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

September 21, 2025

Sunday Worship Services
9:15—Contemporary Worship
11:00—Traditional Worship
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

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.

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12-step recovery program for anyone struggling with a hurt, habit or hang-up of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTRIES

Director of Children and Families Ministries
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FAITHWEAVER NOW®

Weaving faith into today's families

September 21, 2025

TODAY IN ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WE STUDY……

Absalom Rebels and is Defeated

2 Samuel 15:1-12

KEY POINT…

A self-centered attitude hurts God and others.

KIDS CLUB - Room 202, 10:30 a.m.

Kids Club is open to ALL COGS KIDS each Sunday.

Week 3: MESSY OUTSIDE

Luke 17:11-19 — Jesus heals ten men who have a skin disease.

Idea: Jesus met many people during his earthly ministry. Each person had their own story and their own struggles, but He invited everyone to follow him, regardless of their past. The same is true of us. Jesus wants to meet us right where we are.

Sign up for the Oct. 25 Parents Night Out here:

https://forms.office.com/r/

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

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

THE FORGE
STUDENT MINISTRIES

September 21 - Sunday School

Grades 6-12 join us in Room 32 at 9:15 AM to continue our series "Into the Deep End" looking at the importance of spiritual disciplines. This week we are focusing on worship.

September 21 - Confirmation Class

Our first official confirmation class starts at 10:30 AM in Room 32. Confirmands, don't forget to bring all of your supplies!

September 21 - Lebanon County Youth Rally

Join 200+ students from across Lebanon Co at our next youth rally! We'll meet from 6-8 PM at True Life Ministries for some worship, games, and more. ***There will be NO ENCOUNTER at COGS on Sunday, September 21.***

https://linktr.ee/forgestudentmin

September 23: Book Study @ The Youngs | 6: 30 PM

Make sure to read Chapters 5 & 6 in Encountering God before Tuesday night's meeting!

YOUNG ADULT
MINISTRIES

Sign a
Christmas card
for a person in prison!

Do you love spreading the joy of Christmas to others? Are you looking for ways for your entire family to serve others together? Consider decorating Christmas cards for those who are incarcerated this holiday season!

Bags with cards (and instructions) can be picked up in the bin located right inside the church doors on the left. **Cards must be completed and returned before November 3rd.**

Please see Brandi Young with any questions.

It's easy to
submit your
tithes & offerings
ONLINE

Don't have any cash in your wallet?
No longer using paper checks?

Here is an easy way to give back to God and support the ministries of Good Shepherd:

https://www.COGS-Online Donations

Church & Society

Do you know the legal ways for an immigrant to become a citizen of the United States? An immigrant has to apply for a Green Card. A Green Card is a document that allows foreign nationals to live and work permanently in the United States. It is a key step to becoming a naturalized citizens. Over the last couple weeks, we have been sharing ways in which an immigrant becomes eligible for a Green Card. Today we share some more ways.

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."
Galatians 3:28

And More legal paths to a Green Card ...

-Physician who agrees to work full-time in a clinical practice in an underserved area for a set period of time.

-Immigrant Investor who has invested at least $1,050,000 in a new commercial enterprise in the U.S. which will create full-time positions for at least 10 qualifying employees.

-Special Immigrant
Religious worker who works for a nonprofit religious organization
Juvenile who needs protection
Afghanistan or Iraq national
Translator or interpreter
Employed by the U.S. government in Iraq
Employed by the U.S. government in Afghanistan

-Green Card through Refugee or Asylee Status
Were granted asylum status at least 1 year ago.
Were granted refugee status at least 1 year ago.

Celebrate the Power of Clean Energy

We know you understand Sunday, but have you heard of SUN DAY? It is a nationwide celebration on September 21, 2025, of clean energy progress and a call to accelerate the transition from fossil fuels to solar, wind and batteries. Communities across the country will be showcasing the businesses, organizations, and families that are leading the way to a clean energy future. Find more information at https://sunday.earth.
For a local celebration in Lancaster on Sept. 20th, see:
https://actionnetwork.org/events/third-act-pa-table-at-rivers-pathways-outdoor-community-classroom

GIVE ONE SUNDAY BACK

Serving Jesus, By Serving Your Church Family, One Sunday a Month

We Need YOU on the TEAM

Our church has embarked on a new initiative, a new campaign for filling the numerous volunteer positions in our church that are needed every Sunday for our services. There are many faithful members that have served for years in this capacity, and we are looking for **YOUR** help going forward.

At this time, we are focused on tech volunteers for our contemporary service. There are several slots and positions still open that need to be filled in order to allow you to ***Give One Sunday Back*** a Month.

Please visit the ***Give One Sunday Back*** Booth in the Gathering Area or visit our website to learn about the exciting opportunities and get started today!

Scan the QR Code or Visit our website and click on *Give One Sunday Back* on the homepage.

Calendar for Week of 09/21/25

SUNDAY

8 a	Co-ed Small Group [Lounge]
9:15 a	Sunday School classes/Contemporary Worship [WC]
10:30 a	Family Life Applications Small Group [Lounge]
10:30 a	Life Applications Small Group [Room 23]
10:30 a-12 p	Confirmation Class [Room 32]
10:30 a-12:30 p	COGS KIDS Pageant Practice [Larry Berger Hall]
11 a	Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
6-8 p	FORGE: Leb. Co. Youth Rally [True Life Youth Ministries]

MONDAY

10 a	Staff Meeting [Lounge]
5 p	CR Praise Team Rehearsal [Worship Center]
7 p	Finance Team [Larry Berger Hall]

TUESDAY

4-6:30 p	Church & Society Team [Youth Room]
6-7:30 p	Small Group [Room 21]
6:30-8:30 p	Disciple III Bible Study [Larry Berger Hall]
6:30-8 p	Young Adult Book Study [Offsite]
7-9 p	CR Women Step Study [Lounge]

WEDNESDAY

9:30-11 a	MOMS Group [Lounge, Rooms 200 & 202]
1:30-3 p	Small Group [Lounge/Youth Room]
6–9 p	Celebrate Recovery [Worship Center]
7-8:30 p	Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Choir Room, Sanctuary]

THURSDAY

10-11:30 a	Men's 60+ Small Group [Lounge]
10-11:30 a	Women's Bible Study [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

Church Office Closed

SATURDAY

11 a	Celebration of Life Service for George Brewer [Worship Center]

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.

2025 Mission Support

National & International Efforts:

Heifer International
United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)
Samaritan's Purse
COGS in Motion (Summer Mission Trips - ASP/CSM)

Local Efforts:

Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center
Habitat for Humanity
Jubilee Ministries
Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM)
Lebanon Rescue Mission
COGS Care & Compassion (Benevolence)

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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