

PEWSLETTER
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 17, 2010



GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICES AT 8:15 AND 10:45 AM

9:30 AM - SUNDAY MORNING EDUCATION

NURSERY PROVIDED

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Stephen Ministry Congregation

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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 17, 2010 - WIHN WEEK - TEC WEEKEND

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 2:00 PM GSLC Preschool Board Meeting - Library
- 3:30 pm TBFC - Underwood Hall - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 pm Stephen Ministry Dinner & Class - E-12
- 6:00 pm Shepherd's Quake Members in Sermon Skit - in Sanctuary

Monday, January 18, 2010 - WIHN WEEK - TEC ALL DAY

- 4:00 pm TFS MW Team - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 pm Daisy Troop Meeting - E-12
- 7:00 pm BellSong - Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Beginnings ChristCare Group - E-9
- 7:00 pm Prayer Group - Choir Room

Tuesday, January 19, 2010 - WIHN WEEK

- 6:45 am Early Rising Men - Starbucks, Stonehenge
- 9:30 am Revelation Bible Study - Library
- 11:00 am GSLC Staff Meeting—Library
- 1:30 pm Gentle Shepherd Chorus - Choir Room
- 2:30 pm CC Leaders - Library
- 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry - Library, E-12

Wednesday, January 20, 2010 - WIHN WEEK

- 9:30 am CC Women's Bible Study - Library
- 5:30 pm Pizza-Pizza - E-12
- 6:00 pm Heartsong - Sanctuary
- 6:15 pm Shepherd Children's Choir - Choir Room
- 7:00 pm Confirmation/Mentor - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 pm Shepherds Song - Sanctuary
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Thursday, January 21, 2010 - WIHN WEEK

- 7:00 am Eucharist - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am Centering Prayer - Pastor Jennifer's Office
- 5:30 pm Voices Together - Choir Room
- 7:00 pm ChristCare Group - Library

Friday, January 22, 2010 - WIHN WEEK

Saturday, January 23, 2010 - WIHN WEEK

- 9:00 am Basketball Clinic - Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 am Call Committee - Library

Sunday, January 24, 2010 - WIHN WEEK ENDS

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Worship & Music Ministry Team - Library
- 12:30 pm Rental - Fellowship Hall
- 4:30 pm KOF - Kids on Fire - Fellowship Halls
- 4:30 pm 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room
- 5:30 pm Shepherd's Quake - Underwood Hall
- 6:00 pm Life Transitions Christ Care Group - Library
- 7:00 pm SH Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST THROUGH HOLY BAPTISM, MARGARET LAUREN FELTMAN.

TODAY, JANUARY 17TH - JOINT LUTHERAN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WORSHIP at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC at 3 pm. Pastor Charlene Limeneh, of Joy of Discovery will preach.

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 24TH we hear from our Epiphany Faith Sharers Kris Sloman at 8:15; and Matt Gainey at 10:45!

WIHN - MANY VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR WIHN WEEK - BEGINNING THIS EVENING. Volunteering for WIHN only requires a two-hour commitment. It is a wonderful opportunity for the whole family - especially for our youth who can receive community service hours to help those people in our community that, if not for the WIHN program and volunteers would otherwise be homeless. Please prayerfully consider spending just a couple of hours volunteering to help the families from WIHN. Contact Art Pfefferle at 676-7849 if you're available to help.



UPCOMING TRAINING FOR NEW PRAYER MINISTRY

Classes will be on Monday nights (Jan 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15) at 7 pm. Books for the class will cost around \$20. Please let Pastor Jennifer know if you plan on attending. If you can't attend the classes but are interested in this ministry, please let Pastor Jennifer know and other arrangements can be made.



THREE ON THREE BASKETBALL ON FEBRUARY 7TH - SUPER BOWL SUNDAY AT 3 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Church staff challenges any/all that want to play. Pull together your team of 3 - or just show up. Bring donation of canned food for Food Bank.



WEDDING VOWS RENEWAL AND DINNER, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH AT 5 PM - All couples are invited for a Worship Service of Affirmation of Wedding Vows in our Sanctuary at 5 pm. At 6 pm we will head to Michael Deans Restaurant for dinner (dinner range \$30-40 per person.) Please sign-up for the dinner at the

Wittenberg Information Center. Final Reservations need to be in by February 7th. A \$20 deposit is needed. Make check payable to Good Shepherd - *Wedding Vow Renewal Dinner* in memo line.



