



The Shepherd's Voice

December, 2020

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA), 439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy., Hernando, FL

Pastor's Page

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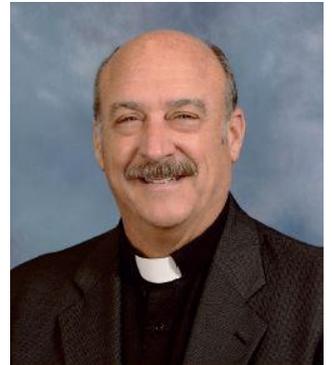
1. the arrival of a notable person, thing or event.

We begin a new church year in a season of hope, like no other year we've known, with the anticipated Christmas celebration of Emmanuel, God with us, God becoming a flesh and blood part of creation. Foretold for years in scripture, the arrival of Emmanuel was signaled by a bright star which caught the attention of those in the world who would pay attention.

Each week in worship we will light a new candle and we will hear how the God that we know in and through Jesus is the bright star of creation, the bright star of unity, the bright star of hope, and the bright star of love. And then, on the 4th Sunday in Advent, in anticipation of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, we will celebrate Jesus being our bright and blazing star of joy.

While we are traveling through these four weeks, join us as we pay attention to the star. The Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services will be a culmination of the Advent season bringing to light, through Word, Sacrament and song, that the Star has been born. This Jesus, the bright Star, has been born in the little town of Bethlehem. He is the very glory of God incarnate, come to save us all.

In this season of Advent, remember even though many things have been cancelled this past year, faith, hope and love have not and cannot be cancelled. Remember to allow time and space for what is important and to let the Star shine brightly in your lives.



Pastor Dennis





The following are highlights from the November council meeting:

- ❖ Work should commence soon on front entrance.
- ❖ Annual Tag Sale set for February 27 is cancelled due to Covid. A new date will be announced at a later time.
- ❖ Deacon Rick will chair the Pastoral Care Committee and Deacon Bob will be part of this committee.
- ❖ Angel Tree is underway. Contact Phyllis Powell with any questions.
- ❖ Senior Tree is also underway benefitting residents of Life Care Center. Contact Kathy Swartz or Bill Mehnert for more information.
- ❖ Envelopes are now available for purchase of poinsettias plants for Christmas. The cost is \$9.50 per plant. Contact Jane Isenstead for more information.

Executive Board Meeting on Zoom: December 3 at 9:30 a.m.

Council Meeting on Zoom: December 10 at 3:00 p.m.



Deacon's Digest

Christmas with the Covid virus. Oh boy!

This is the first year in many that Pat and I will be home for Christmas. I suspect that we are not the only ones who have had travel plans affected by the covid virus. I have some bad news and some good news. The bad news is that we won't be able to spend Christmas with family and



friends. The good news is that if we protect ourselves this year, we will have many Christmases together in years to come.

I have more good news. "For unto us a Child is born". We know the Christmas story and the carols. We look forward to the Advent services (Facebook and YouTube). We join in the excitement of "Peace on earth, good will toward mankind" sung by the angels - and the prophesy of Isaiah coming to fruition. This is part of the worship and fellowship of our Christian community every year.

But this year, the way we celebrate is hampered by the virus.

The good news is: The Christ child was born for us! He came into the world for us. He came into the world because of us.

The real gift of Christmas isn't given until Easter. As we look at the manger, we see the Christ Child, new birth, new life, the son of God. Over the proverbial horizon, there stands the cross, the emblem of the perfect sacrifice for our sin. The real gift is that Christ conquered sin and death for you and me and all of creation; the real gift of eternal life with Him.

Perhaps the Christmas season will be different this year but virus or no virus, we still celebrate that God loved the world so much that He gave His only son and who ever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life.

Deacon Rick



W/ELCA NEWS

At the November board meeting, W/ELCA Stewardship chairman, Cindy Gaertner, shared information about the Citrus County Education Foundation (CCEF.) Because of the generosity of the members of Good Shepherd, we had school supplies and money donated in excess of the immediate needs of the known students and teachers. We were concerned about how to distribute what was donated in a way that it could be used in

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the most immediate and effective way. Cindy recommended that we donate the supplies and cash to the Citrus County Education Foundation because they have the most current information about the needs of students and teachers, and can maximize the impact of the resources. The W/ELCA Board voted to have Cindy present our donation at the CCEF at their meeting January 21, 2021.

