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

*~Psalm 95:1*



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

November 9, 2014

## Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (11/16) is **Consecration Sunday**. The appointed Scripture readings for the day are: Zephaniah 1:7-16; Psalm 90:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30. The Praise Band will lead our contemporary worship at the 9:00 a.m. service. The organist will lead our classic worship at the 11:00 a.m. service. The Chancel Choir will sing during the 11:00 a.m. service.

## Joyful Giving

During the month of November we will use the following themes to remind us of the endless blessings from God. The overall theme is based on 2 Corinthians 9:8, "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." The four Sunday themes are: Inspiration Sunday (11/2); **Gratitude Sunday** (11/9); Consecration Sunday (11/16); and Celebration Sunday (11/23). The theme verse is: "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." (2 Cor. 9:8 NIV1984)

## Lutheran Bible Companion

Next Sunday, Nov. 16, is the last day to order the Lutheran Bible Companion, a powerful resource to help you better understand the Bible and Bible times. It is on sale for \$49.99 (+ tax). Regular price is \$69.99. Make a check (\$53.80) payable to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We will place the order on Nov. 17. Talk to Pastor Ron if you have any questions.



## 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**



### Thanksgiving Day Worship

Begin your Thanksgiving Day in worship with God's people. Invite a friend. Bring a neighbor. A service will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day (11/27). "Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son."



### New Member Sunday

New members are joining our congregation on Nov. 23. If you are interested in joining contact Pastor Ron (667-7712).

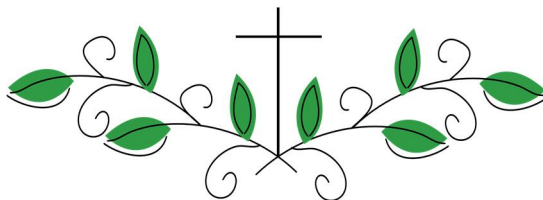
### Turlock Christmas Parade

The Outreach Ministry Team will again serve hot chocolate and popcorn to the community during the Christmas Parade on Dec. 5. We need people to serve. If you are interested, please indicate on your Yellow form.



### Christmas Decorating/Potluck November 30

We will decorate the church on Sunday, November 30 at 4:00 p.m. Many hands make light work. See your Yellow form to sign-up to help. At 5:00 p.m. we will have our "Holiday Food" Dish 'n That Potluck and games night. Bring your favorite holiday food to share!



### Today's Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (11/9) is: *The Gospel Prepares Us for Our Heavenly Bridegroom's Coming*. The Day of the Lord is "darkness, and not light" (Amos 5:18, 20) for all who trust in their own righteousness and piety. The Lord will not accept their "burnt offerings and grain offerings," nor will He look upon their "peace offerings" (Amos 5:22). Instead He desires a heart of faith that trusts in Him, which lets "justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream" (Amos 5:24) in love for the neighbor. In order for the "lamps" of our lives to burn brightly with such love, we must be filled with the "oil" of forgiveness through faith in our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ (Matt 25:1-4). Therefore, as we await His coming, wisdom directs us "to the dealers" (Matt 25:9), that is, to the ministers of His Gospel. Thus we wait upon the Lord, and we "encourage one another with these words" (1 Thessalonians 4:18). Waking or sleeping, we are prepared to meet Him when He comes "with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God," and "we will always be with the Lord" (1 Thess 4:16, 17).

### Altar Guild Schedule

November 9  
Bonnie Muller  
Amy Fitzgerald

November 16  
Beth Bollinger  
Traci Preuss  
Sandie Knapp

November 23  
Tracie Preuss  
Sandie Knapp

### This Week at GSLC November 10-16

#### Monday, November 10

6:30 PM Handbells  
6:30 PM Learning Matters!

#### Tuesday, November 11

9:30 AM Bible Discovery  
10:00 AM LWML Meeting  
1:30 PM Knitting  
2:00 PM Winter Jam, Fresno  
6:30 PM Bunco  
6:30 PM NAMI  
7:00 PM Praise Band

#### Wednesday, November 12

6:00 AM Men's Network  
8:30 AM Social Ministry  
5:45 PM Confirmation  
5:45 PM FaithWeavers  
7:30 PM Choir

#### Thursday, November 13

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers  
9:30 AM Bible Discovery  
1:30 PM Food 'n Fun  
6:30 PM Learning Matters!  
7:00 PM Adult Bible Study

#### Friday, November 14

6:00 AM Men's Life

#### Sunday, November 16

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



### Your Daily Walk Readings

**November 9** Acts 21-23  
**November 10** Acts 24-26  
**November 11** Acts 27-28  
**November 12** Romans 1-3  
**November 13** Romans 4-5  
**November 14** Reflect & Review  
**November 15** Romans 6-8

Look, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him.

