

# Memory Lane News



Good Shepherd Methodist Church  
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## ***From the Pastor's Desk***

It has been a while since we have sent out a newsletter. Needless to say, many good things have been happening.

Jana Smith, our Lay Leader, and I have been to Annual Conference in Shreveport, Louisiana and it was an excellent experience. The worship was wonderful, the workshops were highly informative, and I still marvel at the ability of those organizing the conference as they were able to blend worship and business together creating a peaceful time.

The Conference stated that it is by prayer and the Holy Spirit that disciples are made. We are called to witness boldly and work under the power of the Holy Spirit. As Wesley said, "The world is our parish." God calls us to be evangelistic, to multiply churches, to be multi-racial and to work together as "connected people of God." Check out the Trinity Global Methodist website for workshops and ideas.

At present the Trinity Conference, East Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana, is the largest conference for the Global Methodist Church. At last count there were 375 churches represented.

At Good Shepherd Methodist Church we are implementing new Class Meetings, based after John and Charles Wesley's meetings. It has been said that Methodism spread quickly in England and America due to those meetings. Small groups met weekly to inquire, "How is it with your soul?" The result was people grew spiritually and many newcomers became believers.

Stay tuned for a meeting in your area.

After Labor Day, our Catechism class will resume. It is a Bible study following the Apostles' Creed. While most of our members have completed the class, there is room for anyone interested to start with the new class the first Sunday after Labor Day.

I encourage you to continue praying for one another, pray for the Body of Christ, and pray for the not-yet-believer.

Shalom,

*Jimmie Snow*



## **Finance Committee Report**

The finance committee has taken care of the purchase of the modifications to the Fellowship Hall to meet compliance with the City Code. These purchases include bi-swinging doors leading to the Sanctuary, new exit signs, fire extinguisher upgrade in the kitchen and strobe lights in three locations. These modifications should allow us to utilize our facilities to the maximum.

Also, new thermostats were purchased to update our HVAC system.

During the month of August, we will begin to gather input for our 2025 budget. Please be thinking of needs for the coming year.

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Finance Committee Chair

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**Schedule of Events**

*Children Sunday School* ..... 9:45 am

*Sunday Service* ..... 11:00am at Church

.....or YouTube (Good Shepherd Cotter)

Movie& Dinner—Monday ..... 4:00 pm

*Recovery Group—Thursday* ..... 10:00am

*Meet in basement of church*

*Women of the Good Shepherd* - Third Tuesday  
of the month at 10:00am

Good Shepherd Brotherhood—Fourth Thursday  
of month at 6:00pm

**Time is like a river.  
You cannot touch the  
same water twice,  
because the flow  
that has passed will  
never pass again.  
Enjoy every moment  
of your life.**

