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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY TO BE OBSERVED NOVEMBER 3



The Christian church sets aside a special Sunday to commemorate the martyrs and saints of every time and place who are a part of the "great cloud of witness" mentioned in the Scriptures.

Good Shepherd's worship services, both 8:30 and 10:45 a.m., on November 3 will be dedicated to congregation members who have passed away this last year.

Each will have an ornament engraved with his or her name. After the service, the ornaments will be given to the family members of those commemorated.

On this year's All Saints Sunday, we remember these Good Shepherd members – and others – in our prayers:

Dora Tucker (9/8/15)
 Jean Ray (8/26/17)
Barbara Kent (11/25/18)
Sarah Evans (11/27/18)
 Earl Butler (2/2/19)
Luvelle Terrio (3/15/19)
Gregg Holman (4/19)
Allen Shealy (5/28/19)
Mary Dent (7/21/19)
Wayne Hammond (8/31/19)
Claire Mayer (10/6/19)
Betty Fellers (10/23/19)

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE



All Saints Sunday is the day of the church year when we remember and give thanks for all the saints—those who have gone before us and those who are still among us. We may often think of saints as those persons who are especially famous and venerated—The Apostle Paul, Mary and Martha, St. Augustine, and so on. While these are certainly saints, it is important for us to remember that the word "saint" comes from the Latin word "sanctus," meaning "holy." This is a direct translation of the biblical Greek word for "holy"—"hagios." This root word about holiness is important for us to remember because our holiness does not depend on us at all. It is Christ's holiness living in us. We are all saints not because we are perfect by our own strength or

goodness, but because we are made holy by God.

We are saints. We are those chosen ones of God who have been invited to live a new life in Christ. Now, there are certainly some who have gone before us—Mary Magdalene, St. Andrew, Lydia, Barnabas, and so on—who stand out to us as especially faithful followers of Jesus. They wrote hymns, built churches, penned gospels, lived fearlessly, and died as martyrs. These holy ones inspire us and encourage us to keep the faith, even in the midst of adversity. That doesn't mean they were perfect by any means. Nor does it mean that one has to translate the Bible into many languages or be fed to the lions to be considered a saint.

My guess is that you have personal saints—holy ones whom you knew first-hand who have gone before us into the church triumphant. For me, that would include my grandmother who was a faithful servant in her church and a quiet example of faith in my life. Who are your saints? Who do you look back on as shining examples of God's love and presence in your life? Along with "famous" saints, these holy ones help us live out our faith by their example and legacy. I encourage you to remember those saints—famous and familiar—this month and into the future.

But here is the real challenge: Do you know that YOU are a saint to someone? There is someone in your life who is in dire need of a shining example of God's love and presence. God has chosen you, holy one. And God is working through you to share God's love with someone today. How are you to do this? It doesn't have to involve moving mountains or being imprisoned for our faith.

Fred Craddock commented on how we can be faithful examples of God's love and presence in ways great and small:

Most of us will not this week christen a ship, write a book, end a war, appoint a cabinet, dine with a queen, convert a nation, or be burned at the stake. More likely the week will present no more than a chance to give a cup of water, write a note, visit a nursing home, vote for a county commissioner, teach a Sunday school class, share a meal, tell a child a story, go to choir practice, and feed the neighbor's cat. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much."

This is a day to remember saints from the past. But this is also a day and a season to remember that we are called saints, as well. And we are called to share the strength and love and mercy of God with one another and with strangers alike. Be faithful in the little things.

Your fellow saint, Pastor Andrew



LEST WE FORGET...

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 3. Be sure to turn your clocks **BACK** one hour Saturday night!



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INSTALLATION OF PASTOR ANDREW WELLS ISENHOWER

On Sunday, December 1, the Rev. Andrew Wells Isenhower will be installed as the sixth senior pastor in the history of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We will have a special service at 3:00 p.m. that day as we come together to worship and to celebrate the rite of installation for Good Shepherd's new pastor.

All members and friends of Good Shepherd are cordially invited to this special event, where Assistant to the Bishop Ginny Aebischer will be the guest preacher and will preside over the rite of installation. Immediately following the service, a reception will be held in the Fellowship Activities Building, honoring Pastor Andrew, his wife Michelle, and their children James and Amelia. A nursery will be provided for these events.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

It is with joy and gratitude that I am writing to you. What can I say – Thanks be to God! It is such a joy to have Pastor Andrew and his family in our midst. He has "hit the road running" with all of our activities and ministries as he joins us in the busyness of fall programs, activities and ministries and the preparation work/planning for the next year.

