

**PEWSLETTER**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS**  
**JANUARY 3, 2010**



**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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*WORSHIP SERVICES AT 8:15 AND 10:45 AM*

*9:30 AM - SUNDAY MORNING EDUCATION*

**NURSERY PROVIDED**

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# *THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH*

## **Sunday, January 3, 2010**

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Worship & Music Meeting - Library
- 3:00 pm Packin' Snacks - Kitchen
- 3:30 pm SOS - Underwood Hall
- 4:30 pm 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room
- 6:00 pm Shepherd's Quake - Underwood Hall
- 7:00 pm SH Youth Group - Erin Chaffee Room

## **Monday, January 4, 2010**

- 12:00 pm College Lunch - Boondini's
- 4:00 pm Rental - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 pm Daisy Trioop Meeting - E-12
- 6:30 pm Children's Ministry Leaders - Erin Chaffee Room
- 7:00 pm Beginnings ChristCare Group - E-9

## **Tuesday, January 5, 2010**

- 6:45 am Early Rising Men - Starbucks, Stonehenge
- 9:30 am Revelation Bible Study - Library
- 11:00 am GSLC Staff Meeting—Library
- 1:30 pm Gentle Shepherd Chorus - Choir Room
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts - Underwood Hall
- 6:30 pm Council Meeting - Library
- 7:00 pm Volleyball - Fellowship Hall

## **Wednesday, January 6, 2010**

- 4:00 pm Rental - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 pm Pizza-Pizza - Underwood Hall
- 6:00 pm Heartsong - Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm Shepherd Children's Choir - Choir Room
- 7:00 pm Confirmation - Erin Chaffee Room
- 7:00 pm Shepherds Song - Sanctuary
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room

## **Thursday, January 7, 2010**

- 7:00 am Eucharist - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Book Study Group - Library
- 11:30 am Centering Prayer - Pastor Jennifer's Office
- 12:00 am Employment Support Group - Library
- 6:30 pm RAMS Dinner and Program - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 pm ChristCare Group - Library

## **Friday, January 8, 2010**

- 5:00 pm Cookie Rally - Fellowship Hall

## **Saturday, January 9, 2010**

- 9:00 am Basketball Clinic

## **Sunday, January 10, 2010 - Affirmation of January Baptisms**

- 8:15 am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Education
- 10:45 am Worship - Sanctuary

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY, JANUARY 3RD - WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF CHRIST THROUGH HOLY BAPTISM JAKOB PARKER MCCALED.**

**TODAY, JANUARY 3RD - WHAT IS A VIA DE CRISTO?** Want to learn more about this 3 day spiritual renewal weekend? During the SME hour come to hear more in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Sandy Cash and Jane Lovelace.

**JOINT LUTHERAN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WORSHIP AT HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 2723 Clark Ave., Raleigh, NC on Sunday, January 17th at 3 pm.** Pastor Charlene Limeneh, of Joy of Discovery will preach.



**GOOD SHEPHERD BOOK STUDY GROUP** has chosen to read the book "*Still Alice*" by award winning author Lisa Genova. The book is about a woman who slowly loses her memory only to discover that each new day brings a new way of living and loving. The group will meet to discuss the book at 10 am on January 7 and 14, 2010 in the church library. If you have questions about the book study group please contact Lois Erickson as 878-4669.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COMMITTEE** will be meeting on January 4th at 6:30 pm in the Choir Room to plan and discuss the upcoming year of 2010. All parents of children with ages ranging from K thru 6th grade are encouraged to come and join this wonderful ministry. Come and meet Jenny O'Brien and Michelle Gibson who will be our co-chairs for 2010.



## UPCOMING TRAINING FOR NEW PRAYER MINISTRY

Classes will be on Monday nights (Jan 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15) at 7 pm. Books for the class will cost around \$20. Please let Pastor Jennifer know if you plan on attending. If you can't attend the classes but are interested in this ministry, please let Pastor Jennifer know and other arrangements can be made.

**WIHN - MANY VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR THE UPCOMING JANUARY 17-24 WIHN host week.** Volunteering for WIHN only requires a two-hour commitment. It is a wonderful opportunity for the whole family - especially for our youth who can receive community service hours to help those people in our community that, if not for the WIHN program and volunteers would otherwise be homeless. Please prayerfully consider spending just a couple of hours volunteering to help the families from WIHN. Sign-up in the Narthex. Questions, contact Art Pfefferle at 676-7849.

**EARLY RISING MEN (ERM)** meet on Tuesdays, 6:45—8 am at Starbucks at Stonehenge. All men are welcome to attend.

**EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT GROUP** - All persons in job transition are welcome to gather from Noon - 1:30 pm on **January 7th** in the Library - bring a bag lunch. Questions, contact Ed Vitek at edvitek@nc.rr.com. Meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

**COUNTERS** - Are you interested in serving as a mid-week counter for Good Shepherd? To learn more, please contact Paul Phillips at 848-1573. We are also looking for a couple of people who are interested in serving as substitute counters on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in filling in when one of our regular counters is out, please contact Yvette DeSilva at 881-7959 or Paul Phillips at 848-1573.



**MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE RETURNS - JANUARY 11TH, 2 PM IN THE LIBRARY.**

Come see the animated movie UP considered the most spiritual movie in 2008. Follow the enchanting journey of an elderly man and a stowaway boy!



**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY, JANUARY-APRIL 2010** - Join others in a comprehensive look at the book of Revelation. We will use material provided by Kerygma. Participant books are \$20. Please sign up at the Wittenberg Information Center or contact Brenda Dozer (brenda@gschurch.org.) **This 14 week study begins on Tuesday, January 5 and concludes on Tuesday, April 13** (skipping March 30 during

Holy Week). The book of Revelation has strong, reassuring visions for the church in crisis. Although it has been misunderstood and distorted, Revelation holds an important place in the church's witness. Take this time to immerse yourself in this profound book of scripture.



**FOOD BARREL FOR JANUARY** - will benefit the **Raleigh Rescue Mission**.

Needed items are **food**: coffee, tea, sugar, creamer, cooking oil, canned vegetables, beans and fruit, canned meat (ham, turkey, chicken, beef); **toiletries**: toilet paper, ethnic hair products, travel sized toothpaste, deodorant and lotion, over the counter nonalcoholic drugs (headache medications, cough and cold remedies); **clothing**: men's and women's underwear, men's and women's socks; AA and AAA batteries, gift cards to Walmart, Sam's Club, OfficeMax and other discount stores. Questions? Contact Sandy Willey at [sfwilley@mindspring.com](mailto:sfwilley@mindspring.com) or 518-0784.



**STEPHEN MINISTERS CARE** - When was the last time someone really listened to you? We're talking about that undistracted, full attention kind of listening. That's one of the ways Stephen Ministers care for others. We need more Stephen Ministers to care for those who are making that long journey through the valley of a life crisis. Will you consider serving in this way? For more information, please contact Pastor Jennifer at 848-1573 or one of our Stephen Leaders - Kim Sweet, Pam Montgomery and Jeanne VanDivender.



**RAMS 2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF - JANUARY 7TH AT 6:30 PM.**

Enter your masterpiece in the battle of chili versus chili or simply come to taste and judge these chili recipes. Come on out Rams. We welcome newcomers to join us for this Mens' Ministry event! If you are not bringing chili, please bring cornbread, tortilla chips or a drink.

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**THE GSLC RAMS WILL HAVE THEIR 2ND ANNUAL MEN'S SERVICE RETREAT AT KURE BEACH ON MARCH 5-7, 2010.** We will have time for worship and fellowship as well as provide one day of work for the Kure Beach Ministry. The cost is \$85 per person, which includes lodging plus meals and snacks. Please sign up at the Wittenberg Information Center and get your \$40 deposit to Matt Gainey or place in an envelope addressed to Paul Phillips in the brown box.

**SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY  
OWLS (OLDER, WISER LUTHERANS)**

**TEA AT THE SLOOPS** on Sunday, January 10th at 4 pm. Please sign-up at Wittenberg Information Center.

**THE SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY IS HOLDING THIER FIRST LUNCH AND LEARN FOR THE NEW YEAER ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON IN UNDERWOOD HALL. ALL OUR WELCOME!** Our guest speaker is from Raleigh Area Development Authority (RADA) and the topic is **"Seniors: Don't be a Target"**. We will be informed on how to better protect ourselves from scams and identity theft. This topic is of interest for all adults, especially with so much electronic banking and on-line purchases. Bring a friend. Look for a sign-up sheet at the Wittenberg Information Center

**EASTERN NC LUTHERAN  
VIA DE CRISTO**

Via de Cristo is a Spanish phrase meaning "Way of Christ." Via de Cristo is a highly structured three day weekend designed to strengthen and renew the faith of Christians and bring them to a new awareness of living in God's grace. It is a combined effort of lay people and clergy toward renewal of the church.

**Applications are at the Wittenberg Information Center  
or at [www.encydc.org](http://www.encydc.org).**

**UPCOMING 2010 WEEKENDS**

**March 11-14 - Mixed #70**

**May 13-16 - Mixed #71**

**September 9-12 - Mixed #72**

*(At Camp Agape near Fuquay Varina)*



**CHRISTCARE NEWS**  
**CURRENT CHRISTCARE OPPORTUNITIES**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR NEW CHRISTCARE LEADERS CLASS**, Cindy Citty-Cheng, Rachel Rooney, Denise Tilden and Robin Kirk. New ChristCare Groups are coming in early 2010! Stay tuned for more information.

