



THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

A PUBLICATION OF GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH - NOVEMBER 2010

PASTOR TED NIEMI

"We know that in all things God works for good with those who love him, those whom he has called according to his purpose." -- Romans 8:28

GOOD

SHEPHERD

Consecration Sunday Is Coming-- November 14!

LUTHERAN

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give their church merely as a way to pay the bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

CHURCH

Our congregation's stewardship committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

MISSION

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?" During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

STATEMENT

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

SHARING THE LOVE OF JESUS

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and Stewardship Committee. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.



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Jill Anderson, Stewardship Chair



**GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN CHURCH
PRAYER CONCERNS**

November 2010

We pray the Holy Spirit would work among us at church and lead us forth in the tasks that God would have us do.

We rejoice in the Lord's answers to prayers and join Sandy Johns, Kathy Rahn, and Manya Tamez in thanking God for His goodness and the Good Shepherd Family for praying.

Pray for God's Healing Presence in the lives of:

Members:

- Paula Schnee
- Ruth Richards
- Dennis Fey

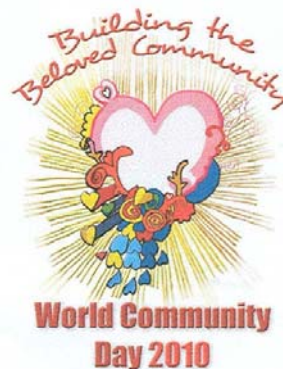
Friends & Family:

- Jean Thompson (friend of Kelli Ferguson)
- David Libeu (brother-in-law of Mary Pranzo)
- Melissa Felkins and family (friend of Jennifer Wilk)
- Hiroko (Dana Klein's friend)
- Diane (Jill Anderson's friend)
- Katie Simmerly (friend of Ruth Richards)
- Sandy Robbins (daughter-in-law of Arlene and Vince)
- Celia Short (sister of Adolph Pierini)
- Wayne Wesly (son of Ruth Richard's friend Joan)
- Barbara Lester (mother of Debbie Wilk)
- Tracy Riddle (niece of Marilyn Woodward)
- Ron Enger (father of Kristin Niemi)

Ongoing Concerns: Dorothy Brechmann, Alma Johnson, Jo and Ruben Bitter, Louise Boyden, Sue Brisendine, Barbara Clark, Penny Fey, Bob Gerster, Karen Kubar, William Kuester, Ian Maltos, Ben Matthew, Jocelyn Miller, Vince Robbins Jr., Otis Strong, Zella Summers

Armed Forces: Major Scott Rowley, Army; Major John Lemay, Army; Specialist Jonathan Elsasser, Army; Amanda Gookins, Air Force; Theresa Rojas, Army; Steve Rowley, Army National Guard; Alex Arnold, Army

Please contact the church office or fill out the Prayer Request Card in the back of the pews and place in our offering plate if you wish names added or taken off the prayer list. Please re-submit after three weeks to keep your loved ones in our church prayers. Call 225-2092 (church office) or 439-4237 (Diane Fake, prayer chain)



Church Women

United will celebrate World Community Day on Friday, November 5th, at the AME Church, 806 Collins (between Fresno and Ventura)

beginning at 9:30 am. The theme is "Building the Beloved Community"

Lunch is \$7.00.

Reservations should be made with Lois Green by October 31st. Our Circle meetings are encouraging all women to broaden their circulation of community. This is a great opportunity.



**Brian Sturgeon...2002 Olympic Torch Bearer...
Squaw Valley California...Jan. 20, 2002**



In August the Fresno Area Church Women United recognized Brian Sturgeon as a HUMAN RIGHTS AWARDEE at their Human Rights Celebration 2010, "Living the Challenge - Differently Enabled, Uniquely Called". This gathering honored the lives of people with disabilities, their family members and others who have helped in improving their lives. We applaud you, Brian!



