



Pumpkin Spiced Love...

Greetings in Christ and Happy Back-to-School!

It is that time of year again. PSL (pumpkin spice latte) season, when you can get almost everything scented or flavored with pumpkin spice, so in the spirit of the season let's talk about pumpkin spice love! Of course, in addition to cozy fall vibes, warm sweaters and the above mentioned pumpkin spice everything, September is also the time that we transition from the lazy days of Summer to the more structured, and busy, days of the school/work/church year. At Good Shepherd this year, September will be the beginning of more opportunities for us to grow, connect and share in God's love as a faith community.

There are many ways that you can connect with others at Good Shepherd, share your passions and gifts, grow in faith and help grow the ministry of our faith community. On Sunday mornings there are opportunities for you to be an active part of our worship experience through ushering (collecting the noisy and regular offering, greeting people), greeting new people and offering to sit with them, reading scripture, assisting with prayers and liturgy or assisting with communion. Studies have shown that taking an active, participatory, role in worship helps people to connect more to scripture and liturgy, and provides people with a deeper experience of worship. When you are sharing a part of yourself with the community through worship then you feel more emotionally invested in worship. I am always willing to work with people (of every age) on an individual basis to learn about our worship practices. Also, I will be offering some education opportunities on Lutheran Liturgy and Worship over the fall. I encourage all of you to take a leap of faith and try one of these roles.

If Hospitality is where your gifts are, then there are opportunities for you to host fellowship time after worship or greet people as they come in the morning. The M.E.T (membership and events team) is also a great place to share your ideas and gifts for hospitality and event planning. We will also have opportunities to lead Sunday School once a month (dates TBA).

Sharing God's love is simple, but sometimes connecting with people is difficult. We feel awkward or unsure. Some of us may be shy or are affected by social anxiety. As a community of faith, gathered together by the Holy Spirit, there is a place here for all of us to belong and to grow in faith. When we participate in activities together, when we gather together, when we share of ourselves with each other, we form deep bonds with each other and through those relationships we experience God's love.

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PASTOR JESS' LETTER CONT.

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Many of us have already experienced this. Through the summer many people have given of themselves through various activities in our Summer of Service. You have done everything from weathering a rainstorm together at the BestPals event to flipping pancakes at the CareAffaire. Our last Summer of Service event on Saturday, September 30th offers another opportunity to connect with each other and the community at Benjamins Hope (see details in the fellowship area). Also, our God's Work Our Hands celebration on the 1st of October will give the culinary artists among us a chance to shine in our chili cook-off.

There is opportunity for genuine connection, spiritual (and physical) nourishment, and ministry in all of these things, and in all of these things there is a place for you to belong and to participate in the full life of this faith community. In this fall season let's jump into some Pumpkin Spiced Love and into connection with each other and our community.

Amen. Alleluia.

Yours in Christ

Pastor Jess

Some More Opportunities for connection:

Wednesday, October 4, 2023: Drive-thru pet blessings in honor of St. Francis of Assisi
(stay tuned for times)

Wednesday, October 25, 2023: Trunk-or-Treat, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the parking lot—you will have the opportunity to decorate your car and hand out candy to trick-or-treaters or hang out and play games with kids in the fellowship area—connection and candy!!



JOIN US FOR OUR TRUNK OR TREAT!

Help Us Share the Gospel

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church has been an active presence in our community through our noisy offering to support organizations in our community and through service projects with these organizations. We strive to share the gospel through public ministries and activities because we believe that part of our call as the body of Christ is to provide for the needs of our neighbors; sharing what God has given us in terms of time, talent and treasure for the good of the community.

Over the last few years our ability to finance these ministries has been impacted, as it has for most churches and places of worship, by COVID, low attendance and recession. Over the last year or so we have been able to draw on what we have saved from your generous giving in the past and for that we are thankful. As we move forward those reserves are getting low and we have experienced some lean months where we have not been fully able to meet our financial obligations in terms of bills on the building and day to day operations of the church. Your generosity will help us remedy this and build up our savings again. By contributing just a bit more financially, and sharing your time at our public events we, as a congregation, will be able to make it through this dry season and into a season of abundance.

Thank you for your generosity and your willingness to work together to do God's work in Holland and beyond. May God give us a spirit of generosity and lead us through this dry season and into a season of plenty. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Good Shepherd Stewardship Committee:
Dennis Willaman
Ellie Buggeln
Elliott Eisaman
Brian Underhill
Pastor Jess

“Our generosity will be returned
to us by God.”

