

# THE PARISH PULSE

## *Wisdom From a Corner*

BY PASTOR KOEPESELL

**“I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest CORNERS I called you. I said,  
“You are my servant”; I have chosen you and have not rejected you.” -Isaiah 41:9**

I spent a good amount of my Sunday, after-church childhood, standing in the corner. That’s right, your pastor was naughty in church, and when I got home from church I’d have to stand in the corner, in the kitchen, face to the corner. I can still see that corner in my mind, but I can’t recall what I did that was “naughty” in church. I probably just disrupted my parent’s worship, and that was enough.

Apparently, worship was important to my parents. It was important to hear God’s Law and, even more importantly, His Gospel. It’s about receiving the gifts God loves to give, and if I disrupted that, I should stand in the corner.

But even through all the disruptiveness, my parents still heard what God has to give...and I did too. Keep bringing those kids to church! Even if those kids are in their 20’s or whatever. Even if you or your kids need to “stand in the corner” when you get home! God’s Word does what it promises.

By God’s grace I went from “standing in the corner” as a little boy to standing in front of you on Sunday mornings in the stead of Christ. I am so very happy you, by God’s grace, have called me to do just that...for you.

October will be 8 years here for me as your pastor. It has been nothing but incredible. The leadership we’ve put into place here, our teachers, elders, musicians, fellowship, trustees, office staff, treasurer, financial secretary, evangelism, etc. are all just exceptional...leading with a passion for Christ and His people. It’s so wonderful to be a part of. We are blessed.

Please take some time to look over what they all have going on in the upcoming months and all the stuff they’ve done the past few months. It’s your church, you should know what’s going on...and if you don’t like something, or if you’d like to see something else done...DO IT!

We are in a good place right now. Yes, there is always work to do, but it’s a good place. Speak well of your church, your Jesus and His people. And when you fail, go ahead, stand in the corner. It gives you perspective! You too have been chosen by God, your God who will never reject you. Relish it.

I’m going to leave you with this...(and please, dust off your bible and look up the verses!!!...or just use your phone!)

**Justified.** Purchased. Redeemed. Free to follow, free to lead, free to be. (Romans 8:30)

**Excitement.** Newness. “He makes all things new.”(Rev. 21:5)

**Sanctified.** Holy. Set apart for His purpose. (1 Peter 2:9)

**United.** Always. Blood brothers & sisters. For now and for all time. (Rom. 6:5; 1 Cor 1:10, 6:17, 12:12; Phil. 2:1; Col 2:2)

**Saved.** Why we do the things we do. (1 Cor. 15:2 and too many others to list!!!!!!!)

Looking forward to this exciting fall and upcoming winter with you. Stay awesome. The Lord is with you!

Pastor G

# Congregational Updates

by Chad Smith, *Congregational President*

Greetings Good Shepherd Family,

I wanted to provide an update on our strategic planning process and address some concerns raised about the recent staffing survey.

Thanks to your generosity, sacrifice, and the Grace of God, your church is in unprecedented times! I sincerely ask for continued feedback and mostly forgiveness as we navigate our future plans.

To start, based on a small group meeting earlier this year we prioritized staffing and sanctuary updates for near term spending.

Primary for sanctuary updates are paint and lighting. We have had 3 companies "no bid" our requests for quotes to paint the sanctuary. We finally settled on and approved a bid, but work won't start until 2024.

As for lighting, the first quote to replace the fixtures came to nearly \$50,000. None of the council members could in good conscience bring this to the congregation without some more due diligence, so please bear with us.

For staffing, we met multiple times in a small group with representatives from the the council, board of elders, pastor, and the congregation at large. Based on the facts and needs reviewed, it was evident our growing congregation would benefit the most from considering a call for a 2nd pastor.

The main reasons were our current membership size, the number of services, number of students in confirmation, and succession planning since we anticipate the process will take 3-4 years.

Depending on the source, most recommend 1 pastor to every 150 members. We have over 500 members, including over 80 children at Good Shepherd, spiritually cared for by 9 elders and 1 pastor.