NEW FLOWER CHART IS UP AT WITTENBERG INFORMATION CENTER - MANY DATES AVAILABLE - DEDICATE FLOWERS FOR A SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY - OR IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF SOMEONE. COST IS \$55 - AND MAY BE SHARED WITH TWO HOUSEHOLDS.

BEST WISHES TO ALL PARTICIPATING IN THE TEC (TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST) WEEKEND AT CAMP AGAPE. Those attending as guests include: Ashley Alis, Kurt Saenger-Heyl, Nathan Holzworth, Bryan Lester, and Olivia Wedegaertner. Those serving include Brian Grimes, Ellen Dickson, Rachel Austin, Patrick Ballard, Adam Buff, Michelle Nunalee, Michael Dickson, Malena Montgomery and Erin Lester.

FIRST FRUITS COMMITMENT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH - You will soon be receiving your 2009 giving statement and a pledge card for *Faith-based Giving in 2010*. The Giving Ministry Team is asking you to prayerfully consider increasing your involvement in and financial support of Good Shepherd this year. Pledges will be received during worship on Sunday, February 7th, or may be placed in the brown box in the Narthex. **Thank you all for your faithful stewardship!**



STEPHEN MINISTERS STEPHEN MINISTRY - Training class begins TODAY Sunday, January 17th at GSLC - *Did your New*

Year's resolution include serving God in a new way?? Are you someone who is feeling the 'nudge' to get more involved in ministry - and want to serve God in way that touches other lives -- and helps you grow closer to Him? GSLC will be training a new class of Stephen Ministers TODAY with dinner and classes following each Tuesday after. Please fill out an application (found on the bulletin board in the hallway to Fellowship Hall or online at www.gslchurch.org) and contact Pastor Jennifer or Kim Sweet 848-6334 ASAP.

ADULT MISSION TRIP - MARCH 21-27, 2010 - Adults of all ages will be traveling to Ocean Springs, Mississippi this coming March to help rebuild after Hurricane Katrina. Vicar Nathaniel Anderson will lead a group of adults for 5 days of work, fellowship and reflection. We will leave the church on the morning of Sunday, March 21st and return the evening of Saturday, March 27. At Camp Victor we will receive all of our meals and lodging for only \$125. Additional expenses will include meals and gas on travel days. **If interested, please contact Vicar Nathaniel at 848-1573 or email at Nathaniel.Anderson@gslchurch.org.**

**SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY
OWLS (OLDER, WISER LUTHERANS)**

FIRST 2010 LUNCH & LEARN on Saturday, February 20th at 12 o'clock noon in Underwood Hall. All our welcome! Our guest speaker is from Raleigh Area Development Authority (RADA) and the topic is ***"Seniors: Don't be a Target"***. We will be informed on how to better protect ourselves from scams and identity theft. This topic is of interest for all adults, especially with so much electronic banking and on-line purchases. Bring a friend. Sign-up at the Wittenberg Information Center.



RAMS UPDATES



THE RAMS WILL GO ON THEIR NEXT BREW TOUR TO LONE RIDER BREWING COMPANY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH FROM 1-2 PM. Meet at the church at 12:15 pm for a 12:30 pm departure in the church bus.

THE GSLC RAMS WILL HAVE THEIR 2ND ANNUAL MEN'S SERVICE RETREAT AT KURE BEACH ON MARCH 5-7, 2010. We will have time for worship and fellowship as well as provide one day of work for the Kure Beach Ministry. The cost is \$85 per person, which includes lodging plus meals and snacks. Please sign up at the Wittenberg Information Center and get your \$40 deposit to Matt Gainey or place in an envelope addressed to Paul Phillips in the brown box.

THE GSLC RAMS' NEXT EVENT will be held on Thursday, February 4th at 6:30 pm. Kevin Brimhall will speak to us on "Goal Setting." Come on out Rams & we welcome newcomers to join us for this Mens' Ministry event! Please sign up at the Wittenberg Information Center or online at <http://gslcrams.ning.com> if you plan to attend so that we have an accurate head count. The cost is \$5 per person.

EARLY RISING MEN (ERM) meet on Tuesdays, 6:45—8 am at Starbucks at Stonehenge. All men are welcome to attend.



