



The Shepherd's Voice

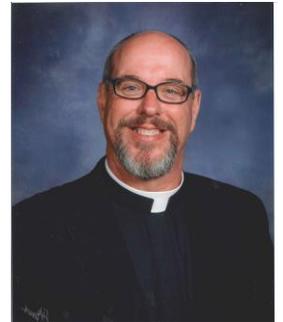
August, 2017

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA), 439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy., Hernando, FL

Pastor's Page

In January 2008, I wrote my first Pastor's Page for *The Shepherd's Voice*. Now, as July 2017 draws to a close, so too does my pastorate at Good Shepherd; and I find myself writing my last Pastor's Page.

Formal, written words of love and goodbye, unless composed by a gifted poet, seem so inadequate when compared with the countless words spoken in private, personal, tear-filled conversations. And yet, I cannot leave here without thanking all of you for granting me the privilege of being your pastor these past ten years. It is no small thing to be invited into the lives, history, journey and trust of a congregation. Indeed, to be invited into moments of great sorrow and joy; of embarrassment and pride; of life's beginnings and its endings (and all points in between) has been an incredible honor. Please do not think for a moment that I have taken these things for granted, or carry them lightly. No! These memories will live in my mind and in my heart forever. And for them I thank you, and our gracious God!



You and I now enter in to a period of transition; I to another congregation and place, and you into God's future in which lies a relationship with your new pastor. May I give some unsolicited advice? Each of you will move into that future at a different pace. Some of you may be ready, right now, to envision life with a new pastor (with all the exciting possibilities that the future holds). Others may say goodbye to me for quite some time to come. There are no rights or wrongs to this. Rather, honor each other and where the other finds himself/herself. Celebrate that difference. And, continue to love each other.

I recently pointed out that this church does not belong to Ken Blyth, nor to any other individual person at Good Shepherd: it is Christ's church! It is vital that you and I remember that truth as our transitions begin. For my part, that truth informs and shapes the pastoral ethics surrounding my leaving. And so, I've included a document following this Pastor's Page, which describes the ethics that the Church expects of her pastors, and which helps to create healthy boundaries as pastors conclude and begin their ministries. I commend it to you; and I will strive to live it! (The entire document has been reproduced, to give you the larger pastoral picture.)

You will remain in my prayers throughout this transition. I pray that you will continue to attend worship services, Bible studies, fellowship and service events. And, might this Scotsman also pray that your financial contributions to Good Shepherd (now more vital than ever!) continue to be made regularly and with love? I pray that the Holy Spirit will lead you to a pastor who has fresh, exciting, and dare I say it... *NEW* ideas for ministry. And, I pray that you will find in the gifted and faithful

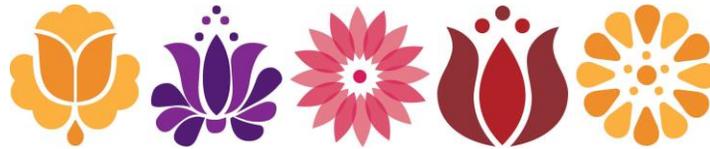
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team of leaders in the Bishop's Office, wonderful companions with whom to journey through the transition process. (The team is led by Deacon Connie Schmucker, Assistant to the Bishop for Leadership. Trust her guidance, and give her your love; she will not lead you astray!)

In conclusion, I share this prayer from the Synod's *Rite of Thanksgiving at the Conclusion of a Call*. It comes directly after the prayer in which you release me from my Call:

Almighty God... You watch over our going out and our coming in: bless this time of ending and beginning. You surround your people in every time and place: keep us close in your love. You accompany your people in times of joy and times of trial: prosper all that has been done to your glory in this time together; heal and forgive all that has fallen short of your will for us. Help... all of us to live with courage and gladness in the future you give to us. Amen.

Pastor Blyth



The Ethics of Pastoral Transition

From "Walking Together through the Transition Process," the Transition Manual of the Florida-Bahamas Synod (2016 Edition).

Congregations and pastors need to understand the professional ethics of ministry relating to former pastors, interim pastors, current pastors and retired pastors. A pastor who resigns or retires from a congregational ministry setting no longer serves as pastor to members of this congregation. Former pastors should not agree to pastoral responsibilities that rightfully belong to the current pastor of the congregation.