Proverbs 11:24



WINGS OF MERCY HOLLAND CAREAFFAIRE

What an Amazing morning at the Wings of Mercy CareAffaire!!

With planes and helicopters flying overhead, and wonderful music playing, there was much to see at the Wings of Mercy CareAffaire including robotics, flight simulators, drones, runners, first responders, vintage cars and pancakes and sausage cooking and being enjoyed. It was estimated that about 600 breakfasts were prepped and served by our group of 22 Good Shepherd people. If we had a grillmaster award to hand out it should go to Ellery Pearson for manning a pancake grill so diligently. You are an incredible group helping this organization celebrate what they do to transport individuals to medical facilities far away from home. Enjoy the photos here and on the poster in the commons.



Sharon & Dave Wendt

L-R, Tom Ludwig, Vicki Russell, Dennis & Carolyn Willaman.



Dennis & Carolyn Willaman

L-R, Branden Bacon, Pastor Jess, Jeanne & Jack Klynstra, Vicki Russell, Kerry Johnson, Lisa Pearson

WINGS OF MERCY HOLLAND CAREAFFAIRE CONT.



Marcel & Tenley Letourneau

Lisa Pearson, Pastor Jess



L-R, (front) Jessica Bacon, Ellery Pearson, Kerry Johnson, Mike Russell, Steve Johnson (back) Jeanne & Jack Klynstra, Lisa Pearson

CHOIR NEWS



Choir Practice Resumes

Monday, September 11, 2023

6:30 pm

Good Shephard Lutheran Holland



Let the SONshine In

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Holland is a fairly new church beginning in 1994 with 13 people. Our building was dedicated in 2009 and our "Tapestry" women's group joined WELCA in 2015. We were growing, with Sunday attendance reaching 80, and planning several Tapestry events every year: luncheons with crafts, Bible Study, exercises, guest speakers. Call it burnout, declining interest in church attendance, blame covid, whatever the 'excuse' we struggle for volunteers, ideas, event planners.

Fast forward, 2023, Sunday attendance is down to 30, and Tapestry, too, is struggling. Two past chairwomen of Tapestry decided it was time to give it a try and plan something. We wanted it to be simple, not too long (3 hours), fun, and free to attend (we did have a potluck lunch). On June 10, "Let the SONshine In" began with a Bible Study on the first part of John 1. We talked about how we pictured God creating light in the beginning and about how the rising sun is such a powerful image of light in darkness. We also discussed how we are called to reflect and shine God's light into the world. This was a wonderful lead up to our sun catcher craft. A non church member friend who makes jewelry and sun catchers as a hobby introduced and assisted as each of us made a sun catcher to take home. We had purchased the supplies so that everyone could choose colors and charms to add making their own unique creation. We then had our potluck salad and dessert luncheon and time to visit. We didn't have our past attendance but we did have 12 ladies who experienced a wonderful, sunny, day of fellowship and faith.

We took a free will "thank offering" which we agreed to match from our Tapestry funds to send to our Mitten WELCA. We had not contributed in a while and that felt good too. I am so glad we tried and planned the event.

Vicki Russell
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Holland,
Michigan 49424

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

IS THE CLIMATE CHANGING?

In 1955 torrential rains caused by Hurricane Diane resulted in severe flooding in the northeastern U.S., claiming some 200 lives. There are a lot of weather-caused disasters today. So is there really a human caused Climate Change effecting us now in 2023?

In a recent survey titled “Global Warming’s Six Americas”. The six categories of people’s thoughts that people had about Climate Change were:

ALARMED	Convinced global warming is a serious and immediate threat but many still don’t know what to do about it.
CONCERNED	Accept the science and support climate policies, but see the threat as more distant.
CAUTIOUS	Still need to be convinced that the problem is real, serious, and urgent.
DISENGAGED	People who know little and care less.
DOUBTFUL	Don’t consider climate change a serious risk or consider it much at all.
DISMISSIVE	Rejecting of the idea that human-caused climate change is a threat.

Can You Place Yourself in One of These Categories?

The survey found that

26% of the people surveyed were in the ALARMED category,
28% were in the CONCERNED category,
20% were in the CAUTIOUS category,
7% were in the DISENGAGED category,
11% were in the DOUBTFUL category, and
7% in the DISMISSIVE category.