The Circle meetings this month were held in person at the church. On Monday, November 9, four women gathered for the Mary/Martha circle. On Wednesday, November 11, the Ruth/Naomi - Priscilla circle met. Six women were in the fellowship hall, six more women attended on Zoom. We all enjoyed the fellowship of seeing each other. Unfortunately, the number of new Covid-19 cases has risen so much that we will not have in-person meetings in December. There will be one Zoom circle meeting on Wednesday, December 9, at 1:00 p.m..

In the past W/ELCA has asked the church to support two special offerings. In May, the Rachel's Day offering would have been collected to support a local not-for-profit agency whose services benefit women and children. In November, the Thankoffering was collected to support the work of the Women of the ELCA. Before Good Shepherd suspended in-person worship this spring, our W/ELCA Board selected Citrus Abuse Shelter Association (CASA) to receive the Rachel's Day offering. The mission of CASA is to help victims and survivors of domestic violence by promoting shelter, safety, intervention, and education, and to educate the community for social change. This year the proceeds of the Thankoffering will be split equally between CASA and W/ELCA. In this way, we can support the agency we chose for the Rachel's Day collection even though we didn't have a collection in May. This November we ask you to think about how God has blessed you in this difficult year, and to express your gratitude by giving generously. Special offering envelopes will be passed out at church on November 29 and December 6. The Thankoffering will be collected on November 29 and December 6. If you are not attending church in person, you can still contribute by making out a check to WELCA, and including it with your regular offering. We pray you will support the ministry of the Women of the ELCA as well as CASA and their valuable work in our community.

We encourage all of the women to put together personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. We will count and pack them for shipping at the beginning of January.

The December Zoom board meeting will be Monday, December 7, at 1:00 p.m.

Anne Storan, W/ELCA President



Fellowship

I feel like Rip Van Winkle. I fell asleep in March and am now waking up to find the world is a lot different. What is the same is our wonderful church family who are staying connected, attending or watching our church services and looking out for one another.

On behalf of the Fellowship Committee I want to let you know that our annual Tag Sale will have to be postponed. There would not be a safe way to do all the prep and set up and to hold the actual sale. At this time we propose scheduling the sale in the Fall. When it gets closer we will provide more details. I know many have been cleaning out closets and garages while staying in your homes. If you can, please hold on to any treasures for the sale.

As the year is ending, I want to thank again all the Fellowship Committee members. I also want to thank all the ladies and gentlemen who have helped with Sunday coffee hours and dinner events. We just have to be patient, but we will all be together again in fellowship.

Peace be with you,

Betty Sanger, Fellowship Chair



Looking for some fun?

Come and help us decorate the church Friday,
December 18 at 10:00 a.m.



Angels We Have “Herd” On High

In honor of the congregation of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Linda and I have purchased a pair of goats this Christmas through the ELCA Good Gifts Program. Goats can go where other animals can't, surviving in some of the world's most challenging terrain and unreliable climates. Fresh milk from a goat provides daily nutrition for children and their families. What's more, goats are incredibly quick to reproduce, and they provide an opportunity for families to pass the gift on to others. We wish you all a very blessed Christmas. It has been a challenging year for all of us, but God's light has shined brightly through his Son, the one whose birth we celebrate and rejoice in this month. The Lord be with you.

Pastor Dennis



LIFE CARE SENIOR ANGEL TREE

This holiday, more than ever, we need to remember and include our senior shut-ins. Good Shepherd's response last year to our Christmas gift tree to benefit the residents at Life Care Center in Lecanto was AMAZING! We've requested additional names and our gift tree will be in the Narthex for 4 more Sundays to sign a tag out on the clipboard provided. If you cannot physically select a name please contact Kathy Swartz @ 422-6717 or Bill Mehnert @ 513-4624 and they will assist you. Return your gift in a Christmas gift bag with the gift tag attached at a Sunday service so your name can be checked off the list. Deadline for gift return is December 15. Please do not drop your gift off to Shirley in the office. If you cannot come on a

Sunday please call Kathy to arrange an alternative time. Thank you.



Thanksgiving Take- Out Dinner

It would be wonderful to be able to share this special day of food and blessings in our own fellowship hall but the next best alternative is a home-cooked take out Thanksgiving dinner available for drive-thru pick up on Thanksgiving Thursday between 11-11:30 AM. The deadline for signing up is Sunday, November 22. Please contact Kathy Swartz @ 422-6717 or Bob Bonomo @ 220-4307 to reserve a meal or if you would like to donate a food item. Thank you.



