

Calendar for Week of 10/23/2022

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]
11:00 - Pageant Practice [Worship Center]
12:14 - UM Update [Hall]
4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge / choir room]
4:00 - The Forge Harvest Party @ Risser
Marvel Farm

MONDAY

10am - Staff Meeting
6:00 - CR Praise band rehearsal [WC]
7:00 - UM Update [Hall]

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30 - MLLC [rms 200/202]
7:00 - Celebrate Recovery
7:00 - Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

THURSDAY

5:00 - Contemporary Design Team
5:30 - Traditional Design Team
6:00 - CR Step Study [rm 21]

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

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11:00 - Pageant Practice [Hall]
2:00- CR Leadership training [Lounge]
4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge / choir room]

WE EXPRESS APPRECIATION this morning to everyone who helped with this service.

Welcome to Contemporary Worship. We are so glad you are here this morning!

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
Connecting with broken and hurting people

Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



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The Best Prayer

October 23, 2022
Sunday worship 8:30 / 9:45 p.m.
Contemporary Worship
in the Worship Center

The Best Prayer

Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Appreciation

Opening Music:

The Day John Williams Lost Religion

By: Dwight Liles / Kimberly Anne McLean

Call to Worship

Scripture: 2 Timothy 4:1-8

Song Celebration

Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)

Your Love Never Fails

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Message: *"The Best Prayer"*

Scripture: Luke 18:9-14

Speaker: Reverend Janet Sadel

Prayer

Prayer Response: *Just as I Am* (hymn)
[Instrumental]

Closing Song

"Lord, I Need You"

By: Matt Maher

Sending Forth

The Best Prayer

Luke 18:9-14

Pastor Janet Sadel

The kingdom of heaven is not based on the values and structures of this world. God does not look at outward appearances; rather God looks at the heart.

The good works of the Pharisee aren't wrong - it's the attitude of his heart. His prayer tells us that he trusts himself for his own righteousness. Romans 3:23, "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." There is only one way to be right with God and that is through the gift of Jesus Christ – his work on the cross for us.

The point of this parable is that we need to rely on God. We are completely dependent on God and the prayer that acknowledges this is the best prayer there is.

When we stop trying to earn our way to heaven and simply receive God's mercy and grace, then we are filled with gratitude. And that gratitude will spill over into doing all the things that God wants us to do – and in a prayer life that recognizes we are already accepted because of Jesus.

Do not doubt, do not say, "If I can get into heaven." No 'ifs' about it! Believe it now – said and done. Jesus said, "It is finished."

The best prayer is the one that cries out for God: "God I need you! God I cannot do anything without you. Jesus, wash me clean, make me righteous and help me to live as you want me to live."

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2022 Mission Support

International

Congo Partners in Mission, Heifer Int.,
UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief),
Africa University
Lebanon County

COGS in Motion, Gretna Glen Support,
Habitat for Humanity, Iglesia Nuevo Nacimiento,
Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM),
Lebanon Rescue Mission,
Support Connections of Lebanon County (SCLC),
Good Shepherd Care and Compassion Fund.

Church Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 9am-2pm

Would you like to speak to someone regarding a personal or spiritual issue? Please contact the church office: 717-272-7741 to set up a time to speak with a pastor.

Rev. Janet Sadel, Lead Pastor
Rev. Lisa Flory, Pastor
Mary Smith, Coordinator of
Contemporary Worship Ministries
Alice Snell, Administrative Assistant
June Rose, Director of Children and
Family Min.
Andy Roberts, Music Leader