

### Coming soon . . . A Little Girl

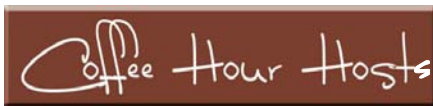
You know Gretchen and Michael Stenson as the couple who sing in the Canticle Choir. Soon they are to become our newest mom and dad. Their little girl is expected to arrive in November and we'd like to help them prepare for her with a baby shower! Details follow.

If you would like to be part of a joint gift, please leave your check in the envelope attached to the RSVP sign-up sheet in the Center for Ministry. Any questions should be directed to Diana Yorgan, 925-788-2957. Hope you will plan to attend.



#### Baby Shower/Tea

*When:* October 21  
*Time:* 2:00 p.m.  
*Where:* Center for Ministry  
*Who:* Gretchen Stenson  
*Registries:* Babies "R" Us, Bye Bye Baby



New coffee sign-up sheets through December are available. There is a separate sheet for the period November 26 - December 31 as there will be only one service on each of those Sundays. Please sign up if you are available on any of the Sundays - there are many Sundays which are not spoken for.

### Collage & Military Care Packages

We will be sending out our college care packages within the next month and need to know the names and addresses of our college and military families. Please email that information to Diana Yorgan ([dyorgan@comcast.net](mailto:dyorgan@comcast.net)) within the next 10 days so we can plan for the mailing. Even if their addresses have not changed we need to confirm that what we have on file is correct. Thank you in advance for your timely reply.



Altar flowers this morning have been given by Diana and Bruce Neujahr in celebration of their 57th wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary!



**O**ur Narthex renovation project is near completion! Many thanks go to Marla Schroeder for her tireless work in seeing this project through. The results are wonderful. If anyone has suggestions for any additional improvements to this area, please share them with either Lisa Verley ([lgverley@gmail.com](mailto:lgverley@gmail.com)) or Marla Schroeder ([marlakays@comcast.net](mailto:marlakays@comcast.net)). Any/all suggestions will need to be reviewed by the Property Committee. Thank you!



- October 5** - 9:00 am Women's Bible Study, CFM, Lesson 2, Acts 2:5-21
- October 8** - 12:15 pm Bible & Lunch Bunch, CFM Library, Lesson 2, Acts:2:5-21 - **Bring your own lunch!**  
6:00 pm YG6:8 at OCC
- October 15** - 12:15 pm Membership Information Luncheon, CFM
- October 20** - 5:30 pm Parents Night Out
- October 21** - 2:00 pm Baby Shower for Gretchen Stenson, CFM
- October 22** - 6:00 pm YG6:8 Cristi Chow's home
- October 29** - Marty Party Celebration
- November 5** - Reception of New Members

Please join us for a memorial service for Ar-dith Roloff, who passed away September 2. Her service will be held at Holy Shepherd, Saturday, October 7 at 11:00 a.m., followed by a light luncheon in CFM.



If you can provide cookies or other sweet treats, please contact Juanita Gilbertson.

**D**onate a Minimum of \$30.00 to LARC and receive a sturdy shopping bag from Davis Todhunter and Patricia Robertson Todhunter. Your donation is fully tax deductible. There are displays both in CFM and Gregersen Hall. Make a check payable to "LARC" and place inside the envelope attached to the display bag and take your free bag!

### Membership Information Lunch

On Sunday, October 15th, we will be hosting a 'Membership Information' luncheon in the Center for Ministry. If you're not currently a member of our congregation and would like to be -- or if you'd simply like to learn more about Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church -- please contact Lisa Verley in the church office (925.254.3422 / [lisaverlypoiuy@holyshepherd.org](mailto:lisaverlypoiuy@holyshepherd.org)). Pastor Valentine and members of our Church Council will try to answer such questions as "What does it mean to be a Lutheran Christian?," "What does it mean to be a member of this congregation?" and "What IS Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church anyway?" The luncheon gathering begins at 12:15 and will finish by 1:30. Please note that -- for those interested in church membership -- we are planning a Reception of New Members rite in conjunction with worship on November 5th.

**Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
October 1, 2017  
Phone 925-254-3422  
[www.holyshepherd.org](http://www.holyshepherd.org)  
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Monday - Thursday



October 1 **Belle & Frank Lindskoog**  
 October 2 **Bruce & Diana Neujahr**  
 October 3 Alexandra Henry  
 October 7 Bob Schmalz  
 October 8 Dorothy Russell

**Loaves & Fishes - Volunteer Serving Schedule for the balance of 2017**

Martinez, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month  
 October 9, November 9, December 14  
 Pittsburg, 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month  
 October 25, November 22, December 27  
 Families are welcome to participate on November 22 and December 27. Kids must be 13 years or older. Questions should be directed to Pete Schmitt.