Former Pastors

If a former pastor is asked to officiate at a special service by members, he/she should respond immediately by saying: "Thank you very much for asking me, but it is simply NOT appropriate for me to do that since I am no longer your pastor." The former pastor then encourages them to call their present pastor. It is very natural that members turn again to a former pastor who perhaps baptized their other children, or performed other weddings and funerals for family members while serving as the family's pastor. Again, with great sensitivity and love, the former pastor should graciously decline and direct the family to their current pastor. As with other family friends, the former pastor might attend the service as a guest. Former pastors should avoid the comment to members, "You'll need to speak first to your present pastor about me doing this." Such a comment places the current pastor in the very awkward situation of having to relinquish the pastoral role to the former pastor, or saying no to the members' request and thus appearing insensitive, uncaring or insecure.

Former pastors who retire need to promptly transfer their membership to another Lutheran congregation where they can become involved as a retired pastor. This is also a great gift to the congregation formerly served. In this age of extensive social networking on-line in its many forms, former pastors need to be aware and sensitive about their on-line communications. Continuing to “copy” members of their former congregation in emails or Facebook interactions is a form of continuing pastoral interactions/relationships. On-line interactions are to be discontinued. Be sure to remove past parishioners from your batch email lists and Facebook access.

Interim Pastors

The interim pastor is the current pastor of the congregation until that time comes when the new pastor assumes the role of pastor and shepherd of the congregation. Whether part time or full time, the interim pastor should be contacted for all pastoral acts during the transition time. The former pastor should not be contacted by members to return to perform a pastoral responsibility during the transition.

Current Pastors

Current pastors should speak as positively as possible of the ministry of former pastors even though their style and vision might be very different. The current pastor should never feel pressured to relinquish his/her pastoral role to a former pastor. When a current pastor feels it is appropriate and healthy to invite a former pastor to return to participate in a special occasion, worship or activity, he/she can certainly extend such an invitation.

Retired Pastors Who Join a Congregation

Retired pastors who join congregations can be a blessing to the congregation. Retired pastors need to remember that they come with experience and gifts for ministry and may be asked to share such gifts at the invitation of the current pastor. Retired pastors need to be supportive of the current pastor. Should retired pastors have concerns about the current pastor, or feel they are unable to be supportive of the current pastor, they are to call the bishop rather than to share their unsupportive viewpoints with the leadership or congregation. It is strongly suggested that retired pastors and their spouses do not serve on council.

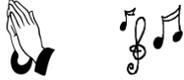
Members & Friends of the Congregation

Members should avoid placing both the current and former pastors in awkward positions by seeking the pastoral services of a former pastor. Members should simply not ask for such favors from former pastors. By showing high regard to the current pastor, members affirm the significance of the pastoral office which was once held by the former pastor. If the congregation, council or current pastor experience difficulties with proper boundaries being maintained, the bishop should be contacted.



The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

Worship and Music



The Worship & Music Committee met on Tues, July 5th. The following items were discussed:

- It is important for ushers to be welcoming to visitors that come in after the service has started, and to make sure that they receive bulletins and worship booklets. To ensure that all are welcomed to worship, we will be putting *Reserve* signs on the back pews for ushers so they will be near the doors to assist parishioners arriving after the doors have been closed.
- The hum in the new Loop System has not yet been fixed. Roger Johnson is working on it.
- A large part of the meeting involved reviewing the responses from the recent survey regarding the Marty Haugen worship booklet currently being used. Thank you to everyone who responded. We had a total of 179 responses.
- The results were as follows:
 - 67 like it a lot
 - 22 like it a little
 - 37 neutral
 - 17 dislike a little
 - 36 dislike a lot.
- Comments ranged from getting used to this Setting, to maneuvering from the worship booklet to the ELW for the additional hymns sung during the service. Some have found it helpful to insert the bulletin in the back of the worship booklet to help guide them through the service as was done when using only the ELW. We do hear your concerns and, as a committee, we will continue to look at other settings. We have only used 4 of the 10 settings in the ELW. It is our plan to eventually review

the other 6 settings in the ELW and prayerfully listen to God's leading as changes are made. As for now, we will continue to use "**Now the Feast and Celebration**" by Marty Haugen. We understand change is not always easy but it is sometimes necessary to keep the worship service fresh and to keep our minds fresh as well. I would again like to personally thank everyone who took the time to fill out the survey.