Thrivent Choice Dollars

The following Thrivent Financial for Lutherans members have directed this month's Choice Dollars be given to Good Shepherd:

Joseph E. Baker
Linda C. Koch
Anne R. Storan

Thank you for your gift.



God uses money as a tool to help us grow.

“Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions” (Luke 12:15).



Virtual Coffee Hour

Join us on Zoom for a virtual "coffee hour" each Sunday from 9:30 am - 9:45 am just before worship on YouTube and Facebook Live at 10:00 am. To join, go to www.zoom.com, click



"Join a Meeting" and enter the meeting ID and passcode below. Hope to see you there!

Linda Koch

December login information:

Meeting ID: 717 6318 3316 - Passcode: GSLC



Applying Biblical Principles

Empowered by Grace, We Invest for Time and Eternity



A wise person once observed, "Half of any task is having the right tool, and the other half is knowing what to do with it." Although we don't often consider it as such, money is a tool

which God uses in our lives as a means of spiritual growth.

Money is not an end in and of itself. It is a means to an end. And in God's hands, one of its primary "ends" is to instruct us and to help us grow spiritually. God especially wants us to avoid our natural tendency which is a bent toward selfishness, greed, and hoarding. That's why the Lord Jesus said, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions" (Luke 12:15).

Well, if an individual's life does not consist in having a lot of possessions, in what does it consist? Jesus provided an insightful answer to that question in Matthew 6:20-21, where He said, "... store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Now, according to Jesus' teaching in the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25), there is nothing wrong with saving. There is nothing wrong with investing or earning interest on investments. There is nothing wrong with being a wise steward by planning for the future. In fact, Jesus taught that those who do so are to be commended. But our primary emphasis as God's children is to make our investments in the "Bank of Heaven." When we do that, our investments are secure. They are not affected by inflation, by theft, by wear and tear, or anything of the kind.

There is only one way to make deposits in this special "bank": By giving to the Lord's work. Although the money is used here, it is credited to your eternal account. Each time you give your tithes and offerings at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church you are giving to the Lord by investing for eternity. You are storing up "treasures in heaven" that will glorify God forever.

Shelly Fortin

Stewardship

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"Christmas began in the heart of God. It is complete only when it is in the heart of man."

—Anonymous

Adopt -A -Highway

Our next Adopt-a-Highway Road Clean-up will take place on Saturday, December 5 at 8:00 am and usually lasts no more than 2 hours. We will meet at CVS at the entrance to Terra Vista and pick up trash along a 2.25 mile section of Norvell Bryant Highway. Please see or email Linda Koch LCK1164@gmail.com if you are interested in helping with this fun project. Final instructions and details will be emailed to you a few days before the clean-up. Thank you!



In the Mailbag

My dear church friends,

Thank you so much for all the beautiful cards you sent me as I recovered from my broken hip. Thank you for all the visits and phone calls, especially Aagot Green and Nate and Sauny Williams. A special thank you to Pastor Barrett for bringing me communion. How blessed I am!

Sylvia Hartsfield



Dear Good Shepherd Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards, calls, thoughts and prayers we received after the death of my nephew, Ed Wakelyn. Our church family is such comfort especially being so far away from my sister Mary and her family.

God bless you all,
Maggie and Jack Bregger



Bible Quiz

Which of the four Gospels name(s) Bethlehem as the place of Jesus' birth?

A. Only Luke
B. Matthew and Luke
C. Mark and John
D. All four



Answer: (See Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:1-7)



Memorial and Special Gifts

The following memorial and special gifts were given during the month of November:

- To the SOS Food Pantry by Pat Bentley and Susie Steinour in memory of **John Bourdeaux**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Ronald Crossman in memory of **Marjorie Crossman**.
- To the General Fund by Gladys P. Kean in memory of **Ralph Mongardi**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Jack & Maggie Bregger in memory of **Ralph Mongardi**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Sondra Jackson in memory of **Lucille Hoell and Ralph Mongardi**.
- To the Memorial Fund by Maureen Grossman in memory of **Lucille Hoell**.
- To the Christian Education Fund by Terry Lucente in memory of **Madelyn Hickey**.
- To the General Fund by Aagot Green in memory of **Katherine Gramolini**.
- To the SOS Food Pantry by Dianne Kohm in memory of **Bob Kohm**.



Winter Music Series 2020-2021

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
439 E Norvell Bryant Hwy
Hernando, FLORIDA 34442



Good Shepherd "We Wait!" Musical Christmas Offering

December 13, Sunday 10AM Service. **NO CHARGE!**
Also available on Facebook: [GSLC Media Center](#) and
[YouTube](#).

