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*With humility  
comes  
wisdom.*

*~Proverbs 11:2*



### Each Week

#### Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

#### Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

#### Ministry Team

The Congregation  
Rev. Ron Youngdale  
Jennifer de la Motte  
Valerie Stonebreaker  
Louise Rickey  
Mitch Preus

**Community Focused  
to be  
Community Engaged**

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

January 10, 2016

## Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (1/17) is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany. The Scripture readings for that day are: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 128; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11. The Praise Band will lead our contemporary worship at the 9:00 a.m. service. The organist will lead our classic worship at the 11:00 a.m. service. Holy Communion will be offered.

## TCN Season Four

The next season for Transforming Churches Network begins on 1/10. It will be a 10 week emphasis on "Empowering God's People." The first four weeks will focus on the following 4 themes; 1) Sending (Luke 10); 2) Sowing (Matthew 13:1-23); 3) Missionary Principles (Luke 10 & Acts 8:26-36); 4) Spirit's Power (Luke 10). The last six weeks will be our Lent Theme: "Prayer: The First Step toward Reaching Our Community for Christ."

## Lent 2016

The Lent season begins on Ash Wednesday (2/10). The Lent theme will be on "Prayer: The First Step toward Reaching Our Community for Christ." The Lord's Prayer will be the template for our 6 weekday services. Ash Wednesday will offer two worship services at 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The following five weeks will offer **FIVE** Lenten worship opportunities during the week: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Please check the Yellow Form to indicate which services you plan on attending on a weekly basis so we can properly prepare. Thanks.

### Social Ministry Team

The team met on January 5:

- The budget was reviewed. Everything is on track.
- The Diaper Drive for Verda’s House will be moved to April, instead of October.
- We had 8 people attend the Salvation Army’s Kettle Drive luncheon in November,
- Our congregation manned the Kettle Drive for 2 days in December at Wal-Mart.
- The Support our Troops was very successful. A report will be in N&N
- All the Giving Tree gifts provided by members of our congregation were distributed at the respective assisted living facilities. We will do it again next year.
- Our congregation filled up a blue barrel with toys and canned goods for Turlock Together.
- The “Resources for Shelter and Food” cards are available at the Information Center in the Social Hall for people to distribute to people in need. Please distribute them.
- The first week for the TGM Winter Shelter (1/17 – 1/23) at our facility is staffed;
- The food for the Men’s Shelter is being provided 2 times every month.

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 2. If you have any comments or questions about the above information, please talk

to one of us: Beth Bollinger, Pam Hoskins, Judy Ranheim, Nancy Widdowson, Danna Shipman and Pastor Ron.

### Today’s Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (1/10) is: *The Triune God Opens Heaven to You in Holy Baptism.* The Baptism of our Lord is an “Epiphany” of the one true God in the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. In divine mercy, He takes His place with sinners and takes their sin upon Himself. “When all the people were baptized,” Jesus submitted Himself to a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:21). He had no sins of His own, but He took the sins of the world upon Himself and so was baptized into His own death. Therefore, “when you pass through the waters,” He is with you (Is. 43:2). He created you for His glory, and He has redeemed you with His blood, that you may be His own and live with Him in His Kingdom (Is. 43:1, 7). As you are baptized with a baptism like His, so also are you united with Him in His death and resurrection that you “might walk in newness of life” (Rom. 6:4). For all who are baptized into Christ Jesus receive His anointing of the Holy Spirit and are named by His Father as beloved and well-pleasing sons and daughters.



Altar Guild  
 For Month of January  
 Terry Goodwin  
 Tracie Schell



### The One Year Thru the Bible

- January 10 Genesis 28:10-30:43
- January 11 Genesis 31:1-36:43
- January 12 Genesis 37:1-41:57
- January 13 Genesis 42:1-45:28
- January 14 Genesis 46:1-50:26
- January 15 Exodus 1:1-4:31
- January 16 Exodus 5:1-7:13

*Honor the Lord with  
 your wealth.*  
 ~Proverbs 3:9

### This Week at GSLC January 11-17

#### Monday, January 11

- 6:00 PM Youth Team
- 6:30 PM Handbells
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters
- 7:00 PM Financial Peace Univ.

