

GOOD SHEPHERD  
LUTHERAN CHURCH



# News You Can “Ewes”

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## HAPPENING NOW

- Kristin Brenneman vacation June 1-5
- Finance Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., June 4
- Give-A-Kid-A-Chance Clothes Sorting Day, 9 a.m., June 5
- Southeastern Synod Assembly, June 5-7
- Habitat for Humanity Build, 8 a.m.—3 p.m., June 6
- Yarn Angels, Noon, June 7
- Two-Can Sunday, June 7
- Mission Trip Meeting, 7 p.m., June 7
- Church Council Meeting, 7 p.m., June 9
- Kathy Gunn vacation June 10-18
- Faith Formation Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., June 11
- Needlework Friends, 11 a.m., June 13
- FREE Vacation Bible School, June 15-19



## Welcome Brooklyn Carolina!

Pastors Justin and Seyward Ask welcomed their daughter, Brooklyn Carolina, into the world at 11:54 a.m., Sunday, May 31. Brooklyn weighed 7 pounds, 12.5 ounces, and was 20” long. Mom, baby — and Dad — are doing great!



**VBS Week –**  
June 15-19 (9 a.m. -Noon)  
Ages: Children entering  
Pre-K to 6th Grade  
Cost: **FREE!**

At Good Shepherd Lutheran Church’s Vacation Bible School, children from age four (as of September 1, 2015) through rising 6th graders will discover an interactive, energizing, Bible-based program that will give them an opportunity to experience God’s love in action. During VBS at “G-Force: God’s Love in Action,” children will explore how to serve God and others with active love. After a high-energy opening assembly at the G-Force Zone, kids make their way to the Scripture Zone. Interactive Bible lessons reveal five Action Words for following God’s plan for our lives, and children will discover Velocity Verses, Bible memory verses that will move them in their faith long after VBS.

The children will expand on what they’ve discovered by participating in a variety of activities: making their own art projects at the Craft Zone, singing new music at the Music Zone, exploring science activities at Science Zone, participating in recreational activities at the Recreation Zone, and enjoying tasty snacks at the Snack Zone.

GSLC VBS is FREE and includes snacks, crafts and a commemorative tee shirt. Registration forms are available by calling the church, (770) 924-7286 or at [www.gslutheran.org](http://www.gslutheran.org). Join Good Shepherd VBS this year for lots of summer fun! Space is limited, so register early!



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New Wine, an interfaith music and drama troupe of high school students from Minnesota will offer a performance of their musical, "The Family," at Good Shepherd on Friday, June 19. New Wine has a connection with GSLC as its longtime director is Pastor Todd Mattson, father of Pastor Justin's wife, Seyward! So, help Pastor Justin impress his inlaws by coming to this great night of fun!

"The Family" is a full-length contemporary Christian musical centered around the question, "What does it mean to be a family?" Beginning with teenagers wanting their freedom and parents desiring respect, the show evolves to a much wider message of mutual love and respect for the family of God.

Come enjoy a great family evening! Dinner by our own Chef Michael Epstein will be served at 5:30 followed by the performance at 7 p.m. There are no tickets required and no charge to attend—just a freewill offering at the door! All are welcome! Sign up at Sign-Up central.



## Two-Can Sunday

Don't forget to bring your two cans of food for our hunger initiatives on Sunday, June 7!

## Dave Osborne Retires

Dear Good Shepherd Family,

This is Courtney Osborne Muller, Pastor Osborne's daughter. Some of you may know that he is retiring this June and I am trying to put together a "memory book" for him. I was hoping that if you had the time, could you please email me a story, memory, inspirational thought or well wishes for his retirement by June 20th? If you still keep in touch with him, please don't tell him about this, I want it to be a surprise! I know that he will love to look back and have something to remember his many wonderful years with Good Shepherd. Thank you so much for your time and words! With much appreciation,

Courtney Muller  
[courtneyann712@hotmail.com](mailto:courtneyann712@hotmail.com)

## Summertime Events

**Ladies Night Out** takes place on Tuesday, June 16 at 7 p.m. at Vespucci's Pizza and Pasta located at 4805 Canton Rd., Marietta. Contact Jennifer Taylor for details.

