

# The Shepherd’s Call

As autumn settles in, we find ourselves surrounded by transformation. The air cools, the leaves turn, and creation reminds us that change—though sometimes bittersweet—is both natural and necessary. In this season, we are invited to slow down, take stock, and make space for gratitude. God’s presence moves among us like the wind through the trees, whispering reminders of renewal and grace.

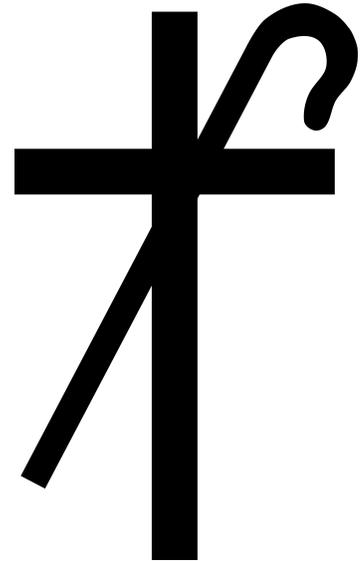
At Good Shepherd, we’re entering this season with hearts open to the Spirit’s movement, looking to nurture spiritual growth even in uncertain times. Through Scripture, song, and story, we’ll reflect on what it means to cultivate hope—in our personal lives, our church community, and our wider world. We believe that God’s love continues to call us toward justice, compassion, and belonging for all people.

As the days grow shorter, may we find light in each other and in the love of Christ that binds us together. Let’s move into this season with open hearts—ready to receive the lessons of letting go, resting, and trusting that new life is always on its way. Together, we can embody God’s inclusive and transforming love in every season.

## Thank You!

WELCA has done it again! They have put together 50 quilts! And with the help of the congregation they have also put together 30 school kits and 20 health kits. These will go to help many people in need. Thank you to everyone that helped in making these contributions possible.

Kristin Neiman  
Outreach Chair



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### Special points of interest

- Good Shepherd is hosting a Medicare open enrollment Q&A on November 12
- Don’t forget to vote!
- Sign up for the Advent wreath workshop
- Remember to come to the Congregation Meeting on November 9

## Council Members

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## WELCA

Our November Circle meeting will be November 18th due to Veteran's Day on the 11th. Please note this change and be ready to discuss Chapter 2 Undiminished Worship from our *Ten Words to Live By* Book Study.

We are thankful for the congregation participating in our Noisy Offering Collection for shipping our quilts and kits. We made our goal! Thank you, thank you!

Refreshments will be provided by hostesses Carol Sampson and Virginia Cheatham for November 18th meeting. Come at 10:00 for refreshments, book study, meeting!

Peggy Wingate

President

## Lutheran Men in Mission

The men of the church will meet on Saturday, November 15 at 8:00 AM. All the men of the church are welcome to attend. We will enjoy fellowship time, breakfast, and a short devotion.

## Zoom Bags

Our Zoom Bag program to help feed those less fortunate is doing so well that it is time to restock! If you would like to help with this, we will take monetary donations to purchase the required supplies. If you feel called to this Outreach project, you can place an offering in the plate and notate that it is for Zoom Bags. Thank you for all of your help and support. If you have any questions feel free to call me.

Kristin Neiman

Outreach Chair

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## Thank you from WELCA!

Thanks to the generosity of Good Shepherd members and friends, we were able to complete 50 quilts, 20 personal care kits, and 30 school kits - 100 items total weighing 302 pounds. They were delivered October 28 to the ingathering at Grace Lutheran Church in Raleigh. From there, they will be trucked to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in New Windsor, Maryland, and along with other kits and quilts will be distributed in the US and worldwide. Last year, LWR distributed about \$13 million worth of quilts and kits.

Also, thanks to the Noisy Offering collected on Sunday, October 26, we were able to cover the entire shipping costs for our quilts and kits. The Noisy Offering total was \$356.66. WELCA is very grateful for the support of our congregation as we help to ensure that we reach people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict, and more. This is how you make a difference in the lives of others!



### Important Reminder

Please remember that when the church building is empty, all doors should be locked and all lights should be turned off.

Even if you think you aren't the last one out of the building, go ahead and lock up! If someone gets locked in, some doors like the kitchen door lock when closed, so there's always a way out, and not as many ways inside.

