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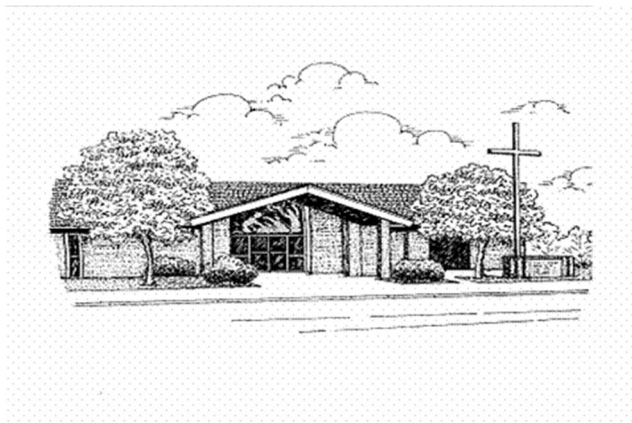
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*You hear, O
Lord, the
desire of the
afflicted; you
encourage them, and you
listen to their cry.*

~Psalm 10:17



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

October 18, 2015

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (10/25) is **Reformation Sunday**. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Revelation 14:6-7; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36. 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 at the 11:00 a.m. service

Transforming Churches Network (TCN)

We are *“Movin’ Out with God’s Love.”* During the next six weeks we will focus our attention to discover other ways to “move out” as a congregation. With God’s Word at the forefront, anything is possible! See your Yellow form if you would like to join a study group.

Oktoberfest

It is almost here! The second big event for us to invite our unchurched friends and neighbors happens next week (10/25) at 5:00 p.m. The Oom-pah Trombone Band is almost ready to fill the Social Hall with music. The food people are preparing to serve brats, hot dogs, sauerkraut, German potato salad, pretzels, drinks, and blueberry strudel. Let’s put on our Oktoberfest faces and INVITE A FRIEND. Children and youth are welcome. (We will have a nursery attendant if your younger kids need a break.) A basket for a free will offering will be at each food station to offset the cost of the food.



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**

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Members of Thrivent may request that certain funds be sent to an organization, like Good Shepherd. These funds are known as Thrivent Choice Dollars. Typically those funds are not designated. All such undesignated funds received by Good Shepherd will be given to Togo Lutheran Mission during 2015-2016.



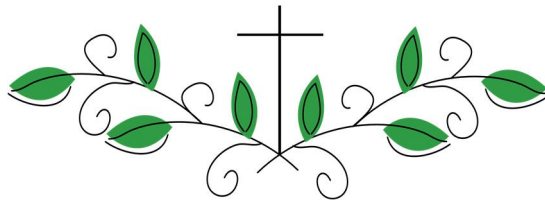
CNH District News Flash

Please focus your Christian humanitarian support for the Butte and Valley Fires on monetary aid. Semi-trailer loads of material goods have arrived on scene with some semis being turned back simply because there is no place to put the donations. With the onset of our rainy season, many of the donations are sitting out in the open with no place to warehouse them. Tri-LERT, our District collaboration with the Sierra Pacific Synod and LSS-NorCal, is hard at work preparing to be of help once early responders such as Red Cross and the Salvation Army complete their early response missions. Fire victims will need help for two or more years into the future.

Donations to help can be made to LSS-NorCal by clicking on the link on our District Web site <http://www.cnh-lcms.org/> Thank you for your prayers and support.

Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (10/18) is: *By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God.* To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is "occupied with joy in his heart" and is able to sleep in peace, "whether he eats little or much," because he knows that the "days of his life" are "the gift of God" (Eccl. 5:12, 18-20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he "shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand" (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult "for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God" (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, and yet, "All things are possible with God" (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through "the eye of a needle," through death and the grave, "to enter the kingdom of God" on our behalf (Mark 20:24-25). He is the "great High Priest who has passed through the heavens" (Heb 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3-9).