Since our July 5th meeting Pastor Blyth has submitted his letter of resignation and has accepted the call to serve as pastor at St. Armand's Key Lutheran Church in Sarasota, FL. His last service with us is August 6th.

An interim pastor will assume the role of pastor and will lead us until a new pastor accepts the call to fill the vacancy here at Good Shepherd. Until that time, we will continue to worship, as is our tradition, with two services on Sunday mornings.

The news of Pastor Blyth leaving is tough news to hear. To know him...is to love him. I know we'll all miss his Scottish brogue. Again, change is not always easy, but *change* is a real part of what happens in churches and congregations. We have been blessed with an exceptional leader in Pastor Blyth, a man of God's own choosing. He and his family will be sorely missed by all here at Good Shepherd. We wish him Godspeed as he moves to his new congregation. We all hope his new church family knows how blessed they are to receive him there. We do wish them all the grace the good Lord can give them as they move to new beginnings.

As we move through the transition process, be assured that our church council is working diligently to find a capable pastor to take over the leadership of this congregation. Let us remain prayerful and open our hearts and minds to all that God has in store for us.

Roger Johnson, Chairman

Shoe Box Ministry

An astonishing number of empty boxes have been handed out over the past month. Don't ask how many since they flew out after both worship services! This year's goal is 50 boxes. Last year there were 37 shoe box gifts. They are due back (filled) by Sunday, October 22nd. This date shouldn't interfere with Reformation Sunday, Angel Tree or Father Christmas.



Each shoe box contains a list of the items that are appropriate, prayer guide and labels for your boy or girl. Did you take advantage of the sale on

school supplies in July?

Please know that the best gift you can give is prayer. Pray for the recipient. God knows every child who will be handed your box. Include a photo of yourself, or a postcard of the area, to let the child know who packed the shoe box or from where the box came.

The \$9 checks will be sent to Samaritan's Purse before the delivery date (third week of November) since the costs are due before the shipping can begin. Call Terry Lucente, to reserve your shoe box, at 527-2706.

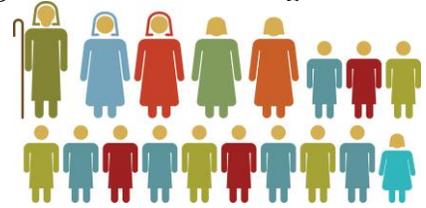


When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God is right there to offer you strength and guidance.

—Anonymous

Bible Quiz

Jacob had two wives, two concubines (his wives' maids), 12 sons and one daughter. Who gave birth to the daughter, Dinah?



- A. Zilpah
- B. Bilhah
- C. Leah
- D. Rachel

Answer: (See Genesis 30:19-21.)



W/ELCA NEWS

Heraclitus said in the sixth century B.C., "There is nothing permanent except change." We look forward to the changing seasons. Our families change with births, marriages, new jobs, relocations. Now our church is changing with the transition of Pastor Blyth moving to a new congregation and our opportunity to welcome a new pastor. God is in control.

The W/ELCA Board will resume meeting on Monday, August 28 at 9:30 am. The October meeting will be Monday, October 2. The November meeting will be Monday, November 6. The December meeting will be Monday, December 4.

Put October 6th on your calendar and join us for our Invitational Luncheon. We are not only inviting the women from our local ELCA churches, St. Timothy and Hope, but also, Joy Lutheran Church of Ocala and Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church of Lecanto. We ask those

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attending to bring a salad or a dessert to share. There will be a presentation about Jessie's Place.

Save the Date. November 10-13, 2017, Women of the Florida-Bahamas Synod will hold their Fall Gathering at the Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg. The theme this year is One Bread, One Body.

All women who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church are a part of W/ELCA. You may come to any and all activities. All of our circles invite you to attend any of the Bible study groups. The quilting and craft groups are always looking for helping hands, either at church or as a silent helper at home. Remember, ALL ARE WELCOME.

Anne Storan
W/ELCA President



W/ELCA Combined Circles Bible Study

Ruth Naomi Circle will host the W/ELCA Combined Circle Meeting

Wednesday: August 9, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
Bible Study Leader: Shirley Uherchik
Refreshments: led by Judy Teague

A light lunch will precede the Bible Study.

