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*Let love and
faithfulness
never leave
you.*

~Proverbs 3:3



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

January 4, 2015

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (1/11) is the **Baptism of Our Lord Sunday!** The appointed Scripture readings for the day are: Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Romans 6:1-11; Mark 1:4-11. 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.

Worship Today

Thank you to Greg Goodwin for preaching today. Thank you to Ken Fitzgerald (9:00 a.m.) and Eric Wallace (11:00 a.m.) for leading the worship services. We are grateful for those who are willing and able to serve our congregation during Pastor Ron's absence today.

Lent Worship

As we close the Christmas season and enter a new calendar year, we look forward to the next major season on our church calendar, the time of Lent. That season begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18. Mark your calendar. More information will be coming.



The Epiphany Of Our Lord

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**

Financial Peace University

Jim Knapp will lead a new class beginning January 5, 2015. The Monday night classes will start at 7:00 p.m. Contact Jim Knapp at 209-380-0528 or jimk2542@gmail.com for more information.

Middle Ground

A new small group meeting to study issues we face in contemporary society. Aimed at those past college age and not yet thinking of retirement! This group meets Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. A study of Islam will begin in January. Part one will include an explanation of what Islam believes. This will be followed by discussion of how to defend the Christian's faith in response to Islamic challenges. The topic is meaningful and relevant in today's world! For more information, contact Mitch Preus at 571-0264.

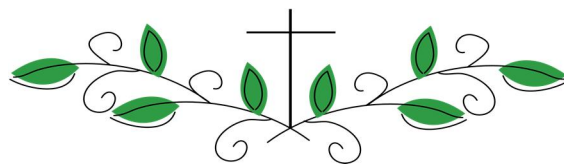


Co-ed Volleyball League

We will be again starting the co-ed volleyball league this January. Games will be held on Monday or Tuesday nights depending on the schedule. Game times begin at 6:30 or 7:30 each night. The league is open to all people ages 18 and over. Please sign up in the Narthex if you are interested. You may also contact Troy de la Motte at 605-0732 for more information.

Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (1/4) is: *The Lord Jesus Is Found in the Temple of His Church*. The Lord Jesus "grew and became strong" (Luke 2:40); He "increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man" (Luke 2:52). As His body grew and developed, His mind also increased in knowledge and understanding. For as our brother in the flesh, that we might "have redemption through his blood" (Eph. 1:7), He lived by faith in the Word of His Father. Thus, He was catechized by His parents, who took Him up "to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover" (Luke 2:41); and when He was of age, He gave attention to the Holy Scriptures in His Father's house (Luke 2:46, 49). Christ Jesus is still found in His Church, in "the word of truth, the gospel," by which we are adopted by His Father and sealed with His Spirit (Eph. 1:5, 13). Thus do we gain "an understanding mind" to go about our vocations, discerning "between good and evil" (1 Kings 3:9). And so do we also go up to Jerusalem to stand "before the ark of the covenant of the Lord" (1 Kings 3:15), that is, in the Holy Communion of His body and blood.



Altar Guild

January 4

Grace McCord
Sharon Jensen
Lori Smith

January 11

Grace McCord
Sharon Jensen



Closer Walk Daily Readings

- 1/04 Matt. 4; Job 23:12
1/05 Matt. 5; Gen. 45:4-5, 14-15
1/06 Matt. 6; 1 Kings 8:22-25, 38-40, 56-61
1/07 Matt. 7; Psalm 119:33-40
1/08 Matt. 8; 2 Chron. 7:13-15
1/09 Matt. 9; 2 Kings 13:23
1/10 Matt. 10; Deut. 29:29

For no matter how many
promises God has made,
they are "Yes" in Christ.

~2 Corinthians 1:20

This Week at GSLC January 5-11, 2015

Monday, January 5

5:00 PM Youth Team
6:30 PM Handbells
6:30 PM Learning Matters!
7:00 PM Financial Peace U

Tuesday, January 6

8:30 AM Social Ministry
9:30 AM Bible Discovery
1:30 PM Knitting
4:00 PM Outreach
6:30 PM Middle Ground
7:00 PM Elders
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, January 7

6:00 AM Men's Network
5:45 PM Confirmation
5:45 PM FaithWeaver Friends

Thursday, January 8

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

Friday, January 9

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

Sunday, January 11

9:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
5:00 PM Empty Nesters
6:00 PM Couples Bible Study
6:00 PM Sr. High

Serving Today, January 4

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Andrew Knapp
Elder: Charlie Jahn
Ushers: Derald Dunn, Dave Geiger, Rob Hillberg, Dave Judish, Ed Juncker, Margaret Routt, Glen Stabelfeld, Calvin Baker, Stuart Backstrom, Hannah Judish, Maddie Welch
Acolyte: Caden Lindquist
Lector: Ken Fitzgerald
Sound: Bill First

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Elder: Jim Bollinger
Ushers: Beth Bollinger, Larry DeBora, Jim Harlan, Marvin Larson, Eileen Mitchell, Nathan Schmidt
Acolyte: Emily Lloyd
Lector: Tony Paul
Sound: Doug Paul
Projection: Summer Barber

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

Altar flowers for 1/4 & 1/11 are provided by Cherie Bowen in loving memory of Jim Bowen's birthday.