**A ChristCare Group dedicated to Parents of Middle & High Schoolers is reactivating this fall.** We meet the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesday of every month from 7:00-8:30 (during confirmation). Our focus is Christian community building - come and expect meaningful discussions, supportive prayer and some "me" time. Come and see what we are all about. Contact Ann Kuhar at 919 810-8764 if you have questions.

**The "Single Ladies over 40" ChristCare Group** The "Single Ladies over 40" ChristCare Group meet twice monthly on 1st and 3rd Thursdays at GSLC in Room E-12 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Interested single ladies over age 40, (GSLC members and non-members) are welcome to attend. Please contact Cheryl Kruse at 431-9474.

**"Beginnings" ChristCare Group** meets on Monday evenings at 7 pm in E-9. We are studying Max Lucado's book entitled "*In The Grip of Grace*". Questions, please contact John Chaplinsky at 676-0559 or email chaplijt@hotmail.com. NOTE - NOT MEETING ON JAN. 4 & 10TH.

**The Mom's ChristCare Group** - ATTENTION MOMS! If you have made a New Years resolution to improve your relationship with God, then join us! The Moms ChristCare Group will begin a new study on "Walking With God" by John Eldredge. We meet the first Tuesday and the third Thursday of each month at Angela Metz's home. Questions, call Angela at 788-9503.

**ADULT MISSION TRIP - MARCH 21-27, 2010** - Adults of all ages will be traveling to Ocean Springs, Mississippi this coming March to help rebuild after Hurricane Katrina. Vicar Nathaniel Anderson will lead a group of adults for 5 days of work, fellowship and reflection. We will leave the church on the morning of Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and return the evening of Saturday, March 27. At Camp Victor we will receive all of our meals and lodging for only \$125. Additional expenses will include meals and gas on travel days. If interested, please contact Vicar Nathaniel at 848-1573 or email at Nathaniel.Anderson@gslchurch.org.

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**GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL NEWS**

**HARRIS TEETER EARNINGS GO TO OUR PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND.** Please link your VIC Card to the Preschool number - 3503. We already have almost \$100 in donations so far. Thanks to our 84 already linked members!

**TUITION RATES FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR - NO INCREASE!** The Preschool Board is pleased to announce that, in response to the needs of our families, we are NOT increasing tuition and fees for our next school year. We are also allowing the registration fee for families with 2 or more children enrolling in the preschool to be split into 2 payments. Registration forms are due by Friday, January 15, 2010 and will be online soon. In addition, we are offering a new 5-day 3 year-old class option. Please share our great news with friends and neighbors. We are one of the only preschools in the area that has a 4-hour program and is fully accredited. Please direct questions to Deanna Klimek, [preschool@gslchurch.org](mailto:preschool@gslchurch.org). Come join our family!

**THANK YOU!** for supporting our Campbell's Labels for Education collection program. Keep saving those labels & caps (and deposit them by the Preschool Director's door). We have over 7,500 points collected and Campbell's will MATCH all points we collect through December 31, 2009!

**SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM WILL BE HELD AGAIN IN 2010!** The Preschool Board is pleased to announce that our popular theme-based summer camp program will return again this summer. We expect the camp to run for 8 weeks -- 2 week minimum required to participate but you select your weeks. Camp held Tues/Wed/Thurs from 9:30am to 1:30pm. for rising 3's through 5 year-olds. More information will come soon, but feel free to share this information with others that might be interested!

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### **SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS**

**Lectionary Bible Study** led by Jeff Dozer. Engage the weekly appointed scriptures. **Meets in Pastor David's office.** Class is ongoing.

**Whittecar Class** led by Gail Vaughn, Sally Sloop, Cathie Strawbridge and Peggy Ruopp. This class is for adults with/without developmental delays. Class is on-going and **meets in E-7.**

**Community Class** led by Gordon Keehn. This class encourages participants to select topics and share faith together. **Class meets in Underwood Hall.**

**January 3 - What is a Via de Cristo?** Want to learn more about this 3 day spiritual renewal weekend? Sandy and Jane have a long history of serving/growing through Via de Cristo. In fact, they will be among the 17 Good Shepherd members leading the March 11-14, 2010, Via de Cristo. Led by Sandy Cash & Jane Lovelace. **In the Fellowship Hall.**

**January 3 - February 14 - In What's So Amazing About Grace?**, award-winning author Philip Yancey explores grace at street level. What is grace? If grace is God's love for the undeserving, then what does it look like in action? If Christians are its sole dispensers, how are we doing at lavishing grace on a world that knows far more of cruelty and unforgiveness than it does of mercy? Participant book \$8. Sign up at the Wittenberg Information Center. Class will be led by Linda Aubel and Cheryl Kruse. **Meet in the Sanctuary.**

