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“Open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.”

~John 4:35



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

February 28, 2016

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/6) is the 4th Sunday in Lent. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Isaiah 12:1-6; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32. The Praise Band will lead the music at 9:00 a.m. The organist will lead the music at 11:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir will sing at the 11:00 a.m. service. Holy Communion will be offered at both services.

Lent 2016

The Lent season began on Ash Wednesday. The Lord's Prayer is our template for the weekday and Sunday services. The theme is **“Prayer Power! – Empowered to Be Engaged.”** Four Lenten worship opportunities are offered this week: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. The Tuesday and Thursday group meet in the Social Hall.

Holy Week Worship

Two services will be offered during Holy Week. A Maundy Thursday (3/24) service at 7:00 p.m. will include Holy Communion. The message will be presented as the 12 disciples reflect on their relationship with Jesus. The Good Friday (3/25) service at 7:00 p.m. will be a Service of Darkness, including music from the Chancel Choir. Invite a friend to these services. Both will add to our preparation for celebrating the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday (3/27).

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**

Elder Ministry Team

The Elders met on February 22, 2016. Here is a summary of the meeting:

- Care ministry needs were discussed. Several cards were sent.
- Pastor Ron’s report focused on information about the Best Practices for Ministry in Phoenix, AZ. Jen de la Motte, Tony Lorenzo, Mitch Preus and Pastor Ron attended it.
- The usher duties were discussed after revisions had been made. The procedure for Holy Communion will be added and the duties reviewed in March.
- Elder assignments for the remaining Lent services and Holy Week were reviewed.
- The Elder Outcomes were reviewed and prepared for the upcoming Ministry Teams and Council meeting on 2/29.
- A list for people to serve on Elders was started. Individual elders will contact the people on the list.
- Chapter 12 in “Why Nobody Wants to go to Church Anymore” was discussed.
- The next Elder’s meeting is scheduled for Mar. 28, 6:30 p.m.

(Dave Gale, Charlie Jahn, Ken Fitzgerald, Victor Martino, Jim Bollinger, Derek Schell, Jim Smith, Rick Kaepernick and Pastor Ron)



Today’s Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (2/28) is: *Jesus Calls You to Repentance*. “Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish” (Luke 13:3, 5). By this warning, the Lord would turn us away from wickedness and bring us to life in Himself. For He is patient with us, that we not be cut down in our sin but live and bear fruit in Him. As He lives, the Lord has “no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live” (Ezek. 33:11). So the Scriptures have been “written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come” (1 Cor. 10:11), that we should not desire evil but trust in Christ. He alone is faithful, the Rock who feeds us with His “spiritual food” and pours out His “spiritual drink” (1 Cor. 10:3–4).



AmazonSmile Foundation

Good Shepherd has received a donation of \$20.35 from AmazonSmile Donation as a result of the AmazonSmile program activity between October 1 and December 31, 2015. Remember, when you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Good Shepherd. Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2327998> and support Good Shepherd every time you shop.

Altar Guild For Month of February

Terry Goodwin
Lyn Brock
Sandy Mann

For Month of March

Sandie Knapp
Traci Preuss
Debbie Judish



The One Year Thru the Bible

February 28	1 Samuel 16:1-17:58
February 29	1 Samuel 18:1-20:42
March 1	1 Samuel 21:1-26:25
March 2	1 Samuel 21:1-26:25
March 3	1 Samuel 27:1-31:13
March 4	2 Samuel 1:1-4:12
March 5	2 Samuel 5:1-7:29

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

~Hebrews 11:1

This Week at GSLC February 29 - March 6

Monday, February 29

6:30 PM Handbells
6:30 PM Learning Matters!
7:00 PM FPU
7:00 PM Ministry Team/Council Mtg

Tuesday, March 1

8:30 AM Social Ministry Team
9:30 AM Bible Discovery
1:30 PM Knitting
6:30 PM Lent Worship
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, March 2