All women of the church are invited to attend.



*To escape criticism — do nothing,
say nothing, be nothing.
— Elbert Hubbard*

W/ELCA SCHOOL SUPPLIES

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You have been very generous. Thanks!

We delivered several boxes of donated supplies to Citrus High, Forest Ridge and Hernando Elementary Schools. The schools were very appreciative of the donations for their students.



Check the W/ELCA board and next month's newsletter for our tally of actual items.

Thank you to my Bible study friends for helping me to tackle this worthy project.

Cindy Gaertner



God of tomorrows

This is the blessed life — not anxious to see far in front, nor eager to choose the path, but quietly following behind the Shepherd, one step at a time. The Shepherd was always out in front of the sheep. He was down in front. Any attack upon them had to take him into account.

Now God is down in front. He is in the tomorrows. It is tomorrow that fills [people] with dread. God is there already. All the tomorrows of our life have to pass him before they can get to us. — F.B. Meyer



Memorial and Special Gifts

The following memorial and special gifts were given during the month of July:

- To the General Fund by Lisbeth Goetter in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Worship & Music Fund by Jerry & Mimi Waara in memory of **Marion Bizzoso**.
- To the Music Fund by Sandy Jackson in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Music/Choir Fund by Jeanne Kirk in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the General Fund by Judy Heikkinen in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the General Fund by Mike & Angela Busler in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Music/Choir Fund by Stacy, Chris & Jake Bahner in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Music Fund by Roger Johnson in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Music Fund by Diane Spengler in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the Memorial Fund by the Bayer family in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the General Fund by Jack & Maggie Bregger in memory of **John Theis**.
- To the General Fund by Ken & Diane Meltesen in memory of **John Theis**.



A sincere thank you to Pastor Blgth, and to Pastor Barrett for their hospital visits during my recent surgery. Also for the Prayer Chain initiated by Margaret Stone, and

the many cards and get well wishes by all. It was so much appreciated.

Joe Wilhelmy



To Our Friends at Good Shepherd -

Just wanted to say "thank you" again for the wonderful Christian family you have been to my dad. My family and I always feel at home with you and I look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Yours in Christ,
Bill Theis



Thrivent Choice Dollars

The following Thrivent Financial for Lutherans members have directed this month's Choice Dollars be given to Good Shepherd:

Anne R. Storan

Thank you for your gift.



Hilltoppers

The Hilltoppers enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of good food, good friends and good fellowship at the Sauced Hogs BBQ Bar & Grill in Hernando last month.

Our next outing will be Friday, August 17th when we will dine at Mariana's The Stinky Rose restaurant in Hernando.

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Hilltoppers continued...

If you would like to join us, we will carpool from the church at 12:30pm. Don't forget to call Louise Olson at 344-4479 with your reservation.



The Quilting Group

On July 5th we had 7 quilters and 1 sewer. We finished 5 youth quilts. We only worked from 10:00am until 11:30am because the Fellowship Hall was too hot since the air conditioning is still in need of repair or replacement. So, we enjoyed our lunch and fellowship, then cleaned up and went home. We were very happy for the overhead fans; they helped a lot!

Thank you goes out to Winnie for tops and batting for baby quilts; Nancy for 3 youth kits; Gloria for youth sheets and tops and Suzanne Mahr for sheets.

Our next meeting will be August 2nd and we welcome any help you are able to give us. Bring your lunch; dessert and coffee are provided.

Questions, call Gerry @ 637-2412.



Pairs & Spares

Pairs and Spares will meet at the church on Friday, August 11 at 10am to carpool to the Appleton Museum in Ocala. The last time we were there we went for lunch and then back to the museum.

As the name Pairs and Spares means, come with a spouse, friend or neighbor, or come all by yourself.

Any questions, please call Pamela Dionne at 352-586-3386.



Special dates

- Farewell Luncheon for Pastor Blyth & Family, *August 5, 2017*
- W/ELCA Combined Circles, *August 9, 2017*
- Pairs & Spares, *August 11, 2017*
- Pastoral Care, *August 16, 2017*
- Life Care Center, *August 27, 2017*



Where is she now?