#### Tuesday, January 12

- 9:30 AM Bible Discovery
- 1:30 PM Knitting
- 6:30 PM Bunco
- 6:30 PM NAMI
- 7:30 PM Praise Band

#### Wednesday, January 13

- 6:00 AM Men’s Network
- 5:45 PM Confirmation
- 5:45 PM Kingdom Quest

#### Thursday, January 14

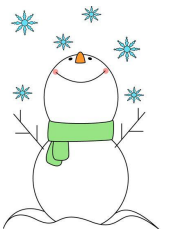
- 9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
- 9:00 AM Bible Discovery
- 1:00 PM Craft Team
- 1:30 PM Food ‘n Fun
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters!
- 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study

#### Friday, January 15

- 6:00 AM Men’s Life
- 1:00 PM Stitches & Quilts

#### Sunday, January 17

- TGM Winter Shelter Begins
- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:20 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 6:00 PM Sr. High



# Serving Today, January 10

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays  
**Elder:** Rick Kaepernick  
**Ushers:** Wayne Rickey, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Kyle Rickey, Fallon Evans  
**Acolyte:** Joshua Fitzgerald  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Richard Spratling  
**Projection:** Rob Hillberg

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Elder:** Derek Schell  
**Ushers:** Wayne Bailey, Tracie Schell, Greg Goodwin, John Shipman, Joe Ulrich, Carl Paul  
**Acolyte:** Sarah Graser  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Dave Gale  
**Projection:** Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour 9:00 a.m. Dillon Family & Rebecca Schlecht / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

Altar Flowers are provided by John & Carol Prater in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

# Serving Next Sunday, January 17

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays, Joey Pagola  
**Elder:** Ken Fitzgerald  
**Ushers:** Tom & Joanne Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald  
**Acolyte:** Jordyn Chance  
**Lector:** Paul Borchardt  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Elder:** Dave Gale  
**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Cyndi Gale, Doug Paul, John McCord, Michael McCord  
**Acolyte:** Jenna Green  
**Lector:** Patsy Geiger  
**Sound:** TBA  
**Projection:** Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 1/17: 9:00 a.m. Joanne Alvernaz, Laverne Desper, Ethel Goiburn / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

Listed each week are different church families. Please pray for them.



Bruce & Cheryl Harms  
 Billie Hastings  
 David & Marian MacDonald  
 Tim MacDonald  
 Lisa Mackenzie  
*(Logan & Ian)*  
 Freda Hicks

### Thank you from Nelly Hammerling

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, flowers and visits during my surgery and recovery. A big thank you to Pastor Ron for his visits.

Love,  
Nelly

### 1/3/16, Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	113
11:00 AM	78
Sunday School	9
Sunday Offerings:	\$ 9,993.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 950.00
Total Offerings:	\$ 10,943.00

## Care & Prayer

If you know of someone who is in need of care ministry, i.e. meals, etc, please pray for them and call Louise Rickey at (634-3319). If you have a prayer need in your life, call Pastor Ron or leave your name with the church office (667-7712).

- Wayne Routt**, home, 3431 Santos Ct., Turlock, CA 95382
- Lavonne Oldson**, home, 7700 Fox Rd., C10, Hughson, CA 95326
- Nelly Hammerling**, home, 3661 Apple Blossom Lane, Turlock, CA 95382
- Faye Sutton**, home, 8414 Magnolia Drive, Hilmar, CA 95324
- Jerry Rexin**, home, 3221 Mt. View Rd., Hughson, CA 95326
- Eldeen Loretz**, Brandel Manor, 1801 N. Olive Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382

We welcome today,  
 Cooper Matthew Dillon,  
 son of Matt & Ayla Dillon,  
 who will be baptized at the  
 9:00 a.m. service.

