



*The Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Of the Good Shepherd  
501 Fairfield Drive  
Greensburg, PA 15601*

*January 17, 2016*

*Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd*  
**A congregation of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

*"We are a caring family of God nourished by the Word, guided by the Holy Spirit to share the love of Jesus Christ."*

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Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am. to 2:00 pm.

Music Director

Nancy Flinner

Organist

Greg Bittner

We welcome all visitors with us and ask that you sign our guest register. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to consider the Good Shepherd family.

**ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS** are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Children may come forward for a blessing. During communion, we offer wine and grape juice, if you would like to receive grape juice do not bring a cup, it will be provided by the Worship Assistant.

Our congregation's Stephen Ministry equips gifted lay people to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian Care to individuals in our congregation who are experiencing difficulties in their lives and extends the care that Pastor Frank continues to provide.

If you could benefit from the confidential, one-to-one care and support of a Stephen Minister, please speak to Pastor Frank. Or you may refer to the Stephen Ministry flyers and cards available in the pew racks.

Please take a moment to fill out a yellow RCR card located in the pews. Please place completed cards in the offering plate.

When you see the following symbol "+", please stand.

Service of the Word and Sacrament  
January 17, 2016  
“Second Sunday after Epiphany”  
8:30 am. & 10:30 am.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** (Silent Meditation Time)

**+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
Who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us, who unites us and sends us.  
**Amen.**

Gathered in God’s presence, let us confess our sin.

Mighty and loving God,  
**We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way.  
We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of  
our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith,  
hope and love. Amen**

Hear the voice of Jesus:  
“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives.” In the name of † Jesus  
Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released. The joy of the Lord  
is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.  
**Amen.**

**+ GATHERING HYMN**

**“HAIL TO THE LORD’S ANOINTED” ELW 311**

**+ APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be  
with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**+ HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory to God**

Assisting minister  
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s peo - ple on earth.

All  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.  
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the  
works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the  
Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

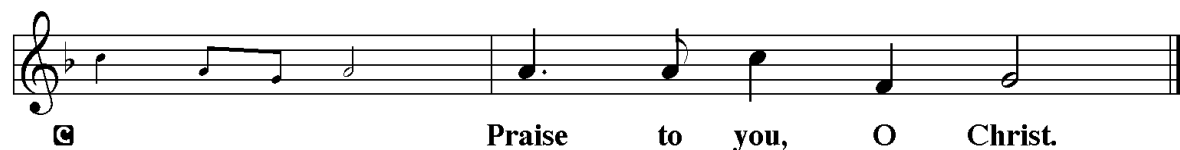


## GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

The holy gospel according to St. \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter.



<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*“JESUS COME! FOR WE INVITE YOU”*

ELW 312

## APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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\*Or, “he descended into hell,” another translation of this text in widespread use.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Giving thanks for God's great gifts, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

You enliven your church. Inspire the body of Christ to rejoice in and make good use of the various gifts and vocations with which you have entrusted it. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You are the fountain that brings forth life. Guide us to be good stewards of all plant and animal life entrusted to our care. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

In your light we see light. Shine on the path for all nations to seek peace, justice, and the well-being of all your children. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You are a refuge to those in peril. Grant help, healing, and wholeness to all who are in need of your care. We pray especially for . . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Bless the leaders of this assembly. Help them to use their gifts in this community to the glory of your holy name. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We give thanks for the faithful departed who have gone to join the marriage feast that has no end (*especially Antony of Egypt and Pachomius, renewers of the church*). May their lives inspire us to trust always in your promise of eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Trusting your love and healing, O God, we commend to you all for whom we pray, knowing you will hear and answer, through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

