

PEWSLETTER
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 31, 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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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 31, 2010 - BYGER - at Camp Agape

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:30 pm Rental - Fellowship Hall
- 3:00 pm Packin-Snacks - Kitchen
- 5:30 pm Shepherd's Quake - Underwood Hall
- 7:00 pm SH Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room

Monday, February 1, 2010

- 2:00 pm Monday Movie Matinee - Library
- 4:00 pm TFS -MW Team - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 28 - Underwood Hall
- 6:00 pm Daisy Troop - E-12
- 6:00 pm Children's Ministry Team - Library
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry Team - Erin Chaffee Room
- 7:00 pm Prayer Group - Choir Room
- 7:00 pm BellSong - Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Beginnings ChristCare Group - E-9

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

- 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
- 6:30 pm Church Council - Choir Room
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts - Underwood Hall
- 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Training - Library - E-12
- 7:00 pm Volleyball - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

- 9:30 am CC Women's Bible Study - Library
- 4:00 pm TFS - MW Team - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 pm Pizza-Pizza - Underwood Hall
- 6:00 pm Heartsong - Sanctuary
- 6:15 pm Shepherd Children's Choir - Choir Room
- 7:00 pm Block Party Planning Meeting - E-9
- 7:00 pm Confirmation - Erin Chaffee Room
- 7:00 pm Shepherds Song - Sanctuary
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

Thursday, February 4, 2010

- 7:00 am Eucharist - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am Centering Prayer - Pastor Jennifer's Office
- 5:30 pm Voices Together - Choir Room
- 6:30 pm RAMS Dinner & Program - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 pm ChristCare Group - Library

Saturday, February 6, 2010

- 9:00 pm Super Bowl Sub Day - Kitchen
- 9:00 am Basketball Clinic - Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 pm Pinewood Derby - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 7, 2010 - SUPER BOWL SUB SUNDAY

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 3:00 pm 3 on 3 Basketball - Fellowship Hall
- 3:30 pm SOS - Offsite
- 4:30 pm 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room
- 6:00 pm Shepherd's Quake (those in Sermon Skit) - Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm SH Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY- SHEPHERD'S QUAKE DRAMA TROUPE will offer a sermon skit entitled, *Modern Manna*. Thirty two middle school youth will be at the BYGer weekend at Camp Agape. Thirty plus women are attending the Wild Women's Weekend at Lutheridge. The 2009 Annual Reports will be available in the Narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, we welcome new members into the Body of Christ through Good Shepherd. We receive our 2010 First Fruits Pledge Commitments. All Baptized in February are welcome to reaffirm their baptism into Christ.

COPIES OF KRIS SLOMAN AND MATT GAINNEY'S EPIPHANY FAITH SHARINGS from last Sunday are available in the Narthex.



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.

DINNER FOR 8: If you're hosting the 3rd dinner, please contact your guests now. Suggested date is February 6th. Questions, contact cvitek@nc.rr.com.



TRAINING FOR NEW PRAYER MINISTRY

Classes will be on Monday nights (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.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER - Tuesday, February 16th from 5-7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a few flap jacks courtesy of our youth. Free will donations are accepted for Youth Mission Trips. We'll also have a burning of the palm branches.

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.



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.

FIRST FRUITS COMMITMENT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH - You should have received 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!**

NEW MEMEBERS - Our faith community is welcoming new sisters and brothers on Sunday, February 7th. Their pictures are posted in the Narthex. Please meet and welcome these new Good Shepherdites.

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

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. Questions, contact Vicar Nathaniel at 848-1573 or email at Nathaniel.Anderson@gslchurch.org. **Sign-up on Wittenberg Information Center.**



STEPHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

Even though you might not be in our new Stephen Ministry class, **YOU can play an important role in our Stephen Ministry . . .** Because you may know of a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or relative who is going through a difficult time and who could benefit from the focused care, encouragement, and support of a Stephen Minister. If you know of someone who is hurting, talk with Pastor Jennifer or one of our Stephen Leaders: *Kim Sweet, Jeanne vanDivender, Rene Anctil or Pam Montgomery*. They can talk with you about how we can connect the person you know with one of our Stephen Ministers. It's a great way for you to show how much you care!

OUR STEPHEN MINISTER TRAINING HAS BEGUN. We ask you to keep our Stephen Minister trainees in your prayers as they nurture their gifts and acquire new skills so that they can bring Christ's love and care to hurting people on behalf of our congregation. Please pray for our Stephen Leaders who will guide them through their training as well! The Stephen Ministry class includes: Liz Arrowood, Karen Crews, Rob Crews, Allan Dickson, Angela Glendenning, Pam Mansueti and Mary Lee Steinke.

MEALS ON WHEELS OF WAKE COUNTY will celebrate their 9th Annual Fat Tuesday Benefit on Tuesday, February 16th. The evening includes a silent and live auction with spectacular items, fun raffles, a delicious Cajun-style buffet, and dancing to the Raleigh-based band, Zydecopious. They are expecting the largest crowd ever - close to 500 guests. Last year's Fat Tuesday Benefit raised enough money to purchase 12,000 meals for Meals on Wheels to deliver to our homebound senior and disabled neighbors in Wake County. For more information or to purchase a ticket please use this link: http://www.wakemow.org/?page_id=89. Questions? Call 833-1749

RAMS UPDATES



THE GSLC RAMS 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.