We ask your prayers for LCMS congregations located throughout the U.S. and abroad, and the following churches in particular:

- Hosanna Lutheran, Mesa, AZ*
- St. John Lutheran, Red Bud, IL*
- Our Savior Lutheran, Glennie, MI*







## LWML Mites

Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4), the mite box is intended for regular contributions of "mites" - offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement the LWML program. Please pick up a mite box located in the LWML cubby in the Narthex and fill it. Please return your filled boxes by January 31. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Rexin at 209-261-7241.

## Dish 'n That Potluck Game Night

Join us on Sunday, January 31, at 5:00 p.m. for another game night. Please bring a dish to share. If you have any questions, please contact Mariane First at 632-7733.

## Recorded Worship Worship Services & Sermons

Sermons are recorded and available on the church website ([www.gslet.org](http://www.gslet.org)). For a full length CD recording of a worship service, contact the office (667-7712).

## Assistive Listening Devices

We want to remind the congregation and visitors that assistive listening devices are available for those with hearing issues. An usher or elder can help get the device for you. Please ask.

## Youth Activities

**Sr. High** - Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. Contact Jen de la Motte at 667-7712 for more information.

## Super Bowl Subs are Back!

Celebrate the Super Bowl on Sunday, February 7, 2016 with delicious sub sandwiches prepared by GSLC Youth for you and your guests to enjoy. The cost of subs are \$10 for a foot long or \$40 for a meat tray that includes bread. Please submit a separate order form for each sub sandwich. Orders will be taken until Jan. 31. Subs will be available in the Social Hall on February 7 after early service or late service.



## Lit 'N' Latte

Our first book selection for 2016 is the hauntingly compelling novel, *Brooklyn*, by Colm Toibin (2009). Set in 1950s Brooklyn, NY and Ireland, it is the story of a young woman torn between her family in Ireland and the American who wins her heart. We'll meet on Wednesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m. at our neighborhood Starbucks. Enjoy "reading in" the New Year!

~Pam Youngdale

## Next Adult Literacy Tutor Training

*LearningQuest - Stanislaus Literacy Centers* is providing tutor training for volunteers 18 years and older who would like to become a literacy tutor for an adult. A one-hour orientation will be held on **Thursday, January 21, 2016** followed by a training day on **Saturday, January 23**. Our *Learning Matters!* tutors attend this training in order to become a part of our adult literacy ministry here at Good Shepherd, where we are especially in need of tutors to assist students who want to prepare to take the GED/HSE exam. Please contact Pam Youngdale or Beth Kirkpatrick at 667-7712 or [lqturlock@gmail.com](mailto:lqturlock@gmail.com) for sign-up information.

## Save the Date – March 4-6, 2016

Mark your 2016 calendars for the next GSLC Women's Retreat, "*Lavender Springs Spa*", at the Villa Maria del Mar, in Santa Cruz. We're starting to plan for a time to get away from the busyness of life and just walk with God at our 11<sup>th</sup> annual retreat. A time of relaxation in a magnificent location, spent with old friends, new friends . . . what could be better?



~Pam Youngdale

## Sunday Adult Bible Study

Class will resume on TODAY at 10:20 a.m. We invite everyone to join us! Being in a Bible Study group would certainly be a great New Years Resolution! January will be mission month. Tim Brenda (the 10th) will share local missionary efforts, including a special emphasis on local Muslims; Mike Lange (the 17th) will share our district mission work; Wilson Koppula (the 24th) will share his mission to local Sikhs; The Gideons (the 31st) will up-date us on their local and world wide efforts.

~ Mitch Preus

## Food 'n Fun

Join us Thursday, January 14, at 1:30 p.m. for an afternoon of games, fellowship and snacks.

## Operation Christmas Child Update

As of Christmas Eve, we learned that the 110 Operation Christmas Child boxes that were packed by our young people under the leadership of Lisa and Grace Willming were headed to the Philippines. A big thank you to those of you who donated toys, health supplies and monetary gifts to make this project possible. In the hands of local churches, every gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship-transforming the lives of children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ!