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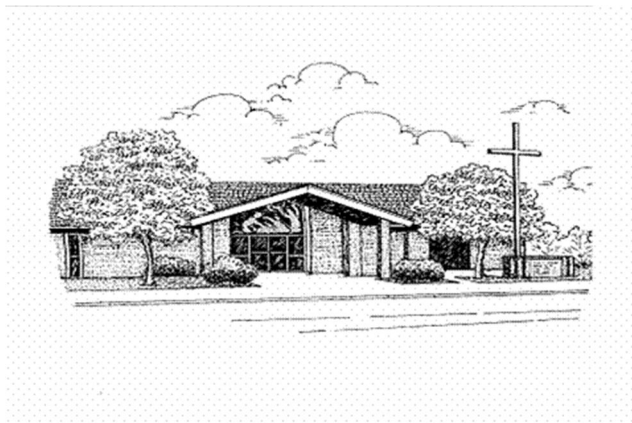
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*Whatever your  
hand finds to  
do, do it with all  
your might.*

*~Ecclesiastes 9:10*



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# News & Notes

March 19, 2017

## Sunday Worship Next Week at GSLC

Next Sunday (3/26) is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent. The journey to the cross and empty tomb continues. God's giving reveals a love that never dies. The Scripture readings for the services are: Daniel 2; Psalm 142; Ephesians 5:8-14 and John 9:1-41. The Praise Band will provide music at the 9:00 a.m. service. The organist will lead the music at the 11:00 a.m. service. Pastor Ron will continue his sermon series on *A Faith that Never Quits* from Daniel. The sermon theme is "*An Acoustic Faith.*"

## Bible Verse for Lent

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son..."* (John 3:16)

## Lent Worship

The weekday Lent services continue under the theme, "*Living Generously.*" Three services are offered this week: Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.; and Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Call Pastor Ron or the Church office for more info (667-7712).

## Holy Week Worship

The season of Lent concludes with Holy Week, the last week of our Lord's life on earth. On Thursday, which we call Maundy Thursday, Jesus met with His disciples for one last meal. He told them and us to observe a similar meal until we have a meal in heaven with Him. It is the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We offer that meal on April 13 at 7:00 p.m. Good Friday, the Friday of Jesus' last week, was when He was crucified. We will offer a service of darkness on April 14 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include the Chancel Choir and reflections on the sacrifice of our Lord for our sins. Bring a friend.



## 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

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## Easter Sunrise Worship April 16 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.

### Save the Date

A 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner will be held on June 4, 4:00 p.m., at Mike and Julia Bava's place. More information will be given at a later date.

### 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, April 14th. 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.

### Worship Services & Sermons

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

## Today's Reading Summaries

A summary theme for the appointed readings today (3/19) is: *We Worship the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Spirit and Truth of His Gospel*. Though the Lord had brought them out of Egypt, "all the congregation of the people of Israel" grumbled against Him because "there was no water for the people to drink" (Ex. 17:1). Despite their quarreling, the Lord graciously provided for them. He did not strike the people for their sins, but by the hand of Moses He struck the rock instead and brought forth water for the people. In the same way, living water flows from the pierced side of Christ at "about the sixth hour" (John 4:6, 19:14), when He is lifted up on the cross for the sins of the world. He is "the gift of God" (John 4:10), the well from which the Holy Spirit is poured out and becomes in His people "a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (John 4:14). By this grace in which we stand, being at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, we "worship the Father in spirit and truth" (John 4:23). "We rejoice in hope of the glory of God" because "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom. 5:2, 5).

### AmazonSmile

We have added an AmazonSmile button to our website. You will now be able to access your Amazon account and add GSLC as a charitable organization that can benefit from your purchases. Check it out!

## Altar Guild Schedule

March 19  
Team 3



## NLT Chronological Bible Reading Plan

<b>March 19</b>	Deuter. 26:1—29:1
<b>March 20</b>	Deuter. 29:2—31:29
<b>March 21</b>	Deuter. 31:30—32:52, Psalm 90
<b>March 22</b>	Deuter. 33:1—34:12, Joshua 1:1—2:24
<b>March 23</b>	Joshua 3:1—6:27
<b>March 24</b>	Joshua 7:1—9:27, 1 Chron. 2:7
<b>March 25</b>	Joshua 10:1—12:6

*Let us not become weary in  
doing good, for at the proper  
time we will reap a harvest if  
we do not give up.*

~Galatians 6:9

## This Week at GSLC March 20 - 26, 2017

### Monday, March 20

6:30 PM Bells  
6:30 PM Learning Matter  
6:30 PM NAMI

### Tuesday, March 21

9:30 AM Bible Discovery  
6:30 PM Lent  
7:30 PM Praise Band

### Wednesday, March 22

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

### Thursday, March 23

9:00 AM Thumbsmashers  
1:00 PM Craft Team  
6:30 PM Learning Matters

### Friday, March 24

6:00 AM Men's Life  
1:00 PM Stitches & Quilts  
Women leave for Retreat  
Youth leave for District Gathering

### Sunday, March 26

9:00 AM Worship  
10:00 AM BP Check  
10:15 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship  
Women return Retreat  
Youth return from District Gathering

## Serving Today, March 19

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas  
**Elder:** Ken Fitzgerald  
**Ushers:** Tom Alvernaz, Jim Knapp, Aaron Lucero, Carlee Thomson, Matthew Fitzgerald, Jenna Green  
**Acolyte:** Logan MacKenzie  
**Lector:** Sharon Jensen  
**Sound:** Jim Smith  
**Projection:** LeRoy Gonzales

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Choir Director:** Dr. Deborah Kavasch  
**Music Students:** Jasmine Woodall, Giancarlos Delgado-Braun, Sarah Lindbergh-Lewis, Marshall Jones III  
**Elder:** Derek Schell  
**Ushers:** Bart Muller, Rob Geiger, Greg Goodwin, Michael McCord  
**Acolyte:** Tristan Loesche  
**Lector:** Dave Wallace  
**Sound:** Rob Gibson  
**Projection:** Wayne Barber

Coffee Hour for today: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Alaska Mission Team

Altar Flowers for 3/19 & 3/26 are provided by Rob & Patsy Geiger in celebration of their 31st Wedding Anniversary

## Serving Next Sunday, March 26

**9:00 AM**

**Music:** Praise Band  
**Praise Band Director:** Beth Kirkpatrick  
**Praise Band Musicians:** Andrew Hall, Justin DeFreitas  
**Elder:** Victor Martino  
**Ushers:** Tom Baldwin, Sam Ruiz, Gary Moore, Bryan Krough, Judy Schippits, Nick Stoll, Blaine Chance, Grace Willming, Jordyn Chance  
**Acolyte:** Ashlan Lucero  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** Tristan Flores  
**Projection:** Andrew Preuss

**11:00 AM**

**Organist:** Linda Buie  
**Elder:** Jim Smith  
**Ushers:** Tom Hoy, Lance Olson, Jon Bailey, Joel Loesche, Cameron Loesche  
**Acolyte:** Elizabeth Fisher  
**Lector:** Jennifer de la Motte  
**Sound:** John Otte  
**Projection:** Clorinda Otte



Coffee Hour for 3/26 : 9:00 a.m. Bruce & Cheryl Harms & Lisa Mackenzie/ 11:00 a.m. **No Volunteers**

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



Billie Hastings  
 Mike & Abby Hawkinson  
*(Payton & Grant)*  
 Freda Hicks  
 David Yonan  
 Edith Yonan  
 Pastor Ron & Pam  
 Youngdale

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Treasurer's Financial Report

#### General Fund

8 Months Ended February, 2017

Receipts	298,816.66
Expenditures	<u>304,344.76</u>
Fund Increase (Decrease)	( 5,528.10)

#### March 12, 2017 Attendance & Giving

9:00 AM	96
11:00 AM	68
Sunday School	14
Adult Sunday School	10

Sunday Offerings:	\$5,893.00
Capital Fund:	<u>\$ 80.00</u>
Total Offerings:	\$5,973.00

## 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:

**Petra Thompson**, home, 16860 Songbird Dr., Delhi, CA 95315  
**Betty Bailey**, home, 3830 Colorado Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382  
**Derald Dunn**, Brandel Manor, 1801 N. Olive Ave., Turlock, CA 95382  
**Pam Hoskins**, home, 472 W. Springer Dr., Turlock, CA 95382  
**Lyn Brock**, home, 1300 Cahill Avenue, Turlock, CA 95380



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



*Trinity Lutheran, Rupert, ID*  
*Calvary Lutheran, Rio Rancho, NM*  
*Concordia Lutheran, Houston, TX*

## Turlock for Life Fundraiser

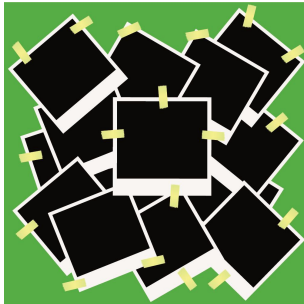
Thursday, March 30, 6:30 p.m.  
The Carnegie Arts Center  
250 N. Broadway Ave., Turlock  
Tickets at \$15.00 in advance  
Turlockphc.com/events or 656-9898  
See info on board in Narthex

### LWML Notes

Next meeting is on April 11 at 11:00 a.m.  
April 30 is Hats on to Jesus. Reminder:  
Wear your hats! LWML will be hosting  
coffee hour at both services.

### Photos Needed

If you have any photos from the last 10  
years at church please submit them to the  
church office. They will be used for a  
display for the upcoming 75th  
anniversary celebration. Any questions  
contact Sandie Knapp or Traci Preuss.



### Lutheran Witness Magazine

It's that time again to renew your  
subscription to the Lutheran Witness  
Magazine for 2017. The cost of the  
1 year subscription is \$16.00. If you are  
interested, please contact the church of-  
fice at 667-7712.

## Youth Activities

### Sr. High

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

### Junior High Camp at Mt. Cross

Mark your calendars June 23 - 26 in  
Santa Cruz. Sign up today! More  
information to come.



### Rummage Sale Thanks

A great big thank you to the parents,  
youth and volunteers that made the  
Youth Rummage Sale a huge success. A  
special thank you to all who contributed  
their treasures to the sale and to those  
who purchased items from the sale.  
Without this team work, our sale would  
not have been as successful. Thanks to  
your generosity our youth were able to  
raise \$3,731.50 that will be used for  
Youth activities.

### Jobs/Opportunities/Needs

On the bulletin board in the Narthex  
across from the phone, is a place to post  
jobs/opportunities and/or needs. Feel free  
to post your ads and to check out the  
board.

*There is none*  
**HOLY**  
*as the Lord;*  
*for there is*  
**NONE**  
*beside thee;*  
*neither is there*  
**ANY ROCK**  
*like our God.*  
1 SAMUEL 2:2

## Outreach Ministries

The Outreach team met on March 7.

- The Alaska Mission trip with Thirst Ministries (7/29–8/5) is progressing. Specific details of the trip are still being developed. A fundraiser will be held on March 19 between the services in the Social Hall.
- The team reviewed its outcomes for the congregational report in May.
- The team's budget for 2017-2018 was prepared and will be given to the Stewardship Team.
- Business cards have ordered for Easter. They will be available for distribution soon.
- Curtis Burman will be coming to work with our youth on missions sometime in August.
- A new church brochure is being developed.
- Pastor Ron reported on several outreach sessions from the Best Practices for Ministry Conference in Arizona.
- Information about the Fresno Cityfest on April 1-2 will be given over the next few Sundays. Free tickets for the event will be available soon.
- A new outcome for 2017-2018: New ways to connect with people through Social Media was implemented.
- Developing new member mentors will be incorporated with New Heart Ministries, which is in the developmental stages.

Next meeting: April 4, 4:45. (Becky Bailey, Margaret Routt, Judy Schippits, and Pastor Ron)

## Your Sweet Life Café Weekend Awaits! March 24-26, 2017

Please pray for the 29 women registered for the upcoming Women's Retreat and for the planning team as we finalize plans for a relaxing, renewing, and refreshing time at the Villa Maria del Mar in Santa Cruz. Unless you have made other arrangements, your registration balance is due now.

We can't wait to see you at The Villa!  
~Pam Youngdale & Kelly Hitt  
Ps. 34:8

## 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.



## Easter Lilies

Easter lilies will decorate our worship area on Easter Sunday. You may make a donation of \$10.00 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.

## Property Team

The team met on 3/9/17.

- Sidewalk repairs due to cracks and uplifted sections. The Council will be asked to approve the expenditure of Capital funds for the repair (\$5,497)
- One of our members, Cameron Loesche, is considering a project at church for his Eagle Scout project. The team has proposed he work on some of our planter areas.
- The ground drain for our east facing Sanctuary roof is plugged and will be repaired.
- Re-keying several areas of the church has been done. A full re-key will be proposed for the next Capital Fund drive in order to provide a proper master key system.
- A handrail will be developed and installed for the back steps to the Chancel.
- The fixed nursery divider door needs a better system to secure it. The team is working on this issue.
- Some of the windows in the Sanctuary need to be sealed. It will happen soon.
- The large BBQ grill needs to be replaced. It is hoped to purchase 2 covered gas units in the near future.
- The fluorescent ceiling lights will gradually be replaced with LED units. The team is looking into the options, beginning with the office.
- The team reviewed its outcomes

- The team reviewed the Capital Fund needs for the next drive.
- The team prepared a budget request for the 2017-2018 budget.
- Jim Bollinger is joining the team. (Bob Hoskins, Wayne Rickey, Bill First, Tiffany Santoro and Pastor Ron)

## Lit 'n' Latte

We've selected *As Close to Us as Breathing*, by Elizabeth Poliner, a 2015 "Amazon Best Book of the Year" as our next novel. It's a multi-generational family saga about the long-lasting reverberations of the tragic summer of 1948 at "Bagel Beach," a popular destination for Jewish families in Connecticut. We'll meet on **Wednesday, April 5, at 7:30 pm\*** at our neighborhood *Starbucks*. ~Pam Youngdale

\*Please note we are meeting an hour later so as not to conflict with *Good Shepherd's* 6:30 Lenten service.



calendar

# April Birthdays



04/02	Tony Paul	04/10	Tyler Kelley	04/18	Jessica Jackson
04/03	Tom Sperry	04/10	Paul Borchardt	04/19	Valerie Stonebreaker
04/04	Stella Lorenzo	04/11	Betty Bailey	04/19	Betty Hillberg
04/04	Jim Harlan	04/13	Payton Hawkinson	04/20	Joel Geiger
04/04	Craig Baker	04/14	Noah Lawrence	04/21	Austin Hall
04/06	Marty Mann	04/15	Nelly Hammerling	04/22	Cherie Bowen
04/08	Becky Bailey	04/16	Lori Smith	04/23	Cody Oldson
04/08	Aiden Brown	04/16	Kirk Sperry	04/26	Caden Lindquist
04/08	Tiffany Santoro	04/16	Cole Kelley	04/27	Kirsten Fritchle
04/09	Shubert Envia	04/17	Darin Kelley	04/28	Cyndi Gale
04/09	Tom Baldwin	04/17	Amelia Schell	04/28	Joey Clark
04/10	Lisa Fernandes	04/18	Katie Kelley	04/30	Shannon Clark

# April Wedding Anniversaries



04/08	Aaron & Chris Lucero	04/20	Brian & Tami Dickens
04/08	Evan & Kelly Hitt	04/21	David & Marian MacDonald
04/10	Kori & Susan Prier	04/22	Carl & Betty Hillberg
04/10	Wayne & Louise Rickey	04/25	Derek & Tracie Schell
04/20	Tom & Cindy Chapman	04/30	Darin & Katie Kelley