FOOD BARREL FOR JANUARY - will benefit the **Raleigh Rescue Mission.** Needed items are **food:** coffee, tea, sugar, creamer, cooking oil, canned vegetables, beans and fruit, canned meat (ham, turkey, chicken, beef); **toiletries:** toilet paper, ethnic hair products, travel sized toothpaste, deodorant & lotion, over the counter nonalcoholic drugs (headache meds, cough & cold remedies); **clothing:** men's & women's underwear, men's & women's socks; AA & AAA batteries, gift cards to Walmart, Sam's Club, OfficeMax or other discount stores. Questions? Contact Sandy Willey at swilley@mindspring.com or 518-0784.

HELEN WRIGHT SHELTER MINISTRY - We will again be serving dinner for the women at the Helen Wright Shelter on **Sunday, January 31st**. Please check the sign up sheet at the Wittenberg Information Center. The women are always very appreciative of your time and generosity. Please call Krisy Sims at 417-3178 with any questions. **Thanks so much!**

COUNTERS - Are you interested in serving as a mid-week counter for Good Shepherd? To learn more, please contact Paul Phillips at 848-1573. We are also looking for a couple of people who are interested in serving as substitute counters on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in filling in when one of our regular counters is out, please contact Yvette DeSilva at 881-7959 or Paul Phillips at 848-1573.

FINANCIAL STATUS	
<u>Last Week 1/10/2010</u>	
Regular Offering	\$8,204
Sunday's attendance	453
<u>Previous Week 1/3/2010</u>	
Regular Offering	\$12,113
Sunday's attendance	396
<u>January to Date</u>	
Actual	\$20,317
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Actual	\$20,317



NEW CHRISTCARE OPPORTUNITIES



A group dealing with **life transitions** will be led by Denise Tilden. These challenging or joyful transitions mean facing the unknown, adjusting to a “new normal” and growing in our faith. This group will provide the opportunity to share these experiences and be of support to one another. tildenmusic@bellsouth.net or 846-6282

Robin Kirk will be facilitating a **Bible study group for women** that will meet on Wednesday mornings. It is absolutely not necessary that those who join to have any previous Biblical knowledge. The purpose is to learn Bible stories, history, and how the Bible speaks to each of us in our daily lives. robinkirk1957@att.net or 624-2636

Cindy (Cheng) Killian will facilitate a group “**Generations Gap: Caring for your Aging Parents without Losing Yourself**”. It is stressful when roles reverse and adult children are caring for aging parents whether still in the midst of raising children or not. This group will meet every other Tuesday at 6:30 or 7 pm. mamamia2814@aol.com or 345-8395

Look in the Narthex for our small display, and then please walk down to Underwood Hall to see more and to talk to some of our group leaders. Come and see!!

EXISTING CHRISTCARE GROUPS

A ChristCare Group dedicated to Parents of Middle & High Schoolers is reactivating this fall. We meet the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesday of every month from 7:00-8:30 (during confirmation). Our focus is Christian community building - come and expect meaningful discussions, supportive prayer and some "me" time. Come and see what we are all about. Contact Ann Kuhar at 919 810-8764 if you have questions.

The "Single Ladies over 40" ChristCare Group The "Single Ladies over 40" ChristCare Group meet twice monthly on 1st and 3rd Thursdays at GSLC in Room E-12 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Interested single ladies over age 40, (GSLC members and non-members) are welcome to attend. Please contact Cheryl Kruse at 431-9474.

“Beginnings” ChristCare Group meets on Monday evenings at 7 pm in E-9. We are studying Max Lucado’s book entitled “*In The Grip of Grace*”. Questions, please contact John Chaplinsky at 676-0559 or email chaplijt@hotmail.com. NOTE - NOT MEETING ON JAN. 4 & 10TH.

The Mom's ChristCare Group - ATTENTION MOMS! If you have made a New Years resolution to improve your relationship with God, then join us! The Moms ChristCare Group will begin a new study on “Walking With God” by John Eldredge. We meet the first Tuesday and the third Thursday of each month at Angela Metz’s home. Questions, call Angela at 788-9503.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS

Lectionary Bible Study led by Jeff Dozer. Engage the weekly appointed scriptures. **Meets in Pastor David's office.** Class is ongoing.

