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JANUARY 2025

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The Church of the Good Shepherd is a non-denominational Church that preaches and lives by the Word of God. We believe that this is God's Church and not ours and that all who may walk in through the doors are welcome to attend. We believe that Jesus was born of a virgin and died on the cross for our sins, and three days later rose again from the dead. The Church practices the Holy Ordinance of Holy Communion and Water Baptism through submergence. A NEW YEAR! WHAT WILL THIS NEW YEAR BRING FOR OUR FAMILIES, OUR CHURCH, OUR COMMUNITY, OUR WORLD?

It is the time of year we start thinking about the NEW YEAR.

As your Pastor my thoughts go to what the vision our Lord would have for The Church of the Good Shepherd. As we lit the Advent candles of HOPE, PEACE, JOY AND LOVE with the CHRIST CANDLE in the center, we began our vision for 2025.

HOW DO WE EMBRACE THAT VISION?

- **1.** Develop a strong personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the Bible.
- 2. Fail not to assemble yourselves together as often as possible.
- 3. Commit to prayer.
- 4. Commit to giving.
- 5. Commit to serving.

There are a lot of new families moving into our area. They will be looking for a church which ministers to the whole family and their spiritual needs. We are blessed that our church is centrally located. Thousands of individuals drive by our church every day. Some of these people are souls that need Christ who have never accepted Him as their Saviour. Now is the time for our church to become more engaged in reaching the lost. People need HOPE, PEACE, JOY AND LOVE THAT COMES FROM KNOWING JESUS CHRIST. Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest." (John 4:35).

Our Church motto is "Win The Lost At Any Cost." A Discipleship Class to equip persons to reach out to the lost will start Sunday, January 5th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Room and continue through the month of January at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Room.

In His Service,

Pastor Vernon Bray





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January 5 Bonnie & Steve, Diane & Jimmy

January 12 Lisa & Kay

January 19 Joyce & Gloria

January 26 Youth Group



Pastors Vernon, Jeff and Becky Ron and Barbara Martin Ken and Jean Kelly Ann Wince and Sarah Janie, Ron & Star Virginia Jenkins Donald (Bonnie Scothorn's Cousin)



Ann Wince's Son, JD, went home to be with the Lord and His Son, Jesus. Please keep her and Sarah in your prayers. Also, the families of Mary Louise Good and Ray Benjamin Miller, keep them in your prayers.



Diane Lowe	January 4
Lisa McIntyre	January 5
Melanie Walzer	January 5
Joyce Frazier	January 6
Becky Bray	January 9
Abby Foreman	January 9
Kathy Henson	January 9
Kathie Meeder	January 10
Scarlet Hand	January 17
Chris Lake	January 17
Penny Strosnider	January 23
Justin Howey-Jordan	January 25
Victoria Miller	January 26
Randy Brooks II	January 30
Lynn Chapman	January 30

AND MANY, MANY MORE!!!

ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER FOR CHRIS LAKE (Chris is the son of Karen Lake. Karen passed away a few months ago.) If you would like to send Chris a card, or call him, his address is: Windsor Lane Health Center 355 Windsor Lane Gibsonburg, Ohio 43431 Phone: 419-637-2104 OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 2025

CHURCH BENEVOLENCE FUND

The Benevolence Fund is a fund made available to active members of The Church of The Good Shepherd, Inc., who are struggling financially due to unforeseen circumstances. A portion of the Offerings for January will be used for this purpose.

UPDATE ON CHURCH SERVICES THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Come and join us for any or all of the Services. You are welcome in the House of the Lord. The Lord so wonderfully blesses us every Service with His presence.

<u>Sunday – 8:00 AM</u>

We have an 8:00 AM Service where we have anointed singing, preaching and fellowship in His Word. The 8:00 AM Service has been growing in number and spiritually as well. To God be the praise and glory.

<u>Sunday – 9:00 AM</u>

Adult Sunday School Class

The same anointing and presence is in our Adult Sunday School. We study the Word of God and have open discussion on the Scripture that we study. Prayer requests are shared and lifted to God.

<u>Sunday – 10:30 AM</u>

Sunday Worship Service

We gather in the Sanctuary for a glorious time of worship and listening to the anointed preaching of the Word of God. The presence of the Lord fills the Sanctuary. Souls are saved and there are many miracles.

<u>Sunday – 10:30 AM</u>

Children's Christian Education Classes

The children are taught the Bible by anointed, spirit-filled teachers who have the love of Jesus for children. God's Word instructs us to teach the children in His ways. Parents are welcome to accompany their children.

<u>Sunday – 6:00 PM</u>

We gather again in the Sanctuary for a time of Worship. Our evening Services are truly uplifting as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. People are often healed and delivered because of the Mighty Word of God.

<u> Monday – 6:00 PM</u>

Monday Night Small Group Bible Study Join Jeff and Donna Kerns and study the Bible. All are welcome.

Wednesday – 6:00 PM

King David said, "I was glad when they said to me let us go into the House of the Lord." God's presence fills the Church as together we worship and teach God's Word. We are being taught the authority of the Word of God and how to go out and share with others.

All services are live-streamed if you are unable to attend. Go to the Church of the Good Shepherd on Facebook. Transportation is available by calling 540-539-7412 (Brenda Sager).