



GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF

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**Ash Wednesday
March 2
Worship Services at
12:00 noon
and 6:30 p.m.
with Distribution of Ashes**



**Wednesday
Lenten Services
March 9, 16, 23, 30,
and April 6
12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m.**

The Worship Life Committee is preparing for the Lenten Season. They are praying that you will make our worship services a part of your Lenten Journey.

Holy Week's schedule will be announced in next month's newsletter.

Mark your calendars. See you in the Sanctuary.



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Good Shepherd family,

Last month I wrote to you about a passage from 1 Corinthians, encouraging us to allow all things to be done for the building up of the church. Indeed, that key word “build” is a theme that will come up again and again this year. It goes hand in hand with our theme of renewal for the retreat coming up later this month. In our recent Council retreat I spoke to the council about my hopes and plans to help build the church this coming year. I sense that our leaders share my excitement and optimism about our future together. They are ready to help us build in new ways, which is a wonderful blessing.

When we hear the term “build” we may think of different, yet related things. Some of you were here when this congregation embarked on various building campaigns to expand our facilities. Whether that was the education building, the FAB, the new sanctuary, the roof project, or some other building campaign, we know what it is like to expand and grow our physical resources in this way. Likewise, some of you were part of a building process at Good Shepherd years ago when the emphasis was on building up of the attendance numbers. You saw first-hand the joys that can come when God gathers new people into a place for a specific time and purpose. I am certain that these times of growth—both the physical and the numerical—were also connected with a time of spiritual growth. And that is the type of growth that I believe God is primarily calling us to at this time.

It is wonderful to grow outward physically—to acquire land, move soil, and add facilities. It is fantastic to grow outward socially—to invite new people and experience an increase in numbers. But neither of these things will be complete without growth both downward and upward. We need to grow downward—to have a healthy root system firmly connected to the Word of God. We must be nourished for this growth by our worship, learning, service, and fellowship together. We are strengthened and fertilized by the Sacraments and the Word of God. And as below, so above—as we grow deeper in our faith together, we grow upwards—closer to God and one another. A strong root system means good fruit is likely to be brought forth. Just as it is for plants that grow, so it is for people of faith.

Yet this process doesn’t just happen. Such growth, such expansion must be encouraged and cultivated. That is why the word “build” will be so vital this year. This is an active verb. We work together toward this goal of growing downward and upward—of building a firm foundation and building to new heights together. Just as a full crop cannot come forth without tilling and working, so we will not reach our fullness without the work of the Holy Spirit and without our own willingness to work together. Throughout the New Testament, we hear the twin refrain: “build yourselves up” and “be built up.” We are not passive observers of God’s work, nor are we “lone rangers” who build by our own strength alone. Rather, we are participants together with God in this work and ministry.

Are you ready to grow and build together? Do you want a deeper root system; a firmer foundation? Would you like to grow to new heights together? If so, come and worship in person and/or online. Come and learn in one of our Bible studies and in Sunday school. Participate in a committee and in our fellowship and social events. Serve with your time and money through our Social Ministry opportunities and programs. Give more faithfully and more fully to the mission we share. As we do this work together, we send down new and deeper roots and we put forth new shoots and leaves, growing toward the fullness God has in store for us. So let us build and be built this year together. God will give this growth and to God be the glory.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Andrew

MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members,

Your congregation council is off to a great start for 2022. Most committees have met, and the others have meetings scheduled. And in spite of COVID and weather issues, many activities in the congregation already have taken place or are being planned.

At our orientation and getting-to-know you session prior to our January meeting, I was impressed by the enthusiasm and optimism of our council members. And it was most interesting to learn more about the backgrounds and interests of our members. Our varied council membership offers so much to leadership roles in our congregation.

But the council members are merely the elected leadership. Our ability to do things as a congregation depends on all our members stepping up to help with our worship services, our learning program, property maintenance, and all of our ongoing activities.

The Bible is filled with stories of individuals who thought they didn't have anything to offer and weren't capable of doing what God asked of them. But they discovered that our God equips us to be his servants, and it is up to us to step up and use the time, talents and abilities he's given to us.

So I'm urging you to look at all the ways you can serve and contribute your time and talent wherever it can be used. Some of our committees can use more members to help with planning our activities. Talk to chairs of committees (names are listed in this newsletter) and see if you might like to be a part of that kind of service.