November Birthdays

Kristi Jenkins	11/02
Deborah Wilk	11/02
Virgil Andreasen	11/03
Helen Stewart	11/03
Patricia Hayner	11/05
Anna Johnston	11/05
Carla Willard	11/08
Vangi Kirkpatrick	11/09
Marianne Willard	11/11
Kimberly Crump	11/17
Tristan Keller	11/17
Deborah Gauss	11/18
Gordon Fake	11/19
Emily Gauss	11/19
Mallory Willard	11/22
Sheila Boehringer	11/24
Damon Fey	11/24
Melissa Willard	11/24
Verna Walden	11/25
Autumn Hays	11/26
Debra Keller	11/26



November Anniversaries

Tom & Pam Martens
11/09/2002, married 8 years
Nick & Beth Droge
11/15/2003, married 7 years
Ed & Vonny Sturgeon
11/24/1959, married 51 years
James & Kim Majors
11/29/2003, married 7 years



November Baptisms

Janice Nelson	11/01
Mary Reimer	11/01
Valerie Swindle	11/01
Karen Rowley	11/03
Jill Anderson	11/07
Matthew Swindle	11/08
Emily Droge	11/22
Joshua Elsasser	11/25
Jonathan Elsasser	11/30



HARVEST FESTIVAL

You are invited to the Village Pre-school Harvest Festival on Friday, November 5, 2010 from 4 pm to 7 pm.

The \$15 a Person Food Ticket (s) Dinner includes a choice of:

Hot Dogs or Homemade Corn Dogs, French Fries, Garlic Fries or Chili Fries, Kettle Corn or Churro, Concession Drinks *provided by Yosemite Concessions*

The \$7 Family Activity Bracelet (s) includes:

Family Photo, Halloween Maze, Bounce House/Slide, Pumpkin from Pumpkin Patch, Exciting Games, Face Painting, Cake Walk, Corn Kernel Pool (Each Activity is \$1 without Bracelet)

All proceeds are Tax Deductible, Benefiting the Children & Families of The Village Educational Center

A California non-profit sponsored by BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION ASSOCIATION

Flyers with registration forms available at the church office



Tom & Pamela Martens
14785 Calle Otono
Chino Hills, CA 91709-3457
Home: 909-606-4838
Same cells:
Tom: 559-269-7393
Pam: 559-779-3918



Pastor Ted's Ordination was October 27, 1996... 14 years.

Thank you Pastor Ted.

A little boy was overheard praying:

"Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it.

I'm having a real good time like I am."



GSLC Food Pantry needed items:

Peanut butter, canned beans, packaged complete meals, cake frosting, jello, dried fruit, canned fruit, chicken helper with canned chicken, canned soups, canned chili, crackers, Vienna sausages, beef jerky. Thanks!



OWLS



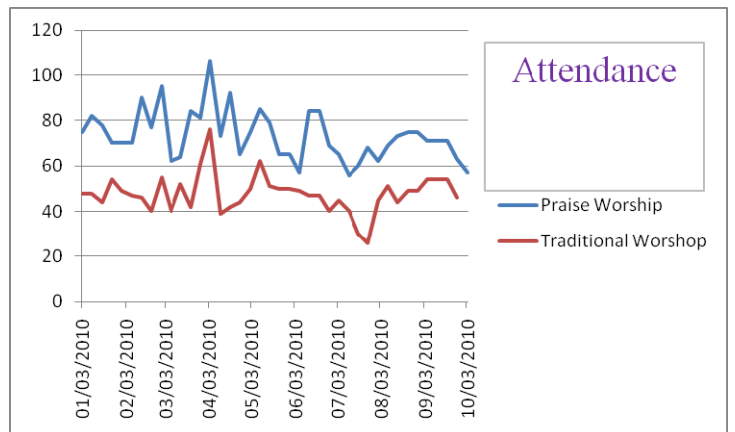
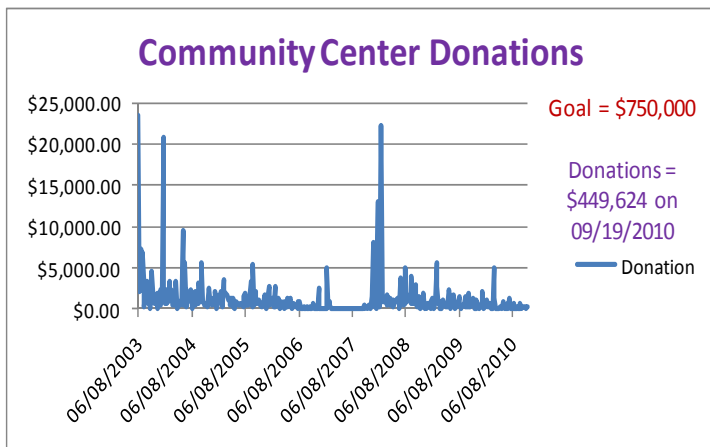
The "Older Wiser Lutheran Seniors" will meet on Monday, November 15th at 12N. Bring a potluck dish to share for our lunch.

