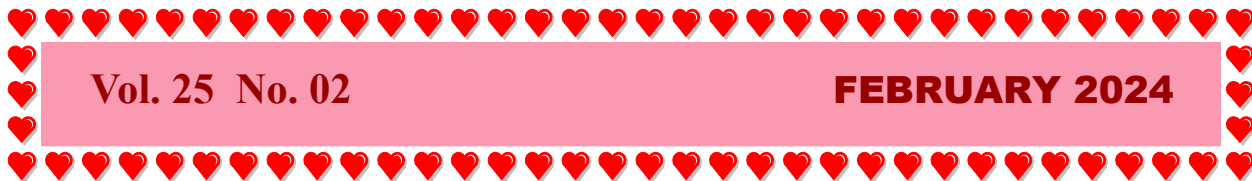




# The Shepherd's Staff



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We will be using our Good Shepherd Lutheran Church website [www.goodshepherdpolson.com](http://www.goodshepherdpolson.com) emails, and phone calls to interact and keep the Congregation up to date and informed on activities and events.

If you have information that you would like to share, please contact Kelley at the Church Office. 406-883-5864

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

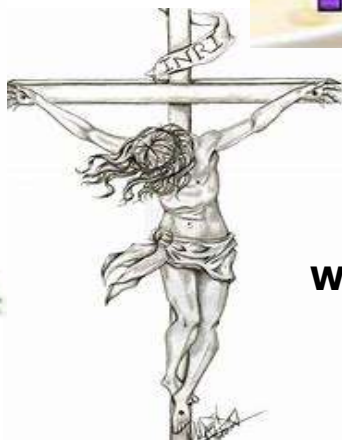
FEBRUARY 4th at 11:15am

Please plan to attend. Your input is important.



No Soup Supper on Ash Wednesday.

Worship Service at 5:30pm  
Pastor Grant Applehans



“The Heart of the Matter”

WEDNESDAY LENT SERVICES  
FEBRUARY 21st, 28th,  
MARCH 6th, 13th, & 20th

SOUP SUPPER: 5:30PM  
WORSHIP SERVICE: 6:15PM

\*\*Sign-up sheets are on the Cloud Board for soup suppers.



### MUSIC NOTES

Choir practice STARTS FEB 04th  
@ 8:30am



Singing on Feb. 18th



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FEB 2024



CONNIE BROWNELL	03
JULIE DUFORD	05
CHERYLE THOMPSON	12
JIM BURROWES	14
BARB DOLPHIN	14
LYNETTE RUNDELL	16
MARY LOU BOSSHARDT	22
ARLENE ERICKSON	23
SHERRY NELSON	26
DAVE ABELL	28
DANNY CONNORS-DAVID	29

## PASTORAL CALL COMMITTEE

DAVE ABELL

JAN BOYLE

MIKE BROOKS

BOB GUNDERSON

BOB JAMISON

TED REINHARDT

JIM WOITKE

**Thank you for serving on this committee.**

**Next meeting is February 2 at 9:00am**



Fourteen ladies attended Saturday's Community Charity Sew Day; Rachael, Judy, Sally, Laura, Tania, Lisa and Laurie from the community and Jaquy, Marion, Barb, Connie, Jeannie, Peggy and me from Good Shepherd. Sally knitted and donated several hats and we also received a quilt donated by Laurie's friend, a member of Big Fork's quilt Guild.

There are some tasty perks for participating in Sew Days; Rachael and Jaquy supplied fresh-baked cardamom rolls and scones. Then there was a soup, salad, fresh bread and fruit lunch.

Many thanks to all who lent a hand Saturday. A big round of thanks to Jan Boyle and Jaquy Christensen who have spent numerous hours sorting, measuring and labeling fabrics and organizing the room that has been designated for storage of the Sew Day supplies.

## Capital Campaign Fundraiser Breakfast

FEB 18th

After Worship

in the Fellowship Hall

Provided by

Sherry & Fred Nelson

### OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE:

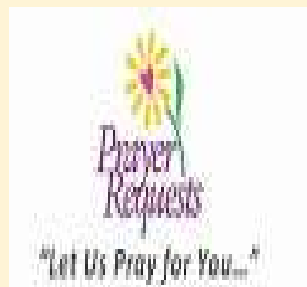
<https://www>

- Life Plan Community
- Independent Living
- Senior Living at Immanuel Lutheran Communities - Plans for a facility in Polson ongoing.



