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God has said,
"Never will I
leave you;
never will I
forsake you."

~Hebrews 13:5



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

News & Notes

March 13, 2016

Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/20) is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. The appointed Scripture readings for that day are: Deuteronomy 32:36-39; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40. The Praise Band will lead the music at 9:00 a.m. The organist will lead the music at 11:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir and a Children's Choir will sing at the 11:00 a.m. service. Our Lent season focus on the Lord's Prayer comes to a conclusion on Palm Sunday. The theme has been **"Prayer Power! – Empowered to Be Engaged."**

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 the question, "Is it I?". 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)

Learning Matters!

Pam Youngdale & Beth Kirkpatrick were awarded the "2016 Betty Mulnix Service Award" for their leadership of *Learning Matters!*, the adult literacy ministry at our church. It was given to them from the Literacy Network of Stanislaus County at the annual Celebrate Literacy 2016 luncheon in Modesto on 3/4. Both of them addressed the group and lifted up our adult literacy ministry. We thank Pam and Beth for their dedication and commitment to our Lord, our Church and our community.



Each Week

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

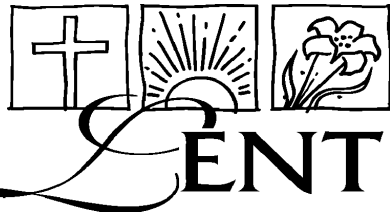
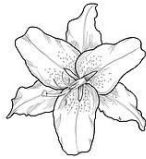
Ministry Team

The Congregation
Rev. Ron Youngdale
Jennifer de la Motte
Valerie Stonebreaker
Louise Rickey
Mitch Preus

**Community Focused
to be
Community Engaged**

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.



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.

Today's Readings Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/13) is: *God's Beloved Son Has Redeemed Us*. Our life and works apart from Christ, no matter how they may glitter to the eyes of the world, are ultimately rubbish and have no righteousness. Rather, in the scandalous cross of Jesus we find our righteousness alone "through faith in Christ" (Phil. 3:9). By such faith, we "know him and the power of his resurrection" (Phil. 3:10). For the same God who brought Israel out of Egypt, has done a "new thing" for us in Christ Jesus. He has sent his beloved Son into his vineyard – to be killed by sinful men and to become "the stone the builders rejected." Yet, the One rejected by men "has become the cornerstone" of His Church (Luke 20:17). Through the waters of Holy Baptism, he provides us daily refreshment in our earthly pilgrimage, "a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert" (Is. 43:19).



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.

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



The One Year Thru the Bible

- March 13 1 Kings 9:1-11:43
- March 14 1 Kings 12:1-16:34
- March 15 1 Kings 17:1-19:21
- March 16 1 Kings 20:1-22:53
- March 17 2 Kings 1:1-18:15
- March 18 2 Kings 8:16-10:36
- March 19 2 Kings 11:1-13:25

*When I am weak,
then I am strong.*

2 Corinthians 12:10

This Week at GSLC March 14-20

Monday, March 14

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

Tuesday, March 15

- 9:30 AM Bible Discovery
- 1:30 PM Knitting
- 6:30 PM Lent Worship
- 7:30 PM Praise Band

Wednesday, March 16

- 6:00 AM Men's Network
- 11:30 PM Lent Luncheon
- 12:30 PM Lent Worship
- 6:30 PM Lent Worship
- 6:30 PM Confirmation
- 6:30 PM Kingdom Quest
- 7:00 PM Choir

Thursday, March 17

- 9:00 AM Thumbsmashers
- 1:00 PM Craft Team
- 6:30 PM Learning Matters!
- 7:00 PM Lent Worship

Friday, March 18

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

Sunday, March 20 - Palm Sunday

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



Serving Today, 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

Handbell 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: Wayne Barber

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

Altar Flowers for today are provided by Rob and Patsy Geiger in celebration of their 30th Wedding Anniversary

