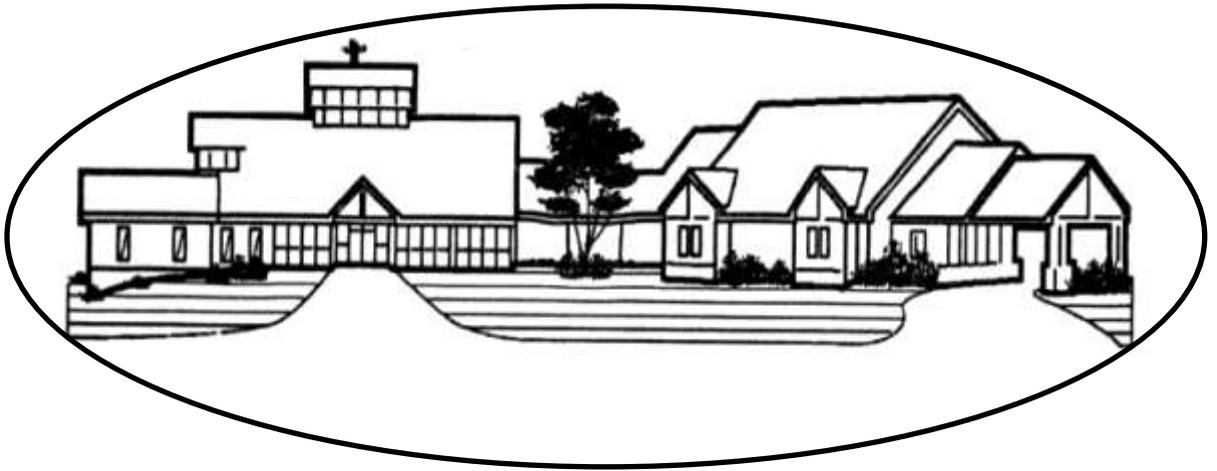

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Celebrations to Live By

“My lips will shout with joy when I make music to you. Even my soul, which you have redeemed, will shout. Indeed, my tongue will tell of your righteousness all day long...” Psalm 23-24b EHV

We have now come full circle: a whole year of celebrating 500 years since God worked through Martin Luther and the other reformers to restore the Gospel and the authority of God’s Word to His church. Through bible studies, movies, concerts, articles, a seminar, and more we have highlighted the Reformation; its message of Grace Alone, Faith Alone, and Scripture Alone; and, the impact it has had on culture and society for the last half a millennium.

The goal of all this reflecting and celebrating is to allow these insights to lead to practical application in our lives, most especially as it relates to Jesus and the Holy Scriptures. As we look to the 501st year of the Reformation and beyond, we want the inspired Word of God to hold the same value in our lives as it did for Luther and his followers.

This is a renewed opportunity to return to the bible and pick it up daily. At the least, reading a daily portion as part of a devotion or even reading it all the way through. (The Bible Project videos we’ve highlighted from time to time that summarize each book of the bible can be helpful in understanding each book’s meaning). At least one member of the congregation who hasn’t been able to consistently read the bible from cover to cover is using audio to listen through the bible while driving. Another powerful way to bring the bible to our ears repeatedly is through memorization and recitation. (More on this as we move into the New Year).

We don’t, however, want to limit ourselves to reading the bible. Like the reformers before us, we also want to trust its message and promises. To hear our Lord Jesus speaking to us and to confidently put our lives, present and future, in His hands. He is the one who through His sacrificial death and joyous resurrection has bought us back from sin and evil. He is the one who secures our future for eternity to come. We can trust that He is with us and His Word is true wisdom for ordering our lives. Along the same lines of letting Jesus speak to us, we also can be emboldened to speak of Jesus to others. To share this Word of God with others that they may come to trust it, too.

As the 500th anniversary of the Reformation comes and goes, we aren’t done celebrating. We actually have a fitting series of festivals that come up in sequence every year. Reformation sets before us the ultimate authority of God’s Word, the Good News of forgiveness & life in Jesus Christ, and the reminder that it’s “all about Jesus”. Following on the heels of this day is All Saints Day where we remember all those who have been made saints, made holy, by hearing the Word of God that promises the atonement Jesus accomplished is “for us and our salvation”.



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Finally, while it is a secular holiday more than a liturgical one, Thanksgiving follows after them both. And thankfulness is exactly what naturally follows the grace that God speaks to us.

