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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD  
—December 2007 & January 2008—VOL 2 NO 10—

**DECEMBER SPECIAL DATES**

**Advent Sundays Dec 2, 9, 16 (Blue)**  
**Taize' 8:30 am & LSB service 10:30 am**  
**Sunday Dec 23—one service 9:30 am**  
**Altar Guild meet after service Dec 23**  
**Advent Wednesdays Dec 5, 12, 19**  
**Soup Supper @ 6:00 pm**  
**Holden's Evening Prayer 7:00 pm**  
**St. Thomas, Apostle Dec 21 (Red)**  
**First Day of Winter Dec 22**  
**Christmas Eve Dec 24 (White)**  
**Two services 7:00 & 11:00 pm**  
**Christmas Day Dec 25 (White)**  
**One service 10:30 am**  
**St. Stephen, First Martyr Dec 26 (Red)**  
**St. John, Apostle & Evangelist Dec 27(W)**  
**The Holy Innocents, Martyrs Dec 28 (Red)**  
**New Year's Eve Dec 31**

**JANUARY SPECIAL DATES**

**New Years Day Jan 1**  
**Circumcision & Name of Jesus Jan 1 (W)**  
**Epiphany Tree Burning at LCOS Jan 5**  
**The Epiphany of Our Lord Jan 6 (White)**  
**The Baptism of our Lord Jan 7 (White)**  
**LWML meets Jan 13 9:30 AM**  
**The Confession of St. Peter Jan 18 (White)**  
**St. Timothy, Pastor & Confessor Jan 24 (W)**  
**The Conversion of St. Paul Jan 25 (White)**  
**St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor Jan 26 (W)**

BE SURE TO CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARDS  
OUTSIDE THE SIDE DOOR TO THE SANCTUARY.  
There you will find details of the events coming up plus  
sign up sheets for a count of attendees. There are sheets  
on the board now for:

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- MOSES MOUNTAINEERS CALENDAR
- POINSETTIAS
- REFRESHMENTS
- CHRISTMAS DINNER-LADIES
- CHRISTMAS DINNER-GENTLEMEN
- ADOPT A FAMILY.

“Do not be afraid; I have good news for you: there is great joy coming to the whole people. Today in the city of David a deliverer has been born to you—the Messiah, the Lord. And this is your sign: you will find a baby lying wrapped in his swaddling clothes in a manger.....”

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth his peace for men on whom his favour rests.”

The New English Bible—Luke 2:10-12 & 14

FEBRUARY QUILL DEADLINE  
WILL BE SUNDAY, JANUARY  
20, 2008, MIDNIGHT.





**SUNDAY SERVICES—December 2, December 9, and December 16**  
at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

**WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES—December 5, December 12, and**  
December 19 at 7:00 PM—Holden Evening Prayer Service

**SOUP SUPPERS starting at 6:00 PM prior to Wednesday Evening**  
Services.

**NOTE CHANGE—Sunday December 23—ONE SERVICE at 9:30 AM**  
Advent lessons & Hymns with special coffee hour following.

**(No Sunday School)**

**NOTE THERE WILL BE TWO SERVICES CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24.**

**FIRST SERVICE—7:00 PM—Festival Communion Service**

**LATE SERVICE—11:00 PM—Festival Communion Service**



**JOIN US AT 10:30 AM FOR CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE—DECEMBER 25.**  
**(With Holy Communion)**

**ADDITIONAL SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS:**

Dec 9 we will go caroling at 5:00 pm. Pot-luck after.  
Everyone welcome.

Dec 15—Church Decorating

Dec 16 is Children's Day. Come and join us as our youth  
participate in the service.

Dec 30 is the Fifth Sunday of the month. We will do  
Matins at both services and there will be no communion and  
no Sunday School.

Dec 31 New Years Eve—Service at 7:00 with communion





**CHRISTMAS  
DINNER**

**DECEMBER 4**

Ladies, join the LWML at their Annual Christmas Dinner at Good Shepherd Tuesday, December 4th at 6:30 pm. All women of the church are invited. LWML provides the meat and drinks. If you wish bring a gift for our exchange, \$10.00 limit. This is optional. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please put what dish you are going to bring beside your name.

**GENTLEMEN:** Not to be left out, you will meet at the Graef home at 1200 Shadow Lane at 6:30 PM. Bring a covered dish to share.

The LWML has again adopted a couple of families for the congregation to help with Christmas. The list of gifts that are needed are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

The gifts need to be wrapped with the name on the front of the gift. Any monetary contributions should be given either to Barb Kilpatrick or Sally Hyman. The deadline for bringing the gifts to the church will be Sunday-Dec. 16th.



We meet at 6:PM on Dec 14 to assemble Thrivent Food/Gift Baskets. Everyone is invited to help pack these baskets.



They can be taken home after the service Christmas Morning.

We have ordered 24 poinsettias to decorate the Chancel area Christmas Eve. The Cost per plant is \$8.50. A Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board if you wish to purchase a plant or two, or three, or more. Make checks payable to Good Shepherd and mark it "for poinsettias".



**GOOD SHEPHERD MEMBERS** will go caroling in the neighborhood Sunday Evening December 9. We will start at 5:00 PM with the caroling and return to the Fellowship Hall for a pot-luck supper. You are ALL INVITED to attend. Bring a meat, vegetable, salad, or dessert dish to share.

**December 2007 – January 2008 Quill Pastor’s Note:**

“Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, a LITURGICALLY CELEBRATING community ”

As a congregation, we claim to be a *liturgically celebrating* community. This is the second claim of our congregation’s “vision statement” which describes WHO we are and WHAT we value.

As confessing Lutheran Christians, we have a defined **liturgical tradition**. This tradition comes from the western (or Roman) church; it is Biblical, catholic in tradition and it is also evangelical. There is ever-present pressure from popular American Protestantism to “do away with” traditional worship forms and revise or create ever new and exciting “*worship services*” that use “*contemporary*” electronic music and so appeal to people’s needs. Recognizing this, one pastor recently wrote:

*...leaders of the successful Willow Creek "mega-church" acknowledged the failure of the "turnstile" approach of filling up a vast auditorium with thousands of souls, but ultimately leaving those thirsty souls program-saturated but spiritually empty. A good part of this failure must be the lightweight "worship" that is offered in the "sanctuary," but which may dangerously approximate "religious entertainment," rather than genuine liturgy. The hazards of "worship by committee" - subject to marketing and consumer trends that feel the need to be "audience-friendly" - are now being subject to a more careful scrutiny apparently, and seen to be wanting to an alarming degree. In all of this you sense a strong desire to appear relevant. Yet, what becomes irrelevant more quickly than the relevant? You only wear yourself out trying to keep up ...*

On the one hand, believing Christians in America—even Lutherans- love novelty; on the other hand, we crave stability and want to rely upon something greater than ourselves. The church’s liturgy is intended NOT to appeal to our craving for the “*new*” but to keep us rooted in God’s Word and action in Jesus Christ. Read what Missouri Synod professor and pastor Harold Senkbeil says in his book *Dying to Live; The Power of Forgiveness*:

*“The liturgical assembly is in the world, yet not of the world. Here heaven intersects with earth. And so, like Moses before us, we remove our shoes in the presence of God. We may speak and act differently in the liturgy than we do ordinarily, but then we are in extraordinary circumstances. For the ground upon which we stand is holy ground. Whenever and wherever we step into the liturgy, we step on holy ground; we step into the presence of God.”*

God is indeed present everywhere (see Psalm 139:7-12), but when we gather together around His gifts of Word and Sacrament, God in Christ is present by His promise in a unique and special manner: He is present, not just spiritually, but **incarnationally**; according to His **flesh** (see St. Matthew 18:20, I John 4:2-3, and I Corinthians 11:23-25)! When we gather in the name of God, the Holy Trinity, to hear God’s Word and receive the Sacrament, God in Christ comes to us, not just “spiritually” but bodily! Things human are joined to things divine in a sacramental union of God’s Word and promise offered to sinful people who need a “gospel encounter” with Jesus for the assurance that sins are indeed forgiven. The church’s liturgy or “*divine service*” preserves this *sacramental* understanding (that God’s Holy Spirit works through the “*means of grace*”) of just what really happens when Christians gather to worship. God is graciously present, in Christ, for sinners.

You have heard me often say that the church “is NOT about us, but about God’s Word and action in Christ.”

Our time together in worship is NOT, as a popular contemporary worship song chorus goes: “*Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down...*” but our time together is rather about what hymn # 907 claims: “*God himself is present, let us now adore him...*” What’s the difference? The focus and emphasis. One song is about and begins with “*I-me-my-me*” while the traditional hymns and liturgy of the church (even Good Shepherd’s) are about God’s presence to speak and to act in order to kill our sin nature and make us alive in Christ by the forgiveness of our sins! Tell me, what could be more relevant—or needful- than that?

It is because of who God is and what He does for us in Christ that we are therefore a *liturgically celebrating community*. We seek to worship God, not to satisfy “*\*my holy desires, needs or wants*” but according to the way God has ordered our life together in Christ through His Church. That’s *liturgical*, folks!

As Advent approaches and we prepare for the celebration of Christ in His Nativity, let’s gather to take advantage of and grow in the grace revealed in the gifts of God in Christ presented in our liturgical and sacramental life of prayer and song that keeps Christ as the center of action. Who we are is always because of Who He is for us!

