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GSLC ANNOUNCEMENTS & HAPPENINGS

Welcome

We welcome all of our visitors... as guests. We ask that you complete a gold visitor card located in the pew rack and ushers will collect them. Thank you for joining us today.

We ask our members...

to complete a green card and the ushers will them pick up.

Nursery available...

downstairs, for children who need an alternate place during the service. See an usher for assistance.

Prayer Stations... people are

available in the front of the sanctuary after each service on Saturday and Sunday. Someone is available to share a prayer with you before you leave.

Prayer and Care... Each week

we gather special prayer requests to share joys and concerns of those in need. Please enter your prayer request in the notebook in the narthex and our prayer team will remember to pray for you throughout the week.

Holy Communion... Everyone

is welcome. Please see our Communion Statement in each worship bulletin.

Lectionary Thoughts

Today's reflection is from the Rev Dr. Delmer L. Chilton at www.lectionarylab.com:

Faith is difficult, isn't it? It's difficult to have faith and it's difficult to live faith. Sometimes it's very hard to put our trust in the promises of a God we cannot see, especially when we have lived long enough to see some of our own hopes and dreams fall apart and also to have seen many bad and ugly things happen in the world. It's hard to put all that aside and trust the promise that God loves us and wants us to be well.

Abram and Sari knew how hard it was to trust the promises of God – for years God had been saying you will be the father and mother of multitudes, of a great nation and here they are late in life, as Paul says, they are “as good as dead,” and they have no child, not one. And yet God kept promising. And in the midst of a lot of false steps and misunderstandings and ordinary human-ness; Abram and Sarai kept believing, kept trusting, kept having faith.

And God, in the words of Paul, “reckoned,” their faith, “as righteousness.” To get the full flavor of what Paul is saying, we need to unpack these two words. In my experience, reckon is seldom used in the United States except in the south, and here it has a meaning different from the one intended by the text. The southern, slangy use implies guessing or supposing; “Think it'll snow?” “I reckon it might.” Or it could mean to grudgingly accept; “Can I come by later today?” “I reckon that'll be all right.” The word is quite common in British English with a much more precise meaning; which is to calculate and then come to a conclusion. The question, “How do you reckon?” includes not only one's opinion but also what steps one took to arrive at that answer. Righteousness is the translation of the Hebrew *sedeq*. It is not the abstract idea of justice or virtue, as in the “righteousness of our cause.” Rather it is right standing and right behavior, within a community. *(continued on page 4)*

Worship Ministry Schedule

This Week - March 1

Acolytes
 8:30 am Aidan Cahill
 11:00 am Matthew Pierce
Assistant Minister
 8:30 am Don Bennett
Communion Assistants
 8:30 am Paula Bennett Janet Grieshop
 Gerry & Donna Harte
 11:00 am Eileen Hunter
Lectors
 8:30 am Pam Bauser
 11:00 am Suzanne Bohardt
Ushers
 8:30 am Robert Pressler John Chuprun
 Les Riehl Joe Oldham
 Wayne Rosholt
 11:00 am Sandy Rosholt Jennifer Kellstrom
Sound Technician
 Sam/Don Bennett
Altar Guild
 Sat Setup Lisa Connelly
 Sat/Sun 8:30 Reset Anna Lee Sawdey &
 Shirley Osburn
 Sun 11:00 Reset Jennifer Kellstrom
 Sun Putaway Duane Tackis &
 Ed Thieman
Coffee Fellowship
 8:30 am Bill & Ardith Hargrave
 11:00 am Connie Jones
Greeters
 8:30 am Bill & Ardith Hargrave
 11:00 am
Flowers/Visitation
 No Flowers

Next Week - March 8

Acolytes
 8:30 am Kelly Hartmann
 11:00 am Tyler Grove
Assistant Minister
 8:30 am Roger Bauser
Communion Assistants
 8:30 am Ginny & Del Herbeck
 Bob & Diane Miller
 11:00 am Ed Thieman
Lectors
 8:30 am Roger Hartmann
 11:00 am Mary Pierce
Ushers
 8:30 am Del Herbeck Connie Dishon
 Bob & Diane Miller Chris Connelly
 11:00 am Sandy Rosholt Jennifer Kellstrom
Sound Technician
 Sam/Don Bennett
Altar Guild
 Sat Setup Weyhrauchs
 Sat/Sun 8:30 Reset Anna Lee Sawdey &
 Shirley Osburn
 Sun 11:00 Reset Jennifer Kellstrom
 Sun Putaway Duane Tackis &
 Ed Thieman
Coffee Fellowship
 8:30 am Wayne & Michele Weyhrauch
 11:00 am Wanda Naudasher
Greeters
 8:30 am Bob & Karen Shaw
 11:00 am
Flowers/Visitation
 No Flowers

