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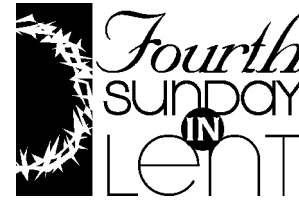
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*"I do believe;
help me
overcome my
unbelief!"*

~Mark 9:24



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 6, 2016

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/13) is the 5th Sunday in Lent. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; Luke 20:9-20. The Praise Band will lead the music at 9:00 a.m. The organist will lead the music at 11:00 a.m. The Bell Choir will play at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Lent 2016

The Lent season began on Ash Wednesday. The Lord's Prayer is our template for the weekday and Sunday services. The theme is **"Prayer Power! – Empowered to Be Engaged."** Four Lenten worship opportunities are offered this week: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. The Tuesday and Thursday group meet in the Social Hall.

Holy Week Worship

Two services will be offered during Holy Week. A Maundy Thursday (3/24) service at 7:00 p.m. will include Holy Communion. The message will be presented as the 12 disciples reflect on their relationship with Jesus. The Good Friday (3/25) service at 7:00 p.m. will be a Service of Darkness, including music from the Chancel Choir. Invite a friend to these services. Both will add to our preparation for celebrating the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday (3/27).

Easter Sunrise Worship March 27, 2016 at 6:00 a.m.

Our Easter Sunrise worship will again be at the Biblical Gardens, 5812 N. Walnut Road, Turlock. We are in need of volunteers for this service. Please see your Yellow form to see how you can help.

The Big Rock

The Church Council and Ministry Teams met on 2/29 to choose a Big Rock for 2016-2017. A Big Rock is a big goal or outcome that we think demands attention from all areas of ministry. The Big Rock for 2016-2017 is "Youth and Children Ministry." We want each ministry team to identify one outcome to help our congregation move that Big Rock forward. We will talk about this Big Rock at our Congregational Meeting on May 18.

Easter Brunch

Easter brunch is quickly approaching. We are looking for donations and helpers to make it a success. We are in need of: eggs for omelets, bacon, Krusteaz pancake mix (Costco size), milk, sausage, veggies for omelets, syrup, strawberries, and or cash donations to purchase the above items. All items need to be dropped off at the church by Friday, March 25th. Last year was a huge success due to the many volunteers who helped cook and clean up. Please see your yellow form to sign up or talk to Troy de la Motte @ 209-605-0732.

Mann Family Thank You

The Mann family would like to thank everyone who prayed, sent cards and supported us during my sister's illness and death.

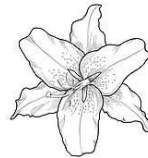
Blessings to all,
Sandy Mann

Today's Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/6) is: *Jesus Christ Has Reconciled Us to the Father*. God the Father has opened His heart to us in love. While we were "still a long way off," He saw us and "felt compassion" (Luke 15:20). Therefore, He gave His only-begotten Son for us, making "him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" (2 Cor. 5:21). By the ministry of reconciliation, He runs to us, embraces us in mercy and clothes us with His glory as beloved sons in Christ Jesus. And so we give thanks unto the Lord our God, who has taken away our sins and turned His anger from us (Is. 12:1). Because He has become our salvation, our strength and our song, we "will trust, and will not be afraid" (Is. 12:2).

Easter Lilies

Easter lilies will decorate our worship area on Easter Sunday. You may make a donation of \$7.00 in memory of someone who has passed away or in honor of someone who is still living to purchase the lilies. We will provide an insert on Easter Sunday listing the names of those people. (Note: You may take home your lily/lilies after the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter Sunday.) Contact the church office at 667-7712 with any questions.