Pastor Al Jensen is the Director of Pastoral Care. 406-752-9624 <https://www.ilcorp.org>

## In Our Prayers



### Loss & Grief:

### In the Service of our Country:

Kyle Klusacek (*Rod & Sharon Hanson's Grandson*), Joe Turnage, Brian Coffeen, J.D. Udem (*Rick & Sharon Procopio's grandson*), Tyler Dyk, Donald Vandebussche, Curtis Berg, Steven Sorensen, Justin Borders, Gabriel Barnes, Jayson Sorensen, Mark Newkirk, Kory Newgard, *all who currently serve and who have served.*

**Ongoing Health:** Clayton Sanches, Lyle BullShows (*Kristin & Dale Nelson's son*), Dave & Ferol Bjur, Dorothy Podoll (*Brenda Wiplinger's mother*), Vivian Mohl (*Candy Baszler-Gohl's aunt*), Ralph Brownell, James Guthrie, Joyce Erickson, Jerome Hanson, Scott Trospen, Bill Burkitt, Patricia Smout (*Tony Peterson's mom*), Dallas Peterson, Charlie Grubb, Debbie Lindquist, Craig Erickson, Pat Radtke (*Marion Woitke's sister*), Kathie Pierce (*Barb Dolphin's sister*), Amber Steffes, Anna Raymond (*Tony Peterson's friend*), Bill Burnett (*Marsha Humbach's friend*).

Thank you for your prayers and thoughts during this difficult time.

## 2023 *Council Highlights*

Next Council Meeting:  
FEBRUARY 11th @ 11:15am

The Church Council last met on Dec. 10.

**NOTICE:** COUNCIL INSTALLATION WILL BE  
FEB. 11th, 2024 DURING WORSHIP

**Prayer Shawls** are available to give to anyone in need of comfort. We have some that are ready to give, along with a prayer card. Also, we would appreciate any assistance in making them. Yarn & instructions available.

**Thank you to the knitters**, who have created beautiful shawls. We now have some ready.

Thank you!

**The Sunshine Ministry**

*Barb Dolphin will be sending a card for birthdays, get well and to anyone you feel needs a special note. Please have their name & address and call the Church Office for the month of December.*

406-883-5864

**Our Ministers:** All Who Have Been Baptized Into Christ

**Our Pastor:**

**Our Support Staff:**

Office Administrator	Kelley Druyvestein
Minister of Music	Angela Claver
Financial Secretary	Lynette Rundell

**Our Congregation Council Members:**

**Executive Board**

President	Kevin Torgenrud
Vice President	Jack Cummings
Secretary	Vince River
Treasurer	Peter Mangels

**Liaisons to Committees**

Worship, Service & Music	Candy Baszler-Gohl
Youth & Family Ministry	Connie Brownell
Congregational Care	Karen Gunderson
Stewardship	Sherry Nelson
Property & Management	

**Our Special Groups:**

Trust Fund, GSCW & Quilters

### Together in Worship

Together in Worship Average Year-to Date: 67

#### Financial Information

Fiscal Year-to-Date Jan 1 through Dec 31st, 2023

YTD Actual Contrib. & Gifts, Undesignated*	\$162,712.56
YTD Budgeted Income Target	\$164,200.08
Other Sources of Income**	\$ 2,967.69
Total Year-to-Date Operating Income	\$165,680.25
Total Year-to-Date Operating Expenses	\$146,649.48
Total YTD Net Difference	\$ 19,030.77

\*Undesignated contributions & gifts includes offerings designated as "non-synod"

\*\*Includes Thrivent Choice & "synod only" designated offerings



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## 10:00 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
Feb 04	Isaiah 40:21-31	Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39
Feb 11	2 Kings 2:1-12	Psalm 50: 1-6	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Mark 9:2-9
Feb 18	Genesis 9:8-17	Psalm 25:1-10	1 Peter 3:18-22	Mark 1:9-15
Feb 25	Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16	Psalm 22:23-31	Romans 4:13-25	Mark 8:31-38