

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.

In Everything Give Thanks!



**For Next Week – Sunday,
November 25**

Read: “Jeremiah’s Temple Sermon” (*Jeremiah 1:4-10; 7:1-11*)

Recite: “Do not be afraid ... for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.” — *Jeremiah 1:8*

Reflect:

- Jeremiah is hesitant to answer 'yes' to the call to be a prophet -- saying “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy!” (v. 6). God assures Jeremiah that God will be with him and give him the words to say. Are there typically ‘adult-only’ ministries in our congregation with which our younger members might help? How could we make that happen?
- In Jeremiah 7, the prophet calls out a warning not to oppress “the orphan, the alien, the widow” and others (v. 6). Talk about what those words mean. Who are the orphans, the aliens and the widows in our community?
- Jeremiah 7:9 is a quick review of the 10 Commandments. Which commandments are included? Are any left out? (You can find the full list in Exodus 20.)

Pray: God of All Truth — You have sent prophets and preachers like Jeremiah to speak the Truth and to call us back to you when we have strayed. Give us ears to hear convicting words. And give us the will to amend our ways, by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Amen.



This photo was taken by our friends at Hope Christian Church in Paradise, California, in the destructive path of the catastrophic fires that began last Thursday and continue to wreak havoc today. We hope this serves as a message of hope, that Christ is the solid rock upon which we stand. God is in control. Through the good times and the bad, He is ALWAYS in control. God bless you all who may be in the path of these fires. May we all intentionally pray for each other, especially those who have been affected.



Nov. 18 **Fred & Marla Schroeder**
Nov. 22 Paul Merlin
Nov. 24 Joyce Hurler



November 22 Thanksgiving Day
November 25 **One service (9:30 a.m.) through January 6, 2019**
November 27 7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting
November 28 Wednesday, Loaves & Fishes Pittsburg
December 2 3:00 p.m. **Hanging of the Greens**
December 8 11:00 a.m. **Cookie Exchange**
December 9 12 noon Bible & Lunch Bunch Christmas Lunch, La Finestra Restaurant, Moraga
December 11 **Tuesday**, Women’s Bible Study, Christmas Lunch 12 noon La Finestra Restaurant, Moraga
December 13 Tuesday, Loaves & Fishes, Martinez
December 26 Wednesday, Loaves & Fishes, Pittsburg
January 17, 2019 9:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Study CFM



As of Tuesday the Camp Fire burning in Butte County has left 48 dead, 228 missing, destroyed 7100 homes and business while the Woolsey Fire in LA and Ventura Counties has left 2 dead and destroyed 435 homes. We will be working with/through Lutheran Social Services of Northern California and Lutheran Disaster Relief to make support real to those who need it most. If you would like to help those in need please make checks payable to Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, and memo them for "Fire-Support." 100% of your gifts will be directed to affected individuals and communities. Alternatively, you may visit our homepage (www.holyshepherd.org) and follow the donation link to the partner agencies with whom we are working.

Please remember in prayer the many affected congregations in the fire areas, and particularly the people of Paradise Lutheran Church in Paradise, CA. Recent reports note that the parsonage of that congregation burned to the ground, and the rest of the church's campus was significantly damaged. Please keep all in these communities in your prayers, as well as the firefighters and other first responders who are helping in providing rescue and safety.



Altar flowers this morning have been given by Bob & Marcie Bauer in celebration of Madelyn’s 80th birthday. Happy Birthday, Madelyn!

THIS WEEK AT HOLY SHEPHERD

Sunday, November 18
8:30 am Traditions Worship Service
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship in Gregersen Hall
9:35 am Children’s Sunday School
9:45 am Adult Education
10:45 am Celebrations Worship
11:45 am Coffee Fellowship in CFM
11:00 am KCCL Bible Study
12:15 pm KCCL Worship
Monday, November 19
Preschool Closed through the 23rd for Thanksgiving Break
10:30 am AA Meeting
11:00 am LARC
Tuesday, November 20
11:00 am LARC
11:00 am Caregiver Coffee
Wednesday, November 21
11:00 am LARC
Thursday, November 22



Friday, November 23
Office & LARC Closed
Saturday, November 24
Sunday, November 25
9:30 am Combined Worship Service
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship in CFM hosted by Bob & Marcie Bauer
10:45 am Children’s Sunday School
11:00 am KCCL Bible Study
12:15 pm KCCL Worship



New sign-up sheets for coffee and flowers for the first half of 2019 are available. Please add your name to dates you would like.

