

October 2023 Newsletter

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Oak Park IL Volume 58, Number 10

October is a busy month at Good Shepherd with lots of great events to add to your calendar!



October 7: Donut Day! This is an important fundraiser for our youth. There are still a couple of volunteer spots open. See the link on page 5.

October 8: Newcomers Class

Learn about the history and mission of Good Shepherd, our core values and ministries, and what it means to be a Lutheran. See page 7 for details.

October 15: Affirmation of Faith for 9th graders We are encouraging the congregation to share a note with words of encouragement, a favorite Bible verse, etc. Blank cards are available at church. You can also email messages to Deaconess Debbie at christianed@goodshepherdlc.org. Please be sure to include the student's name if writing to a specific student. Find student names on page 3.

October 22: Commitment Sunday

Each household will receive a commitment packet no later than October 10. Within the packet will be forms to complete to make various commitments for attendance, service, and financial giving. These commitments will be gathered and blessed in worship on October 22.

October 28: Greater Chicago Food Depository
Repack event (teens and adults only). Registration info can be found on page 5.

October 29: Reformation Sunday

Wear the colors of the Holy Spirit—red, orange, bright yellow—as we celebrate God's Spirit at work in our lives and in our world. Join the choir in singing, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God."

Congregation Meeting and Vote

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A meeting of the congregation will be held on **Sunday**, **October 1** following the 10:30a service (approximate start time is 11:45a) for the purpose of sharing updates concerning Good Shepherd's Phase 2 Renovation Plan, and to VOTE on a proposed resolution that authorizes the expenditure of funds for replacement of the fire escape following the receipt of competitive bids for the project.

The meeting will be held in person and online via Zoom. Those who wish to participate online should send a request to events@goodshepherdlc.org by noon on Friday, September 29 to receive the link to the meeting.

The following voting methods are available:

- Voice vote for those participating in-person
- Online vote using the Zoom chat function for those participating online
- Proxy granted to a fellow member for those who will not participate in the meeting. Notifications of proxy designations must be sent via email to <u>events@goodshepherdlc.org</u> by noon on Friday, September 29.

The proposed resolution action is as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED: that the GSLC congregation authorizes (a) the competitive bidding process for the installation of a new fire escape on the southwest corner of the GSLC building at 611 Randolph and (b) the funding of such an installation with available GSLC funds not to exceed \$150,000.

A full version of the resolution, including all "Whereas" statements, will be available at the meeting. You can also request a copy by sending an email to events@goodshepherdlc.org.

See page 9 for additional Phase 2 Renovation updates.

WORSHIP

Making Music with Us

It takes all types. Not everyone has a recording-quality voice. Just

ask any choir member how they felt during the lock -down when they were recording their solo voice so that I could include it in a "distanced choir" anthem or



hymn. Most people cringe if they hear their voice with no accompaniment or support from other voices. We are blessed to have singers with a range of voices, but *average voices* make a wonderful choral sound. You experience that every week when our choir sings.

The only thing we are missing sometimes is *enough singers*. In any volunteer choir, it is rare for all singers to be present at the same time. Last Sunday, I had to make some calls so we would have enough sopranos to sing the beautiful Shaker tune, "I Will Hunger and Thirst." There are other times when all the tenors are out of town or we're down to one or two basses or altos. We have room in choir for more singers. If you've thought about trying choir before, I welcome you to join us when you can. We have some members who can come only when their work schedules permit. That's the nature of what we do.

Choir is a great way to connect with others and God. There's nothing quite like singing together either in unison or harmony. I encourage you to make music with us to find that out. We rehearse on Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:40p. Another way to join us is to sing in our Scratch Choir, which meets the fourth Sunday of the month at 10a to learn an anthem. In October, our music is a Taizé hymn. We've had a nice turnout of singers for these 'one-off' choir experiences. Is it your turn?

All Saints Day

On November 5, we will remember those who have passed to eternal life, yet retain a deep connection to our lives. Everyone will be invited to participate in an activity to name those individuals. For those who are unable to wor-



ship in person on that day, there are two ways for your saints to be included: 1) Materials for the activity will be available by October 22, so that you can prepare before the date or, 2) You can list your saint on the Prayers and More so that someone can include them in the activity on November 5.



