

JANUARY 28 & 29, 2012

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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## WEEKLY STAFF

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### Welcome

We welcome all of our visitors... as guests. We ask that you complete a gold visitor card located in the pew rack. Ushers will collect the cards at the beginning of worship. Thank you for joining us today.

### We ask our members...

to complete a green card located in the pew rack. Our ushers will pick up these cards during the first part of the worship service.

### Nursery available...

downstairs for children who need an alternate place during the service. It is staffed during each Sunday service by two reliable high school students. *See an usher for directions to the nursery.*

**Prayer and Care...** Each week we gather special prayer requests to share joys and concerns of those in need. Please enter your prayer request in the notebook in the narthex. And remember to use the "Prayer and Care" page of the bulletin in your daily prayers.

**Holy Communion...** Everyone is welcome. Please see our Communion Statement in each worship bulletin.

### What is Worship?

#### Some Definitions to Consider

What is Worship? We all have our own ideas, don't we?

Worship.com, an online website, sought to answer this question and as stated in its September, 2010 entry, "culled the internet, as well as our own vault, and compiled a brief list of definitions." Here are just a few:

**John Piper:** Worship is what we were created for. This is the final end of all existence—the worship of God. God created the universe so that it would display the worth of His glory. And He created us so that we would see this glory and reflect it by knowing and loving it—with all our heart and soul and mind and strength.

**Mark Driscoll:** Worship is living our life individually and corporately as continuous living sacrifices to the glory of a person or thing.

**John Stott:** Christians believe that true worship is the highest and noblest activity of which man, by the grace of God, is capable.

**William Barclay:** The true, the genuine worship is when man, through his spirit, attains to friendship and intimacy with God. True and genuine worship is not to come to a certain place; it is not to go through a certain ritual or liturgy; it is not even to bring certain gifts. True worship is when the spirit, the immortal and invisible part of man, speaks to and meets with God, who is immortal and invisible.

**John Frame:** In one sense, worship is the whole point of everything. It is the goal of the whole Christian story. Worship is not one segment of the Christian life among others. Worship is the entire Christian life, seen as a priestly offering to God. And when we meet together as a church, our time of worship is not merely a preliminary to something else; rather, it is the whole point of our existence as the body of Christ.

## Worship Ministry Schedule

Next Week - February 5  
Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

**This Week - January 29**  
**Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**

**Acolytes**  
8:30 am Devin Cahill  
Sam Bennett

11:00 am Stephen Nordin  
**Assistant Minister**  
8:30 am Don Bennett

**Communion Assistants**  
8:30 am Bill & Ardith Hargrave  
Bob & Diane Miller

11:00 am Jim Lange  
**Lectors**  
8:30 am Gerry Harte  
11:00 am Floyd Seim

**Nursery**  
8:30 am ~~~  
11:00 am ~~~

**Sound Technicians**  
8:30 am ~~~  
11:00 am ~~~

**Ushers**  
8:30 am D. Herbeck            B. Miller  
D. Miller                C. Dishon  
V. Gantz

11:00 am J. Lange                K. Lange  
B. Thieman

**Altar Guild**  
Joe & Judy Oldham

**Fellowship/Coffee**  
8:30 am Ginny Herbeck  
11:00 am Mary Thieman

**Greeters**  
8:30 am Joe & Judy Oldham  
11:00 am Betty & Joe Champagne

**We thank the youth  
for serving next week  
at our services.**

## Calendar of Events

<p><b>Sunday January 29</b> 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Life Long Learning 9:45 am Preview of "Financial Peace" Seminar 1:00 am Praise Worship</p> <p><b>Monday January 30</b> 2:30 pm Achievement Club 6:30 pm Cub Scout Den 436 7:00 pm Preview of "Financial Peace University"</p> <p><b>Tuesday January 31</b> 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 193</p> <p><b>Wednesday February 1</b> 2:30 pm Achievement Club 6:00 pm Faith Family Fellowship Dinner 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p><b>Thursday February 2</b> 6:30 am Men's Bible Study-Bob Evans 7:00 am Breakfast Club-Panera</p> <p><b>Saturday February 4</b> 8:00 am Saturday Bible Study "The Hole in the Gospel" Study 1:00 pm Praise Team Practice 5:00 pm Epiphany Evening Service</p>	<p><b>Sunday February 5</b> <b>La Rosa Fundraiser</b> <b>Scout Sunday</b> 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Life Long Learning 9:45 am Pastor Bengson's Sunday School 11:00 am Praise Worship</p> <p><b>Monday February 6</b> 1:15 pm Quilting Group 2:30 pm Achievement Club 6:30 pm Cub Scout Den 436 6:30 pm Kettering Girl Scout Leaders Meeting</p> <p><b>Tuesday February 7</b> 7:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 193</p> <p><b>Wednesday February 8</b> 2:30 pm Achievement Club 6:00 pm Faith Family Fellowship Dinner 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p><b>Thursday February 9</b> 6:30 am Men's Bible Study-Bob Evans 12:30 pm Women's Bible Study-Lounge</p> <p><b>Friday February 10</b> 7:00 pm Kitty Hawk Square Dancers</p> <p><b>Saturday February 11</b> 8:00 am Saturday Bible Study "The Hole in the Gospel" Study 1:00 pm Praise Team Practice 5:00 pm Epiphany Evening Service</p>
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*Please visit our website at [www.goodshepherdkettering.com](http://www.goodshepherdkettering.com) to view the entire monthly calendar.*

