

THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE **NOVEMBER 2019**

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Pastor: Rev. Chelsea Miller

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Sunday, November 3

All Saints Sunday celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ.

9:30 AM During worship today, we give thanks for all the saints by lifting up the names of our loved ones, who have died since last All Saints Day.

10:45 AM Please join us in the Memorial Garden, when we gather for Prayers of Remembrance of loved ones whose ashes have been interred in the garden.

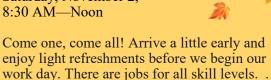
10:45 AM Dwelling in the Word 10:45 AM Gr. 3-6 Jr. Youth Group

5:30 PM Gr. 7-12 Youth Group

PROPERTY CLEAN UP DAY

It's time for Fall cleaning

Saturday, November 2, 8:30 AM—Noon



Many hands make light work!

Sunday, November 10 Special Guests



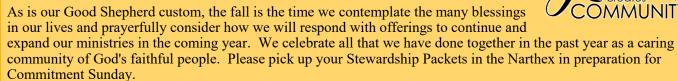
11:00 AM Alayna Fuller, is our guest speaker. She will share her experiences about Bright Kids, a orphanage that she worked with in Uganda, Africa.



10:45 AM We welcome visitors from "Green Faith," along with GSLC's Faithful Ecology members, will share information with exhibits addressing ways we can help the Earth. GSLC is a member of "Green Faith" an interfaith coalition that inspires, educates, organizes and mobilizes

people of diverse religious and spiritual backgrounds globally for environmental action. Green Faith believes that protecting the earth is a sacred act and that environmental stewardship is a moral responsibility.

Sunday, November 17—Commitment Sunday **Generosity Creates Community**



On November 18 at 9:30 AM, during Grace Alive! Worship, we will join together as a congregation to pledge our generous financial support for the ministries that are the expression of our strong and growing faith here at Good Shepherd.



NOVEMBER 26, 7:30 PM

Invite your family and friends to join the celebration. Worship as we give thanks to God! Then stay afterwards for

Pie Night and enjoy a time of fellowship with a variety of pies. Sign up up online or in the Narthex by Nov. 24 to let us know what kind of pie you plan to bring. Please bring them pre-cut.

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Sundays at Good Shepherd

Professional Nursery Care Sunday mornings Our worship services are livestreamed, click on **Facebook**

Nov. 3 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Luke 6:20 – 31 *Jesus speaks blessings and woes*

- ♣ Daylight Savings Time Ends
- ₱ 9:30 AM Worship
- ₱ 10:30 Prayers in the Memorial Garden
- ₱ 10:45 AM Dwelling in the Word
- **♣** 10:45 AM Gr. 3-6 Jr. Youth Group
- ♣ 5:30 PM Gr. 7-12 Youth Group

Nov. 10 Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 11:1 – 9 *Like a mother. God loves Israel*

- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 9:30 AM Worship, Prayers for Healing, Sending Communion Ministers, Blessing of Prayer Shawls
- ♣ 10:45 AM Family Worship
- ₱ 10:45 AM Green Faith Exhibit
- 11:00 AM Guest Speaker, Alayna Fuller
- ₱ 10:45 AM Caring Ministries Corner
- † 11:00 AM Grief Support

Nov. 17 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5 *The song of the vineyard; The* peaceful kingdom

- **♣** Commitment Sunday
- ♥ 9:30 AM Grace Alive! Worship
- ₱ 10:45 AM Family Faith Formation
- ₱ 10:45 AM Ministry Team Meetings—Evangelism
- ♣ Newsletter articles for Nov. issue due

Nov. 24 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

2 Kings 22:1-20; 23:1-3 Josiah reigns over Judah

♥ 9:30 AM Worship

DEC. 1 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- ₱ 9:30 AM Worship
- ₽ 10:45 AM Advent Wreath Making
- † 10:45 AM Intergenerational Social Ministry Project Make origami holders for aroma therapy to be used at Journey Hospice

As We Gather for Worship:

A reminder that we all gather for worship in different ways. Some enjoy catching up with those folks they haven't seen all week, while others enjoy a few minutes of quiet and reflection before and while listening to the prelude music.

Please be mindful of your neighbors: take time for conversation in the Narthex so those who would like to gather in quiet and reflection in the Sanctuary can do so!