October 20—Harvest Time

There is a strong connection between people who are gardeners and people who are deeply spiritual. Could it be that both understand the process? Harvest time is the resulting celebration of much previous hard work. Doors open at 7:10p, with music starting at 7:30p. Your donation of refreshments is greatly needed; just sign up on the Prayers and More form or connect with Lynn Railsback.

While Jazz Prayer is always best experienced in person and in community with others, Jazz Prayer is also available via live stream – a link to which is provided on the Good Shepherd website. All services are recorded; go to the GoodShepherdLutheranChurch channel on YouTube and search for Jazz Prayer to find past recordings.

Sneak Peak for November Jazz Prayer: We bring in Dixieland Jazz on November 17th!

Seeking Worship Helpers

Our Sunday worship would not be the same without the members who make it happen. But we can definitely use more helping hands. It would be great if no one had to serve more than once a month. We offer orientation so you can learn what the various roles include. Please consider helping with worship. Contact the church office or Judy Beisser for more information.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School News

Sunday School is off to a great start! We welcome students that are age 2 through grade 8. If you have not already done so, please register your child/ren now by using the above QR code, or by going to https://tinyurl.com/gslc23-24SundaySchool.

Special notes for October:

- 1. There are NO Sunday School classes on October 8.
- 2. Students will be singing the Psalm response with our choir on **Sunday, October 15** at the 10:30a service.

Middle School/Confirmation News

This year we are partnering our traditional confirmation program with a general middle school group. Students in 6th-8th grade that wish to be confirmed will follow our program, which includes Sunday morning learning, two Tuesday evenings a month for special programming, and various fun and service events.

Middle schoolers who are not on a confirmation track are welcome to join us for any and all of our activities!

Notes for October:

- 1. There are NO classes on October 8.
- 2. Tuesday evening learning nights are scheduled for October 10 and 24. Start time is 7:00p.
- 3. Sunday morning classes are October 1, 15, 22, and 29. (There's a special activity on October 1!)

Affirmation of Faith, October 15

On October 15, we will have a rite of affirmation for our 9th grade students: Ben, Lucas, and Emmett. This is an intentional shift away from the traditional language of "confirmation," as we recognize that asserting our faith is a lifelong journey rather than a moment in time.







Halloween Fun and Campfire Sing!

Join us for October fun on Sunday, October 29! We've got something for everyone:

4:30-5:15p: Halloween fun for the kids! Costumes

encouraged! Adults welcome!

5:15-6:00p: Dinner

6:00-7:00p: Campfire sing and

s'mores

You are welcome to attend any or all portions of our evening. We just ask that you sign up on the Prayers and More form to help with our planning. Be sure to bring lawn chairs!

We are also passing out full sized candy bars on Halloween! Drop off your candy donations by October 29. Sign up on the Prayers and More form if you'd like to help hand out candy on October 31.

Sunday Morning Bible Study

All are welcome to join in our Sunday Morning Bible Study. This group has lively discussions about scripture, using shared resources from our church library. No Bible background or expertise needed! Sundays at 9:15a.

Please note: Although Sunday School classes are not meeting on October 8 due to a long school weekend, the SMBS will be meeting!

Adult/Teen Monthly Forum

October Forum: Sunday, October 1, 9:15a - 10:15a Recent learnings, experiences in West and East Africa: Good Shepherd members Meinrad and Mary Scherer-Emunds and Lynn Railsback will share what they, their family members, and employers are doing in East and West Africa. You'll hear about wide-ranging work from supporting people with disabilities, efforts to promote nonviolence, and how financial institutions can reduce poverty and spur greater gender equity.

November Forum: The Holy Land Today, presented by Barb Hunt.

December Forum: Anti-Racism Team

GS CONNECTS

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Bill Peterman **Ethan Sargent** Paul Schattauer **Amy Dominguez** Jonathan Hugh Malik Maly Marilyn Hugh Oscar Duel Brian Moreland Nat Pozorski Jessica Cane Ava Oliver **Sinclair Davis** Olive Loentz Lynda Jeppesen Peggy Sinko

Please note: Personal information, such as birthdates, anniversary dates, and personal contact info are stripped from the website version of our newsletter. If you would like a complete newsletter, please contact the church office.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Jeff King and Susan Greeley
Elizabeth Loentz and Tim Maly
Laura and Wendy Darlington
Karen Colley and Eric Svensson
Paul and Marcia Schattauer
Gerry and Sue Olson
Charity Caldwell and Guillermo Vazquez
Amy and Roy Dominguez
Richard Sehl and Paul Pedersen
Marcy Moreno and Scott Sherwin
Rick Nagle and Eileen Deamer

Daytimers

Daytimers members have been on the road much of the summer. On October 3rd, we will stay home--specifically Barb Hunt's home--for a bbq potluck. We will gather at 11a for lunch and fun activities.