**January 3, thru 24 Understanding Islam w/Vicar Nathaniel.** What is Islam and how do we relate to Muslims as Christians? In this four week course we will learn the basic tenants of Islam and how we interact with the Muslim world as Christians and US citizens. Vicar Nathaniel will make presentations as well as lead discussions on topics such as the role of women in Islam, the concept of 'jihad,' Islam and democracy, foreign policy implications as well as looking at parallels between the Bible and the Qur'an. **In Underwood Hall.**

**January 10 thru 31 - Pastor Stan Yancey** will lead 4 weeks class is on the following topics: **Midlife Passages and Challenges** - Use the questions of this time to clarify and assess how it is going, where you are going, and any changes you would like to implement. Confirm things going well. Bring your midlife with you, your looking forward to it, or your remembrance of it, all of which can be useful to those present. **Adult ADHD** - It is real and deeply influences the person and loved ones. Come and learn about it. **Parenting Adolescents** - To have a power struggle or not to have a power struggle, that is the question. When to support, when to confront and how, when to allow to fall. There is plenty to discuss. **Blending Families and Parenting** - Parenting is a challenge and throw into the mix the blending of families and there are inevitable challenges and rewards. Let's look at this realm of relationships that can strain the limits of patience. **Meet in Fellowship Hall.**

**January 10, 17, 24, 31 Joining the Flock** - Persons interested in becoming part of the life and mission of Good Shepherd are invited to participate in this series. You will meet our key leaders, understand our mission, learn more about the Lutheran expression of Christianity, and find your way into our faith community. New members will join on Sunday, February 7. **Class will meet in the Library.**

**January 31- Feb. 14 All Are Welcome** friend and stranger, at the banquet of the Savior. All are welcome, all are welcome here. How well we know these words. How many people are there in our lives for whom these words are foreign for whatever reasons are going on in their lives. It may be a friend, coworker or a family member who is estranged from God and in many cases are just waiting for a sign of reconciliation. Be that sign! Come and learn the skills needed to patiently, lovingly and compassionately be an inviter. Hear from people who have been invited; hear the power in having been invited. Come gain the confidence needed to invite someone you care about to a Good Shepherd service. Class led by Rene Ancil.

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

### YOUTH TODAY

Packin' Snacks - 3 pm - Kitchen  
SOS - 3:30 pm - Fellowship & Underwood Halls  
7th & 8th Grade Youth - 4:30 - Erin Chaffee room  
Shepherd's Quake - 6 pm - Underwood Hall  
SH Youth Group - 7:00 pm - Erin Chaffee Room

**SOS -Serving our Savior** - Meets TODAY - 3:30 to 4:30 in Fellowship and Underwood Halls - K thru 2nd grade.

**CAMP AGAPE BYG-ER WEEKEND for 6th thru 8th graders is January 29-31.** Cost is \$125 with a \$50 non-refundable deposit due at sign-up. There are 2 spots left for both boys and girls. If you have already signed up and have not paid your deposit, **please put the deposit in Barb Newcomer's mailbox in the workroom or mail it to her. DO NOT PUT IT IN THE BROWN BOX IN THE NARTHEX.** Questions, contact Barb Newcomer @855-9558 or bnewcomer@nc.rr.com.

**KOF - KIDS ON FIRE** - Will meet on January 10th from 4:30 to 6:00 pm in Underwood Hall. For 5th and 6th graders.

**TBFC - TRUE BELIEVER'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB** - Meets January 17th from 3:30 to 4:45 in Fellowship and Underwood Halls - for 3rd thru 5th graders.

**BASKETBALL CLINIC FOR GRADES 1-5 BEGINS ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 9TH THRU FEBRUARY 13TH (6 WEEKS)** from 9-11 am in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$20 (includes a T-shirt). Make check payable to GSLC - with Basketball Clinic in memo line. Please sign-up at the Wittenberg Information Center.

**DATES GSLC YOUTH ARE PREPARING PLM PACKIN' SNACK BAGS: January 3 & 31, February 28, April 25, and May 23. Needed Items:** 80 brown paper lunch sacks; 80 napkins; 80 Ziploc bags or individually packaged healthy snacks. **Perishables:** Grapes; Apples; Bananas; Cheese sticks; Baby carrots; Oranges. **Non-Perishable:** Goldfish; Crackers; Pretzels; Raisins; Cheese crackers; Fruit cups (w/plastic spoons) . **NO COOKIES, CANDY OR SODA OR ANY SNACKS THAT MAY CONTAIN NUTS.** **The GSLC Youth thank you for your support! Sign-up at Wittenberg Information Center. Brian Grimes, (Brian.Grimes@gslchurch.org)**

**PIZZA-PIZZA - WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30 PM**  
**\$1 PER SLICE -**  
**CALL IN YOUR ORDER TO 788-2988 BY 3:30 PM**