

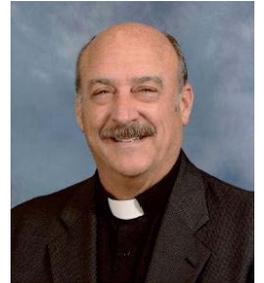


The Shepherd's Voice

March 2023

439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy, Hernando, FL 34442

PASTOR'S PAGE



Let's talk Lent. This year, by the Grace of God, finally, we can meet without any major health precautions as we have had in the past! This year's theme for our Lenten worship on Wednesday evenings will be "Amazing Grace". That title was not meant to be ironic. This year's theme is based on the beloved song that celebrates its 250th anniversary this year. In our Ash Wednesday service, which included the Imposition of Ashes and Communion, we focused on the amazing grace of God that King David experienced when he confessed his sins and was forgiven. We will also witness God's Amazing Grace that was shown to Isaiah, the Prodigal Son, a Blind Man that Jesus encountered, the Samaritan Woman Jesus met at the well, and last, but not least the Apostle Paul. We experience that same amazing grace of God in confession and forgiveness this Lent as we look toward the cross of Christ that made our freedom from sin possible.

Lent includes everyone's favorite topic – **Change**. There are three sure things in life – we will all die someday, the Grace of God is sure, and Change will happen. Change is a constant in our lives. Some changes mark gradual transitions, such as when daytime shifts toward twilight or winter turns to spring. Others happen in the blink of an eye, separating time into "before" and "after". We choose to undergo some changes after carefully considering our options, while others are forced upon us.

In the weeks, days, and hours before Jesus's crucifixion, the disciples also experience change: a change of venue as the gates of Jerusalem approach, a change of plans as their long-awaited Messiah was arrested and tried; a change of circumstance as the crowds shouted "Crucify!".

The Gospel readings for the Sundays in Lent for 2023 are filled with stories where Jesus creates the possibility of change and new life. God changes our plans and replaces them with a love broader and deeper than anything we could imagine – and that is part of God’s Amazing Grace.

Join us on Wednesday evenings (March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29) for soup supper at 5:30 PM immediately followed by worship at 6:15 PM, along with Sunday morning worship at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM. Together we will experience change and God’s Amazing Grace through those changes.

Pastor Dennis

6 BIBLE VERSES TO HELP YOU EMBRACE CHANGE

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- 1 JOHN 14:27**
"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."
- 2 PHILIPPIANS 1:6**
"He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."
- 3 PSALM 55:22**
"Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken."
- 4 ISAIAH 41:13**
"For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, 'Do not fear; I will help you.'"
- 5 1 PETER 5:7**
"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."
- 6 2 TIMOTHY 1:7**
"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love, and self-discipline."

Change is hard, but we can cling to the truth found in scripture while we battle our fears.

The Daily Positive



DURING LENT

Wednesdays @ 5:30 PM

Followed by 6:15 PM Worship



Lent is the Christian season of spiritual preparation before Easter. In Western churches, it begins on Ash Wednesday. During Lent, many Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance, moderation, self-denial, and spiritual discipline. The purpose of the Lenten season is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ—to consider his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial, and resurrection.

During the six weeks of self-examination and reflection, Christians who observe Lent typically make a commitment to fast, or to give up something. Some Christians also take on a Lenten discipline, like reading the Bible and spending more time in prayer to draw nearer to God.

Some observers of Lent do not eat meat on Fridays, often opting for fish instead. The goal of these spiritual disciplines is to strengthen the faith of the observer and develop a closer relationship with God.

The 40-day period of Lent is based on two episodes of spiritual testing in the Bible: the 40 years of wilderness wanderings by the Israelites after the exodus from Egypt (*Numbers 33:38 and Deuteronomy 1:3*) and the Temptation of Jesus after he spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness (*Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13*).

In the Bible, the number 40 holds special significance in the measurement of time, and many other important events revolve around it. During the flood, it rained for 40 days and 40 nights (Genesis 7:4, 12, 17; 8:6). Moses fasted on the mountain for 40 days and nights before God gave the Ten Commandments (Exodus 24:18; 34:28; Deuteronomy 9). The spies spent 40 days in the land of Canaan (Numbers 13:25; 14:34). The prophet Elijah traveled for 40 days and nights to reach the mountain of God in Sinai (1 Kings 19:8).



Church Council News

Good News! Council and Pastor have agreed that there's the possibility of returning to serve Communion at the Communion Rail on or around March 5th. However, the rail needs thorough cleaning and polishing before it can be used again. This project is in the works! Stay Tuned.



