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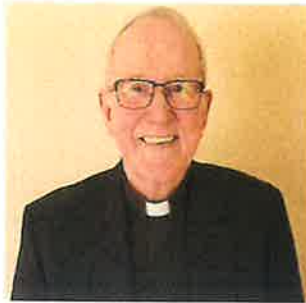
CELEBRATING 71  
YEARS IN GOD'S  
SERVICE

JUNE 2024  
NEWSLETTER



All of them were  
filled with  
the Holy Spirit!

Acts 2.4



## A Message From Our Pastor, Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I continue to be thankful to God that you allow me to serve you as your pastor. Please continue to pray for me and Good Shepherd. Pray for my good health and for God's direction in our ministry at Good Shepherd. Pray that we are a congregation known for its abundant love and forgiveness for one another. Pray that our people will be faithful at worship and receiving the sacrament. Pray that all of us will be even more generous in our financial support for our many ministries. Pray that our school continues to flourish.

In the past few weeks, we have had the joy of having three of our children receive their first communion. And we had four of our young people receive confirmation. We thank Pastor Rebecca Sheridan from Faith Lutheran for stepping in and instructing our young people while we await a full-time pastor.

I have had several people ask me when we will be getting a pastoral candidate. The simple answer is that no one knows. There are few candidates available, and many churches need one. It is common for a church to wait three or more years before finding a pastor. For example, the seminary from which I graduated, is only graduating a third of the pastors that they did when I graduated. Our bishop would like nothing better than to have pastors available for all our vacant congregations. But this is not the case, unfortunately. Good Shepherd must be patient, and each of us needs to step up to keep our church strong as we wait.

A big thank you to those who agreed to serve on our Church Council and various parish committees. Strong congregations have many members participating in its ministry. We need to stay strong in the days ahead.

There are several good things taking place in June. I am looking forward to having my dinner from the food trucks at Good Shepherd on Wednesday night June 5th. There is still time for more couples to join us for a recommitment service of their wedding vows at 4 pm, Saturday, June 8th. Call the church office 516-349-1966 and let us know you are coming.

God's blessings,  
Pastor Krahn

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# A Message From Our Church Council President

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ -

The lazy days of Summer are quickly approaching. However, the pace of activities at Good Shepherd continues. We've accomplished some wonderful things this past month that hopefully, everyone is pleased with.

First, we had a successful Congregational Meeting - we passed our Annual Unified Church and School Budget, elected four Church Council members, elected a Good Shepherd Fund Disbursement Committee, approved two important Constitution amendments, and received updates on church and school improvements.

This month, three children received their First Communion after instruction with Pastor Krahn, and four young people affirmed their baptism during the Rite of Confirmation at Good Shepherd after instruction with Pastor Rebecca at Faith Lutheran and Pastor Krahn.

We learned that the first Food Truck Wednesday is June 5 starting at 5 PM and will involve us in our community in a new, big way, and hopefully, attract people to our church. The food offerings are delicious, there will be live entertainment, and it's up to all of us to invite family, friends, and neighbors to the first of three great Food Truck Wednesdays to make them a success.

To help the school continue to grow and enrich their music program, Council voted to allow the school to use the front room of the West Cottage on days when there are no church activities. The school will be making the necessary upgrades to pass State inspection, and when completed, everyone is welcome to come over and take a look.

Additionally, the school received news that the Town of Oyster Bay approved their permit to remove the wall between classrooms 8 and 9, which will allow for a larger class space and increased enrollment.

We're planning for a Wedding Renewal Ceremony on Saturday June 8 at 4:00PM at Good Shepherd. Please give Pastor Krahn a call if you're interested.

We are also busy planning for Burgers and Berries on Saturday June 22, at 4:00PM in the gym, and will be asking folks to let us know who's coming. Fun entertainment is being planned.

I probably left out a few things, so please read this newsletter for other events, dates, times.

See You In Church,  
Anne Rickmeyer  
Church Council President



# A Message From Our School Director



## Dear Good Shepherd Families and Friends:

June is always a feeling of mixed emotions as we say goodbye to our Pre-K friends and yet we are so excited for their incredible journey ahead. We wish them nothing but the best as they fly high into kindergarden knowing all their shapes, colors, letters and most importantly, having a sense of independence that will last a lifetime!

