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*"You will be my witness."*

*~Acts 1:8*



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

February 9, 2014



## 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 (2/16) is the **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-6; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37. The Praise Band will lead our music at the 9:00 a.m. service. The organist will lead our music at the 11:00 a.m. service. The Chancel Choir will sing at the 11:00 a.m. service. Holy Communion will be served at both services.

## Teen Challenge

Guests from our local Teen Challenge will be with us during the worship services on 2/23. It is amazing how the Lord has used that ministry to change lives. Come and hear more. Bring a friend.

## Lent Worship – “Son of God: Who is He?”

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (3/5). A 6:30 p.m. service will be offered for everyone. Holy Communion will be served. The following five Wednesdays will offer two times for worship on Wednesdays: a 12:30 p.m. formal service and a 6:30 p.m. informal service. The theme for all Wednesday services and Holy Week services will be the **“Son of God.”** Clips from the movie “Son of God” will be used during each service. The movie opens in theaters on 2/28. You are encouraged to see the movie before the Lent series begins.



## Of Interest

### What is Man's Greatest Need?

Jesus came to earth and grew in a poor family! Why did the Father not choose a more comfortable circumstance for the King of Kings? Was there a greater priority than comfort? Read more about this topic and how it relates to working with the poor in this month's edition of the Capstone Ministries Newsletter. See table in Social Hall for your hard copy or go to <http://capstoneministries.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/February-2014.pdf> and read the issue for yourself.

### Literacy/GED Tutoring

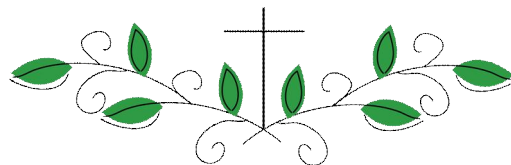
An information Meeting with Karen Williams, Executive Director, *LearningQuest* (Stanislaus Literacy Center) is scheduled for this Wednesday, February 12, 7:00 p.m. in the Overflow Room.

### Beat the Last Minute Valentine Rush!

Surprise your spouse with a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend is scheduled in Rancho Cordova, CA on March 28-30, 2014. Apply now at [GodLovesMarriage.org](http://GodLovesMarriage.org) or contact Ted & Marty Hartman at [tnmheart@gmail.com](mailto:tnmheart@gmail.com) or 925-518-4504 for more information. Weekends fill fast and pre-registration is required - don't miss out. Registrations must be received by March 5.

### Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (2/9) is: *The Righteousness of Christ*. Jesus warns that "unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 5:20), but He also calls His imperfect people "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world" (Matt. 5:13, 14). That's because the Lord Jesus came not to abolish the Law or the Prophets, "but to fulfill them" (Matt. 5:17) in perfect faith and love. Since He does and teaches all of God's commandments, He is "called great in the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 5:19). God manifests His "demonstration of the Spirit and of power" in "Jesus Christ and Him crucified" (1 Cor. 2:2-4) and through the preaching of the Gospel gives His "secret and hidden wisdom" (1 Cor. 2:7). Christ gives this perfect righteousness to His people and it leads them to true fasting, which is "to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free" (Is. 58:6) and "to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house" (Is. 58:7).



### February Altar Guild

Sharon Jensen  
Amy Fitzgerald  
Gerry Ratzlaff  
Mary Trickey



### Your Daily Walk Readings

**February 10** Leviticus 24-27  
**February 11** Numbers 1-4  
**February 12** Numbers 5-8  
**February 13** Numbers 9-12  
**February 14** Numbers 13-16  
**February 15** Numbers 17-20  
**February 16** Numbers 21-25

Commit to the Lord whatever  
you do, and your plans  
will succeed.

~Proverbs 16:3

## This Week at GSLC February 10-16

### Monday, February 10

5:30 PM Volleyball  
6:30 PM Handbells  
7:00 PM Elders

### Tuesday, February 11

9:30 AM Bible Discovery  
1:30 PM Knitting  
5:30 PM Volleyball  
5:30 PM NAMI Peer to Peer  
6:30 PM Bunco  
7:00 PM Praise Band

### Wednesday, February 12

6:00 AM Men's Network  
6:30 PM Confirmation  
6:30 PM FaithWeavers  
7:00 PM Literacy/GED Tutoring Mtg  
7:30 PM Choir

### Thursday, February 13

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers  
9:30 AM Bible Discovery  
1:00 PM Craft Team  
1:30 PM Food 'N Fun  
6:00 PM Empty Nesters  
7:00 PM Financial Peace Univ  
7:00 PM Adult Bible Study

### Friday, February 14

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

### Sunday, February 16

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

## Serving Today, February 9

### 9:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Elder:** Ken Fitzgerald  
**Ushers:** Wayne Rickey, Kevin Rickey, Charlie Jahn, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Tim Truax, Andrew Preuss, Kyle Rickey, Matthew Fitzgerald  
**Acolyte:** Joshua Fitzgerald  
**Lector:** Charlie Jahn  
**Sound:** Richard Spratling  
**Projection:** Rob Hillberg

### 11:00 AM

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Elder:** Jim Harlan  
**Ushers:** Joe Ulrich, Wayne Bailey, Carl Paul  
**Acolyte:** Jenna Green  
**Lector:** Ernie Conner  
**Sound:** Dave Gale  
**Projection:** Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for 2/9: 9:00 a.m. Mary Trickey, Belize Mission Team / 11:00 a.m. Belize Mission Team

Altar flowers for February 9 are provided by Kay De Bora  
 in loving memory of Rudy De Bora

