



HOLY SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

433 Moraga Way, Orinda, CA 94563



March/April 2011

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Traditions Worship
9:15 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
9:40 a.m. Education for All Ages
10:45 a.m. Celebrations Worship
12:30 p.m. Korean Worship

CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS WELCOME
to worship along with their parents.
Nursery care is available (unless otherwise noted) for children age 5 and under in the preschool room located toward the rear of Gregeresen Hall from 8:45 to 10:45 a.m. Please note, however, that due to our Safe Community Policy, the nursery will not be open if there is not a screened adult and one assistant available to be in the room with the children.



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Grow Up, Will Ya!

Our recent sermon-series on 1st Corinthians has given me reason to ruminate on Paul's words to a church in turmoil. Those Corinthian Christians were bickering about how best to be church – and how best to be church together. And Paul's message to them was pretty clear. They needed to a) keep their eyes on Jesus, b) appreciate the gifts that others in the community bring to the table, and c) grow up!

The season of Lent is a time for all of us to take seriously Paul's admonition to "Grow up!" Lent has always been seen as a growing-up time for Christians, a time to be honest to God – and honest with ourselves – about how our lives positively and/or negatively impact other people. Lent has always been seen as a time to be honest about our own relationships with the Lord. But perhaps now more than ever we need to heed those words. For – as the poet and politician Vaclav Havel

noted – "Today experts can explain anything in the objective world to us, yet we understand our own lives less and less."

Maturity – and Christian maturity in particular – begins with being honest about one's weaknesses, one's growth areas and one's failures. If we want to grow, we need to identify the weak spots and the dark places in our lives, and head right toward them. It means going places we'd rather not go and examining truths we'd just as soon deny.

Christians have long called the process of facing our hurts and naming our needs "confession." "Confession" is about acknowledging the broken places of our lives as clearly and fully as we can. "Confession" is about owning up to who we really are before God, not just who we'd like to be. It is a way for us to say, "Lord, these are the things that I've done to other people and the things that other people have done to me, that I need to own up to. These are my actions of failure, and my failures to act. This, Lord, is my junk!" Sure, we may glibly allow words of confession to slide off our lips on Sunday morning at worship, but have you ever allowed them to do more than that? Have you ever let them truly linger on your lips and in your mind? Have you ever dared to own up to that brokenness?

As a woman named Roberta Porter once wrote: "God wants our lives – not Sunday morning shiny – but all the fragments of our failures, shards of struggle and sin we've gathered, hidden, on our way. And in Jesus' transforming love – his willing brokenness, sacrifice, rising – our sorrow and pain become gifts to be used for others, our weakness the dwelling place for the Spirit's strength, our broken-open lives bearers of God's grace."

Pastor John Love + Joy + Peace

Pastor John B. Valentine



**ASH WEDNESDAY
SERVICE
MARCH 9
7:00 P.M.**

Why Ash Wednesday?

Traditionally, the Christian church has observed the seven weeks before Easter as a time of penitence and spiritual self-examination. Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent, derives its name from the ancient practice of marking the foreheads of worshipers with ashes from the unused palm branches of the previous year. Ashes historically have had a dual significance. First, they are Old Testament symbols of sadness and humility. Job, in the midst of all his troubles, cried out to God from the ash heap. The second symbolic meaning of ashes is as a reminder of our mortality. Each of us faces the inevitability of physical death. Our bodies and material possessions eventually will turn to dust and ashes. This is a reminder that we dare not trust in things that crumble. But Lent does not leave us on the ash heap. It begins with Ash Wednesday, but ends with Easter. And Easter proclaims that, through Christ, God resurrects us from our dust and ashes, makes us new creatures and brings life out of death!



Our Midweek Fellowship/Learning Events It's "Nooma" Time

When Jesus taught life's toughest issues, he used short simple stories known as parables. Teacher and screenwriter Rob Bell has borrowed Jesus' story approach to life's biggest questions as the basis for his Nooma film series. These brief yet engaging (and profoundly thought-provoking) Nooma videos are intended for people of ALL ages – children and adults, Christians and not-yet-Christians.

