

Season after Epiphany

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church
 February 17, 2019
www.holyshepherd.org
 Office Hours 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
 Monday - Thursday
 Phone 925-254-3422

upcoming EVENTS



For the Week of February 24, 2019

Read: "Feeding Five Thousand" (Matthew 14:13-33)

Recite: When it was evening, the disciples came to Jesus and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."

Reflect:

- It might be an overlooked detail, but the story of Jesus feeding the crowd begins with these words: "Jesus withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself." Why do you think Jesus needed to find a deserted place by himself? When do you have quiet time that is good for your heart, mind, soul, and body?
- Whoever had it to begin with, the bread and fish that Jesus used to feed the hungry was first shared. How can your household share with those who are in need?
- One aspect of this week's reading involves Jesus walking on the water, the disciples fearing, and Peter testing his faith. Talk about a time when you were afraid. Was there anything or anyone that helped calm your fears? Where is God when you are afraid?

Pray: Generous God, you helped your son Jesus feed 5,000 hungry people who had gathered to hear of your love. Help us provide for the needs of all who hunger for your word. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

TODAY - Sunday, 10:50 am, Congregational Meeting

February 21 - 9:00 am Women's Bible Study, CFM, Lesson 23, Acts 27 - Contact is Janine Crowe

February 23 - Saturday 9:00 am Church Work Day 10:00 am, Women's Book Group, Gregersen Hall

February 27 - Wednesday, Loaves & Fishes, Pittsburg

March 3 - 12 noon, Bible & Lunch Bunch (co-ed group) in CFM Library, Acts 23 & 24. Bring your lunch. Contact is Janine Crowe.

March 5 - 6:00 pm, Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper

March 6 - Wednesday, 7:00 pm, Ash Wednesday Service

March 7 - 9:00 am Women's Bible Study, CFM, Lesson 24, Acts 28

March 9 - Saturday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm Concert followed by refreshments - Marc Levine and Leslie O'Brien, The Musical Orindans

March 10 - First Sunday in Lent Daylight Saving Time Begins, Spring forward one hour

March 20 - First Day of Spring



Altar flowers this morning have been given by Bob Bauer in celebration of Marci's birthday. Happy Birthday!

Saturday, February 23, 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon.



Coffee and Doughnuts at 9:00 a.m.

Congregational Meeting Today

It's time for a Congregational Meeting! Not just any ol' Congregational Meeting, but a meeting with the express purpose of formally calling Pastor Pam Schaefer into ministry among us. Please join us at 10:50 am as we discuss (and potentially vote) on what it would mean to extend a pastoral call to Pastor Pam to serve in our congregation as a part-time Associate Pastor. Other business on the agenda will include the election of members to the 2019 Nominating Committee and a brief update on potential property improvements related to our LARC program. We need a quorum, so please join us in the Center for Ministry as you can!



February 18	Alanna Lausch Austin McManamon
February 19	Eric Larson
February 20	Marilyn Melton
February 21	Lori Oczkus
February 24	Benjamin Merlin

Sunday, February 17
9:00 am Coffee Bar (in CFM)
9:30 am Congregational Worship
10:00 am Sunday School (PreK-5th Gr.)
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship (in CFM) hosted by Marci Bauer
10:45 am KidMin Sunday School Ends
10:50 am Congregational Meeting
11:00 am KCCL Bible Study
12:15 pm KCCL Worship

Monday, February 18
Preschool, LARC, Office Closed
10:30 am AA Meeting

Tuesday, February 19
9:00 am Preschool
11:00 am LARC
11:00 am Caregiver Coffee
7:00 pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 20
9:00 am Preschool
10:30 am Preschool Chapel
11:00 am LARC
3:30 pm Orinda Mandarin Program
7:30 pm Spirit Borne

Thursday, February 21
9:00 am Preschool
9:00 am Women's Bible Study CFM
10:00 am Linus Club Gregersen Hall
10:30 am Preschool Chapel
11:00 am LARC
6:00 pm Canticle Choir
7:00 pm Shepherd's Bells
7:00 pm Men's Weekly Bible Study, Europa Restaurant, Orinda

Friday, February 22
11:00 am LARC
7:30 pm KCCL Taize in Chapel

Saturday, February 23
9:00 am Church Work Day
10:00 am Women's Book Group, Gregersen Hall - they will be discussing "The Tale of Despereaux" by Kate DeCamillo. If you have questions, please contact Alison Kling, tflingsr@aol.com

Sunday, February 24
9:00 am Coffee Bar (in CFM)
9:30 am Congregational Worship
10:00 am Sunday School (PreK-5th Gr.)
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship (in CFM) hosted by Jerry & Barbara Perry
10:45 am KidMin Sunday School Ends
10:50 am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am KCCL Bible Study
11:30 am Adult Sunday School Ends
12:15 pm KCCL Worship

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Did you know that Tuesday, March 5, 2019 is "Pancake Day"? Formally known as 'Shrove Tuesday', Pancake Day is the day immediately preceding Ash Wednesday – the

first day of Lent. Pancake Day is a day for indulgence. Pancake Day is the last day to party before those forty fasting days of Lent which follow on the traditional church calendar. Pancake Day in some parts of the world is known as "Mardi Gras" (Fat Tuesday) or Carnival (that Latin for 'Farewell to Meat'!)