No matter what category you may fall into, you have probably heard a lot in the news about the climate changing. The unbelievable out-of-control wildfires in Canada, a wildfire in Maui destroying an entire city, the polar icecaps are melting at an unbelievable rate, the ocean’s levels are rising faster than expect making some islands uninhabitable, and coral reefs are deteriorating from the heat.

Reducing the burning of fossil fuels such as oil, gas, and coal are thought to be the most important thing that can be done to slow Climate Change. To do that, society needs to develop different ways to provide energy to run our economic system. New ways of transportation are going to have to be encouraged and accepted.

This subject needs to be discussed by all of us. Your Stewardship Committee is ready and willing to discuss it with you. Please contact them at any time.

Your Stewardship Committee

Dennis Willaman, Ellie Buggeln, Elliott Eisaman, Brian Underhill

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS RESUME



Regular office hours resume!

September 6, 2023,
Monday, Wednesday, Friday,
9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Office closed September 4 for Labor Day.

GAME NIGHT



Family Game Night

September 16, 2023

6:00 pm

Bring along:

your favorite games,

a snack to share,

and invite a friend!

See you there!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS

It's LWR School Kit Collection Time



Thank you! to everyone who donated supplies
for the School Kits.

We reached our goal of 100 and exceeded
it by at least 8 kits! Final tally to come.

BOOK GROUP NEWS



Book Group

“When we lift up women, we lift up humanity.”

Melinda French Gates

September Selection:

*The Moment of Lift:
How Empowering Women Changes the World*
by Melinda French Gates

After years of travel, humanitarian work, and extensive research, Melinda introduces us to the women she's met along the way. Their stories are brutally honest, gut-wrenching, inspiring and triumphant. They show us how, time and time again, empowered women rise up and bring their families and communities with them.

Melinda also shares her own personal journey to finding her voice and becoming an advocate for women and girls, explaining how the women she has met have called her to action. And at this critical moment, she calls us to action too—urging us to drive progress in our homes, workplaces, and communities.

The Moment of Lift will fill your heart with hope and ignite your sense of urgency.

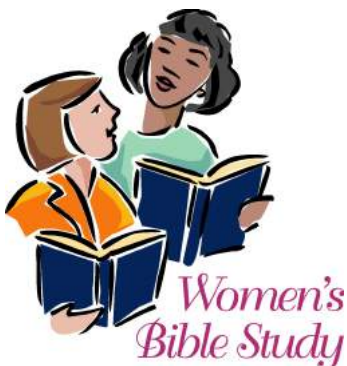
BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING



Sunday, September 10, 2023 during Worship

It's that time of year!! If you are going back to school (as a student or a professional) join us Sept. 10th in worship for a back to school blessing. Bring your backpack or other symbol of school and receive the prayers and blessing of the Congregation for the coming year.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY RESUMES



The Women's Bible Study Resumes

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

10:30 am

MEN'S BREAKFAST — MEMBERSHIP & EVENTS TEAM

Men's Breakfast

The August men's breakfast started out with a downpour. We didn't let that dampen our spirits. We enjoyed a breakfast of parfait, breakfast burritos, banana bread, and zucchini bread.

After breakfast, the rain gave way and we had a productive morning. The group did a great job updating the sign and weeding the adjacent beds. The team also got a great start weeding around the church and some of the stone areas around the parking lots. A big thank you to the contributors: Dennis, Gary, Tom, Floyd, Jacob, and Branden!

We look forward to another delicious time of fellowship on
Saturday, September 23 at 9:00am.

The MET (Membership and Events Team)
Julie, Jess B, Branden, and Pastor Jess

Jacob Bacon and Dennis Willaman



Floyd Norvell



L-R Gary bowman, Floyd Norvell, Jacob Bacon, Dennis Willaman, Tom Ludwig, Branden Bacon.

FROM THE MET (MEMBERSHIP & EVENTS TEAM)

WE WANT YOU!

To elaborate, we are excited to have your participation in planning events! Many hands make for light work and the same is true for getting these events rolling.

Cookout or Beach Picnic:

We received exceptional interest in some type of Cookout/Picnic. Do you have ideas for what would be fun? Contact a member of the MET and we will make this happen.

Theme/Progressive Dinner:

Do you have a creative or zany idea for a themed dinner or progressive meal? We'd love to try it! Reach out and we will match you with other interested planners.