We need ushers, acolytes, crucifers, lectors, communion assistants, and choir members. No experience necessary! Help is always needed for learning programs, youth and children activities, the food pantry, ramp ministry, meals on wheels, assisting in the office, visitors group, et al. You can get involved in WELCA, LMM and youth groups. Perhaps working outdoors appeals to you. Our sexton would be glad to have your help with yard maintenance.

If you are willing to share a bit of time and interest, there is a place for you. Please talk with committee chairs, group leaders, and staff members about how you might help. I would be glad to talk with you at any time. See me at church or call me at 803-318-0236. I'm looking forward to a great 2022 at Good Shepherd.

Yours in Christ.
Don Caughman
Council President

*Thank
You*

Dear Good Shepherd Members,

We, the Staff of Good Shepherd, are especially thankful for the generous Christmas bonus you all presented to us. Please know how appreciative we are of your continued support, prayers, encouragement, and blessings. We thank God for each of you and the ministry we share.

God's blessings be upon you all in this new year,

Pastor Andrew Susan Steerkie Deborah Mitchell JOEY ALTON

SHROVE TUESDAY

**MARCH 1, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

Please save the date and plan to join us at a Shrove Tuesday Event
sponsored by YOGS
before the beginning of Lent.
More details will be coming out in February.



A CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a called congregational meeting held on Sunday, February 27, 2022, at the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service for the purpose of voting on a 2022 budget recommendation from our Congregational Council. Plan to attend this important event in the life of our congregation. If you did not receive the recent mailing providing budget information, please contact the Church Office at 803-787-4413.

LENTEN SMALL GROUP

Plans are being made for a small group Bible Study during Lent.

The meetings will be at 5:30 p.m. each Wednesday during Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, March 2, and continuing through April 13. Each session will conclude in time for participants to attend worship services.

The study will look at the weeks leading up to the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ through the eyes of various Biblical characters, some well-known (i.e. Peter, John, Mary Magdalene, et al) and some not so well known (i.e. Barabbas, Simon of Cyrene, Joseph of Arimathea, et al).

Facilitator for the study will be Don Caughman.

For planning purposes, we'd like to have an idea of how many persons will attend. If you'd like to be a part of the group, please let the office or Don know. You also may contact Don (803-318-0236 or dodgerfan@sc.rr.com) if you have questions or suggestions.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

In December, Good Shepherd's Food Pantry packed and distributed 27 bags of food serving 86 people.



FUN FRIDAYS

Please make sure you contact Susan Sturkie at sloopystur@aol.com if you would like to help with Fun Fridays on the second Friday of every other month, even if you cannot help every month.

We especially need a helper who will coordinate or lead in the preparation of the simple meals we serve to our participants.

Due to a continuing high number of COVID cases, we will **NOT** begin Fun Fridays in February. Hopefully, we can begin again in April.

For more information about Fun Fridays, contact Susan at sloopystur@aol.com.



YOUTH HAPPENINGS BY SC SYNOD

Youth of Good Shepherd please consider joining other SC Synod youth at one of these events. Details can be found at the Synod page. If you need financial help please contact the Youth & Children committee Chair, Amy Kemp 803-727-5899 or aekautz@gmail.com.

11th & 12th GRADE WINTER RETREAT @ COASTAL RETREAT CENTER

February 18-20, 2022

Registration Link: <https://sclcy.link/11th12thwr>

MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENT @ CAMP KINARD

March 18-20, 2022

Registration Link: <https://sclcy.link/mswr>

Attention parents of youth and children of grades 3 and up. Please look for an email from Amy Kemp (aekautz@gmail.com) with a short survey about activities and times for your child. If you do not receive an email by February 1, please reach out to Amy as she may not have the correct contact information for you. A response is requested by February 6 so that the committee can use this information to thoughtfully plan activities for our youth and children.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have **two hours** on a Sunday to help with Youth & Children? We are looking for helpers for our God's Young Followers (GYF) which are Grades 3-5 and Youth of Good Shepherd (YOGS) which are Middle and High School Youth. We haven't met in person in over a year and are looking forward to doing so in the future with your help.

