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*Now is the time
of God's favor,
now is the day of
salvation.*

~2 Corinthians 6:2



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

May 17, 2015

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (5/24) is **Pentecost**. It is the day we celebrate the birthday of the Christian Church. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to dwell in and among His people. We have been empowered ever since that day. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 139:1-16; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15. 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 be singing at 11:00 a.m. The sermon will include the theme "I will Pray for My Church Leaders" from the fourth chapter in our book (*I am a Church Member*).

Dynamic Attitudes

The sermon series on "*Dynamic Attitudes of Church Members*" has begun. We STILL have extra copies of the book available in the Social Hall. Please continue to pray about this emphasis as we rededicate our commitment to serving the Lord in this congregation and community. The 1st Dynamic Attitude from 5/3 is "Willingness to Do!" The 2nd Dynamic Attitude from 5/10 is "Being A Source for Unity!"

Congregational Election

Ballots are available in the Social Hall to cast your vote for the following items from the Congregational meeting on Thursday (5/14): (1) The election for the 2015-2016 budget; (2) Council Members and Elders for 2015-2016; and (3) the bylaws for an Endowment Fund.



Seventh Sunday Of Easter

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**

Togo Mission Trip Update

The mission team departs for Togo, Africa, on June 29 and returns on July 9. Our team will visit 4 congregations for a rally day at each location and hold a 2-day seminar for the Lutheran pastors in Togo. Thanks to the generous donations of our congregation, a mission grant from the Church Extension Fund (\$750), a grant from Thrivent (\$1,000), and a gift from Colin Kaepernick's Mayor Prayer Breakfast funds (\$4,000) all funds needed have been received. The total to date is \$9,618.09. Please pray for us as we prepare for this trip. Thank you. (Dave Wallace, Doug Kirkpatrick and Pastor Ron).

New Middle Ground Study

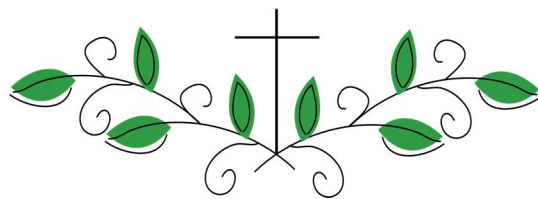
Middle Ground will begin a short study on the Apocrypha. Luther describes these books as "Not held equal to sacred scriptures, nevertheless useful and good to read". Our study will include an overview of the Apocrypha and study of three of its books. The study begins, Tuesday, May 26, at 6:30 p.m. Please join us! If you have any questions, contact Mitch Preus at 571-0264.

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 (5/17) is: *The Ascended Lord Jesus Is with Us Always in His Church on Earth*. After He rose from the dead, the Lord Jesus presented Himself alive to the Apostles, "appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:3). When He ascended to the right hand of the Father, He did not orphan His Church, but fills all things in heaven and on earth, and gives gifts to His disciples. Even now, through His Church, He continues "to do and teach" (Acts 1:1), preaching "repentance and forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47), even "to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Though the cloud hid Jesus from the sight of His disciples then, and He remains hidden from sight even now, He remains with His people through His Gospel and Sacraments. He comes to us by the Word of His Apostles, by the promise of His Father and the power of the Holy Spirit, whom He pours out upon "the church, which is His body" (Eph. 1:23). In this holy, Christian Church, we bless God and worship Christ with joy, for in His Church He blesses us with forgiveness, lifts us up in His hands, and seats us with Himself "in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1:20).



Altar Guild Schedule

For Month of May

Amy Fitzgerald
Joanne Alvernaz
Grace McCord



Closer Walk Daily Readings

May 17	Acts 16:1-15
May 18	Acts 16:16-40
May 19	Acts 17
May 20	Acts 18
May 21	Acts 19:1-22
May 22	Acts 19:23-41
May 23	Acts 20

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone.

~Timothy 2:1

This Week at GSLC May 18 - 24

Monday, May 18

6:30 PM Handbells
6:30 PM Learning Matters!
6:30 PM Softball @ Monte Vista

Tuesday, May 19

1:30 PM Knitting
6:30 PM Middle Ground Bible
7:00 PM Faith Basics 101-4
7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, May 20

6:00 AM Men's Network
6:30 PM Parenting Class
7:30 PM Choir

Thursday, May 21

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

Friday, May 22

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

Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Blood Pressure Check
10:15 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
5:00 PM Dish 'n That Potluck
6:00 PM Sr. High



Serving Today, May 17

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Andrew Knapp, Joey Pagola
Elder: Mike Bava
Ushers: Joanne & Tom Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Tracie & Derek Schell, Andrew Knapp, Carlee Thomson
Acolyte: Jack Welch
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Jim Smith
Projection: LeRoy Gonzales

