

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
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*For the  
word of God  
is living and  
active.*

*~Hebrews 4:12*



#### **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**

March 20, 2016

### **Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC**

Next Sunday (3/27) is the Sunday of the Resurrection, Easter Sunday. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Deuteronomy 32:36-39; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40. 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.

### **Easter Sunrise Worship**

A Sunrise service will be offered at 6:00 a.m. at the de la Motte Biblical Gardens, 5812 N. Walnut, Turlock. This is one of our biggest opportunities to share the Gospel with our community. Last year we had almost 200 people in attendance, most of them were not members of our congregation. We hope you will take the opportunity to invite someone to attend that service. We have invitation cards available by the church office window in the Narthex. Pray the Holy Spirit will work through His Word to touch the hearts and lives of those who attend.

### **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 the question, "Is it I?". 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).

## Scholarship - Did You Know?

If you or your child are attending a LCMS School... You could be eligible to receive a scholarship from our church through the Endowment Fund! The application is available on our website ~

([www.gslct.org](http://www.gslct.org))~ or a paper copy can be picked up in the church office. *The applications must be submitted by April 30<sup>th</sup> 2016.* If you have any questions please ask one of us

~ The Endowment Fund Committee  
(Louise Rickey, Chris Lucero, Mark de la Motte, Patsy Geiger, Don Strand)



## Faith Basics

A new Faith Basics course begins on April 28, 2016. Six sessions (7:00 – 9:00 p.m.) are offered for those who want to know more about the basic teachings in the Bible and about our Lutheran Church. This is a main path to membership in our church. Talk to Pastor Ron and/or see your Yellow form for more info (667-7712). Daytime hours will be available if needed. The schedule is as follows:

- FB 101 (4 sessions) – Who God Is: The Bible 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
- FB 201 (1 session) – Who We Are: Our Church, History & Ministries 5/26
- FB 301 (1 session) – Who You Are: Your Ministry Opportunities 6/2

## Today's Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/20) is: *The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory.* The King of Israel comes into His royal glory by the path of humble obedience “to the point of death, even death on a cross” (Phil. 2:8). He “goes as it has been determined” (Luke 22:22), according to the Scriptures, willingly submitting to His Father’s plan for the salvation of sinners. “Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9). His suffering and death open the way of repentance for the forgiveness of sins because He goes to the cross bearing the sins of the world. In His resurrection, God the Father vindicates His people and has compassion on His servants (Deut. 32:36). He kills to make alive; He wounds in order to heal. In remembrance of Him, we praise God, confessing “that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Phil. 2:11).



## 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.

Altar Guild  
For Month of March  
Sandie Knapp  
Traci Preuss  
Debbie Judish



## The One Year Thru the Bible

|                 |                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>March 20</b> | 2 Kings 14:1-17:41      |
| <b>March 21</b> | 2 Kings 28:1-21; 18:26  |
| <b>March 22</b> | 2 Kings 22:1-25:30      |
| <b>March 23</b> | 1 Chronicles 1:1-9:44   |
| <b>March 24</b> | 1 Chronicles 10:1-12:40 |
| <b>March 25</b> | 1 Chronicles 13:1-17:27 |
| <b>March 26</b> | 1 Chronicles 17:1-22:1  |

*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

~Galatians 6:9

## This Week at GSLC March 21-27

### Monday, March 21

6:30 PM Elders  
6:30 PM Handbells  
6:30 PM NAMI  
7:00 PM Council

### Tuesday, March 22

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

### Wednesday, March 23

6:00 AM Men's Network  
6:30 PM Confirmation (7&8 only)  
7:00 PM Choir  
7:30 PM Maundy Thurs. Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 24 - Maundy Thursday

7:00 PM Worship

### Friday, March 25 - Good Friday (Office Closed)

6:00 AM Men's Life  
7:00 PM Worship

### Sunday, March 27 - Easter

6:00 AM Sunrise Worship  
9:00 AM Worship  
10:00 AM Blood Pressure Check  
10:00 AM Easter Brunch  
11:00 AM Worship