You can help by:

- Providing meals that can be either homemade or store/restaurant bought. Let us know and we can also group you up with others if you want. Group sizes may be 6 or 15-20 people; we will work to get you a headcount when possible.
- We are looking for adults to lead programs. Think about an impactful activity you did when you were in youth group and let's see if we can recreate that experience for our Youth at Good Shepherd. Do you have a skill or talent that you could make into a fun program for our Middle and High School youth? In the past, members have shown the youth how to change a tire, made self-care packages for the homeless, crafted items, led them in games, and hosted a service event. Have another idea you want to share? Please let us know. We are looking for members of Good Shepherd to come in and join the Youth for an activity. You tell us what you want to do and we will help you make it happen and be there with you to do it too. This does not have to be a lengthy commitment but a one-time hosting of a Sunday with the Youth.
- Have space to host a bonfire or cookout?
- Want to help chaperone the youth on a camping trip?
- We need volunteers as well for GYF. Want to help chaperone them to a local playground, make cards for shut-ins, carve pumpkins, visit a corn maze?
- Want to be part of Adopt a Grandparent?

Please contact Youth & Children Committee Chair, Amy Kemp at 803-727-5899 or aekautz@yahoo.com. I look forward to hearing from so many of you because I know you have some wonderful talents and love to share with this group.

THANK YOU

Dear Church Members,

I just love Good Shepherd! You all have such a feel for the Columbia community. I appreciate everything you do for us. You really have a special place in my heart.

Wishes for a safe & healthy 2022 for everyone.

Warm regards,
Kathy Riley
The Women's Shelter



Dear Friends,



Bless you for your support last year (\$3,020). Your legacy of giving is the restoration of families in your community. We look forward to partnering with you in 2022 as we strive together to transform men and honor Christ.

For His glory,
Rob Settle, Executive Director
Providence Home

YOUTH & CHILDREN COMMITTEE

No Nursery Sunday, February 13, 2022.

If you would like to be a fill-in Nursery volunteer, please contact Amy Kemp. We may need help on Sundays or Wednesdays when only one Day School staffer is available.

***If the Day School is closed for a Covid exposure,
then the Nursery will not be open.***



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING COLLECTION

Souper Bowl of Caring is Sunday, February 13. Monetary donations will be collected prior to the Sanctuary service and the Retreat Sunday Service. Monies will go to Columbia area food pantries in need.

FEBRUARY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Worship and Sunday School Schedule

9:30 Worship Service

10:45-11:15 Children Sunday school class

11:15-11:45 Children's Music

10:45-11:45 Confirmation Class in Conference Room

10:45-11:45 Adult Sunday school

Come and See: Classroom 1

Discussion Leaders: Mark Lovern, Bruce Shealy, Ed Woodward

The Come and See class will continue studying the Gospel.

Around The Corner Classroom 2

Discussion Leader: Stacy Gross

Topic: Self-care: What Scripture tells us about caring for ourselves and others.

*This class starts at 10:55 to give parents time to drop children off at Sunday school.

Fellowship Class: Classroom 5

Bible Study Leader: Don Caughman

This study explores how worship in its many forms honors God. When we gather for worship or set ourselves individually to pray, we enter into a relationship with God and with God's people. The purpose of this study is to help adult learners engage biblical passages in order to see how worship is shaped by faith, and how worship nurtures faith.

Save the Date

Vacation Bible School
is scheduled for
June 20-June 23!

A note from Heather Gilbert

I look forward to serving as the chairperson for the learning committee. Thank you to everyone helping guide my journey!

There are learning opportunities available for everyone. We welcome everyone to consider volunteering to be a Sunday school teacher, a VBS helper, or even serving on the learning committee. If you are interested, please contact Deborah Mitchell in the Church office 803-787-4413

SOCIAL MINISTRY EMPHASIS

The Woodyard Fund will continue to be the Social Ministry emphasis during the month of February at Good Shepherd.

A joint project of The State newspaper and The Salvation Army, the Woodyard Fund helps residents in crisis in Richland, Lexington, Newberry and Fairfield counties pay utilities bills. Applicants are vetted and must meet certain criteria to receive aid.

Eligible households get vouchers redeemable at businesses that provide heating services. The Salvation Army reimburses the businesses for the voucher amounts.

The fund dates to 1816, when the Ladies Benevolent Society provided firewood and coal to families in need in Columbia. In 1930, The State newspaper began publicizing the fund each winter.

