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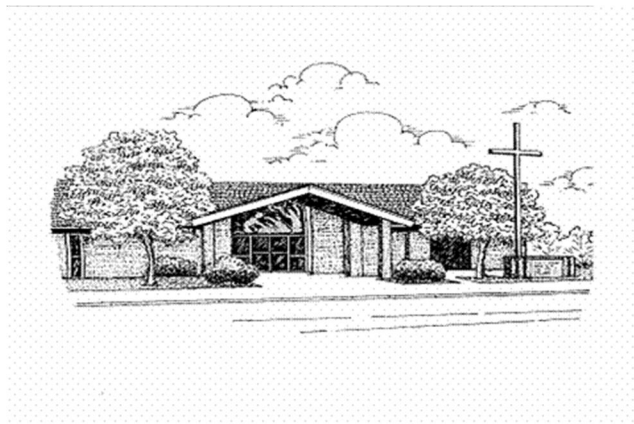
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“Everything is possible for him who believes.”

~Mark 9:23



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

March 8, 2015

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/15) is the **4th Sunday in Lent**. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21. 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 and the Chancel Choir will be singing. Holy Communion will be served.

Lent Worship 2015

The Wednesday worship services continue through the Lent season. The theme for the services will be: **God Believes in Me!** The fourth Wednesday theme on 3/11 will be “God Unburdens Me.”

Holy Week Worship

A worship Service will be offered on Maundy Thursday (4/2) at 7:00 p.m. Holy Communion will be served. A worship service will be offered on Good Friday (4/3) at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Three worship service will be offered on Easter Sunday (4/5). A Sunrise Service will held at the de la Motte’s Biblical Gardens (5812 N. Walnut) at 6:00 a.m. The Praise Band will provide music for our worship. The beautiful and informal setting is optimal for inviting friends. The two celebratory worship services in our sanctuary will be offered at 9:00 a.m. (contemporary, with the Praise Band) and 11:00 a.m. (classical, with the organ and Chancel Choir). This is the day the Lord has made. We will be glad and rejoice in it!



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**

Pastor Ron's 30th Anniversary

Join us next Sunday, March 15, for a celebration of Pastor's 30 years of serving our church. There will be a reception in the Social Hall after the 1st service.

Togo Mission Trip

A 2 week mission trip to Togo, Africa, is being planned for August 2015 (date change!). Four people are preparing for this mission trip. Each person will focus on a specific area of need for the people in Togo. Our mission will be to work with 4-5 congregations for a rally day at each location, hold a 2-day seminar for the Lutheran pastors in Togo and install electricity in the national office for Togo Lutheran Church.

Hospital Visits

If you or a family member are in the hospital, please let Pastor Ron know (667-7712). None of our medical facilities inform him when someone is in the hospital. Pastor Ron does visit people when they are in the hospital. Thank you.

Food 'n Fun

The next Food 'n Fun is scheduled for March 12 at 1:30 p.m. Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and games.

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.

Today's Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/8) is: *The Crucified and Risen Body of Jesus Is the True Temple of the Lord*. The Lord rescues His people Israel "out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Ex. 20:2) and makes His gracious covenant with them, defined by the Ten Commandments. Since He has become their God by His grace, they shall be His people, having "no other gods" before Him (Ex. 20:3). He is "jealous" for them as a husband for his wife and as a father for his children. He has named them with His Name and called them to rest in Him (Ex. 20:5-9). The incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, is likewise jealous for His Father's house, because it is to be a place of divine grace and Sabbath rest for His people, and not a "house of trade" (John 2:16-17). His zeal consumes Him as He gives up "the temple of His body" to the destruction of the cross, but in three days He raises it up again to be the true temple forever (John 2:17-21). By His crucifixion He cleanses the entire household, and in His resurrection He becomes "our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption" (1 Cor. 1:30).

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).

Altar Guild Schedule

For Month of March

Sandie Knapp
Traci Preuss
Debbie Judish



Closer Walk Daily Readings

March 8 Luke 6:1-26
March 9 Luke 6:27-49
March 10 Luke 7:1-35
March 11 Luke 7:36-50
March 12 Luke 8
March 13 Luke 9:1-36
March 14 Mark 9:37-62

*Who shall separate us from
the love of Christ?*

~Romans 8:35

This Week at GSLC March 9-15

Monday, March 9

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

Tuesday, March 10

9:30 AM Bible Discovery
11:00 AM LWML
1:30 PM Knitting
4:00 PM Outreach
6:30 PM Middle Ground Bible
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, March 11

6:00 AM Men's Network
12:30 PM Worship
6:30 PM Confirmation
6:30 PM FaithWeavers
6:30 PM Worship
7:30 PM Choir

Thursday, March 12

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
9:00 PM 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, March 13

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

Sunday, March 15

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

Serving Today, March 8

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: Joshua Fitzgerald
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Richard Spratling
Projection: Rob Hillberg