Serving Next Sunday, March 20 ~ Palm Sunday

9:00 AM

Music: Praise Band & Children's Choir

Elder: Ken Fitzgerald

Ushers: Tom & Joanne Alvernaz, Jim & Sandie Knapp, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald

Acolyte: Joshua Fitzgerald

Lector: Amy Fitzgerald

Sound: Jim Smith

Projection: LeRoy Gonzales



11:00 AM

Organist Linda Buie

Choir Director: Dr. Deborah Kavasch

Music Students: Jasmine Woodall, Julia Acosta, Michael Bernal, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun

Elder: Dave Gale

Ushers: Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Cyndi Gale, Doug Paul, John McCord, Michael McCord

Acolyte: Tristan Loesche

Lector: Jean White

Sound: TBA

Projection: Summer Barber

Coffee Hour for 3/20: 9:00 a.m. **No Volunteers** / 11:00 a.m. McCord & Gibson Families

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



Cody Oldson
Jay & Joannie Oldson
Bill & Lavonne Oldson
Roger & Linda Osburne
Marina Osburne
Sarah Osburne

Welcome

We welcome today,
Mackenzie Grace Hanson &
Hayden Emerald Hanson,
daughters of
Jonathon & Kris Hanson,
who will be baptized today.



2/7/16, Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	103
11:00 AM	105
Women's Retreat	31
Sunday School	30
Sunday Offerings:	\$ 9,180.14
Capital Fund:	\$ <u>611.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$ 9,791.14

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

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

Nick Truax, West Point

Jim Bollinger, home, 3633 Milano Way, Turlock, CA 95382

Please keep the family of Florence Dayton in your prayers. Florence entered heaven on March 9, 2016. Funeral arrangements are pending.

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



Our Savior Lutheran, El Dorado, AR
Trinity Lutheran, Vallonia, IN
St. Paul Lutheran, Ogden, UT

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.



Faith Basics

A new Faith Basics course begins on April 28, 2016. Six sessions (7:00 – 9:00 p.m.) are offered for those who want to know more about the basic teachings in the Bible and about our Lutheran Church. This is a main path to membership in our church. Talk to Pastor Ron and/or see your Yellow form for more info (667-7712). Daytime hours will be available if needed. The schedule is as follows:

- FB 101 (4 sessions) – Who God Is: The Bible 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
- FB 201 (1 session) – Who We Are: Our Church, History & Ministries 5/26
- FB 301 (1 session) – Who You Are: Your Ministry Opportunities 6/2

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 to Troy de la Motte @ 209-605-0732.

Walk
in the
light
of the
Lord

see John 5:29-31

Craft Faire Planning

Meeting TODAY at 10:15 a.m.

Please join us in the Overflow Room as we 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.

Thank you from the Schmelzers

Dear friends at Good Shepherd, Grace and peace to you from Kenya. Some good news: Enclosed is a photo of six boys recently enrolled in HS - having been rescued from the streets through Capstone. For this we praise God and thank you for your support. (Photo on board in Narthex)

God Bless you,
Dan & Patty Schmelzer,
Capstone Ministries

Assistive Listening Devices

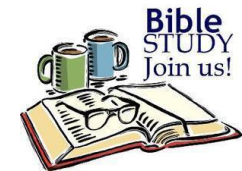
We want to remind the congregation and visitors that assistive listening devices are available for those with hearing issues. An usher or elder can help get the device for you. Please ask.

Recorded Worship Worship Services & Sermons

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

Adult Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study Class that has been meeting Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Cooper House is changing days. They will now meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Their first class will meet Wednesday, March 30, in the front room of the Cooper House. If you have any questions, contact Linda Jahn at 668-8324.



Lutheran Witness Magazine

It's that time again to renew your subscription to the Lutheran Witness Magazine for 2016. The cost of the 1 year subscription is \$16.00. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 667-7712.

Together for Life Friday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m.

You are cordially invited to a Hors d'oeuvres & Dessert Reception & Program benefitting Turlock Pregnancy and Health Center. It will be held at CSUS Main Stage Theater. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance through www.turlockphc.com. Contact the center at 209-656-9898 for more information.