On November 14, we will travel into Chicago for a tour of Holy Name Cathedral with lunch near the cathedral.

December 12 will be a trip to Garfield Park Conservatory to view the Christmas displays. Lunch will be at a local restaurant. For more information, contact the church office

Book Club

The church's book club Flock o'Readers has decided to read another local author. Books by Oak Parker Julia Buckley will be discussed on October 25. Join us at church at 2:30p for an interesting discussion of Julia's works. For more information, contact the church office.

Save the Date!

After the success of last January's "Martini Madness," we have contacted local mixologist Dave Hudson to schedule another event. On February 3, we hope you will join us for "World Whiskey Night," as we explore differences between whiskeys from around the world. More information will be available in late fall.

Crafters Needed!

We need your help! Our annual Christmas Marketplace will be held on Sunday, December 3. We are in the process of identifying vendors. Ten Thousand Villages has already committed to attending. If you know of a craftsperson or not for profit organization that would like to participate, please contact the church office.



Women & Spirituality

Parables and Women.

What parables are meaningful to Good Shepherd's women? Join Women & Spirituality on Sunday, October & from 4:00-5:30p to explore what parables are most meaningful to us and why. Even if you've never attended a Women & Spirituality gathering, please join us -- this is not a closed group. We'll be meeting at Good Shepherd; ring the bell at the Randolph Street door by the alley and someone will let you in. Bring your journal and a pen. To learn more, contact Marilyn Hugh (who will be leading us) or Lynn Railsback.

Mark your calendars to join us on Friday, November 3 when we meet at Leslie Marino's house for supper and then go together to the Taizé service at Ascension Catholic Church that starts at 7:30p. Taizé services are a soothing and spirit-filled way to end the week.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Ministry with Migrants

Over 13,500 migrants have arrived in Chicago over the past year. Many are sleeping in shelters or on the floors of police stations. The border has come to us.

Good Shepherd is joining other congregations in Oak Park who are sponsoring migrant families and we need YOU!

There are many different ways to be involved in helping a family:

- 1) Fundraising
- 2) Help find housing
- 3) Help furnish the family's apartment
- 4) Visit the family to practice English
- 5) Help enroll children in school
- 6) Help find health care
- 7) Help with navigating public transportation
- 8) Help get connected to food pantries, second-hand clothing stores, the library, etc.

It's a plus to know some Spanish, but not necessary.

Join us at an informational meeting via Zoom on Thursday, October 5 at 7p to find out what's involved in this ministry and begin to discern your level of commitment. Please contact Mary Scherer-Emunds or the church office for the zoom link.

If you can't make the meeting, please still contact Mary if you'd like to participate!

Donut Day, October 7

We still have some early morning positions open for Donut Day! Let's fill in our schedule to make this fundraiser a success!



Proceeds raised will support our high school youth as they plan to attend the 2024 Youth Gathering in New Orleans. You can sign up

https://tinyurl.com/gslcDonutDay2023.

for a shift at

Bethel Lunch Program, October 26

Bethel Lutheran Church, located in the West Garfield Park neighborhood, serves 110 to 150 hot lunches every Thursday. Good Shepherd helps serve on the fourth Thursday of every month. To work the whole shift, arrive at



10:30a and leave at 1:00p. We carpool from Good Shepherd at 10:15a. The address of Bethel is 130 N Keeler, Chicago. Sign-up on the Prayers and More.

Holiday Food and Gift Program

This year, the Holiday Food and Gift Program anticipates providing over 2,000 individuals in Oak Park and River Forest with **grocery gift cards in November** and **holiday gifts in December***. While the holiday gifts are sponsored by community members, the HFGB organization typically purchases over \$30,000 of gift cards at Thanksgiving - all of that money comes through donations. Your generosity is critical to the success of this program.

