

The Shepherd's Call

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Dear people of Good Shepherd,

A few weeks back I wrote to inform you that I had received a call from the congregation at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Trumbull, Connecticut. In the weeks since then I have had the opportunity to speak with many people both here and there regarding this call. I would like to thank all of you for the love and concern you have shown for me and my family during this special time.

After prayerful consideration I have determined to accept the call extended to me to become the pastor to the people of Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Please know that I consider this a call to the people and situation there and not a call away from Good Shepherd; I have greatly enjoyed my years of ministry here and feel that the Lord has indeed blessed our work together.

It is my plan at this time to conclude my ministry here with the Sunday service on May 10th. On that day we will also be blessed to have Pastor Timothy Yeadon, the president of the New England District, with us for worship. My installation in Trumbull will be on Sunday, May 17.

In the weeks ahead, Pastor Yeadon and Pastor Robert Beinke from St. Peter Lutheran Church in Norwalk, CT (a current district vice president and former circuit visitor of many years) will begin to outline the procedure for the vacancy here. I am confident that the vacancy period will be run smoothly and soon there will be another pastor on site to guide the work of the congregation.

Again, I thank you for your continuing care, support and love.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Eric A. Wismar

MISSIONS

We are collecting for the gift packages for our college students---

Suggestions: ramon noodles, instant soups, cookies, candy, popcorn, soaps, hand cream, anti-bacterial soap (small size), batteries, pencils, chips, nuts, raisins, etc.

If you know of a student, please submit the name & address to my email elinorsl@att.net.

The packages will be sent the last week in March. Thank you for your support of our young students.

Our chili cook off was a wonderful evening. Ten different chilis to choose from to sample. The winners were:

First Place—Julien and Judy Davis Second Place—Carol Woodside Third Place— Evan White
and Fourth Place—Bonnie Dice.

This year the mission recipient was our church which added \$422 to our finances. Thank you to all who attended and all who cooked delicious recipes.

BOARD

As you found out by reading the recent letter sent to everyone about our finances we all need to keep our pledges and giving current. Also please fill out and return your time and talent form. We need everyone to rally around and bring a friend to church.

Holy Week is March 29—April 4. We will have a service on Maundy Thursday with communion at 7:00 pm. On Good Friday we will have a Tenebrae service at 7:00 pm. Join us for the rest of our Lenten services at 7:00 pm and for a soup supper at 6:00 pm. We have had three delicious homemade soups at the two suppers held so far ,along with breads and salads.

A big thank you to Tara Booth for suggesting the soup suppers and then organizing them— and for making chicken noodle soup. There is a sign up sheet fn the narthex for the remainder of the suppers.



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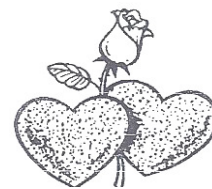
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4-11am-Bible Study 6:00pm-Soup Supper 7:00-Lenten Service 8:00pm-Choir	5	6	7
8- 9:00am Sunday School & Conf. class 9:15am-Adult Bible Class 10:30am DIVINE SERVICE with Communion	6:30 pm Knitting	7:30pm- Stewardship meeting	11-11am Bible Study 6:00pm-Soup Supper 7:00-Lenten Service 8:00 pm- Choir 8:00pm-AA	10:00am-WSL 12:00pm-Weight Watchers		
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22- 9:00am-Sunday School & Conf. class 9:15am-Adult Bible Class 10:30am DIVINE SERVICE with Communion	23	24 7:30pm Discipleship meeting		26 12:00pm-Weight Watchers	27	28
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Serving Page for March

	3/1	3/8	3/15	3/22	3/29
Ushers:	D. Kish C. Kish F. Bok J. Bok	L. Hamilton C. Hamilton B. Tompkins P. Tompkins	E. Davis E. Davis A. Golino C. Woodside	B. Dice C. Dice J. Kloos	T. Renz E. Davis E. Davis C. Woodside
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Erika Bodnar	March 03	Alexander Haber	March 21
Connor Scalzitti	March 03	Donna Kelley	March 24
Ted Booth	March 04	Larry Crosby Jr	March 30
Jacob Berendsohn	March 05		
Stephanie Zustovich	March 07		
Judy Davis	March 08		
Victoria Freeborn	March 09		
Mark Szaley	March 09		
Jonathan Scalzitti	March 10		
Erika Wixted	March 20		
Greg Giltner	March 20		



Carol and Linton Hamilton
March 9

