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**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

November 13, 2016



## 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 (11/20) is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in our Stewardship emphasis, **The Joy of SHARING God's Blessings**. It is also **Response Sunday**, the day we bring in our offering responses for 2017 forms and present them to the Lord. The appointed Scripture readings for the day are: Exodus 36:2-7; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7; Luke 10:25-37. The Praise Band will lead the music at 9:00 a.m. The organist and Chancel Choir will lead the music at 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion will be offered at both services.

## Thanksgiving Day Worship

Since the early days of our country, we have dedicated one day each year to remember how God has blessed us as a nation. November 24, 2016, is that day. We will open our doors for the community to gather and give thanks to our Almighty God for the gifts He has given to us. Gather with us at 9:00 a.m. to bring praise to our Heavenly Father. Bring a neighbor!

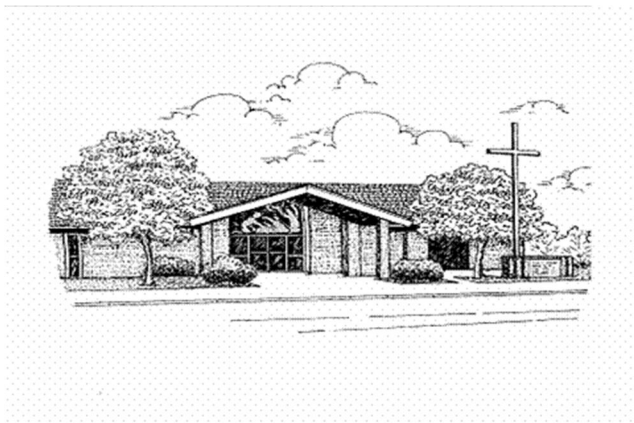
## Coats for Kids

We are collecting new and used coats for kids. They will be brought to Westside Ministries for distribution to kids who need a coat. Our Confirmation students (5<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> graders) went door to door on Nov. 7 telling people about the Coats for Kids ministry. They brought back over 50 coats from people and promises from many other people who want to give a coat, which will be brought to our church or to Carr's Cleaners. What a blessing. If you want to participate, bring a coat and place it in the "can" in the Social Hall. Our Confirmation Students will be part of the distribution on Dec. 14. Pray for this ministry.



*Everyone  
should be  
quick to listen,  
slow to speak  
and slow to  
become angry.*

*~James 1:19*



## Save the Dates

*Christmas Festival of Music*, Dec. 11, 7:00 p.m. (Chancel Orchestra, Praise Band, Bell Choir and more); *Children's Christmas Program*, Dec. 18, 11:00 a.m.; *Christmas Eve*, 5:00 p.m. (Family Worship), 11:00 p.m. (Candlelight Worship); *Christmas Day*, 10:00 a.m. (This is a Sunday; only one service); *New Year's Day Worship*, 10:00 a.m. (This is a Sunday; only one service).

## Best Practices for Ministry

Feb. 23-25 in Phoenix, AZ.

This is one of the BEST conferences in our LCMS. It is available to anyone. Last year four people attended (Jen de la Motte, Mitch Preus, Tony Lorenzo, & Pastor Ron). This year we hope to double that number. There are over 300 workshops presented by people who are doing what they present in their communities. Pam Youngdale and Beth Kirkpatrick will be presenting a workshop about our Learning Matters ministry. Each person who attends is responsible for his/her airfare and lodging. We hope to travel together and stay at the same hotel. Meals are provided. We need to make reservations very soon. Please talk to one of us who attended last year.

## Council Input

The Church Council would appreciate any input you have for them regarding needs in our congregation or suggestions for our congregation. You may use the Yellow Form for today's worship service to relay your input to them. Thank you.

## November Prayer Walking Idea

Walk around (or drive around) one of our parks and pray about our community. Pray for the opportunities we have to be together. Pray about the various community events we have that bring us together, like the Christmas Parade, the County Fair. Pray that we would better understand the differences in our town due to the various ethnic groups. Pray that our congregation will use our opportunities to share the Gospel of Jesus whenever we come together as a community. Thank you for praying.

