

DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE

The Committee is sponsoring a Loons Baseball game outing on June 25th. Game time is 2:05pm. Children 12 and under can receive a free meal. Upon entering the ballpark ask for the coupon for "Kids eat free" on Sunday.



Advanced ticket cost:
Lawn—\$6.50
Reserved- \$9.50

The Committee is offering to purchase tickets for families/ individuals who sign up on the sheet located in the narthex. Families may then reimburse the church.

An **OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT** is being planned for Friday, June 23rd on the church parking lot. Invite a friend to come! Time and more details will follow in the worship guide announcements.



The committee will be sponsoring a **Christian Education reception** on Sunday, May 21 at 9:00pm. Confirmands, Treasure Hunt students and Explorers will be recognized for their faithfulness.

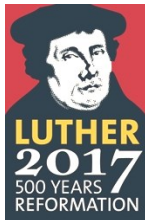
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The committee is working on

our Vacation Bible School for the summer. It will include activities for children and adults July 28-30th.

The theme will be "Martin Luther and the Reformation" Friday and Saturday sessions will be held from 7:00pm - 8:30pm.

Sunday session will include a potluck dinner (German food welcome) beginning at 5:30pm. The adults will then have a presentation by Professor Bill Tackmier from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, WI



WELS church members from around mid-Michigan will be invited to attend both the potluck and the presentation.

Teachers and helpers will be needed so please consider signing up on the volunteer sheets located in the narthex.

CONFERENCE/ SYNOD NEWS

On Monday, April 24th Pastor Eich attended the Northern Pastors Conference at Hope Lutheran Church in Swartz Creek.

Sadly it was announced that the following closures have taken place this year:

- St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI.
- Hope Lutheran Church in Swartz Creek, MI
- St. Matthew's Daycare/Preschool program in Benton Harbor.

We pray for the members and Pastor's who are losing their church home and will be searching for a new one.

There are 125 pastoral vacancies with 26 graduates to be assigned from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

It is expected that 47 men and 43 women from MLC will be assigned at graduation. There are currently 150 teacher vacancies. Please keep these future called workers and congregations in your prayers.



Michigan District Convention will be held June 5,6,7 at Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw.

Synod Convention will be held July 31- Aug 3, under the theme "Our Great Heritage" It will be held in Watertown, WI.

Please keep the Lord's work among his people in your prayers.



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CONFIRMATION



in the Lutheran Church is a public profession of faith prepared for by long and careful instruction. In English, it is called "affirmation of baptism".

On Sunday, May 21st we will be privileged to witness 2 young adults, Jacob Bonacci and Paige Schultz, publicly profess their faith.

They have faithfully attended 3 years of catechism instruction with Pastor Eich.

On Friday, May 19 they will be examined on the catechism with questions and answers. This year they will also give a presentation on the Lord's Prayer and the Apostles Creed.

Members of the congregation are invited and encouraged to attend the examination and serve as witnesses to their Christian education.

SHEPHERDING ELDERS

The AED that was approved by the council has been purchased and has been installed. It is located in the narthex hallway by the bulletin boards.



SHEPHERDING ELDERS
Shepherding God's Flock
1 Peter 5:1-4

The Elders continue to focus on safety of our building and church members. As was reported in last month's newsletter the building locks have been changed so the Elders can monitor the use of the building among our members. Members are encouraged to continue contacting the office if entrance

in the building is needed.

Certain safety procedures have been set in place for Sunday worship as well. An elder has been staying in the narthex area during the entire worship time. This is to monitor the coming and going of people and the parking lot.

Information is still being gathered on possibly installing security cameras around the premises.

Although this is not something we want to have to deal with, the Elders feel it is important for our members and visitors to know that a plan for their safety and the safety of the building is being developed, followed and monitored. We thank these men for their work!

PROPERTY

The narthex heating has been fixed. A manufacturing representative came and checked out the adjustments and approved the changes. Final cost was \$4,347.00.

As you already know the fire suppression system had two leaks. One leak caused damage in the nursery and sanctuary. Those repairs were quickly made. The piping repairs were not covered by the insurance. The drywall, painting, etc was thankfully covered. Total cost for the project was \$5,640.00. Of that amount church's payment was \$3,365.00. *NOTE: A 3rd and 4th leak were discovered and repaired this past Tuesday.*

In November the voters approved new carpeting, doors, and painting in the parsonage. So far new carpeting/painting and doors in 3 bedrooms, family room and 2 staircases have been done. The work will continue in the Summer and Fall.

BREAKFAST TIME!

A Mother's Day breakfast will be served on Sunday, May 14th beginning at 9:00am.

Our thanks to the Church Council who will be serving this special meal in honor of our mothers!

SCHOOL GRAD!

This year Good Shepherd has one high school graduate, Jayden Robinson. After graduation Jayden will be attending Mid Michigan Community College. Congratulations, Jayden and may God continue to bless you as you move forward.



SUMMER WORSHIP TIME!

Sunday, May 28th
9:30am

(goes through Labor Day weekend)

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS!

The church office will continue to be closed on Mondays. It will be open on
Tuesday - Friday
8:00am-1:00pm

Many of the members have adjusted well to the new office hours. Members are encouraged to continue to call the office prior to coming to the building just to make sure someone is here.

SERMON SERIES

Our upcoming sermon series for our Sunday morning meditations:

His Leadership:

Brings Us Joy
Gives Power
Is Good
Brings Growth

Invite a friend to see how God's leadership helps us!

SOCIAL MEDIA

LIKE our Facebook page if you have not yet done so.

**Good Shepherd
Ev.Lutheran Church**



Sunday Sermons will soon be recorded and posted on our Facebook page. We invite you to SHARE some of the postings and help SPREAD THE WORD!!

Lose your monthly church calendar? Check our website for an additional copy! Don't miss out on an activity!!

Weekly sermons may also be found on the church website!
www.glewels.com

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY UPDATES:

Join the Martin Luther College Wind Symphony on May 16th at 7:00pm in the MLS chapel as it presents its spring tour concert.



MLS Summer Camps are open for registrations. Football, basketball and now girl's volleyball are available. This year they will hold their first every Fine Arts Camp! This is available for students in 2-6 grade. You may register online at www.mlsem.org/sports-camp or www.mlsem.org/fineartscamp.

Graduation Commencement concert will be held on Friday, May 26th beginning at 7:00pm. Graduation will be Saturday, May 27th at 10:30am.

OUR LUTHERLAND PROGRESS

The hard working team of Sandy Sheldon, Heidi McDaid and Pastor Eich continues! Heidi and Sandy are faithfully working on the buildings of Lutherland while Pastor Eich is creating the signage and characters. Special thanks to the catechism students who put their artistic talent in by painting some of the characters. When all is done we will have a self guided tour of "Lutherland"