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church
November 18, 2018
Phone 925-254-3422 www.holyshepherd.org
Office Hours 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Monday - Thursday

LET'S GET TOGETHER FOR A LITTLE

Jingle AND mingle

Please join your friends and fellow members of Holy Shepherd Saturday, December 8, for our annual Christmas get together. Bring a heavy appetizer and a bottle of wine to share. We will meet at the Merlin's home from 5 to 7 p.m. Please RSVP to Lisa Merlin 510-506-2061 or merlinfnly@aol.com.



HEALING

Dona Lawrentz	Kathy McCarty Schwab
Kathy Williams	Howard Hansen
Tony Sanchez	Dinah Washington
Mary Herchert	Gloria Enstrom
Harry Howe	DeLane Riveness
Laura Zellmer	Mallory Weiss
Henry Kramer	Mary Ann McCauley

WELLNESS

Grace Adams	Rolf Benseler
Pat Tveitmoe	Dottie Russell
Cathy Johnson	Del Hock
Kellen Derrouh	Carol Kramer

PEACE / COMFORT

Kitti Colucci

MILITARY

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

The Women's Bible Study group is having a Christmas Lunch on Tuesday, December 11, at 12 noon at La Finestra Restaurant in Moraga. Please RSVP to Janine Crowe by November 25 so she can make reservations before the holiday rush. Thank you. Guests and visitors are welcome.



This year we are offering an opportunity to support your favorite charity through our Christmas Giving Tree. The tree will be set up in CFM between 11/25 and 12/16 with envelopes for various charities. Please choose the envelope for your favorite charity or charities and return the envelope(s) by 12/16.

Make checks payable to HSLC with the name of your charity on the memo line (please deposit in the collection plate). Thank you for sharing your Christmas spirit through gifts to others.

Trellis Completed

Years ago, Jack Pease had a vision of a partially covered walkway along the back side of the sanctuary to connect the CFM and Gregersen Hall. Uprights were installed along the path by Boy Scouts under Jack's supervision. Jack put a full scale template in place before his untimely passing in 2015. His original design was structurally carried out down the walkway under the capable hands of Jerry Perry, John Pomidor and Pastor John. With funding from a gift in Jack's memory from the Pease family, we have been able to complete the trellis covering by adding stringers to each section (312 pieces to the 94' structure). The structure was pressure washed, stained and the metal flanges Jack designed to divert water from the posts were painted. The work is now complete. Many thanks to Marla Schroeder and the Property Committee for overseeing the project and to the Pease family for helping us fulfill Jack's dream.



From Karen Rose Kalvass:

- ♥ Friendly Manor is in need of a toaster oven and a microwave. If you have either to donate, please let Karen Kalvass know. Thank you.
- ♥ Friendly Manor: Many days during the month lunches for the ladies are not covered. If you are interested in serving lunch periodically with others from HSLC, please contact Karen Rose Kalvass at 925.285.4669. Thank you!



Bible & Lunch Bunch Christmas Lunch will be Sunday, December 9, at 12 noon at La Finestra in Moraga. Guests and visitors are welcome. Please RSVP to Janine Crowe by November 25 so she can make reservations before the holiday rush. During lunch we will talk about Acts Chapter 18. Thank you.



Hanging of the Greens

Sunday December 2, 3:00 p.m. All are welcome. A few strong men are needed to help put up the tree! Join us as we prepare our hearts and the sanctuary for Christmas!

Baptism of Peter Alan Wildman on October 14. Pictured: Pastor John, Claire Wildman, Peter, Alex Chang, Cristi Chow, Craig Wildman



Saturday December 8, 11 a.m. Gregersen Hall

Join us for our Annual

Holiday Cookie Exchange

Bring 2-3 dozen cookies to share and a Christmas ornament or a white elephant gift (up to \$20).
Cristi Chow is the contact person.

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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Attendance

Nov. 11	8:30 a.m.	54
	10:45 a.m.	No count