## Military Biblesticks

You have given \$825.00 for the Military Biblesticks to bring "Hope for our Heroes." The funds will be sent to *Faith Comes By Hearing*, which will distribute the Biblesticks through military chaplains to active duty and veterans soldiers. Thank you! You have blessed these men and women!

## Thank You

As we conclude our Craft Faire I would like to thank Sandy Mann, who has been very instrumental in organizing the Craft Faire, which is a yearlong effort. Sandy has also been very active in VBS by organizing and teaching the craft sections. She has attended several of our VBS Mission trips to Kemano, BC. She serves on the Women's Ministry Team and serves in many other ways. I am grateful to the Lord for Sandy and her willingness to be involved in ministry to our congregation and community. (Pastor Ron)

## Altar Guild

### November

Wendy Brandeberry  
Sharon Jensen  
Nancy Thormahlen



## The One Year Thru the Bible

<b>November 13</b>	Galatians 5:1-6:18
<b>November 14</b>	Ephesians 1:1-3:21
<b>November 15</b>	Ephesians 4:1-6:24
<b>November 16</b>	Philippians 1:1-30
<b>November 17</b>	Philippians 2:1-30
<b>November 18</b>	Philippians 3:1-21
<b>November 19</b>	Philippians 4:1-23

*Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.*

~Psalm 95:1

## This Week at GSLC November 14-20

### Monday, November 14

4:30 PM	Jr. Hi to Boomers
6:30 PM	Handbells
6:30 PM	Learning Matters!
6:30 PM	NAMI

### Tuesday, November 15

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

### Wednesday, November 16

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

### Thursday, November 17

9:00 AM	Thumbsmashers
6:30 PM	Learning Matters!

### Friday, November 18

6:00 AM	Men's Life
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### Sunday, November 20

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



# Serving Today, November 13

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas  
**Elder:** LeRoy Gonzales  
**Ushers:** Wayne Rickey, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Andrew Preuss, Fallon Evans, Alaura Lucero  
**Acolyte:** Jessie Chance  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Doug Paul  
**Projection:** Rob Hillberg

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Bell Choir Director:** Kathie Mackie  
**Elder:** Ken Lambert  
**Ushers:** John Shipman, Joe Ulrich, James Hinrikus, Kaitlin Hinrikus, Carl Paul, Kylie Paul  
**Acolyte:** Sarah Dunn  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Dave Gale  
**Projection:** Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. Petra Thompson & Nancy Widdowson

The Flowers provided today are from Petra Thompson in loving memory of her Wedding Anniversary

# Serving Next Sunday, November 20

9:00 AM

11:00 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:** Mike Bava  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales

**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:** Cyndi Gale  
**Sound:** Doug Paul  
**Projection:** Wayne Barber

Coffee Hour for 11/20: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. Maria Sanchez

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



Ken Lambert  
 Martha Lorenzo  
 Eldeen Loretz  
 Aaron & Chris Lucero  
*(Alaura & Ashlan)*  
 David Yonan  
 Edith Yonan

### de la Motte Family Thank You

Dear Church Family,  
 Thank you for your thoughtful cards, phone calls, prayers, and many kindnesses to Melvin and Arlene de la Motte. The church and members of its congregation meant so much to our parents. God bless you.

~With love from their children,

Mel, Jr., Kitty, Elisabeth, Sandy and their families.

11/6/16, Attendance & Giving	
9:00 AM	159
11:00 AM	102
Sunday School	21
Adult Sun. School	8
Sunday Offerings:	\$ 13,806.22
Capital Fund:	\$ <u>1,000.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$ 14,806.22

### 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).

**Veva Larson**, home, 500 N. Tully Rd., SPC 44, Turlock, CA 95380  
**Ed De Boer**, home, 4105 Cecelia Ct., Denair, CA 95316  
**Barbara Spratling**, home, P.O. Box 165, Keyes, CA 95328

### Veva Larson Thank You

I would like to thank everybody from the bottom of my heart for the notes and prayers and for all the ladies that brought meals for Marvin and me.