FOOD BARREL FOR FEBRUARY - The recipient agency for February's Food Barrel is **Triangle Vineyard**. Please consider donating the following items: **canned or boxed dry foods**, such as soup, Chef Boyardee pastas, boxed pasta, bakery mixes, peanut butter; **breakfast items**, such as oatmeal, toaster pastries, cereal and bottled juices; **baby items**, such as diapers, lotions and creams; **household items**, such as cleaning supplies. **Thank you for your support!** Direct questions to Sandy Willey, sfwilley@mindspring.com, or 518-0784.



MAIL FOR MNENE SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 7TH is the next date to submit your mail and small packages for your adopted orphan. The Mnene mailbox will be set up in the Narthex. Any donations for postage will also be greatly appreciated! For questions or concerns please call Cathie Strawbridge at 870-9439.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY - OWLS (OLDER, WISER LUTHERANS)

MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE IS SET FOR FEBRUARY 1ST AT 2 PM in the Library. We'll view the interpretation of the life of *Christ Jesus of Montreal*, a 1988 film.

FIRST 2010 LUNCH & LEARN on **Saturday, February 20th at 12 o'clock** noon in Underwood Hall. All are 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.

SENIOR ADULTS/OWLS (OLDER, WISER LUTHERANS) IT'S BINGO NIGHT AT THE COFFEEHOUSE on Friday, February 26th from 7-9 pm. Helpers assist our participants to play BINGO. Bingo prizes needed and/or sign-up to bring a dish to share. Prizes go in box in Narthex. Sign-up on the Wittenberg Information Center to be part of this great night.

COUNTERS - We are 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.

INTERESTED IN A WOMEN'S MINISTRY AT GOOD SHEPHERD? Pastor Jennifer, Lorrie Houze, Kris Sloman and Peggy Ruopp would like your ideas. Please email Lorrie at LHouze@nc.rr.com. Please stay tuned for more information.



GOING GREEN AT GSLC - As some of you might have heard or read the newsletter will no longer be mailed to the congregation. This will afford some layout flexibility and the ability to utilize pictures (yeah!). So as you prepare for next month's submission we wanted to let you know that space is really no longer an issue...but remember that if an article is too long it might not draw as many readers. The newsletter will be available online as it is now and we will print a few copies for visitors and pastor's to deliver to shut-ins. We will attempt to use your submissions in their original form if you have done a creative layout. Contact Brenda Dozer at 848-1573 or Brenda@gslchurch.org if you have any questions.



THE GSLC BOOK STUDY GROUP will meet in the Library at 10 am on Thursday, February 11 and 18 to discuss the book *OLIVE KITTERIDGE* by Elizabeth Stout. We welcome visitors who might be interested in becoming part of the study group. Contact Lois Erickson at 878-4669 with any questions.

FINANCIAL STATUS

Last Week 1/24/10

Regular Offerings: \$ 9,102
Attendance: 532

Previous Week 1/17/10

Regular Offering \$15,487
Attendance: 433

January to Date

Actual: \$44,906
Budget: \$49,675
Short: (\$4,769)

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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)

WALK TO JERUSALEM - IT'S 5,160 MILES FROM GOOD SHEPHERD TO JERUSALEM. During the season of Lent you are encouraged to pick up a pedometer from the church and record your steps. By taking part in the physical and spiritual practice of walking, we can make it to Jerusalem together during these 40 days. Pedometers will be available starting Sunday, February 7th. Miles will be recorded on the chart in the Fellowship Hall. Let us journey this road together.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL READING - A TESTAMENT OF DEVOTION BY THOMAS KELLY. This Quaker missionary speaks of centering our lives in God's presence and finding quiet and stillness in our daily lives. Cost is \$10 (payable to GSLC) on memo line put "Lent-Kelly"). Sign up at Wittenberg Information Center by February 7th - books will be available by February 14th.



NEW CHRISTCARE OPPORTUNITIES



A group dealing with **life transitions** will be led by Denise Tilden. Life transitions mean facing the unknown, adjusting to a "new normal," and growing in faith. Our goal is to gain strength through Scripture and be of support to one another. We meet 1st & 3rd Sundays starting Feb. 21 in E-9 from 6 to 7:30 pm. tildenmusic@bellsouth.net or 846-6282

Robin Kirk facilitating a **Bible study group for women** that meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11 am. It is 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 display.

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 is led by Linda Aubel and Cheryl Kruse. **Meeting in Underwood Hall.**

January 31 - Pastor Stan Yancey will lead a 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 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.**

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 Anctil. **Class will meet in Underwood Hall.**

February 21 - March 28 - Lutheranism 101 - What do Lutherans believe about Holy Communion? What do Lutherans believe about the Resurrection? Where are so many Lutherans in the Midwest? Every Sunday this Lent, Pastor David and Vicar Nathaniel will present a course on the basics of Lutheranism. Topics include: History of the Reformation/Martin Luther; Worship; Lutheran Theology; The Sacraments; Lutherans in America. **Meet in Sanctuary.**

Adult SME Opportunities Continued:

February 21 - March 14 - How Can I Forgive? A Study on Forgiveness. The grace and forgiveness of our loving God is foundational to Christian faith, but as humans, forgiveness can be one of the most difficult processes of living. What is forgiveness? How does one forgive oneself, others, or even a community? What gets in our way when we want to forgive? Class led by Laura Prill in the Library.