Newsletter Articles Due Sunday, Nov. 17 For the December 2019 issue.



Come and Serve

It only takes a few hours to serve our neighbors in need and you will see first-hand the benefits of your support.

Be a volunteer from GSLC at the local distribution site.

Each Saturday in Dec. & Jan. 8:30 AM to noon Shiloh Pentecostal Church 139 Davenport Street, Somerville, NJ Use entrance on Green Street at back of building. Once inside proceed down the stairs.

Sign up in the Narthex. We need:

- Receptionists, baggers and go-betweens.
- The bagger role has changed to helping selection and bagging their items directly from the tables.
- Extra help is needed to handle heavy items especially during set-up and take-down.

Your continued support and donations are greatly appreciated. The non-perishable food collection box is located in the Narthex.

If you have any questions, contact our coordinator: Walt Braun at waltbraun@optonline.net.



November 13 – December 27 Please note that there will be limited office hours beginning November 13 as our Office Administrator, Laura Meerovich, will be out on disability until the end of

If you need to stop by please call ahead. The office will be staffed by volunteers Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the morning only. There will be no hours on Thursday. If you need to meet with Pr. Chelsea please contact her directly to set up an appointment.

the year.

Thank you for your understanding.

Staff Changes

GSLC Property Manager, Nick Jankucic has accepted a job following his passion for cooking, serving as chef at a local assisted living facility. His last day at GSLC was Oct. 31.

> Thank you for your partnership in ministry this past year, Nick!

Mark Your Calendars

Saturday, Dec. 21, 5:00 & 7:00 PM Living Nativity (Cookies & Cocoa after each performance)

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship 5:00 PM Grace Alive! Family-Friendly Service 9:00 PM Festival Worship

IMPORTANT! This calendar is subject to change! To double-check a meeting time, please use the website at calendar Always contact the church office before scheduling ministry meetings or events.

Sunday Thursday Friday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Saturday NOVEMBER 2019 6:00pm Daughters of 8:30am Property Eve Pizza & Movie Cleanup Day at Pat Whiteheads 9:30am Medicare Open Enrollment Seminar with Janice Reinhardt 10:00am Comfort Creators with a grateful heart All Saints Sunday 4:00pm Daycare Min-Election Day Wednesdays Away 9:30am ESL 9:00am Spiritual Direc- 9:00am Chaplaincy Daylight Savings Ends to the Elderly istry Team @ Cross Roads tion 9:30am ESL 1:00pm Women's 9:30am Worship 6:30pm Stitchers 9:30am Crafteers Bible Study 9:30am Book Dis-1:00pm Stitchers cussion 10:30am Prayers in the 8:00pm AA 12:00pm Bible Study 7:45pm Choir 7:30pm Exec. Cong. Memorial Garden 7:30pm Grace Alive! Committee 10:45am Dwelling in Rehearsal the Word 10:45am Jr. Youth Group Gr. 3-6 5:30pm Youth Group Gr. 7-12 Stewardship Sunday 8:00pm AA 9:30am ESL 11:00am Crafteers 9:30am ESL 9:00AM-3:00PM 9:30am Worship Diakonia Wor-1:00pm Women's 7:30pm Cong. Council 1:00pm 60 +ers Prayers for Healing/ ship Workshop in Bible Study 7:30pm AA District 35 7:00pm Confirmation Sending Communion Paramus 7:45pm Choir 7:30pm Grace Alive! Ministers 7:30am LMM Rehearsal 0:45am Family Wor-Breakfast ship 0:45am Caring Ministries Corner 0:45am Green Faith Exhibit 1:00am Alayna Fuller, Guest Speaker 11:00am Grief Support Commitment Sunday 6:30pm Shepherd 9:30am ESL 9:30am Crafteers 9:30am ESL 6:00pm Food Basket 9:00am Food Bas-9:30 am Grace Alive! Stitchers Setup ket Assembly/ 1:00pm Shepherd 1:00pm Women's 12:00pm Bible Study Worship Delivery 8:00pm AA Stitchers Bible Study 7:00pm Fill My Cup 10:45am Ministry Mtgs 9:30am Book Dis-6:30pm Social Minisfor Gr. 7-12 at 7:45pm Choir Evangelism cussion Starbucks 10:45am Family Faith 7:00pm Lay Officer Formation Conversation w/ Newsletter Articles Bishop Bartholo-DUe mew 26 9:30am Worship 1:00pm Somerville 9:30am ESL THANKSGIVING Church office closed 1:00pm Advent Elks Blood Drive DAY Wreath Setup 11:30am Davcare 7:00pm Faithful Ecolo-Thanksgiving Church Office Closed 7:00pm Choir 8:00pm AA 7:30pm Thanksgiving Worship 8:30pm Pie Night

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ADVENT SEASON BEGINS DEC. 1 AND WITH IT A NEW CHURCH YEAR!

