

## Calendar for Week of 1/29/2023

### 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 - ASP Mission Meeting [Hall]  
2:00 - CR Training [Lounge]  
4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]

Youth Grades 6-12 please see Youth Page in the Announcements

### MONDAY

10-12 - Staff Meeting  
6:00 CR Praise Team Rehearsal [WC]

### TUESDAY

7:00 - Book Study [Lounge]

### 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

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal  
6-8 - Open Art Night [Hall]

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9:45 - Sunday School  
11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]  
11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]  
4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]  
Youth Group -  
see Youth Page in the Announcements

**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

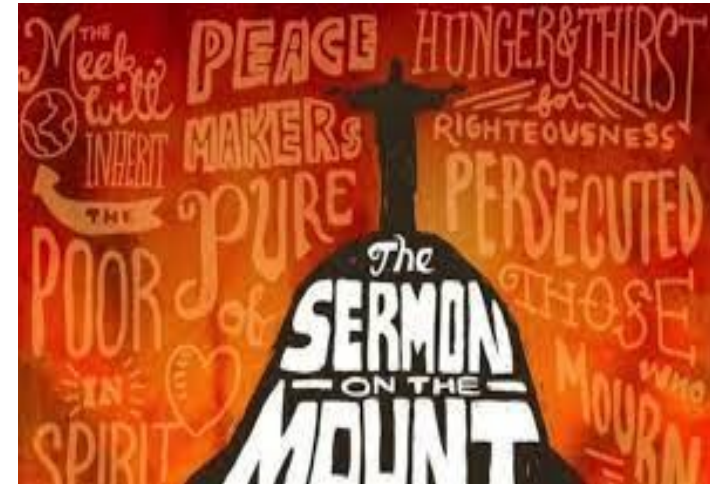
Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ  
Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



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**You are Blessed**

January 29, 2023  
Sunday worship 8:30 / 9:45 p.m.  
Contemporary Worship  
in the Worship Center

## “You Are Blessed”

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Music: *This Is Your Life*  
By: Jonathan Foreman

Call to Worship

Scripture: I Corinthians 1:18-25, 30-31 CEB

Giving of Our Gifts  
Musical Offering-*Instrumental: 10,000 Reasons*

Song Celebration  
*All the People Said Amen*  
*As It Is in Heaven*  
*Cornerstone*

Message: “*You Are Blessed*”  
Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12 NRSV  
Speaker: Reverend Janet Saddel

Prayer  
Prayer Response [Instrumental]  
*Be Thou My Vision*

Closing Song: *I'm So Blessed*  
By: Cain

Sending Forth

## “You Are Blessed”

Matthew 5:1-12; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, 30-31  
Pastor Janet Saddel

The Beatitudes were not as a command. Jesus is not saying that you have to do such and such *in order to be blessed by God.*

In Hebrew “blessed” means “oh the happiness of the one.”

Now is the day that God looks on you with favor and love, despite whatever the world may think or say about you. God *adores* you.

Happiness is not found in the things of this world, but in God. Only Jesus can fulfill all meaningful desires for happiness.

The beatitudes are statements about what life looks like for those who live in the kingdom way. They are statements about the disposition deep within us and what it means to be an *authentic* human being. In order to be what God would have us be, we need the presence of God living within us. And for this to occur we need to let go of our own self – we need to be poor in spirit.

Blessed are the meek – because this is where our own strength of will ends.

If we hunger and thirst for righteousness, then instead of emptiness we have the fullness of the Living God within us. If we crave righteousness in our everyday life, we will bear the fruit of the Spirit.

Mercy is not something we *do*, it is something we become – merciful, full of mercy. Compassion – to be passionate with - is to suffer *with* others, and this comes *through* the strength of the Holy Spirit.

The beatitudes are an invitation to see the world through the eyes of Jesus.

Jesus invites us into a way of living in this world, a better way than what the world offers. God’s blessing is for all – it is for everyone, for you and for me. You *are* blessed!

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### 2023 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 Saddel, Lead Pastor  
Rev. Lisa Flory, Pastor  
Mary Smith, Coordinator of  
Contemporary Worship Ministries  
Cody Young, Pastor of Youth & Young Adult  
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Alice Snell, Administrative Assistant  
June Rose, Director of Children and  
Family Min.  
Alice Roberts, Music Leader