



GOOD SHEPHERD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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JUNE 28, 2026

Glance at the Week Ahead at Good Shepherd

Office Hours: T W 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
TH 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Sun: 10:00 am **Sunday Worship**
11:00 am Gift Card Bonanza Raffle
11:15 am Sundae Sunday
12:00 pm VALOR Dinner Delivered
Fri: 7:00 pm AA Back to Basics
Sun: 9:00 am Faith Formation
10:00 am **Sunday Worship**
God and Country Communion
Baptism

First-Time Guests

Welcome to Good Shepherd, an **Open and Affirming** congregation of the United Church of Christ. We are delighted that you joined us for worship. If you are looking for a spiritual home, please consider Good Shepherd and speak with Pastor James.

REV. JAMES D. ROBISON, JR. can be contacted at the office (610) 767-9680, his mobile phone (484-571-6083), or via his email address at <jamdarrob@gmail.com>.

Our Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. James D. Robison, Jr.
Preschool Director	Karen Weaver
Organist	Dr. Yezi Chen
Choir Director	Beth Kutzner
Secretary	Eileen Andrews
Treasurer	Tammy White
Financial Secretary	Colleen Shields
Sexton	Matt Shields

Filming Disclosure: Our services are filmed and recorded for online viewers. As worshipers' faces may be captured, your entry into the Sanctuary constitutes your consent to be photographed, filmed and/or otherwise recorded for streaming or social purposes.

Mission Calendar for June is Northern Lehigh Pastoral Association

Northern Lehigh Pastoral Association is an ecumenical group of authorized ministers serving the Northern Lehigh Area. They sponsor scholarships at Northern Lehigh High School, organize baccalaureate services and midweek Lenten services in the community.

Joyful Noise

Joyful Noise Offering is an outreach mission of the church that goes to individuals or families in need. Please drop your contributions into the small colored buckets during the offering.

Update Offering & (Attendance)

June 07-\$2,918.00 E-Giving \$742.34 (94)
June 14-\$2,222.00 E-Giving \$218.11 (107)
June 21-\$1,733.00 E-Giving \$488.83 (54)

Online offering at [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly)
or text GIVE to 610-615-7657



We are now streaming on both Facebook and YouTube, both of which have icons on the Good Shepherd United Church of Christ website. If you've had trouble with the streaming volume not being loud enough on Facebook, click on the YouTube link and see if that improves it.

Upcoming Events in the Life of Our Church.

- We are **collecting packages of individual bags of goldfish for Backpack Buddies through June 29**. We collected 150 individual fruit cups for March & April. Thank you all for your donations. Northern Lehigh School District serves about 100 families each week.
- Fundraising will once again be offering **Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Shopping Passes** for a \$5.00 donation. The pass will be good for on-line and in store shopping on **Wednesday, October 21st, 2026 from 8 AM - 11 PM**. Last year we made a profit of \$535.00. If anyone is interested, passes will be available in the narthex. We also encourage everyone to help with promoting this worthwhile project. A prize will be awarded to the person taking in the most donations.
- **VBS Theme Into the Wilderness with God at Camp Good Shepherd, July 13-17th 6-8pm** Campout, July 18-19th with hot dog/hamburger dinner and light breakfast before church on the 19th Closing: during church service on the 19th at 10am. Registration forms are available to sign up children 3 and up. See Amanda Smith for registration forms.
- We are **looking for sponsors for Bulletins, flowers and Holy Grounds refreshments**. Please sign up on the calendar on the bulletin board.
- **Looking for volunteers to mow grass**. Mowers and gas for them are provided by the church. Sign up in the Narthex.

Good Shepherd Prayer Care List

In Hospice...Bill Black

Family and Friends needing prayer: Deb Derhammer, Jennifer Frohnheiser, Lee Haas, Diane Hardey, Brett Hunsicker, Don Kutzner, Barry Silfies, Carol Ziegenfus, Tom Alcaro, Karen Anthony, Gail Bell, Doug Farber, Donna Fox, Steve George, Barbara Hower, Gary Johannes, Hayden Keller, Laurie, Chris Oertner, Randy Parks, Ty Sander, Gary Schneck, Donna Tully, Jenn Wentz, John Zellner

Homebound Members: Marge Bass, Mary Bilheimer, Shirley Blynn, Kay Costenbader, Dennis Derr, Donna Fox, Judy Mack, Carol Schweitzer, and 'Tillie' Waller.

All the young men and women serving our country: Colby Adams, Anthony Babb, Sean Bolza, Kira (Kern) Kelsey, Michael Kelsey, Marcus Loch, Rebecca McMichael, Jacob Molchan, Adam Moyer, Jacqueline Moyer, Spencer Perkins, Benjamin Schaffer, and Janel Tracy.

