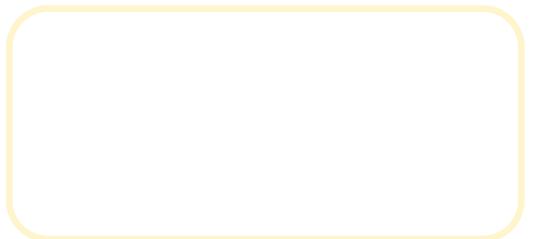


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# The FLOCK

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## *The Battle for Patience*

Back to school, oh how fun it is. We face new challenges as that happens. Life is not the same with Covid-19. There are so many new things. We are wearing masks, social distancing, learning online, more and more new rules. Frankly, it is very easy to watch your fuse grow short. The workload on everyone has increased. Parents are trying to find daycare for kids as they work, teachers trying to juggle students in school, and preparing lessons that work for those online at the same time. Kids not being able to go out and just play. It is hard for kids, no matter their age. Tempers can flare.

***“But I say, walk in the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit. For the works of the flesh are evident: fits of anger, divisions, but the fruit of the Spirit is peace, patience.”*** - Galatians 5:16, 19, 22

adds more, including college students who go back to campus. So much for the free life. More rules meet them too.

Paul's words above bring us the strength to cope with this. We do not have to let the old flesh win, which lives in the spirit of anger and aloneness as it seeks to divide from others. It is not easy. Paul says it is going to be a battle. These desires do work against God's desires. At first, the anger feels good like you are winning, but in fact, it is a lie. Anger only separates us. Everyone loses when that happens. The answer to this is to fight with the Spirit! We walk in Him! After all, God sealed us with the Holy Spirit in our baptism. Why this gift? Because it is the Spirit that proceeds from the Father and the Son.

That sounds complicated, but it is not. It gives us the greatest help. The Holy Spirit helps us walk together as the Father and Son do. Oh, how the Father loves the Son. Oh, how the Son loves the Father. There is perfect peace between them. If anyone can give us peace, it is this Spirit who helps us walk in the same peace with others. There is one thing: that other person I am trying to walk with is a sinner. Well, so are you. But that is why the Father sent the Spirit. He longed to be

with us in peace again despite the fact we are sinners. That was why the Son came, to take care of sin so we can walk with the Father again. They are both about helping us walk in peace with others. It does mean putting up with their stubbornness, their meanness, their unreasonable ways. It means putting up with people who can be a real burden. Once again, that is why we need the Spirit who comes from the Son! He is the great burden-bearer, the one who bore all our sins. Patience; what a word. It means to bear a burden and not quite on that person. Yes, it is a fruit of the Spirit who alone can give us the grace by joining us to Jesus who walks with us. He is the one who bears the burden, but he does it through us. With him, yes, you can do all things through his strength as Paul reminds us in Philippians 4.

So walk with the Spirit! Live in patience with others in these days. Let them behold the grace of God in you. Let them see the gospel in action, a gospel that brings peace and patience.

In His Service and Yours,  
Pastor Sheets

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### Good Shepherd's MDO/The Blessing Place starts back August 31st!

**Mondays & Wednesdays  
or  
Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
9 am– 2 pm

**Preschool classes** for 1 year old– 5 years old.  
**Homeschool** for K-5th Grade.  
(*Science, Social Studies, Bible, Arts/Crafts, and Gymnastics.*)

**Spots available! Email**  
**at** [theblessingplace@hotmail.com](mailto:theblessingplace@hotmail.com)

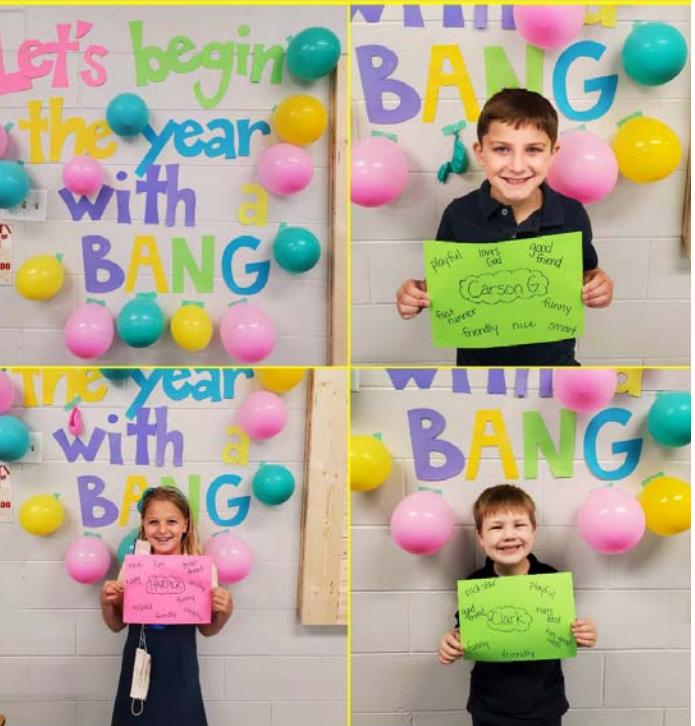
*The Blessing Place is a Christian-Based program that includes Gymnastics, Library, Music, Chapel, and On-Site Educational Programs.*

# SCHOOL NEWS

Belvoir Christian Academy



**Mrs. Webb's 2nd Grade - The Daily Pop!**  
Each day, one of Mrs. Webb's 2nd graders gets to pop a new balloon, and that person is the special person of the day! They have a special poster about themselves, and they get to sit in a special seat, use special writing utensils, and receive a special eraser and treat! Lastly, they get to pop the next balloon!



