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“Everything is possible for him who believes.”

~Mark 9:23



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 9, 2014

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/16) is the 2nd Sunday in Lent. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-8, 13-17; John 3:1-17. The Praise Band will lead our music at the 9:00 a.m. service. The organist and Chancel Choir will lead our music at the 11:00 a.m. service. Holy Communion will be offered at both services. The Sunday worship services during Lent are focusing on the theme **“Sons & Daughters of God: Who are We?”** We, who have been broken by sin, have been restored to the family of God by the Son of God. The second Sunday’s theme is **“Repairing Broken Vessels.”** The text is Mark 14:1-9.

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

The next five Wednesdays will offer two times for worship: a 12:30 p.m. formal, liturgical service and a 6:30 p.m. informal, contemporary service. The overall theme for Wednesday services and Holy Week services will be the **“Son of God.”** The theme for 3/12 is **“Hallowed Be Thy Name – The Son of God.”**

Confirmation & FaithWeavers

The Confirmation students (5th-8th grades) and Faith Weavers (1st-4th grades) continue to meet on Wednesdays throughout Lent. They will meet from 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. The 7th-8th grade students will be involved in the first part of the evening worship services. Talk to Lisa Willming, Jen de la Motte or Pastor Ron for more info.

Of Interest

Craft Sale Benefiting Belize Mission Trip

There will be a craft sale in the Social Hall next Sunday, March 16, after both services that will benefit the Belize Mission Trip. Please stop by and see what they have to offer.

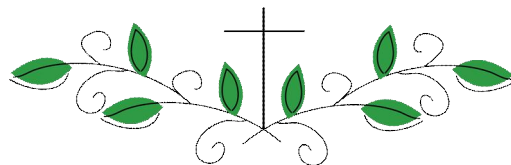
The Craft Team would also like to put out a request for jelly jars and sugar to start preparing jams and jellies for the next Craft Faire in November.

Belize Mission Update

People in our congregation have given a total of \$2,7015.00 to date for the mission trip to Belize, April 21-26. We have received \$1,500 in grants for each of the six missionaries (\$250/each) from the CNH District's Church Extension Fund. Also, we have \$1,271.49 in an account that was designated for short-term missions. That is a total of \$5,476.49. The total need to support the six short-term missionaries is \$9,912 (\$1,652/each). Thank you very much for your support for this mission trip. Envelopes are available at the Information Center in the Social Hall if you choose to support this mission. The six missionaries are: Jon & Becky Bailey, Doug & Beth Kirkpatrick, Pastor Ron & Pam Youngdale.

Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/9) is: *The Lord Jesus Christ Is Our Champion against Satan.* Following His Baptism, Jesus is "led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil" (Matt. 4:1). As He takes upon Himself the curse of our sin and sets Himself against our enemy, He trusts His Father's voice and waits upon His Father's hand for all things. The devil questions His sonship, but the beloved and well-pleasing Son remains faithful and lives "by every Word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4). Jesus patiently suffers hunger in His mortal flesh and returns to the dust whence man was taken, and by His pain He brings forth food for all the children of men (Gen. 3:18-19). By the sweat of His brow we eat the fruit of His Cross, even as our nakedness is covered by His righteousness. Although all people live in bondage to death through the trespass of the first man, Adam, all the more "have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one Man Jesus Christ abounded for many" (Rom. 5:15). His righteous obedience "leads to justification and life for all men" (Rom. 5:18).



This Week at GSLC March 10-16

Monday, March 10

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

Tuesday, March 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, March 12

- 6:00 AM Men's Network
- 11:45 AM Lent Lunch
- 12:30 PM Worship
- 6:30 PM Confirmation/FaithWeavers
- 6:30 PM Worship
- 7:30 PM Choir

Thursday, March 13

- 9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
- 9:30 AM Bible Discovery
- 1:00 PM Craft Team
- 1:30 PM Food 'N Fun
- 6:30 PM Lit 'n' Latte
- 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study

Friday, March 14

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

Sunday, March 16

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

March Altar Guild

- Sandie Knapp
- Traci Preuss
- Ayla Dillon
- Lacy Wallace



Your Daily Walk Readings

- March 10** Judges 9-12
- March 11** Reflect & Review
- March 12** Judges 13-16
- March 13** Judges 17-21
- March 14** Ruth 1-4
- March 15** Reflect & Review
- March 16** 1 Samuel 1-3

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

~Hebrews 11:1



Serving Today, March 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: Calvin Baker
Lector: Jim Smith
Sound: Richard Spratling
Projection: Rob Hillberg

11:00 AM

Organist: Cheryl Harlan
Elder: Jim Harlan
Ushers: Joe Ulrich, Wayne Bailey, Carl Paul
Acolyte: Rachel McCord
Lector: Summer Barber
Sound: Dave Gale
Projection: Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for 3/9: 9:00 a.m. Fitzgerald/Moore Families / 11:00 a.m. Petra Thompson