### ZOOM Bags

Feel free to take some ZOOM Bags and hand them out. We are doing good deeds. Thank you to everyone that donated to the Zoom Fund! Your donations made 50 zoom bags. The donations are greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, feel free to call Kristin Neiman at 919-738-9674!

## Sunday Worship on YouTube

The service will be streamed live on YouTube each Sunday. Good Shepherd's YouTube channel can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@goodshepherdlutheranchurch8579>

Training operators for the new A/V system is still in progress. If anything affects our ability to stream, we will upload what we are able to record to Good Shepherd's YouTube channel.

## November Readings

### **November 2: All Saints Sunday**

First Reading: Dan 7:1-3, 15-18  
Psalm: Psalm 149  
Second Reading: Eph 1:11-23  
Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

### **November 9: Pentecost 22**

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a  
Psalm: Psalm 17:1-9  
Second Reading: 2 Thess 2:1-5, 13-17  
Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

### **November 16: Pentecost 23**

First Reading: Mal 4:1-2a  
Psalm: Psalm 98  
Second Reading: 2 Thess 3:6-13  
Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

### **November 23: Christ the King**

First Reading: Jer 23:1-6  
Psalm: Psalm 46  
Second Reading: Col 1:11-20  
Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

### **November 30: 1 Advent**

First Reading: Isa 2:1-5  
Psalm: Psalm 122  
Second Reading: Rom 13:11-14  
Gospel: Matt 24:36-44

## Advent Wreath-Making Workshop—All Ages

November 22 at 10 AM

Chris Boykin will lead us in making Advent wreaths to use at home. Florist supplies and candles will be provided. You just need to bring scissors/clippers and any greenery you can share.

A grant from Thrivent is partially funding this project.

Please sign up on the easel in the fellowship hall or by calling the church office so we will know how many participants to prepare for.



## Prayer Concerns

Ricky Ball • family of Lyle Brickhouse • Virginia Cheatham • Kenneth and Donna Cline • family of Darren Davis • Jerry Deakle • Tim and Becky Hively • June Hoyle • Ron Kampstra • Heather Kaye • Lee Lane • Joyce Luttenberger • Beth Morris • Martha Nay • Sherle Palmer • Ned Petrak • Sue Ricke • Lea Robinson • Gloria Schaberg • Randy Swackhammer • Julie Swan • Bill Therrell • Nancy Zehmer

*The church office will automatically rotate names off the prayer list after four weeks without receiving updated information.*

## November Birthdays

4 Sandra Burroughs  
8 Peyton Neiman  
9 Virginia Cheatham  
26 Craig Franklin

## Cards for the Lund Family

David Lund:  
**PSC 2 Box 2956**  
**APO, AP 96264**

Andrea and Wyatt:  
**3415 15th Ave S**  
**Minneapolis, MN 55407**

## Scheduling Reminder

With the church growing and more groups making use of the space we have, when planning activities that use the church building or things that need to be taken care of, please remember to check with Maureen in the office for availability to get your activity on the calendar ahead of time! (The online calendar is a great help, but it doesn't always reflect things like setup before events and cleanup afterward if we want to schedule two things close together!) We want to avoid conflicts and keep everything running as smoothly as we can for everyone.

## Keep up with GSLC Online

There are many ways to keep up with Good Shepherd online. Check us out at:

Our Web site:  
[www.goodshepherd-goldsboro.org](http://www.goodshepherd-goldsboro.org)

Our Facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdGoldsboro](https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdGoldsboro)

## NC Synod

Would you like to know what is going on in the NC Synod? You can sign up for the Synod E-News through:

- Facebook—NC Synod, ELCA
- Twitter—@nclutheran
- Web page—[www.nclutheran.org](http://www.nclutheran.org)
- E-news directly in your inbox—sign up at [www.nclutheran.org](http://www.nclutheran.org)

## Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the December 2025 newsletter is Thursday, November 20. Thank you for your help!

## Church Office Hours

Monday—Friday  
8:30 AM—2:00 PM  
(Lunch 11:30—12:00)

## Giving to the Church

Your faithfulness and regular giving of tithes and offerings to the church is greatly appreciated. Mail is regularly delivered to the church. If you wish to use the secure online giving at the church you may create an account with [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) by clicking on the “Donate” link on our Web site.