During the four weeks of the Advent season, the world awaits with hope and expectation for the coming of the Savior.

Advent Wreath Lighting: Each Sunday, we light candles on our Advent wreath symbolic of the light of Christ coming into the world. We invite families or small groups of friends to help us light the candles during 9:30 AM worship. Please sign up in the Narthex. For more info, see Pastor Chelsea.

- ★ Advent Wreath Making: All are invited to make an Advent Wreath for your home.
- Advent Wreaths for Homebound Members. Sign up in the Narthex or online to volunteer to
 - (a) Sponsor a wreath with a \$10 donation (place in Administrator's mail slot noting Homebound Member Wreath)
 - (b) Make a wreath for a homebound member at our wreath-making event after service on Dec, 1.
- Make origami holders for aroma therapy to be used at Journey Hospice, run by Lutheran Social Ministries of NJ.

 No origami skills needed; the designs are simple and can be completed by all ages. Make a few or make a lot!

 Journey Hospice provides support to individuals and their loved ones during an advanced illness, ensuring that every person's journey of life is allowed to end with dignity, compassion, and comfort. Be a part of providing comfort to their patients by creating origami holders that are used in their aroma therapy program.



Each year at Thanksgiving and Christmas, we help families within the church and local community by providing a week's supply of food and basic household necessities.

HOW CAN YOU HELP:

DONATE FOOD. Pick up a bag (with shopping list) and bring it back filled!

DONATE MONEY to purchase turkeys, hams and other perishables. Use the Giving Envelopes, check Extra Mile Giving & indicate "Food Basket."

DONATE A TURKEY OR HAM. To donate contact Richard Alagona ~or~ for Turkey Palooza (getting free turkeys with Shop Rite points) contact Dean Meister.

HELP ASSEMBLE & DELIVER BASKETS. Please sign up in the Narthex or click on "on-line"

Thanksgiving Prep is Fri., Nov. 22 at 6 PM. Delivery is Sat., Nov. 23 starting at 9 AM. Christmas Prep. is Fri., Dec. 20 at 6 PM. Delivery is Sat., Dec. 21, starting at 9 AM.

PLEASE DONATE EARLY. There is a short window between holiday donations, so we would appreciate any donation that you can make earlier.

Supported by a Thrivent Action Team. Yours in Christ, Richard Alagona, Coordinator

Angel Tree Gift Ministry

The Angel Tree benefits families from Visions and Pathways (assisting at-risk youth); Safe + Sound Somerset (empowering domestic abuse survivors); and other local families in need.



The tree in the Narthex will have tags of requested gifts.

- ★ Gift tags will be available Nov. 3.
- ★ Gifts tags will be marked with different due dates (Nov. 17 or Dec. 1).
- ★ Please consider selecting a tag, and leave one tag in the basket for our information.
- ★ Return the gift unwrapped, with the other duplicate tag attached, under the Narthex tree.
- ★ Feel free to team up for any larger ticket item.

Your support is always greatly appreciated.

Supported by Thrivent Action Team Laurie Nobile at lnobile2@gmail.com and Carol Westlund Angel Tree Coordinators

The Living Nativity - Two performances on Saturday Dec. 21, 5:00 and 7:00 PM outside on the church lawn

GSLC's annual reenactment of the traditional Christmas story with live animals.

Be part of the cast or crew, or help provide refreshments. If you're interested in participating in any way, sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or <u>online</u>. All adults and young people are welcome! Signups will be available mid-November.

For details contact Ellen Parker at hookcookbook@gmail.com





CHRISTMAS PLANTS AND MEMORIALS

Gifts may be made in memory of or in thanksgiving of loved ones. Donations for poinsettias, wreaths, and pine roping to decorate the church (plant cost is \$12.00) or monetary gifts to the Memorial Fund may be given in celebration of Christ's birth.

Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 8.

Please use the Giving Envelopes. Contact the church office if you need one mailed. Gifts may be mailed to the church.

Christmas Gift Wrapping Solution

Support our youth by letting them wrap your Christmas presents for you! December dates TBA.

Bring your unwrapped gifts to church and we'll provide all the supplies and wrap them for you! A free will offering toward future youth trips will be collected.



The church received thank

Rutgers Off-Campus Living

Ronald McDonald House

you letters from:

The Giving Network

The Congregation Council October 8, 2019 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Day Care financial report. The YTD net income is \$22,514.67, compared to budget projections of negative \$1,483.78...
- Average weekly worship attendance in August was 143.
- The Council heard observations and suggestions from a congregation member regarding the recently expanded Memorial Garden.
- Coffee House Project. The Council discussed the outcomes from the Special Congregational Meeting held on September 29th. Vendor quotes for HVAC repair/replacement and roofing were presented and discussed. The executive committee will put together a financing proposal to present to the congregation for discussion and approval for capital and solar projects.
- Pastor Chelsea shared that a Guiding Team has been selected for the next phase of our participation in Leadership for Faithful Innovation. Pastor Chelsea and the Guiding Team attended a retreat on Saturday, October 5th with other groups from the New Jersey and Southeastern Pennsylvania Synods. Members of our Guiding Team at GSLC are: Janine Shugan, Kiley Chen, Gene Lepelletier, and Florindo Gallicchio.

| As of September 30 | Year to Date Actual | YTD Budget | Annual Spending Plan |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Offering Income | \$345,323 | \$365,183 | \$487,177 |
| Total Income | \$361,083 | \$380,521 | \$507,628 |
| Total Expense | \$385,464 | \$408,580 | \$531,901 |
| Net Income minus Expenses | \$(24,381) | \$(28,059) | \$(24,273) |



November is National Family Caregivers Month

- AARP Family Caregiver Expo, Nov. 16, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM at the Fairbridge Hotel Davidson Ave. Somerset. A detailed flier is on the Caring Ministry Bulletin Board in the Library. Registration is required
- Are you interested in a Caregivers Support Group at Good Shepherd?. Contact Janice Reinhardt, Deacon Jamie Dungey or Pastor Chelsea)
- Take a moment to say thank you or give a hug to a caregiver you might know
- Give thanks and say a prayer for all caregivers

CARING MINISTRIES CORNER: SUNDAY, Nov. 10, in the library following worship with Deacon Jamie Dungey and Janice Reinhardt, janlow@verizon.net Resources, help and suggestions for any of your health, caregiving or grief support needs are available.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: SUNDAY, NOV. 10, 11:00 AM ROOM D

If you've lost someone close to you or know someone who has, support is available. We offer valuable information and small group discussion to help you through this difficult time in your life. You do not have to be members of GSLC. Contact Brenda Linton for information.

Medicare Open Enrollment Workshop

Saturday, Nov. 2 at 9:30-12:00 at GSLC

Facilitator: Janice Reinhardt, SHIP Counsellor for **Somerset County**

- Open Enrollment Information and Education
- For anyone new to Medicare in 2020 (turning 65 or retiring).
- Sign up on the Narthex Board if interested.



Nov. 5 is Election Day

(Photos from Oct. 27)



ELCA Advocacy works for change in public policy based on the experience of Lutheran ministries, programs and projects around the world and in communities across the USA.

A third change to proposed SNAP benefits is highlighted on the Advocacy Connection website. To learn more on the SNAP benefits changes impacting those in need click on households' utility costs into account. Peg Bernhardt



Double Thank You

★ On Oct. 26 a much appreciated breakfast was served by GSLC members to veterans at Lyons VA Medical Center

"Operation Veteran Thank You" was a success made possible by of your donations, and our Oct. 27 Intergenerational Social Ministry Project. We assembled 75 gift bags filled with puzzle books, toiletries, clothing, and handwritten notes of appreciation for their service. These will be delivered to men and women at NJ Lyons Veteran's Hospital and NJ Veterans Memorial Home in Menlo Park. Well Done! Charlene Walker, Coordinator

800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-

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Mondays, Nov. 25 and Dec. 23 1:00-7:00 PM at the Somerville Elks, 375 Union Avenue, Bridgewater

"A single pint can save three lives, a single gesture can create a million smiles"



Interfaith Hospitality Network—IHN

IHN is a non-profit organization serving homeless families with children in a 3-phase approach to combat homelessness.

