



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“Anchored in Christ”

Hebrews 6:19-20

Thirty-first Edition  
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## Something to Consider:

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, (God's) own purchased, special people.

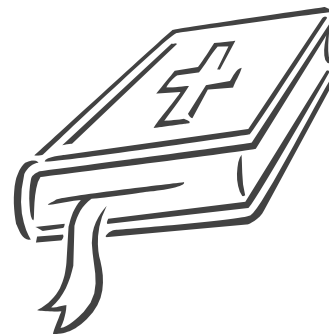
1 Peter 2:9

The desire for acceptance is very human. We long for it, seek it, and do all we can to acquire it. With some people the need goes so deep that it colors every aspect of their lives-what they wear, how they speak, where they go, even

their opinions and behaviors.

How sad that these people have never discovered that God loves and accepts them just as they are. Don't let that be said of you. After all, God created you. You are precious and priceless in His sight. You have His seal of approval.

If you are desperately seeking acceptance, look to God. Ask Him to show you what He sees in you. Once you see yourself



as He sees you, your search will be over.

### A Look Ahead

**Saturday, April 16**

-History Fair

**Monday, April 18**

-Scrip Orders Due by 9:00am

**Tuesday, April 19**

-Conference Track Meet

**Thursday, April 21**

-Chapel 8:20am

**Friday, April 22**

-Mid Quarter

-3rd-4th Grade Musical

7:00pm

### Looking Ahead...

**May 14-20**

-8th Grade Trip Washington DC

**May 20**

-Preschool Program 7:00pm

**May 24**

-Awards Banquet 6:30pm

**May 26**

-Kindergarten Program

7:00pm

**May 27**

-End of Quarter

-School Picnic 8:45-11:30am

-School Year Ends, Dismissal 11:30am

-Gr. 8 Graduation 7:00pm

## Charger Headlines:

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### GSLCS Spring Work Day

The spring yard cleanup is Saturday, April 23 from 8am-12 noon. Please bring your rakes and shovels to help beautify the

school grounds. Your help is appreciated!

### Culver's Night

Good Shepherd will be hosting a Culver's Night in Collinsville on Thursday, May 12th from 5-8pm. A percentage of the sales will go to Harvest Fest 2016.

### Dress Code

Just a reminder of no shorts or Capri pants on Chapel day.

### VBS - Date Change

Online registration is open for this summer's VBS at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - "Barnyard Roundup". VBS will be held the week of June 26th - June 30th, 6 pm - 8:30 pm (note this will be in the evening this year). It is for students currently completing Pre-K thru 6th grade. (Min. age is for those students turning 4 before 9/1/2016).

At Barnyard Roundup, kids will look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, to discover that Jesus is better than a BFF! Jesus, their Savior, knows them by name, rounds them up, and brings them home. He is with us always and forever - no matter what!

### GSLCS Track Team

Congratulations to the GSLCS track team. They represented Good Shepherd well. There were many good performances. 11 students have already qualified for the state track meet.

### Thank You Volunteers

We would like to thank Amy S. for heading up the concessions this year along with great supportive parents. The track meet was a huge success. Thank you for supporting our track program.



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# Charger Headlines Continues...

## Charger Bucks—Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, April 18, & 25. The green order sheets need to be turned in to the school office by 9:00am on Mondays to be processed that week. Walk-up sales will be after school on Fridays and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Remember that you can place your order online. You may access the link for [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) through our school's website. Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate.

## School Calendar

The school calendar for the 2016-17 year has been approved by the Board of Christian Day School. Questions, please contact the school office.

## Field Day Grades 1-4

We are planning some fun outdoor activities Wednesday, May 25th. The 1st and 2nd graders will be outside beginning at noon and the 3rd and 4th beginning at 1:30pm. The rain date will be Thursday, May 26th.

## Boxtops and Labels

The final BTLP collection date for the 2015-2016 school year is Wednesday, April 27th. The grade that collects the most box tops and labels per student by this date will earn a free dress day. The Campbell's Labels for Education program will end on August 1st so it's important to turn in your remaining labels before the end of this school year. Thank you!