Altar Guild
For Month of March
Sandie Knapp
Traci Preuss
Debbie Judish



The One Year Thru the Bible

- March 6 2 Samuel 8:1-10:18
- March 7 2 Samuel 11:1-12:31
- March 8 2 Samuel 13:1-14:33
- March 9 2 Samuel 15:1-20:26
- March 10 2 Samuel 21:1-24:25
- March 11 1 Kings 1:1-4:34
- March 12 1 Kings 5:1-8:66

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

~James 1:22

This Week at GSLC March 7 - 13

Monday, March 7

- 6:00 PM Youth Team
- 6:30 PM Handbells
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters
- 6:30 PM NAMI
- 7:00 PM Financial Peace Univ.

Tuesday, March 8

- 9:30 AM Bible Discovery
- 1:30 PM Knitting
- 4:30 PM Outreach
- 6:30 PM NAMI
- 6:30 PM Worship
- 6:30 PM Bunco
- 7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, March 9

- 6:00 AM Men's Network
- 10:00 AM LWML Meeting
- 11:30 AM Lent Luncheon
- 12:30 PM Worship
- 6:30 PM Worship
- 6:30 PM Confirmation
- 6:30 PM Kingdom Quest
- 7:00 PM Choir
- 7:30 PM Lit 'n' Latte

Thursday, March 10

- 9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
- 1:00 PM Craft Team
- 1:30 PM Food 'n Fun
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters!
- 7:00 PM Worship

Friday, March 11

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

Sunday, March 13

- 9:00 AM Worship
- 10:20 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 6:00 PM Sr. High
- 6:00 PM Couples Bible Study

Serving Today, March 6

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays,
Elder: Charlie Jahn
Ushers: Derald Dunn, Dave Geiger, Rob Hillberg, Dave Judish, Ed Juncker, Margaret Routt, Glen Stabelfeld, Calvin Baker, Hannah Judish, Maddie Welch
Acolyte: Caden Lindquist
Lector: Abby Hawkinson
Sound: Bill First
Projection: Mark Grobner

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavasch
Music Students: Jasmine Woodall, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun
Elder: Jim Bollinger
Ushers: Beth Bollinger, Larry DeBora, Marvin Larson, Steve & Eileen Mitchell, Jay Oldson, Nathan Schmidt
Acolyte: Sarah Graser
Lector: Dave Judish
Sound: Doug Paul
Projection: Storm Graser

Coffee Hour: 9:00 a.m. Judy Ranheim & Chanin Young / 11:00 a.m. Petra Thompson & Nancy Widdowson

Altar Flowers for today are provided by Troy & Jen de la Motte
in celebration of their Wedding Anniversary

Serving Next Sunday, March 13

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Elijah Mays
Elder: Rick Kaepernick
Ushers: Wayne Rickey, Karl Jahn, Alex Jahn, Kyle Rickey, Fallon Evans
Acolyte: Payton Hawkinson
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Richard Spratling
Projection: Rob Hillberg

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Bell Choir Director: Kathie Mackie
Elder: Derek Schell
Ushers: Wayne Bailey, John Shipman, Joe Ulrich, Carl Paul
Acolyte: Kaitlin Hinrikus
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Dave Gale
Projection: Cyndi Gale

Coffee Hour for 3/13 9:00 a.m. Jerry Rexin / 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

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



Ed De Boer
 Kay De Bora
 Larry De Bora
 Kevin Rickey
 Kris & Brenda Rickey
 (Kyle)
 Wayne & Louise Rickey

February Official Acts

Memorial Service

2/8 H. Wayne Routt

Graveside Service

2/8 Wayne Penrose

Baptisms

2/14 Lane Russell Milbeck
 2/21 Johnny Lee Mitchell-Sharp

<u>2/28/16, Attendance & Giving</u>	
9:00 AM	128
11:00 AM	81
Sunday School	25
Sunday Offerings:	\$ 6,801.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 110.00
Total Offerings:	\$ 6,911.00

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).