So, let these holidays and festivals refresh your mind, strengthen your faith, and move you to grateful faithfulness. As thankful saints of God, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, may you be filled and transformed by Jesus and His Word.

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, with gratitude in your hearts to God.” Colossians 3:16 EHV

Pastor David



*“Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim His greatness.
Let the whole world know what He has done.” 1 Chronicles 16:8*

***Please join us for
Thanksgiving Day Worship
w/Communion***

Thursday, November 23rd at 10am





Deaconess Musings

Never Me.

“It’s not about you.”

Words that, while perhaps a bit blunt, are a daily necessity. And in reality...it’s quite true. It’s not about me. It’s never been about me. It’s never going to be about me.... or you. The Synod-wide Reformation theme of this past year, “It’s *Still* All About Jesus” will always ring loud and bright throughout the Church for all times. And while it is good and proper to keep that in the forefront of our minds, the question soon arises – “So, What?”

What does it still “being all about Jesus” change for us, in us, and from us?

(I’ll give you a hint, but it should be quite obvious.) *Only everything changes.*

I think, as good Christians within the Lutheran tradition, we are quite confident in saying Jesus did it all for me (or you) and that we bring nothing to the “table” in terms of deserving/earning salvation and forgiveness. On account of Christ’s death and resurrection, we now stand fully forgiven and made right in the sight of God our Creator. Eternal life was granted to us through the waters of our baptisms and we now live in the full hope of the world and age to come.

So, what? What’s the big deal about all of this?

It’s no longer about us (it never was about us to begin with, being dead in our sins and all – Romans 6:23), but about what Jesus did *for* us. And now we live our lives...*for others.*

So, what? What about others?

Your life – actions, words, behaviors – now becomes a witness to the world around you. This world, full of sorrow, pain, brokenness, confusion, anger, apathy, does not know the Jesus that set you free. This world sees no need for the Christ who paid the steep price for its very sin. This world does not understand why. They see evil and call it good. They see the good and call it evil.

But you, dear brother and sister, know why. You have seen the difference Jesus makes. You know and rejoice in the Lord who will one day wipe away every tear and make all things new (Revelation 7:15ff). You rest in the blessed assurance that your sins are forgiven.

Show them. Show the cold, unbelieving world that this Jesus, whom has claimed you and whose name you claim, makes a difference in your life. Show them that this Christ, the God made Man who dared to love the world that He *died* for it. That He did not stay dead, but rose back to life for *them*. Not just you. Not just your family. Not just your church. *For the world.*

It’s not about you. And that’s ok. It’s about *Jesus* for you and for you to show to the world. While we yet breathe, we have work to do. Confident in our Savior’s saving forgiveness, we turn to a world lost within its own self and proclaim Jesus in our words and in our daily actions.

May it always be all about Jesus and never me...or you.



~Deaconess Holly

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kyra and I just returned from a trip to the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter in Kentucky. We took a bus tour with close friends and we had a great time and learned a lot. Recalling our trip to the Holy Land a couple of years ago, I asked Kyra the first morning as we headed to catch the tour bus if we would be having daily devotions on the bus as we did while in Israel. She laughed and said Pastor Phil and Margi weren't leading the tour so the answer was probably not. I smiled and said she had a point and was probably right.

Well, no sooner we started our journey when the tour director, Nancy, opened with a devotion and moment of prayer which was something she did each day of the tour. The devotions were low key yet very inspirational and effective. She also said a prayer before we departed the bus for each meal. We did not know that this was her standard practice for every trip she takes and has been doing this for over 40 years although the tour company doesn't advertise it is a Christian tour. Kyra and I were not only surprised but very pleased to not only be heading to these sites, but to also hear God's word spoken and prayers offered as we took part in this wonderful experience.

What a powerful witness Nancy was for us. She wasn't afraid to share God's word with others or was fearful of offending anyone. She did what she believed and left the rest up to God. In fact, a few people said they felt led to return to church as a result of her faithful witness. She said that over the last 40 years, only a couple of people were ever offended and most were grateful she shared God's word with them. May we be as bold in sharing our faith with others!

On a business note, thank you all for coming to the brief congregational meeting on October 22 to elect lay delegates to different Synod events. Remember our annual budget meeting is November 19, which I am sure you won't want to miss!