6:00 AM Men’s Network
11:30 PM Lent Luncheon
12:30 PM Lent Worship
6:30 PM Lent Worship
6:30 PM Confirmation
6:30 PM Kingdom Quest
7:00 PM Choir

Thursday, March 3

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
1:00 PM Craft Team
6:30 PM Learning Matters!
7:00 PM Lent Worship

Friday, March 4

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

Women leave for Retreat

Saturday, March 5

Women at Retreat

Sunday, March 6

9:00 AM Worship
10:20 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
6:00 PM Sr. High

Women return from Retreat

Serving Today, February 28

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Music: Praise Band

Organist: Linda Buie

Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick

Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie

Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays

Elder: Jim Smith

Ushers: Eileen Mitchell, Michael Barber, Summer Barber, Mikayla Schmidt

Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie

Acolyte: Elizabeth Fisher

Elder: Victor Martino

Lector: Tony Paul

Ushers: Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Bryan Krough, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming,

Sound: John Otte

Acolyte: Ashlan Lucero

Projection: Clorinda Otte

Lector: LeRoy Gonzales

Sound: Kevin Rickey

Projection: Wayne Barber

Coffee Hour for Today: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. John & Danna Shipman

Altar Flowers for today are provided by Troy & Jen de la Motte in celebration of their Wedding Anniversary

Serving Next Sunday, March 6

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Music: Praise Band

Organist: Linda Buie

Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick

Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavash

Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays

Music Students: Jasmine Woodall, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun

Elder: Charlie Jahn

Elder: Jim Bollinger

Ushers: Derald Dunn, Dave Geiger, Rob Hillberg, Dave Judish, Ed Juncker, Margaret Routt, Glen Stabelfeld, Calvin Baker, Hannah Judish, Maddie Welch

Ushers: Beth Bollinger, Larry DeBora, Marvin Larson, Steve & Eileen Mitchell, Jay Oldson, Nathan Schmidt

Acolyte: Caden Lindquist

Acolyte: Sarah Graser

Lector: Abby Hawkinson

Lector: Dave Judish

Sound: Bill First

Sound: Doug Paul

Projection: Mark Grobner

Projection: Storm Graser

Coffee Hour for 3/6: 9:00 a.m. Judy Ranheim & Chanin Young / 11:00 a.m. Petra Thompson & Nancy Widdlowson

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



Konrad & Irmgard Hack
Kathy Hagen
Debbie Hall-Koftinow
Nelly Hammerling
Mae Landess
Mike & Donna Langgle

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



Faith Lutheran, Saint Robert, MO
Trinity Lutheran, Broken Arrow, OK
Mount Zion Lutheran, Greenfield, WI

<u>2/21/16, Attendance & Giving</u>	
9:00 AM	159
11:00 AM	88
Sunday School	29
Sunday Offerings:	\$ 6,422.05
Capital Fund:	\$ _____ .00
Total Offerings:	\$ 6,422.05

Care & Prayer

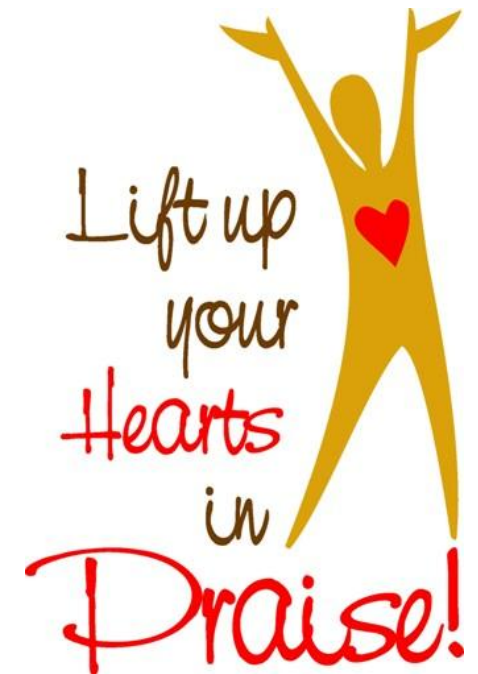
If you know of someone who is in need of care ministry, i.e. meals, etc, please pray for them and call Louise Rickey at (634-3319). If you have a prayer need in your life, call Pastor Ron or leave your name with the church office (667-7712).