October Altar Guild
Terry Goodwin
Carol Ruiz



Closer Walk Readings

October 18 Hebrews 11:17-40
October 19 Hebrews 12:1-13
October 20 Hebrews 12:14-29
October 21 Hebrews 13
October 22 James 1:1-13
October 23 James 1:19-27
October 24 James 2:1-13

*Those who sow in tears will
reap with songs of joy.*

~Psalm 126:5

This Week at GSL

Monday, October 19

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

Tuesday, October 20

9:30 AM Bible Discovery
1:30 PM Knitting Group
6:30 PM TCN Bible Study
7:00 PM Council Meeting
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, October 21

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

Thursday, October 22

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
9:30 AM Bible Discovery
1:00 PM Craft Team
6:30 PM Learning Matters!
7:00 PM TCN Bible Study

Friday, October 23

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

Sunday, October 25 ~ Reformation

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Blood Pressure Check
10:15 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
5:00 PM Oktoberfest



Serving Today, October 18

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Joey Pagola
Elder: Ken Fitzgerald
Ushers: Joanne & Tom Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Bryce Rochester, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald
Acolyte: Payton Hawkinson
Lector: Mark de la Motte
Sound: Jim Smith
Projection: LeRoy Gonzales

Organist: Linda Buie
Elder: Dave Gale
Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie
Ushers: Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Cyndy Gale, Doug Paul, John McCord, Michael McCord
Acolyte: Logan Bankson
Lector: Eileen Mitchell
Sound: TBA
Projection: Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for today: 9:00 a.m. Joe Lorenzo / 11:00 a.m. Gibson Family

Altar Flowers are provided by Mel & Arlene de la Motte in celebration of their 70th Wedding Anniversary

Serving Next Sunday, October 25

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Joey Pagola
Elder: Victor Martino
Ushers: Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Bryan Krough, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming,
Acolyte: Ashlan Lucero
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Kevin Rickey
Projection: TBA

Organist: Linda Buie
Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavasch
Music Students: Jasmine Woodall, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun
Elder: Jim Smith
Ushers: Eileen Mitchell, Michael Barber, Summer Barber, Mikayla Schmidt
Acolyte: Kylie Paul
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: John Otte
Projection: Clorinda Otte

Coffee Hour for : 9:00 a.m. Bob & Pam Hoskins / 11:00 a.m. John & Danna Shipman

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



Ken & Amy Fitzgerald
 (Matthew & Joshua)
 Gary & Judy Moore
 Bart Muller
 Dave & Bonnie Muller



| October 11, 2015 Attendance & Giving | |
|---|-------------|
| 9:00 AM | 115 |
| 11:00 AM | 90 |
| Sunday School | No Tally |
| Sunday Offerings: | \$10,216.51 |
| Capital Fund: | \$ -0- |
| Total Offerings: | \$10,216.51 |

Care & Prayer

If you know of someone who is in need of care ministry, please pray for them and call Louise Rickey at the church (634-3319). If you have a prayer need in your life, call Pastor Ron or leave your name with the church office. Please be praying for the following people:

- Mariane First**, Memorial Hospital, 1700 Coffee Rd., Modesto, CA 95355
- Wayne Routt**, home, 3431 Santos Ct., Turlock, CA 95382
- Debbi Sperry**, home, 2010 Kings Ct., Turlock, CA 95380
- Jerry Rexin**, home, 3221 Mt. View Rd., Hughson, CA 95326
- Florence Dayton**, home, 19179 Denis Way, Avenue, Turlock, CA 95380
- Eldeen Loretz**, Covenant Care, 2125 N. Olive Ave., Turlock, CA 95382



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

- Immanuel Lutheran*, Colorado Springs, CO
- Immanuel Lutheran*, Manchester, NH
- Immanuel Lutheran*, Charlottesville, VA

Lit 'N' Latte

Our next book selection is *Vintage*, the debut novel by **Susan Gloss** (2014). It centers around a Madison, Wisconsin vintage clothing shop and a group of women who eventually transform the shop and each other's lives. "At Hourglass Vintage, every item in the boutique has a story to tell . . . and so do the women who are drawn there."