These last few months have been filled with numerous calendar events, and now is the time to celebrate our children at their Moving-Up and Pre-K Graduation ceremonies, which will be held on June 11th & 12th & 13th at 6:00pm.

The summer months are nearly here. Our SPLASH program is the place to be! Our theme based program gives your children the ultimate fun camp experience. We have a summer full of fun activities and hands-on experiences for children ages two and up. Please call the school office for more information. (516) 349-1966

Thank you for a wonderful school year and allowing me to help your children develop and learn.

Love,

Mrs. Bigam

# Graduation Day

I'm graduating from Good Shepherd

I can't believe this is the day!

I've learned so much and come along way.

All through preschool, I had so much fun.

And now its time to be on my way.

Hooray!!



Kindergarten here I come!



# June Events

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> Butterfly release
- June 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Toddler Celebrations
- June 7<sup>th</sup> Field Day Rain Date
- June 10<sup>th</sup>- 17<sup>th</sup> Father's Day Parties
- June 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Moving Up & Pre-K Ceremonies
- June 14<sup>th</sup> Pre-K Field Trip
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Happy Father's Day
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Entire School Closed
- June 20<sup>th</sup> First Day of Summer
- June 21<sup>st</sup> End of the Year Party
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Last Day of School

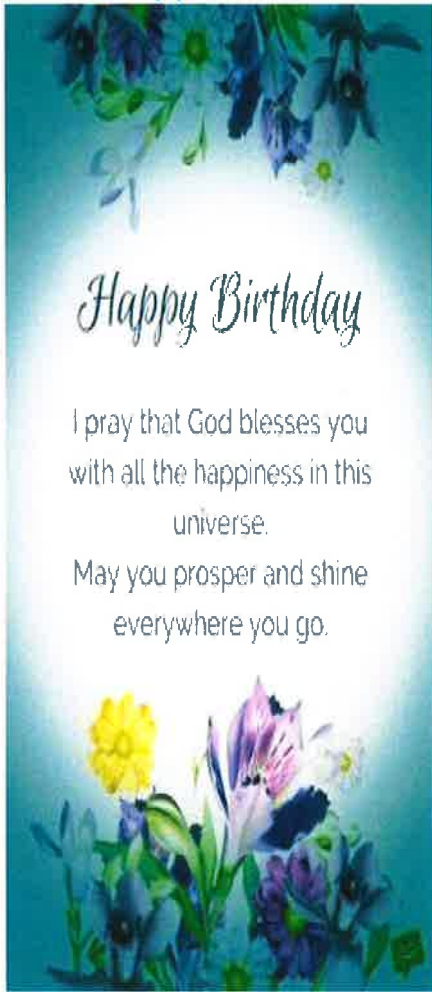


Best of luck to all our graduates!

# HOORAY!

# BLESSINGS & PRAYERS

*Happiest of birthdays to these wonderful Good Shepherd family and friends !*



## CONGREGANTS CELEBRATING

Callum Bristol	6/1
Kathy Blewett	6/2
Roy Steinhilber	6/2
Lucas Martin	6/4
Pat Fiedler	6/6
Kathleen Matullo	6/10
Hugh Whitenack	6/11
Kaitlyn Whitenack	6/12
Luca Pecora	6/14
Emily Eslick	6/14
Lindsay Giacobbe	6/17
Barbara Nelsen	6/18
Galen Jansky	6/18
Gregory Balos	6/18
George Saueracker	6/20
Logan Moran	6/20
Brittany Wanko	6/24
Fiona Clark	6/24
Teagen Bristol	6/25
Melissa Milhim	6/26
Audrey Bodeker	6/26
Jack Saueracker	6/30

## SCHOOL STUDENTS & STAFF CELEBRATING

Zoe Matthew	6/1
Sophia Filosa	6/2
Rory Goll	6/6
Giavanna Montelbano	6/6
Jameson Capera	6/7
Travis Coriolan	6/11
Luna Spiegel	6/12
Adam Makar	6/18
Logan Burns	6/21
Sienna Leidy	6/21
Colleen Nubel	6/28
Mila Palermo	6/29



