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*Jesus Christ is  
the same  
yesterday and  
today and  
forever.*

*~Hebrews 13:8*



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

September 10, 2017

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

Next Sunday (9/17) is **Back to Church Sunday**. The appointed Scripture readings are: Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-12; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35. At the 9:00 a.m. Contemporary service the Praise Band will lead worship music. At the 11:00 a.m. Classic service the organist will lead the music. We hope to give people a reason to be back in worship by letting them know we care. If you are aware of someone who has not been with us for a while, use this Sunday as a good “excuse” to invite them.

## **Relief Efforts**

Please continue to pray for the people along the Gulf Coast dealing with the aftereffects of Hurricane/Tropical Storm Harvey. Pray for the Texas District of the LCMS, which is coordinating relief efforts. If you want more information about the work of our Church Denomination's efforts or if you want to contribute to assist in their efforts, please call them or check out their website: (800) 951-3478, <https://txlcms.org/how-can-i-help-hurricane-harvey> One other place to check on relief efforts is Lutheran Church Charities, (866) 455-6466, <http://www.lutheranchurchcharities.org>

## **New Luther Movie**

Our congregation is sponsoring a showing of the new Luther movie, *Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World*. We are scheduled to host a showing on Thursday, Oct. 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Turlock Theater. In order for the event to happen, we need to have 97 people to reserve tickets. You can check out the details, preview the trailer and reserve tickets at <http://luthermovie.link/Turlock> or talk to Paula Hansen or call the church office (667-7712).



## **Sunday Schedule**

9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:20 a.m. Bible 4 U  
11:00 a.m. Worship

## **Ministry Staff**

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

**Community Focused  
to be  
Community Engaged**

**GSLC WiFi  
Access Code  
af0000000**

**For Online Giving**  
[www.gslct.org](http://www.gslct.org)  
("Contribute Online"  
button)

### We Care Men's Shelter

The Shelter will begin serving meals in Sept. and will continue throughout the year. Our congregation has been asked to provide meals two times each month for 12 months. Bart Muller will continue to serve as the meal coordinator. We have someone to coordinate the serving teams. Now we need people who are willing to serve once, once in a while or often. Please sign up on the Yellow Form if you can help bring the food to the shelter, serve the food, return and clean the pots and pans. The time commitment is about one hour each time. We provide meals on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. Talk to anyone from the Social Ministry Team: Beth Bollinger, Pam Hoskins, Judy Ranheim, Nancy Widdowson, Danna Shipman or Pastor Ron. Thank you.

### Financial Peace University

Jim Knapp will lead another class of Financial Peace University beginning tomorrow night, Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. This is a 9-week course that teaches God's way of handling money. To register, go to Good Shepherd's website [www.gslct.org](http://www.gslct.org) and click on the Financial Peace University link and purchase your class materials for \$93.00. If you have any questions, contact Jim Knapp at 209-380-0528.

### Church Flowerbeds

"Hi my name is Cameron Loesche and I am working on an Eagle Project to support the Church. The project is to renovate the flowerbeds outside of the social hall and in the courtyard in between the buildings. What I would like to request from the congregation is your support financially and spiritually. 55-60% of the goal has been reached. I will set up a table in the social hall after each service today and next Sunday for anyone that would like to learn more." Thank you.

### Sunday Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (9/10) is: **Living as Humble Little Children of the Father.** True greatness is not self-sufficient strength, but humility like that of a little child. The greatness of child-like faith receives all good things as gracious gifts from our Father in heaven. Apart from such faith, "you will never enter the kingdom of heaven," but whoever is humbled like a little child will be "the greatest in the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 18:3-4). Though in our sin we deserve to be "drowned in the depth of the sea" (Matt. 18:6), we have instead been drowned ("buried") with Christ in Baptism and then raised to the new, humble life of a child of God. The Lord sends His watchman to warn us with a word from His mouth, in order that we may not die in our iniquity, but be turned from our pride and selfishness to live (Ezek. 33:7-9). Thus we live in humility and faith before God as well as in love for our neighbor, which "is the fulfilling of the law" (Rom. 13:10). In the reverent fear of God, we do no harm to our neighbor, but we "pay to all what is owed to them" (Rom. 13:7) and we "owe no one anything, except to love each other" (Rom. 13:8).

