



# Happynings

January 16, 2009

## This Week's Readings

**January 18th: Second Sunday after Epiphany:** 1 Sam. 1:1-20; Psalm 139; 1 Cor. 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

*The newsletter and calendar for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rochester • Minnesota*

**Farewell to Vicky Mulvihill!** After nine years on the staff, Vicky Mulvihill is finishing up her duties as Volunteer Coordinator at Good Shepherd. Vicky has brought a wonderful attention to detail and dedication to our staff as she has matched members with volunteer needs at and beyond Good Shepherd Church. She will be missed as a part of our team. Vicky will be taking up a new challenge as an Administrative Assistant at an architectural firm in town. We wish Vicky well in this new position and adventure! We also look forward to our continued shared ministry at GSC with Vicky and her family. We will have a time to thank Vicky for her ministry as a volunteer coordinator at GSC on *Sunday, February 1* between services. THANK YOU VICKY!

**We've Moved!** The Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study has outgrown the Conference Room. We moved back to the Fellowship Hall. That makes room for anyone who may have not attended the Ephesians study. This is a great time of fellowship, so be sure to join us on Sunday at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall.

**Annual Meeting:** Sunday, Jan. 25, is the Good Shepherd Annual Meeting. Bring a dish to share after the 10:30am (approx. 11:45) and join in fellowship as we celebrate the wonderful ministries of 2008 and look forward to our continued and vibrant ministry in 2009. We need people to help setup, serve and cleanup. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex and we'll see you there.

**Celebrate Holy Communion:** Every week at every service at Good Shepherd we celebrate Holy Communion and experience the real presence of Jesus through the sacrament. This is a true celebration! We are looking for people to help with the celebration by doing Communion preparation and clean up for the 10:30 service. Are you willing to help? This is a wonderful area to volunteer and serve, if you are willing to help out (at the 10:30 service or for any of the others) please sign up for training dates at the Welcome Center.

**Dorothy Day Help Needed:** We are still seeking volunteers to work the early shift at the Dorothy Day house on Feb. 10 & March 24. If interested, call Rod Rosaaen at 285-0790 or raros@charter.net

## THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

### Saturday, January 17

8-11 am Promise Practice (FH)  
9:00am Quilters (A)  
5:30pm Worship

### Sunday, January 18

8:00am Worship  
9:15am Ephesians Adult Bible Study (FH)  
Education Hour  
10:30am Worship

### Monday, January 19 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)

Office Closed  
6:30pm Celebration Handbells  
7:30pm Jubilation Handbells

### Tuesday, January 20

7:30am Men's Coffee  
9:30am Stay and Play  
10:30am Staff Meeting

### Wednesday, January 21

5:30pm Ring & Sing, Confirmation  
Wednesday Night Air  
6-6:45pm Simple Supper  
7:00pm Remix, Joyful Noise Singers

### Thursday, January 22

7:00am Ephesians Bible Study  
2:00pm High School Ski Trip Departs  
7:00pm Sisters in Faith

### Saturday, January 24

8-11 am Promise Practice (FH)  
5:30pm Worship

### Sunday, January 25

8:00am Worship  
9:15am Ephesians Adult Bible Study (FH)  
Education Hour  
10:30am Worship  
11:45am Annual Meeting (FH)  
7-8pm High School Ski Trip Returns

## YOUTH STUFF

As summer is approaching faster than we're probably ready for, get ready for our **Mystery Destination Mission Trip**. The trip dates are **June 26th through July 3rd**. The deposit is only \$50, but we'll have another payment due soon. We have 8 youth spots left and it will be opened up to kids from other churches who have expressed interest at the end of the month. If you have any questions about the trip, talk to Janet.

The deadline to sign up for **Acquire the Fire** is January 23rd. This event is February 13th and 14th and is for all students in high school. It should be an awesome weekend in Minneapolis full of music, worship, and loads of fun! The cost of the event is \$100. If you have any questions, please contact Janet. We still need a male chaperone for this event, so let Janet know if you're interested!

**Backpacking Trip:** We are looking for a few **high school** youth (completing grades 9-12) with a sense of **adventure!** We are organizing a **backpacking trip** on the Superior National Trail, which runs along Lake Superior's North Shore through the Sawtooth Mountain Range. This trip will be fully outfitted and guided by trained staff from Camp Amnicon, an ELCA camp in Northern Wisconsin. The cost per person is **\$325** (could be slightly higher if we can't fill the trip). We only have room for 9 kids, so sign up ASAP!

The dates are **July 5-10**.

Contact Ellen Herder for more information 289-5723.

**Mark your calendars!!!! February 1<sup>st</sup> is Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday!** We are inviting you to join together with our children and youth to fight hunger and poverty in our local community. Our goal is to have the **noisiest** offering ever!!! Dig in your jar's, pocket's, purses, car door's, sofa's and any other place you find change to bring it along – so we can offer it up to support a very important cause!! (p.s. - Quiet offering's will be accepted also!) **This unique youth-led movement of caring is transforming the nation's biggest weekend of football into its largest weekend of giving!!**

## **BIRTHDAYS**

- 16th Kayla Casciano, Karin Neuvirth  
17th Katy Gustafson, Toni Aipperspach, Gladys Ellefson, Daniel Johnson, Mary Jones, Kaydyn Strum, Greta Van Loon  
18th Sarah Hockert  
19th Taylor Medes, Jonathon Orth, Craig Swenson, Eric Woodford  
21st DeWayne Augeson, Jill Bennett, Brenden Bowren, JoAnn Holt-Angerman  
23rd Jane Chilson, Adeline Feenstra, Ella Feenstra, Tami Halverson, Ryan Yennie

## **PRAYERS**

+ For all members of Good Shepherd, especially: Ruth Griffin, Duane & Linda Grosz, Cory & Kristi Groves (Sophie).

## **January 18th — 2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

+ For all congregations in the Southeastern Minnesota Synod, including: Grand Meadow Lutheran in Grand Meadow, East Freeborn Lutheran in Albert Lea, Gol Lutheran in Kenyon, Community Lutheran in Geneva, San Pablo Lutheran Church in Colombia (partnered with Community, Geneva), Cristo Vive Mission in Colombia (partnered with Community, Geneva).

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Saturday 5:30 PM; Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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Cynthia McLaren ..... Associate in Ministry

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