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Staff ~ 298-0136

Pastor Jamie Vannoy - Senior Pastor - Ext. 101
Don Bennett - Director - Youth and Family Ministry - Ext. 105
Mark Shoemaker - Music Director - Ext. 106
Linda Newcomer - Office Manager - Ext. 100
Judy Washburn - Office Assistant - Ext. 100
Rich Kellstrom - Custodian (call office)
Wayne Weyhrauch - Council President - 938-1455

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If you would like to sign up to volunteer on the Worship Ministry Schedule contact the church office.

Calendar of Events

Sunday March 1

Food Pantry Sunday

- 8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 am Contemporary Worship
- 4:00 pm Thrivent Meeting

Monday March 2

Bob Evans Fundraiser - LYC

- 9:30 am Quilting Group
- 2:30 pm Homework Club
- 6:30 pm Cub Scout Den 436
- 6:30 pm Financial Peace University Chapel
- 7:00 pm Girl Scout Service Unit Ldr Meeting
- 7:30 pm Financial Peace University Lounge

Tuesday March 3

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
- 7:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 193
- 7:00 pm Mutual Ministry Meeting

Wednesday March 4

- 2:30 pm Homework Club
- 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper LCOS
- 7:00 pm Lenten Service-LCOS
- 6:30 pm Cadet Troop 30480
- 7:00 pm Troop 193 Committee Meeting

Thursday March 5

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study-Bob Evans
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
- 5:30 pm Daisy Troop 34303
- 6:00 pm Daisy Troop 35322
- 7:00 pm 12-Step SA Group

Friday March 6

- 6:00 pm St. Paul Episcopal Vestry Retreat

Saturday March 7

- 8:00 am Breakfast & Bible Study
- 8:30 am St. Paul Episcopal Vestry Retreat
- 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Worship
- 6:30 pm Head-to-Heart
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Sunday March 8

- 6:30 am Breakfast Service First Lutheran
- 8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 am Contemporary Worship

Monday March 9

- 1:15 pm Prayer Shawl Knitters & Crocheters
- 2:30 pm Homework Club
- 5:00 pm Brownies Troop 32314
- 6:30 pm Cub Scout Den 436
- 6:30 pm Financial Peace University Chapel
- 7:30 pm Financial Peace University Lounge

Tuesday March 10

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
- 7:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 193

Wednesday March 11

- 2:30 pm Homework Club
- 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Supper GSLC
- 7:00 pm Lenten Service-GSLC
- 7:00 pm Kitty Hawk Board Meeting

Thursday March 12

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study-Bob Evans
- 9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
- 7:00 pm 12-Step SA Group
- 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
- 7:30 pm Generations Swing Band

Saturday March 14

- 8:00 am Breakfast & Bible Study
- 10:00 am Girl Scout Planning Meeting
- 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Worship
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Please visit our website at www.goodshepherdkettering.com to view the entire monthly calendar.

Lifelong Learning

Adult Sunday School Class
Sundays 9:30 am - Lounge
Taught by Roger Bauser

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Closed 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm for lunch

Normal Coverage:

Judy Washburn - Monday / Tuesday

Linda Newcomer -

Wednesday / Thursday / Friday

Altar Flowers

No Flowers

Attendance & Offering

Sunday February 22

Attendance 55

Offering \$1,530

October 2014-December 2014

1st Quarter Offerings

Needed	Received	Variance	YTD Budgeted
			<u>Overage</u>
\$4,865	\$4,981	\$116	\$1,507

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For Paul, it is the faith of Abram and Sarai that God uses to “reckon,” to calculate, to come to a conclusion about, their righteousness, their standing, their relationship with God. Paul is particularly interested in pointing out that Abram and Sarai believed before the law was given, therefore there was no possibility of their obedience to the law being “reckoned” by God as having earned them righteousness. For Paul, obedience follows faith, relationship creates righteousness. Faith comes as a response to the fact that God has reached out to us just as God reached out to Abram and Sarai.