~Revelation 1:7

## Serving Today, November 9

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Andrew Knapp  
**Elder:** Ken Fitzgerald  
**Ushers:** Wayne Rickey, Charlie Jahn, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Andrew Preuss, Kyle Rickey, Matthew Fitzgerald, Fallon Evans  
**Acolyte:** Ashlan Lucero  
**Lector:** Jim Smith  
**Sound:** Richard Spratling  
**Projection:** Rob Hillberg

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Cheryl Harlan  
**Handbell Director:** Kathie Mackie  
**Elder:** Derek Schell  
**Ushers:** Wayne Bailey, Tracie Schell, Greg Goodwin, Joe Ulrich, John Shipman, Carl Paul  
**Acolyte:** Rachel McCord  
**Lector:** Dave Judish  
**Sound:** Dave Gale  
**Projection:** Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for Today: 9:00 a.m. Evan & Kelly Hitt / 11:00 a.m. The Strands & The Hillbergs

Altar Flowers for 11/9 & 11/16 are provided by Judy Bergman and Christine Stiles in memory of Arthur Bergman

## Serving Next Sunday, November 16

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Andrew Knapp  
**Elder:** Mike Bava  
**Ushers:** Joanne & Tom Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Tracie & Derek Schell, Andrew Knapp, Carlee Thomson  
**Acolyte:** Ty Thomson  
**Lector:** Judy Rexin  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavasch  
**Music Students:** Katelyn Woods, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, & Giancarlo Delgado-Braun  
**Elder:** John Otte  
**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Michael Barber, Mikayla Schmidt  
**Acolyte:** Andrea Dunn  
**Lector:** Cyndi Gale  
**Sound:** Eric Wallace  
**Projection:** Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 11/16: 9:00 a.m. Gy & Tami Thomson / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

## “Family News”

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



Colin Kaepernick  
 Rick & Teresa Kaepernick  
 Darin & Katie Kelley  
*(Tyler, Cole & Kendyl)*  
 Doug & Beth Kirkpatrick  
 RayDelle Kistler  
 George & Devon Santos  
*(Ezekiel)*

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



*Our Savior Lutheran, Crestview, FL*  
*St. Stephen Lutheran, Liberty, MO*  
*Trinity Lutheran, Sugar Grove, OH*

### 11/2/14 Attendance & Giving

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| 9:00 AM           | 166         |
| 11:00 AM          | 66          |
| Sunday School     | 42          |
| Sunday Offerings: | \$11,033.53 |
| Capital Fund:     | \$ 875.00   |
| Total Offerings:  | \$11,908.53 |



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## LWML

Attention ladies of all ages! We will begin our season with a meeting on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship room. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Rexin at 499-0828.



## We Need Your Help for Fill Our Shoeboxes!

Our Sunday School packing date is November 16th and **our donations are down from last year!** Here is a wish list of how you can help: washcloths; bars of soap; small toys (baseballs, tennis balls, small picture puzzles, small baby dolls, etc.); small packs of crayons; small coloring books & paper pads; pencils/sharpeners; toothbrushes/tubes of toothpaste; and bags of candy (no chocolate please!) OR you can contribute \$15.00 and we will do the shopping for you! Please help us send blessings throughout the world. Please see Ellen Willming in the Social Hall with questions or donations. Prayers are needed too!

## Petal Pushers December 27 - 30

The 2015 Rose Parade theme, "Inspiring Stories," calls to the source of Christian faith and life: The word of God as recorded in the books of the Bible. The youth will be helping make the Lutheran Hour float possible by donating their time to help fund the float. The youth will again donate their time by organizing beans, gluing leaves and cutting flowers on floats. The cost is \$250.00 per person, which includes most meals, lodging at the church, van rental, and supplies. If you need more details, talk to Jen de la Motte.

### Jr. High

Boomers - November 14. Cost is \$15.00 which includes dinner and unlimited game wristband. Meet at Church at 4:30 p.m. and return at 9:00 p.m.

### Sr. High

The Sr. High Youth are selling 2015 Calendars for \$10.00. The calendars will be sold between services in the Social Hall. The funds will go to help offset the cost of Petal Pushers.

The Sr. High Youth are also selling McCrea's slow cooked, handcrafted caramels. An order form is available on the table with the calendars.

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

## Save the Date!

GSLC 10th Annual  
Women's Retreat

Feb. 13-15, 2015  
Villa Maria del Mar,  
Santa Cruz, CA  
Registration and program  
information coming soon!

~Louise Rickey &  
Pam Youngdale

## Lit 'n' Latte

Our next book selection is from our favorite local author, Paula Treick DeBoard. Paula's second published novel, *The Fragile World*, "is a journey through America's heartland and a family's brightest and darkest moments, exploring the devastating pain of losing a child and the beauty of finding the way back to hope." We'll meet on Wednesday, December 10 at 6:30 pm, at our neighborhood *Starbucks*.

~Pam Youngdale 667-5494



## Support Our Troops

We will again be collecting donations for our Troops, which is coordinated with the Merced Elks Club. We welcome food items that will be shipped overseas, or cash to help defray the mailing costs. Snack items such as candy, crackers, granola bars, powdered drink mix, nuts, trail mix, jerky, and pretzels would be much appreciated. Please bring your donations on November 16. We have received letters of gratitude from our servicemen so we know your gifts will be greatly appreciated. Thanks from the Social Ministries team.

## Valerie Stonebreaker

Valerie's latest newsletter is on the board in the Narthex and copies are on the table in the Social Hall.

## Recorded Worship Services & Sermons

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