Larry Stephenson Bluegrass Band February 19, Friday, 7pm

Johny Carlsson & MegaBones
Five professional trombone players
performing original compositions that
characterize jazz from the 50s and 60s.
March 14, Sunday 3pm

Special Consensus, Bluegrass Band.
Grammy nominee and IBMA "Best Song of
the Year" award winner.
April 16, Friday 7pm

Tickets for concerts are \$10 at the door.

All performances are subject to cancellation, based on
current restrictions.

Please call, text or email for confirmation!
For Information contact: Angela Busler,
860-906-8723 (cell), AMBusler@gmail.com

Sponsors: Tom and Barb Laing



(352)-527-0015
Hernando, Florida



(352)-341-3515
Lecanto, Florida



Publix Saturday Night Pick-Up

TBD
&

Food Share Monday Delivery
TBD



Puzzle!

Use the code to complete Isaiah's
prophecy about Jesus, our Savior.



CODE:

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14 5 14 1 21 10 2 3 18 23 16

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Answer: And he will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Isaiah 9:6, NIV

Special dates

- Wednesday Advent Worship, *December 2, 9, & 16 online only at 6:00 p.m.*
- Second Sunday of Advent, *December 6, 2020*
- Third Sunday of Advent, *December 13, 2020*
- Chancel Choir Musical Offering, *December 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. worship service.*
- Piano Recital, *December 13, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. featuring the students of Renate Williams Slick.*
- Fourth Sunday of Advent, *December 20, 2020*
- First day of winter, *December 21, 2020*
- Christmas Eve, *December 24, 2020*
- Christmas Eve Worship, *December 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Outdoor service.*
- Christmas Day, *December 25, 2020*
- Christmas Day Worship, *December 25, 2020 online only at 10:00 a.m.*
- New Year's Eve/Watch Night, *December 31, 2020*



Father Christmas Ball

Dear Past and Present Supporters of SOS, Did you attend the Father Christmas Ball in years past? Would you have gone this year if things were different and we could actually have one? If so, please, please consider purchasing a “non ticket” in the form of a donation to SOS. The price of the tickets was \$50.00, but we would gladly accept more! Keep in mind that if you could have gone to the ball that you may have also participated in the silent auction and/or the 50-50 tickets!

As you know, a small group of volunteers are working tirelessly each Thursday to make sure the families in Citrus county that depend on us do not go hungry. We have seen this number increase lately, which unfortunately means the need is not diminishing. Please give this special consideration for your holiday giving, or for that matter, any time you can help us out. It is greatly appreciated! Thank you!

You may send your tax deductible contribution directly to:

SOS, Inc.
PO Box 640774
Beverly Hills, FL 34464

If you want to save a stamp, it can be put in the SOS mailbox in the church office. Attn: Mary Krol



A sacred summary



The simple shepherds
heard the voice of an angel
and found their Lamb;
the wise men
saw the light of a star
and found their Wisdom.

—Fulton J. Sheen



What to give?

To your enemy, forgiveness.
To an opponent, tolerance.
To a friend, your heart.
To a customer, service.
To all men, charity.
To every child, a good example.
To yourself, respect.
—Oren Arnold





**May You Have a Blessed,
Holy and Merry
Christmas!
The Kochs
Dennis
Linda
Michael
& Ginger**

All programs and meetings are postponed until we get the all clear from the CDC.

DECEMBER 2020

Facebook Live & You Tube
Worship Sundays 10:00 a.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Merry Christmas! 		1 10:00A – Zoom Worship & Music 6:00P – Bells	2 8:00A-SOS 1:00P – W/ELCA Board 6:00P - Advent Worship online only 6:30P - Choir	3 8:30A – SOS  9:30A - Executive Council Zoom	4 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	5 8:00A – Adopt-A-Highway Road Clean-Up
6 10:00A – Worship December Birthdays  Thankoffering Sunday	7 10:00A – Zoom  11:15A - Mary Martha	8 6:00P – Bells	9 8:00A-SOS 1:00P - Ruth Naomi 6:00P - Advent Worship online only 6:30P - Choir	10 8:30A – SOS  3:00P – Council Zoom 	11 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 	12
13 10:00A – Worship Choir Musical Offering 3:00P – Piano Recital 	14 10:00A – Zoom 	15	16 8:00A-SOS 6:00P - Advent Worship online only 6:30P - Choir	17 8:30A- SOS 	18 8:00A – Workday on Grounds  10:00A - Greening of the church	19
20 10:00A – Worship	21 10:00A – Zoom  Winter Begins	22	23	24  6:00P Outdoor Service	25  WORSHIP WITH US THIS CHRISTMAS 10:00A online only	26
27 10:00A – Worship	28 10:00A – Zoom 	29	30 8:00A-SOS	31 8:30A- SOS  New Year's Eve	 HELP US DECORATE! December 18 – 10:00 a.m.	