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.



SOLES4SOULS - Now is the time to Clean out Your Closets! Currently, an estimated 300 million children and millions of adults lack basic footwear, and you can help provide them with valuable protection from harmful wounds and infectious diseases. **SOLES4SOULS** is a Nashville-based charity that collects

shoes from the warehouses of footwear companies and the closets of people like you. The charity distributes these shoes free of charge to people in need, regardless of race, religion, class, or any other criteria. The shoes have been distributed to people in over 125 countries, including Kenya, Thailand, Nepal and the USA. All type of shoes are accepted: athletic, dress, work boots, sandals as long as they are new or gently worn.

From February 14 - March 7, a collection box will be placed in the narthex on Sundays where you can drop off shoes you wish to donate. Simply tie pairs together using the laces or rubber band in pairs. There are so many ways that you can help give, one of the simplest, but most important gifts to those in need is shoes. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Austin at 562-3707.

GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL NEWS

FREE PARENTING CLASS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD FROM 7-9PM IN THE CHURCH SANCTUARY. This class is brought to us by Project Enlightenment instructor Michelle Chachkes and is entitled '*Creating Conscious Connections with our Kids.*' This class is for parents of children birth to six years of age. What kind of relationship do you want with your child? Do you believe you can create it? What gets in the way? Come to this innovative workshop based on the lifework of Dr. Becky Bailey, educator and creator of the highly acclaimed research curriculum, "Conscious Discipline." Focus will be on ways that parents can establish effective patterns of communication and discipline in their families that are based on creating connections rather than on coercion.

Childcare will be provided by GSLC youth (*freewill donation appreciated*). If you need childcare, please email friendsofpreschool@gmail.com and provide your child(ren)s age(s) by Friday, February 19th. **ALL ARE WELCOME** -- friends, neighbors, grandparents, too! **No RSVP required unless you need childcare.**

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 are 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 UPGRADING. 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 to modify this table for its best use and to maintain the elegance of the carving. We have also undergone 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.**

LENTEN WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 PM *Based on the Old Testament Readings & the Psalms*

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| February 17 | Ash Wednesday Service
<i>(12:15 pm & 7:00 pm)</i> |
| February 24 | Almsgiving |
| March 3 | Guided Visual Meditation |
| March 10 | Fasting |
| March 17 | Daily Examen
<i>(A way to reflect on the day with God)</i> |
| March 24 | Guided “Letting –Go” Meditation |

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AT 6 PM.
LENTEN OFFERINGS WILL SUPPORT CAMPO VERANO.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

YOUTH TODAY

Packin' Snacks - 3 pm - Kitchen

NO 7th & 8th Grade Youth TODAY

Shepherd's Quake - 6 pm - Fellowship Hall

SH Youth Group - 7 pm - Erin Chaffee Room

ALL SHEPHERD'S QUAKE MEMBERS need to practice tonight at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be reading for the Spring play to help make casting decisions!



GSLC YOUTH ARE PREPARING PLM PACKIN' SNACK BAGS ON January 31,

February 28, April 25, and May 23. Needed Items: 80 brown paper lunch sacks; 80 napkins; 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. Questions, contact *Brian Grimes, (Brian.Grimes@gslchurch.org).***

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MEETING , MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST at 6 pm in the Library. All parents of children with ages ranging from K thru 6th grade are encouraged to come join us for this wonderful ministry. Young adults are welcome too!

SOS SERVING OUR SAVIOR - ON FEBRUARY 7TH - will be going to Monkey Joe's from 1-3 pm today. Drop off and pick up inside Monkey Joes, 6220 Glenwood Ave., Ste. 104, Pleasant Valley Promenade. Parents welcome to stay. Socks required. Cost \$10, includes refreshments. RSVP only to Barb Newcomer @855-9559 or bnewcomer@nc.rr.com by February 5th.

BASKETBALL CLINIC FOR GRADES 1-5 -THRU FEBRUARY 13TH 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 TODAY or at www.gslchurch.org. Proceeds will be used for this summer's youth mission trips. **Thanks for your support!**

LUTHERIDGE DAY CAMP - Registration begins on February 14 before and after SME in the Narthex. Cost is \$60 for the week. This is for all rising 1st thru 6th graders. Dates are July 12-16. Questions, call Barb Newcomer at 855-9558.

TBFC - TRUE BELIEVER'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB SLEEPOVER is scheduled for February 19. Drop off time 6:30 pm and pick-up time on February 20th at 8:30 am. This is for all 3rd thru 5th graders. Cost is \$5 for pizza and drinks. RSVP Barb Newcomer @855-9558 or bnewcomer@nc.rr.com by February 18.

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