**Yarn Angels** will meet on Sunday, June 7 after the 11 a.m. service in Room 116.

**Needlework Friends** meets Saturday, June 13 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the home of Susan Epling (260 Orchards Circle, Woodstock) for needlework and fellowship. Bring your projects, learn something new, teach or help another friend. Knit, Crochet, Cross-stitch, Embroider, Sew, etc. Refreshments provided. Contact Susan at 678-880-3056 or email



## Cows and Bunnies and Chicken, Oh My!

Thanks to the generous donations by our Sunday School families this year, we were able to raise enough money to purchase a cow through ELCA Good Gifts. To celebrate this goal realized as well as the end of the Sunday School year, animals were brought in by Little Red Barn for a petting zoo. We also had games and a craft in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to all the teachers, assistants, substitutes and parents that made this year a success. Please go to [elca.org](http://elca.org) and look under Good Gifts to see how you can contribute to this worthwhile ministry.

*Above Left — Baby bunnies tickle Carlie Epstein (left) and Ryan Homer.*

*Below Left — Brody Brumley and Courtney Swinford check out the rooster as he struts his stuff.*

## Summer Service Trips

The youth of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church are preparing for another summer of service. An informational meeting for youth and their parents will take place in the Fellowship Hall on June 7 after The Bridge service at 6 p.m.. High School youth will travel to Oklahoma to serve from June 20-27. The Middle School youth are again returning to Tennessee to work from July 6-11. Please remember the youth in your prayers and plan to join them for lunch as they share stories and pictures after worship on July 12.

## Summer Bells!

Thomas Eisnor and Sharon Bost are beginning **SUMMER BELLS** for anyone interested. Any one rising to 4th grade in the fall on up through adults are welcome. We will rehearse 9:45-10:45 a.m. on most Sunday mornings until school resumes. You do not have to commit to playing in the fall. Just come see what it is all about and we may just play at a service and are definitely planning to play at an area senior center.

## Prayers Please!

Pastor Paul and members of Good Shepherd will attend the ELCA Southeastern Synod Assembly in Alabama, June 5-7. Please keep Pastor Paul and our voting members, Jaime Escamilla, Marci Heintz, Mary McCoy and Debbie Baumgartner, as well as the entire assembly, in your prayers.

## HAPPENING LATER

- Ladies Night Out, 7 p.m., June 16
- New Wine presents "The Family", 5:30 p.m. June 19
- High School Youth Mission Trip, June 20 -27
- Youth Led Service, June 28
- Stewardship Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., June 24
- MUST Summer Lunch preparation, 8:30 a.m. June 29- July 3

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8 A.M. TRADITIONAL  
9:30 A.M. PRAISE  
11 A.M. TRADITIONAL  
6 P.M. "THE BRIDGE" - CONTEMPORARY, LAID-BACK  
SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 A.M.

"WELCOME ONE ANOTHER, THEREFORE,  
AS CHRIST HAS WELCOMED YOU."

ROMANS 15:7

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES PEOPLE OF ANY AGE, RACE, NATIONALITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, LIFE CIRCUMSTANCE, AND PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CAPABILITY.

## Get Ready to Give A Kid A Chance!

Give A Kid A Chance (GAKAC) is a Cherokee County non-profit organization with the vision "to help children help themselves to a better education, a better future." GAKAC holds an annual event each July that gives students in need free backpacks filled with school supplies, new socks, haircuts, gently-used clothing and medical screenings. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to Good Shepherd's backpack collection efforts!!

GSLC supports GAKAC by encouraging members to participate in the next Clothes Sorting Day on June 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. They need school-appropriate clothing in sizes 4T to Adult XXL. Clothing can be dropped off on the 5th at GAKAC's warehouse at 884 Univeter Road in Canton. While there, feel free to stay an hour or all morning to help sort and organize the clothes for distribution in July. Questions? Contact GAKAC representative, Kimberly at 770-597-9951.

## Time to Make the Lunches

This summer, GSLC will assemble 2,500 sack lunches for the food insecure children of Cherokee County the week of June 29- July 3. Meet us in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30 a.m. to help. You can sign up at Sign-Up Central or contact Pam Strong, [plastron@outlook.com](mailto:plastron@outlook.com).