This year's Tag Sale will be held September 16th, there will be two half day drop off times on the 13th and 14th and a full day on the 15th. More news to come.

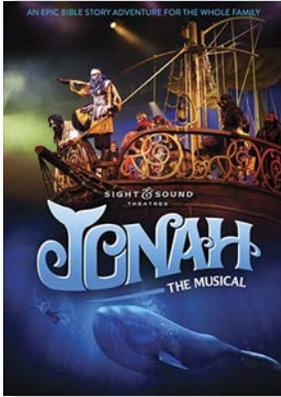
During Lent there will be no flowers on the altar.



Executive Council Meeting
March 2nd @ 9:30 AM
Council Meeting
March 9th @ 3:00 PM
Via Zoom



The reviews are in...
“JONAH - The Musical”: A whale of a good show!



Back in high school, I was Captain of the Varsity Cheering squad. Our favorite cheer was: “S – U – C – C – E – S – S, That’s the way we spell SUCCESS!” On Saturday, February 11th SUCCESS was achieved with the help of some wonderful Good Shepherd honorary cheerleaders. Sight & Sound’s live theatrical movie production of “JONAH - The Musical” was enjoyed by some 80 Good Shepherd members and their friends. This Biblical story, dating back to 800 BC, was brought to life with wonderful singing, dancing, and incredible set design. And let’s not forget about the live animals. In just two hours, the movie’s theme of God’s love, grace and compassion shined through. The show reminded us that God

commands everything in his Creation, from the weather to a whale.

But the big winner of the day was our S.O.S. Food Pantry. In lieu of a ticket charge, guests were asked to bring items to share with our neighbors in need. And their response was overwhelming! Canned Food items, Pasta & Sauce, Pancake Complete Mix, White Rice, Mac and Cheese, Canned Meats, and much needed hygiene products were donated. Good Shepherd members truly put into the action the words found in the Gospel of Matthew 25:35 –
“For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat.”



But wait...there was more! Our original plan was just to serve fresh popped popcorn and light refreshments. But thanks to some very talented Good Shepherd bakers and chefs, guests were treated to 6 different kinds of fresh baked cookies (including Linda Koch’s blue whale creations), brownies, date nut bread, mini cupcakes, and three different kinds of hot appetizers. And to add just a little more afternoon fun, everyone received our Movie Trivia Game sheet to match a famous movie to its famous theme song. Guests with all 15 correct answers were eligible for our grand prize drawing of 2 tour tickets to the manatee sanctuary in Crystal River. Our thanks to THREE SISTERS SPRINGS for that generous donation! ☺

Events like this don’t happen without the help of many people. My thanks to Betty and her Fellowship ladies for their kitchen assistance and tasty fruit kabobs, door monitors Ann and Sue, oven helper Cindy, choir friends Dianne J, Dianne K and Diane S for their backup support, chef extraordinaire Deacon Bob and Harv, Joe and Randy of the Property Committee for the room set up. Thanks everyone! “I had fun doing it!” Hope you did too!

BTW – We are already planning for our next afternoon showing. Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 29 @ 3:00PM.** Hope to see you at the movies!

Wendy Wolber



***Stewardship is living
out our commitment
to Christ.***

Applying Bible Principles

“...ask and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you” (Luke 11:9).

God has a wonderful “system” by which we as His children are to get our needs met. It’s a very simple system, but somehow, we fail to utilize it as we should. Here’s the plan: God says we are to ask Him. Is that simple or what? We are to call unto Him, to cry out our needs before Him, to bring our petitions before His throne. But somehow, we must think this plan is too complex, because for most of us, asking God is the last thing we do when we have needs.

Oh, we’ll tell our friends. We’ll discuss our needs with any and all who have the patience and courtesy to listen. We’ll frequently complain about our problems, even to the extent of sometimes holding God responsible for His seeming failure to provide for us. But ask God? Usually we’ll do that only as a last resort.

The result is a sad state of affairs among Christians. “You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures” (James 4:2-3). So our needs go unmet because either we do not ask or we ask with wrong motives.

J. Irvin Overholtzer was a pastor who was greatly used by God as the founder of Child Evangelism Fellowship. His philosophy of providing for the financial needs of this worldwide organization was this: “Ask God . . . and tell His people.” Yes, we need to share our needs with others. We ought to make others aware of opportunities for them to get involved and to be used by God to meet those needs. But the *first* step in the entire process is this: “Ask God.”