- ✝ 6:00 p.m. – Soup is Served!
- ✝ 6:30 p.m. – Nooma Time!
- ✝ 6:45 p.m. – Table Talk

Join us during the five Thursdays of the season of Lent for a light soup supper, a Nooma and a bit of Table Talk conversation. You'll be glad you did!

Thursday, March 17	Trees: "Do our lives really matter?"
Thursday, March 24	Lump: "Have we done things in our lives we are ashamed of?"
Thursday, March 31	Kickball: "Why can't we always have what we want?"
Thursday, April 7	Rich: "Why has God blessed us with everything?"
Thursday, April 14	Noise: "Why is silence so hard to deal with?"

If you are able to provide soup, bread or kitchen assistance for one or more of these events, please sign up on the sheets located in Gregersen Hall.

Easter Brunch



Join us for Easter Brunch

We are excited to once again be offering an Easter Brunch! We do need your help though and would invite you to sign up for various tasks and/or just to indicate that you will be in attendance (helps the cooks plan the amount of food!). Sign up sheets are in Gregersen Hall or call the church office, 925-254-3422, and let us know you will be in attendance!

Saturday, April 23 will be prep day beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Brunch
April 24

Served from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Gregersen Hall

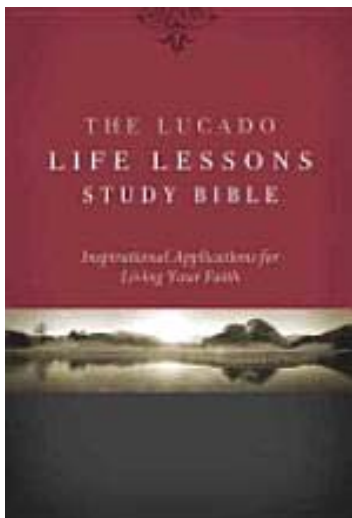
Suggested donations: \$5/person or \$15/family.
All proceeds to go to Lamorinda Adult Respite Center.

Sunday Adult Education

The Psalms bless us as they speak directly to the heart of every human experience. We are lifted up by their comfort and encouragement, whether it is job, suffering, pain or song. They are intended to instruct the mind as well as encourage the heart, plus help us in our emotional pressures.

During the month of March, Pat Tveitmoe will begin teaching a two-part study of selected Psalms of Faith. The second part will be presented during the month of May.

Bring a cup of coffee and join the Adult Sunday School class on March 6th at 9:40 a.m. in the Sanctuary.



Men's Breakfast Bible Study – 2011

The schedule for the remainder of 2011 for Men's Breakfast Bible Study based on *The Lucado Life Lessons Study Bible* is as follows:

DATE	BIBLE TEXT	CHAPTER	THEME
March 19	Philippians 1:12-26	2	Triumph in Trouble
April 16	Philippians 1:27-30	3	Standing Firm
May 21	Philippians 2:1-4	4	All for One
June 18	Philippians 2:5-11	5	Ultimate Servanthood
July 16	Philippians 2:12-18	6	Shining for Christ
August 20	Philippians 2:19-30	7	Role Models
September 17	Philippians 3:1-11	8	Right Standing with God
October 15	Philippians 3:12-21	9	Eternal Focus
November 19	Philippians 4:1-7	10	The Peace of God
December 17	Philippians 4:8-13	11	It's All in Your Mind
January 21, 2012	Philippians 4:14-23	12	Generosity

Communion Instruction



We invite children 3rd grade and older to participate in a series of classes designed to prepare them for the celebration of Holy Communion. Classes are held on Sundays at 12:15 p.m. in Gregersen Hall.

- + March 13—Kids Alone
- + March 20—Kids Alone
- + March 27—Kids & Parents

First Communion will be on Thursday, April 21st at the Maundy Thursday Service. If you have questions, please call the church office.