Serving Together...Pr. Steve

\* Dr. Eugene Peterson in *Eat This Book*



MOSES MOUNTAINEERS

**Winter Schedule (weather permitting)**

**Jan 19<sup>th</sup>:** The “re-schedule” for Crowder’s Mountain. We had to re-schedule this one due to the fact that “someone” who shall remain nameless at this time, tried to pretend to be a weight-lifter and... ahem’.. shall we say, became incapacitated as a result...But great facilities at this park. The hike should be about 4 miles but “hilly”.

**Feb 16<sup>th</sup>:** Feb will be a good month to do put the “Suspension Bridge” hike back on the schedule. A fan-favorite, this one is basically the Gum Gap trail that leads to the suspension bridge directly over Ravencliff Falls. The terrain is mild – to flat but the mileage will be about 6 mi. But it’s well worth it and during the winter, the views should be simply outstanding !! A great hike for beginners too.

**Mar 15<sup>th</sup>:** Destination TBD

**HELP IS**



**NEEDED**

Christie & Rodney Smith are in need of the following. If you have any items you are not using, please see Christie.

Couch, Chairs, End Tables, Coffee Table, Lamps, Kitchen Table & Chairs, Bowls with Lids, Dish Towels, Dishes, Pots & Pans, Full, Queen, or King Bed, Bath Towels

**YOUR SHOPPING LIST:**

**For PERRY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE pick up one or more of the following:** DISPOSABLE RAZORS, SHAMPOO, DEODORANT, TOOTHPASTE, TOOTH BRUSHES, SOAP. NO SHAVE CREAM OR AEROSOL CANS PLEASE.

**PLACE OF HOPE can always use:** towels, XL-XXL T-Shirts, men's underwear, foot and body powder, deodorant, shaving cream, disposable razors, feminine hygiene items, toothpaste, individually wrapped toothbrushes, Q-tips. Place items in work room.

**United Ministries Emergency Assistance:** peanut butter, cereal, grits, macaroni and cheese, canned meats, canned fruit/vegetables, powdered milk. Place items in basket in narthex.

**United Ministries**  
606 Pendleton Street  
Greenville, SC 29601

UM accepts drop-offs at this address.

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
Attn: Tom Williams—God’s Pantry  
1100 Log Shoals Road  
Mauldin SC 29662

Call 963-4549 for drop off  
Locations for God’s Pantry



## COME ONE!! COME ALL!!

WHAT: Clean-up Day (Inside and Outside)

WHERE: Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

WHEN: Saturday, December 1, 2007

TIME: 9:00 A. M.– 4:00 PM (come when you can and work as long as you can)

WHAT TO BRING: Outside Workers: Leaf Blowers, Rakes,  
Tarps for Leaves

Inside Workers: Cleaning Supplies  
(Windex, Paper Towels, etc.)

Everybody: A Joyful Spirit!

SPONSORED BY: Board of Trustees and Landscape Committee

QUESTIONS?: Call Barb Kilpatrick; Deb Beckwith



Please plan to join in the FUN as we all beautify the church for CHRISTMAS!!!



We don't always show appreciation to those who work diligently day in and day out doing all those things that keep the congregation run-

ning. This month we wish to say a special Thank you to our Administrative Assistant who keeps the office running. We say Thank you to Darlene for all you do.

Marge Cermak, our Nursery Coordinator has asked for help



in the Nursery. She is looking for anyone who likes working with our littlest members consider giving one day to Nursery Service. Marge has sheets in the nursery for December and January. Go in and check the dates open (The nursery is the last room on the left on the upper level.)

You can sign up for the same Sunday every month, or maybe you can just give one Sunday, Whatever time you can give will be appreciated. Marge will be happy to discuss the duties with you.

"Every child born into the world is a new thought of God, an ever-fresh and radiant possibility." Kate Douglas Wiggin

Be the soul support for your children.

Teach your children to choose the right path, and when they are older, they will remain upon it. Proverbs 22:6

## ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild would like to raise an additional \$500.00 to be applied towards new Advent Paraments. We must have the funds available upon delivery. Any donations will be accepted and mark your check "for paraments". We have a quote but if we wait too long to place the order, the price may go up.

Paraments are used on the altar, lectern, and pulpit as a visual focus of the worship space. The color of the paraments depends on the particular day or season of the church year. Paraments have been used in the church since the fifth century AD. The life of a set of paraments that is used often runs about 20 years and most of our paraments exceed that time.

A set of paraments consists of the superfrontal or altar covering, coverings for the pulpit and lectern, the pre-communion veil (used to cover the chalice before the Eucharist is prepared) and Pastor's stole.

# JANUARY NEWS

The next LWML meeting will be Sunday January 13th at 9:30.