Thank you to all who helped in October as our guests stayed at the church evenings & overnight. Our next opportunity to serve will be in January 5-11.

Bill Jonat, Coordinator

IF YOU BUY THINGS ON AMAZON FOR IHN

Please consider using Amazon Smile. A few pennies will be donated to IHN—go to http://smile.amazon.com.

- Select Charitable donations.
- Then Search for Interfaith Hospitality Network of Somerset County.

Two Opportunities to Help You Make a Difference



Extra Mile Giving

Applications for next year's Extra Mile Giving (EMG) appeals are due by Dec 15, 2019.

EMG appeals are requests for the donation of money or purchased goods for the benefit of outside organizations. This is a form of outreach for Good Shepherd, and a way to assist causes that are important to our congregational members.

The EMG applications are available in the Black Wire File Sorter hanging on the side of the mailbox. Please place the completed form in the Social Ministry mail slot by Dec 15



THRIVENT® Thrivent Action Teams Support GSLC

Be Wise With Money To You provide the passion and Thrivent helps increase your impact.

- ★ Thrivent Action Teams make it easy to live generously. Apply for seed money for a one-time fundraiser, service activity or educational event. They provide seed money and promotional resources to help.. Your team provides the people power to bring it to life. Click on Action Team for information.
- ★ Through Thrivent Choice Dollars. Eligible members can recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding by directing Choice Dollars®. Members become eligible for Thrivent Choice based on insurance premiums, contract values and Thrivent volunteer leadership. You can select Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Somerville and they can assign this money to Good Shepherd. Click on Choice Dollars for information.
- ★ If you are a Thrivent Member or Associate Member, please let us know. Call Laura Meerovich, our Office Manager at 908-685-1660 X 15 or email her at office@gslutheranchurch.org.

Adult Opportunities



DWELLING IN THE WORD with Pastor Chelsea. Sunday, Nov. 3, 10:45 AM No preparation needed—just show up ready to enter the Word.

WEDNESDAY AT NOON. Nov. 6 & 20. Join Pastor Chelsea for a weekly lunchtime Bible Study on Wednesdays. We will take time to look at the next Sunday's texts and wonder about what they mean for us today.

THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: This weekly Bible Study is an opportunity for women to gather for Scripture study using a study guide. Please speak to Pastor Chelsea if you are interested in potentially joining this group.

GSLC Book Discussion Group: Saturdays, Nov. 9 & 23, 9:30–11:00 AM.

Currently reading Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others by Barbara Brown Taylor. Contact Lee Wollenberg if you have any questions.

> Have questions about any of the opportunities for Faithful Conversation and Bible Study at GSLC? Feel free to chat with Pastor Chelsea!



60 PLUSSERS: Wednesday, Nov. 13 ~ 1:00 PM

In honor of Veterans Day, bring your singing voice and special memories of this holiday for a patriotic songfest! Featuring music with Mary Ann Schwarz.

Wed., Dec. 11. 11:00 AM Annual Delicious Christmas Luncheon, prepared & served by the culinary students at Vo-Tech, Bridgewater. Please put your non-refundable \$20.00 check (payable to GSLC) in Sandy Alexander's mail box by December 2. Reservations are required. Please sign up on the sign-up board or online.

Coordinator, Sandy Alexander



LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

All men are welcome to come for breakfast, fellowship and interesting discussions.

Saturday, Nov. 16, 7:30 AM and breakfast at 8:00 AM in Luther Hall

Dean Levin, Coordinator, deanlevin569@gmail.com

DAUGHTERS OF EVE. (DoE) Informal gatherings for all women and their friends.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED TO PIZZA AND A MOVIE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 6:00 PM, AT THE BRIDGEWATER HOME OF PAT WHITEHEAD

The movie Come Sunday is based on the true story of Bishop Carlton Pearson, who was ostracized by his church after preaching that everyone is saved. Funded by Adult Ministry Team.

Please sign up on-line or in the Narthex.