And when we do, we can claim His promise stated so clearly in Jeremiah 33:3 . . . “Call to Me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.”

Do you have needs in your life today? Why not “ask God”? Why not come boldly to His throne? Why not take Him at His Word and “call” to Him? That’s God’s plan for His children: “... ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you” (Luke 11:9). Or as Eliza Hickock wrote a century ago, “I know not by what methods rare, but this I know: God answers prayer!”

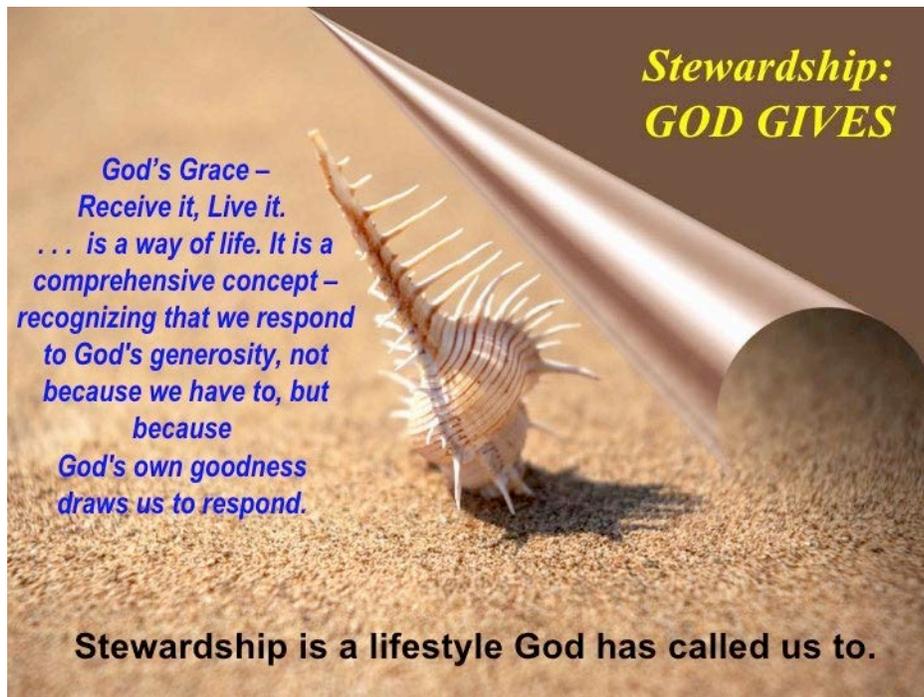
Shelly Fortin, Stewardship

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A complete listing of all the volunteer positions available here at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is on our website, and printed copies are available in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one or more of these positions.

God wants us to ask Him for what we need.

“ . . . ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you”
(Luke 11:9).



EVANGELISM



John 14: *“Peace, I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your heart be troubled and do not be afraid.”*

Good Shepherd Family,
I will be available to answer any questions you may have, if you are interested, pertaining to the duties of an Evangelism Team at GSLC.

Date: March 5, 2023

The first Q & A will be after the 8:30 Service.

The second Q & A will be after the 11:00 Service.

In the Narthex.

2 Corinthians:

“We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God”.

Deacon Robert

peace
I LEAVE WITH YOU;
MY PEACE I GIVE YOU.
I DO NOT GIVE TO YOU
AS THE WORLD GIVES.
DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS
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JOHN 14:27





Fellowship

Lenten Soup Suppers:

As pastor has mentioned we will be holding Soup Suppers on March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29th at 5:30 PM. Please sign up to attend, help with set-up and clean-up, and most importantly, sign up to bring soup. The sign-up sheets are on the table in the Narthex. Plan to come by 5:15 PM if bringing a dish.

Housekeeping:

If using real silverware, please be sure to clean the utensil with soap and hot water. We don't want to see any grease or food left on them. We are getting better about labeling items in the refrigerator. Thank you. Please keep it up.

