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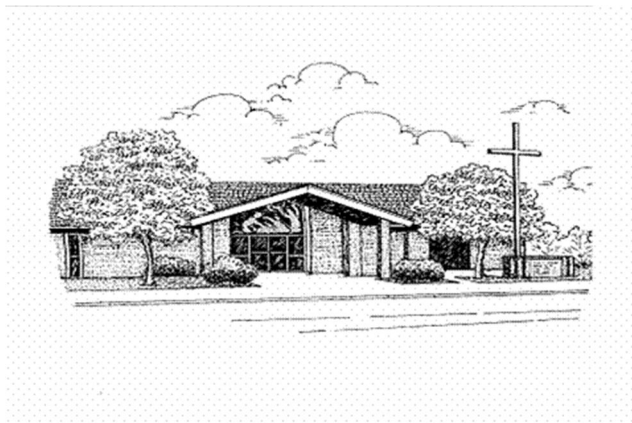
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*A gentle answer
turns away
wrath, but a
harsh word stirs
up anger.*

~Proverbs 15:1



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

February 19, 2017



Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany

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**

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (2/26) is Transfiguration Sunday. It is the day we remember Jesus' ascent up a high mountain with Peter, James and John. Jesus revealed his divinity to them and allowed them to see him talking with Moses and Elijah, who had been dead for many years. The Scripture readings for the services are: Exodus 24:8-18; Psalm 2:6-12; 2 Peter 1:16-21 and Matthew 17:1-9. The Praise Band will provide music at the 9:00 a.m. service. The Bell Choir will be providing several special anthems and the organist will lead the music at the 11:00 a.m. service. It is the last Sunday before Lent begins.

Save the Date

A 75th Anniversary dinner will be held on June 4, 4:00 p.m., at Mike and Julia Bava's place. More information will be given at a later date.

Thank You

Thank you, John Otte, and the Sunday School Staff. They provide a good environment for our children and youth to learn more about the Bible. We are grateful for their dedication to our precious people. Thank you so much! (Pastor Ron)

Mental Health

Our California-Nevada-Hawaii District is offering a workshop on "Facing the Challenges to Mental Health" on March 25, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at St Paul Lutheran Church, Tracy. A detailed brochure is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Missions Conference

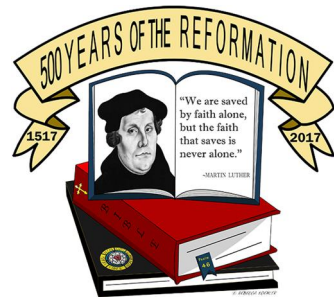
Our California-Nevada-Hawaii District is presenting a mission's conference on March 4, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Tracy. This conference is open to all. More information is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Anniversary Celebrations

Our congregation is celebrating 75 years. Also, this year is the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. In honor of those milestones, we are planning several events.

- June 4, a dinner to celebrate our 75th year as God's people in this place.
- Turlock Historical Society event honoring our 75th Anniversary (summer 2017)
- Oct. 29, a festive community worship celebration and Oktoberfest to celebrate 500 years as a people of grace
- Dec. (no date yet), a community celebration concert

Community showing of the new Luther film in a local theater (no date chosen yet) Other activities and events will keep both these milestones before our congregation and community in order to bring glory to God for all His benefits to us. More information will be provided in upcoming days.



Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (2/19) is: *God Manifests His Perfect Holiness in Christ through Compassion and Forgiveness.* God reveals His perfect holiness in compassion as "he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matt. 5:45). By His grace in Jesus Christ, we are holy just as He is holy (Lev. 19:2) and we are "God's temple" in whom "God's Spirit dwells" (1 Cor. 3:16). This gift of holiness begins with fearing, loving and trusting God above all things, and it leads us to love our neighbor as ourselves (Lev. 19:18). No longer should we practice "injustice in court." No longer should we "be partial to the poor or defer to the great." No longer should we "go around as a slanderer" among God's people. No longer should we "take vengeance or bear a grudge" (Lev. 19:15-18). Though we were His enemies, our Lord Jesus Christ has loved us and forgiven us. Nourished and sustained by His holy body and blood under the bread and wine of His holy Supper, we "shall be holy" (Lev. 19:2) even as the Lord our God is holy.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Treasurer's Financial Report General Fund

7 Months Ended January, 2017

Receipts	265,868.42
Expenditures	265,665.35
Fund Increase (Decrease)	203.07

Altar Guild Schedule

February 19
Team 3



NLT Chronological Bible Reading Plan

February 19	Leviticus 9:1-11:47
February 20	Leviticus 12:1-14:32
February 21	Leviticus 14:33-16:34
February 22	Leviticus 17:1-19:37
February 23	Leviticus 20:1-22:33
February 24	Leviticus 23:1-25:46
February 25	Leviticus 25:24-26:46

I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

~Psalm 4:8

This Week at GSLC February 20 - 26, 2017

Monday, February 20 ~ President's Day

OFFICE CLOSED
6:00 PM Volleyball
6:30 PM Bells



Tuesday, February 21

9:30 AM Bible Discovery
6:30 PM Middle Ground
6:30 PM Elders
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, February 22

