

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

SERVICE NOTES

Hospitality: Jim* & Sue Welch, Paul Crawford & Denise Gregg

Lay Reader: Gene Wrich

Organist: Marcia Hansen

Coffee Connection:

CONCERN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

The most needed pantry items are for the Thanksgiving food baskets. Our church has committed to bring : 255 small boxes of instant mashed potatoes. Donations are needed by November 11.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Sue Welch and Bob Kelly are coordinating—Operation Christmas Child. Our "Pack the Shoebox" party will be after church on Sunday Nov 11. Just like in past years we are asking for a donation of money, and we will buy the items to put in the shoeboxes. We plan on packing 60 boxes! Costs have gone up this year. The boxes are bigger and more sturdy, but now cost \$.74 - that's double last years cost. Shipping and handling is \$9 per box. We are asking for a donation of \$30 per box which will give us about \$20 to spend filling each box. Next week we will explain how Samaritan Purse uses the \$9 shipping and handling cost. Wow! Money well spent!!

DAY OF SERVICE—OCTOBER 21

JB Minor - Kids Against Hunger

Sue Welch - fleece blanket project for Heritage Villa

Denise Gregg - baby baskets

Tim Johnson - yard work at Osage House

Volunteer sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board outside of the sexton's office.

Are We Safe?

The Session has decided that shortly after worship begins, entrances into the building should be locked each Sunday morning. Securing the doors prevents access while interior door hardware allows easy and immediate exit. Our hospitality team will be asked to monitor the Sanctuary's entry main doors and provide entrance to those who may arrive late for worship. The Session would like to implement this procedure in October.

This simple step is one way we can begin to ensure that our Sanctuary is indeed just that, a safe place where God may be worshipped without fear of threat.

There are further steps the Session may consider, however securing our entrances seems to be a first and logical step.

If you are interested in becoming part of the security team at Good Shepherd, helping to secure the building on Sunday, talk with Reverend Scott or any member of the Session.