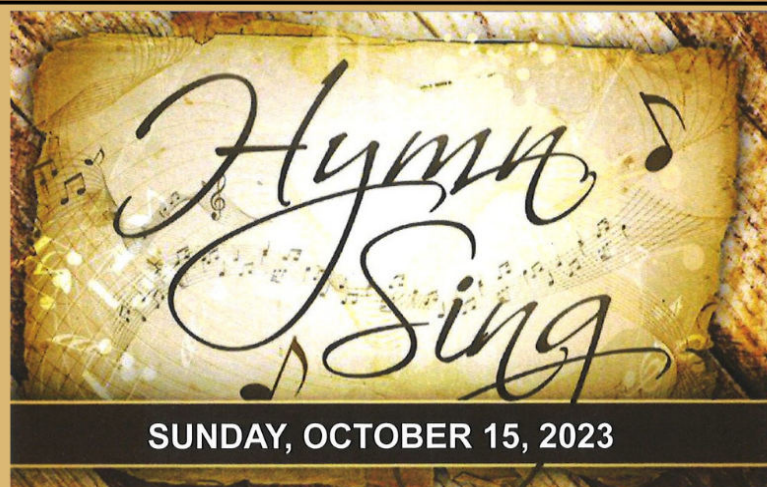
Our constitution clearly defines the act of calling a pastor as a duty of the elders. Before we can form a call committee, we identified the need to create a job description. To better complete this task, we decided to seek congregational wishes for what you would want to see in a second pastor. To do so we launched a survey recently. The questions in the survey were based on LCMS guidance for what to consider when calling a pastor.

Our plan is to present the job description along with budget, facts, and reasoning to the congregation to seek approval to create a call committee which, if approved, would be a duty of our elders.

I welcome any and all feedback as we navigate this process on both sanctuary updates and staff planning. I'm excited for the future of Good Shepherd as we continue to grow and spread the Word of God in Oshkosh and beyond.

In closing and as a precursor, council elections are this October. Our current Vice President, Kevin Konrad is chairing the nomination committee. The positions of VP, treasurer, education, elders, trustees and youth are all up for election. I encourage you to reach out to Kevin or myself if you want to learn more about any of these positions.

In His Service,  
Chad Smith



## ***Volunteers Needed***

Join us at the Hymn Sing as we get to host our community and display our great gift of music & hospitality!

We are looking for people to get involved in assisting with this amazing event. There are many ways to help. From being an usher, reception setup/clean up, donating food and more! All of the information is on the bulletin board in the atrium.

Even if you cannot help with the Hymn Sing, we encourage you to attend this amazing event, and bring your friends and family as well.

# *Christian Education...Who's Responsible?*

by Fred Kirchenwitz, *Head of Elders*

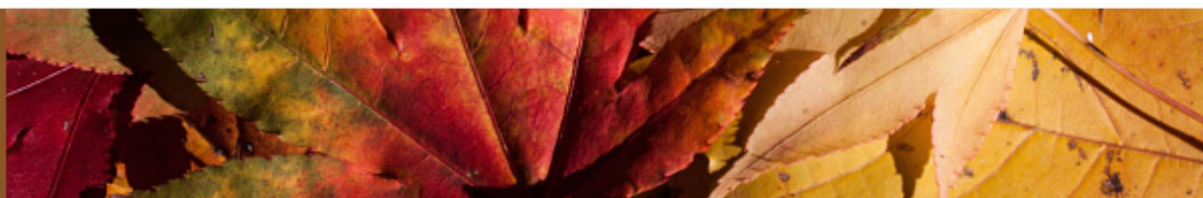
Deuteronomy 6:7 says, " *You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.*" That verse is just one of the many edicts God gives His people ( specifically parents ) in this book of laws. The Hebrew verb used there is "shanan" which means to sharpen by repeatedly running a blade over a whetstone; so parents are to teach God's Word faithfully and repeatedly to their children so that God will continually dwell with His people Israel. Now Deuteronomy may have been written over 3,400 years ago, but I believe this verse still rings true for us today!