6:00 AM Men's Network
5:45 PM Confirmation
5:45 PM Kingdom Quest
7:00 PM Choir

Thursday, February 23

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
1:00 PM Craft Team
6:30 PM Learning Matters
7:00 PM FPU

Friday, February 24

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

Sunday, February 26

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM BP Check
10:15 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
6:00 PM Sr. High

Serving Today, February 19

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas
Elder: Ken Fitzgerald
Ushers: Tom Alvernaz, Jim Knapp, Aaron Lucero, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald, Jenna Green
Acolyte: Joshua Fitzgerald
Lector: Bryan Krough
Sound: Jim Smith
Projection: LeRoy Gonzales

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavasch
Music Students: Jasmine Woodall, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun, Sarah Lindbergh-Lewis, Marshall Jones III
Elder: Derek Schell
Ushers: Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Greg Goodwin, Michael McCord
Acolyte: Tristan Loesche
Lector: Ken Lambert
Sound: Rob Gibson
Projection: Wayne Barber

Coffee Hour for today: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

The Altar flowers are in celebration of David Wallace's Birthday today!

Serving Next Sunday, February 26

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas
Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie
Elder: Victor Martino
Ushers: Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Gary Moore, Bryan Krough, Judy Schippits, Nick Stoll, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming, Jordyn Chance
Acolyte: Ashlan Lucero
Lector: Mark de la Motte
Sound: Tristan Flores
Projection: Andrew Preuss

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie
Elder: Jim Smith
Ushers: Tom Hoy, Lance Olson, Jon Bailey, Joel Loesche, Cameron Loesche
Acolyte: Samaire Otte
Lector: Jim Smith
Sound: John Otte
Projection: Clorinda Otte



Coffee Hour for 2/26 : 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. Shipmans/Clella Falke/Marilyn Bennett

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



Jim & Lori Smith
 Nick Smith
 Doug & Carol Sperry
 Kirk & Ruth Sperry
 Tom & Debbi Sperry
 Joe & Lois Ulrich
 Matt & Renette Ulrich
(Reese & Paige)

Please keep the family of Harold Nobbe in your prayers as they mourn his passing on February 14. Funeral arrangements are pending.

February 12, 2017 Attendance & Giving	
9:00 AM	133
11:00 AM	71
Sunday School	11
Adult Sunday School	10
Sunday Offerings:	\$7,146.25
Capital Fund:	<u>\$ 205.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$7,351.25

Care & Prayer

If you know of someone who is in need of care ministry, please pray for them and call Louise Rickey at the church (634-3319). If you have a prayer need in your life, call Pastor Ron or leave your name with the church office. Please be praying for the following people:

Kay De Bora, home, 600 Camellia St., Turlock, CA 95380
Petra Thompson, home, 16860 Songbird Dr., Delhi, CA 95315
Louise Rickey, home, 4105 Cecilia Ct., Denair, CA 95316
Betty Bailey, Turlock Nursing & Rehab., 1111 E. Tuolumne Rd., Turlock, CA 95382
Kay White-Olson, Turlock Nursing & Rehab., 1111 E. Tuolumne Rd., Turlock, CA 95382
Chuck Barnes, English Oaks, 2633 W. Rumble Rd, Modesto, CA 95350

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



First Lutheran, Huntington, MD
St. Paul Lutheran, Rugby, ND
Faith Lutheran, Maple WI

Lent Lunches 2017 Sponsored by LWML

LWML will be hosting Lent lunches at 11:30 a.m. before the Lent Worship services at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Please join us for a nutritious meal starting March 8 through April 5. Contact Judy Schippits at 216-7241 if you have any questions.



LWML Mites

We have another "Steinbeck Memorial Scholarship" recipient who was recently honored with a \$500.00 scholarship towards his higher education. His name is Karl Camp, a missionary kid from Russia. If anyone is interested in donating a "love gift" for this scholarship fund for our "Missionary Kids", you can go online to www.lwmlcnh.org/Scholarships. This is the fifth of twelve Steinbeck Scholarships for 2016. Please check out Karl Camp on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Peace I leave with you
MY PEACE
I give unto you: 
Let not your heart be
TROUBLED
neither let it be afraid.
John 14:27

Youth Activities

Sr. High

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

District Youth Gathering

3-Day Gathering for High School Students - March 24-26 in Rocklin, CA. The cost is \$80 per person before Feb. 1 and \$100 until Feb. 26. See Jen for more information.

Junior High Camp at Mt. Cross

Mark your calendars June 23 - 26 in Santa Cruz. Sign up today! More information to come.

Youth Rummage Sale

The Youth are planning a Rummage Sale as a fundraiser for their events. The sale will be held March 10 & 11 at the church, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. Contact Jen de la Motte with any donations at 324-9098 you may have.

Coats for Kids

Our congregation collected and donated over 200 coats. The total number of coats given away through Westside Ministries was around 1500. Our confirmation students helped at Westside with coat distribution one evening. The team from Westside reported they loved working with our youth.

~ Outreach Ministries



Outreach Ministries

The Outreach team met on Feb. 7.