## Congratulations Honors Band

Congratulations to Jacob B., Cierrah E., Henry L., Coleen L., Hannah R., Molly S., and Justin W. for being selected to the Honor Band. They will be performing on Fri., April 15th at Concordia University.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to our chocolate blast fundraiser top sellers! Lexi A., Atticus B., Livia B., Marciana B., Emma B., Olivia G., Karley H., Andrew H., Jacob K., and Blake M. You are invited to a private jump party at the new Altitude Trampoline Park on Thursday, May 12th with Mr. Mayhew!

## CHARGER CHALLENGE

August 27th is the Good Shepherd Charger Challenge 5k & 5k Relay. Ask your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors to register for the race. Registration can be completed on-line at <http://www.active.com/collinsville-il/running/distance-running/charger-challenge-5k-and-5k-relay-2016> or you can print a form at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>. Want to run your first 5k! Check out the training page at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>. This 10-week course is being coached by Jenifer Schaller, RRCA certified running coach, owner of RunWell running store in Edwardsville, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church member and former GSLCS mom (her daughter graduated in 2010). Don't want to race consider volunteering or sponsoring. Sponsor and volunteer information can be found at <http://www.gslcs.org/run>. The 2016 Charger Challenge will help fund new outdoor athletic fields which will include a baseball diamond and basketball courts.

## In Our Prayers this Week:

Each week this school year, the faculty will be praying for the school families. Please remember these and others in your

prayers. The families of: Emily P., Clara R., Nyay R., Keenan R., Meghan S., Nathan S., Miles T.,

Mattea V., Jaxen Y.

## Summer Athletic Camps

### Athletic Camps

Athletic Camp forms were sent home for: Girl's Volleyball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8 Boy's and Girl's Basketball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8. The forms can be found on our web site under recent news. Return the completed forms along with payment to the school office. The deadline for the camp forms is May 6th.

### Girl's Basketball June 06- 10

Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm  
Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

### Boy's Basketball June 13-17

Boys entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm  
Boys entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

### Girl's Volleyball June 20-24

Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm  
Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

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The purpose of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is to provide each student with a quality Christian Education. We recognize that this begins with the premise that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in Him we have eternal life. The curriculum and all activities are developed around this premise.

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# Retreads...

## 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

### High Honor Roll with Distinction

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Daniel B., Elise H., Nick H., Will O., Elizabeth S.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Jared C., Millie C., Faith M., Sidney P., Hannah R., Molly S., Gabe S., Justin W.

### High Honor Roll

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Thomas B., Jacob B., Alex C., Lauren F., Reagan G., Scott H., Gabby J., Max L., Henry L., Colleen L., Hunter L., Mark M., Jeremy O., Hannah S., Macie S.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Evan B., Sophia B., Kyla E., Olivia G., Christopher H., Ryan P., London R., Connor Z.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Autumn D., Matthew H., Megan H., Khushi J., Alice K., Claire L., Trevor P., MaryAnn R., Anna R., Trinity S., Garrett S., Maggie S., Sydney S., Ella W., Jenae W.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Jacob B., Joseph C., Lillie C., Eli G., Jordan G., Abbey G., Marlaina G., Ashleigh J., Domiano L., Katie M., Jacob M., Timothy P., Nick S., Sam S., Bella S., Sophie T., Gavin T., Jake W., Kanalu W.

### Honor Roll

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Maddy B., Cierrah E., Taylor H., Morgan J., Elke S., Brady S., Caleb T., Anna W.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Noah C., Tyler K., Martin L., Will M., Bryan R., Eli W.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Emma B., Kyle C., Carson C., Declan G., Eli L., Carmen S.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Riquerah G., Kinley H., Tyler H., Paige H., Blake M.

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### Young Scientists Do Outstanding

Students from Good Shepherd Lutheran School in Collinsville, Illinois, participated in the Regional Science and Engineering Research Challenge at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on April 2, 2016 and received 'Outstanding Awards' for their projects. The IJAS State Science Exposition will be held at the Millikin University on May 13-14, 2016.

Grade 5: Jacob B., Lillie C., Marlaina G., Kanalu W.;

Grade 7: Ryan P., Molly S.;

Grade 8: Reagan G. Reagan G. also won the 'Metric Award' for best use of SI measurements, Best in Category for Applied Math and Physics and \$100, received

second place in the paper session and \$100. She also qualified for the IJAS State Science Exposition for her project and paper.