As I write this article, we have just completed our 1st day of Sunday School as well as the installation of teachers, a Sunday School Superintendent, a new Board of Education Chair and a new Board of Youth Chair. One of the many perks/blessings I get as an Elder is that Cam has asked me to sub for her Confirmation 1 catechism class when she's out of town. Teaching is the first task I volunteered for after joining Good Shepherd so many years ago. Back then I thought I was doing the church a service, but it didn't take long for me to realize that I was the one being blessed! Christ speaks in a number of places in the Gospels about receiving the Kingdom like a child ( Matthew 18:4, Mark 10 :15, Luke 18: 17 ) and if you've ever listened to a child talk about their Savior in the simplest and most confident terms of faith, then you know what I mean. Oh to have a faith like that!

So I think it's fair to say that education is relational. Whether it's parent and child or teacher and student. I believe that there is a third educational relationship that gets overlooked and that's the one between the Church and the member. The whole vs. the individual. What I mean by that is this: that unlike in Deuteronomy where the parent is responsible for the child, here I believe the Church and the member have a responsibility to each other. As an example. earlier in this article I mentioned that along with the teachers a Sunday School Superintendent ( Nicole Vergin ), a Board of Education Chair ( Kristie Zellner ) and a Board of Youth Chair ( Heather Freiberg ) were installed. As Officers and Council members they have a responsibility to the congregation to serve children, youth and adults alike using God's Word first and foremost, as well as our constitution as a guideline to do this. What gets lost sometimes is that we as a Church Body also have a responsibility to support them. We do that by attending Bible classes and church. We do that by not only bringing our kids to Sunday School and catechism class, but also helping them with their memory work. I believe Luther puts it best in the first sentence of his Small Catechism, " *As the head of the family should teach them in the simplest way to those in his household.*"

During the open house on Wednesday September 13th, pastor began by showing us a video of a missionary that just came back from China. He spoke of all the hardships the Chinese people had to go through to learn about the Gospel and their Savior. Everything from Bibles being confiscated to having to memorize Bible chapters from pieces of paper before they were taken away from them AFTER believers being thrown into prison. He then contrasted that with American families, most of which have an average of two Bibles in their homes and they aren't being read. Church services they don't attend and God's Word that isn't shared. My prayer for our congregation is that we take on these responsibilities with joy in our hearts vs. grumbling on our lips and that we DON'T take for granted the gift of God's blessings in education that we believe, teach and confess!

In His service,  
Fred Kirchenwitz



**YOU SHALL TEACH THEM DILIGENTLY TO YOUR CHILDREN, AND SHALL TALK OF THEM WHEN YOU SIT IN YOUR HOUSE. AND WHEN YOU WALK BY THE WAY, AND WHEN YOU LIE DOWN, AND WHEN YOU RISE. - Deuteronomy 6: 7**

# *An Update on Church Planning*

by Daniel Weiss, *Stewardship Chair*

Dear Saints and Good Shepherd:

We are less than a year after paying off our mortgage debt and the church is very busy tackling the needs of the present and planning for the opportunities of the future. Allow me to highlight a few items related to this Strategic Planning.

## **Grounds Planning Team**

This summer, Sharon Leinweber and Leslie Mason joined forces to launch the Grounds Planning Team underneath the Strategic Planning Committee. Earlier this month, they hosted their first informational meeting. A total of seven members joined the meeting to discuss how best to use our grounds to God's glory. The discussions highlighted a few immediate needs related to grounds acre and opened the door to longer-term thinking. Our thanks go to Leslie and Sharon for starting this planning team. If you would like to learn more or join the planning team, please contact either of these leaders.

## **Staffing Sub-committee**

There has been some confusion about our recent request for information about a second pastor. I hope Chad's congregational letter clears up some of this, but let me add that this staffing subcommittee was formed under the leadership of the church council based on staffing needs being among the top three identified by the congregation in a survey last fall. This team IS NOT AND WILL NOT BE replacing the Call Committee which is comprised of the Board of Elders. However, there are other needs being considered and it is by no means certain we are ready to or need to call a second pastor. Rather, we are working to identify the greatest congregational needs and to discern the best way to meet them. I want to give a hearty thanks to the members serving on this staffing subcommittee. If you have any questions about our work or progress, please contact me.