Get to Know

Holy Shepherd

Sunday, March 6, 3:00 p.m.
Fireside Room

Interested in membership at HSLC? Please join Pastor John and Bev Townsley for an informational meeting and learn more about our church and what it means to be part of this faith community as a church member. Those wishing to become members will be received during worship on March 13th.

Contact Lisa Verley at 254-3422 if you would like to attend. Childcare will be provided to those requesting it.



Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club generally meets at 10:00 a.m., the 4th Saturday of the month. Due to a conflict the February meeting has been moved to March 5 and will be held at the home of Cherrill Cizewski. They will be discussing the book "Major Pettigrew's Last Stand," by Helen Simonson. All are welcome, but please let Cherrill know if you are planning to attend.



Subsequent meetings will be March 26 (*Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls); April 23 (*Look Again* by Lisa Scottoline); May 28 (*The Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford).

Please watch future publications for locations or contact Alison Kling. Everyone is welcome.

FAITH BUILDERS WEEKEND ADVENTURE



When: **March 11-12, 2011**
7:00 p.m. Friday – 12:00 Saturday
Where: **Holy Shepherd**
Who: **Grades 7 & 8 (Friends are welcome)**
Cost: **\$10.00**

Be prepared for an action-packed adventure! Call the church office today at (925) 254-3422 and let us know you will be a part of our **Adventure** or sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board!

You will need to bring:

- Sleeping bag & pillow (cot or mat for comfort)
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste etc.)
- Comfortable clothes and **sneakers**
- \$10.00
- Signed Permission Slip

See you there!

Mexico Mission Trip

April 2 – 9, 2011



Making a difference in the lives of kids!

Who: Grades 9 – 12
Cost: \$160.00 / person
You Will Need: A Passport & signed Permission Slip

Questions? Contact Church Office

HSLC Sunday School

Presents

Noah's Ark



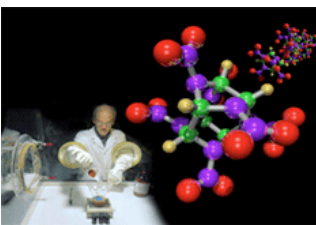
Sunday, March 27th
Gregersen Hall
9:45 a.m.

Adapted by Heather Hall
Children's Music Director
Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church



March 17, 2011

LAFF luncheon at 11:30 a.m. with special guest, Martin Morley, as the speaker. For the last thirty years, Martin has been in the business of creating powerful worship experiences for Christian communities. Working with clergy, choirs, lay worship leaders and congregations, he has pursued the goal of making Sunday mornings a uniquely potent recharge for the batteries of God's people. He has worked in Presbyterian, United Methodist and Lutheran congregations in Kansas, Texas and California, focusing since 1997 on the balance of tradition and new thought in Lutheran (ELCA) worship. Currently Director of Worship, Music and the Arts at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Lafayette, he coordinates worship design and liturgy production, oversees lay worship leadership (lectors, liturgists, acolytes, ushers and altar guild), directs choirs, plays services and collaborates with a contemporary music associate, a liturgical artist and a composer-in-residence. His presentation at the LAFF luncheon is called "Links in a Chain: Worship, Mission and the Unfolding Purpose of God." Martin is a charming man, with a wonderful sense of humor and gives his listeners time to ask questions and have a real opportunity for an inspiring time together.



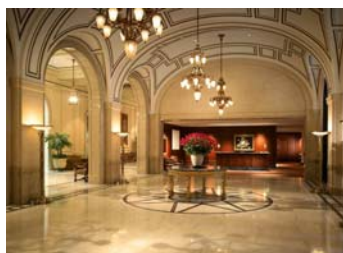
April 21

The LAFF group will be carpooling to Lawrence Livermore Lab. They have 14 spaces booked and they must confirm final numbers ASAP so sign up soon.

There is a sign-up sheet in Gregersen Hall or call the church office. There will be a docent led tour that starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 12 noon, followed by lunch at a nearby restaurant. They expect to be back at the church by 2:30 p.m.