Each of you received a mailing recently from our Gifts Committee, giving you opportunity to make your commitment of time, talent and treasure to Good Shepherd for 2020. *God's Work. Our Hands* needs every one of us to **BE BOLD IN FAITH, Do Not Be Afraid, Give Generously** in order that we can fulfill the programs and ministries we share in here at Good Shepherd. Thanks to all of you who turned in your commitments this past Sunday! If you haven't had opportunity to do so yet, please respond by mailing it to the church office or placing it in the offering plate next Sunday. Our Finance Committee is finalizing our budget for next year and certainly needs these commitments in order to do so.

Also, you should have received a letter from our Executive Committee last week addressing the importance of our commitment of time, talent and treasure and our Council membership status. We have ten very talented and committed Council members and one Youth Deacon to lead us, along with our officers and Pastor Andrew, for next year. Continue to remember our leadership in your prayers.

I am sure that each of us has an item or two to put on Pastor Andrew's "to do" list. But, let's give him time to get to know us, our needs, our ministries, etc., and for us to know him. I can assure you he is ready and anxious to help, guide and facilitate us in our serving together.

One of the things he is anxious to do is to meet you! So come! Come to worship. Come to participate in the *God's Work. Our Hands* Event on Sunday, November 3, at 5:30 p.m. Supper is provided and an opportunity for you to learn about our various ministries and to sign up to be a part of them.

See you soon and Peace be with you,

Nancy Hyatt

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SOCIAL MINISTRY FOCUS

The Social Ministry emphasis for November at Good Shepherd is Harvest Hope Food Bank in Columbia.

Harvest Hope distributed nearly 23 MILLION meals to provide hunger relief for individuals in 2018.

The mission of Harvest Hope is to provide for the needs of hungry people by gathering and sharing quality food with dignity, compassion and education.

Harvest Hope began in 1981 from a shared vision of business leaders and the faith community who set out to provide for the hungry in Columbia. Since then Harvest Hope has increased its mission to feed the hungry across 20 counties of South Carolina. Harvest Hope distributed over 22.9 million meals last year and fed approximately 40,425 people a week.

From its simple beginnings, Harvest Hope has continued to increase the scope of its operations and now provides food, comfort and hope to hungry individuals and families in the Midlands, Pee Dee and Greater Greenville regions of South Carolina.

To make a contribution, use a pink offering envelope and designate the gift for Harvest Hope Food Bank. Make checks to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



In September, Good Shepherd's Food Pantry volunteers packed and distributed 61 bags of groceries serving 282 individuals.



Recently, I heard
"ASAP" redefined as
"Always Start at Prayer."
People much too often
depend on themselves

to do it all-in both our secular and religious lives. Continuing to grow as a welcoming and loving church, we must always begin with prayer. Ask questions. Listen for answers. Then, we are truly ready and called to evolve the climate of our congregation, empowering us to bold new ventures. PRAYER includes prayers of confession of failure to accomplish God's mission in the world, prayers of thanksgiving for God's direction within GSLC, and intercessions for our church leaders. Asking **QUESTIONS** starts with reviewing our church's approach to mission and ministry. How are we engaging God's mission and what are our next steps? Do you think about those who have not heard the Good News? How might God be calling you to bear witness to that Good news? **LISTENING** is hard, because we don't always like the answers we hear. GSLC might just be ripe for some wonderful transformation as we begin ministry with Pastor Andrew. Where is God calling YOU? Evangelism is the heart of the church, and leading is my true honor and joy. The committee serving this purpose needs some help—you don't have to come to meetings, but we need assistance. We are following up with our growing visitor list at length, and they are staying! People are seeking joy and vibrant witness to God in these turbulent times. BE a change agent in your own way—just think about it. Pray. Ask questions. Listen. Act. If you would like to assist our evangelism efforts in any way, please contact me today at 803-669-6364 or penrygustafson@yahoo.com. Blessings!

Penry Gustafson
Evangelism Committee Chair

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CALLING ALL TALENTED GOOD SHEPHERD MEMBERS!!