Yours in Christ, Daniel Weiss

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## *The King is Coming!*

by Jill Botsford, LWML

Ladies of Good Shepherd .... Did you know that the October 1st is LWML Sunday? LWML Sunday is celebrated the first Sunday in October. This organization does many wonderful projects internationally, nationally, statewide, and locally. Our little group here at Good Shepherd is a part of something so much bigger – and you can be part of it too! All the women in Good Shepherd are members and we encourage you to become active in this incredible organization.

A really great opportunity is coming up this month for you to experience what we are all about. The Zone 11 LWML Fall Rally will be right here at Good Shepherd on October 21st beginning with breakfast at 8:45 a.m. Throughout the morning you can meet other women from our zone who believe that God's Word needs to be spread and that we can help in our own way. For example, our little Mite Boxes added up to almost \$2.5 million for our 2021-2023 grant goals throughout the world. Those pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters sure do add up!

To register for the Fall Rally, please call Mary Becker at 920-229-9561 by October 16th. If you cannot attend, please prayerfully consider generously giving Mites to our Mite Box in the fellowship area and/or bringing twin size bedding for our In-gathering items to be given to Sleep in Heavenly Peace here in Oshkosh. We are collecting twin size bedding (sheets, pillowcases, mattress pads, quilts, blankets, etc. – please all new, unwashed, and in packaging). Your donations can be dropped off at the church in the fellowship area.



## Active or Passive?

by Sharon Leinweber, *Fellowship Chair*

Fellow Members of the Good Shepherd,

In the last Parish Pulse, I shared with you the importance of Fellowship at Good Shepherd. The next step is how can you be involved in Fellowship. Once again, the Internet holds so much information that even I was overwhelmed. Knowing that not everyone likes the same thing, it is important to me to find many ways individuals can be involved in Fellowship. Following is a list of a few of the ideas I found.

1. Actively engage in fellowship activities, discussions, and events. Be willing to participate in group activities and discussions, share your thoughts, and contribute to the sense of community.
2. Pray for the fellowship and its members regularly. Offer to pray for specific needs within the group and support others through prayer.
3. Volunteer your time and talents to help organize and run fellowship events and activities. Whether it is setting up for an event, leading a small group, or helping with outreach initiatives, your contributions are valuable.
4. Be a good listener and offer emotional support to fellow members. Sometimes, a caring ear and a compassionate heart can make a significant difference in someone's life.

5. Encourage friends and family to join the fellowship. Inviting others to experience the community and faith can help the fellowship grow and thrive.

6. Treat fellow members with respect, love, and kindness. Demonstrate the principles of Christian love and forgiveness in your interactions.

By actively engaging, supporting, and contributing to the Christian fellowship, individuals can help create a vibrant and thriving community that fosters spiritual growth, support, and love among its members.

So, what is happening that you can get involved with? I am so glad you asked!

- Hymn Sing is Sunday, October 15th.
- Game Night – every 2nd Friday of the month
- Fellowship Hour after each service on Sunday. We can always use volunteers to bring treats – please consider signing up.

Prayer Partners: Confirmation has started and there are 7 new students who need a partner. This consists of daily praying for your partner and a monthly note of encouragement and support. If this is something you are interested in, please contact me at [sharon.leinweber@yahoo.com](mailto:sharon.leinweber@yahoo.com) or 920-216-4842.

## A Brief Introduction

by Kristie Zellner, *Board of Education*

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.* -2 Timothy 3:16-17

Thank you for your graciousness in considering me for the position of director for the board of education. I am humbled to be of assistance in the ongoing Christian education of our young people and congregation. I hope to serve in anyway presented as guided by the Good Shepherd Council and our Lord.