In honor of Pancake Day 2019, we're putting on a Pancake Supper in Gregersen Hall. Join us in Gregersen Hall that evening for pancakes (hot off the griddle and cooked by our expert flapjackers!), as well as bacon and sausage and all the traditional fixin's. It's fun. It's frivolous. And it's a great way to enjoy time with folks you know and maybe to get to know some whom you don't know!

Pancakes! March 5th! Shrove Tuesday! Served 6:00 - 7:00 pm! Join us! Bring friends!



Iam sorry that the information has been somewhat confusing for the proposed Fellowship Dinners. This only proves how difficult it is to replace our

beloved Henry Kramer!!! Our small committee wants to begin by having an event NOW! So the first event is scheduled for Sunday, **March 17 - St. Patty's Day**. We are blessed to have three people who have offered to have the proposed dinner in their homes. What we now need are joyful people who want to be part of these groups. Many people have said that it is so much more personal to be in homes rather than the larger dinners in Gregersen.

However, if you would find it easier to meet in the Center for Ministry for dinner that is also an option. Childcare will also be offered in Gregersen Hall for those folks who meet in CFM. There is a new sign-up sheet for the **ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER** in CFM.

We are also trying to establish the on-going Dinner Groups and there is a sign-up sheet for that also. This has been a wonderful way for our members to have the opportunity to get to know one another - it is something very special to see friends that are more like family!! Normally the groups are made up of 6 or 8 people, who rotate from home to home on a potluck venue. Some of the details can be worked out by each group, so that it meets their expectations and needs. There are always people that find it difficult to host and this can be worked out as the group comes together. Please don't sit in the closet and think no one wants you!!! **You are very much needed!**

Let's come together as people of God and grow as family as we venture forward!

Blessings,

Elaine Nielsen



HEALING

*Kathy Williams
Tony Sanchez
Mark Yates
Marilyn Lyndahl
Harry Howe
Laura Zellmer
Henry Kramer
Cecily Bartsch
Pat Tveitmo
Kramer Collins*

*Howard Hansen
Dinah Washington
Judy Butler
George Kalvass
DeLane Riveness
Mallory Weiss
Mary Ann McCauley
Ann Brohm
Kathy McCarty Schwab*

WELLNESS

*Grace Adams
Kellen Derrough
Cathy Johnson*

*Rolf Benseler
Carol Kramer
Del Hock*

PEACE / COMFORT

Kitti Colucci

Dottie Russell

MILITARY

Keep our armed forces safe and give them courage, hope and strength.

*Brian Henson Megan Howard
Peter Kler Melanie Kler*

Announcing New Spring Study on I Thessalonians

The Women's Bible Study group will be studying the letter of I Thessalonians this Spring. We will learn about the early Christian church in Thessalonica, Greece - one of the churches founded by the apostle Paul. We will meet on the following Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Center for Ministry: 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16. The Joy of Living lesson books will be ordered on February 20. To purchase a book, please write a check to HSLC for \$11.00 with "WBS Spring Study" on the memo line. You may give your check to Janine, Lisa or place in the offering plate. If you have questions, please contact Janine Crowe.

The Women's Bible Study group will be studying the Highlights of the Old Testament from Job to Malachi, a Joy of Living Bible Study, from September 2019 to May 2020. The lesson books are currently being sold at a 35 % discount. To get in on the discount, please sign up for the class and make a commitment to order the book by **2/19/19**. The cost of the lesson book is \$15. Please write a check to HSLC with "WBS OT Study" on the memo line. Give your check to Lisa or Janine Crowe. Thank you.

Janine Crowe

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

Attendance February 10
9:30 am 69



With the goal of having a family friendly celebration of the Preschool, a decision has been made to change both the date and the menu of the preschool dinner/fundraiser. We will be offering a Western Style BBQ meal catered by Bonehead's Texas BBQ, Lafayette. We have decided to reschedule the dinner fundraiser to **April 27**. Please stay tuned for updates - thank you for your patience!

Raffle items are still needed for the fundraiser! If you have event tickets, or would like to offer activities/outings, or would simply like to make a cash donation for the raffle, please contact Miss Susie susiekoeper@holyshepherd.org. If you are donating event tickets, etc. the dates should be after May 1, 2019.

**Marc and Leslie -
The Musical Orindans
Saturday, March 9, 2019, 7:00 p.m.**

A benefit concert for EFO
Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church

Leslie Darwin O'Brien is an Orinda mom whose kids have greatly benefited from EFO. She has performed Off-Broadway and for the Havana Jazz Festival. Her CD's are available at Orinda Books and on Amazon.



Leslie has played bass for Johnny Rivers, and has played alongside stellar musicians such as Gerry Mulligan and Joe Sample. Currently residing in Orinda, he plays gigs with a variety of acts in the Bay Area and teaches private lessons in the Bay Area on electric and upright bass, piano, and guitar.



Ticket Prices:

\$20/Adult; \$10/Students
(Includes reception afterwards with Musicians)

All proceeds go to Educational foundation of Orinda



Tickets will be available on the EFO Website: www.orindaefo.org or talk to Cristi Chow.