June 16th, Palace Hotel Luncheon & Tour

LAFF has planned a luncheon and tour of the Palace Hotel in San Fran-



cisco on Thursday, June 16th.

We will meet at the church parking lot at 10:30 a.m. and car pool to BART. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. with a tour to follow at 2:00 p.m. There are 20 spaces booked and confirmation must be made by June 1. The lunch price is \$19.09. Taxes, tip, beverage and BART fare are extra so figure \$30—\$35 for the day. Cost of the lunch will be paid at the restaurant. If you buy your BART ticket in advance, you can save by buying a senior ticket at any Safeway.

Habitat for Humanity

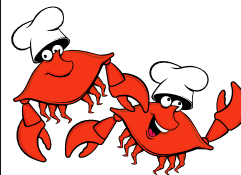
Date: March 12

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where: Antioch (exact location TBA)

Contacts: Diana Yorgan 925-788-2957 or Brian Henson 925-254-3855 (High School Group)

If you've ever helped on a Habitat for Humanity project or perhaps wanted to, join our group from HSLC on a project in Antioch. We will be working on rehabbing a home for a low-income family on March 12. All skill levels are welcome. Sign-up roster is in Gregersen Hall.



HOLY SHEPHERD CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Invites you to it's 2nd Annual Crab Feed
to benefit the Preschool

Saturday, March 19

5:30 – 9:00 p.m.

433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 925-254-3429

The evening will begin at 5:30 with dinner being served around 6:00 p.m. There will be face painting for all the kids (ages 1-99) and Buki the Clown will be attendance again this year to delight the children with animal balloons. Music will be provided by the Hoxie P's.

To reserve your space be sure to sign up on Sunday mornings in Gregersen Hall, mail in your reservation or call Miss Susie, 925-254-3429 — and don't forget to buy some raffle tickets! Proceeds will be used to fund a class library, education materials (games, supplies, imaginative play, etc.), dicut machine, outdoor equipment and student assessment materials.

Thank you for supporting our preschool.

Soldiers' Angels



Dates: March 7th & 14th

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: Gregersen Hall

Contact: Diana Yorgan 925-788-2957



In support of our American Soldiers we will be getting together on two consecutive Mondays in March to prepare fleece blankets for wounded soldiers. These are no-sew blankets. If you can cut with a scissors and tie a knot you are qualified. Bring your scissors, a yardstick and two coordinated pieces of fleece (72" x 58") for each blanket you'd like to make. We will also have fabric available if you cannot purchase your own. Please sign up on roster in Gregersen Hall.

Soldiers' Angels currently support two Units in "Afstan"; an elite (Army) Unit of 100 in the 101st Airborne (Army) and 1,200 Marines in the 1st Combat Engineers.

Our December 2010 mailings included 1,400 letters and kids drawings, 2 pre-lit Christmas trees with ornaments and extension cords, 100 cans of (requested) shaving cream, donated lotions, soaps, shampoo, coffee, phone cards, Bibles, food packs and helmet liners & skull caps knitted by HSLC Angels.

Kids drawings were provided through the efforts of Cristi Chow, Susie Koeper and students at the Calvary Temple Christian School. Chaplain Crone wrote from Afghanistan:

"Pete,










This personal thank you is long overdue. If I sent 100 notes it would not equal the level of gratitude from myself or the Marines/Sailors. Your contributions have kept us warm, fed and lifted our spirits during the Christmas Season. May God bless you and all those who worked with you to give the Marines and Sailors of 1st CEB support from home. Your contribution to the war is great. You are great Americans.

*Thanks,
Chaplain"*








We are currently gearing up for a mailing for Easter. Please submit your letters, drawings and donated items no later than March 27th! Please note: on sending Bibles please keep to small versions as the troops do not have much room in their packs!
Thanks.



