

Calendar for Week of 1/8/2023

SUNDAY Happy New Year!

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]
4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]
4-6—Youth Group [Hall]

MONDAY

10:00—Staff Prayer & Meet
6:00—CR Praise Team rehearsal
6:00—Youth Leaders Meeting
7:00—Church Council

TUESDAY

11-1:30—Free Noon Meal (@LCCM)
10-12 - Staff Meeting
7:00 - Book Study [Forge Rm]

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
12-5 - Private [Hall]

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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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*Connecting with God in
Worship and Community*

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

“Go Down to the River”

Welcome
Announcements

Opening Music: *The River (Come on Down)*
By Jorden Feliz/Jeff Pardo/Hillary Scott

Call to Worship

Giving of Our Gifts
Musical Offering-*Instrumental*
“God Is in Control”
By Twila Paris

Song Celebration
Love the Lord Your God
The River is Here
10,000 Reasons

Message: *“Go Down to the River”*
Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17
Speaker: Reverend Janet Sadel

Congregational Reaffirmation
of the Baptismal Covenant

Covenant Prayer

Prayer
Prayer Response: *Fairest Lord Jesus* [hymn]

Closing Song: *“The River”*
By Jordan Feliz

Sending Forth

Baptism of the Lord Sunday
“Go Down to the River”
Matthew 3:13-17

John’s baptism was a once-for-all baptism, through preaching repentance and offering a cleansing of sin through baptism.

Jesus comes to be baptized; Jesus humbles himself – “In order to fulfill righteousness.”

Righteousness is “doing the will of God.” He who was the Son of God, who had all power and might, submits himself to God’s will.

God speaks from heaven, “this is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” Jesus shows us the way – the way of righteousness, which is the way of obedience.

Baptism is not some magical formula that saves us. Baptism is only the first step.

We remember our baptism by renewing the vows made for us by our parents, or by ourselves. We repent of our sin. And as we do so, we receive the Holy Spirit anew. And just as God declared Jesus to be his Son, so too, God declares that we are his children.

True righteousness is a right relationship with God. And this is something we cannot do on our own.

Our baptism was the beginning of the journey and not the end. And every day that we remember our baptism, our journey can begin anew in strength.

Every day as we put on our clothing for the day, we ought to put on Christ, as it were, to remind us that we live in a relationship with God.

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