I am a lifelong resident of Wisconsin, raised my children in the valley and had a short time in our states capital, prior to returning to the valley in 2018. I am married to Mike Zellner and have 2 children, Angela Warren (Trevor) and Nathaniel Kaegi (Jenni Kaegi). I am a proud Grandmother of Alexa and Bennett Warren and Hadlee May Kaegi. I currently work at Amcor as a Manager of Infrastructure-Data Continuity and Server. Mike and I joined Good Shepherd in Spring of 2019 transferring membership from Mount Olive where I served as Script coordinator and board member of Health and Wellness.

I have been fortunate in being welcomed into the Good Shepherd Chime choir and Blessed in having a wonderful Sunday school Superintendent, Nikole, and the many teachers who plan and care about the wellbeing of our youngest members in helping them know Jesus! I look forward to hearing your thoughts, ideas and needs surrounding Christian education at Good Shepherd. Please reach out at anytime or with any ideas you have.

Serving in Gods Grace and Love, Kristie Zellner 608-316-0547

# Headed to the Mountains

by Daniel Weiss, *President of SILS*

Dear Friends at Good Shepherd,

After a relatively quiet summer, I am busy planning next year's Sexual Integrity Leadership Summit to be held May 2-4 at the Focus on the Family headquarters in Colorado Springs. I am especially eager to be in Colorado Springs next year. It was at Focus on the Family that I cut my teeth professionally as a policy analyst. I was responsible for research and writing on pornography, obscenity, broadcast indecency, sex trafficking, church sex abuse scandals, and the like. My colleagues affectionately called me the "porn guy."

Within a few months of taking the job I expanded beyond policy issues into aspects of human care. For several years, I managed and procured content for an addiction recovery website called Pure Intimacy. Before leaving Focus almost nine years later, I was also privileged to serve on the Healthy Sexuality Initiative team that helped to steer Focus' content, messages, and tone about sexuality toward a more holistic, positive articulation of God's good design.

The work I was trained to do continued when my family left Colorado to return to my childhood home in Omro. Shortly after moving, I felt God calling us to start The Brushfires Foundation to ignite a Christian vision of sexuality, relationships, and the human person. Based on the strong, positive response to our Summits, we formally changed our name from Brushfires to Sexual Integrity Leaders, Inc.

By God's grace and through the providence of Good Shepherd's financial support, we have been able to equip and support more than 600 Christian leaders through our Summits alone. The fellowship fostered by our events is vitally important to professionals working on such difficult issues. In a recent speech, I teased out this point through a familiar story.

You've heard the story of the starfish washed up on the beach. And the passerby says to the man flinging starfish back in the ocean, "What difference does it make? You can't save them all." The response, of course, is, "It matters to this one."

[Our] work seems daunting to attempt alone. But what if a whole army of folks goes to the beach and starts saving the starfish. Now, the passerby will no longer wonder at the effort. More than likely, he will join the multitude in the creative work of saving.

This is the heart of SILS: to connect with like-minded Christian leaders for the creative work of saving those with spiritual, sexual and relational struggles. This is the great work of the Gospel in which we partner at good Shepherd and to the ends of the earth. Thank you.

Daniel Weiss

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A group photo of our 2023 Summit Leadership Gathering comprised of speakers, sponsors, and host ministries.

# Craft and Bake Sale News

My favorite season is Fall when the weather is not too hot nor too cold. I love the cool, crisp air and watching the leaves turn a brilliant red, orange and yellow. For others Fall might signal a new school year, harvesting the last of garden produce, trips to a pumpkin patch, picking apples or start of football season. At Good Shepherd it starts a countdown of days until the annual Craft/Bake Sale. This year the event will be held on Saturday, November 18th.

While this may be the first time you have heard or thought about it, a small group of women start meeting shortly after Easter to work on crafts and plan for the November Sale. We meet Wednesdays from 12:30-4pm. There is always an open invitation to join the group. It is a great way to meet other women in the congregation for some fun and fellowship. Some afternoons are not as productive as others but there is never a lack of conversation.