To donate towards grocery gift cards: www.communityofcongregations.org. Click GIVE in the upper right corner and indicate that your contribution is for Holiday Food and Gift Basket.

Checks can be sent to the following address: Holiday Food and Gift Basket c/o Community of Congregations P.O. Box 3365, Oak Park, IL 60303-3365

*Want to help with holiday gifts in December by "adopting" a family? Watch for more details soon!

Greater Chicago Food Depository

Join us on Saturday, October 28 from 8:30a-11:15a. (This opportunity is for teens and adults.) Our time will be spent repacking bulk donations given to GCFD into family-sized portions. You need to complete a sign-up directly with GCFD. Contact Deaconess Debbie for the link.









Celebrating community at the Member to Member Brunches on September 24.

Thanks to those who hosted!









COMMITTEE NOTES

Council, Committee Highlights

Our Council and Committee Chairs gathered by zoom in September for a joint meeting, giving us a chance to share committee happenings. Some highlights:

- Moved to pay our mortgage payments from the Capital Campaign fund to our regular monthly giving in order to preserve the Capital Campaign fund
- Appointed John Jackson as co-treasurer with Dan Feiertag
- Discussed helping a migrant family both financially and with other support
- Heard we had many in attendance at Sunday School and worship as the program year starts
- Noted that we are still looking for a paid nursery attendant as well as volunteers for Fellowship Hour and communion preparation (Altar Guild)
- Learned that Advent 4 (morning)/December 24 will be a family-oriented service at 10:30a and Christmas Eve worship will be at 8:00p

Newcomer's Class

Sunday, October 8, 11:45a

Lunch and childcare provided.

Learn the history and mission of Good Shepherd, our core values and ministries, the difference between ELCA, MCS, and what it means to be a Lutheran. Our Newcomers class will cover it all. We'll meet in Fellowship Hall with a simple lunch. This gathering is conversationally based with an aim at building connections. RSVP on the yellow Prayers & More form or with Pastor Kathy.

Newcomers Meet & Greet

Saturday, October 21, 6p

Lynn Railsback's house

Where do you fit in at Good Shepherd? Meet other members and newcomers over dinner and find the ways you can be involved. RSVP on the yellow Prayers & More form or with Pastor Kathy.

Notes from the Nominating Committee

As we move toward the end of 2023, Good Shepherd will look to fill a few important roles in our leadership service for the next year.

The open positions include:

Council: Two positions open. The Council meets monthly on Monday evenings for about 90 minutes to make decisions affecting the entire operation of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Each council member also serves either on the Executive Committee or as a liaison for several of the service committees (finance, property, etc.).

Memorial Endowment Fund: MEF decides which social ministries will receive financial support from GSLC. In 2022, \$3000 was distributed among Exodus World Service, Brave Space Alliance, and Bethel Lutheran Church.

United Power for Action and Justice: UPAJ is a non-partisan community organization advocating for rights and fairness. Their three primary goals are to increase affordable housing, reduce gun violence, and improve mental health services for people in the Chicago area. GSLC has participated in United Power since 1997, as part of our Social Ministry commitment.

Synod Assembly: The annual meeting of all congregations in the Metro Chicago Synod occurs on the first weekend in June. The Assembly is an excellent opportunity to observe how the church works as an institution, and how GSLC serves as a unit of the Synod. This is a good, one-time service opportunity!

Nominating Committee: The Committee recommends a slate of individuals for all of the open elected positions. The Committee itself includes the executive Council members and three elected individuals.

The Nominating Committee met on September 16 and identified a number of likely candidates for the open positions, but we're always looking for people who would like to participate in formal service to the congregation. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in one of the areas indicated above, please contact your Vice President, Pete Chapman or the church office.

We'll look forward to the 2024 annual meeting in January!

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Healing Prayer, Healing Song:

An Ecumenical Service to Pray for Healing

Ascension Church (808 S East Avenue, Oak Park) is offering a new ecumenical prayer service, *Healing Prayer*, *Healing Song*, on Thursdays, October 19 and November 16, at 7:30p. The service includes scripture; healing songs and prayers from various traditions; shared silence; and the opportunity for individual prayer, laying on of hands, and anointing. A special "Healing Choir" provides musical

support and songs of healing at the service.