Do you sing, dance, or play an instrument? Perhaps you are a storyteller or know how to deliver a great punchline. Maybe you have a special skill or talent you can share like knitting, or painting, or magic. Your youth need you! On Tuesday, February 25, 2020, the YOGS will host their annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and we need everyone to share their talent with us and the congregation! This is always a fun night and we hope to have as much congregational participation as possible. Please contact Jennifer Ross at ketojenn71@gmail.com or 803-237-6551 for more information. Let's make this the best talent show yet!



VETERANS LUNCHEON

Our YOGS will honor our vets with our annual Veterans Luncheon in the FAB on Sunday,

November 10, immediately following the 10:45 a.m. service. If you are a veteran or the widow or widower of a veteran, please join us. You may contact Jennifer Ross at 803-237-6551 or via email at ketojenn71@gmail.com to make a reservation for you and your family. If you have any memorabilia or items you would like to bring to display from your time in the service, please do so.

YOUTH & CHILDREN

GYF

Sunday, November 17 - Meet in FAB directly after 10:45 a.m. service for lunch, devotion, crafts and games. Lisa Sanchez and Mitch Uehling will lead this event.

YFM/GYF

Saturday, December 7 - 9:00 a.m. in Sanctuary - Decorate Chrismon Tree

A Short Devotion led by Pastor Andrew followed by snacks and fun for friends and family.



ALL YOGS

Sunday, November 3 - 5:30 p.m. in FAB - God's Work. Our Hand's Event

YOGS will participate and have a table with pictures and information about GraceWorks, Urban Ministry and National Youth Gathering.



Sunday, November 24 - 2:00-5:30 p.m. Bowling at Royal Z Lanes

Bring money for food and arcade games. Leigh Ann Tollison and Deborah Whitlow will be leading this event with more details to follow.

Sunday, December 8 - 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Community Youth Event at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Meet over 150 other fellow youth from Forest Acres Community. There will be a brief worship, singing, food, fun and games. Friends are welcome. Mitch Uehling and Jennifer Ross will help lead this event

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Thinking Ahead to Christmas . . .



The Angel Tree and Salvation Army stockings will be in the Narthex beginning Sunday, November 10. The Angel Tree will have gift tags with specific needs requested by individuals served by

local charities. No guessing about clothing sizes, colors, etc. Each gift tag will have the information you need to purchase a gift. Some of the requests are for gift cards—making shopping really easy. Gifts should be wrapped or enclosed in a greeting card and returned with the tag by Sunday, December 8.

The Salvation Army stockings are for children from low-income families. Stockings are labeled as girl or boy and by age group. You can select a variety of small



items to fill a stocking: socks, mittens, hats, books, school/art supplies, games, toys, wrapped candy, etc. Return the filled stockings by Sunday, December 8.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing:
Good Shepherd will ring the bell for the Red Kettle
Campaign on Thursday,
December 12 and Saturday,
December 14 at the WalMart on Forest Drive. We need one or two people for each one-hour time slot. The signup sheet will be in the
Narthex beginning November 24.



WELCA Dates of Interest

SC WELCA Convention -June 12-13, 2020 at St Philip's in Newberry



Eleventh Triennial Convention - July 14-16, 2020

Midlands Conference - Fall of 2020 at Ebenezer Lutheran (corner of Richland and Sumter Streets)

The Ripple now has a Congregational Corner. Contact Karen Lucas if you have something you would like published.



2019 LMM Christmas Party

Mark your calendars for the annual Good Shepherd Ladies Night Christmas party hosted by the Lutheran Men in Mission. We have reserved the Spring Valley Country Club for Monday night, December 2, from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. This event is open to all adult members and friends of the congregation. The party will include the traditional menu of heavy hors d'oeuvres, coffee, tea and water. There will also be a cash bar. We hope to have complimentary wine also available.

Tickets will soon be on sale in the Narthex for this event. Plan to be there, as this has always been a great way for the congregation to get together for the Advent/Christmas Season.

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LIVE WIRE NEWS



Live Wire will meet on November 15 at noon in the FAB. This will be our Thanksgiving luncheon. Turkey, dressing and giblet gravy will be furnished. Please bring a covered dish that will go with that.

Our entertainment will be The Rev. Jacqueline (Jackie) Utley. She is the Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church. She will be putting on a skit as "An Illustrative Sermon". It is a biblical performance taken from the Old Testament Scriptures 1 Kings and 2 Kings. It is very informative, engaging and exciting. Hold on to your seats.

Please come and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Plans are under way for dinner and visit to Saluda Shoals Christmas Lights display in early December. Be on the look out for more details.