**Martin Luther Celebration**



Please mark October 29 on your calendars. On that Sunday we are going to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the day Martin Luther nailed 95 theses on the door of the church in Wittenberg, Germany, starting a church revolution and the beginning of the Lutheran faith that we practice.

**A prayer for neighborliness . . .**

O God, we pray for a broader vision of the needs of humanity, and a deeper compassion to fill those needs; for a planting of the seeds of concern for all humanity in our hearts; for a tapping of the wells of generosity. May we live together as people who have been forgiven a great debt. May we be gentle, walking softly with one another. May we be understanding, lest we shall add to the world's sorrow or cause to flow needless tears. May we be as anxious for the rights of others as we are for our own. May we be as eager to forgive as we are to seek forgiveness. May we know no barriers of creed or race or sex, that our love may be like Yours — a love that sees all people as Your children and our kin. May we be ministers of humanity.

—Peter Marshall



The drive for coats, blankets and all things warm will be held in conjunction with the Marty Party (October 29)! Please bring coats, hats, mittens, scarves, blankets, sleeping bags, warm boots and socks, tents, tarps - anything that would be helpful for those trying to keep warm this winter.

The donations will benefit Friendly Manor, White Pony Express, Hillcrest Church Clothes Closet, Youth Home, Mendocino school children, Winter Nights and others. If you have questions, please contact Karen Rose Kalvass at 925.284.8130. Thank you.



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**HEALING**

Donna Zelinski  
 Carol Kramer  
 Marlys Howard  
 Harry Davis  
 Gloria Enstrom  
 Katherine Ruff

Dottie Russell  
 Dona Lawrentz  
 Patty Weyand  
 Lavonne Rodean  
 Robyn Quint

**WELLNESS**

Mary Moore  
 Rolf Benseler  
 Cathy Johnson

Pearl Gregersen  
 Pat Tveitmoe  
 Grace Adams

**PEACE / COMFORT**

Laura Lyman  
 Rosemarie Routson

Kitti Colucci

**THOSE WHO GRIEVE**

Carole Vetter on the passing of her husband,  
 Neil Van Valkenburgh, September 18, 2017  
 The family of Ardith Roloff  
 The family of Gerd Behrsing

**MILITARY**

Keep our armed forces safe and give them courage, hope and strength.  
 Ryan Bingham  
 Megan Howard

Brian Henson

*All those affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and those impacted by the earthquake that hit Mexico City September 19.*

**Need Shredding?**

The Lamorinda branch of AAUW is holding its 4th Annual Tech Trek Shred•Fest!  
 Saturday, October 14, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm  
 5A Rent-a-Space  
 455 Moraga Rd., Moraga  
 \$7 per file box (cash/check)  
 Rain or shine!

Volunteers unload and dump papers. Keep your boxes. Certificate of destruction available upon request. All proceeds fund scholarships to send Lamorinda 7th grade girls to Tech Trek science & math camp.

Services provided by Shred Defense



**COMING UP THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, October 1**

8:30 am Traditions Worship Service  
 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship in Gregersen Hall hosted by Myrna Witt  
 9:45 am Education for all ages  
 10:45 am Celebrations Worship Service  
 11:00 am KCCL Bible Study  
 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship in CFM hosted by Bob & Marci Bauer  
 12:15 pm KCCL Worship

**Monday, October 2**

10:30 am AA Meeting  
 3:30 am Orinda Mandarin Program  
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, October 3**

11:00 am Caregiver Coffee  
 11:00 am LARC  
 6:00 pm Girl Power  
 7:00 pm Strategic Planning Mtg.

**Wednesday, October 4**

11:00 am LARC  
 3:30 pm Orinda Mandarin Program  
 7:30 pm Spirit Borne  
 7:30 pm Al-Anon

**Thursday, October 5**

9:00 am Women's Bible Study, CFM  
 10:30 am Preschool Chapel  
 11:00 am LARC  
 6:00 pm Girl Scouts  
 6:00 pm Canticle Choir  
 7:00 pm Bell Choir

**Friday, October 6**

10:30 am Preschool Chapel  
 11:00 am LARC  
 7:30 pm KCCL Taize in Chapel

**Saturday, October 7**

11:00 am Roloff memorial Service followed by luncheon in CFM

**Sunday, October 8**

8:30 am Traditions Worship Service  
 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship in Gregersen Hall hosted by Juanita Gilbertson  
 9:45 am Education for all ages  
 10:45 am Celebrations Worship Service  
 11:00 am KCCL Bible Study  
 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship in CFM hosted by Mimi and Ed Szaky  
 12:15 pm Bible & Lunch Bunch CFM - *Bring your own lunch*  
 12:15 pm KCCL Worship  
 6:00 pm YG6:8 at OCC

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Attendance September 24

8:30 a.m. 49      10:45 a.m. 35

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