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Staff ~ 298-0136

<p><b>Pastor Glen Bengson</b> - Interim Pastor - Ext. 101</p> <p><b>Don Bennett</b> - Director of Youth and Family Ministry - Ext. 105</p> <p><b>Linda Newcomer</b> - Office Manager - Ext. 100</p> <p><b>Debbie Kempf</b> - Council President - 848-3459</p>	<p><a href="mailto:pastor@goodshepherdkettering.com">pastor@goodshepherdkettering.com</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:don@goodshepherdkettering.com">don@goodshepherdkettering.com</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:office@goodshepherdkettering.com">office@goodshepherdkettering.com</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:djkempf2@aol.com">djkempf2@aol.com</a></p>
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**David Keener** - Traditional Worship/Chancel Choir Director  
**Deb DeVilbiss** - Contemporary Worship/Praise Team Leader  
**Deborah Macauley** - Organist/Musical Accompanist  
 To reach any of the music staff, call the office for contact information.

*If you would like to sign up to volunteer on the Worship Ministry Schedule contact the church office.*

## Life Long Learning

“Sunday School for all ages”

### Grades 1 - 5

Education Wing - Lower Level

### Grades 6-8 - H2H - Head to Heart

Third floor - Education Wing - H2H Room

### Grades 9-12 - LYC - Lutheran Youth Corp

Lower Level - Education Wing - Youth Room

## Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study focuses on the lectionary with Roger Bauser each Sunday at 9:45 am.

## Worship Texts - Next Sunday

February 5

### Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalms 147:1-11, 20c

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

## Altar Flowers

No flowers were donated to be placed on the altar this week.

## Attendance & Offering

January 21 & 22, 2012

Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ 98

Offering \_\_\_\_\_ \$2627

## Pastor Bengson's Schedule

Pastor Bengson will be out of town on several occasions throughout January and February. His planned hours in the office are as follows: Wednesday February 8/Thursday February 9 Wednesday February 15/Thursday February 16

Pastor Bengson will be away January 23-31. Pastor Theodore Scheidt will be leading worship next weekend. In case of an emergency need for pastoral care during this period, please contact the church office during regular office hours or Debbie Kempf at 371-8332 outside of regular office hours.

## What is Worship?

### Some Definitions to Consider

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**Louie Giglio:** Worship is our response, both personal and corporate, to God for who He is, and what He has done, expressed in the things we say and by the way we live.

**Josh Riley:** Worship is everything we think, everything we say, and everything we do, revealing what we treasure and value most in life.

**YOU:** (What's your definition of worship?)

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## Welcome Pastor Scheidt Today

We welcome Pastor Theodore Scheidt today at all services. His assistance to us while Pastor Bengson is away is much appreciated.

## LYC Fundraiser at La Rosa's

Please support the LYC fundraiser at La Rosa's Pizza on Wilmington Pike. On the first Sunday of each month, La Rosa will donate 20% of your meal if you take the flyer along. Flyers are available in the narthex and can also be printed from our website. **Sunday February 5** is the next fundraiser so why not consider helping out the LYC in this great, fun way. We thank you so much.

## Prayer Vigil

Our next Prayer Vigil is on **Friday February 10** from 3:00 to 9:00 pm. Please sign up ahead of time if at all possible, as it is very helpful to know that we have someone here throughout the prayer vigil. However, all are welcome to drop in at anytime. Remember, many can be praying at the same time!

