#### Prayer Requests (non-members in italic)

**Health** — Robin Grant (son of Connie Grant); John Grundmann (auto accident); Jennifer Hughes (cancer, sister-in-law of Kathy Webie & daughter-in-law of Beverly Hughes); Gail Johnson (liver cancer, cousin of Sue Ogle); Dennis Inman (brain cancer, brother-in-law of Jerry & Louis Beasley); Vickie Chisum (lung cancer, daughter of Clarice Christ); Delores Kilmer (pancreatic cancer, aunt of Sheila Striegel); Bruce Deloria-Powell family (preborn baby has markers for spina bifidia); Sugar Sanders (cancer, friend of Connie Grant & Martha Casey); Glenn Cox (bladder, brother-in-law to Brian Morton); Michael Morton (lung cancer, brother to Brian Morton); Cindy Dresslar (cancer, friend of Connie Grant); Ashley Jones (stomach, niece to Connie Grant); Royce Junghanns (health); Linda (cancer, Marilyn Hall's daughter); Cindy Douglas (back surgery, Kara McNair's mother); Mark Reves (kidney replacement, brother to Grace Reves); James Cress (heart & cancer issues, cousin of Norma Place); Margaret Adams (surgeries, friend of Connie Grant); George Harrison (cancer, uncle of Brian Morton); Terri French (recurring cancer, cousin of the Grundmann Family); Irene (lung transplant, friend of Enna Vaughan-Carter); Enna Vaughan-Carter (continued health problems); Mark Horad (cancer returned, friend of Manny Vasquez); Maryann Basham (fighting cancer, friend of Sandi Snelling).

COVID-19 virus — Janet Quiram; Jerry Bacon, Wayne & Nora Mills (grandparents of Jazmine Striegel); Richard, Trisha & Macy Montgomery (family of Connie Grant): Sharon Wilson (mother-in-law of Karina Elliott-Wilson; Karina is Julie Staple's neice); Linda Harke; Shane and Michelle Araugo (brother and sister -in-law of Dana Johnson); Melissa, James, and Tiffany Thorton (sister of Brian Morton)

**Homebound** — Marilyn Alsip, Paulene Akin, Verna Anderson, Vivian Bingman; Laurine Goode-Schulz; Marilyn Hall; Margaret Kincheloe; Geri Nast; Richard Renken, Jean Stelling; Jim & Norma Tanner; Leslie Tucker; Toni Wamhoff



Birthday Anniversaries— (2/12) Deb Oliver

Baptism Anniversaries— (2/8) Valerie Calfe; (2/13) Kathy Anderson, Lynne McNair



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Weekly General Offering						
	1/3	1/10	1/17	1/24	1/31	
Budget	6,469	6,469	6,469	6,469	6,469	
Actual	0	5,366	4,506	3,585		
Attendance	3	19/15	24/21	24/19	25/29	

# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

7 February 2021



They who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings like eagles. ~ Isaiah 40:31

## **Good Shepherd**



#### **Lutheran Church**

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#### Welcome!

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church as we gather as God's people to worship the Lord! May our worship strengthen your faith and desire to serve Him Who loves us with an everlasting love in Christ Jesus! .

#### Some Friendly Reminders before Worship: Please...

- Give your **Prayer Request** to an elder or usher before worship today.
- Turn off or place on vibration mode your cell phone.
- As you enter the worship area today, be thoughtful of those around you, who are contemplating being in the Lord's presence. This is a good time for private prayer (inside cover of Lutheran Service Book) and meditation on the Psalms (pg. 1) and Luther's "Small Catechism" (pg. 321) in the front section of the LSB hymnal.
- Guests: Welcome to Good Shepherd! If you don't have a church home, we invite you to complete the Who's in the Pew card located in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher. We're glad you're here! (Members note that the contact information need not be completed.)

TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY			
	8:00a	10:30a	8:00a	10:30a
Organist/ Pianist	Brian Tidwell	Brian Tidwell	Brian Tidwell	Brian Tidwell
Musician				
Elders	Larry Hart			
Acolyte				
Ushers	Martin Harke, Mike Moore, Jerry Beasley, Manny Vasquez	Ron Pendley, Bill Schlegel, Manny Vasquez	Martin Harke, Mike Moore, Jerry Beasley, Manny Vasquez	Ron Pendley, Bill Schlegel, Manny Vasquez

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#### **Sunday** — Bible Study Opportunities

Adult Bible Class: A study on the Sunday lessons with Pastor Simpson.

## **Weekly** — Bible Study Opportunities

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month—7:00pm—Grow Up Christian —meets at various member homes (Fritzie Rice) Tuesday—2:30p—TABS (Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study) — 1 Corinthians Wednesday—6:00p—Midweek Fellowship Thursday—10:30am—ThuMBS (Thursday Morning Bible Study) — (Pastor Simpson) Friday—6:00am—WEBS (Week-End(ing)-Bible Study) — Matthew — (Pastor Simpson) **Saturday**—10:00am—(4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month only) - Neighborhood Women's Bible Study - on break

#### **Small Group** — Bible Study Opportunities

The following small groups meet monthly, typically on Saturday afternoons for a couple of hours, either from 4-6pm or 5-7pm. We enjoy fellowship, prayer and study. Join the fellowship!!!

- Don & Debbie Arnhart Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.
- Marguerite Christman Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.
- Vic & Denise Ewing Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.

## **Sunday School**

Children and Youth — Youth Room

#### Children's Church

Children's Church is on break for the time being.

