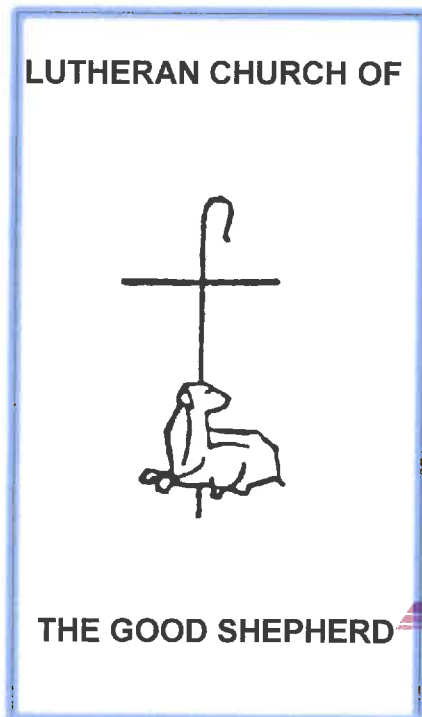


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WORSHIP SCHEDULE January 2019

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 AM—Setting 4/Communion
9:15 AM—Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:30 AM—LSB Setting 1/Communion

OTHER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

VESPERS— Wednesday Evenings 7:00 PM\

BIBLE STUDY

MONDAY—Starting Jan 14 Divine Drama 7:00 PM
WEDNESDAY-Starting Jan 9 10-11:30 AM

JANUARY SPECIAL DAYS

CHOIR REHEARSAL-Wednesday after Vespers

1st: New Year's Day-Circumcision & Name of Jesus

6th: The Epiphany of our Lord

13th: Baptism of Our Lord

18th: The Confession of St. Peter

24th: St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor

25th: Conversion of St. Paul

26th: St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAYS: Al Anon 11:00 AM

Jan 8-Elders Meeting 6:30 PM

Jan 12-Hooks & Needles 9-11 AM

Jan 13-12:15 PM-CHURCH COUNCIL

Jan 20-9:15 AM-LWML Meeting

Jan 20-QUILL DEADLINE

Jan 28-6:30-8 PM Alzheimer's Support Group in Parlor

**FEBRUARY QUILL DEADLINE is
JANUARY 20, 2019**

Please e-mail your articles to
lcsquill@aol.com
or put in Quill Box by the 20th..

OF INTEREST THIS MONTH:

Be sure to read about the following:

Save the Date: New Pictorial Directory

What Does Jesus Say About Healing?

Thank You



There are many workers behind the scenes of any worship service, but in particular the festival services of the Church Year. The preparation for the Christmas (and Easter) services requires work of more than one person to make it happen.

There are too many helpers to name, but you know who you are. To you we say THANK YOU. It was a job well done.

(PS: FYI: Holy Week starts April 14, 2019)

Let us pray for a year full of new Opportunities
an abundance of warm people among us
a life with God in our midst





**Lutheran
Women
in Mission**

LUTHERAN WOMENS MISSIONARY LEAGUE (LWML) will meet on Sunday, January 20th, at 9:15am, in the parlor. We will have a short business meeting, voting on where to donate the funds raised at the bratwurst sale. This will be followed by a wonderful Bible study. All ladies of the congregation are eligible to be a member of LWML, so come see what we are all about.

HOOKS & NEEDLES will meet on Saturday, January 12, from 9:00-11:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All who knit, crochet, sew, as well as those who want to learn, are invited to attend. Yarn, needles, instructions, lively conversation - all provided! All items made are donated to cancer centers, hospitals, and homeless shelters. Be a part of this community outreach!

LADIES NO 1 BIBLE STUDY:

Our study in the Book of Isaiah had gone along well with our Advent and Christmas celebrations. Our last Bible class was also a Christmas brunch with great discussion in the word of God and a yummy bevy of foods from which to choose.

Starting January 9, 2019 at 10-11:30 am we will be discussing Isaiah 28-33. Come and join us for lively discussion, in depth study and great fellowship.
Diana

Let's do
Lunch!

LADIES LUNCH: The schedule for January for the Ladies Lunch. All women of LCGS are welcome to join us for lunch. We meet at 11:30 AM every Tuesday. Please call Karen Meyer if you plan on attending so we know how many seats to get.

Jan 01-New Year's Day No lunch
Jan 08-Pete's of Greer—14155 E Wade Hampton Blvd. Greer
Jan 15-Della Ventura Italian-337 S Buncombe Rd Greer
Jan 22-Applebee's –Near Haywood Mall
Jan 29-Texas Roadhouse-3140 Wade Hampton Blvd Taylors

ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP meets in the Parlor at LCGS the fourth Monday of every month from 6:30 to 8:00pm. The meeting is open to all..

THE 2019 FLOWER CHART HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE NARTHEX. Please take a moment and sign up for a Sunday. If you are honoring someone, please indicate that by your name.

Kathy Washington orders the flowers from the florist and you will be billed directly by the florist. The cost is \$35.00 for one arrangement.

You may take your arrangement home after the late service.

Flowers are part of the beauty and frailty of creation, and are symbolic of our joy in Christ as well as earthly boundaries. Thus, flowers are used to adorn the worship space **except during the penitential times of the church year—Lent and Holy Week**. The freshest flowers are to be used and the color and arrangement should be in harmony with the season or festival being observed.

Our practice is to have one or two (or more) arrangements for a worship service. The arrangements are donated by the members of the congregation, usually to honor a special person or occasion.

If you have any questions, please see Kathy.

JAN 6 & 13 DATES ARE OPEN.....