Good Shepherd has supported the fund for many years. In 2021 we donated \$1,785 to the fund. If you'd like to support this effort, you may contribute any time during January or February by putting your donation in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, or by sending it to the church office.

Checks should be made to Good Shepherd and designated for The Woodyard Fund.



CHAIR YOGA

Please join us. All are welcome!

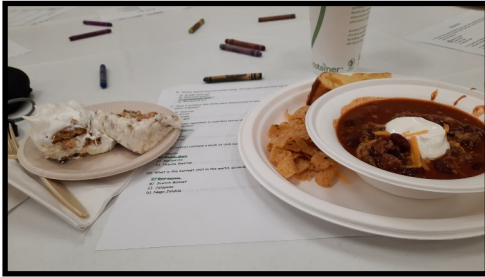
CHAIR YOGA by Nicole
each Thursday in February 2022
5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church FAB
Ten Dollars a session
(checks, cash, Venmo accepted)
Chairs provided. Dress comfortably.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FEBRUARY						
6 9:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Korean Lutheran Worship Service (Youth Room) 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2 or 5) 10:45 AM - 11:15 AM Children's Sunday School 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Confirmation Class 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM Children's Music	7 6:30 PM Youth & Children Committee meeting (Youth Room)	8 11:30 AM Bible Study (FAB)	9 8:00 AM Zoom Bible Study	10 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Chair Yoga (FAB) 5:30 PM Learning Committee Meeting (Conference Room) 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room) 6:00 PM Finance Committee meeting (CL 2)	11 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Chair Yoga (FAB) 5:30 PM Learning Committee Meeting (Conference Room) 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room) 6:00 PM Finance Committee meeting (CL 2)	12 Congregational Retreat @ Lutheridge
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PARISH LIFE – CHILI & CORNBREAD COOK-OFF

The annual *Epiphany Chili-Cornbread Cook -Off* was held on Sunday, January 9 in the FAB. Participating cooks offered chilis and cornbreads into the competition, and homemade desserts were donated. A hungry and enthusiastic group of 28 were able to choose from 5 chilis, 3 cornbreads and 8 desserts (some even enjoyed a "sampling" of every dish!!) The evening closed with a visit from *The Three Kings* bearing gifts and the presentation of awards to the winners of the cook –off, Chili Chef Nancy Hyatt and Cornbread Baker Susan Uehling.





WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR FEBRUARY

COUNCIL PERSON OF THE MONTH: Leigh Ford

OPENING BUILDINGS: Michael Brown

DATE	2/6/22	2/13/22	2/20/22	2/27/22	3/6/22
USHERS	Wade Wingard, Mary Aitchison, Rod Kent, Rebecca Richardson, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Weaver	Wade Wingard, Mary Aitchison, Rod Kent, Rebecca Richardson, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Weaver	Wade Wingard, Mary Aitchison, Rod Kent, Rebecca Richardson, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Weaver	Wade Wingard, Mary Aitchison, Rod Kent, Rebecca Richardson, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Weaver	David Lucas, Karen Lucas, Michael Brown, Frances Plyler
WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	Lector: Suzanne Sanders Communion Assistant: Gaye Tucker	Lector & Communion Assistant: Mike Weaver	Lector: Alice Buckner Communion Assistant: Joey Allison	Lector & Communion Assistant: Marcia Woodward	Lector: Communion Assistant: Don Caughman
ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER	A: Evelyn Ortiz C: Eden Rowell	A: Adam Ortiz C: TBD	A: Blake Gross C: Matthew Herrmann	A: Savannah Gross C: Eden Rowell	A: Evelyn Ortiz C: Matthew Herrmann
NURSERY	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams	No Nursery	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams	Alexis Boyles, Heavenly Edenfield	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams
ALTAR GUILD	Mary Stallings	Mary Stallings	Mary Stallings	Mary Stallings	Nancy Hyatt
TABULATORS	David Lucas, Lavina Chandler	Jamie Sanders, Donna Foster	Rebecca Richardson, Steve Steck	Mary Margaret Hoy, Karen Lucas	Jamie Sanders, Leigh Ford

FEBRUARY 2022 MEETINGS

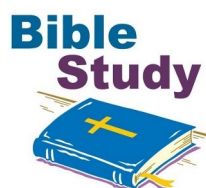
February 1	Parish Life Committee (6:30 p.m.)
February 3	Mary meeting (10:00 a.m.)
	Social Ministry Committee (6:30 p.m.)
February 7	Youth & Children Committee (6:30 p.m.)
February 10	Learning Committee (5:30 p.m.)
	Finance Committee (6:00 p.m.)
February 15	Executive Committee (3:00 p.m.)
February 17	Dorcas meeting (6:30 p.m.)
	Tamar meeting (6:30 p.m.)
February 20	Council Meeting (6:30 p.m.)

