United Methodist
Church of the Good Shepherd
1500 Quentin Road, Lebanon, PA 17042
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"connecting to broken and hurting people"

September 1, 2024

Sunday Worship Services
8:30—Contemporary Worship
9:45—Contemporary Worship
11:00—Traditional Worship
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Choir News

Please join us in welcoming Connie Stambaugh as our new Adult Choir Director for our traditional worship services! We anticipate a wonderful fall of music, celebrating and worshipping our Lord together.

Choir rehearsal will begin again Wednesday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m., with a meet-greet-sing together. It will be a time for fellowship, catching up with each other, prayer and music. Rehearsals will continue weekly on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. The first Sunday service as a choir will be Sept. 22, at 11 a.m.

All voices are welcome! We have some choir members who prefer to attend contemporary worship services but still want to be a member of the traditional choir. These folks attend contemporary worship, sing with the choir at the traditional service and leave after the choir anthem. You may feel free to do this as well! **We would love to have you join the choir!** Any questions, contact Connie Stambaugh at connies1140@gmail.com.

The Singing Cedar Chorus will bring the sounds of New Orleans to the Church of the Good Shepherd on Saturday, Sept. 14 beginning at 7p.m. Their fall show, All Aboard for Dixie Land, will feature the Lebanon-based barbershop harmony group, as well as guest quartet Secret Best Friends and guest emcee WLBR radio personality Laura LeBeau. Tickets cost $15 and are available from Mike Stauffer in advance or at the door on the evening of the program.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTRIES

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FAITHWEAVER NOW®

Weaving faith into today's families

September 1, 2024

TODAY IN ALL CLASSES WE STUDY……

The Israelites Cross the Red Sea
Exodus 13:17-14:31
KEY POINT... God helps us when we're afraid.

KIDS CLUB

Each week in Room 202 at 11
All COGS KIDS are welcome

CAMP FIRELIGHT

WEEK 1: God Goes with Jacob

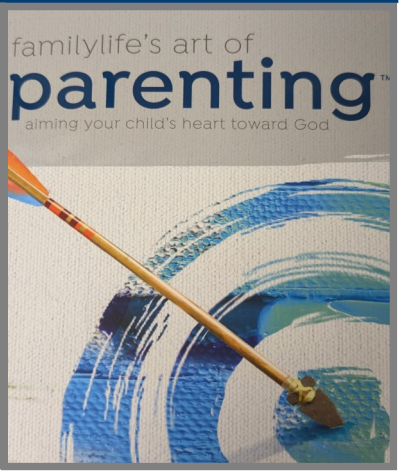
FOCUS: Trust God to Go with Us!

PARENTS SUNDAY SCHOOL

Weekly in the Lounge
11 a.m. - noon

Starting Sept. 8, 2024 we will be using this 8-session video series inspired by Psalm 127:4.

We will help parents make faith the core of their parenting with intentional, biblical teachings and Christ-centered plans.



YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

CONTACT BRANDI (BYOUNG@UMCOGS.ORG) WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

THE FORGE
STUDENT MINISTRIES

September 1 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

This Sunday is SERVE SUNDAY! Your students can serve in one of many areas around COGS, sit in the student section, or sit with their family's for worship. Check your weekly email for sign-up links for serving.

September 1 - NERF NIGHT

All students in grades 6-12 are invited for a NERF Night filled with numerous games. Check the Forge Linktree for more information and to RSVP.

https://linktr.ee/forgestudentmin

September 4- Small Group @ The Youngs!

ANY Young Adult (age 18-30) is invited to join, with dinner provided! Our meeting is moved to WEDNESDAY this week. Email Brandi for more information.

YOUNG ADULT
MINISTRIES

The Church & Society Team recommends the following resource for individual or small group study this fall. You

We previously shared that Church Council is working on a Covenant for Church of the Good Shepherd. We will be holding informational sessions regarding the Covenant and the process for Members of the church to vote. The vote will take place on November 3, 2024 at 2 p.m. Although the vote is reserved only for members of Church of the Good Shepherd, all who attend COGS's worship services are invited to the informational sessions listed below.

Short informational sessions will take place on the following dates:

Sunday, September 15th - after 9:45 a.m. service in the Worship Center
- after 11 a.m. service in the Sanctuary

Monday Evening, September 30th - at 7 p.m. in Larry Berger Hall

Sunday, October 27th - after 9:45 a.m. service in the Worship Center
- after 11 a.m. service in the Sanctuary

Fun & Fellowship
Committee Calendar
Fall and Early Winter 2024

September 2024
Committee Meeting - September 15
Panera Bread Fundraiser - September 29

October 2024
Harvest Festival - October 13

November 2024
Christmas Photo-Op Fundraiser - November 9

December 2024
Christmas Tree Decorating Fundraiser - Throughout December

Stay tuned for more information on these events and fundraisers!

