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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 4<sup>th</sup> 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

<b>February 28</b>	1 Samuel 16:1-17:58
<b>February 29</b>	1 Samuel 18:1-20:42
<b>March 1</b>	1 Samuel 21:1-26:25
<b>March 2</b>	1 Samuel 21:1-26:25
<b>March 3</b>	1 Samuel 27:1-31:13
<b>March 4</b>	2 Samuel 1:1-4:12
<b>March 5</b>	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  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays  
**Handbell Director:** Kathie Mackie  
**Elder:** Victor Martino  
**Ushers:** Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Bryan Krough, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming,  
**Acolyte:** Ashlan Lucero  
**Lector:** LeRoy Gonzales  
**Sound:** Kevin Rickey  
**Projection:** Wayne Barber

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Handbell Director:** Kathie Mackie  
**Elder:** Jim Smith  
**Ushers:** Eileen Mitchell, Michael Barber, Summer Barber, Mikayla Schmidt  
**Acolyte:** Elizabeth Fisher  
**Lector:** Tony Paul  
**Sound:** John Otte  
**Projection:** Clorinda Otte

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  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays  
**Elder:** Charlie Jahn  
**Ushers:** Derald Dunn, Dave Geiger, Rob Hillberg, Dave Judish, Ed Juncker, Margaret Routt, Glen Stabelfeld, Calvin Baker, Hannah Judish, Maddie Welch  
**Acolyte:** Caden Lindquist  
**Lector:** Abby Hawkinson  
**Sound:** Bill First  
**Projection:** Mark Grobner

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavash  
**Music Students:** Jasmine Woodall, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun  
**Elder:** Jim Bollinger  
**Ushers:** Beth Bollinger, Larry DeBora, Marvin Larson, Steve & Eileen Mitchell, Jay Oldson, Nathan Schmidt  
**Acolyte:** Sarah Graser  
**Lector:** Dave Judish  
**Sound:** Doug Paul  
**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:



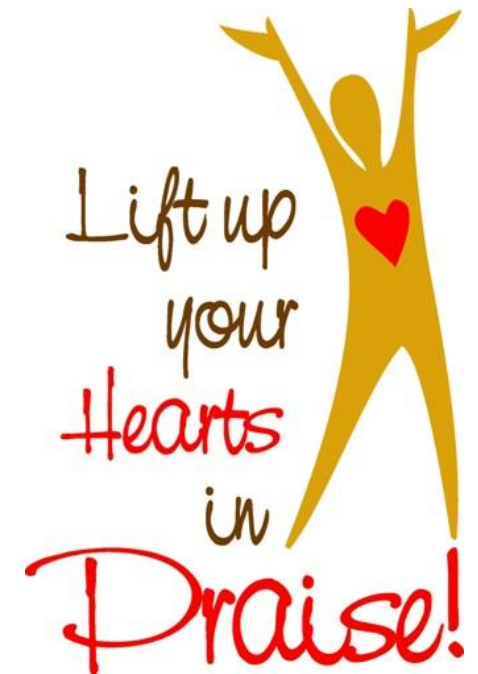
*Faith Lutheran, Saint Robert, MO*  
*Trinity Lutheran, Broken Arrow, OK*  
*Mount Zion Lutheran, Greenfield, WI*

<u>2/21/16, Attendance &amp; 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 26<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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.