***Please call the church office to reserve a room
for any upcoming meetings.***



WEDNESDAY ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

Zoom Bible Study will be led by Pastor Andrew each Wednesday at **8:00 a.m.** A reminder with a meeting link will be sent by email each week.



Meet in the FAB on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. for a Bible Study.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS (ACCORDING TO CHURCH RECORDS)

1	Bob Fortner	6	Gus Inabinet	12	Deb Embrey	19	Adam Ortiz	26	Joann Nagy
	Sandra Lybrand	8	Connie Donovan		Al Kahrs		Ed Woodward		Jason Ortiz
	Kaitlyn McFarland		Jade Shelton	13	Lillian Ford	21	Trace Cannon	28	Violet Fetner
	Ephraim Ulmer		Marcia Woodward	14	Harrison Seay		Chris Dionne		
3	Phill Netzel	9	Leigh Ford	16	Judy Hoy	22	Evan Stallings		
5	Corley Frierson		Micki Morris	17	Kathy Ferry	23	Melissa Ellington		
	Jennifer Watkins	12	Trisha Benson	18	Katie Green	24	Becky Shealy		
6	Terri Tokaz		Sara Burrows	19	Jerri McGuire	26	Jim Johnson		



LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY 2022

FEBRUARY 6—FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 6:1-13

Through a vision in the temple, the eighth-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgment against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant. But when God calls, Isaiah responds, "Here am I; send me!"

PSALM – Psalm 138

I will bow down toward your holy temple. (Ps. 138:2)

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul delivers in a nutshell the story of the gospel that was given to him. In the lineage of the Christian faith, we have received the good news of God's love from generations of believers before us, and we continue to tell this story to the world.

GOSPEL – Luke 5:1-11

Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fishermen to leave everything behind to become apostles.

FEBRUARY 13—SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed are" and the "woe to" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

FIRST READING – Jeremiah 17:5-10

These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

PSALM – Psalm 1

They are like trees planted by streams of water. (Ps. 1:3)

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

GOSPEL – Luke 6:17-26

After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.

FEBRUARY 20—SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Mercy. Mercy. Mercy. Joseph lives it in Egypt. Jesus preaches it in the gospel. The Spirit guides us into merciful lives with the power of forgiveness to reconcile what is fractured and divided. Such merciful living is the baptismal blessing of having put on Christ. It is the gift of the life-giving Spirit. It is a reflection of God's glory revealed in Christ.

FIRST READING – Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Many years after being sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, Joseph reveals himself to them. Now the second-in-command in Egypt, Joseph reassures his brothers that God has used their evil intentions for good to preserve life during a devastating famine, and Joseph forgives them.

PSALM – Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

The lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace. (Ps. 37:11)

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

In the Apostles' Creed, we speak of the "resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting." Using the metaphor of a planted seed and the story of Adam, Paul preaches passionately about the mystery of following Christ's perfect life into eternity.

GOSPEL – Luke 6:27-38

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.

FEBRUARY 27—TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus reflect that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see God's glory in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by God's Spirit.

FIRST READING – Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

PSALM – Psalm 99

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD; worship upon God's holy hill. (Ps. 99:9)