To mark this reaching out, this covenant-making, this love-promise, God changed Abram and Sarai names – calling them Abraham and Sarah. *“No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations.” “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name...”* (Genesis 17:5, 15)

~from Pastor Jamie

Neighbor-to-Neighbor Food Pantry This Sunday

Be generous with your donations of food to the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Food Pantry this **Sunday March 1**. Any type of non-perishable food items, or a cash donation, is very much appreciated. This food pantry serves a large area of Kettering and is always in need of your support.

Lenten Devotionals

The Lenten Devotionals are in the narthex to pick up. If you would be willing to drop one off to one of our homebound members call Mary Ann Sauer at 439-9742.

Lent Schedule for 2015

LCOS – Lutheran Church of Our Savior

GSLC – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
St. Paul

- March 4** Mid Week 2 - **LCOS**
Genesis 15:1-6
Soup 6 pm - Worship 7 pm
- March 11** Mid Week 3 - **GSLC**
Isaiah 55:6-9
Soup 6 pm - Worship 7 pm
- March 18** Mid Week 4 - **St. Paul**
Isaiah 43:16-21
Soup 6 pm - Worship 7 pm
- March 25** Mid Week 5 - **LCOS**
Isaiah 50:7-9
Soup 6 pm - Worship 7 pm
- April 2** Maundy Thursday - **St. Paul**
Isaiah 42:5-9
Worship 7 pm
- April 3** Good Friday - **GSLC**
Isaiah 49:5-6
Worship 7 pm
- April 4** Easter Vigil - **LCOS**
2 Corinthians 5:16-17
Worship 7 pm

Seniors Invited to Tour Moraine Farm with Faith Lutheran

The Faith Lutheran Seniors (a social group) have invited GSLC Seniors to a tour of Moraine Farm at 1:00 pm on **Tuesday March 10**. The home and land of Colonel Edward Deeds was the first home in the U.S. to have a private airstrip and also includes an observatory and telescope. The farm is rarely open to visitors so this is a great opportunity to visit this unique home and make some friends from Faith Lutheran at the same time. The group will meet for lunch (optional) at Treasure Island at 11:00 am. Call Faith Lutheran at 253-2156 to RSVP by **March 8**.

Council Synopsis - February 19

- ◆ A motion was made to upgrade and expand the wireless internet at GSLC.
- ◆ We will be helping three local families with In-Lieu-of-Lilies donations this Easter.
- ◆ Guidelines and directions for counting offerings has been prepared so it is easier to participate in this ministry.
- ◆ Auditing and inventory of assets at GSLC is currently being updated.
- ◆ Safety/Security Taskforce met and is working on several areas to help our church be a safe and secure building. One important item is to make sure all doors are locked, windows closed, heat is turned down, and lights are turned out when the last person leaves for the evening.
- ◆ Council members are upbeat about the direction our church has been going and the many accomplishments GSLC has made in the past several months.

Fish Fries for Jeremiah's Letter

Saturday March 14 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at Concordia Lutheran Church, 250 Peach Orchard Avenue in Oakwood. Call 299-1912 for reservations.

Saturday March 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Faith Lutheran Church, 3315 Martel Drive. Call 253-2156 for reservations.

We Care Arts

Annual Spring Auction

We Care Arts is having their annual Spring Auction on **Friday March 13**. It's an evening of delicious food, rockin' music and some fabulous live and silent auction items. Travel packages and sports goodies are just some of the wonderful things up for bid. Come to the party at the Presidential Banquet Center and know that all proceeds benefit a local cause that empowers people with disabilities. Call 937-252-3937 for reservations. If you have an item to donate to the silent auction, there are donation forms in the church narthex.

Save The Date

All Lutheran women and friends in the area are invited to the Dayton Spring Gathering on **Saturday April 11** from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The guest speaker will be Susan Dyer, speaking on poverty, homelessness and grace. More details to follow. Save the date!!