11:00 AM

Organist: Cheryl Harlan
Elder: Derek Schell
Ushers: Wayne Bailey, Joe Ulrich, John Shipman, Carl Paul
Acolyte: Isabella Green
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Dave Gale
Projection: Cyndi Gale

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

Altar flowers for today are provided by Dave & Bonnie Muller

Serving Next Sunday, March 15

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: Bill First
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, & Giancarlos Delgado-Braun
Elder: John Otte
Ushers: Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Michael Barber, Mikayla Schmidt
Acolyte: Michael McCord
Lector: Jean White
Sound: Eric Wallace
Projection: Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 3/15: 9:00 a.m. Elders / 11:00 a.m. Elders

“Family News”

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



Bruce & Cheryl Harms
 David & Marian MacDonald
 Tim MacDonald
 Lisa Mackenzie
(Ian & Logan)
 Marty & Sandy Mann
 Merritt & Nicole Mann
(Danika & Gerritt)



LENT

3/1/15 Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	123
11:00 AM	86
Sunday School	31
Sunday Offerings:	\$11,482.00
Capital Fund:	\$ <u>860.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$12,292.00

2/25/15 Attendance & Giving

12:30 PM	42
6:30 PM	46
Total Offerings:	\$ <u>818.00</u>

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, Sequoia, 2125 N. Olive Avenue, B-19, Turlock, CA 95382
Clella Falke, Brandel Manor, 801 Olive Ave., Turlock, CA 95382
Shirley Silveria, Memorial Hospital, 1700 Coffee Rd., Modesto, CA 95355



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



Christ Lutheran, Waverly, IL
Redemption Lutheran, Battle Creek, MI
Peace Lutheran, Barney, ND

Easter Sunrise Worship April 5, 2015 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.

Easter Brunch

The Easter brunch is rapidly approaching! We are looking for people to help with the brunch and donate items and/or cash donations. This year we will be having an actual breakfast with waffles, pancakes, bacon, sausage, French toast, omelets, etc. Please see the yellow form to sign up for items needed as well as people who are able to cook on Easter Sunday. Please talk to Troy de la Motte for more information.



Easter Lilies

Easter lilies will decorate our worship area on Easter Sunday. You may make a donation of \$8.00 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. See the envelope in your bulletin.

Lit 'n' Latte

Our next reading selection, *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr, is a novel about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as they both try to survive the devastation of WWII.

We won't meet until after the Lenten/Easter season on Wednesday, April 15, at our neighborhood *Starbucks* at 6:30 p.m. Join us as we discuss this book (and others), savor a beverage, and celebrate (!) that our taxes are done.

~Pam Youngdale



Co-Ed Softball

The church softball team is gearing up once again. The season starts the last week of April. The league is open to all people aged 13 and over. The cost for t-shirts is \$25 if you don't already have one. Please sign up on your yellow form or on the sign up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions please contact Troy de la Motte @ 605-0732.

Lutheran Witness Magazine

It's that time again to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness Magazine for 2015. The cost of the 1 year subscription is \$16.00. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 667-7712.

LWML

Attention ladies of all ages! We will meet on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 11:00 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.

LWML Zone 3 Spring Rally

The LWML Zone 3 Spring Rally is scheduled for March 21, 2015 and will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, Modesto. Registration forms are located on the table in the Narthex. See the bulletin board for more information.

2015 CNH District Missions Conference

You won't want to miss the 2015 CNH District Missions Conference, "Run the Race - Eyes Fixed on Jesus." The conference will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2015 at the San Jose Marriott Hotel, 301 South Market Street, San Jose, CA. Greg Finke from *Dwelling 114* will be the keynote speaker again for this year's conference. Greg's sound and practical insights on our life as Jesus' Everyday Missionaries are inspiring and motivating for all of us. To register, please go to ww.cnh-lcmis.org. Don't delay...the deadline to register is Friday, March 27, 2015!

Valerie Stonebreaker

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

"How We Got the Bible"

A 5-week Study from Lutheran Hour Ministries

Middle Ground, a small group meeting at Good Shepherd every Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., will begin a new study on Tuesday, March 17. You are invited to join us as we discuss the production, canonization and inspiration behind scripture. Special emphasis is placed on historical accuracy in translation. It's an interesting study and we hope you will join us. For more information, contact Mitch Preus at 571-0264.

Teen Challenge Fundraiser

Our next fundraiser is the Annual Kiwanis Spaghetti Feed to be held Thursday, April 2 at the Salvation Army Community Center, 893 Lander, Turlock., from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Dine in or Take Out) Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for Seniors and children 12 and under. We are offering placemat sponsorships at \$30.00. Contact Lewie Roche at 872-7660 for tickets and placemat ads.

Together for Life Fundraiser A Benefit for

Turlock Pregnancy Center

Hors d'oeuvres & Dessert Reception on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at CSU Stanislaus Main Stage Theater. For reservation, call 209-656-9898 or e-mail turlockpc@gmail.com