The Daughters of Eve support the Ronald McDonald House. Please participate in this ministry by donating to their Wish List:

Plastic utensils; Plastic food storage containers (quart-sized or larger); Air freshener spray; Bleach; Window Cleaner; Dryer sheets. Monetary donations also welcome. And fill the Narthex container with aluminum can pull tab for them.

Upcoming: Dec. 18, 7:00 PM: Cookie Exchange for the Living Nativity at the home of Jill Weidner.

Game Night in January at Church. Are you willing to host this event? Let me know!

If you have any ideas for our February gathering or questions, please contact

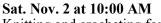
Stephanie Meister, Coordinator, stephanie.meister@comcast.net



All Welcome to Participate—NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY—ALL Supplies & Instructions Are Provided



Knit and crochet



Knitting and crocheting for the sick, grieving, homebound and those in need.

Comfort Creators offer FREE crochet lessons. If interested, sign in the Narthex Bulletin board or contact Roxanne Powers, goldierox@msn.com



Shepherd Stitchers

Ouilting

Mon. Nov. 4 & 18 at 6:30 PM and Tues. Nov. 5 & 19 at1:00 PM

Create quilts and projects to share with congregation members and nonprofit organizations.

Coordinator: Janice Brunsbach



Crafteers

Needlework

Wed. Nov. 6, & 20 at 9:30 AM Wed. Nov. 13 at 11:00 AM

Create a variety of gifts celebrating events in our church family and art to decorate the church. Kits available.

Coordinator: Roxanne Powers, goldierox@msn.com.



CHRISTIAN PRE-SCHOOL AND DAYCARE

Follow us on Facebook: www.<u>Facebook.com/GSdaycareandpreschool</u> Check out our new website: <u>www.gscdaycare.org</u>

- Our first month of school went very well. We welcomed many new children to school and we are blessed with an October was filled with lots of activities in our Preschool!
- ♥ We hosted our annual Parent Night, where parents and teachers can interact and learn about their child's day and some of our school's policies. Our annual "Trunk or Treating," Costume parade and party was especially fun.
- We also celebrated Fire Prevention Week in all the classrooms and had Firefighters and a Fire truck come visit us.

November Value of the month is "Thankfulness"

- We are looking forward to our traditional Thanksgiving feast. The children will wear a Pilgrim hat or an American Indian feather hat and sing songs to their parents.
- We are thankful for our Staff who day by day give their best for the children in our care.

If you are interested or have any questions about our programs,

please contact us at 908-704-0080 or email us at daycaredir@gslutheranchurch.org













Diakonia An educational program that provides spiritual formation for those desiring to deepen their faith. To learn more about diakonia visit http://www.diakoniausa.org/

- Diakonia offers a 12-course curriculum online class using the ZOOM meeting app. You participate in the class in real time and will be able to see and hear the instructor and other participants.
- Diakonia workshop Open To Everyone: "Exploring Why Leading Worship Matters," **Sat., Nov. 16, 9-3**, at Church of the Savior, Paramus, NJ. The day includes, worship, discussions, three hands-on sessions, takehome resources (books and guides) and lunch. All for \$25.00.

For info contact Joan Grace, Secretary. NJ Diakonia Steering Committee at joangrace511@optimum.net.



Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center

Pleasant Grove Rd. Port Murray, NJ
For info call 908-832-7264

http:/crossroadsretreat.com OR

www.facebook.com/
CrossRoadsRetreat

Cross Roads Camp and Retreat Center is a place where youth and adults alike can come to be themselves and have fun in God's creation.

They are located on 250 mountaintop acres in beautiful highlands of northwestern NJ. It is an ecumenical camp of the NJ Synod of the ELCA and the Episcopal Diocese of Newark NJ.

THANK YOU. Fifth Annual Rally for Cross Roads. Shout-out to over 100 who came to play, raised support, and donated—you made this year's event a success.

WEDNESDAY AWAY, Nov. 5 and Dec. 4, 9:00-3:00 A time of spiritual renewal in the Christ Center. The cost is \$50 per gathering and includes a delicious lunch. These one-day monthly retreats are open to all people interested in exploring new faith practices. Invite friends to join you.