**The Legionnaire Square Dance Club** will be starting lessons January 10th. They will have two get acquainted parties on January 10th and 17th. The lessons are approximately 12 weeks in length. They are held at Landmark Hall in Taylors 7:30 - 9:30 every Thursday. The cost is \$4.00 per person per class payable in advance by the month. Square dancing is not only good exercise both physically and mentally, but lots of fun. If interested contact Larry & Sally Hyman.



There will be a potluck after church on January 20th. Beth Templeton from United Ministries will speak on the new program "Our Eyes were Opened" which is a new outreach program through United Ministries. Beth is the Director of this program. She was the Director of United Ministries for many years. Beth is an excellent speaker and very informative.

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JANUARY 20, 2008, MIDNIGHT.



DATE	OCCASION	TIME	#	TIME	#	TOTAL
Oct 17	Mid-Week Matins	8:00 AM	3	7:00 PM		3
Oct 21	Sunday	8:30	33	10:30	83	116
Oct 24	Mid-Week Matins	8:00 AM	3	7:00 PM	0	3
Oct 28	Sunday	8:30	35	10:30	99	134
Oct 31	Mid Week Matins	8:00 AM	3			3
Nov 4	Sunday	8:30	36	10:30	79	119
Nov 7	Mid-Week Matins	8:00 AM	3	7:00 PM		
Nov 11	Sunday	8:30	41	10:30	94	135
Nov 14	Mid-Week Matins	8:00 AM				
Nov 18	Sunday	8:30		10:30		
Nov 21	Matins	8:00 AM	5	7:00 PM at Our Saviour		
Nov 25	Sunday	8:30	31	10:30	66	97
Nov 28	Mid-Week Matins	8:00 AM				

**2007/2008 SERVANT LEADERS ELECTED**

PRESIDENT	Bob Mead
VICE PRESIDENT/HEAD TRUSTEE	Barbara Kilpatrick
RECORDING SECRETARY	Monika Santiago
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	Frank Meyer
TREASURER	Gretchen Taylor
SUPERINTENDENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	Jacob Nagy
ELDERS	Paul Duffau Deb Beckwith Marjorie Winkelman Eli Hestermann Geri Frericks Walter Meyer
TRUSTEES	Dustin Schlapp Paul Abelman Brian Ostendorff
PAST PRESIDENT	Steve Graef

**APPOINTED**

FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE	VACANT
COMMUNITY CONCERNS	Darlene Murphree
HEALTH CARE MINISTERIES	Lib Duffau
ALTAR GUILD	Joan Winkelman
STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE	VACANT
OUTREACH/EVANGELISM COMMITTEE	Gary Meyer
HEAD USHER	Marque Kilpatrick
GREETER COORDINATOR	Leona Stevens
FLOWER COORDINATOR	Sally Hyman
KITCHEN GUILD	Joyce Becker
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS	
YOUTH DIRECTORS	Karen & Gary Meyer
NURSERY COORDINATOR	Marge Cermack
LANDSCAPE CHAIR	Deb Beckwith
MEMORIALS	Gerry & Roger McClure
QUILL EDITOR	Joan Winkelman
SPONSOR COORDINATOR	VACANT
REFRESHMENT COORDINATOR	Elizabeth Berreth

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Go on line at [lcs.org](http://lcs.org) and check the menu for Quill. There you can see each issue in living color.**



"Always keep several Get Well cards on the mantel so if unexpected guests arrive, they will think you've been sick and unable to clean."



**WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES SUNDAY**

*Taize' Communion Liturgy 8:30 am  
Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 9:30 am  
Traditional Communion Liturgy 10:30 am  
Choir Rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 pm  
Matins spoken Wednesdays at 8:00 am  
Vespers some Wednesday evenings 7:00 pm*

*American Sign Language Interpreter is provided for Children's Sunday School and for the 10:30 AM service every Sunday.*



**Church Office Hours**

The Office is open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.  
Thursday it is open from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.  
Office is closed on Friday.

Deadlines to get your item in the Sunday bulletin is 2:00 PM every TUESDAY.  
Office closed Thanksgiving Day, November 22

You are invited to share in the Eucharist with us if you:

- Are baptized in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
- Repent of your sins and trust in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation,
- Believe & confess the Christian faith as expressed in Apostle's and Nicene Creeds,
- Believe that in receiving communion, you eat & drink Jesus' true body and blood with bread & wine for forgiveness of your sins and strengthening of your faith.



## Meet the Confirmands

On Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, the congregation of Good Shepherd received three new confirmands into the church: Melanie Freeland, Ricky Friar, and Karl Schober. In keeping with our tradition, Melanie, Ricky, and Karl had an opportunity during the Sunday School hour to share their respective journeys of faith with the congregation. Their words affirmed the solid foundation of their faith in Christ and reflected their desire for continued participation in the household of faith.



