



# Happynings

April 10, 2009

## This Week's Readings

**April 12th: Easter Sunday:**  
Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118;  
1 Cor. 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8

**The newsletter and calendar for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rochester • Minnesota**

**The March Minnesota FoodShare Campaign** is now over. Thank you to everyone who once again gave so generously to keep the shelves at Channel One stocked with food. Good Shepherd's totals came in at **1836 lbs** of food collected and **\$3160.01** donated. WOW! You have helped many families!

'For I was hungry, and you gave Me *something* to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me *something* to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; \_ naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.' \_ "Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You *something* to drink? 'And when did we see You a stranger, and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You?' 'When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' \_ "The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of *them*, you did it to Me.'

*Matthew 25: 35-40*

### **Easter Morning Breakfast to Benefit GSC's**

**Landscaping:** Spring forward in Fellowship & Faith and enjoy breakfast between Easter Sunday services. A sign-up clipboard can be found in the Narthex for breakfast items needed. New this year will be an **Easter Egg Hunt** for children Preschool age through 2nd Grade! Remember: There is no Sunday School on Easter Sunday (April 12<sup>th</sup>).

### **Brats, Beer & Bells Night**

Have you ever thought about trying handbells, but wondered if it was for you? If you have (or even if you have not), join GSC's handbell choirs for the 2nd annual "Brats, Beer, and Bells" night, set for Monday, April 13th (that's the day after Easter). The night will start with Brats, Beer (Root Beer!), and other goodies, followed by a crash course on bell basics and a chance to give the bells a try. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Questions? Contact Michelle Schlicht at 258-1258 or any current handbell member.

### **GSC Tennis Night**

The 3rd Annual GSC Tennis Night will be held at the Rochester Tennis Connection, from 7-9pm on Saturday, April 25th. There will be 6 courts in use, with instruction for children (age 4 yr & up), adult beginners, and round robin play for experienced players. Cost is \$4 per person or \$10 per family. Rackets are available, so just bring your tennis shoes and plan to have fun! Please call 288-4851 to if you can, but walk-ins are most welcome too! Your hosts include: Tim & Jan Butorac, Diane Carr, Carol Kivimagi, Paul Mainz, Elliot Mainz, Tim Fynskov and possibly a few other GSC tennis players.

## THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

### **Saturday, April 11**

8:30pm Easter Vigil

### **Sunday, April 12 (Easter Sunday)**

8 & 10:30am Worship

9:15am Easter Brunch (FH)

### **Monday, April 13**

#### **Office Closed**

6:00pm Handbells: Brats, Beer & Bells (FH)

6:30pm Education Committee

### **Tuesday, April 14**

7:30am Men's Coffee

9:30am Stay and Play

10:30am Staff Meeting

1:30pm Lutheran Woman Today Bible Study

7:00pm Committee Night Meetings

### **Wednesday, April 15**

5:30pm Ring & Sing, Praise Kids, Confirmation

6:00pm Simple Supper

7:00pm Remix, Joyful Noise Singers

### **Thursday, April 16**

7:00am Ephesians Bible Study

7:00pm Sisters in Faith

### **Saturday, April 18**

5:30pm Worship

### **Sunday, April 19**

8 & 10:30am Worship

9:15am Ephesians Adult Study

Education Hour

## PRAYERS

+ For all members of Good Shepherd, especially: Randy & Deb Husser (Rachael, Shelby), Lynda Hyberger, Gwen Jacobson (Cody, Caia).

### **April 12 — Easter Sunday**

+ Alleluia! He is risen!

**Thank You!** As we bring the winter season to a close, GSC would like to acknowledge our snow shovelers from this winter season.. Most of these folks have been shoveling snow for us for the past 5-10 years.

Russ Snyder, Doug Halverson, Mike Stellenberg, Fred Hoefft , Paul, Joleen & Elliot Mainz, Terry Dunham, Tim & Sue Olson, Joe & Tina Livingston, Steve Howe, Weldon & Mitchell Hanson, Randy Gartner, Craig Aldrich, Dave Jaspersen, Jim Johnson, Tom Stockfleth, Mark Poppe, Tony Floyd, John Taylor, Nathan & Bruce Galloway, Bob Larson, Cory Groves, Scott Shaw, Jan Bergert, & Tim Fynskow.

### **What's up with Small Group Ministry!!!!**

Do you enjoy.... Getting to know other people? Building relationships? Studying God's word? Figuring out how God is at work in your life? Serving in Jesus' name? Then come join Pastor Karen to see what God can do through you in facilitating a small group here at Good Shepherd Church. **We will meet for an informational meeting on April 20th at 6pm in the office conference room.** Please contact Pastor Karen with any questions about this meeting or small groups in general.

### **Summer Outdoor Worship is Coming...**

**Do You Want to Play** Once again, between Memorial Day and Labor Day our 8am worship service will take place outside in the amphitheater. A variety of musicians help to provide music leadership in these services. Would you like to play? Do you play guitar? Piano? Drums? Would you like to provide vocal leadership? If you are interested for playing on one or more Sundays this summer, please contact the church office.

### **AARP Driver Safety Courses**

Good Shepherd will be sponsoring the Driver Safety Class on April 25 and May 9 from 8:30-5:30. Anyone can take this class, but for those of you over 55, by attending this class you should be able to get a 10% discount from your insurance company. Check with your insurance to find out just how much your discount would be. The cost is \$12.00 for AARP members and \$14.00. Contact Sheila Bennett at 990-6179 to register. Class size is limited to 25 each time and it is filling up fast.

### **Camp Amnicon Hiking Trip**

There is still room for one more high school student to join the backpacking trip that will be outfitted and guided by Camp Amnicon. Dates of the trip are July 5-10, and the cost is \$325. For more information, or to sign up, call Ellen Herder at 289-5723.

### **Lutheran Woman Today Bible Study**

Will meet on Tuesday, April 14 at 1:30pm at the home of Wally & Loretta Berglund.

### **Interested in Becoming a Member at GSC?**

We are having New Member Orientation sessions later this Spring and we would love to have you be a part of it. If you are interested in joining here at Good Shepherd, please talk with Pastor Dave or Pastor Karen after worship, or contact us at the church office during the week. Thanks!

### **Do you know that Good Shepherd has about \$ 1,250 available to our congregation through Thrivent Financial?**

We are looking for a few Thrivent Financial members to take a leadership role in this distribution. The time commitment is minimal and it is a great way to support our congregation. Please connect with current members Judy Keeler, Dave Herder or Becky Fluegel to find out about this. We wish continue this funding to our church, but need your help! If your Good Shepherd group needs funding, please coordinate your requests with those noted above. Please note that a fundraising event must take place and be coordinated with Thrivent Financial, prior to the event.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

10th	Cynthia McLaren, Kennedy Speer
11th	Steven Christiansen, Jenny Kerkvliet, Christopher Williams
12th	Emily Howe, Scott Kruse
13th	Kaye Munden
14th	Cathy Eidem, Tracee Shevlin, Curt Swedlund
15th	Bill Davidson, Hayden Jones, Bill Oldfield
16th	Marcia Belau, David Christenson, Rachael Husser, Mark La Master, Michael Thilges

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Saturday 5:30 PM; Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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Karen Pahl..... Pastor

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