Additionally, an ecumenical and multi-cultural prayer team of pastors and other pastoral care minsters assist in this ecumenical outreach of prayers for healing, wholeness, and unity in our world. As an ecumenical service, Ascension Church recognizes the unifying power of Christians from different traditions, ethnicities, and races to join as one, to intentionally pray for the healing of division and for a deepening of unity in our world. The service will also be live-streamed. For more information, contact Ascension's David Anderson at d.anderson@ascensionoakpark.com.

LSTC Learning Communities: FAITH, WORK, AND ECONOMICS

Sunday, October 8 – Sunday, October 29

Join the Lutheran School of Theology Chicago this fall for a remarkable 4-part series, sponsored by LSTC Learning Communities, that explores the topic, "Faith, Work, and Economics."



Rev. Wayne N. Miller will lead this dynamic online course for 4 Sundays, beginning October 8 from 6p – 7:30p CST. Or you can join Wednesday sessions beginning October 11 from 7:00p – 8:30p CST. Go to the LSTC website for more information and registration.

Celebrate Aloha Concert & Benefit for Lahaina

Sunday, October 1, 3p at Good Shepherd

Join *Halau i Ka Pono* for an unforgettable afternoon of Hawaiian Hula and music at their *Celebrate Aloha*



Concert & Benefit for Lahaina, Maui. 100% of the proceeds will go towards supporting the people of Lahaina devastated by wildfires in early August. They will also have a silent auction, raffle and a delicious Hawaiian-style buffet. See the fliers in back of the sanctuary for more information.

Presented by the Oak Park Community of Congregations:



Frank Llyod Wright Race

Please note that the Frank Lloyd Wright race is being held in Oak Park on Sunday, October 15. Road closures for this race may mean giving yourself extra time to get to church that morning.

PHASE 2 RENOVATION UPDATE

The "Welcome All" Journey

"We welcome all" – a proclamation and promise that is foundational to Good Shepherd's ministry, mission and

vision. And for over 30 years, the Good Shepherd community has invested time, money, and energy into making its physical home at 611 Randolph evermore welcoming and accessible to all, including people with a wide range of physical abilities. In the early 1990s, Good Shepherd installed a ramp and passenger lift at the Randolph Street "side" entrance. In the decades that followed, a variety of exterior ramp solutions were considered to provide access to Good Shepherd's front door on East Avenue. And as the people of Good Shepherd rebuilt following the fire in 2018, accessibility and welcome was once again at the forefront of reconstruction plans. The passenger lift at the Randolph Street entrance was fortified. Door openings were widened. Flexible worship seating with wide aisles was incorporated. A hearing-assist system

was installed in the sanctuary. And a passenger elevator with an adjacent vestibule entrance that provided inclusive, front door access was incorporated into the renovation plan. However, the financial realities of the costs associated with the extensive fire recovery and renovation construction, combined with the urgency to return to in-person gatherings following the fire and COVID pandemic, resulted in delaying the installation of the elevator and construction of the adjacent entrance vestibule to a second phase, which has come to be known as "Phase 2."

Generosity Abounds

Recovery and return to Good Shepherd's physical home at 611 Randolph following the fire was possible only through the generosity of the Good Shepherd community who gave more than \$500,000 and pledged an additional \$210,000 to fund the post-fire rebuilding and renovation. And over the course of the last 30+ years, additional gifts and commitments to Good Shepherd's facility renovation and repair have empowered the generation-long mission to become equally accessible for all. Generosity abounds, indeed!

Financial Reserves

Good Shepherd has approximately \$170,000 in renovation-related funds available to enable the next phase of

construction and maintenance.



Good Shepherd is managing a mortgage of \$300,000, which includes payments of \$1,726 per month. The aim is to pay this debt from Good Shepherd's "Unified"/operating funds, thus allowing the \$170,000 in available renovation-related deposits plus the \$210,000 in additional pledged donations to pay for Phase 2 renovations.



Phase 2 consists of two primary areas of focus:

- Replacement of the existing fire escape
- Installation of a new front door elevator, construction of an adjacent entrance vestibule and renovation of the nursery space







Conceptualizations of new East Ave entrance, exterior and interior.