Not a crafter? The bakery part of the Craft Fair generates about 25% of the money raised. We depend on our congregation bakers because the bakery draws a large number of people. In the past, members have supplied us with enough baked goods, candy and snack mixes to keep the tables continually filled. We could easily fill a larger room with bakery but we have strategically placed it in a far corner so people will also see our wonderful, homemade crafts along the way. "Where is the bakery?" is a question often asked when people enter the door.

Some people may think it is inappropriate to have such a big fund raiser. In my view, it is an opportunity to live out our mission statement "Proclaiming God's Word Through Truth, Innovation and Fellowship" with the added bonus of raising funds for missions and non budgeted items.

In the past proceeds have been used to purchase the outside lighted Nativity, help send our youth to the LCMS Youth Rally in Texas, sponsor Advent and Lenten suppers and the recent purchase of an AED. Mission have included filling Christmas shoeboxes and assembling 150 hygiene kits for the Orphan Grain Train. Monetary donations have been given to Day by Day Warming Shelter and Orphan Grain Train for shipping items to Ukraine. I believe God has blessed our endeavors over the years.

Over the past 5 years, Craft Fair attendance has increased from 587 to 1000 and revenue increased from \$6000 to \$10,000. New last year we had a coffee truck on the premises and received a percentage of their sales.

I hope this article answers the who, what, where and why questions you might have but now it is time to carry out the "how" we can make 2023 another successful year. There are several ways to achieve this:

1. Make a craft at church or at home.
2. Contribute an item or items for the Bakery.
3. Put up a sign in your yard and tell friends, neighbors and family.
4. Come on the day of the sale and buy. Our prices are reasonable and all hand-crafted.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact Pat Phillips (920) 420-5143 or Pat Dreger (920) 420-9665.

Further information about bakery items and packaging will be forthcoming in the bulletin.



A few examples of incredible crafts from last year's Fair.

# Treasurer's Report

by Diane Flouro, Treasurer

Well, school has started and we are back to two services on Sunday. Financially, we continue to do well. As you can see we are building up cash reserves, but remember, adding staff will not just be a onetime expense we would have to be able to support, so in essence, the cash reserves we have now would not last long adding, for example, another pastor. I just wanted to have everyone keep that in mind as while we would like to spend money on various projects, we really need to be strategic in our spending.

For our newer members, we have various ways to give electronically to the church if it makes it easier for you. One way is Joyful Response giving. There is a short application you need to fill out (in the treasurer's box in the office). Amounts are automatically deducted from your checking or savings on any specific day or days of the month. Amounts can be withdrawn on any frequency. If you prefer to use a credit card, you can donate through Thrivent and Thrivent will pay all the fees. Here is the link (on our Good Shepherd Website) ([Donation - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church \(goodshepherdinoshkosh.com\)](http://goodshepherdinoshkosh.com)). If you have any questions on either of these, please let me know and I would be happy to discuss. My cell phone is (920) 420-5841 or email at [flourodi@yahoo.com](mailto:flourodi@yahoo.com). Here is a summary of the designated funds and the last couple of months of giving/expenses:

2023 TREASURER'S SUMMARY	July 2023	Aug 2023
Regular Giving	31,263.00	36,862.86
Strategic Fund	350.00	1,200.00
Mission	632.00	590.00
Thrivent Dep		7.00
Other	333.50	5,703.00
Other-Craft Fair		
Interest	94.13	99.46
Scrip Income*	127.80	128.93
Total Income	32,800.43	44,591.25
Total Monthly Expenses	20,524.21	14,493.81
Monthly 2022 Budget	27,861.86	27,861.86
Monthly Expenses over (Under) Budget	(7,337.65)	(13,368.05)
West Point Bank Checking	46,841.50	70,280.41
West Point Bank Savings	4,791.79	4,791.79
West Point Bank Money Market	50,221.61	50,274.93
LCEF Savings	81,127.94	90,399.08