In His service,

*Rudy Carbone
Council President*





*Please remember to set your clocks **back one hour** before going to bed on **Sat. Nov. 4th** as Daylight Savings time ends.*

2017 VETERANS'S DAY **TRIBUTE NOVEMBER 5-12**



**HONOR
OUR VETERANS**

Once again we will be honoring any and all members of the Military... both past and present. **The Tribute Board will be displayed during the week of November 5-12.** We would like to proudly display your story during this important week. **Simply submit a photo and/or short story of history of service before November 2nd.** For those who have been displayed from previous years, your photo and story will automatically be included in this year's display. We encourage everyone to participate. **To be included, simply put your entry with photo (if available) in Craig Wells Church mail box, or email Craig at: wells4589@aol.com**

Building a House, Furnishing a Home

by Kerry Blount



*“By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established.
Through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.” Proverbs 24:3*

As an architect designs a house for a specific person or family, she tries to consider all the ways in which the finished dwelling will be used. She will certainly consider space for sleeping and cooking, for eating and recreational activities, and for storage. But she will also seek to understand other activities of those who will live there. Do they love books? Do they want to be surrounded by music? Do they have art, hobbies, sports interests, or work requirements that require special spaces? Will they have overnight guests? Will they entertain, and in what ways? Do they want a private devotional retreat? Do they love the outdoors? Do they prefer sun or shade on a warm summer day? Do entries, exits, passageways and countertops need to accommodate those with special needs, like wheelchairs or walkers? With the answers to those questions, the architect applies her understanding of all the components of this special building, and invests her wisdom to meld them into a coherent, functional, and pleasing whole.

But even the most beautifully designed house, with spaces perfectly suited to the uses and desires of the inhabitants, is only a shell until it is filled with the people and their diverse expressions of individual personality and relationships that will make it home. Think about it. What do you count as the treasures in your home?

Your Bible, with its worn cover, wrinkled pages and the occasional tearstain?

Your mother’s slightly stained lace tablecloth that graced the holiday table when you were small?

Family photographs that remind you of events and people and places dear to you?

Furniture, whether old or new, that tells a well-loved story or soothes weary bones?

Works of art that excite, calm or inspire you, sometimes for no reason you can identify?

Books you have read—and re-read—and loved or learned from (or both)?

Musical instruments that gave you a new way to express things much harder to say?

A now-chipped milk glass vase given to you by your grandmother from her personal collection when she visited your home the very first time?

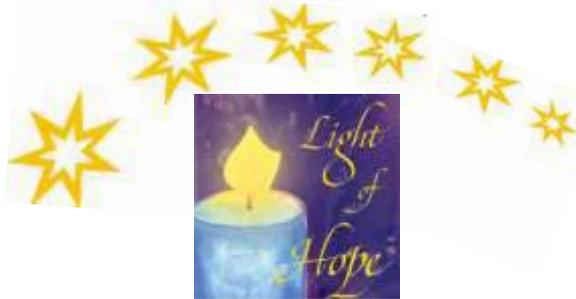
A set of embroidered cloth napkins that reminds you of a beloved pastor’s visit to your home every time you take them out to use them again?

Your list will be different than mine, but I will not often be wrong if I guess that most of your treasures speak of relationships, whether earthly or spiritual, and indeed, for most followers of the Christ, both kinds. These are the “rare and beautiful treasures” I think about when I hear the words of the proverb, not jewels or stuffed peacocks or paintings by the masters. The real treasures are the exquisite memorabilia of relationships that adorn our homes and hold special meaning in our hearts. May the warmth of this simple proverb encourage you to be a collector of such precious keepsakes until the Master Architect calls you to the home He has built for you, where there will be wonders beyond measure, and even greater relationships to treasure.

“Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain.” Psalm 127:1

Lutheran Women's Mission League Please consider using the Mite boxes to collect money for missions. Twenty-five percent of the mite offering is sent to LWML for mission grants and the remaining seventy-five percent is used for our District's mission grants. Mite money is used to further God's kingdom through the mission grants selected by delegates at district and national conventions. To learn more about these grants log onto www.lwml.org/mission-grants. The last Mite collection totaled \$47.50. *Thank you to all who contributed to this ministry.* **Boxes will be collected again on January 14, 2018.**

