

The Good Shepherd's Fold

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2018

pancake



breakfast

SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 11

BEFORE WORSHIP 8:00-9:00

AFTER WORSHIP 10:00-11:00

FREE—sponsored by the Music Ministry



**ASH
WEDNESDAY**

**FEBRUARY 14
WORSHIP 7:00 PM**



**LOOK FOR THE DISPLAY
AND
FILL THE SOUP POT
ON
SUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEB. 4
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
THE STEW POT OF DALLAS**

**WEDNESDAY
LENTEN SERVICES**

FEBRUARY 21, 28

MARCH 7, 14 & 21



**SUPPER SERVED
BEGINNING**

5:30 PM

WORSHIP 7:00 PM



**MARCH 25
WORSHIP 9 AM**

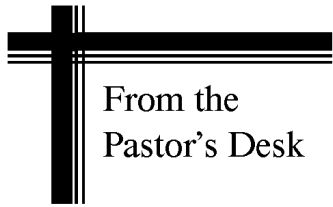


**MARCH 29
WORSHIP 7 PM**

**GOOD FRIDAY
MARCH 30**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6:00 PM**

**LITURGY
7:00 PM**



From the
Pastor's Desk

"It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification." Romans 4:24b-25

Every year about this time we find ourselves saying something like "Is it Lent already? Didn't we just get through Christmas?" Year after year a similar sentiment is shared among those who are involved with the worship, fellowship, education, etc. of the congregation – in other words everyone. However it is true that Lent arrives a bit earlier this year than last. Plus, for the first time since 1945 Ash Wednesday falls on February 14th, Valentine's Day; which also means that for the first time since 1956 Easter falls on April 1st, AKA April Fool's Day.

Even so there is no fooling about what happened on the very first Easter Sunday many years ago. For on that day God's only Son Jesus was raised from the dead; breaking the bonds of sin and death and granting new life and forgiveness to all of God's beloved children. Jesus the Christ has triumphed through his victory on the Cross and now reigns supreme as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

For those of us who are too young to have been around the last time Easter fell on April 1st I suppose it might seem somewhat odd this year. The celebration of Christ's resurrection doesn't seem to really fit with playing jokes and gags on friends and family members. But then again this seemingly rare occurrence may serve as a vivid reminder to us that our Savior Jesus comes to us where we are, no matter where we may be. Our Lord Jesus is present among us each and every day of our lives no matter what – always there to surround us with love and grace and peace especially when we need it the most.

Throughout the 40 days of Lent we will have the opportunity to once again reflect upon our lives of faith as we prepare for Holy Week, the Three Days, and finally Easter. A glorious day is coming and now is the time to prepare our hearts and our souls for the celebration that awaits us.

In Christ,

Pastor Brad Carroll

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that everyone had a very nice Christmas and that we all have a Very Happy New Year.

The Council met for the 1st time this year on January 9th. There are some new faces so that is always good to see. Please take some time to find out who our Council Members are and share any ideas or concerns that you have with them. We had a good Council meeting and discussed some things related to the Food Pantry and Many Helping Hands. The Synod Assembly is in April this year in Temple, TX. If anyone would like to attend please let me know?

As most of you know we started off the new year with some cold weather and a little bit of freezing rain one Sunday morning. Due to the cold we decided to leave the heat on in the Fellowship Hall for the week. I do realize that this costs us some money but we set the temperature low and of course hope that we do not end up with broken pipes.

I also wanted to take a minute to talk about Many Helping Hands. As most of you know we have been hosting the Thursday Night Feed at the church for about the past 6 months. We are of course continuing to look for a Facility to use as Day Resource Center and a place where we can hold the Thursday Night Feed. Our fall fundraiser was a great success making about \$15,000.00 for MHH. This money will be used over the next year for hopefully a Facility and for providing meals and supplies to the needy. We also received a grant of \$3,750.00 from the Irving Share Tank which should help. Thanks to everyone who has helped to support this ministry. A special Thanks to Clarence and Mark for assisting with the Feed every week.

This is again a new term for me as Council president so Thanks to everyone who agreed to be on the Council to help lead our church into the future. I enjoyed my last 3 years as Treasurer and am sure that Mark Fox will do a good job in that position.