Marianne Henry
3361 Vance Ave
Ft. Wayne, IN 36805



Marianne has moved back to Indiana to be near her family. She would love to keep in touch with her Good Shepherd family too.



Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

AUGUST 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8:00A – Breakfast 11:30A – AA	2 8:00A- SOS 10:00A – Worship & Music 10:00A – Quilters 6:00P - Bells 7:00P - Choir	3 8:30A - SOS 12:00P - Pizza	4 7:30A – Workday on Grounds 	5 12:00P - Farewell Luncheon for Pastor Blyth and famPily
6 Godspeed to Rev. Dr. Blyth and his family	7 8:00A – Exec Council 10:00A - Grief Support Group 2:00P –Grief Support Group	8 8:00A – Breakfast 11:30A – AA 7:00P - Scouts	9 8:00A - SOS 1:00P – Combined Circles – hosted by Ruth Naomi 6:00P - Bells 7:00P - Choir	10 8:30A – SOS	11 7:30A – Workday on Grounds  11:00A -Pairs & Spares	12
13 W/ELCA Coffee, Tea & Cocoa Sale	14 1:00P - Fellowship 5:00P – NAMI Board 7:00P – Council 	15 8:00A – Breakfast 11:30A – AA 7:00P - Scouts	16 8:00A -SOS 9:00A – Pastoral Care 6:00P - Bells 7:00P - Choir	17 8:30A – SOS	18 7:30A – Workday on Grounds  1:00P - Hilltoppers	19
20 Newsletter Deadline	21 10:00A - Grief Support Group 2:00P –Grief Support Group 7:00P - Cards 	22 8:00A – Breakfast 11:30A – AA 7:00P - Scouts	23 8:00A -SOS 6:00P - Bells 7:00P - Choir	24 8:30A - SOS	25 7:30A – Workday on Grounds 	26
27 2:30P – Life Care Center	28 9:30A – W/ELCA Board 10:00A - Grief Support Group 2:00P –Grief Support Group	29 8:00A -Breakfast 11:30A – AA 7:00P - Scouts	30 8:00A -SOS 6:00P - Bells 7:00P - Choir	31 8:30A - SOS		

*Sunday worship is at 8:30am & 11:00am unless otherwise noted.
 Each service is followed by coffee hour in the fellowship hall.*

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



Jeff & Kathy Kopp	08/01/87
Gene & Pat Yoho	08/02/57
Fred & Beverly Brockschmidt	08/14/65
John & Carol Colson	08/15/15
Ken & Diane Meltesen	08/15/64
Rolf & Shirley Storsteen	08/15/64
Carey & Sheila Mandell	08/16/69
John & Hilda Campbell	08/19/55
Dennis & Pam Moore	08/23/64
Tom & Sue Fowler	08/24/90
Ray & Carolyn Creager	08/28/54
Hans Kott & Ann Storan	08/29/08
Joe & Grace Wildman	08/30/52
Jack & Angela Eggert	08/31/91



1– Helen Koonce	12 - Gloria Peterson	22 – Linda Lepore
3 – Frances Lowe David Sotrines	13 – Lauren Roberts	23 – Yvonne Blass
5 – Rita Bosse	14 – Chris Bienwald Judy Knecht	25 – Janet Richardson
6 – Herb Hoell	15– Mike Maksymicz Paula Pritzl	26 – John Nelson
8 – Jonathan Maxwell Vera Thorne	17 – Kathy Swartz Jackie Mills	29 – Chuck Kittleson Gary Knecht Carol McClure Barbara Richie Diane Spengler
9 – Steve Casperson	19 – Darlene Hedin	