Spring Bash and Car Show:

We have some sporty cars in our congregation that could make for a great spring event to draw in the community. We can also make this our big 2024 fundraiser with a rummage and bake sale. Think yard games. Think balloons. Think fire trucks. We don't know what this will shape into yet, but let's think big! Your creative ideas are welcome as we try to get our name out in the community.

The commonality between all these is that we would love to have your ideas to make these happen! If you have a passion for any of these events or something else, reach out to a MET member.

Our next scheduled event:

Game Night — Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

We look forward to seeing you there. 😊

The MET: Jessica B., Branden, Pastor Jessica, and Julie

FROM STEWARDSHIP



“Carbon emissions have come down! However, it is at a plateau and needs to be reduced by 50% in the next 10 years!”

God's Work Our Hands = A Summer of Service

Our third Summer of Service Opportunity was the Wings of Mercy CareAffaire Pancake Breakfast where we had an amazing 22 Good Shepherd people on hand to help out. Many were needed to mix and flip pancakes, cook sausage, serve and stock the buffet line. Thank you to: Branden & Jessica Bacon, Ellie Buggeln, Kerry & Steve Johnson, Jack & Jeanne Klynstra, Marcel, Tenley, Tessa & Tiffany Letourneau, Tom Ludwig, Ellery, Lisa & Perry Pearson, Pastor Jessica Rivera-Walker, Michael & Vicki Russell, Dave & Sharon Wendt, Carolyn & Dennis Willaman. This amazing team prepped and served approximately 600 breakfasts.

The Noisy Offering recipients benefit from our noisy offering collection and also from our participation in the service opportunities your Mission and Outreach Committee plan. Our team carefully selects 501(c)3 organizations that can use our time and our talents to further their goals.

The Noisy Offering Recipients for the remainder of 2023 are:

September/October: **Benjamin's Hope**

November/December: **Samaritas**

The last Summer of Service opportunity is:

September 30: Benjamin's Hope Harvest Festival, 2:00 - 6:00

October 1 will be our **Celebration of Service**
with a luncheon after worship.

For more information see your Mission and Outreach Committee: Branden Bacon, Vicki Russell, Carolyn Willaman, Julie Wolff or Pastor Jessica.



SUMMER OF SERVICE CELEBRATION CHILI COOK-OFF

Summer of Service Celebration Chili Cook-off.

Brrrrr! It is going to be getting chilly soon...and what is good when it is chilly? CHILI!! On Sunday, October 1st we will be capping off our Summer of Service with a celebration chili cook-off! Pull out your cookbooks and old family recipes and get ready to compete for prizes, including the grand prize: The Golden Ladle!! Sign-up sheet and more information will be coming soon.

NOISY OFFERING

September/October Noisy Offering: Benjamin's Hope



This story of the beginning of Benjamin's Hope is excerpted from "OUR STORY" on their website (<https://www.benjaminshope.net/>)

"The Benjamin's Hope story began with a realization that every parent of a child with developmental differences has to face: "One day, the school bus is going to stop coming." One day, the structure that helps my child connect, learn, and grow will no longer exist.

Krista Mason and her husband Dave found themselves starting to ponder this reality around the time their son Ben was ten years old. Ben had a diagnosis of autism that included nonverbal communication as his primary form of engaging the world. As Ben grew, the Masons recognized a need for their son and those like him to have a place to thrive as adults."



After years of research, visiting organizations around the nation, meeting with experts in many fields . . .

"Krista launched the "Live, Learn, Play, Worship" model to inspire the creation of Benjamin's Hope. While many organizations like Ben's Hope embrace a "Live, Learn, Play" model of care, Krista also wanted to ensure those with developmental differences seeking a home in the church could experience the full joy of participation in a faith community without judgement, isolation or a curriculum that removes them from the larger community.

Today, Benjamin's Hope serves as a debt-free 501(c)3 organization that not only offers a thriving neighborhood cherished as home by 30 adults with developmental differences, but also a community for Christ followers of all abilities, now 400 members strong. In addition, the 52 acres of Ben's Hope serve as a central gathering for the larger community--all to help ensure individuals of every ability can live, learn, play and worship in the ways that fit them best."

