



GSLC Gleanings

Dec. 21 - Jan. 3



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Meditate on Scripture

*And while they were there,
the time came for her to give birth.*

*And she gave birth to her
firstborn son and wrapped him
in swaddling cloths and laid him
in a manger, because there was
no place for them in the inn.*

Luke 2:6-7 ESV



This edition:

- ~ *Pastor's [Post](#)*
- ~ Facebook Bible Study
- ~ Table Talk
- ~ Portals of Prayer
- ~ Gift Card Donations
- ~ Poinsettias for sale
- ~ Offering Envelopes
- ~ Needed: Winter hat, gloves, scarf collection.

Click [HERE](#) for more on scripture meditation.

Looking for something else? See "Did You Know?" below.

Please [email the office](#) if you have a prayer request for the prayer chain.

Pastor's Post

Click [HERE](#) for Pastor's Post

Friday's [FB Bible Study](#) Topic:

Take a look at the [readings for 12/24](#) and tune in to Facebook on Friday to discuss.



Join Pastor Ted on Facebook!



Join Us for Table Talk!

Wednesdays at 6:30PM* OR Thursdays at 10:00AM

Table Talk will not be held the week of December 17th or the 24th but will return on January 3rd & 4th.

Portals of Prayer

Pick up a free copy of the Portals of Prayer for the first quarter of 2024, January-March.

They are located on the Connect Center and in the bin at Door 4.

Start a new tradition in the new year. spend a few moments every day meeting with your Savior.



People often experience financial needs both within our congregation and within our community. Good Shepherd is asking if you would consider making a gift card donation.

The gift cards will be used in two ways; to support families in our congregation as needs arise and to support those in need in our community throughout the year.

Purchase cards to Target, Walmart, Cub, Festival, or Holiday. ***It's easiest to distribute gift cards that are valued at \$25 or less.***

Thank you for considering those less fortunate this Christmas season.

The poinsettias have arrived and are adorning our Sanctuary for the Christmas season.

If you'd like to sponsor one of these poinsettias, sign up at the Connect Center. Each plant is \$11 and you can bring it home after Christmas Day.



2024 Offering Envelopes

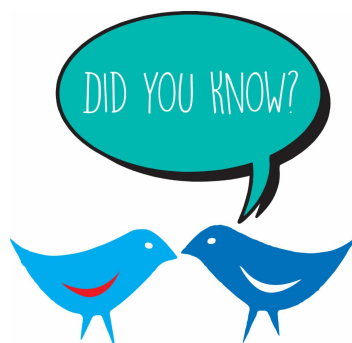
New 2024 Offering Envelopes are available for you to pick up at the top of the west stairway by the elevator.

Please stop over and pick yours up.

Thank you!



Melanie is looking for winter hats, gloves, and scarves to be used for a game during *Winter Family Fun Day*. These items will then be donated!



Are you looking for something in particular?

Check out the links below.

If you have other questions, please contact [Ann](#).

Join us for Traditional Worship with organ-led hymns at 8:15AM or Contemporary Worship with praise band led praise songs at 10:45AM. Communion is held every Sunday at both services beginning 9/10/23. Feel free to sign the register as it comes around during service. Thank you!



Bible Study Corner

At Good Shepherd, we each seek to Grow in our relationship with Jesus through God's Word. Check out the following opportunities!

- Sunday morning children and youth studies (Sept - May) plus Pastor-led study (year round).
- Are you a Facebook user? Did you know there is a [Bible Study on Facebook?](#) Pastor Ted discusses the upcoming Sunday's lectionary readings each Friday. Feel free to read along with him and post your thoughts!
- You can also find a number of online studies on the *YouVersion Bible App* for your phone, it's free! Study on your own or with a friend.
- Men's, Women's and marriage study options - see the [website](#).

2024 Schedule for Good Shepherd

March 3-9

May 5-11

July 7-13

September 8-14

November 10-16



Also, if you are a vetted current volunteer, you may check the calendar as the correct month/year schedule appears [HERE](#) and sign up to work during an open week.



Power Pack

Please consider donating anytime to this needed ministry that provides food for needy Centennial students.

Food items needed are: ramen noodles, cereal cups, granola and/or cereal bars, applesauce cups, tiny bags of snacks and cookies, and microwaveable ravioli and spaghetti.

Financial donations are accepted. Please write checks out to *Centennial Community Food Shelf* and write "Power Pack" in the memo line.

Send your check to:
Centennial Community Food Shelf
200 Civic Heights Circle
Circle Pines, MN 55014

Scammers seem to target Pastors...

If you receive an unusual email that **looks like** it's from Pastor Ted but you are unsure, please [click here](#) to learn more about potential email scams.



Free WI-FI

If you want to use WI-FI while in the building, open your WI-FI settings and select "Good Shepherd Guest" and enter the password "Shep55014!".

If you wish to include an announcement in the Sunday bulletin or the Thursday Gleanings, please submit your short article by Tuesday at noon.

You may email the office at office@goodshepherdlink.org or drop your article in Ann's mailbox in the workroom.



Altar Flowers

[Click here](#) to see how you can purchase altar flowers for any Sunday and also take them home with you after the second service if you desire.

What is homeschooling? Is homeschooling right for my family?

If you've ever asked similar questions, click [HERE](#) to begin to find answers. Good Shepherd is here to support you in whatever school choice you make. Please [contact us](#) with your questions, concerns, or needs.



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Click [HERE](#) to set up and access Good Shepherd's directory online or from your phone.

How to Worship and Serve the Lord through the Generosity of Giving

There are three ways to financially support the mission of Jesus Christ at Good Shepherd. Click [HERE](#) to discover how.





How can you support the Youth Group at
Good Shepherd?

Click [HERE](#) to find out!

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