## Grief Share Sessions

Our Grief Share sessions will begin on **Sunday February 12** from 12:30 to 2:00 pm. We cover different topics of grief during this thirteen-week program using a workbook and video for each session. This is a wonderful ministry for our church. If you or anyone you know has lost a loved one, please join us. Contact the church office or contact Sue Williamson at 439-4727 or Kathy Seim at 294-1145. We will need to know by the end of January if you plan to attend so we can order materials.

## Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible study for February is "Session 5 - Tough Questions." The text is Mark 10:1-52. The daytime study group will meet **Thursday February 9** at 12:30 pm in the Lounge. The January meeting for the Tuesday evening group will meet this coming **Tuesday January 31** from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the lower level of the Education Wing, using the January discussion guide from the *Gather* magazine. The February meeting will be on **Tuesday February 21** from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Study sessions can be found on the bulletin board in the connector. Join us for good fellowship as we study and learn together.

## Sign Up for Lenten Soup Suppers

Sign-up sheets for our Lenten Soup Suppers are in a notebook in the narthex. Each week a different group in the church has agreed to provide the soups and salads. Please check out the schedule to see when your group is supposed to sign up. If you would like to contribute a soup or salad and are not in any of the groups, contact Ginny Herbeck at 298-8876. Crackers, bread and desserts will be provided. So please sign up to bring a soup or a salad. We appreciate your help and will schedule your contribution when needed.

## Financial Peace University

Martin Pierce will be presenting a seminar entitled "Financial Peace" beginning **Monday February 13**. The class will run for thirteen weeks and will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. There will be a preview of the class **Sunday January 29** at 9:45 am between services, and also on **Monday January 30** at 7:00 pm to learn more about the seminar. More information will be available in the "Weekly Staff" in coming weeks. Or visit our website and go to the Financial Peace University website at [www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home) to register for the class, or contact Martin Pierce at 287-4021 if you have additional questions.

## Congregational Ministry Priorities

### Presentation Available

Copies of the presentation from the Congregational Ministry Priorities meeting last Sunday are available in the narthex. Feel free to take one. Thanks to Debbie Kempf for doing such a fine job at synthesizing and presenting this information to us.

## Souper Bowl Sunday

While celebrating the Super Bowl on **Sunday February 5** we will also be celebrating **Souper Bowl Sunday!** Note the change in the spelling there? That's because we will be accepting cans of soup or other canned/nonperishable food and monetary donations to benefit the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Food Pantry at Greenmont Community Church in Kettering. The Sunday School youth are again challenging the adults to see who can bring in the most food for that Sunday. Watch for more details and collection containers in the narthex in weeks to come.

## Think Spring!

It's acting like winter outside, but it's not too early to start planning your spring and summer gardens. To help you do that, the LYC will soon be taking flower orders, which will be delivered on May 20. The flowers will again be supplied by Furst Florist. Watch for more information to come.

## Coming together as Church

from *LivingLutheran.com*

When Dick Frohardt talks about Kaw Prairie Community Church in Lenexa, Kansas, he can hardly contain his excitement. "Lives have been changed here in amazing ways," he says. "People who have not been to church in years are coming in and embracing the church. It gives me goose bumps when I think about it!" Dick and five other core-group members have seen the small mission start grow into a vibrant faith community, averaging 650 worshipers each Sunday, since the congregation was founded in 2004.

Kaw Prairie, named after the nearby Kaw River, is a joint ministry between the ELCA and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), one of the ELCA's six full communion partners. Some people raise their eyebrows in interest when they learn about this relationship, Dick says. "They are less surprised that we love Jesus, than they are that two different groups that love Jesus can work together." It took two years of planning and a variety of funding sources to make Kaw Prairie a reality, says Dan McKnight, pastor. "Even though we had local and synodical funding, knowing that the ELCA also was supporting us raised our confidence level," Dan says. "That breathed life and confidence into the mission. That helped me in my leadership to say that the ELCA was making a choice to give us resources when there were a lot of other worthy ministries that could get funding."

Kaw Prairie provides a wonderful example of what can be accomplished when we come together as a church, says Christina Jackson-Skelton, who is executive director for the Mission Advancement unit of the churchwide ministries. "This church provides numerous opportunities for members to give over and above their offerings," she says. "The Vision for Mission appeal is one way for us to come together as a church and do more to increase our reach...It does make a difference." In 2011 the ELCA planted 60 new congregations. The goal for 2012 is to establish 70 more, with a goal of 500 new congregations by 2017 — the 500-year anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation.