SUMMER OF SERVICE: HARVEST FEST AT BENJAMIN'S HOPE

Summer of Service: Harvest Fest at Benjamin's Hope

Saturday, September 30, 2023, 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Our final Summer of Service opportunity is the Benjamin's Hope Harvest Festival. At the festival there will be hayrides, live music, a full HO train layout, games, first responder vehicles, vintage cars, food and many hands-on outdoor activities. This event is a free, fun, all-abilities gathering to celebrate the community of Benjamin's Hope.

Good Shepherd will be manning 2 games that have been created by your Mission and Outreach Team (and spouse). We will show kids, and adults, how to play the games and make sure everyone walks away with a prize. With 2 hour time blocks, from 2:00 - 4:00 and 4:00 - 6:00, volunteers will have time to participate in all of the other things happening at the fest. It is a lot of fun with much to see and do so plan to spend time exploring Benjamin's Hope. Sign up to join us and help with the games!

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Dear Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Women of the ELCA,

Thank you for supporting the ministries of the
Women of the ELCA with the recent gift of \$150.00.
Your faithful generosity makes a real difference.

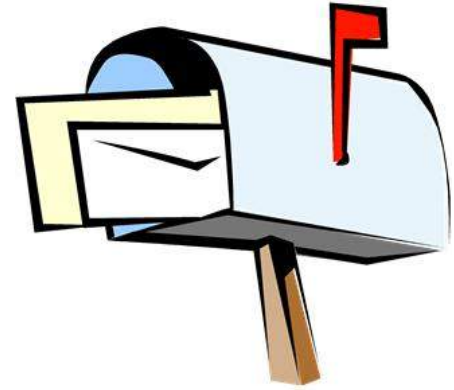
Even in unsettling times, Women of the
ELCA...is still at work with life-changing ministry.
...we've committed ourselves to promoting healing
and wholeness in the church, the society, and the
world.

Your giving really does make a difference.
Thank you.

With gratitude,

Linda Post Bushkofsky
Executive Director

rec'd August 8, 2023



Good Afternoon All,

From Pack 3010 members I wanted to thank
Good Shepherd for all the years you worked with our
Pack. Always welcoming us to help and complete
our service project, lending us your space to run our
pack and for supporting us when we needed it.

Now that this chapter in our Pack has come to
a close, I am enclosing the remaining funds that
were raised over the years.

Our wishes for the remaining funds is that half
is set aside for your youth program and the
remaining put into the general fund.

Thank you on behalf of Cub Scout Pack 3010,

Tina Meyer

Received donation of \$932.16

rec'd August 10, 2023



The Measure of our Love

Computers connected via internet = Families

Total Sunday Attendance: 148

Families: 7

Average Sunday Attendance: 37

SUNDAY SERVANTS — SEPTEMBER

Sunday Servants Needed for September

Please help us fill the spaces. Volunteer to be a Sunday Servant

Use the form in the Commons or contact Deb in the office.

616.772.4075 or gslc.office@icloud.com

Date	Worship Leader/ Communion Assistant	Reader(s)	Usher	Communion Set- Up/Clean-Up	Counters
Sept. 3 14th Sunday of Pentecost	WL- CA- Tom Ludwig	Dennis Willaman	Mike Russell	Vicki Russell	1. 2.
Sept. 10 15th Sunday of Pentecost	WL - CA- Dennis W.	Dennis Willaman	Mike Russell	Vicki Russell	1. 2.
Sept. 17 16th Sunday of Pentecost	WL - CA-				1. 2.
Sept. 24 17th Sunday of Pentecost	WL - CA -				1. 2.

FELLOWSHIP — SEPTEMBER

Fellowship Sign-up.



Treats and Set Up & Clean Up	
September 3, 2023	
September 10, 2023	
September 17, 2023	
September 24, 2023	



CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

New! September 3 - November 25, 2023 Cleaning Schedule.

Sign-up: 2-week period preferred, however, 1-week period is acceptable. Cleaning includes cleaning all areas of the church building: sanctuary, sacristy, entrance, hallway, bathrooms, kitchen, conference room, nursery and Commons.