Mission Quilt Sewers: This past Sunday Pastor David blessed 100 quilts that were lovingly put together by a small group of devoted ladies to be sent to Third World countries. These ladies meet every 2nd Tuesday of every month except December from 9:00 a.m. to however long they can stay to prepare these beautiful quilts. We are always in need of material, old blankets (stained is OK, but no holes please), mattress covers, duvets, sheets. If you are interested in helping, please contact Marlene Bell. You do not need to have experience in sewing or quilting, just a desire to help others in need. From a grateful lady to the group of devoted ladies—*Thank you. Marlene*



Advent Workshop

Sunday, December 3rd at 9:45 am during the Sunday School hour, the Board of Christian Education will host our annual Advent Workshop for Sunday School youth, children, friends and their families. We will have lots of fun as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. We will begin our Advent season with a devotion explaining the meaning of Jesus' birth. We will enjoy making crafts, doing fun activities, and having refreshments. What a great way to kick off the Advent season. *All ages are welcome, so please join us!*

The workshop will be held downstairs in the old Fellowship Hall at 9:45AM until 10:45AM and will be held instead of regular Sunday School classes for youth and children. Adult classes will be held as usual. **Please look for the sign up sheet in the narthex and be sure to sign your family up so we have enough supplies for everyone.**

~We look forward to seeing you there!

The Crossing Youth News for November 2017

Please join us Sunday's in room 213 at 9:45am

Friends are always welcome!



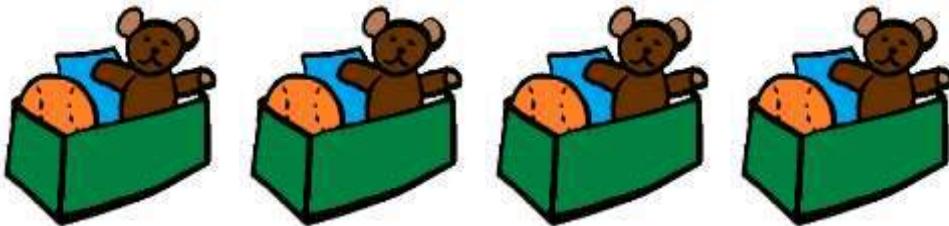
WE'RE HAVING A PARTY!!!

Our 3rd Annual Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party

will take place in the Fellowship Hall on
Saturday, November 18th from 2:00-5:00pm,
or until we've exhausted our supplies.

The shipping fees have also been raised, so there is no cost to you!
Please come and join us as we participate in this awesome ministry
that is changing the world, one child at a time!

Great snacks and wonderful fellowship will be enjoyed by all!



If you wish to take a box home and fill it on your own,
you'll find empty shoeboxes on the ping-pong table in the fellowship hall.

Help yourself to a box, fill it,

and return it to the ping-pong table prior to November 18th.

We will include your boxes with ours, and will also pay your shipping fee!

All filled boxes will be taken to the collection center by

Monday, November 20, 2017.

Thank you for helping us bless kids around the world this Christmas!!!!

~ The Crossing Youth

Comfort Dog News

As we move forward with considering this ministry, I would like to share with you some of the wonderful outcomes I observed recently from the LCC Comfort Dog Ministry. After reeling from the horrific and evil act in Las Vegas, I was so touched by all the LCC Comfort Dogs and their teams, who immediately went to comfort the injured, the grieving and those involved in the response. Eighteen LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs and LCC K-9 Police Ministry teams from 7 states traveled there to offer a comforting presence. Can you even imagine the shock and dismay of the people there who were probably unable to put into words the heartache they were feeling? Then along comes a Comfort Dog and their handler both trained in ministry, to comfort by simply being there as a gentle presence. It was also amazing to see that the LCC Comfort Dog ministry was getting some publicity as several news stations such as CBS and BBC news interviewed the teams involved in the Comfort Dog ministry. Even Anderson Cooper was comforted by several Comfort Dogs and LCC President Tim Hetzner (see photo). We don't know of Anderson Cooper's faith but what an opportunity Tim Hetzner had to share the mercy, compassion, presence and proclamation of Jesus Christ through the love and presence of a Comfort Dog who provided a bridge for this conversation to take place.