In Lieu of Lilies

For our Easter season, we are doing "In Lieu of Lilies" again this year. Feel free to complete the insert in your bulletin with names of people you want to honor or name in memory of. The monies collected this year will go to continued support of: our Adopt-A-Family; our Assistance Cards to people in the community; and anything extra will be given to support the First Lutheran Church Breakfast.

Project Victory

Our mid-week Lenten Offerings are going to The Victory Project, which is a privately-funded 501c3 after-school program, mentoring disengaged young men in our city. Being open year round, six days a week, builds relationships, earning the youth the right to be heard. Sharing dinner together every weeknight feeds them physically, tutoring and working at their micro-enterprise feeds them emotionally and their Bible Studies feed them spiritually.

The Victory Project breaks down the walls of captivity. By undoing the youth's isolated experiences, we expose them to the potential of a positive socio-economic standing through the 3E's curriculum: Education, Entrepreneurship and Enlightenment.

- ♦ The youth, no longer depend on a criminal or social system, which can enable their destructive lifestyles.
- ♦ Finding freedom and independence by obtaining marketable skills, which will allow them to complete in the workforce.
- ♦ Empowering young men to discover the life God intended, which directly reflects our guiding verse: *"You're here to be light bringing out the God-colors in the world, God is not a secret to be kept we're going public as a city on a hill."* (Matthew 5:14)

~ O Lord Hear Our Prayer ~
From Week of February 22

Praise and Thanksgiving to God for:

- ◆ The people and friends of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
- ◆ Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop, ELCA, Chicago
- ◆ Reverend Suzanne Dillahunt, Bishop, Southern Ohio Synod, ELCA, Columbus
- ◆ Companion Synods: East of Lake Victoria Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa; Evangelical Church - Mecklenburg, Germany; Evangelical Lutheran Church - Republic of Kazakhstan, Russia; Sinodo Espirito Santos Belem, Brazil

Prayer Ventures - March 1 Second Sunday in Lent - As followers of Christ, we pray for a growing understanding of what it means to deny ourselves, take up the cross and follow in today's world.

Members and friends with medical concerns and other needs:

NEW THIS WEEK

- ◆ Del & Ginny
- ◆ Norma - cancer pain (from Kathy)
- ◆ Bill Tyler - fighting cancer (from Ed Thieman)
- ◆ Jim Landis - fighting cancer (from Ed Thieman)
- ◆ Evelyn Bergstedt - recovering from fall
- ◆ Robby - rejoice for good reports following scans after bone marrow transplant (from Pam Bauser)
- ◆ Mike Huffman - in coma from fall down the stairs (from Adam Roark)
- ◆ Darren Jones - fighting mental and physical illness (from Connie Jones)

FROM LAST WEEK

- ◆ Sheila - biopsy results (from Kathy Seim)
- ◆ Richard - spinal surgery this week (from Roger Bauser)

Friends who have lost loved ones:

- ◆ **Family of Harold Ullmer - long-time church member who died February 23 (from Bausers)**
- ◆ Family of former teacher/coach Doug Weikert who passed away last week (from Bausers)

Members who are serving in the armed forces and for their families:

- ◆ Devin Cahill - enlisted in the military - prayers of safety

Submit your prayer requests to goodshepherd.gslc@gmail.com or call the church office. Prayer requests will be listed for two weeks. If after that time you would like your request to remain on this list, resubmit your request. Please use this sheet daily to remember those who are near and dear to the Good Shepherd community of faith.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

***Call the office to request
a copy of the Weekly Staff if
you are unable to attend the
service or if you know someone
who is unable to attend.***



March Birthdays

Julie Rosholt—March 1
Molly Crouch—March 3
Helen Filcik—March 12
Mary Ann Sauer—March 12
Diane Miller—March 15
Carol Nordin—March 18
Wil Johnston—March 21
Judy Treadway—March 23
Rich Kellstrom—March 25
Herm Bergstedt—March 26
Karin Linch—March 28
Pastor Jamie Vannoy—March 28
Bob Spitz—March 29

March Anniversaries

Dick & Mona Hartmann—March 11
Al & Robin Sessler—March 23

If you have a birthday or anniversary this month but do not see your name on the list, contact the church office to update our database records.

If you do not wish to have your birthday or anniversary published in the GSLC Announcements, contact the church office.