darlene Pail, Barb Wiemann, Renae Yelles, Linda Walbert.

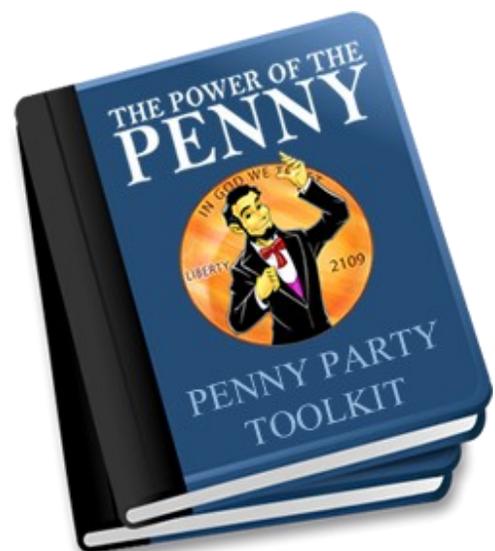
*Items that you may start collecting for donation include: Can goods; baking supplies; paper products such as tissues, paper towels, napkins; cleaning supplies; snacks; cereal; coffee, tea; ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise; laundry supplies; dog food, cat food; pens, pencils, greeting cards, memo pads; candles; seasonal items; new Bric Brac; Christmas items; Children's items, toys, puzzles, coloring books, crayons, dolls; etc. Please be mindful of expiration dates for food items as no item should be expired prior to our 11/25/16 penny party.

**WE PUT THE
FUN
IN FUNDRAISING**

HOW THE PENNY PARTY IS PLAYED

A Penny Party is nothing more than a social event, where people may purchase comfort food & Penny Party players bid on a variety of all types of prize items. The winners of the items are drawn via lottery/raffle style. To describe what to expect, how much fun it will be, and how you can participate/play you need to:

1. Bring mostly pennies, but nickels, dimes, quarters and even dollar bills come in handy as well. You may also purchase pennies at the event.
2. Purchase an envelope containing 100 tickets for \$2.00.
3. Sit at a table that is linked to all other tables (imagine a serpentine configuration of dozens of tables) for everyone to view the tray and then quickly pass the tray with items. When the tray comes to you, you may bid on the item or not bid on it. Then simply pass the tray to the person next to you.
4. Place your numbered ticket in the raffle can on the tray and the penny in the penny can only if you like the item on the tray. The penny is nothing more than an ante (think poker ante). You may place as many tickets in the ticket can to increase your odds of winning but each ticket you place must also have the penny ante placed in its can as well. If the item is not for you, just pass the tray on to the next person. All items may be marked with different amounts for the ante appropriate to the value of the prize item. The ante may range from one cent to a dollar or higher.
5. Pass/circulate multiple trays (rapid fire) at the same time and when a tray reaches the end of the last table, a caller will draw and announce the winning number and a runner will deliver the prize item to the winner, who will be asked to hold up his/her hand.





BEAUTIFUL CHRISTIAN FRIEND

A person's heart should be so hidden in Christ
that you would have to seek
Him first to find them.'

When I say that 'I am a Christian',
I am not shouting that 'I am clean living.'
I'm whispering 'I was lost, but now I'm found and forgiven.'

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I don't speak of this with pride.
I'm confessing that I stumble and need Christ to be my guide.

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I'm not trying to be strong.
I'm professing that I'm weak and need His strength to carry on.

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I'm not bragging of success.
I'm admitting I have failed and need God to clean my mess.

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I'm not claiming to be perfect.
My flaws are far too visible, but God believes I am worth it.

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I still feel the sting of pain.
I have my share of heartaches, so I call upon His name.

When I say 'I am a Christian'
I'm not holier than thou,
I'm just a simple sinner who received God's good grace, somehow!

October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00AM BELL CHOIR 2:00PM BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS	3 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	4 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 7:30PM CUB SCOUTS 6:30PM	5 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	6 CHOIR PRACTICE 7:15PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM	7	8 50+ FELLOWSHIP HALL
9 FOOD BANK SUNDAY 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00AM BELL CHOIR	10 COUNCIL 7PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	11 CUB SCOUTS 6:30PM	12 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	13 CHOIR PRACTICE 7:15PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM	14	15
16 IN TOUCH SUNDAY 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00AM BELL CHOIR	17 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM GRACEDALE VISIT 6:30PM WORSHIP & MUSIC 7PM	18 CUB SCOUTS 6:30PM	19 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	20 NORTHAMPTON HALLOWEEN PARADE CHOIR PRACTICE 7:15PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM	21	22
23 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00AM BELL CHOIR	24 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM PROPERTY 7PM	25 CUB SCOUTS 6:30PM	26 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM	27 CHOIR PRACTICE 7:15PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30PM	27	29
30 REFORMATION SUNDAY 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00AM BELL CHOIR	31 GIRL SCOUTS 6:00PM					