SECOND READING – 2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

GOSPEL – Luke 9:28-43a

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

WITH PRAYER

<i>Rev. Russ Anderson</i>	<i>Dot Correll</i>	<i>Kitty Howard</i>	<i>Virginia Stephens</i>
<i>Gwen Barnes</i>	<i>Betty Cox</i>	<i>Judy Hoy</i>	<i>Barbara Sutton</i>
<i>Trisha Benson</i>	<i>Helen Derrick</i>	<i>Jeannine Jameson</i>	<i>Bubba Willis</i>
<i>Ty Boheler</i>	<i>Sylvia Anne Derrick</i>	<i>Billie Jones</i>	<i>Stan Wilson</i>
<i>Grace Boozer</i>	<i>Marianne De Werdt</i>	<i>John Keim</i>	<i>Emily Wright</i>
<i>Joye Broome</i>	<i>Lena Duncan</i>	<i>Lisa Lehman</i>	<i>Peter Zornow</i>
<i>Michael Brown</i>	<i>Larry Evans</i>	<i>Sara Loyd</i>	
<i>Rosemarie Brown</i>	<i>Jason Fowler</i>	<i>Johanna Moore</i>	
<i>Susan Burch</i>	<i>Dot Gibert</i>	<i>Cathy Quinton</i>	
<i>Rose Butterfield</i>	<i>Bonnie Hammond</i>	<i>Becky Silvia</i>	
<i>Joanna Carpenter</i>	<i>Trisha Holman</i>	<i>Mary Sox</i>	

PLEASE UPDATE THE PRAYER LIST – Those who have requested friends and loved ones to be included on the prayer list, please contact Deborah Mitchell in the church office at parishadmin@gslc.com or (803) 787-4413 **to renew your request or add prayer concerns by the newsletter deadline of each month. You may call or email anytime to remove a name.**

Please do not assume that we know the name should be renewed or removed.



RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

<i>Sue Baugh—mother of Cheryl Beaman's friend</i>	<i>Barbara Reese—friend of Justine Parker & Joyce Mobley</i>
<i>Robin Boggs—daughter of Anne Rush</i>	<i>Henry Richardson—father of Amanda Snodgrass</i>
<i>Luna Brown—3-year-old cousin of Amanda Snodgrass</i>	<i>Joanne Schweitzer—sister of Mary Claire McAbee</i>
<i>Schuyler Carter—grandson of Bonnie Hammond</i>	<i>Marise Shumpert—friend of Rosemary Nance</i>
<i>Allie Clark—friend of Betty Cox</i>	<i>Bob Stearn—friend and neighbor of Frances Plyler</i>
<i>Ruth Collins—friend of Dena Phillips</i>	<i>Ann Summer—sister of Verna Sawyer</i>
<i>Landon Derrick—friend of Amanda Snodgrass</i>	<i>Family of Faye Swetlik—friends of Dena Phillips</i>
<i>John Flitter—friend of Leigh Ford</i>	<i>Harry Swindler—stepfather of Penny Sox & grandfather of Stacy Gross</i>
<i>Andrew Ford—father of Chandler & Lillian Ford</i>	<i>Kem & Rita Thomas – friends of Rod Kent</i>
<i>Beverly Fulmer—friend of Judy Rogers</i>	<i>Phyllis Tollison—mother of Phil Tollison</i>
<i>David Gundlach—brother-in-law of Sandy Gundlach</i>	<i>Robin Trauffer—friend of the congregation</i>
<i>Lamar Harper—brother of Gwen Barnes</i>	<i>Gayle Watts—friend of Leigh Ford</i>
<i>David Hinshaw – Deb Embrey's nephew</i>	<i>Terry Weaver—mother of Mike Weaver</i>
<i>Forrest Hinebaugh—father of Elaine Zornow</i>	<i>Mike Welborn—cousin of Anita Easter</i>
<i>Leonard C. Jordan—brother of Bill Jordan</i>	<i>Shirley Zornow—mother of Peter Zornow</i>
<i>Greg Lehman—brother of Lisa Lehman</i>	
<i>Sylvia Livingston—mother of Cheryl Beaman</i>	
<i>George Mills—father of Susan Weaver</i>	
<i>Jimmy Munn—cousin of Betty Cox</i>	
<i>Stella Parrish—friend of Rosemary Nance</i>	
<i>Karl Portee – friend of Meals on Wheels volunteers</i>	

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CALENDAR



February 6

9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Korean Worship Service (Youth Room)
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Music

February 13

Souper Bowl of Caring collection
Congregational Retreat
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream
10:00 – 12:30 p.m. Korean Worship Service (Youth Room)
No Confirmation Class
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Music

February 16

February 20

March Newsletter Deadline
Food Pantry Sunday
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream
10:00 – 12:30 p.m. Korean Worship Service (Youth Room)
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Music

February 27

Congregational Meeting
8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Korean Worship Service (Youth Room)
9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:45 – 11:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School & Music
12:00 – 2:30 p.m. Youth Gathering Lunch (Youth Room)