Whittecar Class led by Gail Vaughn, Sally Sloop, Cathie Strawbridge and Peggy Ruopp. This class is for adults with/without developmental delays. Class is on-going and **meets in E-7.**

Community Class led by Gordon Keehn. This class encourages participants to select topics and share faith together. **Class meets in Underwood Hall.**

January - February 14 - In What's So Amazing About Grace?, award-winning author Philip Yancey explores grace at street level. What is grace? If grace is God's love for the undeserving, then what does it look like in action? If Christians are its sole dispensers, how are we doing at lavishing grace on a world that knows far more of cruelty and unforgiveness than it does of mercy? Participant book \$8. Class will be led by Linda Aubel and Cheryl Kruse. **Meeting in Underwood Hall.**

January - thru 24th - Understanding Islam w/Vicar Nathaniel. What is Islam and how do we relate to Muslims as Christians? In this four week course we will learn the basic tenants of Islam and how we interact with the Muslim world as Christians and US citizens. Vicar Nathaniel will make presentations as well as lead discussions on topics such as the role of women in Islam, the concept of 'jihad,' Islam and democracy, foreign policy implications as well as looking at parallels between the Bible and the Qur'an. **Meeting in Sanctuary.**

January - thru 31 - Pastor Stan Yancey will lead A 4 week class on the following topics: **Midlife Passages and Challenges** - Use the questions of this time to clarify and assess how it is going, where you are going, and any changes you would like to implement. Confirm things going well. Bring your midlife with you, your looking forward to it, or your remembrance of it, all of which can be useful to those present. **Adult ADHD** - It is real and deeply influences the person and loved ones. Come and learn about it. **Parenting Adolescents** - To have a power struggle or not to have a power struggle, that is the question. When to support, when to confront and how, when to allow to fall. There is plenty to discuss. **Blending Families and Parenting** - Parenting is a challenge and throw into the mix the blending of families and there are inevitable challenges and rewards. Let's look at this realm of relationships that can strain the limits of patience. **Meet in Fellowship Hall.**

January 17, 24, 31 Joining the Flock - Persons interested in becoming part of the life and mission of Good Shepherd are invited to participate in this series. You will meet our key leaders, understand our mission, learn more about the Lutheran expression of Christianity, and find your way into our faith community. New members will join on Sunday, February 7. **Class will meet in the Library.**

Adult SME Opportunities Continued:

January 31- Feb. 14 All Are Welcome friend and stranger, at the banquet of the Savior. All are welcome, all are welcome here. How well we know these words. How many people are there in our lives for whom these words are foreign for whatever reasons are going on in their lives. It may be a friend, coworker or a family member who is estranged from God and in many cases are just waiting for a sign of reconciliation. Be that sign! Come and learn the skills needed to patiently, lovingly and compassionately be an inviter. Hear from people who have been invited; hear the power in having been invited. Come gain the confidence needed to invite someone you care about to a Good Shepherd service. Class led by Rene Ancil. Class will meet in Underwood Hall.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL READING - PRAYING THE CATECHISM by Donald Johnson is an opportunity in 90 Days (40 for Lent; 50 for Easter) to pray through Martin Luther's Small Catechism. This volume is available for purchase through the church for \$17 (payable to Good Shepherd; put on memo line "Lenten Book). Sign up by the Wittenberg Information Center by February 7th; books will be available by February 14th.

**EASTERN NC LUTHERAN
VIA DE CRISTO**

Via de Cristo is a Spanish phrase meaning "Way of Christ." Via de Cristo is a highly structured three day weekend designed to strengthen and renew the faith of Christians and bring them to a new awareness of living in God's grace. It is a combined effort of lay people and clergy toward renewal of the church.

**Applications at the Wittenberg Information Center
or at www.encydc.org.**

UPCOMING 2010 WEEKENDS

March 11-14 - Mixed #70

May 13-16 - Mixed #71

September 9-12 - Mixed #72

(At Camp Agape near Fuquay Varina)

GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL NEWS

REGISTRATION FOR OUR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR HAS BEGUN! We are NOT increasing tuition/fees for our next school year and we will allow the registration fee for families with 2 or more children enrolling in the preschool to be split into 2 installments. Also, we are offering a new 5-day 3 year-old class option. Please share our great news with others. We are one of the only preschools in the area that has a 4-hour program and is fully accredited. All forms and information is available at www.gslchurch.org/preschool. Please direct further questions to Deanna Klimek, preschool@gslchurch.org.

SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM WILL BE HELD IN 2010! New this year – we will offer our program to rising 2's, as well as 3's – 5's. Our program will run for eight weeks and camp days are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30am to 1:30pm. A minimum enrollment of 2 weeks is required. Registration will begin March 1st, with a registration fee discount available for those who register by April 1st. All forms and information will be available on our website beginning in early February. Please direct further questions to Deanna Klimek, preschool@gslchurch.org.

