

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church July 29, 2018 Phone 925-254-3422 www.holyshepherd.org Office Hours are 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday



he Bible and Lunch Bunch will not be meeting in July or August. Our next meeting is on Sunday, 9/16/18, at 12:15 p.m., in the Center for Ministry. Please bring your own lunch. We will begin our study of Acts - Part 2. The only required text is the Bible. The Joy of Living lesson book is an optional resource. If you would like to order the lesson book, please contact Janine Crowe or Lisbeth in the church office by 8/15. The estimated cost of the lesson book is \$25. This group meets on Sundays after church once or twice a month. Additional information will be forthcoming.

The Women's Bible Study group will not be meeting in July or August. Our next meeting is Thursday, 9/20/18, at 9:00 a.m., in the Center for Ministry. We will continue our study of Acts - Part 2. The required texts are the Bible and the Joy of Living lesson book. If you are new to the group, you will need to order a lesson book. Please contact Janine Crowe or Lisbeth in the church office by 8/15 if you will be ordering a lesson book. The estimated cost of the lesson book is \$25. This group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. Additional information will be forthcoming.



Bryan Oczkus has started a Thursday night men's Hyde Bible Study group covering the Book of Matthew and the Sermon on the Mount. They meet on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at Europa in Orinda. All are welcome. Please contact Bryan 925-878-1803, bryanoczkus@gmail.com if you plan to attend or for further questions. Thank you.

Sign ups:

There is a Flower Chart in CFM for July Cost to provide flowers is \$50.00. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

August 9 Loaves & Fishes / Martinez August 18 11:00 a.m. Celebration of Life

for Marlys Howard followed by

a light luncheon in CFM 7:00 p.m. PJ's Book Club

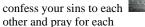
August 21 Loaves & Fishes / Pittsburg August 22 September 9 Return to 2 worship services:

> 8:30 a.m. Traditions 10:45 a.m. Celebrations

September 16 12:12 p.m. Bible & Lunch Bunch, CFM

September 20 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, **CFM**

he Bible in James 5:16 tells us "Therefore



other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." Asking for God's help through prayer is one way we as Christians can connect with heaven and heaven can connect with us. At Holy Shepherd there are many ways in which we share prayer concerns and celebrations. Most of you already are aware of the Prayer List that is part of the weekly bulletin. Requests for prayers to the printed list can be made by contacting Linda Hudak, lkhudak@holyshepherd.org, or by calling the church office.

In addition to this written list, prayer concerns are also shared via a Prayer Chain. Prayer concerns/celebrations to be included on the Prayer Chain are communicated to the office, and then posted by email to a list of those individuals who wish to be part of this prayer group. If you would like to be a "link" on the chain, please contact the office: HSLCfrontoffice@gmail.com, or 254-3422. Likewise, if you have a prayer concern, would like to share a prayer celebration, or be removed from the prayer list, please call the office.

East Bay Tree Service (377-TREE) has been contracted to remove all (8) pine trees along Moraga Way. East Bay Tree Service has been providing expert tree removal and care for over 15 years throughout the Bay Area. The company is insured, fully bonded, and licensed #805794. They plan on performing an urban saw milling demonstration which is cutting the trees into boards. A date has not been scheduled for the tree removal.



Sunday, July 29

9:30 am Combined Worship Service 10:30 am Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Merlin's

11:00 am KCCL Bible Study 12:15 pm KCCL Worship

Monday, July 30

Week 6 Summer Preschool - Pet Week 10:30 am AA Meeting

Tuesday, July 31

11:00 am LARC

11:00 am Caregiver Coffee

Wednesday, August 1 11:00 am LARC

Thursday, August 2

11:00 am LARC

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study at Europa

Friday, August 3

Last day of Summer School 11:00 am LARC

7:30 pm KCCL Taize Saturday, August 4

Sunday, August 5

9:30 am Combined Worship Service 10:30 am Coffee Fellowship hosted by Carol Schaaf

11:00 am KCCL Bible Study 12:15 pm KCCL Worship

Mission Trip International Health Partners

There is a trip being planned by the Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church in May 2019. The trip agenda will be focused on working at the hospital and those interested can add a safari. We have an opportunity to be part of that group. If you are interested in this trip. please contact me or put your name on the sign-up sheet in the CFM. Volunteer housing is limited at the hospital so we are trying to get an accurate head count of anyone interested in being part of the group. Contact Diana Yorgan dyorgan@comcast.net or 925-788-2957.

**Please note office hours are Monday -Thursday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Even though there may be people on the property, there is no one in the office to help or answer questions.

through December. Pick your date(s) early!

Council Info from Dave Lausch

2018/2019 Congregation Council Officers

President Fred Schroeder Vice President Joan Kiekhaefer Treasurer Steve Swanback Secretary Dave Lausch



From Luther Seminary

Thank you for your recent gift of \$120 to Luther Seminary. Your thoughtful gift is a valuable investment in the future of the church, its congregations, and our faith communities. Your financial support makes you a partner in equipping future faith leaders with the tools they need to be effective stewards of God's Word and work.