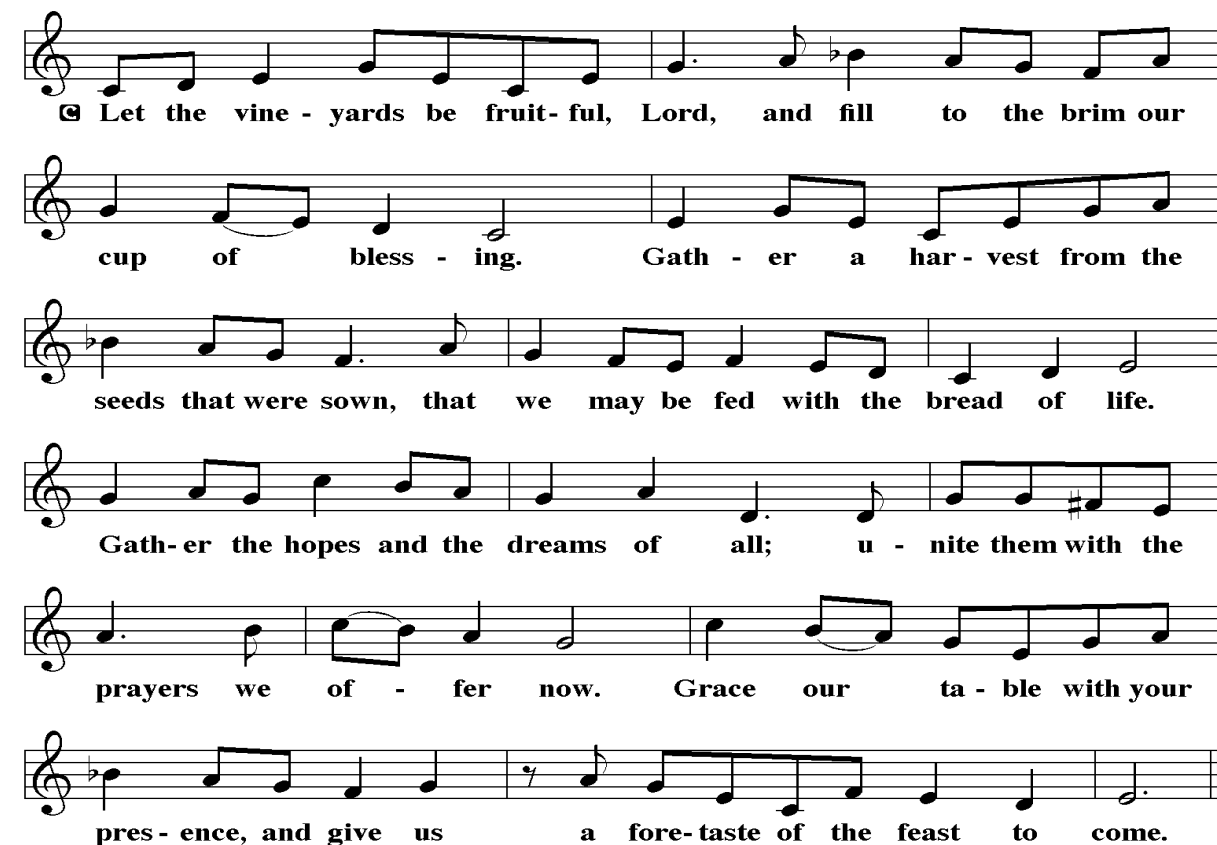
## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

ANTHEM (10:30)

*"PRAISE YE THE LORD"*

SENIOR CHOIR



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### + OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Merciful God,  
C as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

+ GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:  
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.  
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.  
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.  
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.  
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.  
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,  
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup  
we remember your Word dwelling among us,  
full of grace and truth.  
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.  
We look with hope for his coming.  
**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.  
Come among us.  
Bless this meal.  
May your Word take flesh in us.  
Awaken your people.  
Fill us with your light.  
Bring the gift of peace on earth.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours,  
Holy One of Israel,  
Word of God incarnate,  
Power of the Most High,  
one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

*During the distribution the congregation and choir shall join in singing **Lamb of God***

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please continue singing during distribution of communion the following hymns: ELW 460, 310, 488.*

**+ POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

**☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.**  
**Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.**  
**He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with**  
**shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.**

**+ POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

We thank you. O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**+ BENEDICTION**

God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

***“THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD”***

**ELW 824**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God.**

***POSTLUDE***

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented to the honor and glory of God in honor of Chuck Luffy, Shelley Cottrill & Deborah Fox’s birthdays today.

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<b>SERVING TODAY:</b>	8:30	10:30
Worship Assistant	Open	Open
Lector	Open	Kathy Wolfe
Acolyte	Owen DeMatt	Drezden Gesalman
Crucifer	Open	Mackenzie Halfhill
Torchbearers	Open	Open
Greeters	Open	Alice Podolinski
Ushers	Open	Chuck & Brady Luffy
Altar Guild	Open	Mina Rutter
Counters		Barb Henderson & Sue Strasser



CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF January 17 - 24, 2016

Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Fellowship Coffee
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion
	After 10:30 service	Annual Meeting
	After Annual Meeting	Books, Games & Scriptures
	2:00 pm.	K – 5 Youth Group
	6:45 pm.	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
Monday		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	6:15 pm.	Bears
	7:00 pm.	Council Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am. – 2:00 pm.	Chat-n-Sew
Wednesday	9:30 am.	Kindermusik
	11:45 am.	RHP Board Meeting
	7:00 pm.	Bible Study
	7:00 pm.	Troop 416
Thursday	7:30 pm.	Senior Choir
Friday	10:00 am. – 3:00 pm.	Bridge Club
Saturday	5:30 pm.	Holy Communion
	6:30 pm.	Art Show
Sunday	8:30 am.	Holy Communion
	9:30 am.	Fellowship Coffee
		Art Show between services
	10:30 am.	Holy Communion

**2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE COMMONS AREA. ENVELOPES ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.**

**Annual Meals on Wheels Cookie Bake Off  
February 7**

On Sunday, February 7th, we are asking each household to contribute four dozen cookies to our annual Cookie and Sweet Treat drive. Your donations will help supply over 160 delivered meals with a sweet treat. Our goal this year is 5,000 cookies. All donations welcome. Please deliver no later than 11 am. START BAKING NOW and simply place items in the freezer clearly marked “MOW”.