If we move forward with this ministry, it is possible our dog and team could go to a disaster site such as this to offer comfort and mercy. But more importantly will be the work the Comfort Dog will do right in our own backyard, six days a week, year round. Recently, I had to write a ministry plan to submit to LCC of how a Comfort Dog could be used by our church in the community. As I started writing, it was amazing the number of places I thought of where we could share Christ's love using the Comfort Dog as the bridge for opening up those conversations. I kept thinking of the Dr. Seuss book, "Oh, The Places You'll Go" while pondering the possibilities. Here are just some of those places:

- Nursing Home, Hospice, Hospital Visits
- Our Daily Rest, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Pantry
- Collins Home, Calvary Home Orphanages
- Public/Private Schools
- Oconee Detention Center, Christ Central Ministries
- GHS Cancer Center, Tribble Center, Foothills Pregnancy Care Center
- Fire, Police and EMS Departments
- Clemson University, Anderson University, Tri-County Tech
- Greenville/Spartanburg Airport
- Grocery Stores, neighborhoods, apartment complexes

God only knows the other places we will go as we wait to see where He sends us!

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I love following several of the dogs on Facebook to get ideas for our future ministry. Comfort Dogs, Sasha and Luke just came back from Bonita Springs, Florida after ministering to those affected by Hurricane Irma. Jewel had a booth at a Chamber of Commerce Marketplace event in their community, Phoebe spent some time at the Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders, and Aaron visited the local fire station to minister to those fire fighters battling the recent fires in California. You can really learn a lot about the Comfort Dog Ministry and all the places they “go” by following a few of the dogs on Facebook.

If you would like to see this ministry happen here at ESLC, donations can be made to ESLC, care of the Comfort Dog fund. We are aiming to raise the initial \$7500 deposit by January 2018. As of this writing, we have raised \$2,556. Thank you to all who have donated so far!

Seeking God’s will in all of this,
Kyra Carbone



MISSION NEWS

Honduras Mission 2018 – We have our first team meeting behind us and everything is moving smoothly to once again reach out to serve the people of Honduras. As we prepare to bring the Gospel to all of those we meet we also are preparing to gather together medicine and supplies for our mission. Ours is a medical mission with an Evangelistic outcome; meaning we bring medical, dental, and optical services to the people and then sit down with them and share the Gospel. Many already know the Lord but many more come to accept Jesus as Lord because of the Holy Spirit working through a group of missionaries from South Carolina.



We need to raise funds to purchase, medicine, eyeglasses, toothbrushes/toothpaste, children's supplies plus pay for material for concrete floors and water filters. We do this several ways, the first of which is our **“Helping Hands for Honduras” fund raiser** where we hand out a gardening glove to everyone who would like to help and ask you to put change, dollars, or checks in the glove and then return them to a bin near the mailboxes marked Helping Hands. **We will begin handing out the gloves on Sunday Nov. 5 and the last date for pickup will be Sunday Dec. 3rd.** Thank you in advance for helping to make our mission successful. – *Dios te bendiga (God Bless You) – Your Honduras Mission Team*

Toy's For God's Kids – Your ESLC “Smilemakers have just completed another work day of assembling cars to send out to the mission fields. To date our group has sent out over 2500 toy cars to children throughout the world and we have another 1800 requests in house to be sent out in the next 3 – 4 months. At present we only have 2 or 3 people cutting the cars with 2 more cutting wheels and drilling holes for the wheels and windows. On assembly day we have 8 – 10 folks who come to help assemble the cars. If anyone has a scroll saw or a drill press we could use your help in getting everything ready to assemble. TFGK is a great organization with “Smilemakers” working throughout the States to bring joy to children who have no toys. Consider becoming a “Smilemaker” – contact Mike Hauser or Pastor Ray Ramsburg for more information. *This is a wonderful opportunity to reach out to others with the love of Christ.*

WE ARE GOING BACK—on a disaster recovery mission to Lumberton, NC the of Nov. 12th to 17th. There are many needy houses still to be restored. Please consider being a blessing to those who are in great need. If you can help, please contact Deek, Lars or any member of the mission committee.



2017 BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FOR THE FOOTHILLS PREGNANCY CARE CENTER

Thank you to all who participated in the 2017 Baby Bottle Drive to benefit the Foothills Pregnancy Care Center. Eternal Shepherd raised \$4286 this year! Our largest amount we have collected!! Heartfelt thanks to all of you for your overwhelming generosity, faithfulness and commitment to this wonderful ministry. Your continued support enables FPCC to fulfill their mission of *“Offering HOPE, HEALING and HELP to women and families in our community who are facing a crisis related to pregnancy”*. What a blessing to be part of this God pleasing ministry! Many thanks to Kyra Carbone, Gloria Shealy and Grover Stewart for their help throughout the process from counting/rolling the coins, through taking the coins to the bank for our final check to FPCC. On behalf of FPCC, thank you and God bless! *Tracy Cochell*



How crafting hands serve at ESLC ...