SUPPER CLUB'S JOINT GET-TOGETHER!!

Once again it's time for the joint Supper Club gathering!! Whether you're single or married; a member of Y.A. Way or a member of Live Wire (and everyone in between!) come join us for a funfilled night out on Sunday, November 10, 2019, in the FAB. The meal will be catered by *Olive Garden*. The festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour and the meal will be served at 6:30 pm. The cost will be \$18 per person and the check should be made out to Good Shepherd. Don't forget...there will be free child care provided at the church.

If you have never participated in Supper Club, just ask someone who has and they will tell you that you're in for a real treat! In addition to the opportunity for some good food, you will be able to enjoy meeting and getting to better know your fellow members and friends of the church. **WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT SUPPER CLUB!**



God's Work. Our Hands Event 5:30 p.m. Sunday, November 3

You're invited to come to the FAB to learn more about the various ongoing outreach ministries of Good Shepherd and find out how you can become more involved with and supportive of these ministries.

Representatives of ministries such as the Ramp Ministry, the Transitions Meal program, Tanzania Ministry, Food Pantry, Fun Fridays, Meals On Wheels, and others will be on hand to provide information and answer questions.

A chili supper, like the one provided quarterly by our volunteers who support the Transitions program, will start the evening.

Plan to come out for a time of food, fellowship and learning more about how Good Shepherd members are the "hands" doing God's Work day in and day out.

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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:30—9:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE (SANCTUARY)
9:30—10:00 AM CHILDREN'S MUSIC (CHILDREN'S MUSIC ROOM)

9:30—9:45 AM FELLOWSHIP

9:45—10:35 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45—10:35 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00—10:35 AM CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:45 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE (SANCTUARY)

Please see an updated church calendar and the calendar for other months at http://www.gslc.com/.

Click "See the Current Calendar" at the bottom of the page.



Sun Mon Tue

November 2019

3 WORSHIP TIMES ABOVE	4	5		
All Saints Sunday				
5:30 pm God's Work. Our Hands Event (FAB)		11:30 pm Bible Study (CI-2)		
	6:30 pm NA (Conference Room)	5:30 pm OA Meeting (Conf Room) 6:00 pm Centering Prayer (CI-4)		
10 WORSHIP TIMES ABOVE	11	12		
LCY Synod Hand & Hand (Camp Kinard)		11:30 pm Bible Study (Cl-2)		
22nd Sunday After Pentecost	6:00 pm Private Event (FAB) 6:30 pm NA (Conference Room)	12:30 pm Staff Lunch Mtg (FAB)		
12:00 pm Veterans Luncheon (FAB) 5:30 pm Supper Club (FAB)	6:30 pm Youth Committee Meeting (Youth Room)	5:30 pm OA Meeting (Conf Room) 6:00 pm Centering Prayer (Cl-4)		
17 WORSHIP TIMES ABOVE	18	19		
23rd Sunday After Pentecost	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	11:30 pm Bible Study (Cl-2)		
Food Pantry Sunday		500 0444 (1 /0 /5		
12:00 pm GYF Event (FAB) 6:30 PM Council Meeting (CI-2)	6:00 pm Learning Committee Meeting (CI-2) 6:30 pm NA (Conference Room)	5:30 pm OA Meeting (Conf Room) 6:00 pm Centering Prayer (Cl-4) 7:00 pm FANA Meeting (FAB)		
24 WORSHIP TIMES ABOVE	25	26		
Christ the King Sunday 12:00 pm Children & Youth Rehearsal for Installation Service-Lunch provided		11:00 pm Day School Thanksgiving Luncheon (FAB) 11:30 pm Bible Study (CI-2)		
(FAB) 2:00 pm All YOGS Bowling	6:30 pm NA (Conference Room)	5:30 pm OA Meeting (Conf Room) 6:00 pm Centering Prayer (Cl-4)		

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NEW CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE December 24, 2019 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. More details to come.