Your financial gift helps support students as they follow their call to serve. It allows us to hire educators, that are the best in their fields and create ongoing education opportunities for leaders, clergy and lay. We are grateful for the confidence your gift signifies.

Please continue to keep the mission of Luther Seminary in your prayers and financial priorities. You are a pivotal partner in educating a new generation of faith leaders that will serve the church for decades to come

From Lutheran World Relief

We recently received your gift of \$120 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you! I'd like to share with you one way your support is making a big difference. In Mosul, Iraq, the fighting may have stopped, but the scars of war remain - especially for the children. Eight year-old Zahraa saw her home destroyed and her sister killed during the violence. But the compassion of people like you has helped her.

Your gifts fund the "I am Safe" community center in West Mosul, where Zahraa and other children come to get help with their trauma. The first time she visited the center, she was asked to color and drew pictures of death and destruction. With the help of supportive staff and the programs designed to help her, now Zahraa is coloring scenes depicting life: birds, and flowers, and sunshine. Her mother says she plays and smiles more now as well.

This is just one example of how your support alleviates suffering around the world. May God bless you!

From Sierra Pacific Synod

Your congregation's faithful contributions to support the Synod's and Churchwide's mission and ministry reflect an understanding of the interdependence of the three expressions of the ELCA - congregation, synod, and churchwide - where offerings are generally taken only within congregations to support the work of our church. (One hundred percent of the offerings collected at the Synod Assembly each year are forwarded to the organizations identified by the Assembly Planning Committee.) Your congregation's Mission Support and designated gifts support not only the Sierra Pacific Synod and its work through the Sacramento, Fresno, and Bay Area offices of the Bishop, but also Lutheran Social Services, the Lutheran Office of Public Policy, Mt. Cross, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, California Lutheran University, and new and renewing congregations within our Synod. Thirty-seven percent of the Mission Support you send to the Synod is forwarded to Chicago for the work of our church throughout the United States and the world. Your congregation, in combination with all congregations in our Synod, makes a difference in northern California and northern Nevada, the United States, our sister synods, and all places where the ELCA ministers to God's people. Thank you!

Your congregation's contributions that were received between February 1 and April 30, 2018, the first quarter of the current fiscal year, were \$3,090.00.

For the 2017 calendar year, Holy Shepherd's Mission Support for the work of the Synod and the church wide organization was \$14,163.20.



HEALING

Susie Koeper Dona Lawrentz Kathy Williams Howard Hansen Tony Sanchez Dinah Washington Diana Neujahr Gloria Enstrom Harry Howe DeLane Riveness Phil Hunter Kathy McCarty Schwab Donald Lee

WELLNESS

Grace Adams Rolf Benseler Pat Tveitmoe Dottie Russell Cathy Johnson Pastor Richard Brewer Kellen Derrough Carol Kramer Del Hock

PEACE / COMFORT

Kitti Colucci

MILITARY

Keep our armed forces safe and give them courage, hope and strength. Brian Henson Megan Howard

THOSE WHO GRIEVE

The family and friends of Peggy Petersen who died July 15 in Montana.

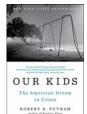


celebration of life will be held at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church August 18 at 11:00 a.m. for Marlys Howard who passed away June 24. The service will be followed by a light luncheon in the Center for Ministry.

Please remember in your prayers Marlys's family as they go through this difficult time. Marlys is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Bill, as well as children Karen (Rick) Ellgas, Claudia (Jeff) Griffin, Bill (Mary); grandchildren, Casey (Bella) and Cody (Ashley) Ellgas, Katie, Jane and Dan Griffin, Laura, Megan and Billy Howard, great-grandchild Lily Ellgas and brother Duane "Bud" Feland.







PJ's Book Club is scheduled to meet and discuss Robert D. Putnam's book Our Kids on the evening of Tuesday, August 21st in the Center for Ministry at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. (You

can currently obtain a copy through Amazon, local bookstores or the Contra Costa County Library.)



Tom Henry & Mary Dockter July 30

Igor Sobolev July 31

Claire Wildman

August 2 Jack Chung

August 3 Will & Sharon Tissue



August 5 Carol Schaaf August 12 Amanda Chung

Judy Butler / Sally Church August 19 August 26 Steve & Nina Berchtold

Please correct Ginny Ruble's phone

number:



Rev. Henry Wingblade once compared the Christian personality to the unseen soup in a bowl carried high over a waiter's head. No one knows what's inside — unless the waiter is bumped or trips. If Jesus is truly living inside us, Wingblade said, what spills out should be the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

When you falter, what do people see? How can your "spillage" better reflect the Holy Spirit, who lives in you?

Attendance

July 22 9:30 a.m. 82

The weekly news inserts are available on the church's website every week - go to www.holyshepherd.org and click on Weekly News.

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