## November Volunteers

### November 2

Altar Guild	Sampson
Usher	Ron Schaible
Greeter	Claudia Ball
Assistant	George Strunk

### November 9

Altar Guild	Barnhart
Usher	Andy Forsleff
Greeter	Sue Peacock
Assistant	Joanne Clark

### November 16

Altar Guild	Forsleff
Usher	Trey Ball
Greeters	Arnie and Carol
Sampson	
Assistant	Tim Hively

### November 23

Altar Guild	Barnhart
Usher	Arnie Sampson
Greeter	Lana Linker
Assistant	Alex Wingate

### November 30

Altar Guild	Sampson
Usher	John Reackhoff
Greeter	Laura Getz
Assistant	Dean Nelson

## Community Soup Kitchen

Have fun while serving others! Sign up for the Community Soup Kitchen. Good Shepherd volunteers on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 AM.

This month, that will be **November 19**.



## Hurricane Helene Relief

When Hurricane Helene tore through the western Carolinas last September, she left in her wake a path of destruction that Pastor Ruth Ann Sipe projects will take a decade or more to fully repair. “Things will never be the same,” Sipe says, “but we will keep working. We measure progress in small steps, and every day there is something to be thankful for.” Pastor Ruth Ann and her husband, Pastor Ray Sipe, serve as coordinators of Lutheran Disaster Response Carolinas (LDRC).

The following link will tell you about the work that has been done over the last year.

[https://nclutheran.org/special\\_posts/971-volunteers-16800-hours-countless-blessings/](https://nclutheran.org/special_posts/971-volunteers-16800-hours-countless-blessings/)

If you would like to send a gift to help continue recovery efforts, you may send your gift to the following addresses:

For both NC and SC:

LDR Carolinas  
1988 Lutheran Synod Drive  
Salisbury NC 28144

For NC:

LDR- North Carolina Synod  
1988 Lutheran Synod Drive  
Salisbury, NC 28144

## Congregation Meeting

Our church’s constitution requires the Congregation to meet twice a year. To that end we have a meeting during the Worship Service on 11-09-25. The primary purpose of the meeting is to approve the Operating Budget for 2026 and to vote on a revised constitution. Copies of these documents have been mailed and e-mailed to all members.

Afterwards please join in the Fellowship Hall for our annual Thanksgiving dinner. It is always a festive occasion with great food and company.

### Sunday Morning Coffee

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Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM for coffee and doughnuts before the 10:00 AM service!

### Sign up for e-mail updates!

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Scan this QR code and sign up for our e-mail announcements (weekly on Fridays) and newsletter (monthly). These announcements include a link to the YouTube channel and to the upcoming livestream. This is the easiest way to stay connected! You can unsubscribe or resubscribe to our e-mail list at any time.



### Daylight Saving Time is Ending!

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Remember to turn your clocks back to the true time when Daylight Saving Time ends on November 2 at 2:00 AM. You don't want to miss the 10:00 AM service!

### Thanksgiving Notice

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On Thanksgiving Day, the church office will be closed, and the fellowship hall and kitchen have been reserved for a private event.

### Good Shepherd Texts

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Remember to add the phone number (919) 980-9291 to your contacts as **GSLC Texts** so that you will know who you are receiving messages from. We only send and receive text messages with this number. GSLC still makes and receives phone calls with (919) 735-0128.

## All Saints

All Saints Sunday is November 2. Additional names of loved ones who have died since All Saints Day in 2024 may be given to Pastor Sandra on Sunday morning.

## Annual Thanksgiving Meal

On November 9 we will have our annual Thanksgiving meal after church. Please invite a guest or family member. There will be a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for things we need. If you have any questions please call Claudia Ball at 919-738-7123.



**FREE EVENT! MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT  
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**NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
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WORSHIP  WITH US!

Sunday School with Pastor Sandra Burroughs is at 9:00 AM.  
Worship is online and in-person at 10:00 AM.  
Everyone is invited!

MISSION STATEMENT

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is a Christ centered community serving through word and action.

CORE VALUES

Christ Centered....Relationships....Mindfulness....Generosity