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	Eall Back
6	7	8	9
2:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room)	10:00 am Mary Group (Cl-2)	LCY Synod Hand & Hand (Camp Kinard)	LCY Synod Hand & Hand (Camp Kinard)
6:30 pm NA (Conference Room) 7:00 pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting (CI-2) 6:00 pm Mentoring Program (Youth Room)		
13	14	15	16
		Confirmation Retreat	Confirmation Retreat
5:30 pm Evangelism Committee Mtg (Cl-2) 6:00 pm Property Committee Mtg (Cl-4) 6:30 pm NA (Conference Room) 7:00 pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm Mentoring Program (Youth Room)	12:00 pm Live Wire (FAB)	
20 6:30 pm NA (Conference Room) 7:00 pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal	2:00 pm Shepherd's Visitors (Conference Room) 5:30 pm Social Ministry Mtg (CI-2) 6:00 pm Mentoring Program (Youth Room) 6:30 pm Dorcas Group (FAB) 6:30 pm Tamar Group (off site)	22	23 1:00 pm Private Event (FAB)
27	Happy Thanksgiving	29	30
6:30 pm NA (Conference Room) 7:00 pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Day School Closed Church Office Closed	Day School Closed Church Office Closed	

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EARLY WORSHIP STEWARDSHIP FOR NOVEMBER

DATE	11/3/19	11/10/19	11/17/19	11/24/19	12/1/19
GRUSHERS	Frances Plyler, Steve Hanayik	Steve Fink, Steve Hanayik	Karen & David Lucas	Frances Plyler, Rebecca Richardson	Mike Weaver, Susan Weaver
Worship Assistants	Barbara Nagy (L & C)	Penry Gustafson (L) Mike Weaver (C)	Ethan Richardson (L) Lisa Lehman (C)	Bev Weymouth (L) Connie Donovan (C)	Alice Buckner (L) Charlene Fink (C)
Nursery	Alexis Boyles, Donna Foster	Alexis Boyles, Katie Bostic	Alexis Boyles, Carole & Lennae Sox	Alexis Boyles, TBD	Alexis Boyles, TBD
ALTAR CARE	Bettie Stroud	Steve Hanayik	Susan Weaver	Connie Donovan	Mike Weaver

COUNCIL PERSON OF THE MONTH: Jennifer Ross
OPENING BUILDINGS: Don Caughman
FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17: Brock Tollison & Noah Adams

LATE WORSHIP STEWARDSHIP FOR NOVEMBER

DATE	11/3/19	11/10/19	11/17/19	11/24/19	12/1/19
GREETERS	Jim & Melanie Lalumondier	Marcia Woodward, Jean Cockrell	Jerry & Donna Vaughn	Penry Gustafson, Nancy Hyatt	Jim & Melanie Lalumondier
USHERS	Lula Camp, Marion Eargle, Pat Quattlebaum, Mary Stallings	Alice Buckner, Lula Camp, Herman McQuage, Marcia Woodward	Lula Camp, Marion Eargle, Pat Quattlebaum, Mary Stallings	Alice Buckner, Lula Camp, Herman McQuage, Marcia Woodward	Team #4 Wingard
ACOLYTE	Kelly Grace Lalumondier	Chloe Porter	Sienna Fettig	Tom Vail	Kelly Grace Lalumondier
CRUCIFER	Jake Lalumondier	Brock Tollison	Noah Adams	Forrest Havird	Jake Lalumondier
WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	Steve Steck (L) Don Caughman (C)	Becky Shealy (L & C)	Elaine Zornow (L) Joey Allison (C)	Don Caughman (L & C)	Karin Culp (L) TBD (C)
Nursery	Alexis Boyles, Susan Uehling	Alexis Boyles, TBD	Alexis Boyles, Deborah Whitlow	Alexis Boyles, Laura Smith	Alexis Boyles, TBD
ALTAR GUILD	Becky Shealy & Neal Inman	Joey Allison			
TABULATORS	Mary Margaret Hoy, Steve Steck	David Lucas, Leigh Ford	Jerry Vaughn, Terri Tokaz	Penry Gustafson, Mary Stallings	Lavina Chandler, Mitch Uehling

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THE DASHER DINNER SET FOR NOVEMBER 8

The annual Dasher Dinner to support Lutheran Campus Ministry in Columbia will be Friday, November 8, at 6:00 p.m. in The Campus Room at USC's Capstone House.

The dinner is in memory of Bob Dasher, Lutheran campus pastor at the University of South Carolina from 1969-1984.

This year's dinner celebrates Fifty Years of Women's Ordination in the Lutheran Church and it will recognize these pioneer pastors: Kathleen Panning (1980), Beverly Aurand (1983), and Mary W. Anderson (1983), who currently serve in the SC Synod of the ELCA.