*Wishing you many, many, many more happy years together ! Happy Anniversary !!*

## THE "NEWLYWEDS"

Diane & Ron Maisch	6/5
Mackenzie & Galen Jansky	6/5
RoseAnn & Roger Mueller	6/12
Gail & Stephen Haupt	6/16
Nicole & Michael Steinert	6/21
Cataryna & Marcus Ubertini-Pitts	6/24
Christine & Andrew Haupt	6/25

## HAPPILY MARRIED ON...



*While we celebrate the joyous June events above and thank God for these blessings, let us continue to pray for God's mercy to heal all on our May prayer list, especially:*

Susan Ferrara, Jeff Wakefield, Irene Ruge, Jean, Lorraine, Debi, RoseAnn Mueller, Jess Mueller, Lois Fassino, Olivia Mae Wanko, Emmett Walter Wanko, Brittany Thomas Wanko, Phyllis Langone, Paul Burfeindt, Raymond Tarnock, David Cronin and the Ferrari Family

*This is a gentle reminder that all prayer requests are added to, and remain in, our weekly worship bulletins for three weeks. If you need a loved one to remain on the prayer list for an additional three weeks, please contact Natasha Pecora in the church office at 516.349.1966*



Your church council members would like to inform you of the motions proposed and approved at the last church council meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

- A motion was made by Anne Rickmeyer and seconded by Hugh Whitenack allowing the church and school to share the West Cottage as a multi-purpose space. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Jim Jansky and seconded by Anne Rickmeyer to remove the wall between the two small classrooms 8 and 9 in the school, and to make one large classroom not to exceed the cost of \$60,000. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Barbara Nelsen and seconded by Donna Hickey to remove the names Eric Olsen, Patricia Larson, Margaret Wenger, A.J. Jin, and Kevin Ocker from the Vanguard Account belonging to Church of the Good Shepherd Lutheran-Plainview. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Barbara Nelsen and seconded by Hugh Whitenack to add the names George Milhim, Anne Rickmeyer, Donna Hickey, and Barbara Nelsen to the Vanguard Account belonging to Church of the Good Shepherd Lutheran-Plainview. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Anthony Vollono and seconded by Hugh Whitenack to repair 13 or 14 window screens in the parsonage at a cost of between \$500 and \$700. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Anne Rickmeyer and seconded by Roger Mueller to have the Tree Lighting Ceremony at Good Shepherd. Although we do not have this item in our 2024-2025 budget, Alison Carey received funding to allow this to continue in December 2024. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Anne Rickmeyer and seconded by Hugh Whitenack to regain full membership with the Chamber of Commerce. Motion approved.
- A motion was made by Hugh Whitenack and seconded by Anne Rickmeyer to give Alison Carey permission to start a once-a-month children's choir with Sunday School children. Motion approved.

COME DOWN TO OUR FIRST FOOD TRUCK EVENT *and* JOIN THE FUN !!



# FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAYS

## JUNE 5TH

5 - 9 pm

GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL PARKING LOT



**GREAT FOOD - ALL ARE WELCOME - LIVE MUSIC**

### FOOD TRUCKS:

All American Wontons  
Angie's Empanadas  
Cone Depot  
Donna's Italian  
Kane Kutterz

Pop Out Kitchen  
Royal Elite BBQ  
The Steak Truck  
The Waffle Chick  
Roxy's Ice Cream