**PRAYER LIST - Our thoughts and prayers are with the following: January 10, 2016**

Lisa Yothers	Henry Poerio	Jackson Petak	Louis	April Carey	Pam Martin
Charlotte Polesky	Jeanne Kott	Joyce Frazier	Karol Handrahan	Aubrey	Jane Misutka
William Fealey	Denny Saddler	Amber Pritts	Abby Legler	Craig McKenna	Ann Burns
Bryan Rearick	Michael	Bill Cook	Ryan Quinn	Dakota Mutdosch	Susie
Kevin Schultz	Connie Brinker	Robert Himler	Jimmy Soderberg	Mildred Stubbs	Patricia Sarp
Glenna Latshaw	Pat Miller	Raymond Gross	Tim Loughran	Richard Bell	Lucinda Martin
Bob Clark	Gerry & Jerome	David Wood	Darlene	Trudy Beistal	Lisa
John Askey Sr.	Ron Livengood	Dylan Fennell	Lou Simek	Karen	Luca Bell
Frank Sierawski	Terri Dunbar	Ted Speedy	Chip Franklin	Connie Tarr	Kyle Kennon
Joan Brown	Larry Cottrill	Mary McNamara	Rowan Rusnock	Chuck Thropp	Chris Kosar
Alex LaFranky	Frank Moore	Linda McMahan	Lisa	Evelyn Soderberg	Jackson Storey
Helen Lauffer	John Beavers	Kayla Darr	Bob Sierka	Brenda Tomson	Margaret Schrieber
Eileen Moffa	Kenneth Britton	Debbie Overly	Connie Wright	Norman Rearick	Margaret Podolinski
Pastor Gruesu	Jennifer Wonsettler	Burns	Rev. John McLaughlin		Pastor John Harmon
Jesse, Josh & Michelle		Madison Hoopengardener			

**Good Shepherd Members:**

Jeff Ryan	Dennis McIntire	Ray Scherer	Bill Knackstedt	Sandra Ruggiero	Barb Tychinski
Charlotte Hein	George Silvis	Judy Monchak	Mary McGee	Joyce Coates	Jean Hawes
Kelsey Coppetti	Ted Johnson	Jane Croushore	Eleanor Elliott	Carol Stewart	Carole Bridges
Martha Chomko	Dorothy Stewart	Melanie Wood	Donna Seiler	Eleanor Besser	Janine Pagano
Dorothy Flock	Lisa Seiler	Jane Elliott	Roger Sullenberger		

**Those in care facilities:**

**Close to Home, Bolivar:** Vanita Permar,

**St. Anne Home:** Audrey Troutman

**Westmoreland Manor:** Peg Hobbs, Ruth Gesalman

**Redstone Highlands:** Ann Shockey, Evelyn Richter, Bernie Fisher

**Twin Valley:** Nancy Hebrank

**Nature Park Commons:** Delver Flock

**RNC:** Eileen Silvis

**Harmon House:** Louise McMunn

**Those in the Service**

**KOREA:**

Lindsey Patrick

**IRAQ:**

Paul Harrold

**STATE SIDE:**

Adam Neiderhiser

**ARMY:**

Sean Sabiston, Ryan Cutcliffe

**NAVY:**

Michael Shupe

**SAN DIEGO:**

Derek Leach

**ARMY RESERVES:**

Ryan Ilich

We pray for the safety of all military personnel and their families and give thanks to God for their service to our nation.