Tickets are \$65 each, or \$500 for a table of eight. Checks should be made to Lutheran Campus Ministry and sent to Lutheran Campus Ministry, 1702 Greene Street, Columbia, SC 29201. November 4 is the deadline for reservations. For more information, call 803-525-4100, or go online at GamecockLutheran.org.

THANKSGIVING "SOUPER" MEAL

You are cordially invited to the **40th Annual Thanksgiving "Souper" on Thursday, November 21, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** at

Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 3200 Trenholm Road, Columbia. **A minimum donation of \$5 per person is suggested.**



Their simple but delicious Chick-fil-A soup and crackers are served with warm smiles and generous hearts as they strive to promote a better understanding of hunger and homelessness.

Proceeds benefit the comprehensive ministry of The Women's Shelter in its mission to help women build stronger lives. This ministry includes providing basic shelter and food, dental care, transitional housing and counseling. For more information, contact Kathy Riley at The Women's Shelter, 803-779-4706.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS (ACCORDING TO CHURCH RECORDS)

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1	Judy Kinney	11	Mary Stallings	20	Billie Jones	27	Christian Houghton
2	Chloe Porter	14	Brett Bostic	22	Molly Kate Herrmann	28	Tricia Lisowski
3	William Snodgrass		Ronnie Roche		Rachel Pedersen		Samuel Seay
4	Sabra Lindler		Patrick Roof		Tommie Spence	29	Paige Frierson
	Sara Loyd	15	Jack Morris	24	Anna-Marie Plyler		Ben Wuori
5	Herman McQuage	17	Dot Gibert		Ashleigh Taylor	30	Grayce Boozer
6	Cheryl McDonald	18	Matt Burrows	25	Pat Butterfield		Bettie Stroud
7	Ginna Caughman		Robert Ellington		Marilyn Hogan		
8	Teri Holmes		Wilbur Smith		Kappy Steck		
10	Nancy Schaefer	19	Perry O'Quinn	26	Pat Hazle		HAPPY
	Greg Struthers		Madison Watkins		Rebecca Netzel	8	IRTHDAY
11	Anne Rush	20	Larry Evans	27	Cheryl Beaman		

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NOVEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Sunday school classes meet downstairs. Come at 9:30 a.m. for fellowship and brief announcements in Classroom 1 before all classes begin. Join any class you like — our classes are always open for new folks!

COME & SEE CLASS—CLASSROOM I

The Come and See class will continue studying the Gospel for the succeeding Sundays.

AROUND THE CORNER CLASS—CLASSROOM 2

The theme for this month is "Consumerism and the reason for the season." We will discuss consumerism and its effects on Thanksgiving.

FELLOWSHIP CLASS—CLASSROOM 5

Lula Camp will continue teaching the Augsburg Adult Bible Study. This series provides great insight into scripture through questions, prayer, and daily readings.



CHILDREN'S ADVENT/CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND DINNER

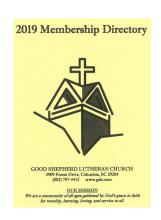
Preparation for our annual Advent/Christmas production has begun. All youth and children are welcome and encouraged to participate. We also are looking for a few more volunteers to help with set design. If your child is interested in performing, or you would like to volunteer with set design, contact Amanda Snodgrass at 803-422-7105 or amandadpt2007@hotmail.com. Join us on **Sunday, December 15 at 5:30 p.m., in the FAB**. There will be a potluck dinner after the performance.

Children's Advent/Christmas Play Rehearsal Schedule

December 4 5:30 p.m. in FAB (Dinner Provided)
December 8 during Sunday School hour (9:30-10:35 p.m.) in FAB
December 8 12:00 Noon in FAB (Lunch Provided)
December 15 during Sunday School hour (9:30-10:35 p.m.) in FAB
December 15 Dress Rehearsal in FAB 4:30-5:30 p.m.



NEW CONGREGATIONAL DIRECTORIES are available on the tables in the narthex. Please pick up **one** per family. Look through this new directory. If you did not get your information updated before publication, please notify Deborah Mitchell in the Church Office; and if you see a name of someone you have missed seeing recently, give them a call or send a note to let them know we've missed them. Thank you.



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Pastor Andrew Isenhower leads a Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 a.m. in Classroom 2.

Coffee will be served.

NOTE:

Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am—4:30 pm Friday 9:00 am—2:00 pm

In the event of an emergency, call the church office at 803-787-4413 or Pastor Andrew at (803) 409-8270.