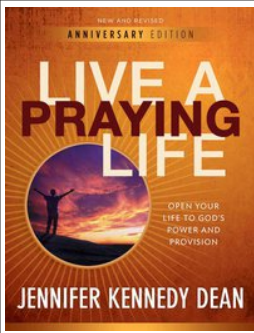
Two boys were walking home from Sunday school after hearing a strong preaching on the devil. One said to the other, 'What do you think about all this Satan stuff?' The other boy replied, 'Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out. It's probably just your Dad.'

Ministry Assistants November 2010	November 7 <i>All Saints' Sunday</i>	November 14	November 21 <i>Christ the King</i>	November 28 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>
Deacons - at 10:30 am	Helen Stewart	Open	Helen Stewart	Open
Deacons - at 9 am	Tom Rogers, Linda Rogers, Jennifer Wilk, Carolyn Linn	Tom Rogers, Linda Rogers, Jennifer Wilk, Carolyn Linn	Tom Rogers, Linda Rogers, Jennifer Wilk, Carolyn Linn	Tom Rogers, Linda Rogers, Jennifer Wilk, Carolyn Linn
Lectors - at 10:30 am	Helen Stewart	Cheryl Montgomery	Penny Fey	Mary Pranzo
Praise Band Song Leaders at 9 am	Alan Hofmann	Alan Hofmann	Alan Hofmann	Alan Hofmann
Praise Band Instrumentalists at 9:00 am	Tony Craig, Mike Zolo, Sean Walker, Ted Niemi and Seth Craig	Tony Craig, Mike Zolo, Sean Walker, Ted Niemi and Seth Craig	Tony Craig, Mike Zolo, Sean Walker, Ted Niemi and Seth Craig	Tony Craig, Mike Zolo, Sean Walker, Ted Niemi and Seth Craig
Coffee Hosts - 9 & 10:30 am	Helen Stewart	Tom & Linda Rogers	The Robertsons	Hannah Clay & Elaine Koll
Counters	Sandy Terstegen, Vickie Farr, Lois Green	Mick Konkol, Debbie West, Lois Green	Alan Hofmann, Brenda Hofmann, Lois Green	John Nausley, Sharon Nausley, Lois Green
Altar Guild	Set up: Ruth & Jim Thompson Take down: Open	Set up: Ruth & Jim Thompson Take down: Open	Set up: Ruth & Jim Thompson Take down: Open	Set up: Ruth & Jim Thompson Take down: Open
Altar Flowers	Open	Anne & Earl Mose	Open	Open
Ushers <i>Traditional Worship at 10:30 am</i>	Karl Ritterbush, Don Dueker, Willard Johnson, Vince Robbins, Richard Schumacher, Francis Sullivan	Karl Ritterbush, Don Dueker, Willard Johnson, Vince Robbins, Richard Schumacher, Francis Sullivan	Karl Ritterbush, Don Dueker, Willard Johnson, Vince Robbins, Richard Schumacher, Francis Sullivan	Karl Ritterbush, Don Dueker, Willard Johnson, Vince Robbins, Richard Schumacher, Francis Sullivan
Ushers - Praise & Celebration Worship at 9:00 am	Janet McQuillan, Tom Rogers, Marty Klein	Janet McQuillan, Tom Rogers, Marty Klein	Janet McQuillan, Tom Rogers, Marty Klein	Janet McQuillan, Tom Rogers, Marty Klein
Sound Design	Francis Sullivan	Francis Sullivan	Francis Sullivan	Francis Sullivan
PowerPoint - 10:30 am	Carol Sullivan	Carol Sullivan	Carol Sullivan	Carol Sullivan
PowerPoint - 9:00 am	Linda Rogers	Linda Rogers	Linda Rogers	Linda Rogers