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**FREE ADMISSION!**



# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL CALENDAR



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2ND Sunday of Pentecost 8am Traditional Worship 9am Sharing the Faith 10:15am Traditional Worship/Sunday School 6pm Healing Evening Worship	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours		8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours 10am Saintly Sewers & Nifty 'Nitters 5pm Food Truck Event in school parking lot	7:30pm Boy Scouts Troop #423 meets in gym	No activities planned	No activities planned
3RD Sunday of Pentecost 8am Traditional Worship 9am Sharing the Faith 10:15am Traditional Worship/Sunday School 6pm Contemporary Worship	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours 6:00pm School Board Meeting	7pm Executive Council meeting via Zoom	8am -12 pm Pastor Krahn's office hours 10am Saintly Sewers & Nifty 'Nitters	12:30pm Ladies Luncheon at Jackie Reilly's 7:30pm Boy Scouts Troop #423 meets in gym	No activities planned	No activities planned
4TH Sunday of Pentecost 8am Traditional Worship 9am Sharing the Faith 10:15am Traditional Worship/ Sunday School	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours	7pm Church Council meeting in East Cottage	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours 10am Saintly Sewers & Nifty 'Nitters	12:30pm Mens' Luncheon at Jackie Reilly's 7:30pm Boy Scouts Troop #423 meets in gym	No activities planned	4pm Burgers & Berries in school gym
5TH Sunday of Pentecost 8am Traditional Worship 9am Sharing the Faith 10:15am Traditional Worship	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours	No activities planned	8am-11am Pastor Krahn's office hours 10am Saintly Sewers & Nifty 'Nitters	LAST DAY OF CLASSES at GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN SCHOOL 7:30pm Boy Scouts Troop #423 meets in gym	No activities planned	



# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS JUNE SCHEDULE

DATE	SERVICE TIME	PRESIDING MINISTER	ASSISTING MINISTER	LECTOR	USHERS	ALTAR GUILD
JUNE 2	8:00am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Deacon Jim Blewett			
2nd Sunday of Pentecost	10:15am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Bonnie McGowan	Joan Vanecek	TBD	Bonnie McGowan
Healing Worship	6:00pm	Dr. Dawn Figlo	TBD	Jeff Kasan	Debbie Dexter	
JUNE 9	8:00am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Deacon Jim Blewett			
3rd Sunday of Pentecost	10:15am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Anne Rickmeyer	JoAnn Schulz-Dellacona	TBD	JoAnn Schulz-Dellacona
Contemporary Worship	6:00pm	Anne Rickmeyer	Alison Carey	Jeff Kasan	Debbie Dexter	
JUNE 16	8:00am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Deacon Jim Blewett			
4th Sunday of Pentecost	10:15am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Ronn Hall	Loretta Ruff	TBD	Anne Rickmeyer
JUNE 23	8:00am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Deacon Jim Blewett			
5th Sunday of Pentecost	10:15am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Kim Whitenack	Liz Carr	TBD	Kim Whitenack
JUNE 30	8:00am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Deacon Jim Blewett			
6th Sunday of Pentecost	10:15am	Rev. Dr. John H. Krahn	Bonnie McGowan	Loretta Ruff	TBD	Bonnie McGowan

Our vocalists, Veronica Nguyen St. John, Alison Carey and/or Lois Fassino, will share their musical talents with us at each service listed above.

Our videographer, Ethan Eoanidis, will record the 10:15am service for viewing on each Sunday.

Anne Rickmeyer organizes and tends to the flowers that beautify our church each week.

As always, we would LOVE to welcome additional congregants to join our team of worship assistants. Please consider becoming an assisting minister, an usher or a lector. We need everyone's help to continue the ministry of Good Shepherd. If you would like to become a part of this most special team, please contact Roger Mueller @ rogmuellet@gmail.com or Natasha Pecora @ natasha.pecora@gspainview.org.



## **New beginnings are blossoming at Good Shepherd !**

Our “Garden & Give” program is off to a wonderful and fruitful start !  
Thank you to all of our members who are selflessly and lovingly tending to our gardens and giving back to the community and those in need !!



*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church was blessed to celebrate the following joyous events in the month of May*



*The sacrament of **First Holy Communion** celebrated by Isabella Carpenter, Kaitlyn Kiernan and Lachlan Bristol on Sunday, May 12, 2024*



*The **Confirmation and Affirmation of Baptism** celebrated by Victoria Giacobbe, Leigha Jansky, Charlotte Leblond and Austin Carrieri on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024*



*The joyous and anticipated births of the following Good Shepherd Lutheran children:*

*Emmett Walter Wanko and  
Olivia Mae Wanko born on  
May 10, 2024*



*Congratulations to the  
Wanko and Thomas families!!*

*Will Kessler born on  
May 2, 2024*

*Congratulations to the Kessler  
and Jansky families!!*



*God gives blessings so we can give glory to Him.*