These friends in Mrs. Bolden's kindergarten class were visited by the "Desk Fairy" for having a clean and tidy desk this week!

## A Special Appeal on Behalf of Lutheran Institute in Madagascar

Over the last several years, ministries of the Mid-South District have been blessed to get to know and support the Lutheran Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship (LIME) in Madagascar. Led by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Randrianasolo, who addressed the delegation of our District's 2018 Convention, LIME offers Malagasy adults (both lay and clergy) the opportunity for advanced studies as part of a three-year curriculum which includes Biblical courses. But like many organizations, businesses and individuals, LIME has been hit especially hard by the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Graduating its last class in January of this year, the Institute's doors have now been closed for six months. With no tuition coming into the school, Rev. Dr. Joseph Randrianasolo has shared that the six staff members of LIME and their families now face a dire situation: the very real possibility of starvation.

In a recent message to Mid-South District President Rev. Dr. Roger Paavola, Rev. Joseph noted that the staff have stretched their resources as far as they can, but that the coming month will be marked by extreme hunger—or worse—without the help of outside aid. In response to this critical need of our Lutheran brothers and sisters in Madagascar, the Mid-South District is sending support and inviting ministries and individuals across the district to do the same. Donations to benefit the staff of LIME and their families can be made [on the Mid-South District website](http://mid-southlcms.org) (mid-southlcms.org, "Give Now" link) or by check. When making an online gift, choose the "Restricted Gift" field and designate the funds for "LIME Staff COVID-19." Gifts by check should be made payable to the Mid-South District with "LIME Staff COVID-19" in the memo line. Please mail any check donations to:

The Mid-South District LCMS  
1675 Wynne Road  
Cordova, TN 38016

All funds directed to the Mid-South District will be wired promptly to LIME in Madagascar.

The six families impacted by the economic crisis of COVID-19 include a total of 13 children. In the past, ministries and individuals across the Mid-South District have shown tremendous support for LIME, its staff and students by funding significant technology and facility upgrades at the Institute. We pray for another overwhelming show of support to help our Lutheran friends in Madagascar face this new difficulty.

Photos of the Lutheran Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship in Madagascar:





9/4– Terry & Desiree Humphrey (11 yrs.)  
 9/5– Allen & Sheila Stephens (45 yrs.)  
 9/6– Bobby & Wendy Wade (26 yrs.)  
 9/15– Dave & Joanne Brownlee (58 yrs.)  
 9/15– Jim & Joan Cutcher (41 yrs.)  
 9/27– Ralph & Mary Dallman (62 yrs.)  
 9/28– Paul & Jennifer Campbell (2 yrs.)  
 9/28– Mark & Myra Steele (29 yrs.)



9/3- Lillian Totherow  
 9/4– Laura Polley  
 9/4– Michael Stephens  
 9/5– Sheldon Fite  
 9/6– Brooke Barrett  
 9/7– Jay Babb  
 9/7– Cindy Bandstra  
 9/7– Dave Brownlee  
 9/7– Tracey Chadwick  
 9/8– Deb Cowart  
 9/8– Stephen Humble  
 9/9– Mitchell Jarvis



9/10– Karen Reader  
 9/12– Shelby Dressler  
 9/13– Lynda Stephens  
 9/14– Cory Skidmore  
 9/15– Matthew Boleen  
 9/16– Calen Hall  
 9/17– Alexandria George  
 9/17– Rev. Cliff Herd  
 9/17– Karin Hubby  
 9/18– Bill Brown  
 9/20– Chris Wright  
 9/21– Kevin Lutz  
 9/21– Sara McIntyre  
 9/22– Sara Newman  
 9/24– Paul Webb  
 9/26– Teri Rankin  
 9/27– Bobby Wade  
 9/29– Jeffrey Polley  
 9/30– Dan Jacobs  
 9/30– Doug Stone  
 9/30– Ginger West



# FALL 2020 VIRTUAL LLL EVENT



## WHEN & WHERE

**SEPTEMBER 26, 2020**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

822 Belvoir Ave  
Chattanooga, TN 37412

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.  
Event concludes at 1:00 p.m.

Due to circumstances created by COVID-19, all registered participants will receive a link to attend the conference via Livestream from their own homes. Options for attending from home or in-person at the venue are available when registering.