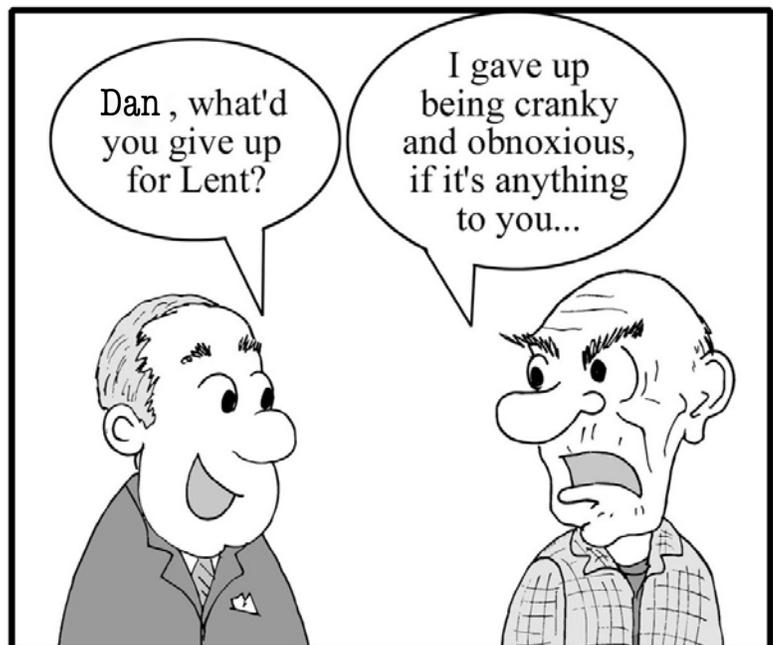
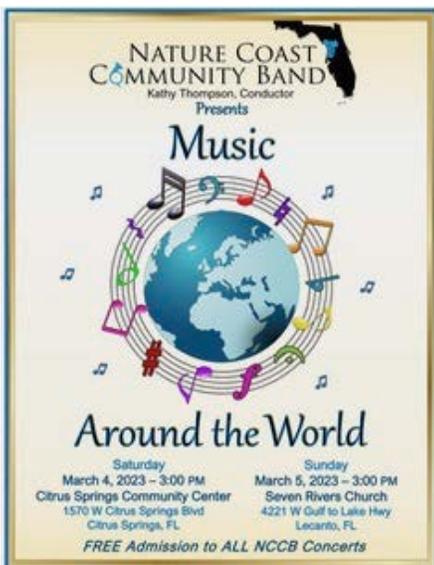
If a group has an event using store-bought plates and cups, please **DO NOT** purchase styrofoam items. Several years ago we made the decision to only use biodegradable/recyclable products in order to help keep our planet healthy.

Lastly, I am so pleased to see the second service coffee hour sign-up sheets filled with names of volunteers. Thank you all for pitching in.

Betty Sanger



Dan's World



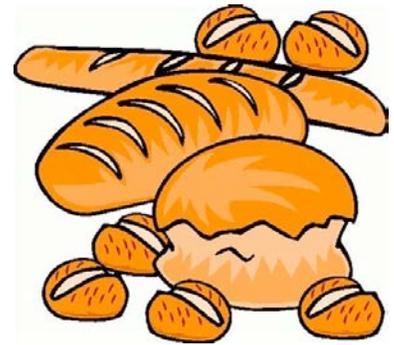
Serving Our Savior

SOS Food Pantry
PO Box 640774
Beverly Hills, FL 34464
email sos4food@gmail.com



Social Ministry

VOLUNTEERS are still needed for bread pick-up and delivery.



Please contact Gerri Fallanca @ 352-637-2663, if you sign up, for updated pick up and delivery changes.



**Saturday Night Pick-Up
&
Food Share Monday Delivery**

No Volunteers for March

Adopt a Highway Program

Our next Adopt-a-Highway road clean-up will be Saturday, **March 4th, 2023 at 8:00 AM**. We meet at the church. Safety vests, gloves, trash bags, and pickers are provided. For any questions, contact Linda Koch at LCK1164@gmail.com or 386-589-4727.



WELCA NEWS



As a community of women created in the image of God called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.

A combined Circle meeting was held on Wednesday, February 8th. Lynn Bechdolt led the discussion using the January/February Gather magazine Bible Study “The Ten Commandments, Session Two”. Refreshments were provided by Diane Johnson.

Our next Circle Meeting will be held on March 8th at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Bonnett Washington will lead the Bible Study “The Ten Commandments, Session Three” using the March/April Gather magazine. Refreshments will be provided by Judy Teague.

On February 18th, WELCA held a Volunteer Appreciation “You Matter” Lunch to recognize all the volunteers in our church. Over 150 volunteers were recognized for all the work they do to make Good Shepherd a functioning and welcoming church. Volunteers received a personalized certificate and a pink-gold pen inscribed “Volunteers Make the Ordinary Extraordinary”. Those present enjoyed a delicious lunch and an afternoon of fellowship.