Love you all,  
Veva

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



*Messiah Lutheran, Brunswick, GA*  
*Bethel Lutheran, Grandville, MI*  
*Holy Cross Lutheran, Warda, TX*



## 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.

## Summer Mission Trip 2017

A mission trip is being planned to Alaska with Thirst Missions. Dates and specific places have not been set. See your Yellow form.

## LWML Mites News

LWML~CNH ladies have done it again and funded another grant. The Solar Lanterns Brighten African Women's Lives \$5,000 Grant. Project request from Lutheran Women in Mission, St. Peters, Lodi, California for LCMS Missionary Valerie Stonebreaker serving in Togo, Africa. Valerie's home church is Good Shepherd Lutheran, Turlock, California.

## Outreach Ministries

The Outreach team met on Nov. 1.

- The financial report was reviewed.
- The Lutheran Hour Ministry booklets are very popular at Emanuel Hospital.
- The team suggested possible mentors for several people who will be joining in Nov. (This is a new ministry.)
- The team worked out details for their SMART Outcome that addresses our

Big Rock to incorporate young people in ministry. It will be held on Nov. 6 with 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

- We are awaiting more information from Thirst Ministries for a summer mission trip.
- Plans were made for our refreshment stand during the Turlock Parade on Dec. 2.

Next meeting: Jan. 3, 4:45. (Becky Bailey, Margaret Routt, Judy Rexin, and Pastor Ron)

## Youth Activities

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

## Petal Pushers

Sr. High & College Youth - It is time to decorate the Rose Bowl floats. This is a great opportunity to earn service hours as well as building friendships. We will be traveling down to Pasadena on Dec. 27 and return on Dec. 30. The cost of the trip is \$250, which includes some food, housing, and Disneyland tickets. For more information, talk to Jen (209) 324-9098.

## Attention All Families

**Nov. 19 - 1 - 3 p.m.**

The Children's Ministry Team is inviting all families to gather and have some fun. This event will include hot cocoa and snacks while families build gingerbread houses together. Mark your calendars now! If you are attending, let us know on your Yellow form.



## Christmas Decorating

We need people to help decorate our church for Christmas. Decorating is on Nov. 27, 12:30 p.m. Also, we will be taking down the decorations on Jan. 1, 11:30 a.m. Sign up on your Yellow form to help.



## Turlock Christmas Parade

We will be serving hot chocolate and popcorn during the parade on December 2nd. Please see your Yellow form if you are interested in helping with this event.

## The Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry

*Comfort, comfort my people, says the Lord. ~Isaiah 40: 1*

The aim of the K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry of the Lutheran Church Charities (LCC) is to bring Mercy, Compassion, Presence and the Proclamation of Jesus Christ to those suffering and in need in the local congregation and its community. This LCC K-9 ministry began as a disaster response in 2008 after Hurricane Katrina and currently has about 100 dogs in service or in training. The dogs are 12-18 month old Golden Retrievers who serve as a bridge between the local

Ministries Handler, the Caregiver and the person being comforted and served. The dog is owned by the local congregation and lives in a members home. This dog becomes an integral part of the life and activities of its congregation. The intent of each visit by the Ministries team is to bring comfort and mercy through the presence of the dog and the love of Jesus Christ through prayer.

Current local congregations involved in this ministry are First Lutheran in Yuba City and St. John's in Napa. The dogs are provided and trained for a year to a year and a half in Northbrook, Illinois. These dogs are named and also have their own individual Facebook page. The initial cost of this ministry is about \$15,000, usually raised through local congregational donations. This cost includes the dog; the training for the handler, caregiver and dog, There is also an annual \$99 fee. Most local congregations include the dog on their insurance plans, and usually receive free or low cost services from local veterinarians. Before a congregation can be accepted into this ministry a Ministry Plan must be submitted for approval.

We are looking for a small team to explore this ministry. If you are interested please contact Judy Ranheim at 634-5584. Information on the LCC K-9 Comfort Dog ministry is also available at: [lutheranchurchcharities.org](http://lutheranchurchcharities.org).

Good Shepherd Social Ministries Team