Mark your calendars for **October 28, 6:30 pm**, for our next book chat at our neighborhood *Starbucks*. Enjoy curling up with some great fall reading! ~Pam Youngdale



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.

Worship Services & Sermons

Sermons are recorded and available on the church website (www.gslect.org). For a full length CD recording of a worship service, contact the office (667-7712).

Sr. High

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

2016 Calendars - Beautiful and useful - the youth are selling 2016 calendars for \$10. The calendars are wire spiral bound and made of heavyweight cardstock. The funds will help offset the cost of Petal Pushers.

Petal Pushers 2015 - Sr. High Youth - the Youth will be working on the Rose Bowl floats in Pasadena again this year. The dates are December 27 - 31, 2015. The cost of the trip is \$200 per youth. Sign up with Jen.

Community Outreach Holiday Craft Faire

November 12, 13, & 14, 2015

The Craft Fair is right around the corner. We are requesting your additional support to make this year's craft faire successful. Please take a moment to look at the sign-up sheets in the Narthex and set aside an hour or two to join us in the social hall to help our shoppers and keep the tables stocked and appealing. Call Jean White (669-8840) or Sandy Mann (634-8213), or leave a message at the church office and we will be in touch. Thank you for all your support for this Community Outreach fundraiser.

Social Ministry Team

The team met on October 6:

- The Blood Drive was a success thanks to Beth Bollinger, even though there were several last minute changes and glitches due to the situation at Delta Blood Bank. We will not have another blood drive unless it is for a specific need.
- Diaper Drive for Verda's House is Oct. 11 & 18. They will be collected in the Social Hall.
- The new We Care long-term affordable housing program begins 10/8.
- Support Our Troops will be launched on 11/1 by Ernie Conner. Snack items and nuts will be collected in the Social Hall on 11/8 & 11/15 to send to our troops overseas.
- Volunteer and financial support needs for our TGM Winter Shelter and the We Care Men's Shelter will be made available in Nov.
- The Christmas Giving Tree will be launched on 11/29 & 12/6. This involves buying gifts for people in assisted living and skilled nursing facilities. Gifts are for people who do not have family in the local area.
- Business size cards are being printed for us to hand out to homeless people as needed. It provides information about food and shelter availability in our area.

- Information about volunteering to help with the TGM Thanksgiving meal will be made available as soon as we have it.

The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 10. If you have any comments or questions about the above information, please talk to one of us: Beth Bollinger, Pam Hoskins, Judy Ranheim, Nancy Widdowson, Danna Shipman and Pastor Ron.

People of Passion

Who are People of Passion? Obviously, passion comes from something that you feel strongly about. In the context of churches reaching their community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, passion is needed. Having experienced the grace and love of God through Christ in our own lives, we know that sharing this Good News with others can be one of the highlights of our walk with Jesus. As part of the Transforming Churches Network program this month, **Sunday, October 25** is designated for us to join together in a way that will help open doors for the Gospel into our community.

A **REVERSE TRICK OR TREAT** bag (a gift bag of various items and a special message) will be available for each of you to share with a neighbor, friend or someone who needs to find the open door to the opportunities of the Gospel you know so well.

Turlock Gospel Mission Winter Shelter & We Care Men's Shelter Meals

Our congregation will provide meals in our Social Hall for the Winter Shelters January 17-23, 2016, and April 3-9, 2016. Also we provide meals for serving at the Men's Shelter two times each month during the winter. In order to provide the meals we will need funds. We average about \$100 for each meal, which means we will need a minimum of \$2,400.00, not including funds for breakfast bags. If you are willing to give toward these meals, please use the enclosed envelope and place your donation in the offering plate or return it to the church office. Also, we need people to help serve. If you are interested in serving one time or more, please sign up on your Yellow form. Thank you very much for your prayerful consideration. (Pam Hoskins, Judy Ranheim, Nancy Widdowson, Danna Shipman and Pastor Ron)



My thanks for all the kind words & notes I received for my 10 year anniversary of working here at Good Shepherd. I consider it a privilege to serve the Lord with you all in this congregation. I pray that I have many more years here.