Stewardship of Worship and Offerings	Attendance	General Fund	Special/ Memorial/ Altar Flowers (designated funds)	ELCA World Hunger (designated funds)	Community Center Capital Fund (designated funds)	Building Fund (designated funds)	Special Mission Gifts (designated funds)	Behavioral Intervention Association Contribution	Total Offerings
September 26, 2010	Contemporary at 9 am: 63 Traditional at 10:30 am: 46	4,572 ⁰⁰	29 ⁰⁰	5 ⁰⁰	—	—	—	—	4,606 ⁰⁰
October 3, 2010	Contemporary at 9 am: 57 Traditional at 10:30 am: 48	7,125 ⁰⁰	21 ⁰⁰	7 ⁰⁰	380 ⁰⁰	—	Silent Auction 125 ⁰⁰	—	7,658 ⁰⁰
October 10, 2010	Contemporary at 9 am: 68 Traditional at 10:30 am: 35	3,745 ⁰⁰	57 ⁰⁰	5 ⁰⁰	25 ⁰⁰	—	Voices United 100 ⁰⁰ Hymnal 20 ⁰⁰ Youth fund 15 ⁰⁰ Kairos 225 ⁰⁰	2,875 ⁰⁰	7,067 ⁰⁰
October 17, 2010	Contemporary at 9 am: 108 Traditional at 10:30 am: 44	3,620 ⁰⁰	123 ⁵⁰	5 ⁰⁰	290 ⁰⁰	—	ELCA Disaster Response 10 ⁰⁰ Praise band 75 ⁰⁰	—	4,123 ⁵⁰

Donations needed to meet budget without designated funds: Weekly: \$6,116.59 Monthly: \$24,304.17





Live a Praying Life – Open Your Life to God’s Power and Provision

Though prayer is essential to the Christian life, believers often have questions about prayer itself. God reveals to us in the Bible, through His dealings with people who pray, precious truths that can release the power of prayer in our lives.

This 13 week interactive Bible study is set up in four parts –

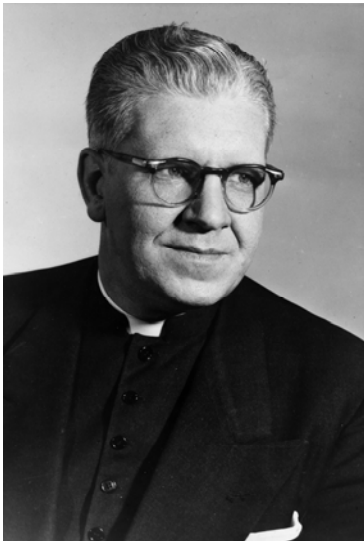
- The Purpose of Prayer
- The Process of Prayer
- The Promise of Prayer
- The Practice of Prayer

It addresses many of the frequently asked questions concerning prayer and offers a humbling glimpse into God’s sovereign plan to include us in accomplishing His will.

This study will begin WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

Contact Sharon Rowley (261-2083) to reserve a book. Cost will be \$20.00

(We will meet in the Community Center Wednesday evenings at 6:30, Nov 10, 17, Dec 1, 8, 15, Jan 5, 12, 19, Feb 2, 9, 16, 23, Mar 2)



Pastor Lloyd E. Jacobson



Let us celebrate the season by sharing God’s bountiful harvest with others!