Melanie Freeland is a seventh grade student at Greer Middle School. She loves music and reading and is actively involved in school activities. She participated in the Prep Guard, which won first place championship with the Carolina Indoor Performance Association. Melanie credits the confirmation process with helping her to "grow in faith in God by understanding God's word and law." Melanie went on to affirm that "I was taught and I believe that Jesus is my savior and through Him I have eternal life. Personally, He is my rock and my strength, and I can call on Him any time and I know that He will always be there for me. The church is where I can grow because I can go there and draw strength from the congregation and take Holy Communion. I can be a family with God's people." Melanie plans to participate in the life of the congregation by being more involved in Sunday School, Youth Group, and serving as a worship assistant. "I will continue to grow in faith by attending church regularly, spreading the word of God, and praying for others in need."



Ricky Friar attends Beck Academy, where he is a seventh grader. He loves to read, especially about dinosaurs, and has an impressive amount of knowledge about paleontology. Ricky recalled the promise of God at his baptism, "that He will forgive my sins even though I am a sinner. God still loves me when I am sinful, because He is merciful and kind." Confirmation class helped Ricky to understand that "in order to be a true disciple of Christ, you have to serve Him in every way, and you have to believe that He sacrificed Himself so that I, a sinner, may have a relationship with God. My personal relationship with Christ is a growing, daily relationship, and it will continue to grow stronger every day with Jesus' help." Ricky wants to continue to grow his life in Christ "with the help of Christ, and through His Church to continue to praise, thank, obey and serve Him. I will also continue to learn about what He did by studying the Bible...I will set a good example for others."



Karl Schober is an eighth grader at Greenville Academy, where he participates in the Marching Band, the Carolina Youth Symphony, and the Math Counts Team. Karl sees in confirmation the opportunity "to practice my faith like my parents raised me to. Even after I have moved away from home, I need to keep coming to church without someone telling me to every time. I will be the one who believes and practices my faith." Aware that, in the words of Martin Luther, "Baptism takes a minute to do, but a lifetime to master," Karl now plans to "take an active role" in his spiritual life, "serving whenever and wherever" he can. He enjoys being an acolyte, playing music, hiking, helping with car washed, and attending Sunday School. "I think that if God has done so much for me, like giving His son Jesus Christ and His perfect life to save me from eternal death, that it is my duty to be active in His church and believe in him and all He has done for me and for everyone around me." Karl appreciates the "welcoming aura" of the church, "like you feel perfectly at home even if you're hundreds or thousands of miles away from your home. The people are always very polite and will help you out. If a relative or a friend is sick, they will pray for them if you ask." Karl enjoys singing hymns and shares, "I've always found it cool that no matter how much you think you know about God and His word, there's always something more to learn or ponder."

# CHRISTMAS



HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY  
Jesus



## December 07 – January 08 Prayer List:

### Members

Jenine Bristol (@ home s/p OR)  
Elizabeth Berreth  
Bill Moser  
Joan Schrantz  
Joyce Becker  
Dave Staggs (at home)  
Joyce & Cliff Norman  
Virginia "Ginnie" Jones at Westside Nursing  
Marian Cobb: @ home  
Mildred Eick: @ home  
Marian Holford  
Bert Byers  
Jerry Frericks  
Larry Hyman  
Joy Bowie  
Roger McClure  
Dorothy Blasé  
Pr. Bill Ude  
Pr. Roger Lindler  
Pr David Goodine & family

### Service people:

**Tom Woods**, Army National Guard in Afghanistan  
**Brian Hayes**: Naval serviceman in Norfolk VA  
Justin Daniel Massey (in Iraq)  
Trenton Goodrich (Bert & Gloria Byer's grandson in Iraq)  
James Becker (Bob & Joyce's grandson at sea)  
Travis LaVar (Kathy Washington's nephew in Iraq)  
Kevin Miller (Maudie Miller's grandson in Iraq)  
Jonathan Foster (Karla Huchel's nephew)  
Ben Crauder (M & J Winkelman cousin)  
Jonathan Duffy (Leona's great-grandson)  
Philipp Stephenson (Jenine Bristol's nephew – serviceman- in Iraq)  
Richard Groen, (nephew of Christine William's)  
Nick Gnemi (Craig Piepho's cousin in Iraq)

### Family Members

Mildred Oram (Bob Becker's sister)  
Coral Brokoff (Janet Wilz's mother)  
Thomas Fisher (husband of Betty Karnstedt)  
Dominique & Xzanier Washington (Kathy's family)  
Michael Cammick, (friend of K. Washington)  
Jerry Thackson (friend of Kathy Washington)  
Glenn Beckum & family (friend Jim Derrick)  
Dot & Jr. Hayes (Bonnie's in-laws) Huntington Nrsng Home  
Nancy Drummond (friend of M. McMahan)  
Kenneth Davis (frnd of Duffaus)  
Manuel Sierra (husband of Gloria Byer's cousin)  
Helena Pitzer (Helen Crossley's daughter)  
Martha Allhouse, (Helen Crossley dau.)  
Jim Beatty, (Jenine's uncle)  
Kathleen Loomis (Brandy Ableman's aunt)  
Floyd Cumming (Elizabeth Bowen's bro-in-law)  
Beulah Clark (Ted's mom)