## Serving Today, March 20 ~ Palm Sunday

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band

**Elder:** Ken Fitzgerald

**Ushers:** Tom & Joanne Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Aaron Lucero, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald

**Acolyte:** Joshua Fitzgerald

**Lector:** Amy Fitzgerald

**Sound:** Jim Smith

**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales



**Organist:** Linda Buie

**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavasch

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

**Elder:** Dave Gale

**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Cyndi Gale, Doug Paul, John McCord, Michael McCord

**Acolyte:** Tristan Loesche

**Lector:** Jean White

**Sound:** TBA

**Projection:** Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for Today: 9:00 am Judish, Schell & Knapp Families/ 11:00 a.m. McCord & Gibson Families

Altar Flowers for today are provided by Rob and Patsy Geiger in celebration of their 30th Wedding Anniversary

## Serving Next Sunday, March 27 ~ Easter

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

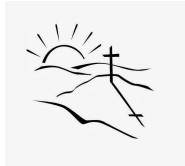
**Ushers:** Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Bryan Krough, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming,

**Acolyte:** Ashlan Lucero

**Lector:** Steven Trow

**Sound:** Kevin Rickey

**Projection:** Wayne Barber



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**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavasch

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

**Elder:** Jim Smith

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

**Acolyte:** Robert Gibson

**Lector:** Eileen Mitchell

**Sound:** John Otte

**Projection:** Clorinda Otte

Join us Easter Sunday in the Social Hall for Easter Brunch between services!

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



Jan & Jennie Backstrom  
Lilli Backstrom  
Stuart Backstrom  
Jon & Becky Bailey  
Warren Bailey  
Wayne & Betty Bailey  
Joel & Amanda Thomazin

Go to the village  
ahead of you,  
and as you enter it,  
you will find a  
colt tied there,  
which no one has  
ever ridden.



Luke 19:30

### 3/13/16, Attendance & Giving

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| 9:00 AM           | 129         |
| 11:00 AM          | 80          |
| Sunday School     | 27          |
| Sunday Offerings: | \$ 8,652.75 |
| Capital Fund:     | \$ 160.00   |
| Total Offerings:  | \$ 8,812.75 |

### 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

**Jerry Rexin**, home, 3221 Mt. View Rd., Hughson, CA 95326

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

**Eldeen Loretz**, home, 2125 N. Olive Ave., S-26, Turlock, CA 95382

**Nick Truax**, West Point

**Veva Larson**, home, 500 N. Tully Rd., Spc. 44, Turlock, CA 95380

**Rick Geiger**, Emanuel Medical Center, 825 Delbon, Turlock, CA 95382

**Eileen Mitchell**, Emanuel Medical Center, 825 Delbon, Turlock, CA 95382

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

*Our Savior Lutheran, Joliet, IL*  
*Immanuel Lutheran, Laurel, NE*  
*Trinity Lutheran, Walden, NY*



## GSLC Women's Retreat March 4-6, 2016 Santa Cruz, CA

All 31 women have safely returned from the rainy, rejuvenating *Lavender Springs Spa* retreat at the Villa Maria del Mar. We are grateful for your prayers! The large poster recently displayed in the fellowship room was a focal part of the retreat. It contains words and phrases from our study of the Book of Psalms *praising* God, acknowledging Him for his *wisdom*, for *affirming* us as we journey through life, and *thanking* Him for all He is doing in our lives.

Thank you to the congregation for supporting this ministry to our women. Proceeds from the Craft Fair and generous donors also made it possible for many more women to attend this year so they could be touched by God's word, His creation, and His people. He really did some amazing things!

~Pam Youngdale  
Ps.116:7



## Lutheran Witness Magazine

It's that time again to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness Magazine for 2016. The cost of the 1 year subscription is \$16.00. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 667-7712.

## Youth Activities

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

## 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 6:00-8:30 p.m. 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 @ 209-605-0732.

## Adult Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study Class that has been meeting Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Cooper House is changing days. They will now meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Their first class will meet Wednesday, March 30, in the front room of the Cooper House. If you have any questions, contact Linda Jahn at 668-8324.