Deadline to submit articles for December Newsletter is November 18

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

Service during worship is crucial to the functioning of our church services, so it is important to be present on the date assigned.

If you can't be here, please get a replacement and notify the church office (787-4413) by 12 noon on the Wednesday morning before your assignment.

If you can't trade with someone and need assistance, please contact the following:

SERVICE AREA CONTACT PERSON

Worship Life Donna Foster, Chair

743-4284

8:30 a.m. Susan Weaver

600-1936

10:45 a.m. Ushers: Lula Camp

788-8140

Worship Assistants: Donna Foster

743-4284

Acolytes & Crucifers: Neal Inman

600-5637

Nursery: Mitch Uehling

804-405-8908

Contemporary Coord. Susan Weaver

600-1936

THERE'S A NEED FOR...

Shoes, Baby Clothes, Yarn, Food donations, **Wide-mouthed** pill bottles only,

Personal-sized toiletries for various shelters

Collection bins for these items are in the hallway across from the office.



What a blessing I have received during months of cancer therapy. Then to suddenly lose Wayne was such a shock. My church family has been my strength. I love you all for the calls, cards, memorials and acts of kindness. I hope to be back in church soon.

Love & hugs, Bonnie Hammond

Words cannot express how much I appreciate the well wishes and cards I received after the death of my mother. It meant a lot to me and my family to see so many Good Shepherd people at the funeral in Greenville. Thank you for being such a loving and caring congregation.

Becky Shealy and Family

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LECTIONARY FOR NOVEMBER 2019

NOVEMBER 3 – ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In the assembly today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest," who have fought the good fight, who have gained the crown. In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of the Lord Jesus in today's gospel. Recalling that we have been sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we keep on keeping on as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

FIRST READING – Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts serves to proclaim the message that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

PSALM - Psalm 149

Sing the LORD's praise in the assembly of the faithful. (Ps. 149:1)

SECOND READING - Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, Paul prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL - Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust, even to enemies and outsiders.

<u>NOVEMBER 10 – 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</u>

We worship on the first day of the week because our Savior was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

FIRST READING - Job 19:23-27a

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

PSALM - Psalm 17:1-9

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 17:8)

SECOND READING – 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Paul writes to encourage the church at Thessalonica in a time of confusion and opposition. Here, the confusion

concerned the return of Christ. Paul writes to those who were allowing their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

GOSPEL - Luke 20:27-38

The Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God, to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

NOVEMBER 17 – 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the "meantimes." The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right."

FIRST READING - Malachi 4:1-2a

Malachi, whose name means "my messenger," warns that the day of the Lord is coming. On that day, the evil will be destroyed like stubble in a fire, but the "sun of righteousness" will shine on those who fear God.

PSALM - Psalm 98

In righteousness will the LORD judge the world. (Ps. 98:9)

SECOND READING - 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Some members of the Thessalonian community, because of their belief in the nearness of Christ's return, had ceased to work, living off the generosity of other members of the community. Paul warns them bluntly that if they want to eat, they need to work.

GOSPEL - Luke 21:5-19

As history moves toward God's fulfillment there will be frightening signs and events. Before the end, believers will draw strength from their relationship to God and shall be given the words they need to testify and to endure without fear.

NOVEMBER 24 – CHRIST THE KING

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears so utterly contradictory that the king should be crucified with the criminal. This victory appears for all the world as ignominious defeat. Yet through the gate of death our Lord opens the door to paradise.

FIRST READING - Jeremiah 23:1-6

Today's reading builds on the common ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, the Lord will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

PSALM - Psalm 46

I will be exalted among the nations. (Ps. 46:10)

SECOND READING – Colossians 1:11-20

An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.

GOSPEL - Luke 23:33-43

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

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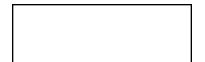
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Nov 10 Veterans Luncheon

Supper Club

Nov 15 Live Wire

Nov 17 Food Pantry Sunday Nov 28-29 Church Office Closed

Day School Closed



Dec 1 Pastor Andrew's Installation Service

Dec 4, 11,

and 18 Advent Services
Dec 13 Fun Fridays

Dec 15 Food Pantry Sunday

Dec 15 Advent/Christmas Program & Dinner

Dec 20 Live Wire

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Services (5 & 11 p.m.)

Dec 25-26 Church Office Closed

Dec 23-27 Day School Closed

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