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Handbell Director: Kathie Mackie
Elder: John Otte
Ushers: Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Michael Barber, Mikayla Schmidt
Acolyte: Andrea Dunn
Lector: Jennifer de la Motte
Sound: Eric Wallace
Projection: Summer Barber

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

Altar flowers for today are provided by John & Clorinda Otte in celebration of their 10th Wedding Anniversary

Serving Next Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band
Praise Band Director: Beth Kirkpatrick
Praise Band Musicians: Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas, Andrew Knapp, Joey Pagola
Elder: Victor Martino
Ushers: Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Jerry Rexin, Bryan Krough, Gary Moore, Zach Harcksen, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming
Acolyte: Alaura Lucero
Lector: Judy Rexin
Sound: Kevin Rickey
Projection: Andrew Preuss

11:00 AM

Organist: Linda Buie
Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavasch
Music Students: Katelyn Woods, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Juan Delgado-Braun,
Elder: Dave Gale
Ushers: Cyndi Gale, Michael Barber, Summer Barber, Kelly Hudelson, John McCord, Michael McCord, Eileen Mitchell, Doug Paul
Acolyte: Emily Lloyd
Lector: Cyndi Gale
Sound: John Otte
Projection: Clorinda Otte

Coffee Hour for 5/24: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. Clella Falke/John & Danna Shipman

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



Pauline Johnson
 Ed Juncker
 Rick & Teresa Kaepernick
 Colin Kaepernick
 Tiffany Santoro
 George & Devon Santos
(Ezekiel)

"Change for Life"

Baby bottles are still available on the information table in the Social hall for the Turlock Pregnancy Center fund drive. Won't you pick up a bottle and deposit your change in it to honor the unborn. This drive will continue until Father's Day, Sunday, July 21. At that time please return your bottle donations to the church. Thank you.

~The Social Ministries Team

5/10/15, Attendance & Giving	
9:00 AM	154
11:00 AM	96
Sunday School	35

Sunday Offerings:	\$ 10,069.00
Capital Fund:	\$ 280.00
Total Offerings:	\$10,349.00

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).

- Ortha Kling**, home, 2125 N. Olive Avenue, Apt. B 51, Turlock, CA 95382
- Gerry Ratzlaff**, home, 1421 Alex Cir., Turlock CA 95382
- Kathie Mackie**, home, 3153 Tupelo Dr., Merced, CA 95348
- Soni Hill**, home, 2140 Peace Way, Turlock, CA 95382
- Amelia Schell**, home, 2324 Victory Lane, Turlock, CA 95380
- George White**, home, 2142 Arabian Way, Turlock, CA 95380



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



- Our Savior Lutheran*, Orlando, FL
- Concordia Lutheran*, Bourbon, MO
- Atonement Lutheran*, Columbus, OH

Dish 'n That Potluck Game Night Sunday, May 24

Join us for another night of food, fun and fellowship. Bring a potluck dish to share. We will be meeting at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Lit 'n' Latte

In the mood for a mystery, we've selected *Evans Above* for our next book, the first in a series about a constable in Wales (not whales!) by Rhys Bowen. We'll meet on **Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.** at our neighborhood *Starbucks*. Hope you can be there to "spring" into our discussion!

~Pam Youngdale



Worship Services & Sermons

Sermons are recorded and available on the church website (www.gslet.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.

Youth Team Minutes

The Youth Team Met on May 4. The team discussed the upcoming Houseboat event for Sr. High Youth and the Mt. Cross Camp for Junior High. The cost for the Houseboat trip is \$250 per youth and some money has been raised through Sub Sales to help offset the cost. Jen updated the team on two new youth studies for Sr. High Youth: Sticky Faith and Stepping Stones. The team also discussed the College students and activities for their age group. A monthly servant/bonding event will be offered for all college students. The team will go through the study Sticky Faith by Kara Powell beginning in the fall. The next meeting is June 1.

Softball Players Needed

We need You! Softball Players Needed ages 13 years old - 118 years young. Our last game was an all out great effort by all who played. We were within 2 points of taking the win. It is not too late to sign up for softball. Talk to Jen or Troy for more information or see the schedule on the youth board.



Housing Need

The Sunrise Singers, a high school youth choir from Bethany Lutheran Church in Austin, Texas, will be in Turlock on June 10. They will perform a musical at our church that evening. We need about 15 homes to house the 26 youth and chaperones. Please sign up on the yellow form today. Thank you. (Pastor Ron)

Attention Vacation Bible School Volunteers

There will be an informational meeting **TODAY at 12:30 p.m.**- lunch provided. Join us as we knock out some of the necessary details as our event approaches quickly. **Volunteers are still greatly needed!** If you have any questions, contact Jen de la Motte at 324-9098. Thanks.

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IF ANYONE SO
MUCH AS GIVES
YOU A CUP
OF WATER