Laura de la Motte, home, 2630 Marlee Dr., Turlock, CA 95380

Jerry Rexin, home, 3221 Mt. View Rd., Hughson, CA 95326

Ernie Conner, home, 3166 Station Avenue, Atwater, CA 95301

Scott Welch, home, 2960 Paseo Entrada, Turlock, CA 95382

Derald Dunn, home, 2125 N. Olive Ave., B34, Turlock, CA 95382

Eldeen Loretz, home, 2125 N. Olive Ave., S-26, Turlock, CA 95382

Nick Truax, West Point



**Next Sunday,
March 13**

***Remember to
set your
clocks forward**

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



Redeemer Lutheran, Grand Forks, ND
Redeemer Lutheran, Gresham, OR
Grace Lutheran, Denison, TX

Scholarship - Did You Know?

If you or your child are attending a LCMS School... You could be eligible to receive a scholarship from our church through the Endowment Fund! The application is available on our website ~ (www.gslect.org)~ or a paper copy can be picked up in the church office. *The applications must be submitted by April 30th 2016.* If you have any questions please ask one of us

~ The Endowment Fund Committee
(Louise Rickey, Chris Lucero, Mark de la Motte, Patsy Geiger, Don Strand)

Hope Lives Here Turlock Gospel Mission

The Hope Lives Here campaign is to help rescue, recover and restore homeless people back into mainstream society. The project is a 6 month program that works with the homeless in a stable environment to allow for job training, counseling and rehabilitation. We currently have 30 churches who work with us in supporting the homeless population and also various individuals. On March 13 we are having an open house at the facility which is currently under construction and would like to invite you to join us. If you are interested, please contact Jeani Ferrari at jferraridesign@gmail.com or myself at gemberle@sbcglobal.net.

(Pam Gemperle)

Youth Activities

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

Jr. & Sr. High - Boardwalk Spring Overnight March 18-19, 2016

Join us for an overnight adventure you will never forget! This special event is packed with rides, arcade games, dinner, movie, sleepover inside the Boardwalk's Coconut Grove, and much more fun! Cost is \$70 - register with Jen before March 1st.

Co-ed Softball

The church softball team is recruiting players for the upcoming season. The season will begin in April. Games are on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at various churches in town. You must be 13 years old or older to play. Cost to play is \$25 for a shirt if you do not already have one. Sign up on the yellow form or talk

LWML Meetings

LWML meetings have been changed. **They will meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 9, 1016. All women of the congregation are invited to join. Contact Judy Rexin at 216-7241 for more information.

Food 'n Fun

Join us Thursday, March 11, at 1:30 p.m. for an afternoon of games, fellowship and snacks.



Lit 'N' Latte

Due to *Good Shepherd's* Wednesday Lenten services, we will still meet but at a little later time. Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 9, 7:30 pm**, at our neighborhood *Starbucks* to discuss a book that "movingly proves that we are all more than our circumstances."

~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.

Craft Faire Planning

Meeting 3/13/16 at 10:15 a.m.

Please join us in the Overflow Room as begin to plan for the Craft Faire scheduled for Nov. 10, 11 & 12, 2016. We want your input. Contact Jean White (669-8840) or Sandy Mann (634-8213) with any questions or ideas.

Social Ministry Team

The team met on March 1:

- A Diaper Drive for Verda's House is being set for April.
- Learning Matter continues to progress.
- Several of our members are involved in the Turlock Police Chaplaincy program on some of the Turlock school campuses. Larry DeBora,

Rob Geiger and Tom Hoy are serving with them.

- The next TGM Winter Shelter to be held by us April 3-9.
- The "Resources for Shelter and Food" cards are being distributed by us. We will be ordering 500 more. They are available at the Information Center in the Social Hall.
- The team prepared their budget for 2016-2017. No changes are being proposed at this time.
- The team developed an outcome to help our congregation address the Big Rock (Outcome) for 2016-2017. That Big Rock is "Children & Youth Ministries." The outcome for Social Ministries is: A special event was held for children and youth to honor their parents. This outcome will be developed as a SMART Outcome at our next meeting.
- Two other outcomes were adopted for our team for 2016-2017: (1) Our congregation considered developing a Comfort Dog ministry; (2) Our congregation considered participating in L.E.R.T. (Lutheran Early Response Team).

The next meeting is scheduled for Apr. 26. 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.