Laura de la Motte, home, 2630 Marlee Dr., Turlock, CA 95380

Ernie Conner, home, 3166 Station Avenue, Atwater, CA 95301

Scott Welch, home, 2960 Paseo Entrada, Turlock, CA 95382

Derald Dunn, Emanuel Medical Center, 825 Delbon Ave., Turlock, CA 95382



**One More Week . . .
Your Spa Weekend Awaits!
March 4-6, 2016**

All women registered for the retreat should have received an information letter, including the weekend schedule, list of participants, and what to bring. Let me know if yours didn't arrive! Unless you have made other arrangements, your registration balance is due today, Sunday, February 28. We can't wait to see you at the Villa!

~Pam Youngdale & "Team Retreat"
Ps.116:7

Easter Brunch

Easter brunch is quickly approaching. We are looking for donations and helpers to make it a success. We are in need of: eggs for omelets, bacon, Krusteaz pancake mix (Costco size), milk, sausage, veggies for omelets, syrup, strawberries, and or cash donations to purchase the above items. All items need to be dropped off at the church by Friday March 26th. Last year was a huge success due to the many volunteers who helped cook and clean up. Please see your yellow form to sign up or talk to Troy de la Motte @ 209-605-0732.

**Easter Sunrise Worship
March 27, 2016 at 6:00 a.m.**

Our Easter Sunrise worship will again be at the Biblical Gardens, 5812 N. Walnut Road, Turlock. We are in need of volunteers for this service. Please see your Yellow form to see how you can help.

Youth Activities

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

Jr. & Sr. High - Boardwalk Spring Overnight March 18-19, 2016

Join us for an overnight adventure you will never forget! This special event is packed with rides, arcade games, dinner, movie, sleepover inside the Boardwalk's Coconut Grove, and much more fun! Cost is \$70 - register with Jen before March 1st.

Co-ed Softball

The church softball team is recruiting players for the upcoming season. The season will begin in April. Games are on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursday evenings from 6-8:30 at various churches in town. You must be 13 years old or older to play. Cost to play is \$25 for a shirt if you do not already have one. Sign up on the yellow form or talk to Troy de la Motte.

Kitchen Towel Washing

Barbara Spratling has been taking care of our kitchen towel washing for a while and is not able to do it any longer. We need someone to take over this responsibility. The towels need to be picked up and laundered once a week. If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the Yellow form.

Lit 'N' Latte

Our next book selection is from the non-fiction genre, Ruth Wariner's memoir, *The Sound of Gravel*. A January Costco Book Pick and recipient of stellar reviews, it's her account of growing up in a polygamist community in Mexico, with a few stints spent in the U.S.

Due to *Good Shepherd's* Wednesday Lenten services, we will still meet but at a little later time. Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 9, 7:30 pm**, at our neighborhood *Starbucks* to discuss a book that "movingly proves that we are all more than our circumstances."

~Pam Youngdale



**Dish 'n That Potluck
Game Night**

Join us TONIGHT, February 28 at 5:00 for a fun evening of dinner and games. Contact Mariane First at 632-7733 with any questions.



Craft Faire 2016

Craft Ideas

The Craft Faire group that meets on Friday afternoons would like your input. Let us know what crafts you would like to share with the group. Please list your suggestions on the yellow form.

Craft Faire Planning

We are beginning to plan for Craft Faire 2016, November 10, 11, & 12. Please join our planning meeting on March 13 at 10:15 a.m. in the Overflow Room and give us your input. Contact Jean White at 669-8840 or Sandy Mann at 634-8213 with any questions.



**Recorded Worship
Worship Services & Sermons**

Sermons are recorded and available on the church website (www.gs1ct.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.