Martha Blanchard (sherry Dull's aunt)  
Trudy Creasy: (colleague of Jim Derrick)  
Roy Engelman (friend of Jim Derrick)  
Richard Czaja (Chris & Anne Johnson's friend)  
William White (Anne Johnson son-in-law)  
Anne Gentry (Jill Ostendorff's mother)  
Lauren Gentry (Jill Ostendorff's niece)  
Jack Hiss (Leona Steven's son)  
Ashley Takacs (Leona's grt. Grnddaughter)  
Jessie Hall Leona's grandniece  
Terri Tacas (Leona Steven's grand-daughter)  
Jerry Wilz (Janet's husband)  
Michael Meyer: (Gary's Meyer's brother)  
Debbie, (Gary Meyer's cousin).  
Harrison Williams  
Becky Demetroff (Barb K's sister)  
Jack Quinn (uncle of Cheryl Coggins)  
Ellen Bugno (Mike's mother)  
Lynn Alpers (Gretchen's grandma)  
Allison Broadway (friend of Kelly Piepho)  
Regina Reicroft (Joy Bowie's daughter)  
Pat Stephenson (Jenine Bristol's aunt)  
Lee (great uncle of Alice Bristol)  
George Winkelman: uncle of Marge & Joan.  
Cheryl Livernois: (neighbor of Winkelmans)  
Delores Holtzclaw (Christie Cannon grndma)  
Mike Mayo (Leona's dtr-in-law's son)

***Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ. Colossians 4: 2-3***

The number of new missions that have begun services in our District is multiplying! We pray for the mission leaders and teams for these **new outreach efforts**, remembering their work before the Lord:

### **Ladysmith Mission, VA**

Pastor Bob Koehler and the planting congregation, Redeemer, Fredericksburg

### **New Life at Concordia, Upper Marlboro MD**

The planting team: Derrick Miliner, Barb and Ray Arcement, Lloyd Gaines

### **Blacksburg (Virginia Tech) Mission**

Rev. Keith Beasley and the planting congregation, Good Shepherd, Roanoke VA

### **Living Savior Lake Wylie SC**

Rev. Keith Brown and planting congregation, Emmanuel, Rock Hill SC

### **Epiphany, Greenville NC**

Rev. Richard Rogers and planting congregation, Faith, Kinston NC

### **Open Door Fellowship**

Rev. Tim Baldinger and planting congregation, Messiah, Charlotte NC

### **Crossway, Norfolk VA**

Rev. Tim Utton and planting congregation Hope, Virginia Beach Va

### **Victorious Life Mission, Jefferson NC**

Rev. Lambert Gabbert and mission team: David and Karna Hook, and Jane Kelly

## **The Word Made Flesh**

*Pastor Mark Cerniglia*

*LFS Carolinas*

In John 1:14, we read that “the Word became flesh and lived among us” and are reminded that God expresses His divine love for us in tangible ways. God’s love comes to us in the material world.

Knowing this, it’s easy to understand how people often get caught up in the material aspects of Christmas preparation. People seek to express love in tangible ways—by giving gifts, sending cards or hosting holiday parties. These traditions are wonderful and are part of our history but when they become too important, they can distract from the spiritual focus of Christmas. In the stress of trying to find the perfect gifts, decorate the house bigger and better than last year, and squeeze in all of the parties and events that come up around the season, it’s important to remember that you have a choice about how to invest your time and resources.

While you may feel pressure to fulfill a lot of material obligations this Christmas, try to keep in mind that it is the joy of giving of ourselves that makes Christmas special. The love you give is far more important and meaningful than gifts and decorations.

This year, instead of braving the crowds and a rise in blood pressure to buy expensive decorations, take the time you would have spent in the store to show your children how to cut out paper snow flakes or string popcorn and cranberries into garlands. Instead of stressing over finding perfect presents, consider making donations in the name of loved ones. Matching their interests with organizations that support those causes will show them not only that you know them but that you respect their passion. Still another way to embrace the joy of Christmas is to share your own time and talents with those in need.

Jesus explained to his followers that, “whenever you have done this for one of the least of these who are members of my family, you have done it for me” (Matthew 25:40). It’s amazing how celebrating Christmas in this way can free us from the stress of the holidays as well as bring the reward of becoming the heart and hands of Christ.

For more information on volunteer and giving opportunities, visit [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org).

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

## VOTERS MEETING

November 11, 2007

Bob Mead, President welcomed the congregation and called the meeting to order at 12:15pm. Pastor Saxe opened the meeting with prayer.