### Altar Guild September 10

Bonnie Muller, Sharon Jensen,  
Wendy Brandeberry, Lori Smith,  
Nancy Thormahlen, Beth Bollinger

### NLT Chronological Bible Reading Plan

- September 10** Daniel 10:1-12:13;  
Ezra 4:24-5:1;  
Haggai 1:1-15
- September 11** Haggai 2:1-23;  
Zechariah 1:1-5:11;  
Ezra 5:2
- September 12** Zechariah 6:1-8:23;  
Ezra 5:3-6:14a
- September 13** Zechariah 8:1-14:21
- September 14** Ezra 6:14b-22;  
Ezra 4:6;  
Esther 1:1-4:17
- September 15** Esther 5:1-10:3
- September 16** Ezra 4:7-23;  
Ezra 7:1-8:36

*"The Lord is my helper; I will  
not be afraid. What can man  
do to me?"*

*~Hebrews 13:6*

### This Week at GSLC September 11-17

#### Monday, September 11

- 6:30 PM Learning Matters!
- 6:30 PM Bells
- 7:00 PM FPU

#### Tuesday, September 12

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

#### Wednesday, September 13

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

#### Thursday, September 14

- 9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
- 1:00 PM Stitches & Quilts
- 1:30 PM Food 'n Fun
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters
- 6:30 PM Comfort Dog Info Mtg

#### Friday, September 15

- 6:00 AM Men's Life
- 11:00 AM LWML Meeting
- 1:00 PM Craft Team

#### Sunday, September 17

- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:20 AM Bible 4 U
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 5:00 PM Empty Nesters
- 6:00 PM Sr. High



**September 24 at 12:30 PM**

## Serving Today, September 10

9:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Shiloh Roten  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas  
**Elder:** Mark de la Motte  
**Ushers:** Wayne Rickey, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Andrew Preuss, Fallon Evans, Joshua Fitzgerald  
**Acolyte:** Jessie Chance  
**Lector:** Sharon Jensen  
**Sound:** Doug Paul  
**Projection:** Rob Hillberg

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:** Ken Lambert  
**Ushers:** Wayne Bailey, John Shipman, Joe Ulrich, James Hinrikus, Kaitlin Hinrikus, Carl Paul, Kylie Paul, Andrea Dunn  
**Acolyte:** Sarah Dunn  
**Lector:** Jennifer Hinrikus  
**Sound:** Dave Gale  
**Projection:** Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for today: 9:00 a.m. Bob & Pam Hoskins / 11:00 a.m.: Agnieszka & Scott White

The Altar Flowers for today are provided by Sharon Jensen in memory of Jay Jensen

## Serving Next Sunday, September 17

9:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Shiloh Roten  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas  
**Elder:** LeRoy Gonzales  
**Ushers:** Tom Alvernaz, Jim Knapp, Aaron Lucero, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald, Ashlan Lucero, Jenna Green  
**Acolyte:** Logan MacKenzie  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** TBA

11:00 AM

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Elder:** Derek Schell  
**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Greg Goodwin, Michael McCord  
**Acolyte:** Tristan Loesche  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Rob Gibson  
**Projection:** Wayne Barber

BACK TO  
**CHURCH**  
 SUNDAY™

Coffee Hour for 9/17: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. John & Danna Shipman

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



Jon & Becky Bailey  
 Warren Bailey  
 Wayne & Betty Bailey  
 Dolores Thomas  
 Joel & Amanda Thomazin  
 Petra Thompson

*My peace*  
 I give unto you  
 Let not your heart  
 be troubled,  
 neither let it be afraid.



*John 14:27*

### 9/3/17, Attendance & Giving

|                                 |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 9:00 AM                         | 140                |
| 11:00 AM                        | 106                |
| Bible 4 U Children (no classes) |                    |
| Bible 4 U Adults (no classes)   |                    |
| Sunday Offerings:               | \$12,285.00        |
| Capital Fund:                   | <u>\$ 1,752.00</u> |
| Total Offerings:                | \$14,009.00        |

## Care & Prayer

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

**Lyn Brock**, home, 1300 Cahill Avenue, Turlock, CA 95380

**Sandy Rethwisch**, home, 3760 Bert Crane Rd., Atwater, CA 95301

**Elfriede Schmidt**, home, 982 Ashford Dr., Turlock, CA 95382

**Petra Thompson**, Turlock Nursing & Rehab., 1111 E. Tuolumne Rd., Turlock, CA 95382

**Joyce Chelgren**, Sequoia @ Covenant Village, 2125 N. Olive Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382

**Jerry Rexin**, home, 1101 E. Tuolumne Rd., #129, Turlock, CA 95382



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

*Christ Lutheran, Breckenridge, CO*  
*Faith Lutheran, Butler, PA*  
*Trinity Lutheran, Gillette, WY*