**Friends and relative of the Good Shepherd family:**

**Bonnie Rosenthal** – requested by Linda Harbaugh  
**Diana Maron** – Breast Cancer – Jim Monnich’s sister  
**Nancee Roberts** – cancer – Cousin of Cyndi Stiles  
**Jayne Flock** – Childhood Cancer  
**Nancy Walsh** – Breast Cancer – Requested by Bill & Patti Benton  
**Dorinda Dee** – Niece of Mary Jane Aaron - Minimal change disease  
**Richard Wright & Family** – Blood Clots – requested by Joan Rappold  
**Frank Moore** – Father of Megan Coppetti – needs a liver transplant  
**Fran McCallen** – Breast cancer – requested by Joy & Michael Stynchula  
**Joanne Mazzoni** – Heart Issues – requested by Jim Monnich  
**Howard Parker** – Pancreatic cancer  
**Lauren Latshaw** – cancer – requested by Doris & Jack Wood  
**Betty Wenzel** – requested by Bob & Donna Seiler  
**Kathy Seiler** – daughter-in-law of Bob & Donna Seiler  
**Laurel Beranek** – Diabetes – Granddaughter of Jane Elliott  
**Julie** - cancer – requested by Rachel King  
**Matthew Miller** – awaiting liver transplant – requested by Augie Nicolai  
**Paulette Willocheel** – Back operation – requested by Dorothy & Jim Stewart  
**Rosalie Stewart** – Parkinsons’s Disease – requested by Dorothy & Jim Stewart  
**Robin** – Multiple Sclerosis  
**Morgan Krakosh & Family** – Morgan is disabled & having lung problems – requested by Jim Monnich  
**Natalie Anthony** – cancer – sister of Ken Hebrank – requested by George & Mary Ann Smith  
**Laura Bell** – rheumatoid arthritis  
**June Muse** – requested by Jim Monnich – heart attack  
**Pat Depalma** – requested by Joyce Coates  
**Wanda** – thyroid/heart – requested by Debbie Sullenberger  
**Dorothy Kuschar** – Internal Injuries – requested by Peg Hobbs  
**Judy Shea** – Cancer – requested by Lillian Shea  
**Amanda & Tim** – Expecting a baby and baby may have problems – requested by Doris Wood  
**Joseph Misutka** - cancer – requested by Debbie Sullenberger  
**Marcus Malara** – cancer – requested Linda Dunheimer  
**Dick Jones** – Recovering from major surgery – brother of Marion Bendl  
**Orville Tustin** -- Lung cancer -- requested by Sharon Greene  
**Penny Newmann** -- requested by Joyce Coates  
**Bob Bayus** -- pancreatic cancer -- requested by Monnich family  
**Drew and Trent Brady**  
**Jill Coates** -- sister-in-law of Joyce Coates  
**Genevieve & Pam Hite** -- medical issues  
**William Simpson** -- 3 yr. old needing heart transplant  
**Larry Bowers** -- req. R. Atwell and A. LeCuyer  
**Randy Barker** -- cousin of Joyce Coates

Remember to notify the office of any changes. Thank you....

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Please be considerate to those around you and observe silence during the prelude and service. This time is designed for personal meditation.**

***ALTAR FLOWERS/LIVING GIFTS*** - A new sign-up sheet has been posted in the hall. Please sign up for those dates that may have special meaning to you.

Year End Statements are available for pick up on the table in the commons area. If you have not received one via email, a hard copy is in the box. Some emailed statements were returned as undeliverable. It should be noted on your paper statement. If you would like your statement emailed in the future, please give the church office your email address.

The Third Annual Good Shepherd Art Show is taking place January 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 till 8:00 after Saturday service, with an encore show January 24<sup>th</sup> between Sunday services! Everybody is invited to attend! We are asking members to display their artwork, craftwork, photography, woodwork, sculpture, design, construction, stitchwork, **design coloring books**...All ages! Last year we had 88 submissions from 9 youth and 20 adults! This year we wish to top this and include more art from students! Parents, feel free to submit your child’s art projects, or your parent’s art, as well as your own! Any questions contact Jack Gesalman, 724-837-7556! Registration forms are available on the Greeter’s Table; sign-up sheet if you wish to bring food to the reception is posted by the fountain.

### Attention Ladies of All Ages

Come and join us at Painting With a Twist, Sunday, Feb. 7th from 1:30 -4pm. This is your chance to be creative and paint on canvas. Cost is \$35 and includes all supplies-even the apron. We will have our own private room and two artists to help us. Feel free to bring refreshments to share. Lets have some fun before Super Bowl activities begin. A minimum of 10 participants is needed. Your reservation, with a check payable to Painting With a Twist is due by Jan. 31st. Please give it to Lillian Shea. Painting With a Twist is located off Mt. Pleasant Rd at 1020 Towne Square Drive in the same building complex as Subway and Dino's.

**ANNUAL SOUP SALE – PLACE YOUR ORDERS IN THE COMMONS AREA OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE. THERE ARE 5 SOUPS TO CHOOSE FROM: CHICKEN NOODLE, WEDDING, POTATO, STUFFED PEPPER AND VEGETABLE. THE COST IS \$6.50/QUART or 5 for \$30.00. PICK UP THE SOUP ON FEBRUARY 6 & 7 AFTER SERVICES.**

### Important Dates

January 17	Annual Meeting following 10:30 Service Books, Games & Scriptures following Meeting
January 17	K – 5 Youth Group
January 23	Art Show 6:30 pm.
January 24	Art Show between services