WE HAVE 91 FAMILIES LINKED TO OUR HARRIS TEETER VIC ACCOUNT! If you haven't linked yet, just tell your cashier that our code is 3503 next time you check out. The funds are used for a variety of purposes including school activities and scholarships.

THANK YOU! for supporting our Campbell's Labels for Education collection program (deposit them by the Preschool Director's door).

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

FUNDS FOR PEW BIBLES - We are currently seeking donations for additional Bibles for the pews. Our goal is \$400 additional so that we can use our Bibles during worship. You may indicate your intention in the memo portion of your check to GSLC. Thank you!

ITEMS IN OUR WORSHIP SPACE ARE UNDER SOME DEVELOPMENT AND UP-GRADING. You may have noticed that the Handbell table is located on the left side of the sanctuary. This beautiful table which houses the original altar carving from the previous sanctuary needs to become movable. We are currently evaluating how best to modify this table for its best use and to maintain the elegance of the carving. We also are undergoing an installation on the grand piano to stabilize its tuning and lengthen the longevity of its use. Equipment has been installed that will equalize the temperature and the humidity control of the instrument because of temperature fluctuations throughout the year. This maintenance is requiring a delay on tuning the instrument. Please bear with us!

WE INVITE YOU TO SING WITH THE SANCTUARY CHOIR. For Easter we will be featuring music that will allow you to “find your voice”. If you join the choir now, you will sing with us as we prepare for Lent and Easter which is on April 4th. This could be a short or long--term commitment on your part - and would be a way of sharing your talents in worship. Talk with Carol today, at 848-1573 or carol@gslchruch.org if you have questions. She will be happy to meet with you privately. **The Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 - 9 pm in the Choir Room.**

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

YOUTH TODAY

TEC Weekend - Camp Agape
TBFC - 3:30 - 4:45 - Fellowship Hall
No MH Youth Group Today
Shepherd's Quake Sermon Skit Members - 6 pm - Sanctuary
No SH Youth Group Today

Shepherd's Quake members who are in the sermon skit will meet at the regular time (6 pm) tonight in the Sanctuary.

CAMP AGAPE BYG-ER WEEKEND for 6th thru 8th graders is January 29-31. All forms are due today (January 17th). Remember to include a copy of your insurance card. **Put all forms and final payment in Barb Newcomer's mailbox in the Workroom.** DO NOT PUT THEM IN THE BROWN BOX IN NARTHEX. Questions, contact Barb Newcomer at 855-9558.

TODAY - TBFC - TRUE BELIEVER'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB - Meet from 3:30 to 4:45 in Fellowship Hall - for 3rd thru 5th graders.

KOF - Kids on Fire will meet January 24th from 4:30 to 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall - 5th & 6th graders.

BASKETBALL CLINIC FOR GRADES 1-5 - BEGAN IN JANUARY -THRU FEBRUARY 13TH (6 WEEKS) from 9-11 am in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$20 (includes a T-shirt). Make check payable to GSLC - with Basketball Clinic in memo line.

SUPERBOWL SUB SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 7TH. ORDERS FOR SUBS WILL BE TAKEN BY YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS IN THE NARTHEX ON JANUARY 17, 24th and 31st or at www.gslchurch.org. Proceeds will be used for this summer's youth mission trips. Thanks for your support!



DATES GSLC YOUTH ARE PREPARING PLM PACKIN' SNACK BAGS: **January 31**, February 28, April 25, and May 23. Needed Items: 80 brown paper lunch sacks; 80 Ziploc bags or individually packaged healthy snacks. **Perishables:** Grapes; Apples; Bananas; Cheese sticks; Baby carrots; Oranges. **Non-Perishable:** Goldfish; Crackers; Pretzels; Raisins; Cheese crackers; Fruit cups (w/plastic spoons) . **NO COOKIES, CANDY OR SODA OR ANY SNACKS THAT MAY CONTAIN NUTS.** The GSLC Youth thank you for your support! Sign-up at Wittenberg Information Center. *Brian Grimes, (Brian.Grimes@gslchurch.org)*

PIZZA-PIZZA - WEDNESDAYS AT **5:30 PM**
\$1 PER SLICE -
CALL IN YOUR ORDER TO 788-2988 BY 3:30 PM