Thirty-one voters were present. A list is on file.

Minutes from September 16, 2007 were reviewed and approved as.

**Community Concerns:** Sally Hyman reported that there will be a food drive November 18, 2007 for the United Ministries Emergency Assistance program.

**Treasurer:** Gretchen Taylor reported that all bills are current. A report was submitted and is on file.

**Board of Finance:** Gretchen Taylor, Chair of the Board of Finance, made a motion:

**To approve the 2008 Financial Plan.**

All present approved. The Financial Plan is on file.

**Financial Secretary:** A report was submitted. The shortage in the weekly giving is now \$338.35. A report is on file.

**Youth:** A report was submitted. One visitor attended the Sundae Sunday Social. Karen and Gary Meyer thanked all who participated in this event and asked all members to help distribute more flyers in the coming year.

**Landscaping:** Deb Beckwith reported that she is in the process of getting estimates for four trees that need to be taken down. A Fall Clean-up Day is planned for December 1.

**Trustees:** Barbara Kilpatrick reported that a Church Clean-up Day, in conjunction with the Landscaping Committee, is scheduled for December 1, 2007. Furthermore, the insurance policy for our facility is being reviewed to include the addition of the elevator.

**Pastor:** No report was submitted.

**New Business:** Barbara Kilpatrick made a motion:

**To accept the request to use our facility as a distribution point for God's Pantry on a three months trial basis.**

Sally Hyman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Thirty approved. One opposed. A report is on file.

Bob Mead made a motion:

**To fund the postage for Christmas Packages for the military in our congregation.**

Edith Mead 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All approved. A request from Lib Duffau, Health Care Ministries, is on file.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 12:45 pm. Pastor Saxe closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Monika Santiago

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# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS-DECEMBER 2007

## GREETERS

DEC 2—10:30 AM Jacob & Heidi Nagy  
 DEC 9— 10:30 AM Bob & Kim Mead  
 DEC 16-10:30 AM Monika Santiago  
 DEC 23— 9:30 AM Marge & Jo Winkelman  
 DEC 24— 7:00 PM Joe & Cheryl Coggins  
 DEC 24-11:00 PM Marge & Jo Winkelman  
 DEC 25-10:30 AM Bert & Gloria Byers  
 DEC 30-10:30 AM Leona Stevens

## USHERS

DEC 2—10:30 AM Henry Seibel  
 Mike Bugno  
 DEC 9— 10:30 AM Walter Meyer  
 Larry Hyman  
 DEC 16-10:30 AM Ted Clark  
 Ray Huchel  
 DEC 23— 9:30 AM Howard Nix  
 Henry Seibel  
 DEC 24— 7:00 PM Marque Kilpatrick  
 Mike Bugno  
 DEC 24-11:00 PM Walter Meyer  
 Larry Hyman  
 DEC 25-10:30 AM Ray Huchel  
 DEC 30-10:30 AM Marque Kilpatrick  
 Howard Nix

## ELDERS

DEC 2—10:30 AM Paul Duffau  
 DEC 9— 10:30 AM Geri Frericks  
 DEC 16-10:30 AM Deb Beckwith  
 DEC 23— 9:30 AM Walter Meyer  
 DEC 24— 7:00 PM Geri Frericks  
 DEC 24-11:00 PM Walter Meyer  
 DEC 25-10:30 AM Eli Hestermann  
 DEC 30-10:30 AM Marjorie Winkelman

## ALTAR GUILD

DEC 2—8:30 AM Dani Hestermann  
 10:30 AM Catherine Graef  
 Joyce Becker  
 DEC 9— 8:30 AM Joan Winkelman  
 10:30 AM Ruth Robertson  
 DEC 16-8:30 AM Darlene Murphree  
 10:30 AM Karen Meyer  
 DEC 23— 9:30 AM Marge Cermak  
 Geri Frericks  
 DEC 24— 7:00 PM Joyce Becker  
 Joan Winkelman  
 DEC 24-11:00 PM Anke Meyer  
 Joan Winkelman  
 DEC 25-10:30 AM Darlene Murphree  
 Dani Hestermann  
 DEC 30-8:30 AM Darlene Murphree  
 10:30 AM Joan Winkelman

## REFRESHMENTS:

DEC 2 Brianna & Lynn Monoco  
 DEC 9 Marque & Barb Kilpatrick  
 DEC 16 Sally & Larry Hyman  
 DEC 23 Marilyn McMahan  
 DEC 30 Steve & Catherine Graef

## FLOWERS

DEC 2 OPEN  
 DEC 9 Joe & Cheryl Coggins  
 DEC 16 Cliff & Joyce Norman  
 DEC 23 Lynn Monoco & Tim Jackson  
 DEC 30 Paul & Lib Duffau