Needs for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Thanksgiving baskets:

- Instant potatoes/canned yams
- Gravy dry mix or cans
- Stuffing mix
- French cut green beans
- Cream of mushroom soup
- French fried onion rings
- Evaporated milk
- Boxed pie mix, pie filling
- Jello
- Canned ham or frozen turkey
- Items of your choice

Don’t want to shop? I will do it for you! All cash donations will be matched by Thrivent. The approximate cost per basket is \$35⁰⁰. Make checks payable to “Good Shepherd Lutheran Church” and designate “Thanksgiving Baskets” on the memo line. Donations will be accepted through November 23, 2010. Questions to Pam Gerster at 271-8326.

Thanks, *Pam*

Partial Biographical Sketch of Pastor Lloyd E. Jacobson

First pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church from June 1, 1958 to October 31, 1966. Church’s present Jacobson Hall was named in his honor and moved from 1684 W. Shaw Ave at Channing in 1981.

Education: University of Wisconsin and Carroll College; Seminary - Northwestern; Graduate work - Oxford University, England

Degrees: Carroll College PhB 1935, Northwestern B.D. 1938, Northwestern, S.T.M. 1940

Ordained: October 1939 by Northwest Synod

Wife’s maiden name: Virginia Andersen; Children - Judith Mary, Susan Jane & Katherine Virginia

1943-46: 32 months served as U.S. Navy Chaplain with the Amphibious Corps. Served in last part of Philippine Campaign and all of the Okinawa Campaign.

1946-47: National Lutheran Council Campus Pastor at the University of California in Berkeley. Chaplain aboard U.S.S. Iowa, summer of 1947

1947 -Member of Pacific Synod’s Executive Committee for three years. Member of Formative Board of Pacific Lutheran Seminary, Berkeley, CA

1955 - Pastor of First Lutheran Church in Fresno from April 4, 1955 to 1958

Retired in 1976

July 24, 1911- February 17,1984.




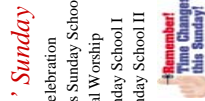










November 2010



November

SUNDAY November 7

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>5:30 pm - Village in Jacobson Hall</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:00 am - 8:00 pm</p>  <p>6 pm - 10 pm: Voices United rehearsal in Community Center</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Martin de Porres, renewer of society, 1639</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>4:00 pm - Praise band practice 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Hinds Hospice "Hope For The Holidays" in Jacobson Hall</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 am - Church Women United World Community Day at AME Church 4 pm - 7 pm: Village Pre-school Harvest Festival</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>1 pm - 3 pm: Youth group in Community Center 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm: Roosting Saturday Sports & Crafts 3:00 pm - WELCA Leaders</p>	
<p>7 All Saints' Sunday</p> <p>9:00 am - Praise & Celebration 10:00 am - Children's Sunday School 10:30 am - Traditional Worship 10:30 am - Adult Sunday School I 11:40 am - Adult Sunday School II 11:40 am - Church Council</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>7:00 pm -</p>  <p>5:30 pm - Village in Jacobson Hall (transferred from 11/07)</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>John Christian Fredrick Heyer, 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, 1918; missionaries</i></p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00 am - Rachel Circle 6 pm - 10 pm: Voices United rehearsal in Community Center 7:00 pm - Ruth Circle</p>	<p>10</p> <p>1 pm - Staff meeting 6:30 pm - "Live a Praying Life" Study in Community Center</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Martin Luther, born, 1483</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p>4:00 pm - Praise band practice</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Martin, Bishop of Tours, 397; Soren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, 1855</i></p> 	<p>12</p>	
<p>14</p>  <p>10:00 am - Children's Sunday School 10:30 am - Consecration Sunday Worship 11:30 am - Consecration Sunday Lunch</p>	<p>15</p> <p>12 Noon - OWLS 5:30 pm - Village in Jacobson Hall 6:30 pm - Esther Circle</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6 pm - 10 pm: Voices United rehearsal in Community Center</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6 pm - Worship Committee 6:30 pm - "Live a Praying Life" Study in Community Center</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society, 1231</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p>5:30 pm - <i>Hinds Hospice</i> Memorial Service</p> 	<p>19</p>	
<p>21 Christ The King</p> <p>9:00 am - Praise & Celebration 10:00 am - Children's Sunday School 10:30 am - Traditional Worship 10:30 am - Adult Sunday School I 11:40 am - Adult Sunday School II 11:30 am - Deacons meeting</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>5:30 pm - Village in Jacobson Hall</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7 pm - <i>Thanksgiving Eve Eve Worship</i></p>  <p>6 pm - 10 pm: Voices United rehearsal in Community Ctr</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Clement, Bishop of Rome, c. 100; Miguel Agustin Pro, martyr, 1927</i></p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:00 am - Shepherd's Voice newsletter folding 1 pm - Staff meeting</p> <p>Commemoration: <i>Justus Falckner, 1723; Jehu Jones, 1852; William Passavant, 1894</i></p>	<p>25</p> <p>4:00 pm - Praise band practice</p> 	<p>26</p>	
<p>28 First Sunday of Advent</p> <p>9:00 am - Praise & Celebration 10:00 am - Children's Sunday School 10:30 am - Traditional Worship 10:30 am - Adult Sunday School I 11:40 am - Adult Sunday School II</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6 pm - 10 pm: Voices United rehearsal in Community Center</p> <p>Festival: <i>Andrew, Apostle</i></p>	<p>27</p> <p>1 pm - 3 pm: Youth group in Community Center</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>1 pm - 3 pm: Youth group in Community Center</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1 pm - 3 pm: Youth group in Community Center</p>	<p>6</p>	