To sign-up:

Use the Cleaning Schedule form in the Commons
or Contact Deb in the office:
gslc.office@icloud.com
616.772.4075



Dates	Name(s)
Weeks of September 3 - 9 September 10 - 16	Fosters Fosters
Weeks of September 17 - 23 September 24 - 30	
Weeks of October 1 - 7 October 8 - 14	
Weeks of October 15 - 21 October 22 - 28	
Weeks of Oct. 29 - Nov. 4 November 5 - 11	
Weeks of November 12 - 18 November 19 - 25	

SEPTEMBER

Birthdays

Dylana Eisaman 1
Kassidy Aikens 14
Julia Wentz 14
Nolan Hurt 18
Alyssa McCaughan 25



Anniversaries

Dylana & Elliott Eisaman 5

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Sunday Services are also on-line.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525508195?pwd=MmtjVENGaUg3ODFuaXhhUHR1TVR3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 875 2550 8195

Passcode: 022399

Sunday Services, 10:00 -11:00 am, also available via Zoom
Choir Rehearsals, Mondays at 6:30 pm, September - May, begins Sept. 13, 2023
Quilter's Meet, Tuesdays, 10:30 am on site. No Quilting in December.
Women's Bible Study, Wednesdays, 10:30 am, September - May
Book Group, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 4:30 pm. September - May

PASTOR JESS' SCHEDULE



Pastor Jessica is available Monday - Friday
via phone, text, email and Facebook messenger.

Phone: (616) 403-4660

Email: pj.gslc@gmail.com

To view Pastor's weekly in-office hours, look on the Breeze
calendar on our website at goodshepherdhollandmi.com

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IN OUR AUGUST PRAYERS

In Our August Prayers...

- **Sympathies:** to the friends and family of Dale Medendorp, (close friend of the Russells) who passed away August 3, 2023. Please pray for his wife Trudy, their family and friends.
- **Healing/Peace:** Lucas Barton, diagnosed with Dushanes Muscular Dystrophy (son of friends of Julie Wolff), Zach Bergland (Beckers' nephew), Greg Bolton, (friend of Julie Wolff), Tom & Elizabeth Brookover, (friends of the Wentz') Tom has a rare form of ocular cancer, Dylan Brophy, age 26, (nephew of Kris Norvell's friend), stage 4 melanoma, Kory Casey, (mother of Kris Norvell's friend), stage 4 breast cancer, Christine (PJ's aunt), Bret D'Agostino, Mark DeGraaf, stage 4 cancer, Kody De Haan, Diane (close friend of Kris Norvell) at Mayo clinic for treatment for inoperable cancer, Jim Dyke, broken shoulder blade and clavicle, Jessie George (Deb P-G's daughter), Rose Heckel, Johanna (friend of Pastor Jess) diagnosed with lung cancer, Cathy Kelly, May Kingsley & family, Joan Lamb broke her hip, Tiffany Letourneau, diagnosed with breast cancer, Kory Mace (friend of Kris Norvell), Iris Mears, (PJ's godmother), Trudy & Dale Medendorp, (close friends of Vicki R.), Dale diagnosed with stage 4 cancer now at home and on hospice care, Molly (friend of Deb P-G) diagnosed with uterine cancer, Diane Oberlin (former attendee), has cancer, Lori Ponstein, diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer, Roland Rivera, A.J. Rosally (Grossman's son-in-law) heart attack, Koa Rosally (Grossman's grandson), Casey Rostos (friend of Norvells), Kathy Shoup, (friend of Larry Heckel) in pain waiting for hip surgery, Katherine Slee (friend of Beckers), Stella, 6 yrs old, (Sally Pontoon's friends grdaughter), needs a kidney transplant, Russ & Rita Taylor (Julie Wolff's parents), Justin Walker (Pastor's husband), Jon Wiening.
- **Healthy Pregnancy:** Dylana Eisaman, Madison Visser (Norvells grdaughter-in-law).
- **Assisted Living/Nursing Home/Homebound:** Christopher St. John (Son of Bonita Zielke), Bonita Zielke,
- **Serving Our Country:** John Bounthapanya (Som's nephew), Ryan Felgenhauer, William Felgenhauer, and Evan Felgenhauer (great-nephews of Kerry Johnson), Cortney and Konstantin Ivanov (Gigi Howard's daughter and son-in-law), Andrew Wagner (Patricia Bradfield's grandson), Zachery Wiesner (Gigi Howard's son-in-law).
- **Prayer Partners:** Christ the King Lutheran Church, Rev. Emily Olsen, Gladwin; Settlement Lutheran Church, Rev. Betsy Kamphuis, Gowen; Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rev. Charles Foerster, Grand Ledge; Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Rev. Karsten Voskuil, Grand Rapids.