*Christ  
 is Born!*



## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS—JANUARY 2008

DATE	GREETERS	USHERS	ELDERS	ALTAR GUILD 8:30	ALTAR GUILD 10:30
Jan 6	Monika Santiago	Ted Clark Henry Seibel	To be	Dani Hestermann	Catherine Graef Joyce Becker
Jan 13	Bill & Trudy Tribbett	Marque Kilpatrick Mike Bugno	announced	TBA	Ruth Robertson
Jan 20	Elizabeth Berreth	Walter Meyer Larry Hyman	After Elder's	Darlene Murphree	Karen Meyer
Jan 27	Sherry Kirkenmeier	Howard Nix Ray Huchel	Dec Meeting	Marge Cernak	Geri Frericks
	Jan 6	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Please check the bulletin board for the signup sheet for refreshments.				
<b>REFRESHMENTS</b>	Please check the bulletin board for the signup sheet for refreshments.				



# DECEMBER 2007

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

							1
2 Advent 1	3	4	5	6	7	8	
	Ruth Robertson Sarah Hart *						
9 Advent II	10	11	12	13	14	15	
			Ray Huchel				
16 Advent Iain	17	18	19	20	21 St. Thomas, Apostle (R)	22	
Mr. & Mrs. Cliff Norman	Anke Meyer					First Day Winter	
23 Advent IV	24 Christmas Eve (W)	25 Christmas Day (W)	26 St. Stephen, First Martyr (R)	27	28	29	
Bill Tribbett		Steve Graef		Jenine Bristol Marge Cermak Sherry Dull Briana Monaco		Roger McClure Mr. & Mrs. Paul Duffau	
30	31						
Gloria Byers Gloria Fruechtenicht	Mr. & Mrs. Howard Nix New Years Eve						

# January 2008

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

		1The Name of Jesus	2	3	4	5
		Trudy Tribbett	Beverly Williams			Mildred Cobb
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Christine Williams		Leona Stevens			Nate Murpree	M/M Roger McClure
13	14	15 MLKing Jr.'s BD	16	17	18 The Confession of St. Peter (W)	19
	Mark Bristol					Eli Hestermann
20	21	22	23	24	25 The Conversion of St. Paul (W)	26
	Tom Holford			St. Timothy (W)	M/M Larry Hyman	
27	28	29	30	31		

# DECEMBER 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>December Hymn of Month # 511</i></p> <p><i>Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment</i></p>						<p>1 Church &amp; grounds CLEAN UP day</p>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent</b> <i>Church Year in review</i></p> <p>8:30 Taize' Communion 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 LSB Communion 5 PM Confirmation class</p>	<p>3 5:30 Board of Elders mtg.</p>	<p>4 Pr. Steve @ Circuit #18 mtg in Irmo</p>	<p>5 6 PM Soup Supper 7 PM Holden Evening Prayer 7:45 Choir rehearsal</p>			<p>8</p>
<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent</b></p> <p>8:30 Taize' Communion 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 LSB Communion 12:15 Church Council 5 PM Caroling and pot-luck supper</p>	<p>10 1 PM Pr. Steve @ STS <i>retreat Hickory NC</i></p>	<p>11 <i>Pr. Steve @ STS retreat Hickory NC</i></p>	<p>12 6 PM Soup Supper 7 PM Holden Evening Prayer 7:45 Choir rehearsal</p>		<p>14 6PM assemble Thrivent Food Gift baskets</p>	<p>15</p>
<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent</b></p> <p>8:30 Taize' Communion 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 LSB Communion/ <i>Children's Program</i> 5 PM Confirmation class</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 6 PM Soup Supper 7 PM Holden Evening Prayer 7:45 Choir rehearsal</p>		<p>21 <i>St. Thomas, Apostle</i></p>	<p>22</p>
<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent</b></p> <p>9:30 Advent Lessons/Carols Communion NO Sunday School; ONE service only 10:45 Special Coffee Hour</p>	<p>24 <b>Christmas Eve</b></p> <p>7PM Festival Communion 11PM Festival Communion</p>	<p>25 The Nativity of Our Lord /Christmas Day 10:30 Holy Communion</p>	<p>26 <i>St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</i> Pr. Steve on vacation</p>	<p>27 <i>St. John, Apostle and Evangelist</i> Pr. Steve on vacation</p>	<p>28 <i>The Holy Innocents, Martyrs</i> Pr. Steve on vacation</p>	<p>29 Pr. Steve on vacation</p>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas</b></p> <p>8:30 LSB Matins (sung) NO Sunday School 10:30 LSB Matins (sung)</p> <p><i>Pr. Steve on vacation</i></p>	<p>31 <b>New Year's Eve</b></p> <p>7 PM Communion Service at church</p>					<p>30</p>