Our Worship Leaders Today.

Guest Speaker
Special Music
Acolyte
Head Deacon
Lay Reader
Greeters
Altar Guild
Media Team

Rev. Candi Cain-Borgman
Breonna Richardson
Callie McGinnis
Darlene Nothstein
Craig Borgman
Eddie & Karen Smith
Penny Keen

Marie Bachman, Deb Craig, Riley Fallon, Tracey Gursky,
Eric Hantz, Bryan Horninger, Evan Horninger, and Beth Kutzner

Altar Flowers and **Bulletins** are to the Honor and Glory of God.



Birthdays

Jun 28-Matthew Bowers
Jun 28-Katy Griffith
Jun 29-Jaxon Kline
Jun 30-Cindy Parks
Jul 01-Connie Fogle
Jul 01-Isabella Palmer
Jul 01-Jennifer Sommers
Jul 01-Shane White
Jul 03-Ellen Biegly
Jul 04-Mason Bowers
Jul 04-Evelyn Flexer
Jul 04-Frank Gellis
Jul 04-Judy Mack



Anniversaries

Jun 29-Kyle & Allison (Sosik) Kremposky
Jul 02-Wally & Jackie (Minnich) Amey

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*He that receives you
receives me,
and he that receives me
receives him that sent me.*

Matthew 10:40

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026
5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ORDER OF WORSHIP
JUNE 28, 2026 - FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.” ~ Aesop

NOTE: People’s responses in **bold**; * rise in body, mind, or spirit

Gathering for God's **WORD**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE ~ *The Heart of Worship*

*** SOLEMN DECLARATION**

Our service is in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all who seek to follow Christ through acts of welcome, kindness, and compassion. **We come to worship the One who welcomes us with grace.**

Whoever receives another in love receives the presence of God. **We come to open our hearts to God and neighbor alike.**

Small acts of mercy carry great meaning in God’s realm. **We come to be renewed for lives of generosity and service.**

Let us worship the God who receives us and sends us forth in love. **Let us worship together! Amen!**

*** OPENING PRAYER**

Welcoming God, You meet us with grace before we even know how deeply we need it. You invite us into communities of compassion, kindness, and shared care. As we gather in worship, open our hearts to receive Your presence and to recognize Christ in one another. Teach us that even small acts of generosity and hospitality can become signs of Your love in the world. Renew us

in this time of worship, that we may leave ready to serve, welcome, and bless others as You have blessed us. Amen.

*** HYMN ~ *For the Beauty of the Earth***

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Preparing Our Hearts for God's WORD

*** WHAT WE BELIEVE TOGETHER**

We believe in God, who creates us for community and calls us to love one another. We believe in Jesus Christ, who gathers us as one body and shows us the way of grace. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who moves among us, inspiring joy, generosity, and faithful witness. We believe we are called to live together with glad and generous hearts, reflecting God's love in all we do. Amen.

CONVERSATION WITH OUR YOUNGSTERS

BLESSINGS FOR JOYS AND/OR CONCERNS

Hearing God's WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, as scripture is read, open our hearts and minds to Your Living WORD. Amen!

A READING from the Gospel of Matthew 10:40-42 [NRSVUE]

“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

RESPONSE

The GOSPEL of the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Reflecting on God's WORD

HOMILY ~ Holy Welcome

SPECIAL MUSIC ~ Dance

Breonna Richardson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Responding to God's WORD

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Jesus reminds us that even a cup of cold water offered in kindness matters in God's realm. **In gratitude for all we have received, let us offer our gifts—trusting that no act of generosity is too small to make a difference. Amen.**

OFFERTORY ~ *I Need Thee Every Hour*

*** DOXOLOGY**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Generous God, bless these gifts and those who give them. May they become acts of welcome, compassion, and hope for all who are in need. Use what we offer today to extend Your love and strengthen Your work in the world. Amen.

*** HYMN ~ *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah***

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Living God's WORD
* **THE COMMISSION, BENEDICTION, AND THREE-FOLD
AMEN #312**

POSTLUDE ~ *I Am Thine, O Lord*

**OUR WORSHIP TOGETHER HAS ENDED;
OUR SERVICE TO OTHERS BEGINS**

Liturgy by Pastor James based on ChatGPT 3.5

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Breonna Richardson graduated from Lehigh County
Technical Institute & Northwestern Lehigh High School in
2026. She will be attending West Chester University for
International Relations Political Science and a minor in
Language.

Join us next Sunday for God and Country Communion
at 10 am.