If you are interested in joining the Fun & Fellowship Committee, please contact one of the people below:

Cody Young - cyoung@umcogs.org
Ryan Kauffman - rkauffman16@gmail.com
Stephanie Boyer - teachingkidsalways@gmail.com

Celebrate Recovery

A CHRIST CENTERED Recovery Program

Join us at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, Doors open at 6 pm.
Large group: 6:30-7:30 pm
Open Share groups (gender specific, issue specific): 7:30-8:30 pm

Child care is available for children ages 3 months to 12 years from 6-8:30 pm.

SALVATION ARMY TO OPEN FOOD PANTRY

DONATIONS NEEDED

The Salvation Army of Lebanon County is opening a new "Client Choice Pantry" in September, and they need the community's help to fill it. Organizers say they've seen firsthand the food insecurity in the community, and they're stepping up to be part of the solution.

The organization is asking for donations of non-perishable canned goods, as well as pasta, rice and other grains, breakfast cereals and oatmeal, peanut butter and jelly, juice and canned meats. Anyone who is unable to donate food items is encouraged to make a donation to help the organization stock the shelves. During the month of September, there will be a drop-off box and Salvation Army kettle in the Gathering Area to make your donations.

Your contribution, big or small, will make a huge difference in the lives of those in need. Thank you!

Earth Challenge

The Church and Society Team is offering a new challenge every few weeks to help us care for the earth. There is a bulletin board in the Gathering Area to remind us of the challenges presented. Check it out, and give this week's challenge a try!

Challenge #15
Drive Less -

If you stay off the road two days a week or more, you'll reduce greenhouse gas emissions by an average of 1590 pounds per year. It's easier than you think. You can combine your errands- go to the gym, drop off items at Jubilee, and shop at the grocery store in one trip. Maintain your car on a regular basis and drive at the speed limit on the highway. You can improve your gas mileage by 0.6% to 3% by keeping your tires inflated to the proper pressure. Walking and biking are obvious ways to reduce greenhouse gases. Take advantage of the local mass transit or you can carpool. Even one car off the road makes a difference. Just thinking and planning how we manage our trips everyday can have a positive effect on lowering greenhouse gases!

FALL EVENTS AT GRETNA GLEN CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

Gretna Gritty Fall 2024 - 5k Mud Run Fundraiser

It's that time of year again and Gretna Glen Camp and Retreat Center is gearing up for the Fall Gretna Gritty 2024 - 5k Mud Run Fundraiser! It will be held on Sept. 21st. They need volunteers in many areas. Please consider helping out. Details can be found at the link below:

Gretna Gritty Fall 2024 - 5k Mud Run Fundraiser | Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center

Friends and Family Getaway Weekend - Sept. 20th to 22nd

For the first time, Gretna Glen is offering this event on the same weekend as their 11th Annual Gretna Gritty and Nitty.

This weekend is designed for you to getaway with your family and friends and enjoy the awesomeness of Gretna Glen. It can be a relaxing weekend with opportunities for hiking, fishing, enjoying God's creation and so much more. You will be able to disconnect from the routine while reconnecting with God, each other, and His creation.

More details about the event and information on how to register can be found at the link below:

Friends and Family Getaway Weekend | Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center

Calendar for Week of 09/01/24

SUNDAY

8:30 a	Contemporary Worship [WC]
9:45 a	Sunday School classes / Contemporary Worship [WC]
11 a	Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
11 a	Sunday School Class: Parenting [Lounge]
11 a-1 p	Pageant Practice [Larry Berger Hall]
6 - 8 p	The Forge - Youth Group [Entire Building]

MONDAY

	Office Closed - Labor Day
5 p	CR Praise Team Rehearsal [WC]

TUESDAY

9:30 a-1:30 p	Free Noon Meal [LCCM]
6-8 p	Young Adult Group [Off-site]
6-8 p	CR Women Step Study [Room 23]

WEDNESDAY

9 a–12 p	MOMS group [Room 200 and 202]
10-11:30 a	Staff Meeting [Lounge]
2 p	Kapps Small Group
6–9 p	Celebrate Recovery [WC]

THURSDAY

10-11 a	Small Group [Larry Berger Hall]
5 p	Contemporary Design Team [Lounge]
5:30 p	Traditional Design Team [Choir Room]
6:30-8:30 p	Contemporary Worship Rehearsal [Worship Center]

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
Connecting with broken and hurting people
Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry.

2024 Mission Support

International

Congo Partners in Mission,
Heifer International.,
UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief),
Africa University

Lebanon County

Appalachia Service Project (ASP),
Gretna Glen Support,
Habitat for Humanity,
Jubilee Ministries,
Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM),
Lebanon Rescue Mission,
Good Shepherd Care and Compassion Fund

Would you like to speak to someone regarding a personal or spiritual issue? Please contact the church office:717-272-7741 to set up a time to speak with a pastor.

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