"The Lord heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3). Didn't Jesus atone for the sins of abortion and assisted suicide? Doesn't the Heavenly Father love those who promote or participate in them just as much as the lives they have taken? For their sake, let us not hesitate to directly apply both the diagnosis of sinfulness and the medicine of forgiveness in our congregations and our conversations. **Lutherans For Life** – *lutheransforlife.org* 



1 Corinthians 9:25 -- "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things.



They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an **imperishable.**" Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit – for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received the Stewardship new life in Christ by his grace, he now calls us to follow him deliberately, with self-control, with intention.

#### This Week with the Shepherd

TODAY	8:00a	Worship w/Communion
	9:15a	Bible Study
	10:30a	Worship w/Communion
	11:45	Drive-Thru Communion
Monday	6:15p	Bell Choir
Tuesday	2:30p	TABS (Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study) - Leviticus
Wednesday	4:15p	Confirmation
-	6:00p	Midweek Fellowship (no meal)
	-	"Nurturing Your Faiith: Forgiveness"
Thursday	9:30a	Preschool—K Chapel
	10:30a	ThuMBS—Thursday Morning Bible Study
		NO Choir Rehearsal
Friday	6:00a	WEBS (Week-End(ing)-Bible-Study)—Matthew
Sunday	8:00a	Worship
·	9:15a	Bible Study
	10:30a	Worship

## **Upcoming Events**

February 14 Parish Education Meeting (11:30a) 16 Parochial Education Meeting (4:00p)

Service Members— Coast Guard: Zane Arambula (Janet Quiram's grandson); Army: Summer Davidson (Helen Kromanaker's granddaughter), Joshua Davidson (Helen Knomanaker's grandson-in-law); Air Force: Zachary Arambula (grandson of Janet Quiram); Aaron Manuel (Helen Kromanaker's grandson-in-law); Bill Gaythwaite (Australia); Zac Hart (Larry & Janet Hart's son); Navy: Cameron Anderson (Richard & Kathleen Anderson's grandson), Jeff Vasseur (Margaret Kincheloe's grandson); Brody Vinson (Laura Crain's great-grandson); Dale Vinson (Laura Crain's grandson), Marines: Ryan Kruel (Elise Webb's nephew).

"Shines and Saves" Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper Jesus surpasses all expectations as we see Him revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration. (Mark 9:2-13 Listen to The Lutheran Hour on the radio – at 9:00a (KQCV 800AM, OKC) next Sunday!



"If your boyfriend or girlfriend won't go to church with you while you are dating, he or she probably won't when you're married either. How long can you keep your faith life going if your spouse thinks praying, Bible reading, and churchgoing are stupid wastes of time? Abraham went to great lengths to find a believing wife for Isaac." Pastor Mark Jeske, Time of Grace – A

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- **WORSHIP NOTES**: Due to the extraordinary circumstances resulting from the pestilence smiting our day, please be aware of the following worship sanitary arrangements employed to minimize the spread of the **COVID-19 virus** thereby presenting reasonable risk in gathering:
- Our intent is to continue to offer Sunday morning worship services (i.e., 8:00a/10:30a) as <u>one</u> worship option for members to consider because "assembly" is an important dimension of worship in keeping with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Commandment. For example, consider the kind of family life you would experience if there were no assembly or presence, i.e., you could only relate to one another by phone—it's sort of two-dimensional, with significant limitations, not three-dimensional that is real life.
- Today our Sunday morning worship is being live-streamed (online) through our website as another devotional option for you to consider In keeping with 'social distancing' thinking. Technology, i.e., the internet, is helpful here in doing just that. But long-term it lacks the 'assembly' or 'presence' dimension (i.e., it's two-dimensional) which is an important element to the worship of God's people, to the worship of the body of Christ (i.e., it's three-dimensional). (By this arrangement there is no way to receive Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper; it is only given out in assembly in what is called the Real Presence.)
- All of that being said please do not feel compelled to attend any public assembly worship until a time when you determine it is acceptable to do so. During this pandemic scourge opting for either staying socially isolated or desiring to receive Holy Communion are both God-pleasing choices. However if you do wish to join in assembly worship please note the following sanitary precautions:
  - 1. If, by chance, the virus was present in any person at last Sunday's worship it is no longer active after a full week of time. The most pessimistic studies report that the virus only remains active on any surface or space no longer than five days.
  - 2. All door knobs, door plates, door handles, light switches, railings, et al., are sanitized and an **electrostatic mister** is used before your arrival to all worship services.
  - 3. In keeping with 'social distancing' thinking, please sit somewhat apart from those seated around you. There is plenty of room in our sanctuary for doing this.
  - 4. Please take a **temperature check** when entering worship. A thermometer is available in the entrance of the church for doing so.
- 5. Please **wear a face covering**, or one will be provided.
- 6. No offering will be collected during worship services (to minimize the potential spread of any virus.). Offering plates will be on display at the back of the church for you to leave your offerings.
- 7. Please see your way to the brick wall on the south side of the church as the Lord's Supper will be administered single-file, individually (with gloves) as you pass by the altar rather than in groups gathered around the chancel rail. This arrangement lessens accidental contact as we gather before the altar, in keeping with 'social distancing' thinking.
- 8. If you used a hymnal in worship today please do not return it to the pew rack but leave it sitting on the pew. Afterwards someone will disinfect it along with other disinfecting procedures.

Check out additional Coronavirus information at cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019.