### VBS at Good Shepherd

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We also need lots of volunteers!!!! Our VBS is one of the largest in the community, requiring the help of 150+ volunteers. Current 7th graders & above are eligible to volunteer (this is an excellent way for 7th graders to earn a good portion of their NJHS hours).

Go to the following website to register/volunteer: <https://vbsmate.com/8E0CA7C8>

You will be able to pre-order a t-shirt and/or music cd/dvd when you register. This will help us determine how many of each we need to order. Payment

will be made upon pick-up, either before VBS during a designated church service, or at the beginning of VBS. (We will notify everyone of the pick-up arrangements at a later date). We are waiting to find out the cost of the t-shirts but a cd/dvd will cost \$5.

Join our FB event page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/862292660548677/>

(You still must register online even if you "join" our page. The registration link can be found on the event page in the event description).

### Church Lost and Found

Please check the narthex coat rack for jackets and coats that have been left.

Thank you.

### Summer Camp

Summer Camp is fast approaching. Please reserve your spot by returning the registration form and fee to Mrs. Molitor. Forms can be obtained in the school office or in TRACKS.

### Attention Families of 8th Graders!

If you have a student who will be attending MELHS, you can earn tuition credit by purchasing scrip through our Charger Bucks program at Good Shepherd. Invite your family and friends to participate and increase your credits! The ordering proc-

ess is the same and your tuition credits will be posted to your MELHS account in February and August.

### **Lutheran Summer Camp**

It is time to register for Lutheran Summer Camp. Camp is being held once again at Camp Piasa in Grafton, IL. Children finishing 5th - 8th grade are allowed to register. Spaces are limited! To ensure a spot please register early. Be sure to register prior to May 15, 2016, to avoid a late registration fee!! Registrations will not be accepted after June 11, 2016.

Registration Handbooks can be picked up from the church office or by emailing: [stewart97@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stewart97@sbcglobal.net)

Camp weeks are as follows:

Campers currently in 5th or 6th Grade:

Sunday, June 26 – Friday, July 1

Campers currently in 7th or

8th Grade: Sunday, July 3 – Friday, July 8

Directors 5th & 6th Grade Week – Chris & Adrienne Schaefer (618-792-4971)

Directors 7th & 8th Grade Week - Mike & Amy Stewart (618-409-1327)

### **GSLs Students To Sing At Busch Stadium--Cardinals Tickets Still Available!**

Cardinals baseball tickets are still available through the school office to participate in this great opportunity for our choir students.

GSLs has been accepted this year for the first time to sing "Take Me out to the Ballgame" at Busch Stadium on Sunday, July 17th, 2016 as the Cardinals take on the Florida Marlins at 1:15pm! This performance will be open to students who are currently in 1st-8th Grade (during the 2015-16 school year). We can take up to 100 students to sing. Parents, please contact Mr. Stegman via email to reserve a spot for your student! We will practice toward the end of the school year and also a few times through the summer. Families may purchase tickets through the school office. We have two sections reserved for Good Shepherd families in the Left Field Pavilion section 371 and 372, so we will all be able to enjoy the game together! All participants must purchase a ticket through the school office AND reserve their spot by email with Mr. Stegman in order to participate. Tickets are offered at

a greatly discounted price-just \$18 and include a coupon for a FREE hot dog and soda at Busch Stadium—a \$50 total value!

This great value is available only while supplies last, so reserve your spot and buy tickets for friends and family now!

### **Adult Instruction Classes**

If you would like to know more about the teachings of the Lutheran Church, we encourage you to join us for our next series of Adult Instruction Classes beginning Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m.

These classes will explain questions such as...

What is the Christian response to atheistic denials of God's existence?

How can we be sure the Bible really is God's word?

What about abortion, divorce, homosexual behavior, transgenderism, pornography, greed, gossip, etc.?

Which is more scientifically verifiable – creation or evolution?

Who is Jesus? Who is the Holy Spirit?

What is the Triune God?

How can a person be sure of salvation?

Should children be baptized? Can they have faith?

How can confession of sin keep me mentally and spiritually healthy?

What is the reason for Holy Communion?

How does it affect my spiritual and physical health?

What does the Bible teach about the end of the world?

How can I make a real difference in this world while I'm here?

What will happen when I die?