~Tammy Ferrill-Paiz

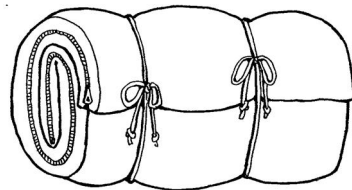
Diaper Drive

Social Ministries will be having their Diaper Drive for Verda's House today during both coffee hours. Donations of either cash or diapers are appreciated.



Sleeping Bag Project

Just a reminder: We will have an in-gathering of new or gently used sleeping bags to benefit Turlock Gospel Mission on the first Sunday of the month. The next in-gathering will be Sunday, November 1. Offerings to purchase bags will also be welcome; mark your envelope or check "Sleeping Bag Project". We will continue with in-gatherings through February



Operation Christmas Child We Need Your Help to Fill Our Shoeboxes!

Our Sunday School packing date is November 15th. 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 \$10.00 and we will do the shopping for you! Please help us send blessings throughout the world. Good Shepherd Lutheran Children packed 105 boxes last year. Help us surpass that this year!



Tabernacle Experience

October 16-25

Monte Vista Chapel

Take a 55 minute audio driven journey through the Tabernacle. Call Monte Vista Chapel at 634-4935 for more information. See postcard on board in Narthex.

LWML Fall Rally 2015 Mighty Mites & Mighty Missions

He called his disciples together and said to them, "I tell you that this poor widow put more in the offering box than all the others.....she put in all she had." Mark 12:43-44

WHERE: Saint Matthew Lutheran Church, Sonora, California

WHEN: Saturday October 17, 2015

TIME: 9:15am to 3:00pm

COST: \$13 pre-registration; \$15 at the door

INGATHERING: Non-perishable items for Thanksgiving dinner canned goods & boxed items.

(Registration forms are in the LWML Center in the Narthex)

Last week's Mite Offering was \$71.25. Thank you to everyone who remembered to bring their Mite Box back. You can continue to support LWML Mission Projects by placing your MITES at the LWML Center in the Narthex



**We are in need of new members.
Please contact Kathie Mackie at
726-8803, if interested.**

Calendar

November Birthdays



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| 2 - Gail Lawrence | 8 - Bella Schlecht | 19 - Ethel Goiburn |
| 3 - Chuck Barnes | 9 - Mark Andersen | 20 - Sandy Mann |
| 3 - Colin Kaepernick | 10 - Luke Stiles | 20 - Judy Moore |
| 3 - John Marvin | 11 - Stephanie Geiger | 21 - Nick Truax |
| 4 - Jim Bollinger | 12 - Ron Lloyd | 21 - Tyler Sperry |
| 4 - James Clark | 14 - Joannie Oldson | 22 - Ginger Chance |
| 4 - Justin Goodwin | 14 - Reece Jackson | 22 - Adam Lawrence |
| 6 - Paul Envia | 14 - Sharon Jensen | 25 - Kassie Espinosa |
| 6 - Candace Geiger | 15 - Belle Martino | 26 - Derek Schell |
| 6 - Kylie Paul | 15 - Ezekiel Santos | 26 - Renette Ulrich |
| 7 - Dave Judish | 16 - Hannah Judish | 27 - Micah Judish |
| 7 - Silas Clark | 17 - Donovan Jensen | 28 - Lillian Kottke |
| 8 - Beth Kirkpatrick | 17 - Steven Trow | 28 - Logan Mackenzie |
| 8 - Billy Coleman | 19 - Jennifer Chapman | |

November Wedding Anniversaries

- 2 - Pastor Ron & Pam Youngdale
- 7 - Adam & Tara Schlecht
- 13 - Ernie & JoAnn Conner
- 17 - Wayne & Betty Bailey
- 19 - Frank & Michelle Cardoso
- 20 - David & Carol Truax
- 24 - Konrad & Irmgard Hack
- 30 - Homer & Ute Beckler