### **LCC K9 Comfort Dog Update\* to the Update!**

Two opportunities to learn about having a *Lutheran Church Charities K9 Comfort Dog* ministry at *Good Shepherd* will be offered in September. You will hear how the ministry aligns with our church vision "Community Focused to be Community Engaged," the advantages of such a ministry for Turlock, the surrounding community and beyond, the various ways anyone can be involved, and how the ministry will be funded. Anyone interested is invited to attend either one of the meetings:

|          |                       |
|----------|-----------------------|
| Sunday   | September 10          |
|          | 4:00 pm/Fellowship Rm |
| Thursday | September 14          |
|          | 6:30 pm/Fellowship Rm |

We're looking forward to presenting the ministry, viewing some informative video clips, and brainstorming ministry ideas.

\*Additionally, both Aaron and Reuben Comfort Dogs will be back to worship with us at both services on Sunday, September 24. Their handlers will be available to answer questions about the ministry during the Sunday School hour. Both teams will join us afterwards for fun, food, belly rubs, and training demonstrations at the church picnic at Crane Park. We'll look forward to seeing you there! *K9 Comfort Dog* Committee – Tom Hoy, Susan Prier, Judy Ranheim, Pam Youngdale - coordinator

### **Youth Activities**

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

### **Winter Jam**

Nov. 11th - Cost is \$30 - Jr & Sr. High Youth - Winter Jam is an incredible evening of live concerts by the top artists in Christian music, plus worship and ministry, to encourage believers and share the good news with those who have yet to trust Christ.

### **Middle Ground Returns**

Middle Ground will begin on September 12 at 6:30 p.m. We will start a new class using the Lutheran Hour Ministry DVD called "A Man Named Luther". This is the 3rd DVD to celebrate the Reformation. All are invited to join us. Contact Mitch Preus for more information at 571-0264.

### **Save the Dates**

The Church picnic is scheduled for September 24 at Crane Park after morning worship.



Oktoberfest is scheduled for October 29, 5:00 p.m., in our Social Hall. Plan on bringing a friend!



### **Senior Luncheon Thursday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m.**

All seniors are invited to gather for a special luncheon on Thursday, September 21, at 11:30 a.m. A \$5.00 offering will cover the cost of the luncheon. If you are interested in attending this luncheon or would like to help, please sign up on your Yellow form today. Contact Mitch Preus at 571-0264 for more info.

### **Food 'n Fun**

Join us on Thursday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room for some great fellowship, games and snacks.

### **House Fire Update**

This past July, Megan and Chris McGowan (daughter and son-in-law of David and Kay Wallace) lost their home in Veneta, Oregon, in an electrical fire. We are grateful that Megan and Chris were unhurt and that their two dogs were saved. Their home and contents, however, were a total loss. (A firefighter was able to retrieve Megan's violin.) Anyone who would like to contribute toward a *Home Depot* gift card from *Good Shepherd* to bless them as they rebuild (they were insured) can give cash or check (to *GSLC*) to either Pastor Ron, Pam Youngdale, or drop it by the church office, no later than Sunday, September 17. (This donation does not qualify as tax-deductible.) Thank you for helping us show the love of Jesus to this family.

### **Lit 'n' Latte**

Our next book is R.J. Palacio's best-selling YA book, *Wonder* (2012), coming soon as a movie. August (Auggie) Pullman was born with a facial deformity that prevented him from going to a mainstream school. But he's about to start 5th grade at Beecher Prep. With short chapters and a shifting narrative, it's a quick, easy read: a feel-good book with a great message. We'll meet on Wednesday, **September 20 at 6:30 pm** at our neighborhood Canal & Johnson *Starbucks* to discuss Palacio's *WONDERful* book!

~Pam Youngdale

### **Worship Services & Recorded Sermons**

Sermons are recorded and available on the church website ([www.gslct.org](http://www.gslct.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.

### **Craft Faire Committee Meeting**

Craft Faire Committee meeting **today** at 10:25 a.m., between services in the overflow room. Anyone interested in helping or on a committee, please come.