## Serving Next Sunday, February 16

### 9:00 AM

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Elder:** Mike Bava  
**Ushers:** Tom Alvernaz, Gil Bostwick, Jim Knapp, Tracie & Derek Schell, Alex Knapp, Andrew Knapp  
**Acolyte:** Ty Thomson  
**Lector:** Abby Hawkinson  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales

### 11:00 AM

**Organist:** Dr. Benjamin Boren  
**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavasch  
**Elder:** John Otte  
**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Michael Barber, Blaine Chance  
**Acolyte:** Mikayla Schmidt  
**Lector:** Patsy Geiger  
**Sound:** Eric Wallace  
**Projection:** Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 2/16: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

## "Family News"

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



Mark & Laura de la Motte  
 Mel & Arlene de la Motte  
 Troy & Jen de la Motte  
 (Brooke & Henry)  
 Alex Jahn  
 Charlie & Linda Jahn  
 Gretchen Jahn  
 Karl Jahn

### 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).

**John Dayton**, home, 12100 Horseshoe Rd., Oakdale, CA 95361  
**Doris Casaretto**, hospice, Merced  
**Eldeen Loretz**, Covenant Care, 2125 N. Olive, Room 110A, Turlock, CA 95382  
**Gordon Peterson**, English Oaks, 2633 W. Rumble Rd., Modesto, CA 95350  
**Alice Bechard**, Turlock Nursing & Rehab, 1111 E. Tuolumne Rd., Turlock, CA 95382  
**Suzanne Rueter**, Emanuel, 825 Delbon Ave., Turlock, CA 95382  
**Nicole Dickens**, home, 119 Reed Rd., Oakdale, CA 95361  
**Inge Klevmyr**, Brandel Manor, 1801 N. Olive Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382

### 2/2/14 Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	137
11:00 AM	96
Sunday School	44
Sunday Offerings:	\$12,432.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 1,290.00
Total Offerings:	\$13,722.00

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

*Faith Lutheran, Sebring, FL*  
*St. Paul Lutheran, Ute, IA*  
*Zion Lutheran, Scotia, NE*

### Please pray for the family of:

Charlotte Schreck, who entered heaven on January 24, 2014.

## Information & Youth Events

### We Want You!

To the ladies of GSLC:

We are looking for Altar Guild ladies to either set up or take down the altar one month a year. Please contact Terry Goodwin at 667-9146 for more information. Sign-up on the Yellow form if you are interested.



### Driver Needed

We have an individual in our congregation who needs someone to drive him to necessary appointments. The driver would be registered through "Bridges - Volunteer Driver Program." The driver will use his/her own vehicle and be reimbursed at \$.50/mile. If you might be willing to serve as a driver, please call the church office (667-7712) or talk to Pastor Ron. Thank you

### 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.

### Recorded Worship Services & 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).

### Youth Events Sr. High

Tonight - Sr. High at 6:00 p.m.

**UnStable** - The High School District Gathering is taking place March 7-9 at William Jessup University near Rocklin, CA. Students and leaders from our CNH district will come together for a weekend to grow deeper in their faith and be encouraged in our walk with Jesus. The cost is \$150 - talk to Jen to sign up.



### Toys for Verda's House

The Social Ministries Team will be collecting cash donations to purchase a gift card from either Target, Wal-Mart or Nasco. The gift card will be directed to the program director of Verda's House so that she can purchase developmental toys for their program. See the Social Ministries Team in the Social hall today. Your donations will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Social Ministries Team



### Food 'n Fun

Join us on Thursday, February 13 at 1:30 p.m. for board games, fellowship and snacks. Bring a friend!

## F.Y.I.

### Café Chocolat Women's Retreat

St. Francis Retreat Center in San Juan Bautista was where 20 women from GSLC met for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual women's retreat. As you read one accounting in News and Notes last week, it was a wonderful weekend of fellowship, inspiration, worship and praise and I believe that accounting said "incredible". Pastor Youngdale joined the retreat Saturday evening for our worship and Holy Communion was administered to the participants. We are so thankful for his presence at the retreats. A big THANK YOU goes to the Retreat Committee and Session Leaders. These ladies spend a great deal of time in preparation and study. If you have an opportunity, ask them about their experience as leaders, then thank them for their willingness to serve our congregation in this way. They are: Linda Jahn, Beth Kirkpatrick, Angela Martino, Louise Rickey, Lori Smith, and Pam Youngdale.

*A man's life  
does not consist in  
the abundance of his possessions.*  
Luke 12:15

### Missionary News

On February 14, 2014 Alvina Federwitz will celebrate 40 years of life and work in Liberia. All four of her missionary children will be returning to Liberia for the celebration. Two of her children are missionaries in Ghana and the other two are missionaries in Papua, New Guinea. The celebration includes a dinner on Valentines day, a Thanksgiving Service at a Liberian Lutheran Church on February 16th with the community and concludes on February 17th with a donated helicopter trip to their home village of Fassama. It will be a 40th anniversary celebration that she will never forget. To God be the Glory.

### Christmas Giving Tree Thank You

Thank you to the congregation for their generous support of the Christmas Giving Tree Program. Forty-four residents of 4 different nursing facilities received gifts for Christmas.

~The Social Ministries Team

### Lit 'n' Latte

*The Round House* (F) by Louise Erdrich, a recent recipient of the National Book Award. Hoping you can join us to discuss it on **March 13** (note this is a **Thursday** night due to Lent services at GSLC), 6:30 p.m. at Starbucks @ Canal & Johnson. Have a great February & fall in with a book!  
~Pam Youngdale 667-5494