If you have any ideas or concerns that you would like to share please feel free to call me at 972-910-0588.

Thanks,

Art



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Women Piecemakers



The Piecemakers are busily working on completing our next set of sixty quilts, all of which are either finished or in some stage of production. We are also working on finishing up the sixty-five school bags which will then be packed with the school supplies you so generously donated last summer and fall. With everyone helping, we will have everything ready to be packed and delivered to the In-gathering on April 5.

The Piecemakers recently received a request from the 2018 NT-NL Synod Assembly Planning Team to send a swatch of our quilting fabric to be used in the construction of two quilts which will be displayed at the upcoming assembly on April 27-28. These two quilts will be constructed from the swatches sent by every NT-NL congregation and worshipping community. More importantly the quilts will serve as a symbol and reminder that "God continues to transform us into a new creation, and that He is transforming our families, our communities, and our Synod." One of the two quilts will be permanently displayed at the synod offices, and the other will be auctioned at the assembly. The money from the auction will be given to the ministries in our synod.

We meet in the quilting room on the first and third Mondays of the month from 10:00-1:00, and Wednesday evenings following Lenten services until 8:30. Everyone who is interested in participating in this important ministry is welcome! We look forward to seeing you as your schedule allows! For further information you can contact Sharon Josefy @ 972-986-8321 (hm) or 972-951-7995 (cell) or djosefy@verizon.net.

Sharon Josefy



GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH COUNCIL

Officers: Art Schneewind (President), Tony Hazelwood (Vice President), Mark Fox (Treasurer), Clarence Stieg (Financial Secretary), Betty Glendye (Secretary)

Council Members and Committee Chairs: Frank Wolfenbarger, Ed Halter, Lydia Eckert (Worship), Marilyn Potter (Discipleship), Don Heyden (Property), John Lukert (Fellowship), Linda Krampitz (Education), Georgia Carmody (Outreach)

ELDERS

Ardie Schneewind, Tom Jenkins, Anita Nigrin, Marcel Lund

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Mission Statement:

*Nurtured by God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
we joyfully share God's Word of love and forgiveness.*



FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

Frank Wolfenbarger	02/01
John Lukert	02/08
Pamela Prickett	02/10
Alice Werberig	02/13
Sharon Stieg	02/14
Cindy Petrick	02/16
Wanda Damstra	02/21
Carol Hinrichs	02/22
Brian Sele	02/23



ANNIVERSARIES

Gerhard & Louise Sass	02/01
Pastor Brad & Sharon Carroll	02/16
Tony & Pat Hazelwood	02/22

MARCH CELEBRATIONS



Sharon Josefy	03/02
James Harvey TURNS ONE	03/07
Pat Hazelwood	03/08
Samuel Krampitz	03/10
Elsie Kroussakis	03/11
Estes Gaasedelen	03/15
Evelyn Hays	03/24
Caden Stieg	03/28
John Eckert	03/28
Sharie LaVail	03/30
Don Josefy	03/31

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY IS MISSING, IT MEANS WE DO NOT HAVE THIS INFORMATION ON FILE. PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE SO WE MAY ADD IT TO THE LIST.

WORSHIP SERVERS



FEB. 04

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: David Krampitz, Lola Dean,
Georgia Carmody, Marilyn Potter

FEB. 11

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: Anita Nigrin, Clarence Stieg,
Art Schneewind, John Lukert

FEB. 18

Acolyte: Emily Stieg

Ushers: Ed Halter, Betty Glendye,
Debi Gebhardt, Jenni Harvey

FEB. 25

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: Sharon Josefy, Tony Hazelwood,
Don Josefy, Elsie Kroussakis

MARCH 04

Acolyte: Jessica Krampitz

Ushers: John Mikkelsen, Lydia Eckert

MARCH 11

Acolyte: Emily Stieg

Ushers: David Krampitz, Lola Dean,
Georgia Carmody, Marilyn Potter

March 18

Acolyte: April Stieg

Ushers: Anita Nigrin, Clarence Stieg,
Art Schneewind, John Lukert

MARCH 25-PALM SUNDAY

Ushers: Ed Halter, Betty Glendye,
Debi Gebhardt, Jenni Harvey

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES—ART SCHNEEWIND, ARDIE SCHNEEWIND,
ELSIE KROUSSAKIS, CLARENCE STIEG**



REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Current Prayer Concerns

Scott Hazelwood, Becky and Dan Bellar, Michael,
Brittany, Larry Ebert, Robert Nelson,
Molly Johnson, Frank Edison, Linda Sims,
Eva Dintamen, Colton, Wilbur Graham,
Lee Ann Porch, Carl Shore,
Dave Sheridan, Gary Robbins

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Curtis and Martha Dane, Greg Dane, Thelma Trojan, Oswald Hoffman,
Brian Sele, John Eckert, Linda Sims, Karl Gutzke, Dana Beth Harvey,
Mary Ann Nichols, Robyn Rorschach, Sue Stewart, Rodney Sims,
Steve Lund, Sandy Mashon and Rachel, Terry McClure, Joseph,
Nancy, Acie

*If you would like to add a prayer request to this list, please write your request on the forms in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall and place them in the prayer boxes. New prayer requests will remain on the Prayer List for 4 Sundays unless otherwise requested. You may also add prayer requests at any time by calling the church office or by sending an email to **prayers@gslcirving.com**.*

PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW WHEN TO REMOVE A NAME FROM THE ONGOING PRAYER LIST.

Public Witness Workshop: “The Role of the Church in Undoing Racism”

March 9-10 of the coming year, the NT-NL Public Witness for Peace and Justice team will offer a workshop that addresses racism from a faith-based perspective:

Theology: What we believe; what God calls us to be and do

History: How the past influences us today

Accountability: How the Lutheran Church in faithfulness to God’s call, must deal with the reality of racism

This workshop is designed to provide participants of our synod with an analysis that specifically focuses on systemic rather than individual factors of racism. Through facilitated dialogue, the workshop will increase understanding of what racism is, how it is manifested in all systems and institutions, and the role of Church in dismantling racism in the community of faith and in society at large.

The workshop facilitators will be Mrs. Joyce James and the Reverend Joseph Barndt. *Mrs. James* is a racial equity consultant who provides training and technical assistance to organizations across the country as they address institutional and structural racism. She is the former Associate Deputy Executive Commissioner for the Center for the Elimination of Disproportionality and Disparities and the Texas State Office of Minority Health. Mrs. James was a keynote speaker at the 2014 Synod Assembly. *The Reverend Joseph Barndt* is an ELCA pastor; for over forty years he has been an anti-racism trainer. Pastor Barndt is the author of a number of books including *The Role of the Church in Undoing Racism*, *Dismantling Racism*, and *Becoming an Anti-Racist Church*. He is also a community organizer and trainer with the People’s Institute for Survival and Beyond.

The workshop will be held Friday, March 9, 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 10, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., at Shepherd of Life Lutheran Church, Arlington; registration fee is \$50.00. For more information and to register, please visit the NT-NL Synod website web site, www.ntnl.org; in the search field type “the role of the church in undoing racism.”

There are reasonably priced hotels in the area for those who may have difficulty commuting. Some funding is available for those who may need assistance with registration and/or hotel fees. Please contact the Pastor Chuck Hubbard, cell 214-395-6978 (leave a message or send text by cell).

Pr. Chuck Hubbard,
NT-NL Public Witness team



**ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
SERVING TIMES: 8-9AM AND 10-11AM**

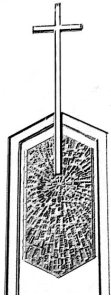
.Our ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST, sponsored by the Ministry of Music, will be Sunday, February 11. Serving will be from 8-9AM and following worship. The meal is free; donations will be taken for the continuing maintenance of our musical instruments..

Pancake Day is a long-celebrated feast day leading up to Ash Wednesday and Lent and eventually Easter, a long period that was traditionally a time of fasting. Please join us as we begin our Lenten season with this meaningful meal.



John and I wish to thank you for the many prayers, cards and visits during his stay in the hospital. He is slowly gaining back his strength and with the continued prayers we know it won't be long before he is back to his much missed Bible studies.

Martha Schelp once again thanks you for the prayers, calls, cards and visits.



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Worship & Study

Communion Service Sunday 9:00 am

Adult Education Sunday 10:30 am (Sept.—May)

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