



# Happynings

March 31, 2010

## TONIGHT'S SCHEDULE

As we prepare to celebrate Holy Week, remember that there are **NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES TONIGHT.**

We return to our regular Wednesday schedule on April 7th.

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## HOLY WEEK 2010— THE THREE DAYS

We celebrate *one* service in *three* parts which marks the betrayal, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY— JESUS IS BETRAYED

*Thursday, April 1, 7:00pm*

We remember how Jesus commanded us to love one another on the night of his betrayal as we share the Lord's Supper.

### GOOD FRIDAY — JESUS DIES UPON THE CROSS

*Friday, April 2, 7:00pm*

Encounter the Stations of the Cross... Hear the seven last words of Jesus... Remember the ultimate act of love as our Lord dies for us upon the cross.

### EASTER VIGIL —

### A JOURNEY FROM DEATH TO LIFE

*Saturday, April 3, 8:30pm*

The Easter Vigil is a participatory and multisensory worship experience in which we move from the despair and darkness of Good Friday to the first moment of life and light in the Easter Resurrection. The evening begins by an open flame outdoors and concludes with an Easter feast!

### EASTER SUNDAY FESTIVAL WORSHIP

### HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

*Sunday, April 4, 8:00am and 10:30am*

Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter Festival worship. An Easter brunch will take place between services.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE:** Remember that we will NOT be having Sunday School this Sunday (April 4<sup>th</sup>). Join us on Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> when we return to our regular Sunday School schedule.

**THE SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY** will not be meeting this Sunday (April 4<sup>th</sup>), but will return to its regular time between services next Sunday (April 11<sup>th</sup>).

## THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

### THURSDAY, APRIL 1

7:00pm Maundy Thursday worship

### FRIDAY, APRIL 2

7:00pm Good Friday worship

### SATURDAY, APRIL 3

8:30pm Easter Vigil

### SUNDAY, APRIL 4

8:00am Worship

9:15am Easter Brunch, Easter Egg Hunt

10:30am Worship

### MONDAY, APRIL 5

### OFFICE CLOSED

Pastor Karen on Vacation (April 5-11)

NO Handbell Practices

### TUESDAY, APRIL 6

7:30am Men's Coffee (Panera South)

10:30am Staff Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

9:30am Stay & Play

5:20pm First Word

5:30pm Praise Kids, Ring & Sing, Praise Link, Confirmation, Wed. Night Air Study

6:00pm Simple Supper

6:45pm Worship

7:30pm Remix, No Choir Practice

### THURSDAY, APRIL 8

6:00pm Shades of Green Hosta Society (FH)

### FRIDAY, APRIL 9

### SATURDAY, APRIL 10

5:30pm Worship

### SUNDAY, APRIL 11

8:00am Worship

9:15am Education Hour, Adult Bible Study

10:30am Worship



**DID YOU KNOW...** We actually had a death and resurrection on Easter Sunday that WASN'T Jesus? On one Easter Sunday in the late 1970s, Harold Fink went into cardiac arrest in our sanctuary. He was revived by fellow member Bob Atkin before going to the hospital. Harold went on to live for more than ten years, a lot of that time he spent mowing the church grounds! *Get ready for Good Shepherd's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party this coming summer! SAVE THE DATE – August 28 and 29 We will be enjoying great music, a market place with crafts & games, worship, dinners, and special guests. You will not want to miss this time.*

### SPRING BASKETS

The Giving Tree was put up in the narthex and decorated with 225 gift tags. We are working with Olmsted County Social Services and Lutheran Social Services to distribute Spring Baskets to adults in need, some with disabilities/ mental health needs and some parents who are working hard to meet their family needs. These baskets will have household items, cleaning supplies, personal care products and an Easter greeting or two from GSC. For struggling families and adults, there may be support for food and housing, but everyday items are luxuries. Three years ago these surprise gifts provided by GSC thrilled the recipients. The program is modeled after the adopt-a-family program at Lutheran Social Services. Social workers will deliver the baskets to needy parents and single adults.

Please take one or more gift suggestions from the tree to help us fill 30 Spring Baskets. You are welcome to vary from the list. Think about your own favorite must-have items. Include your own Easter greeting if you wish. Place your items under the tree by Sunday, April 18. They should not be gift wrapped. Help is needed to sort the gifts and fill the baskets that day. Call Val 289-6235 or Paul 288-8069. Example items include: - kitchen or bath towels - household cleaning supplies, laundry supplies, kitchen products, dish soap, cleaners - personal care products such as lotions, tissues, razors, soap, shampoo, etc. - coffee, tea, candies for a personal touch - fast food certificates, grocery cards, gas certificates - medium to large, new or used, clothes baskets or buckets - a GSC green bag, much appreciated by those who rely on the bus for transportation.

### Are You In Need of Some Lawn Therapy?

We are in need of volunteers to join the crew that mows the GSC field. Each volunteer would be scheduled once to mow during a portion of a month using GSC's John Deere lawn tractor. If you are interested in joining the mowing crew, contact the church office at 289-1748 or by email at: [gscsecretary@goodshepherdchurch.net](mailto:gscsecretary@goodshepherdchurch.net)

**COMMUNION VISITATION MINISTRY** :Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is starting a new ministry! A group of five people have been preparing to be Communion Visitors. They will be sent by our congregation to bring the word and sacrament to those who have difficulty coming to worship, and to make sure they are included in the life of our faith community. These monthly visits will complement the pastors' visits. Our hope is that the "mutual consolation of brothers and sisters", as Martin Luther wrote, will be a gift that continues to be shared among all in our faith community. You will notice this happening in worship, as we will join in the "Sending of Holy Communion", a prayer at the end of our communion liturgy, on the first Sunday of each month.

Please contact Pastor Karen or the church office if you know of someone who would appreciate a visit, or if you feel called to be part of this ministry.

**DOROTHY DAY HOUSE:** The Early Shift at the Dorothy Day House is open for Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The house opens at 4:00pm, but early shift volunteers only need to arrive in enough time to have their dish ready for the dinner that is served at 6:00pm. If you would like to volunteer for this shift, or would like more details about Good Shepherd's ministry at the Dorothy Day House, contact the church office at 289-1748 or Evie Augeson at 286-8889.

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Brian McHenry, Gayle Olsen
- 2nd Ryan Aleshire, Greg Larson
- 3rd Kali Aldrich, Michael Gozola, Marie Lipp
- 4th Hannah Krystosek, Jeff Orth, Dayton Rud, Carson Steinke
- 5th Paul Mainz, Taylor Thompson, Kelly Weber
- 7th Haley Beeman, Amy Christiansen, Morgan McGuire

### PRAYERS

+ For all members of Good Shepherd, especially: Russ & Dana Speer (Kennedy, Ryaan, Isaac), Karla & Scott Sperry (Derek, Jacob), Mike & Tracy Stahnke (Zachary, Zabryna).

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#### Worship Services (with Holy Communion)

Wednesday 6:45PM; Saturday 5:30 PM;  
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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