Saint Patrick’s Day Party to benefit Family Resource Center. Bring a new pair of socks, clean gently-used clothing, and/or a non-perishable food item. Wear green! The party will include a discussion of St Patrick, some “green” games, and yummy “green” pastries and drinks. Friday, March 17 at 2:00 PM. Signup sheets are in the clipboard rack in the Narthex.

The Pinelands Spring Gathering will take place on Saturday, March 18th at St. Matthew’s in Ocala. The cost this year will be \$10, and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Our theme is “Let Your Light Shine”. We will have a speaker, a Bible Study, some activities, and a service. A Love Offering will be collected to benefit Sozo Kids. **All women** are invited to attend! Registration deadline is March 12th. Registration forms are in the clipboard rack in the Narthex, and will be also be available at the March Circle meeting. Please contact Shelly Fortin with questions.

Coming soon: WELCA Saturday Event Calendar on the GSLC website for more 2023 events.

Our next WELCA Board meeting is Tuesday, March 7th at 9:30 AM at Good Shepherd.

Shelly Fortin,
President GSLC WELCA



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THE ORDINARY
EXTRAORDINARY!
WE LOVE OUR GSLC
VOLUNTEERS!**

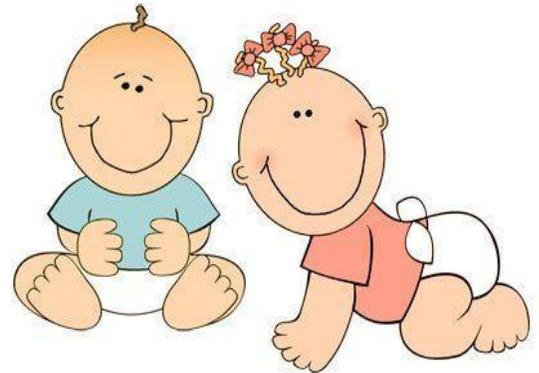
World's Greatest Baby Shower set for April 13th

St John Paul II Catholic School, Lecanto @ 2 - 4 pm and 5 - 7 pm

For nearly 30 years, the annual World's Greatest Baby Shower has been the best learning opportunity for expectant and new parents in Citrus County. This year, over 20 exhibitors, including nonprofit organizations that focus on the health and safety of children as well as health professionals, will be on hand with information to help parents get the best head start in raising their children.

In addition to educational exhibits and information, activities at this two-session event will include games and door prizes, with between 10 and 15 grand prize packages parents can choose from. As in years past, everyone who visits all the exhibit tables and writes down the answers to all the educational questions, will be eligible for prizes at the end of each session. The FREE event is open to all expectant parents, parents of children younger than 12 months old and anyone who is a caregiver for the baby.

Now for many of those 30 years, our Good Shepherd quilters have been making baby blankets to support this special event. And this year will be no different. But recently, at one of our Wednesday gatherings, we were trying to brainstorm ways we could help even more. We came up with the idea and got approval to run a "DIAPER DRIVE" during the month of March. Did you know that new parents need almost 3,000 diapers during their babies first year? It's been many, many years since any of us had to go out and purchase diapers. On a recent trip to the store, this is what we found...



- So many different manufacturers, offering many sizes and styles!
- Some say soft and gentle!
- Some have wet indicators!
- Some say scented or unscented!
- Some say breathable and allergy free!
- Some say that they are biodegradable and good for the environment!
- And don't forget about stretchability, proper fit, and special needs for overnight coverage!
- IS YOUR HEAD SPINNING YET? Ours certainly were!

And then of course there's the cost. At Walmart for example, a basic diaper package (25-40 count total depending on the size) can cost anywhere from \$4.99 to \$9.99. For those 3,000 diapers needed in that first year, new parents will be shelling out over \$1,000 – YIKES! So, to help kick off our campaign, we have applied for a THRIVENT ACTION TEAM and just got approved – YEA!



The Good Shepherd Quilters are calling upon all former moms and dads, now grandmas and grandpas to join us for our "MARCH MADNESS DIAPER DRIVE". You can choose whichever manufacturer and whatever feature you like. Because Newborn and Size 1 are used for such a short period of time, we are asking for donations of Size 2, Size 3, Size 4, and Size 5.

Before COVID, more than 400 families would attend this event. This year, we are hopeful to get back to that number again and with your help, be able to give away as many diaper packs as possible. Remember, we are asking for those smaller diaper packages (25-40 count). Thank you and God Bless!