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		11:00 – 3:00 p.m. LARC				
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		11:00 – 3:00 p.m. LARC				
13 Daylight Savings Time Begins		14	15	16	17	18
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		11:00 – 3:00 p.m. LARC				
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

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newsletter.*

I MAY NEVER SEE TOMORROW

I may never see tomorrow, there's no guarantee,
And things that happened yesterday belong to history.
I can't predict the future, I can't change the past,
I have just the present memories to treat as my last.
I must use this moment wisely, for soon it will pass away,
And be lost forever as a part of yesterday.

I must exercise compassion, help the fallen to their feet,
Be a friend unto the friendless, make their life complete.
The unkind things I do today, may never be undone,
And friendships that I fail to win, may never more be won.
I may not have another chance on bended knees to pray,
And I thank God with a humble heart for giving me this day!

~ Anonymous

LARC Movie Night



It's a challenge to care for someone with memory loss!! Expand your perspective by attending the LARC MOVIE NIGHT! "The Art of Caregiving" features dementia expert Teepa Snow (www.teepasnow.com). Please join us as we continue our journey of understanding the complexities of dementia and how to better care for our loved ones. In this presentation Teepa addresses the different types of dementias and some very practical ways to help with care in non-confrontational and compassionate ways. The movie is appropriate for all caregivers – families, friends and professionals. This is a FREE event and everyone is welcome! Lemonade and popcorn will be served!



Tuesday, April 12, 2011

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

HSLC, Gregersen Hall

For more information 925-254-3465



OPEN ENROLLMENT

Ages 2 – 5

9:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Extended Day to 2:00 p.m.

(925) 254-3429 for details

ART ★ STORIES ★ MUSIC ★ SCIENCE ★
 Cooking ★ PRE-MATH ★ PRE-READING ★
 ZOO-PHONICS ★ MANDARIN CHINESE
 (for the mature 4 & 5-year olds)

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Outreach Programs

For more information on the following programs please visit www.holyshepherd.org.

Lamorinda Adult Respite Center provides a supervised adult day care center for adults with memory loss. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Lamorinda Caregiver Support Group provides information and support for family and friends of people with memory impairment and meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Holy Shepherd Preschool offers two programs from 9:00 a.m.—12 noon and an extended day to 2:00 p.m.

Newsletter Information

If you have an article for the newsletter, email lkhudak@holyshepherd.org. Newsletters available in PDF format at our website, www.holyshepherd.org. We do not print the birthdays, anniversaries or prayer requests online. If you have problems accessing the files or want more information, please contact Linda Hudak.

Prayer requests are not printed in the online version of the newsletter.



Without Jesus

Without the risen Savior in our hearts, life is like:

- ♦ A chocolate Easter Bunny – empty on the inside;
 - ♦ An Easter bonnet – easily blown off kilter;
 - ♦ Last year's Easter outfit – it doesn't quite fit right;
An Easter lily – it soon withers and dries up;
 - ♦ A bag of jellybeans – sugary and sweet but lacking substance;
 - ♦ An unfound Easter basket – full of gifts that spoil and go to waste;
 - ♦ A colored Easter egg – looks great but cracks under pressure;
 - ♦ The Easter bunny – always hopping here and there;
 - ♦ Marshmallow Peeps – becomes hard when opened up;
 - ♦ Easter parade – a long journey with no destination;
- An unopened Easter card – a message of love unclaimed.

David Patterson

Staff

The Rev. John B. Valentine	Senior Pastor
Julia Hamre	Organist/Handbell Director
Carole Vetter	Canticle Choir Director
Tom Henry	Spirit Borne Director
Marc Levine	Accompanist
Heather Hall	Children's Music Leader
Lisa Verley	Office Manager
Linda Hudak	Production/News Editor
Donna Benseler	Financial Secretary
Susie Koeper	Preschool Director
Loren Schoenstein	Preschool Teacher
Elizabeth M. Hofinga	Program Director
Jill Kuykendall	Activity Leader LARC
Cookie Bedford	Activity Leader LARC
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Church Office FAX	925-254-2462
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