- Valerie Stonebreaker will be in Turlock June & July. She will need housing for those two months. If anyone can provide that, please let us know.
- The Alaska Mission trip with Thirst Ministries will be 7/29–8/5. We have 12 people who are committed to attend. Fund raising events have been planned.
- A banner and business cards will be ordered for Lent/Easter. A pocket coin with John 3:16 printed on it will be available for Lent and at the Sunrise service.
- Missionary Mike Burnam will be with us on April 23 to tell us about his ministry.
- A new church brochure is being developed.
- The team is looking into the “5-3-1” Evangelism strategy for our congregation.
- Our CNH District is conducting a “Missionary People” mission conference on March 4 at St. Paul, Tracy. More information is in News & Notes and on the bulletin board in the Narthex.
- Information about the Fresno Cityfest on April 1-2 will be made available in the near future. A brochure is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Next meeting: Mar. 7, 4:45. (Becky Bailey, Margaret Routt, Judy Rexin, and Pastor Ron)

New Sunday Adult Bible Study

Ruth was the great-grandmother of David and ancestress of Jesus. This book shows God’s grace, God’s plan for our redemption and the devotion of Ruth. Class begins on Sunday, February 26 at 10:20 in the Fellowship Room. Class will be taught by David Schnurstein. David is the new principal of Turlock Christian High School.



Sunday Morning Adult Study

Outreach Team

The Outreach Team (Becky Bailey, Judy Schippits, Margaret Routt and Pastor Ron) is in need of 1-2 new people. Their purpose is to enable and equip our congregation by providing resources and practical opportunities to share the Gospel with the unchurched. We usually meet monthly for about an hour to plan and oversee how we can better reach out to our community. If you might be interested in serving with us, sign-up on your Yellow form. You are welcome to come and check us out. Thank you.

Social Ministry Team

The team met on February 7:

- The financial report was reviewed. Everything is in order.
- Pam Hoskins provided a final report on our participation in TGM meals, Jan. 22-25. It is printed in News & Notes. Overall, we think it was an other good ministry to our community. Thanks to all who helped, especially John & Danna Shipman.
- Authorizing our facilities for use by the Red Cross in an emergency is awaiting revisions to insurance needs.
- We Care meals are still being prepared by Bart Muller and delivered under the direction of Doug Paul. Thanks to all who are helping.
- A meeting about the Comfort Dog ministry will be held on Tuesday (2/7).
- Brochures about *Luther Legal League* have arrived and will be available in the Resource Center in the Social Hall.
- Our congregation is sponsoring a table at Celebrate Literacy on 3/3. It is an umbrella organization for our Learning Matters ministry. Pam Youngdale and Beth Kirkpatrick will attend the event as leaders of Learning Matters.
- A person is needed to gather resources from the County about recycling. Contact one of the team members if you would be willing to take on this task.
- The team will review materials from Bethesda Lutheran Communities.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 8:30 a.m. 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.

Lit ‘n’ Latte

We've selected *As Close to Us as Breathing*, by **Elizabeth Poliner**, a 2015 "Amazon Best Book of the Year" as our next novel. It's a multi-generational family saga about the long-lasting reverberations of the tragic summer of 1948 at "Bagel Beach," a popular destination for Jewish families in Connecticut. We'll meet on **Wednesday, April 5, at 7:30 pm*** at our neighborhood *Starbucks*. ~Pam Youngdale

*Please note we are meeting an hour later so as not to conflict with *Good Shepherd's* 6:30 Lenten service.

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.

Worship Services & Sermons

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

calendar



March Birthdays

03/02 Elaine Rainey	03/15 Linda Osburne	03/24 Josh Fitzgerald
03/02 James Hinrikus	03/16 Jo Stabelfield	03/25 Don Bak
03/03 Jennifer de la Motte	03/17 Zachary Harcksen	03/25 Clella Falke
03/03 Antigone Amaya	03/17 Stephanie Baker	03/26 Jessica Envia
03/04 Amber Evanoff	03/21 Shannon Fortuna	03/27 Samaire Otte
03/05 Maryann Schmidt	03/21 Kayla Hanson	03/29 Karl Jahn
03/06 Kyle Rickey	03/21 Soni Hill	03/29 Freddy Cross
03/10 Dewey Bankson	03/21 David Yonan	03/29 Marian MacDonald
03/12 Jeff Chance	03/21 Jordyn Chance	03/30 Kay Wallace
03/12 Dale Belyea	03/22 Wayne Van Gaalen	03/31 Nancy Widdowson
03/13 Jerry Rexin	03/23 Matthew Christian	
03/14 Andrea Hildebrand	03/23 Rich Desper	
03/14 Debbie Sperry	03/23 Samantha Hart	
03/14 Debbie Wilson		

March Wedding Anniversaries

03/01	Troy & Jen de la Motte
03/04	Dewey & Taryn Bankson
03/06	John & Danna Shipman
03/18	Bob & Wendy Brandeberry
03/22	Rob & Patsy Geiger
03/28	Dave & Cyndi Gale
03/28	Jim & Lori Smith
03/30	Tony Inzana & Laverne Berger Inzana