Questions? Contact Wendy: wwolber56@gmail.com

Building / Property



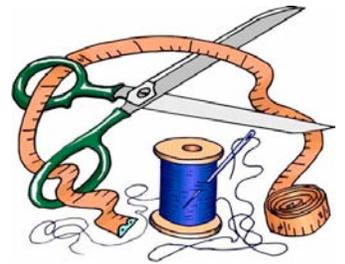
This is the new crucifix installed on the church.

We still need volunteers for the Curb Painting Project. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for heavy work and painting. Dates to be determined.



QUILTING GROUP





Craft 'n Share

We will meet next on Wednesday, March 22, from 10 AM to 2:00 PM. Bring your lunch and a beverage. We meet every month on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

In January and February, we started a new project for the Citrus County Baby Shower using fleece material. We made 9 fleece 'suns' with ribbons as 'rays' for a baby toy.

We also made red felt heart with lace pocket for our shut-ins for Valentines. We are so pleased that our Eucharistic Ministers, Deacons, and Pastor were able to deliver these as they visited our shut-ins.

This month we also will continue making clothes pin nativity sets which are used in the welcome package for first time visitors to Good Shepherd. This is a hot glue project. We have several glue guns in our supply closet or bring your own.

Judy Wood picked up pillowcase dress kits to sew. We will also be assembling more kits. We have pillowcases, precut elastic, and double bias for these kits. We have been making these dresses for many years. Sylvia brought in Dec/Jan 2023 Guidepost with an excellent article telling how Rachel in Rockwood, MI started this national project in 2008. Each year we at Good Shepherd have mailed off several boxes of finished dresses to her! She and her volunteers have then shipped over 10 million dresses to Africa and around the world where needed including the U.S. So this project is even more rewarding for our Craft and Share group! We have patterns for anyone who would like to sew dresses at home. We also have precut pads to sew washable sanitary napkins for the girls in Africa that we can include in boxes to Rachel's group.

We gave out several prayers shawls in the last few months to members who have lost a loved one or were hospitalized. We appreciate our home crochet or knitters for keeping us supplied. We have directions for knit or crocheting these and for lap robes. If you know of someone who could use a prayer shawl or lap robe or would like directions to make one, have them contact me.

JOIN US as your time allows.

Questions? Call Maggie Bregger 352-860-2215



Worship & Music

March 7th @ 10:00 AM

Monthly Meeting

Wednesdays @ 7PM

Choir Rehearsal



Health Ministry

Your Faith Community Nurse is Kathy Metz, she may be reached @ 352-746-1911 and the Health Team members are: Barb Lauer, Ann Neville, Donna Pease, and John Colson. On the last Sunday of every month, we provide blood pressure screenings in between services and are there until 11:00 AM so that everyone from both services have an opportunity to have their blood pressure checked.

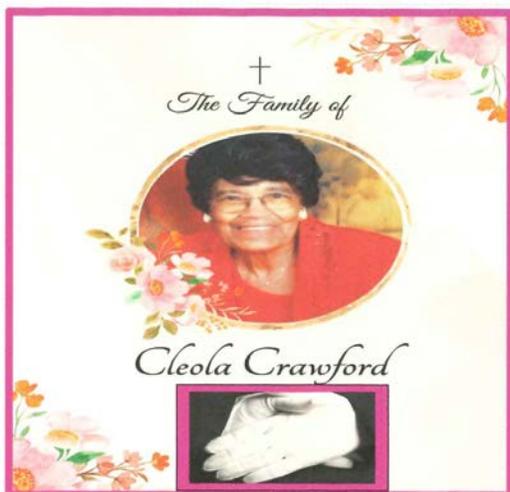
See you March 26th



Health Ministry



Thank-you



*...extends our deepest gratitude to you,
for your prayers and many acts of love
and kindness during this very difficult time.*

*We are confident that though she is absent in body
she is present with the Lord.
May God Bless You.*

Thank You,

*Gloria J. Warnicki, Shirley D. McField,
Mona L. McGrew. & Family*

Special Dates

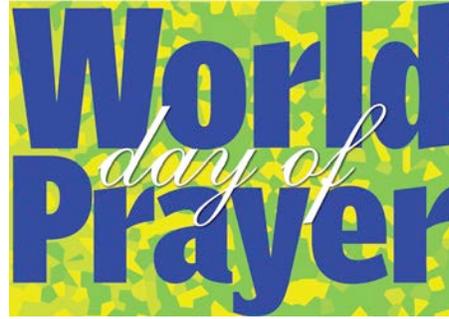
3rd - World Day of Prayer

12th - Daylight Savings

Girl Scouts Day

17th - Saint Patrick's Day

20th - Spring



Girl Scouts®



Let's Pray!