Sunday worship is at 10:00a.m. on Facebook Live and You Tube unless otherwise noted.

Zoom Coffee 15 with GSLC online from 9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

Meeting ID: 74595951668 - Passcode: GSLC

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



Ken & Vera Swade	12/05/98
Jim & Amy Gilbert	12/19/70
Kevin & Cindy Towne	12/19/87
Steve & Angela Schenk	12/29/01
Nate & Sauny Williams	12/29/62
Bob & Barbara Lackner	12/30/85



4– Jacqueline Imes

6 – Carol Lee Johnson

7 – Gail Sotrines

9 – Janet Burfeindt
Anne Storan

10 – Pam Dionne

11 –Bob Lackner
Dylan Nelson

12 – John Gray
Cindy Gaertner

13 – Karen Robidoux

15 – Shirley Storsteen

17– Jeffrey Amundsen

19 – Maggie Kirkeby

20 – Thelma Ewell
Frank Romanelli

21 – Joann Frost
Bob Deck
Margaret Hehn
Marty McMahan

23 – Judy Fischer

25 – Chris Bahner
Faye Lowe
Esther Page-Wood

28 – Gaye Barrett

30 – Mary Stiles
Frank Wheatley

MONTHLY COMMITTEE DUTIES
DECEMBER 6, 13, 20, 24, 25, 27

ALTAR & COMMUNION

TBD

FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

TBD

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Susan Fowler

MONEY COUNTERS

Louise Osborn, Lead
TBD

GREETERS

TBD

ASSISTING MINISTER

10:00AM

December 6

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville

December 13

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville

December 20

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville

December 24

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville
Deacon Rick Mainster

December 25

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville
Deacon Rick Mainster

December 27

Deacon Bob Bonomo Ann Neville

CRUCIFER

10:00AM

USHERS

10:00AM - TBD

NURSERY

Susan Fowler



(Please let the church office know if a name has been removed that should remain on this list, or if a name should be added.)

Let us remember:

Adams, Connie
Benefiel, Larry & Karen
Boerger, Dave
Bregger, Jack
Britt-Busler, Elizabeth
Brockschmidt, Fred
Burfeindt, Janet
Clark, Dawn
Creager, Ray & Carolyn
Drennen, Rose & family
Fortin, Shelly
Frost, Joann
Hartsfield, Sylvia

Hassing, Douglas & Donna
Hester, Marty
Jernberg, Sandy
Jimenez, Jeanette
Johnson, Barb
Johnson, Carol Lee
Koch, Pr. Dennis & Linda
Lauer, Barbara
Lawrence, Ivalee
Lepore, Linda, Jon & baby Gia
Masters, Leith

Miles, Ilse
Mongardi, Eloise
Olson, Louise
Page-Wood, Jeremy
Swade, Ken
Thomas, Maria
Whitcomb, Maxine & Ray
Wildman, Joe
Wolff, Jack

Those who are shut-in or residing in assisted living homes:

Hehn, Margaret
Maidhof, Walt & Helen

Mandell, Sheila
McGauran, Marion

Moll, Bob
Philipp, Dick

All who serve our country in the military:

Burba, Jake
Ceballos, Jason
Corsino, Mykael
Day, Kenneth
Gaertner, Jerrod
Harrington, Bryan
Heinz, Karinne
Hickman, Richard
Hicks, Nathan
Holman, Evan

Jackson, Brad
Johnston-Garcia, Christian
Luchay, Alan
Martin, Aaron
McCann, Jim
Miller, Tyler
Muchow, Jason
Piott, Trenton
Posa, Codymichael
Radloff, Steven

Radosevitch, Eric
Seefeld, Jessica
Springer, Jr., Dennis
Stroble, Jeremy
Swain, Jr., Terry
Thomas, Peter Chris
Thompson, David
Timpe, Chris
Walton, Les

Relatives and Friends:

Arbuckle, Amy & Matthew	Goforth, Jeffrey	Ralph, Bruce
Balastieri, Casey	Goodloe, Ernestine	Rambaldini, Jim
Barber, Steve & Kitty	Graves, Janice & Declan	Scheetz, Cathy & family
Beck, Bryan	Guberman family	Schoenleber, Sara
Bell, Ian	Johnson, Pr. Felice	Small, Brenda & Steven
Blunt, Robert	Johnson, Jim	Stewart, Sam
Blyth, Ruby	Kamm, Mike & Nancy	Stroble, David
Brockschmidt, Donna	Koch, Michael	Stuart, Neil & family
Brugger, Tristan	Kraft, Carter	Thatcher, Jean
Burgess, Louise	Krol, Shirley	Thompson, Lori
Burkhardt, Faith	Lavaja, Jim	Traywick, Edward
Campano, Thomas	Lewellen, Emily Anne	Tuegel, Chuck
Cashman, Lynda	Lobenthal, Jean	Urban, B.J.
Cato, Cecelia	Loftin, Tracy	Van Wyk family
Cherry, Elaine	Loger, Dennis	Waara, Jerry
Cipollone, Elaine	Longworth, Kathy	Walker, Betty
Clarke, Father Peter	Lundsford, Victoria	Wells, Emmarie [6]
Clarke, Charlotte	Magrum, Corbin	Wilder, Gayle
Costa, Denise	Magri, Steve	Williams, Dorothy
Crawford, Cleola	Maidhof, Dexter, Gary, Jeremiah	Wierzel, Rosalee
De Gina, Frances & family	McHugh, Mark	Wittmann family
Dille, Jim	McPhee, John	Wood, Rowen
Dortin, Rachel	Mehnert, Edward	Woods, Donna Jean
Farmer, Tom	Mena, Steve	Woolf, Nick
Fidell, Eloise	Nickerson, Mike	Woolley, Carol & family
Fratto, Joseph	O'Berry, Darlene	Wright, Matthew
Fowler family	Orr, Gail	Wyzard, Joe & Dana
Gaertner, Kent	Page-Wood, Jaaken	Young, Bill
Garling, John	Powell, Bill	Young, Ron
Gifford, Judy	Priselac, Lorrie	
Goetter, Tom	Rajotte, Keith	

Please take this prayer list, and use it in your private or family devotions in the coming month. You can see that our congregation has a great many people who are in need of our prayers. We will continue to pray for those folks for as long as they need our prayers. However, please call the church office by the third Sunday of the month to ask that your loved one or friend remain on the prayer list – otherwise we will joyfully assume that they are well once more, and with thanks to God, remove their names from this list.

December, 2020



LET IT SNOW!

Create a winter wonderland with this fun craft.



What you need:

- Glass jar with lid but no label
- Laminated photo (that will fit in the jar)
- Small plastic Christmas trinkets
- Hot or waterproof glue
- Container with spout
- 1 cup distilled water
- 3 tsp. glycerin
- Glitter



What you do:

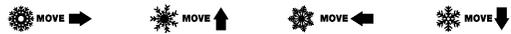
1. Unscrew lid and flip jar upside down. Glue the photo and trinkets to the inside of the lid, standing upright.
2. In a container, mix water and glycerin. Pour the mixture into the jar, leaving space at the top.
3. Spoon in some glitter.
4. When glue is dry, attach the decorated lid tightly. Shake the jar to see "snow" swirl and settle.



WHITE AS SNOW

Jesus, our Savior, came to earth to purify sinners.

Directions: Figure out which path through the puzzle is correct. Choose one to try, starting at the first picture under the "Path" box. Follow each picture's directional cues to see if the words make sense when placed in order in the blanks below. If not, try a different path until you figure out the Bible verse.



PATH 1	PATH 2	PATH 3	PATH 4	PATH 5	PATH 6
❄️ for	❄️ give	❄️ come	❄️ together	❄️ around	❄️ after
❄️ self	❄️ into	❄️ settle	❄️ eternal	❄️ thanks	❄️ forgive
❄️ God	❄️ LORD	❄️ says	❄️ without	❄️ Christ	❄️ warmth
❄️ love	❄️ sins	❄️ scarlet	❄️ other	❄️ light	❄️ praise
❄️ red	❄️ star	❄️ white	❄️ snow	❄️ winter	❄️ peace

EXIT

"_____ now, let us _____ the matter," _____ the _____.

"Though your _____ are like _____, they shall be as _____ as _____"

ISAIAH 1:18, NIV

Answer: Path 3; come, settle, says, LORD, sins, scarlet, white, snow





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