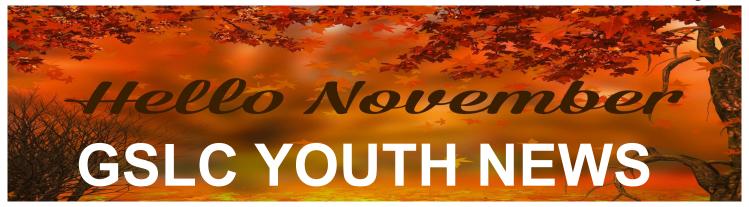


SHEPHERD'S GATHERING, Dec. 5-8. A retreat designed for clergy and layleaders who work with youth.

Free English Language Acquisition

Tues. and Thurs., 9:30 AM—Noon at Good Shepherd
Make an appointment for registration:
Hunterdon County 908 237-5000 or Somerset County 908 541-5781







Sunday, November 3 5:30pm-8:00pm Grades 7-12 All are welcome! Friends too! Junior Youth Group

November 3

Grades 3-6

10:45am-11:45am



Family Faith Formation

Sunday, November 17
10:45am-11:30am

For Infant—Grade 2 with parents

Wednesday,
November 20
7:00pm
For Grades 7-12
Starbucks in Somerville



Confirmation Corner

Confirmation Class
Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00pm

Family Worship

Sunday, November 10 10:45am Family-friendly worship in Luther Hall! Our Church Family Page 10

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

- ↑ Marie Del Ciello
- † Family of Linda Froehlich
- ↑ Matarazzo family upon the death of Linda's father, Robert Kuhn.
- ♣ Ron Throndson

Homebound Members

- ♣ Frank Henrikson
- ↑ Millie Kunkel
- ₱ Bucky LaFever
- ♣ Rosely LaFever
- ♣ Louise Mattice
- ♣ Doris Siegel
- ♣ Ray Star

Prayers of joy and thanksgiving

The marriage of Michelle North & Chris Fegan June 21, 2019, daughter of Susan & Doug North and granddaughter of Joyce Van Vooren

- The birth of Chloe Michelle Lockwood, daughter of Heather & Keith Lockwood, granddaughter of Susie & Doug North and great granddaughter of Joyce VanVooren
- The birth of Remington Douglas Leininger son of Heather & Greg Leininger, granddaughter of Martin & Brenda Linton
- The birth of Dorothy Katherine Puntillo, daughter of Angela & David Puntillo and step-granddaughter of Lynn Weckworth

Friends

- P Robert Berg, brother of Maureen Insua
- Harry Cotton, Margaret's son and Alice's brother
- The family of Jane Dilks upon her death
- P Elsie Groth, mother of Dan Groth
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Stephen Kmet, brother of Suzanne Diaz
- [↑] Naeem Harry's wife, Mariam
- The family of Julia Hayes upon her death
- ↑ Marilyn Mountjoy





- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Sebastian Alexander Bond, Baptized Sept. 29, 2019, Born May 4, 2019—Son of David Bond and Michelle Zjawin Bond
- ‡ Easton Richard William Scuorzo, Baptized Oct. 3, 2019, Born July 23, 2019—Son of Nicholas Scuorzo and Jessica Rack Scuorzo
- Michael Ann Schulz, Baptized Oct. 20, 2019, Born February 11, 2019—Daughter of Carl Schulz IV and Christina Figueroa Schulz and granddaughter of Carl and Denise Schulz
- Reece Hendrix Paknis, Baptized Oct. 20, Born May 28, 2019—Son of Brett Paknis and Laura Whitehead Paknis and grandson of Kevin and Pat Whitehead



- Linda Ann Froehlich, November 3, 1944-October 25, 2019
- ₩illiam Holden, June 12, 1940—October 28, 2019

PRAYER MINISTERS

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| 11/1 | Kristin Carriel | 11/9 | Bea Allen | 11/18 | Maryanne Gabbett | 11/25 | Caitlin Syage |
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| 11/5 | Heidi Bodnar | | Bill Stitt | | Phoebe Chen | 11/30 | Lily Chang |
| 11/6 | Edna Hikes | 11/23 | Francesca Dika1 | 11/23 | Francesca Dika1 | | Jason Lilly |
| 11/8 | David Mountney | 1/16 | Emily Sapiezynski | 1/24 | Tiffani Taylor-Jenkins | | Nadine Pitti |
| | | 11/17 | Ellen Sapiezynski | 11/25 | Bill LaRuffa | | Christian Schaeffer |

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