There are three relative new ministries at Eternal Shepherd where crafting skills are used to serve our Lord.

Many members of our congregation use their wood skills to create wooden cars for third world countries. This group is affiliated with the national organization Toys for God's Kids.

Several members used their knitting and crocheting skills to create prayer shawls for those that are seriously ill or distressed.

Other members used their knitting and crocheting skills to make mats for the homeless out of plastic shopping bags.

These are in addition to the **Mission Quilt Ministry** that has been established for over 10 years. A group of women meet on the second Tuesday of most months to cut, piece, sandwich and sew quilts.

All four groups are always looking for additional volunteers. Contact Mike Hauser or Pastor Ray Ramsburg for the toy makers, Sue Hauser for the prayer shawls, Kyra Carbone for the homeless mats, and Marlene Bell for quilts if you think you are interested in assisting in any of these activities.

But individual crafting gifts also need to be acknowledged that add to the beauty of our church proper. Just two examples include the stain glass works by Pastor Art Beyer in the narthex or the cross above the main entrance door to the sanctuary made by Bob Lindgren.

Toys for God's Kids Ministry

The toymakers, not just men, make small wooden cars.

Individual toymakers cut, drill, route, sand the cars as well as cut and route the wooden wheels. Then they come together as a group and assemble these cars. You do not need to have woodworking equipment to assist in the assembly process.

They have made over 2500 cars this year which have been sent to Honduras, Haiti, Kenya, Sierra Leone, etc. as well as been donated to the Shoebox Ministry for their distribution. Nationally, since the establishment of Toys for God's Kids, over twenty years ago, more than one million cars have been made and donated throughout the world.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry consists of individuals, usually women, who donate their knitting and crocheting skills, time, and yarn to create shawls, scarfs, lap robes, etc., of any color and any design. While these garments are being created, they pray for the person who will receive the prayer shawls. This ministry started at Eternal Shepherd approximately three years ago and we have distributed more than thirty prayer shawls made by over a dozen members from the congregation. A prayer shawl typically takes between 40 and 80 hours to make; it is a labor of love. Knitting and crocheting lessons are available for those that are interested either as a refresher course or a beginner.



Homeless Mat Ministry

Homeless Mats are made from plastic retail bags that had been cut into rings, looped together to create a ball of plastic yarn referred to as “plarn”. It takes significant time to just to prepare the recycle materials before even beginning to knit or crochet a mat approximately 2-1/2 feet wide by 6 feet long. This is also a very time consuming activity requiring about 60 or 70 hours for just one mat. Each mat is made from 600 to 700 recycled plastic grocery bags. Some of the women that are making prayer shawls are also making these homeless mats that are donated to Our Daily Rest mission in Seneca. We have delivered six mats to the shelter since March of this year.



Mission Quilts

This group makes quilts for third world countries usually on the second Tuesday morning of every month (except December) in the Fellowship Hall. You do not need to know how to sew to join this group. The tasks of making quilts is subdivided into tasks – cutting out the material, batting, and backing; sewing various fabrics together to create the quilt top (often done offsite during the month); putting the backing, batting, and quilt top together in preparation for sewing the edges together. All quilting supplies needed to produce these quilts are provided. Normally seven quilts are completed in a session with more than forty donated each year. Last year and this year over 100 quilts (each year) have been made and been donated to World Relief. This year’s quilts were blessed in the church service on October 22nd.



VIETNAM 50th ANNIVERSARY

The Oconee County Veterans Council and the VA Office have teamed up with the Department of Defense in recognizing the "commemoration" of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

In that regard the last event of the 3 year events will be held

November 9 - November 13, 2017.

The VIETNAM MOVING WALL will be in Oconee County and open for visitors during this time.

An opening ceremony will be Friday morning, November 10, 2017 at 10am.

Location is behind Blue Ridge Electric Co-Op. Intersection of Highway 11/Highway 123.

Entrance will be from Highway 11.