pet Blessing Sunday 10/3/10



Roeding Elementary Saturdays

Our next Saturday Sports and Crafts Day at Roeding will be on November 6th from 1:30-3:30 in the afternoon. "We are always in need of volunteers to play flag football, kickball, four square, and the like. We also need people to help with arts and crafts, to supervise coloring, play-doh, and flash cards, and to just sit and visit with the children. Don't miss out on this opportunity to put a smile on a child's face and make a difference in a lot of lives! And don't forget what Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me." Mark 9:37. If you need more information, see Tom Rogers or Julie Dixon.



Wii Bowling Tournament

It's another Wii Bowling tournament challenge! We will be squaring off once again on Sunday, November 21 at 5 p.m. in the Community Center. All ages are invited for this entertaining and really quite exciting event—no experience nor bowling shoes required! We will be serving the famous McQuillan chili for dinner along with a few other surprises. Mark your calendar now, and plan to have some fun with your Good Shepherd family at this upcoming



Pet Blessing Sunday

Our 3rd annual Pet Blessing Sunday took place on Sunday, October 3rd, and it turned out to be a beautiful afternoon in spite of the clouds and rain in the morning. There were around 40 people who came out with their faithful friends (a.k.a. pets!) for the special service in the Good Shepherd courtyard. Not So Purrfect Angels Cat Sanctuary brought out kittens for adoption, special pet tags were available for purchase, and we had many visitors with their furry friends. \$110 was collected in special donations that day and was given to the sanctuary to help in their mission to rescue abandoned and unwanted animals. Thank you so much to Paul & Sherry Bolm, Woody, Debbie, & Jennifer Wilk, and Paul Werfelmann for their donations of animal and people snacks for this event. Thanks also to Debbie West, Christine West, Jimmy Sanborn, and Courtney Bolm for helping to set up, sell the pet tags, and hand out programs. And finally, many kudos to Pastor Ted for once again blessing **each and every**



News from our Stewardship Team

Sunday, November 14th will be our Consecration Sunday, when we celebrate the gifts which God has given to us and honor Him with our first fruits, our worship, and praise. We will have a special luncheon after the second service, and everyone is invited. Please be sure to RSVP so we have an accurate head

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President of Mission Coalition: Pastor Bob Crabb



Praise & Celebration Worship 9:00 am

Sunday School for Children at 10:00 am

Traditional Worship 10:30 am

Adult Sunday School at 10:30 am & 11:40 am

Nursery care available for infants and toddlers

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:00 am - 12 noon Lunch: 12 noon - 1:30 pm

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Mission Statement

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