## AGENDA

- OPENING DEVOTION**  
Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
*Speaker of The Lutheran Hour®*
- MINISTRY MESSAGE**  
Kurt Buchholz  
*LHM President & CEO*
- MINISTRY UPDATE & RESOURCES**  
Rev. Dr. Tony Cook  
*Vice President, LHM Global Ministries*
- TRAINING AND Q&A**  
Rev. Dr. Jason Broge  
*LHM Director, Design & Development*
- HOST AND MC**  
Jennifer Prophete  
*Manager, Community Development, LHM Global Ministries*

**Register at [LHM.ORG/LLL2020](https://lhm.org/LLL2020)**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

HOSTED BY: Chattanooga Zone of the TN LLL District



### HELP US PREP MEALS!

We will be preparing breakfast for the homeless immediately after the late service every other Sunday. (around 12:30 pm)  
It takes 4-5 people to prepare breakfast sandwiches for 150 people.

**Dates:**  
Aug. 30  
Sept. 13  
Sept. 27

Can't attend events or make it to church? That's okay. You can donate to our Homeless/Outreach Ministry online by going to [www.gslcflock.org/give](http://www.gslcflock.org/give) OR you can send a check to: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 822 Belvoir Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37412. Put Homeless Ministry in the memo line.



### FILL THE TRUNK and THE WHEEL BARREL!

**Help us by donating items for the Chattanooga Community Kitchen.**

The needs list for the Community Kitchen for August include: *Bug Spray, Sunscreen, Paper or Cloth Masks, Disinfectant Spray, Paper Lunch Bags.*

Ongoing needs include: *Individual Fruit Cups, Small Canned Items that you would take camping or hiking, such as Pork & Beans, Beanee Weenee, Vienna Sausage, Cheese & Crackers.*

**Bottled water is always a need.**



### **ATTENTION WOMEN!**

**BIBLE STUDY LESSONS**

**COME JOIN US FOR THE CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FALL CAREER READINESS CLASSES**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

**401 GATEWAY AVE**

**CHATTANOOGA, TN, 37402**

**6:00 P.M.**

**CONTACT - (706) 224-2908 OR (423) 535-0291 FOR MORE DETAILS**

**WWW.CWJC-CHATTANOOGA.COM**

**FREE CLASSES RUN FOR 12 WEEKS**

**REGISTER ON EVENTBRITE**

CDC guidelines will be adhered to for each class session

**RESUME WRITING WORKSHOPS**

**JOB SKILLS TRAINING**

**MOCK INTERVIEW PREPARATIONS**

**ACCESS TO LOCAL RESOURCES**

**MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKERS**

The Christian Women's Job Corp is a group that seeks to share the Gospel with women through Career Readiness Classes. They regularly see many struggling women come through the program who go on to get college degrees, master's degrees, and stable careers for the first time, where they can support themselves and their families.

After taking some time off during this pandemic, they are starting again!

On the left is information for an upcoming Career Readiness program. If you know any women who could benefit from a career readiness program, please pass along the information for this program.

# september

### EVERY SUNDAY

9 am– Traditional Service  
10:15 am– Adult Bible Class  
11:15 am– Contemporary Service  
2 pm– Crossways! Class

### COMMUNION SCHEDULE

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays: Traditional  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays: Contemporary  
Every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Both Services  
Every Saturday @ Grace Place

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>30</b> No communion at Cont. service. 12:30 pm– Prep meals for the Homeless 12:30 pm– Drive-Thru Communion. (at the back of the church)	<b>31</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place (First Day Back!) NO BIBLE STUDY TODAY	<b>Sept. 1</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 6:30 pm– Pulse	<b>Sept. 2</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>Sept. 3</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>Sept. 4</b>	<b>Sept. 5</b> 3:45 pm– Bible Study w/ Pastor Rosser 5 pm– Grace Place
<b>6</b> 12:30 pm– Drive-Thru Communion. (at the back of the church)	<b>7</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 10:30 am– LWML (Lutheran Women in Missions)	<b>8</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 6:30 pm– Pulse	<b>9</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>10</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 3:45 pm– Bible Study w/ Pastor Rosser 5 pm– Grace Place
<b>13</b> 12:30 pm– Prep meals for the Homeless 12:30 pm– Drive-Thru Communion. (at the back of the church)	<b>14</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 10:30 am– Bible Study w/ Pastor Sheets	<b>15</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 6:30 pm– Pulse	<b>16</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 10:30 am– Chemo Caps group	<b>17</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 3:45 pm– Bible Study w/ Pastor Rosser 5 pm– Grace Place
<b>20</b> 12:30 pm– Drive-Thru Communion. (at the back of the church)	<b>21</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 10:30 am– Bible Study w/ Pastor Sheets	<b>22</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place 6:30 pm– Pulse	<b>23</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>24</b> 9 am – 2 pm– Blessing Place	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 9:30 am– LHM Fall Convention 3:45 pm– Bible Study w/ Pastor Rosser 5 pm– Grace Place
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