"American Pride", A 'Statler Brothers' Tribute Band will preform the National Anthem at the opening ceremony. They will preform a concert that night at the Walhalla Civic Auditorium. **All veterans will be admitted free of charge.** Show starts at 7:30 with doors opening at 6:30.

A closing ceremony will be Sunday afternoon, November 12th at 3:00pm.

The public will be able to view the Wall:

Thursday (November 9) 1pm - 5pm

Friday (November 10) 10am - 5pm (Opening ceremony 10am)

Saturday (November 11) 10am - 5pm

Sunday (November 12) 10am - 5pm (Closing ceremony 3pm)

Monday (November 13) 10am - 3pm



For more information please call the Veterans Affairs Office (864) 638-4231

FOOD BANK NEWS:

Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month. These items will help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. Each month we will have a different preferred product featured. **November's** preferred product is "**Canned Fruit**" Please help us overload the collection box (the big blue trash can marked Food Bank down by the main Fellowship Hall).
~Thank you for your generosity and support.



Greeting Cards— Birthday! Get Well! Encouragement! Praying for You! Sympathy! Thinking of You! Cancer/Difficult Times! Anniversary! Baptism! Thanksgiving! Christmas! All these cards have been restocked in the cart in the Fellowship Hall. They are still \$.50 a card and \$5.00 for a whole box. Take a little extra time and check them out.

SCRIP CARDS

Please remember that
Scrip cards make great gifts and earn money for Eternal Shepherd at the same time. Please see your scrip ladies today or pick up an order form located by the Scrip box in the narthex.

~Thank you for your support.



SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS



In *September* the following gifts were given:

In loving memory of *Barb Hornburg*
the Choir Fund received gifts of \$125.00
the Memorial Fund received a gift of \$25.00
and

In loving memory of *Dr. Vil Griffin*
the Disaster Relief Trailer Fund received a gift of \$25.00

Other Gifts:

The Capital Campaign Building Fund received gifts of \$2,340.00
and received a gift of \$764.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars

The Board of Christian Ed. received a gift of \$20.00

The Coffee Fund received gifts of \$52.65

The Comfort Dog Ministry received a gift of 656.00
from Thrivent Choice Dollars

The Debt Reduction Fund received a gift of \$50.00

The Disaster Relief Fund received gifts of \$590.00

The Elders Fund received a gift of \$62.00

The Food Bank Fund received a gift of \$20.00

The Foothills Pregnancy Care Center received a gift of \$100.00

The Haiti Mission Fund received gifts of \$700.00

The Kulper Family Trust Fund received a gift of \$500.00

The Operation Christmas Child Fund received a gift of \$25.00

The Special Missions Fund received a gift of \$25.00

The Youth Fund received a gift of \$25.00

Little Lambs Tales

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever"
1 Chronicles 16:34



It is the month of November and we have much to give thanks for here at Little Lambs Preschool. We are thankful to the parents who entrust their little ones to us each and every day. We are thankful for the children who remind us through their words and actions the love of our God and the beauty of His creation. We are thankful for the support of our staff as we gather together in prayer each morning and are reminded that God is with us through the good days and bad. We are thankful for this church and the many members who continue to support us in so many ways.

This month we will be busy giving thanks and sharing our gifts of faith, family and friends with our children.

On November 3rd we will be hosting our Parents Night Out. On this evening our parents are given an opportunity to go out as a couple and spend time with one another as we care for their children.

We will culminate our month with our Thanksgiving Feast on November 17th! This feast will be held in the Fellowship Hall where our staff, the parents and children will gather as one community in celebration for the many blessings that God has given us. To kick off our feast, we will have our own Thanksgiving parade where the children will be dressed in costume and upon entering the hall will walk as pilgrims and Indians singing and parading until they find their families who will be seated at their tables.

The staff will then serve our families the Thanksgiving meal as a way of saying thank you for being a part of our Little Lambs Preschool family.

We hope that each and every one of you can join us in counting our blessings as we celebrate this month of Thanksgiving!

*Blessings,
Gina*

SERVICE TIMES

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
& Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)



THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor: David Hammer

Deaconess: Holly Lustila

Secretary: Celeste Entrekin

Preschool Director: Gina Cote

Choir Director: Rick Schmidt

Choir Accompanist: Michelle Rowland

Organist: David Phillips

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*“No one is holy like the LORD, for there is none besides
You, nor is there any rock like our God.” 1 Samuel 2:2*

Happy Thanksgiving!