The Phase 2 Task Force recently received a qualified cost estimate of approximately \$1.5 million for the new elevator, entrance vestibule and nursery renovation; and a qualified construction cost estimate of \$150,000 for replacement of the fire escape. Given the immediate need for a new fire escape and the available funds to pay for this replacement (see "Financial Reserves" above), the Phase 2 Task Force has recommended to the Council, and the Council has proposed to the congregation via the resolution for congregation consideration and vote on October 1, that funding be approved to replace the fire escape ("Phase 2a") following receipt of at least three competitive bids from potential contractors. The need for new donations in addition to those previously pledged is evident given the \$1.5 million estimate for installation of the elevator, construction of the entrance vestibule and nursery ("Phase 2b"). The timing of this new capital campaign appeal which will enable the commencement of Phase 2b will be discussed during the meeting of the congregation on October 1, in subsequent congregational meetings, and in prayerful dialogue with God and with one another.

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:15a Monthly Forum	2 Pastor Kathy at Synod	e e	4	ro.	6 Pastor's Day Off	7
11:30a Phase 2 Meeting 1p Ray of Hope 3p Hula Event 7:30p AA	Leader Gathering 10:30a Staff Meeting 12p Worship Planning 7:30p AA	11a Daytimers Potluck	7:30a Matins (Offsite) 7:15p Choir	7p Ministry w/ Migrants Informational Zoom	5:30p Persist 8p AA	GS Donut Day at OPFM 11:30a Caldwell Memorial (offsite) 12p Baby Shower
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11:30a Newcomers Class 1p Ray of Hope 4p Women & Spirit. 7:30p AA	10:30a Staff Meeting 12p Worship Planning 7:30p AA	Pastor at Synod 7p Confirmation	7:30a Matins (Offsite) 7p United Power 7:15p Choir	7:30p WMA	Pastor's Day Off	
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7p Christian Ed 7:30p AA	7p Council 7:30p AA	7p Finance	7:15p Choir		7:30p Jazz Prayer 8p AA	6p Newcomers Dinner
Commitment Sunday 22	23	24	25	26	27	28
To scratch Choir To Ray of Hope 1:30p Recital	10:30a Staff Meeting 12p Worship Planning	Pastor at Synod	7:30a Matins (Offsite) 2:30p Flock o' Readers	10:30a GS to Bethel	Pastor at Synod Retreat	8:30a GS at GCFD
2p Cong. Net. Meeting 7:30p AA	7:30p AA	7p Confirmation	7:15p Choir		8p AA	
Reformation 29	30	31				
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4:30p Halloween Party 5:15 Halloween Dinner 6p Campfire Singalong	7:30p AA			8:30a V 9:15a Christiar 10:30a Worship (in-p	8:30a Worship 9:15a Christian Ed for all ages 10:30a Worship (in-person & livestreamed)	
7:30p AA						

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Pastor is available by appointment: calendly.com/revk

Evangelism Reflections: Beyond Self

I love getting regular updates from Good Shepherd including the weekly Epistle on Sunday morning, the midweek email update, the monthly Shepherd's Staff, and the frequent social media posts. I read these updates with great interest . . . but typically do so thinking only about myself and/or my family. Which of these opportunities and activities work with *MY* schedule? What interests *ME* the most? Which events do *I* want to attend. But recently, I had a bit of a revelation and I began to read these updates with *OTHERS* in mind.

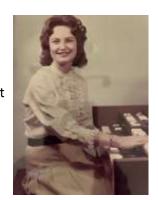
- Which of these opportunities and activities would my neighbors and friends enjoy?
- Which of these opportunities connect to topics I've recently discussed with my neighbors and friends?
- What is Good Shepherd offering that could serve as a soothing salve or moment of joy for my neighbors and friends?
- Which of these events are being live streamed that could serve as an opportunity for a shared connection with family, friends, and neighbors who no longer live near?

I invite you to think beyond yourself as you consider all the wonderful opportunities and activities that Good Shepherd has to offer.

-Mark Ledogar, Evangelism Chair

Condolences Extended

Our condolences are extended to the family and friends of former Good Shepherd member Sharon Anderson. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Good Shepherd. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy for the Anderson family may be shared at www.chapelHillGardensWest.com.



For Financial updates, please contact the church office.