MONTHLY COMMITTEE DUTIES

AUGUST 6, 13, 20, 27

ALTAR & COMMUNION

TBD

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

TBD

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Summer Break

MONEY COUNTERS

Ken Meltesen, Lead
Diane Meltesen
June Dreger-Parsons

GREETERS

8:30AM

11:00AM

August 6

TBD

TBD

August 13

TBD

Norma Engle

August 20

TBD

TBD

August 27

TBD

Gerry Kauth

ASSISTING MINISTER

8:30AM

11:00AM

August 6

Amy Blyth

Judy Heikkinen

August 13

Ann Neville

Mike Maksymicz

August 20

Dawn Clark

Vera Swade

August 27

Lisbeth Goetter

Judy Heikkinen

ACOLYTES

CRUCIFER

Alma Day
Sub: TBD

USHERS

8:30AM

11:00AM

Joe Wildman, Lead
Grace Wildman
Mike Busler
Angela Busler

Len Martin, Lead
Kay Martin
Dave Bocker
Peg Bocker

NURSERY

8:30AM

11:00AM

Susan Fowler

MONTHLY COMMITTEE DUTIES

AUGUST 6, 13, 20, 27

COFFEE HOUR - 8:30AM

Coffee Hour



Volunteers Needed

COFFEE HOUR - 11:00AM

Coffee Hour



Volunteers Needed

DONATE COOKIES - 8:30AM



Volunteers Needed

DONATE COOKIES - 11:00AM



Volunteers Needed

PUBLIX (SATURDAY NIGHT) PICK -UP

Jim & Amy Gilbert

FOOD SHARE (MONDAY) DELIVERY

Harv & Barb Johnson

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED EACH SUNDAY



(Please let the church office know if a name has been removed that should remain on this list, or if a name should be added.)

Let us remember:

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bizzoso, Art | Hester, Marty | Olson, Louise |
| Boerger, Dave | Hickey, Madelyn | Orndorff, Wayne |
| Brockschmidt, Fred, Beverly | Hoell , Herb & Lucille | Peterson, Gloria |
| Campbell, Hilda | Kohm, Bob | Richardson, Tim |
| Cwiklinski, Chuck | Kuebler, George | Roth-Arena, Katherine, Adan |
| Durr, John | Maidhof, Helen | Smith, Donna |
| Fallanca, Gerri | Maksymicz, Shirley | Wagner, Adrian |
| Fosse, Barbara | Mandell, Sheila | Wagner, Richard |
| Gifford, Melissa | Meltesen, Ken | Wheatley, Frank |
| Graham, Elinor | McCracken, Joyce | Wilhelmy, Joseph |
| Halstead, Deborah | Mills, Jackie | |
| Hahn, Eric | Morelli, Heike | |
| Hartsfield, Sylvia | | |

Those who are shut-in or residing in assisted living homes:

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| Dick, Phyllis | King, Evelyn | Makuch, Elsie | Wheatley, Betty |
| Frost, Anna | Liddy, Danny | Sagin, Paul | |
| Hedin, Arlyn | Link, Adelaide | Taylor, Lillian | |

All who serve our country in the military:

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| Boudreaux, Annie | Johnston-Garcia, Christian | Posa, Codymichael |
| Burba, Jake | Luchay, Alan | Radloff, Steven |
| Ceballos, Jason | Martin, Aaron | Radosevitch, Eric |
| Cwicklinski, C.J. | McCann, Jim | Seefeld, Jessica |
| Day, Kenneth | Mehringer, Michael | Springer, Jr., Dennis |
| Fosse, Jr., Paul | Moore, Andy | Stroble, Jeramy |
| Gaertner, Jerrod | Moore, Alex | Swain, Jr., Terry |
| Harrington, Bryan | Moore, Ian | Thompson, David |
| Heikkinen, Jacob | Moore, John | Timpe, Chris |
| Hickman, Richard | Muchow, Jason | |
| Holman, Evan | Osborn-Herdman, Christopher | |
| Jackson, Brad | Piott, Trenton | |

Relatives and Friends:

Ailor, Earle	Haas, Andrea	Reiels, Clarence
Arena, Richard	Halstead, Nichole & Susan	Roberts, Rachel
Bell, Ian & Rosemary	Hanzel, Samantha	Robinson, Deanna
Bentley, Pat	Hickman, Daryl	Rockwell, Jack
Blyth, Ruby	Kamm, Nancy	Romanelli, Anthony
Brockschmidt, Brian	Kindred, Christine	Sanger, Carol, Ruth
Campano, Thomas	Lavaja, Jim	Schapers, Brant
Campbell, Bill	Lepley, Joann	Scheetz, Cathy & family
Capraro, Albert	Lewellen, Emily Anne	Scheltens, Lynn
Cipollone, Elaine	Lincicome, Deanna	Slater, Casstella
Clarke, Father Peter	Loftin, Tracy	Small, Brenda & Steven
Clarke, Charlotte	Lorenzen, Lorraine	Soltays, Carolyn
Collins, Pat	Kelly, Nancy	Stuart, Neil & family
Crawford, Cleola	Kuntz, Rev. Clark	Tankka, Tom
Dille, Jim	Magri, Antoinette	Taylor, Barbara
Dortin, Rachel	Mahr-Bradshaw, Mary Beth	Traywick, Edward
Erickson, Clay	Maidhof, Dexter Gary	Tuegel, Chuck
Fisher, Kacey	Maidhof, Jeremiah	Turner, Bob
Florentine, Jerry	McHugh, Mark	Van Bennekom, Neyda
Gaertner, Kent	McPhee, John	Walker family
Galliher, Holly	Meslow, George & Sandy	Wilder, Gayle
Garling, John	Mock, Beth & Nelson	Wilkens family
Gibboney, Nancy	Musick, John	Williams, Dorothy
Gibson, Jeanné	O’Berry, Darlene	Wittmann family
Gifford, Diane	Oehl, Lita	Woods, Donna Jean
Goetter, Tom, Whitney	Pelnar, Barb	Woolf, Nick
Goforth, Jeffrey	Priselac, Lorrie	Wright, Matthew
Gradeless, Marge	Pulice, Sal	Wyzard, Joe & Dana
Green, William	Raeck, Olga	
Grossman, James	Rambaldini, Jim	
Gumm, David	Reichert, Annetta	

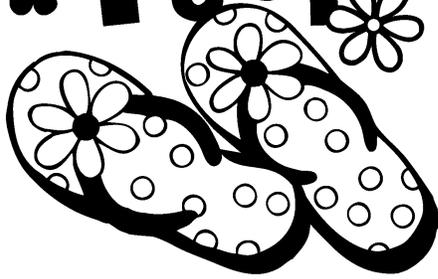
Please take this prayer list, and use it in your private or family devotions in the coming month.

You can see that our congregation has a great many people who are in need of our prayers. We will continue to pray for those folks for as long as they need our prayers. However, please call the church office by the third Sunday of the month to ask that your loved one or friend remain on the prayer list – otherwise we will joyfully assume that they are well once more, and with thanks to God, remove their names from this list.

August, 2017



Happy Feet



This summer, put your best foot forward by brightening up a pair of flip-flops.

What you need:

- Flip-flops in your size
- Metallic permanent markers
- Foam stickers
- Craft gemstones
- Plastic flowers
- Ribbon
- Hot glue gun (and adult help)

What you do:

Use these ideas to decorate clean, dry flip-flops:

- Draw with markers on the soles.
- Decorate the sides and soles with stickers.
- Glue gemstones along the strap.
- Glue plastic flowers on the strap between your toes.
- Wrap ribbon around the strap and glue in place.



BE HAPPY IN THE LORD

Happiness and joy are frequent themes in the Old Testament book of Psalms.

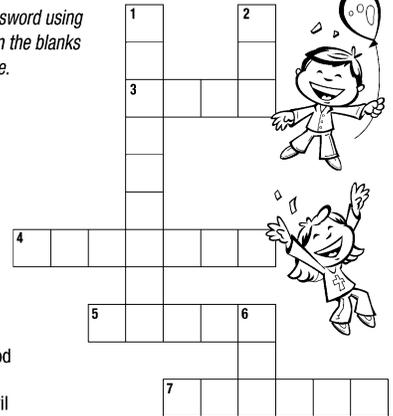
Directions: Solve the crossword using the clues below. Then fill in the blanks to complete the Bible verse.

ACROSS

- 3. A word for happy (rhymes with had)
- 4. What you do when you're very happy
- 5. A song written by David
- 7. Full of joy

DOWN

- 1. People who obey God
- 2. Our Creator
- 6. The month after April



"But may the 1. _____ be 3. _____ and 4. _____ before 2. _____; 6. _____ they be happy and 7. _____." 5. _____ 68:3, NIV

Answers: (across) 3. glad, 4. rejoice, 5. psalm, 7. joyful; (down) 1. righteous, 2. God, 6. may

"But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful." Psalm 68:3, NIV



"Actually, sir, the rules were chiseled in stone."



God's work. Our hands.

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