2023 MONEY MARKET DETAIL	June 2023	July 2023	Aug 2023
Undesignated Funds	30,295.75	30,049.01	23,987.66
Memorial Fund-General	1,609.33	1,609.33	7,109.33
Music-Choir Fund	1,675.00	1,675.00	2,675.00
Craft Fair Funds	8,555.93	8,555.93	8,555.93
Youth Fund	300.00	300.00	300.00
Sign Fund	1,857.54	1,857.54	995.48
Technology Fund	1,444.80	1,444.80	771.53
Landscaping Fund	300.00	300.00	300.00
Strategic Initiatives	2,990.00	3,140.00	3,170.00
Strategic Fund for Lights/Sound	900.00	1,050.00	2,170.00
Building Fund	240.00	240.00	240.00
<b>TOTAL MONEY MARKET</b>	<b>50,168.35</b>	<b>50,221.61</b>	<b>50,274.93</b>

\*August Other: Memorials \$5,500

\*August Expenses: \$6,700 offset for tractor donation; will come out in Sept



## Music Ministry

by Cam Bedroske, Music Director

Our congregation has a beautiful musical opportunity.

For many years we have been enjoying the sound of handchimes in worship. We have committed players who make their one chime ring out with the ensemble and we hear glorious music. Well, one of our chime players had the opportunity to ask his former congregation if we could use their handbells for this year. We are not purchasing them, but they are on loan to us. This is awesome and a terrific opportunity for us to learn how to play these instruments and enjoy their beauty. With that in mind, we are looking for two more players now to fill out the ensemble. If you want to join, come on Monday night at 5:30 - 6:15 pm.

Just a Note: Our Children's Choir has disbanded for this year. These wonderful kids will join our Sunday School singing group. There is no separate choir on Sunday nights. Thanks to these kids and families who sang and played instruments these past few years!



# Council & Board Members

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### Worship Services:

- Thursday - 6:30 pm
- Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am

### Coffee Hour & Refreshments

- Served every Sunday in Atrium after worship service.

### Bible Study

- Women's - Saturday mornings 8:30 am
- Men's - Saturday mornings 7:00 am
- Adult - Sundays 9:30 am & Wednesdays 10:30 am

### Sunday School

- Sundays at 9:15 am during the public school year.

## Pastoral Visits

Hospitalized? Or you desire a call? If you are going into the hospital, please call and let the office know. We do not always receive information from the hospital in a timely manner so that the appropriate visitation can be made. Also, hospitals can no longer release information about admittance and room number, if you have not signed a waiver. If you want a home visit from Pastor Koepsell, a call, or other service, please contact the church office with your request.

## Donations/Classifieds

Before you donate an item to the church, please check with the Church Council. They can assist in placement or find the best use for your donated item. Don't forget to utilize the Classifieds Section on our website. Check it out! There are several free items listed. This is also a great place to sell items. Go to: <https://www.goodshepherdinoshkosh.com/classifieds.html>  
 Thank you!



# Official Acts

## New Members



Clair Kentopp



Verna Butt



Nancy Williams



Debi & Kelly Crowe



Joe & Lisa Abitz, Carter, Drew



Debra Brand



Erin Schettle, Marleene, Jaiden, Kenna

## Marriage



Nick Hearn and Lauren Potratz  
August 28, 2023

## Transferred/Moved

Armand & Angela Lewis and Family  
Abigail Gallenberger  
Ron & Kathy Groskreutz  
Adam Schmidt