Altar flowers for March 9 are provided by Ethel Goiburn
 in loving memory of her mother, Tura Mae Lewis

Serving Next Sunday, March 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: Carlee Thomson
Lector: Ellen Willming
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: Andrea Dunn
Lector: Nicole Barber
Sound: Eric Wallace
Projection: Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 3/16: 9:00 a.m. Chuck & Carol Barnes / 11:00 a.m. Stitches & Quilts

"Family News"

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



Todd Chance
 David & Marian MacDonald
 Tim MacDonald
 Lisa MacKenzie
(Logan & Ian)
 Marty & Sandy Mann
 Merritt & Nicole Mann
(Danika & Gerritt)



3/2/14 Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	142
11:00 AM	87
Sunday School	62
Sunday Offerings:	\$11,660.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 955.00
Total Offerings:	\$12,615.00

3/5/14 Ash Wednesday Attendance & Giving

6:30 PM	141
Offerings:	\$ 2,064.26
Capital Fund:	\$ 30.00
Total Offerings:	\$ 2,094.26

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).

Eldeen Loretz, home, 2125 N. Olive, B-19, Turlock, CA 95382

Inge Klevmyr, Brandel Manor, 1801 N. Olive Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382

Judy Ranheim, home, 4408 Reflection Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382

John Prater, home, 8082 Shoreen St., Hilmar, CA 95324

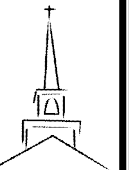
Marvin Larson, home, 500 N. Tully Rd., Spc. 44, Turlock, CA 95382

Lutheran Witness Magazine

It's that time again to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness Magazine for 2014. The cost of the 1 year subscription is \$15.60. If you are interested, please contact Tammy in the church office at 667-7712.

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

First Lutheran, Salida, CO
Zion Lutheran, Chanute, KS
Trinity Lutheran, Ithaca, NY



Information & Youth Events

Lent Lunch

A light lunch will be served at 11:45 before the Wednesday Lent services beginning March 12. If you would like to help prepare or serve the lunch please contact Louise Rickey (634-3319) and/or sign up on the yellow form.

Save the Date – Feb. 13-15, 2015

Mark your 2015 calendars for the next GSLC Women's Retreat, "A Garden Getaway", at the Villa Maria del Mar, in Santa Cruz. We're starting to plan for a time to get away from the busyness of life and just walk with God at our 10th annual retreat. A time of relaxation spent with old friends, new friends . . . what could be better?

Martin Luther Study

A study of Martin Luther led by Mitch Preus will begin March 23 between Sunday services (10:20-10:50) in the Fellowship Room. We will use the film "Luther" as our outline and spend time to fill in the blanks and provide additional background material.

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.

Youth Events

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

5th - 8th Grade - Boomers Fun Night - April 11, 2014 - Cost is \$15

Vacation Bible School - June 9-13, 2014 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and we need your HELP! The previous years we have had as many as 130 kids, so we need a lot of gifted servants to help make this outreach ministry a success! The theme this year is Wilderness Escape, where God guides and provides. You'll have the exciting opportunity to go back in time and join Moses as he and the Israelites escape Egypt. See the Yellow Form to sign up!

College/LifeTree - Hey Young Adults! Are you looking for a place to plug in and get connected? Join us Monday nights from 8:00-9:30 pm - Lifetree Cafe' is the place to be to meet old friends and new friends. The first meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24. Talk to Jen for more details and start spreading the Word.

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.

F.Y.I.

Teen Challenge

Rev. Dennis Whitman called to thank our congregation for allowing him and the men from Teen Challenge to be with us on Feb. 23. They enjoyed worshipping with us. A total of \$560.00 was donated to Teen Challenge in the offering basket and \$50 was donated at the book table. Also, one member donated 25 cords of wood. "Thank you, Good Shepherd, for your generosity to this valuable ministry."

Endowment Fund

Brian Hyde will be with us on April 6 to explain what an Endowment Fund is and how it can benefit the ministry of our congregation. Our Church Council is recommending that we set up an Endowment Fund to expand our mission in a variety of ways. Through the Endowment Fund process Brian will work with our members to set up a Christian distribution of their estate plan. Plan on attending this meeting on April 6 during the Sunday School hour (10:15-10:55 a.m.) in the Fellowship Room). The Council will ask for the congregation to vote on setting up an Endowment Fund after the Congregational Meeting on May 15.

Food 'n Fun

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

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



Literacy/GED Tutoring Update

After meeting with *LearningQuest* director, Karen Williams, on Feb. 12, we are taking the initial steps to launch a tutoring site to offer "hope through learning" here at GSLC. Beth Kirkpatrick and Pam Youngdale will serve as site coordinators and begin laying the groundwork for a two-night a week program to start this summer. Volunteers need to be trained. The next *LearningQuest* training is a one-hour orientation meeting on March 13 at 6:30 p.m., followed by training on Saturday, March 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 pm. Registration information and more can be found at www.lqslc.com.

~Pam Youngdale
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