### Breaking down barriers

Visitors to Kaw Prairie - some coming to church for the first time and others returning after a long absence - might have skepticism, Dick says. "There have been people who have been hurt by the church," he says. "We are trying to help people realize that church can be different. It can be healthy, positive and nurturing." One way to achieve that is to remove barriers to create an open, welcoming community. For example, the congregation has a casual environment, where people feel that they can dress anyway they want. A rock band leads worship each Sunday, and the church has ceramic jugs at the back of the sanctuary allowing people to give as they enter or leave worship.

Dick says there is a 40-minute sermon every Sunday. "People take notes. They love it." As Pastor Dan reflects on the past eight years, he says, "It has been very clear that the Lord has blessed us along the way...It has been the gift of the ELCA to help us grow the pie of people who are hearing the gospel in a powerful, new way. We are grateful all around for the teamwork with our partner denomination to help us make a bigger impact on a community that needs Christ badly," he says.

## ~ O Lord Hear Our Prayer ~

From Week of January 22, 2011

### Praise and Thanksgiving to God for:

- ◆ The people and friends of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
- ◆ Bishop Mark S. Hanson, Presiding Bishop, ELCA, Chicago
- ◆ Bishop Callon W. Holloway Jr., Bishop Southern Ohio Synod, ELCA, Columbus
- ◆ Companion Synods: East of Lake Victoria Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa; Evangelical Church of Mecklenburg, Germany; Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Republic of Kazakhstan, Russia; and Sinodo Espirito Santos Belem, Brazil

### Prayer Ventures\*

- ◆ **January 29 - Fourth Sunday of Epiphany** - God of love, enliven the churches of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. Reveal your love and hope in ways that renew worship and proclamation of the gospel anew.

*\*Prayer Ventures is produced by ELCA Communication Services*

### Members and friends of Good Shepherd with medical concerns:

#### NEW THIS WEEK

- ◆ **Ron - esophageal cancer (from Kathy Seim)**
- ◆ **Wilma Cole (from Bob Sauer)**
- ◆ **Rebecca Sellman - undergoing radiation/ chemotherapy (Gloria Linebaugh's daughter)**

#### LAST WEEK

- ◆ Marilyn - family in crisis (from Kathy Seim)
- ◆ Crystal - job seeking (from Kathy Seim)
- ◆ Wilma Cole - re-op (from Bob Sauer)
- ◆ David Sauer - feeding tube (from Bob Sauer)
- ◆ Mary Ellen - back surgery (from Adam Roark)

### For family and friends of GSLC who have lost loved ones, especially:

- ◆ **Lenny Crouch, John Crouch's father, who died this week.**

### For strength and safety for all of the brave men and women serving in the military, especially:

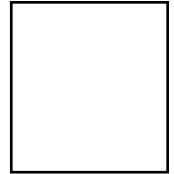
- ◆ Second Lt. Dan Filcik - deployed to Afghanistan

Submit your prayer requests to [prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com](mailto:prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com) or call the church office.

Prayer requests will be listed for two weeks. If after that time you would like your request to remain on this list, resubmit your request. We desire to keep you and your loved ones in prayer during times of need and joy! Thank you.

Please use this sheet daily to remember those who are near and dear to the Good Shepherd community of faith.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

***Call the office to request  
a copy of the Weekly Staff if  
you are unable to attend the  
service or if you know someone  
who is unable to attend.***

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### **January Birthdays**

Patrick Conway - January 1  
Jon-Christopher Lundy - January 1  
Janet Putney - January 2  
Christina Suther - January 2  
Elaina Brickohouse - January 4  
Rogetr Hartmann - January 4  
Timmy Lien - January 4  
Don Bennett - January 6  
Jim Bauser - January 7  
Kathy Lange - January 7  
Hanna Schiffhauer - January 7  
Carie Pierce - January 9  
Taylor Hood - January 10  
Jennifer Kellstrom - January 10  
Paula Bennett - January 14  
Ben Pearson - January 17  
Milan Kosanovich - January 19  
Doris Rotterman - January 19

Greg Drozd - January 21  
Gerry Harte - January 22  
Mary Bresford - January 24  
Carol Wicks - January 25  
Kentra Wright - January 27  
Bill Fahle - January 29  
Kelly Hartmann - January 31

### **January Anniversaries**

No wedding anniversaries recorded  
in our database for this month.

***If you have a birthday or anniversary this month but did  
not see your name on the list, contact the church office  
to update our database records.***

***If you do not wish to have your birthday or anniversary  
published in the Weekly Staff contact the church  
office.***