## Baptized



Clara Clappes,  
daughter of Dean & Leah Clappes  
September 14, 2023

# Birthdays

## October

Oct 1	Cheyenne Wagner	Oct 10	Brian Nagler	Oct 15	Pat Koltz	Oct 25	Ron Feutz
Oct 2	Logan Reetz	Oct 11	Keith Casey	Oct 15	Susan Smith	Oct 25	Ronald Groskreutz
Oct 3	Thomas Kramer	Oct 11	Roberta Purath	Oct 16	Casey Ludwig	Oct 26	Carol Bostwick
Oct 5	Ethan Ahlers	Oct 12	Steve Breitenbach-Casey	Oct 16	David Ullrich	Oct 26	Amber Tritt
Oct 5	Abby Gallenberger	Oct 13	Gabby Foley	Oct 17	Sharon Hoepfner	Oct 27	Matthias Charles
Oct 6	Jacob Bedroske	Oct 13	Isabelle Foley	Oct 17	Tanner Krause	Oct 27	Nancy Macksam
Oct 6	Jacob Schroeder	Oct 13	Lisa Spaeth	Oct 19	Todd Klauer	Oct 28	William Zorr
Oct 8	Jennifer Charles	Oct 14	Jacob Crowe	Oct 20	Eileen Loewe	Oct 29	Kathy Reehl
Oct 9	Donna Gohlke	Oct 15	Patricia Dreger	Oct 20	Mitzi Papenfuss	Oct 29	Isaac Stephenson
Oct 9	Chuck Spiegelberg	Oct 15	James Gishkowsky	Oct 21	Gary Bedroske	Oct 30	Michael Kirchoff
Oct 9	Kristin Wiley	Oct 15	Cole Heideman	Oct 22	Rick Cullen	Oct 31	Benjamin Collins
Oct 10	Ezekiel Charles	Oct 15	Greg Koepsell	Oct 24	Vila Rockhoff	Oct 31	Desiree Flouro
Oct 10	Carilee Klatt					Oct 31	Lori Purath

## November

Nov 1	Avery Mueller	Nov 8	Aaron Bray	Nov 13	Emily Brunner	Nov 22	Jane Karbon
Nov 1	Gentry Mueller	Nov 8	Deanna Zimmermann	Nov 15	Diane Wojahn	Nov 22	Sharon Leinweber
Nov 2	Skylar Hibben	Nov 9	Kimberly Heideman	Nov 16	Jean Stauber	Nov 22	Brian Luethy
Nov 2	Lillian Leinweber	Nov 9	Jordan Steinbeck	Nov 16	Krista Weiss	Nov 23	Carlos Alvarenga
Nov 3	Morgan Kirchenwitz	Nov 9	Grace Werner	Nov 17	Jean Ullrich	Nov 24	Doug Zuhlke
Nov 4	Carlton Collins	Nov 10	Jill Botsford	Nov 19	Cindy Meier	Nov 25	Geoffrey Cullen
Nov 4	Ginny Palkovich	Nov 11	Lori Malcolm	Nov 19	Stuart Suwalski	Nov 25	Kenneth Hinrichs
Nov 4	James Purath	Nov 12	Vicki Beck	Nov 20	Kathleen Keas	Nov 25	Cynthia Hintz
Nov 5	Steven Collins	Nov 12	Patricia Phillips	Nov 22	Mandi Hinrichs	Nov 26	Lori Bruss
Nov 6	Nancy Kantin					Nov 26	Patti Stinski

# Wedding Anniversaries

## October

Oct 3	Thomas and Kay Mitchell (53)	Oct 10	Milton and JoAnn Haskins (59)
Oct 4	Brian and Elizabeth Myers (9)	Oct 15	Sara Suwalski and Matthew (18)
Oct 6	Aaron and Julie Bray (6)	Oct 16	Kyle and Nikole Vergin (13)
Oct 6	Michael and Melissa Kirchoff (16)	Oct 17	Craig and Patricia Dreger (42)
Oct 6	Joel and Tina Nitzke (33)	Oct 20	Cindy and Kurt Meier (44)
Oct 7	Howard and Susan Danula (28)	Oct 22	Jerry and Jan Ratchman (46)
Oct 7	Abby and Eric Zink (6)	Oct 23	Wesley and Erin Lungwitz (13)
Oct 8	Ron and Christine Feutz (46)	Oct 24	Mike and Kristie Zellner (8)
Oct 8	Todd and Bobbie Nagler (2)	Oct 26	Brian and Lisa Haag (32)
Oct 9	Doug and Diane Flouro (30)	Oct 26	Craig and Jodie Skadahl (21)

## November

Nov 7	Rick and Doreen Dittberner (36)
Nov 8	David and Jackie Wagner (48)
Nov 12	Nathan and Morgan Kirchenwitz (7)
Nov 15	Carlos and Heather Alvarenga (15)
Nov 17	Rick and Bridget Cullen (44)
Nov 26	Tim and Liz Hoversten (35)