



## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills and Christian Preschool

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**WEEKLY TIDINGS: APRIL 11, 2021 – APRIL 18, 2021**

*Hello and welcome to Good Shepherd! We're glad you're here!  
 May you experience the love of Christ and feel His presence during worship today.*

### **TODAY IN WORSHIP**

Thank you to Pastor Barry Keurulainen for joining us again and leading our worship today! Pastor Barry has been advising and occasionally preaching at Good Shepherd since January. As our call process continues, Pastor Barry's assistance to Good Shepherd grows. He graciously preached all of Holy Week, and he has begun engaging with our 2nd year confirmands to guide them towards confirmation later this spring. Pastor Barry has graciously accepted church leadership's request that he officially be named our Vacancy Pastor. Pastor Barry and his wife Andi, will be with the Good Shepherd family for a while, so if you haven't yet met them, say 'hello' and introduce yourself. They would love to meet you!

Our **volunteers** in worship today include:

Assisting Elder:	Dominic Molinari
Usher:	Ray Vogel
Counters:	Louise Kratz
Altar Guild:	Kari Sawchak, Starlett Sawchak, Jean Barone, Rachel Barone



The **chancel flowers** today are placed to the Glory of God for blessings received by the Decorating Committee.

Please **keep in your prayers** our many members, family and friends with long-term prayer requests:

Sherri, Betsy, Lisa, Larry, Lou, Don, Phyllis, Robin, Don, Pastor Tim, Debbie, Tiffany, Jennifer, Earl, Mary Jane R., Mary Jane F., Evie, Fred, Dottie, Florence, David, Scott, Hope, Dennis, John, Sam, Linda, Barb, Melissa, Anne, David, Mary, Gary, Carolyn, Joan S., Norma, Rose, John, Tillie, Pam, Nancy, Rose Marie, Joan U.

**\*\*New prayer requests may be given to the office or [submitted electronically](#).\*\***

**\*\*The many members, family and friends with long-term prayer needs will be listed in the Monthly Newsletter.\*\***

### **ON THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK:**

Sunday, 4/11	10a	Worship
Monday, 4/12	5p	Soccer Shots
	7p	Boy Scouts
Tuesday, 4/13		
Wednesday, 4/14	7:30p	Narcotics Anonymous
Thursday, 4/15	5p	Soccer Shots
Friday, 4/16		
Saturday, 4/17	9:15a	Soccer Shots
Sunday, 4/18	10a	Worship

Checkout the website for a 'live' calendar: <https://goodshepherdpittsburgh.org/good-shepherd-events-2/>

**LAST WEEK (4/4/2021) AT GOOD SHEPHERD:** OFFERING: \$10,684.00 (includes Maundy Thursday and Good Friday)

ATTENDANCE, 9AM: 71 in-person + 26 livestream

ATTENDANCE, 11AM: 67 in-person + 34 livestream

MAUNDY THURSDAY ATTENDANCE: 39 in-person + 26 livestream

GOOD FRIDAY ATTENDANCE: 56 in-person + 37 livestream

### GOOD SHEPHERD ANNOUNCEMENTS:



Just as restrictions are starting to loosen up as people become vaccinated, we will do the same at Good Shepherd. Today we will hold Sunday School for Children, for the first time since covid hit, in parallel with Confirmation Class. The next step in our process is to have Jeremy Frantz and the Music Ensemble perform again from the Altar. All Musicians will wear masks; likely special masks made for singing. They will not sing or be in the Altar area when the Communion elements are consecrated or during distribution. Thank you for your patience as we continue to adjust and move forward through this pandemic.

*Your Brother in Christ, Ray Betler Chair of the Reopening Committee*



**Spring Sunday School begins today for the children and youth!** We will have 4 Sunday School sessions this spring: April 11, April 25, May 2 and May 16. We will meet **after the 10am service for about one hour.** All children ages Preschool through High School are welcome! If your child is not registered for Sunday School, please contact Laura Thurston at [sundayschool@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org](mailto:sundayschool@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org).

While the confirmation students continue to meet with Pastor Barry, the Sunday School students will meet in the sanctuary for an opening and then depending on the number attending, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall or outside if the weather permits. Masks will be required and we ask families to follow the same guidelines the schools are requiring. Please [email Laura](mailto:laura@goodshepherdpittsburgh.org) if you plan to send your child/children so we can plan accordingly. We look forward to seeing the kids' smiling faces again!



We'll be holding an **outdoor workday** at church on **either Saturday, May 1 or May 8.** We'll clean up lawn debris, cut trees, and plant flowers. Speak with Ken Meyer if you are willing to help, and let him know your availability.



**Eat'n Park** gift cards are still available while supplies last. When the current stock is gone, LWML is suspending participation in this fundraiser. See Ruth Johnson, Jean Barone or Carol Kagemann to obtain a card.

Remember to check out the events on the website for the most up to date information including links to sign-up for the different activities:

<https://goodshepherdpittsburgh.org/good-shepherd-events-2/>

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### PRESCHOOL NOTES:



The Preschool will be hosting a **Food Truck Festival in the parking lot on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm.** This is a safe way to gather family and friends to enjoy an evening outside. There will be food trucks at the festival: Yovi's, a pretzel truck, an ice cream truck and a popcorn truck. **The Preschool is inviting everyone;** Preschool Families, the entire Congregation and the Community around Good Shepherd. Please place this event on your calendar and take the opportunity to finally be able to do something together; safely outside. Come and grab dinner or a snack, bring a blanket and have a picnic with your family or carry it home for dinner.

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### OTHER NEWS – PLEASE SEE THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR DETAILS:

**Concordia Lutheran Ministries** is hosting a **Kids Fishing Derby** on Saturday, May 22, 8am-2pm at Saxony Farm Lake. This event is open to all kids 14 years and under. There is no entry fee and bait is provided by Concordia. For additional details and registration information, see the notice posted on the bulletin board.

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**FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**...and invite your friends. Consider sharing the YouTube link and invite friends to join us for Sunday worship. May God bless all who hear His word.

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 [Instagram.com/goodshepherdpg/](https://www.instagram.com/goodshepherdpg/)

 [Youtube.com/channel/UC3Vh06JeoKM-rVRkXRRVpvQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Vh06JeoKM-rVRkXRRVpvQ)

(or, go to YouTube and search for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of South Hills)