## 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).

## Lit 'N' Latte

Our next book, *The Kashmir Shawl* by Rosie Thomas (2013), is set in India. The novel is described as a "sweeping, multigenerational tale of marriage and isolation" and "a tribute to the power of finding love in the most magical, unexpected places." We'll meet to discuss it and other enjoyable reads on Wednesday, **April 20, 6:30 pm**, at our neighborhood *Starbucks*.

~Pam Youngdale



## Outreach Ministries

The Outreach team met on March 8.

- Information about Alvina Federwitz (LBT) and Vicar Doua Xiong (Hmong Ministry) will be printed in N&N
- The Dave Horn Concert was well received and the postcards/handouts were used to invite people.
- A new banner for Lent has been displayed outside.
- The Best Practices Conference (2/18 – 2/20) was attended by Tony Lorenzo, Mitch Preus, Jen de la Motte, Pastor Ron. Many of their ideas for implementation were focused on outreach. More information will be given over the next few months.

- Our congregation will sponsor a dinner for Missionary Gospel Fellowship's Annual Conference on Aug. 8, 5:30 p.m.
  - Postcard invitations for the Sunrise service will be distributed beginning 3/13.
  - Gospel Story crosses will be attached to the handout flashlights at the Sunrise service
  - The budget for 2016-2017 was prepared
  - The team will sponsor the *Frontiers 30-day Reading Guide* in August 2016.
  - A SMART Outcome to address the Big Rock for 2016-2017 was adopted: Youth and children were equipped to bring the Gospel to their friends.
  - Several other outcomes were adopted: (1) A mission trip was completed in 2017; (2) The congregation was introduced to new mission groups; (3) Our congregation sponsored a Christmas parade entry in 2016 that was a large manger with large lighted cross and people walking beside it to emphasize people walking in darkness have seen a great light (Isaiah).
  - A new church brochure is being developed.
  - New children coloring books with the Gospel message in English and Spanish were ordered to distribute at the Tuesday Sales Yard.
- Next meeting: April 19, 4:30 p.m. (Becky Bailey, Margaret Routt, Judy Rexin, and Pastor Ron)

CALENDAR

# April Birthdays

04/02 Tony Paul  
04/03 Tom Sperry  
04/03 Ted Philabaum  
04/04 Stella Lorenzo  
04/04 Jim Harlan  
04/04 Craig Baker  
04/05 Wes Monier  
04/05 William Hoskins  
04/06 Marty Mann  
04/08 Becky Bailey  
04/08 Aiden Brown  
04/08 Tiffany Santoro  
04/09 Shubert Envia  
04/09 Tom Baldwin  
04/10 Lisa Fernandes  
04/10 Tyler Kelley  
04/10 Paul Borchardt  
04/11 Betty Bailey  
04/11 Lonnie Bennett  
04/13 Payton Hawkinson



04/14 Noah Lawrence  
04/15 Nellie Hammerling  
04/16 Lori Smith  
04/16 Kirk Sperry  
04/16 Cole Kelley  
04/17 Darin Kelley  
04/17 Amelia Schell  
04/18 Katie Kelley  
04/18 Jessica Jackson  
04/19 Valerie Stonebreaker  
04/19 Betty Hillberg  
04/20 Joel Geiger  
04/21 Austin Hall  
04/22 Cherie Bowen  
04/23 Cody Oldson  
04/26 Caden Lindquist  
04/27 Kirsten Fritchle  
04/28 Cyndi Gale  
04/28 Joey Clark  
04/30 Shannon Clark

# April Anniversaries



04/08 Aaron & Chris Lucero  
04/08 Evan & Kelly Hitt  
04/10 Kori & Susan Prier  
04/10 Wayne & Louise Rickey  
04/20 Tom & Cindy Chapman  
04/20 Brian & Tami Dickens  
04/21 David & Marian MacDonald  
04/22 Carl & Betty Hillberg  
04/25 Derek & Tracie Schell  
04/30 Darin & Katie Kelley