Serving Next Sunday, January 11

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
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: Joshua Fitzgerald
Lector: Mike Bava
Sound: Richard Spratling
Projection: Rob Hillberg

11:00 AM

Organist: Cheryl Harlan
Elder: Derek Schell
Ushers: Tracie Schell, Greg Goodwin, Joe Ulrich, Wayne Bailey, John Shipman, Carl Paul
Acolyte: Jenna Green
Lector: Dave Wallace
Sound: Dave Gale
Projection: Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for 1/11: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

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

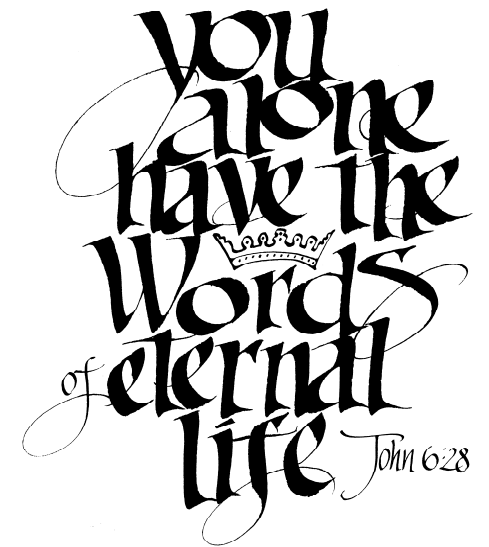


Janice Moskal
 Bart Muller
 Dave & Bonnie Muller
 Joe & Lois Ulrich
 Matt & Renette Ulrich
(Paige & Reese)
 Karen Yamshon
 David Yonan
 Edith Yonan
 Rob & Brandi Young
(Kylie)

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).

Petra Thompson, home, 16860 Songbird Dr., Delhi, CA 95315
Marty Dunn, Paramount Court, 3791 Crowell Rd., Turlock, CA 95382



Christmas Attendance & Giving

12/24 5:00 PM	179
12/24 11:00 PM	93
12/25 10:00 AM	97

Total Christmas Offerings:

\$5,156.60

12/28/14, Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	131
11:00 AM	70
Sunday School	20

Sunday Offerings:	\$11,705.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 300.00
End of Year Offerings:	<u>5,450.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$17,455.00

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



Zion Lutheran Church, Terra Bella, CA
 St. John Lutheran, Ellinwood, KS
 St. Mark Lutheran, Lake Jackson, TX

LWML

Attention ladies of all ages! We will meet on January 9, 2015 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 252-6404 (new number).

GSLC 10th Annual Women's Retreat Feb. 13-15, 2015

Theme: *Garden Getaway*

"There is a time and a season for everything." Ecclesiastes 3

See the Retreat registration form on the table in the Narthex for information and to register!

Final payment due January 11, 2015

Pam Youngdale, 667-5494 or
Louise Rickey, 634-3319

Lit 'n' Latte

Our next book, with a recommendation from author Paula Treick DeBoard (*The Fragile World, The Mourning Hours*), is the novel *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart. Paula will be joining us to discuss Lockhart's YA book, her two novels, and her third book, which she is currently writing. We'll meet on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at church in the Overflow Room. Mark your calendars and invite a friend!

~Pam Youngdale
667-5494

Sr. High

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

Food 'n Fun

The next Food 'n Fun is scheduled for January 11 at 1:30 p.m. Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and games.

Sleeping Bag Project

Today is an in-gathering of new or gently used sleeping bags to benefit Turlock Gospel Mission. Offerings to purchase bags will also be welcome; mark your envelope or check "Sleeping Bag Project". We will continue with in-gatherings on the first Sunday of each month through February. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Moore at 634-1956. Thank you for your giving spirit!

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). For a full length CD recording of a worship service, contact the office (667-7712).

Literacy Tutor Training

Are you interested in becoming part of the tutoring team for *Learning Matters!*, our GSLC ministry to adults seeking to improve their reading/writing skills or earn their GED? The next training, provided by *LearningQuest*, will be Jan. 8 and 10, 2015 at the Modesto headquarters. Contact Pam Youngdale (667-5494) for more information.

2015 Flower Chart and Coffee Hour Hosts Signs Up

The Flower Chart and Coffee Hour Hosts sign-ups are up on the board in the Narthex. Take a look and see where you would like to serve or when you would like flowers dedicated. If you have any questions, contact the church office at 667-7712.



All will bow down before Him - All will serve Him

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