	<p>CITRUS COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL</p>
<p>Saturday March 4th</p>	
<p><u>More info</u></p>	
<p>ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE</p>	
<p>10:00AM - 3:00PM</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment on display • Take a tour of our facility • Meet our sentinel chickens • & so much more! 	



**At CCMCD
Open House**

Every Tuesday @ 7:30 AM

Breakfast at Mama's Kuntry Kafe

March 2023

Wednesdays @ 9 AM

A Time for Prayer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>9:45A Bible Study</p> <p>Every Sunday</p>			<p>1 8:00A - SOS 10:00A- Quilters 1:00P - Newcomer's Club 5:30P- Supper 6:15P - Worship 7 P - Choir</p>	<p>2 8:30A - SOS 9:30 A Executive Council Zoom 12 P Lunch Angelotti's</p>	<p>3 8:00A – Workday on Grounds</p> 	<p>4 8:00A-</p> <p>Adopt a Highway</p> 
<p>5 8:30 & 11 A Worship</p> 	<p>6 10:00A – Bible Study</p> <p>1:30P Fellowship Committee Meeting</p>	<p>7 9:30A - WELCA Board 10:00A Worship & Music 6:30P- Bells Scouts</p>	<p>8 8:00A-SOS 1:00P - WELCA Bible Study and zoom 5:30P- Supper 6:15P - Worship 7P - Choir</p>	<p>9 8:30A- SOS</p>  <p>3:00P Church Council Zoom</p>	<p>10 8:00A – Workday on Grounds</p> 	<p>11</p>
<p>12 8:30 & 11 A Worship</p> 	<p>13 10:00A – Bible Study</p>	<p>14 6:30P- Bells</p> <p>6:30P- Scouts</p>	<p>15 8:00A-SOS 10:00A - Quilters 5:30P- Supper 6:15P - Worship 7P - Choir</p>	<p>16 8:30 A- SOS</p>  <p>9:00A Pastoral Care Committee</p>	<p>17 8:00A – Workday on Grounds 2P-4P St Patrick's Day Party</p>  <p><i>St. Patrick's Day</i></p>	<p>18 Pinelands Spring Gathering See page 12</p> 
<p>19 8:30 & 11A Worship</p> <p>9:45A Bible Study</p>	<p>20 10:00A – Bible Study 1:30P - Social Ministry</p> 	<p>21 6:30P- Bells</p> <p>6:30P- Scouts</p>	<p>22 8:00A-SOS 10:00A- Craft n Share</p> <p>5:30P- Supper 6:15P - Worship 7P - Choir</p>	<p>23 8:30 A- SOS</p> 	<p>24 8:00A – Workday on Grounds</p> 	<p>25</p>
<p>26 8:30 & 11 A Worship 9:45A Bible Study</p> 	<p>27 10:00A – Bible Study</p>	<p>28 6:30 P- Bells</p>	<p>29 8:00A - SOS 5:30P- Supper 6:15P - Worship 7P - Choir</p>	<p>30 8:00A - SOS</p> 	<p>31 8:00A – Workday on Grounds</p> 	<p>Link to Pastoral Prayer Calendar</p>

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



Frank & Chris Bienwald	03/05/1945
Deacon Rick & Pat Mainster	03/07/1983
Joe & Stephanie Adams	03/17/2007
Marty & Judy McMahon	03/27/1981



2 - Lois Lenhart
Tom Stickler

15 - John Fischer
Cara Stickler

25 - Glenna Wagner

4 - Wendy Wolber

18 - Nickolas Schenk

27 - Louise Osborn

6 - Betty Sanger

28 - Sandra Kampschroer

9 - Jake Bahner

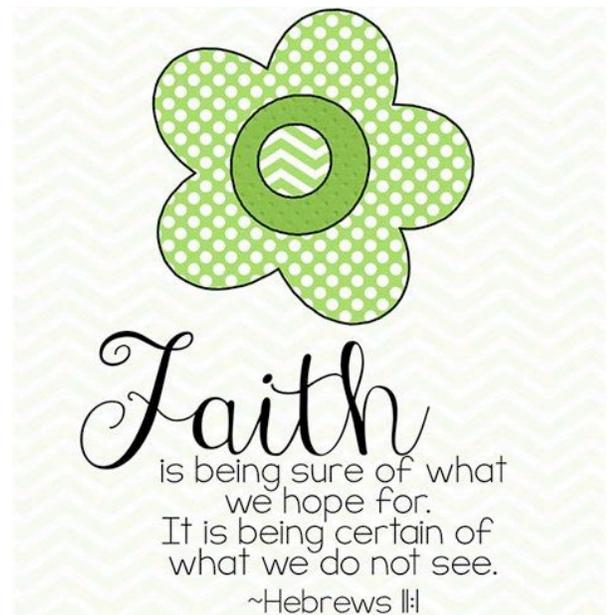
20 - Tom Fowler

29 - Ted Seefeld

14 - Carol Chacon
Ann Serafin

23 - Diane Meltesen

30 - Phyllis Powell
Jillian Swartz





Let us remember:

Benefiel, Larry & Karen	Hassinger, Doug & Donna	Meltesen Family
Brit-Busler, Elizabeth	Jimenez, Jeanette	Miles, Ilse
Burfeindt, Janet	Johnson, Carol Lee	Page-Wood, Jeremy
Clark, Dawn	Koch, Dennis, Linda, & Michael	Pawelko, Diane
Costa, Denise	Lauer, Barbara	Thomas, Maria
Dionne, Pam	Lawrence, Ivalee	Whitcomb, Ray
Drennen, Rose & Family	Lepore, Linda	Wildman, Joe
Hartsfield, Sylvia	Masters, Leith	Wolff, Jack

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

Charon-Seefeld, Carol Frost, Joann Moll, Bob Phillipp, Dick Whitcomb, Maxine

All who serve our country in the military:

Burba, Jake	Holman, Evan	Radloff, Steven
Ceballos, Jason	Jackson, Brad	Radosevitch, Eric
Corsino, Mykael	Johnston-Garcia, Christian	Springer, Dennis
Day, Kenneth	Luchay, Alan	Stroble, Jeramy
Gaertner, Jerrod	McCann, Jim	Swain, Jr., Terry
Harrington, Bryan	Miller, Tyler	Thomas, Peter Chris
Heinz, Karinne	Much, Jason	Thompson, David
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Hicks, Nathan	Posa, Codymicheal	



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Bell, Ian	Cipollone, Elaine	Garling, John	Krol, Shirley
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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 be removed from the prayer list - otherwise, they will remain on the list.** Please let us know if your loved one is no longer serving in the military.

Contact gslchernando@gmail.com for any updates.

Newsletter Editor

Please **DO NOT CALL THE OFFICE** for Pastoral Prayer information. Use the link on the calendar. Thank you.

Stephanie

March Newsletter deadline is **March 18th.**



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9:45 Adult Class - Deacon Rick Mainster

Children's Class - Susan Fowler

MONEY COUNTERS

Alma Day

Nancy Gomes

Diane Spengler

GREETERS

WANTED

USHERS

8:30

Frank Flynn

Ann Neville

11:00

Cheryl Cox

Harv Johnson

MEDIA CENTER

Fran Stetson

John Gifford

Joe Adams

Dan Cashman

LECTORS

March 5th

8:30 - Ann Neville

11:00 - Vera Swade

March 12th

8:30 - Marty Zacharczyk

11:00 - Joel Ferry

March 19th

8:30 - Margot Berger

11:00 - Lisbeth Goetter

March 26th

8:30 - Shelly Fortin

11:00 - Joel Ferry

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Kids Corner



A seasonal reminder

Signs of spring remind us of God's promises.

Directions: Use the picture code and clues to complete Isaiah 61:11, NIV.

plants grow here

to coil and jump
(also a season of the year)

to expand and get bigger

seeds are planted in this

when watered, these make plants

another word for seedling

For as the _____ makes the _____

_____ _____ _____
come up and a _____ causes

_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____, so the

Sovereign LORD will make righteousness

and praise _____ up before all nations.

ISAIAH 61:11, NIV

Answer: soil, sprout, garden, seeds, grow, spring



Florida Panther fun facts

SPRINGTIME SNACKS



Whip up a plate of these cute, healthy treats!

What you need:

- Celery sticks
- Cherry tomatoes
- Cucumber circles
- Olives
- Cream cheese spread
- Fresh basil leaves (optional)
- Adult help

What you do:

1. Have an adult help you wash and cut the veggies.
2. Spread cream cheese inside the celery rods.
3. Place a cucumber circle upright in the cream cheese to make a bug body.
4. Add the tomato as a head.
5. Arrange basil leaves on a plate and place the veggie bugs on them.
6. Making different-shaped bugs with your favorite veggies. Enjoy!