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Cancelation of Congregational Activities and Services due to winter weather:

During severe winter weather, congregational activities will be canceled as advised by local authorities or as determined by the *Greenville Public School District*.

Sunday morning service cancellation will be determined by the pastor, Elder Chair, and congregational President on Sunday morning at **6:30 AM** and the decision sent via

- 1) the **congregational E-list** and
- 2) **WYFF channel 4.**
- 3) **WSPA Channel 7**
- 4) **Church telephone message changed to reflect closing**

Those without E-mail may watch for cancellations on Channel 4 or 7 and/or be phoned by this Board.

Revised: Jan 15, 2017

Coming Soon

via Life Touch Photos



SAVE THE DATES
for our new church pictorial directory:
Friday 3/1/19 2-7pm & Saturday 3/2/19 10am-5pm

We welcome all current and prospective members, staff, and elected leaders to be a part of our upcoming pictorial directory. It's been about a decade since the last one was made, and we need YOU to make the new one complete! Help us:

- Document this time of tremendous growth in our congregation
- Create a lasting record of our current membership
- Connect faces with names

We are partnering with Lifetouch for this project, who is providing a **complimentary directory to every family photographed**. You will also receive a FREE 8x10 portrait, plus \$10 OFF additional purchases. Sign up for photography at the narthex table after services on January 20th or online at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ykrds3g2/>.

For your convenience, all photography and portrait viewing will take place in the fellowship hall with NO sitting fee. You will have a variety of poses taken, and will immediately select one pose for the directory. Members 60 and above, military, or first responders will receive an additional 20% off purchases. Lifetouch's portrait price lists will be available at the sign-up table for those who would like them prior to your session, which should take about an hour.

We look forward to seeing all your smiling faces in our new directory. Please help us reach 100% participation!

Thank you,
Jennifer Johnson & Betty Wade, coordinators

P.S. We need a few more helping hands to promote, host, and create history/mission/group pages for the directory. Please contact Jennifer at jdjcpa7304@yahoo.com if you are willing to share your time, knowledge, and/or pictures of past events - for the glory of God!

Jesus Healing for Today?

Healing in our modern day is a topic we often pass off as one of those questionable subjects that is too confusing to approach. Until we need His touch. Until, in desperation, we have nowhere else to turn. Until the world does not provide the answers or protocol that produces the results that we so desperately yearn for. Only then, do we often turn to the healing power Jesus promises in His Word. What are those promises? How do we receive them?

Healing simply begins by approaching the throne room of God, in Jesus' Name and humbly asking Him to appropriate His Word to our situation. We ask in faith, believing, and our request will be granted. That is not to say healing will immediately occur. Research tells us that many of our illnesses are driven by our emotions—what we believe about ourselves and our situation and what we believe about God. When our filter through which we interpret life is one of unbelief, anger, or resentment, those toxic emotions can compromise our relationships as well as our immune response. Our conclusion is that healing begins with yielding *all* to the Lord, body and emotions, so that His healing power may surge into every part of our being, in the way that is for our good and for His glory.

What does Jesus say about healing?

Nearly one-fifth of the Gospel accounts are devoted to Jesus' healing ministry. The word for "salvation" in Latin is "salutis," which means health, prosperity, salvation. Wherever Jesus went, He ministered healing to hurting people. Jesus opposed anything which bound or enslaved people. He knew that the forces of darkness were in some way connected with man's physical infirmities.

As the Christ of God, the healing ministry of Jesus is manifested as the wholeness which salvation brings to mankind, released by faith.

What about those who have prayed for and are not healed?

When we have cleansed our hearts from obvious sinful thoughts and practices, have yielded our situation to Jesus, and God seems to have said "No," have peace in knowing He hears and is with us in our valley. There are many examples in scripture where God did not answer prayer immediately. God's promise to Abraham was long in coming, as was Joseph's prayer to be set free from his bondage in Egypt. The ultimate healing always takes place when Jesus releases His children from the constraints of earth and brings us to heaven, where there is no sickness, and we reign forever with Him and with those who have gone before us.

What did Martin Luther say about healing?

Martin Luther did indeed practice healing prayer with those who came to him afflicted with a malady and speaks of many healings as a result. In a letter offering spiritual council he said, "Affliction must be counteracted by the power of Christ with the prayer of faith." In that same letter, Luther concluded, "In so far as we are able, we shall at the same time unite our faithful prayers and petitions to the Lord with yours."

Luther instructed pastors to conduct a service of healing, where the pastor prayed scripture over the oppressed, in the name of Jesus.

Our Response: Joining together in prayers of healing

In January, Pastor Steve will conduct a Healing Service at our church. All who need a touch from the Lord—body, soul, or spirit, are invited to join their faith with other believers and approach the throne room of God. In faith we will ask, believing, that the God, who created heaven and earth by His Living Word, will touch us in our need. By bearing one another's burdens, we will be carrying out the commission of Jesus as well as strengthening the body of Christ.



**UNITED MINISTRIES: BRING FOOD Remember-ONE CAN PER MEMBER. Not to difficult to remember. Any nonperishable food items are needed, especially meats, rice, pasta, and canned vegetables and soups.
TOO much Christmas Candy at home; bring it in for the Pantry. They like sweets also.**

“EACH ONE BRING ONE EACH WEEK OR ONCE A MONTH IN 2019”

2019 LCGS Voter and Council Meeting Annual Schedule

YOUR ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2018-19

PRESIDENT: Tom Greinke
 VICE-PRESIDENT: Dan Elias
 RECORDING SECRETARY-Susanne Fisher
 TREASURER-Amy Dammers
 FINANCIAL SECRETARY-Frank Meyer
 IMMEDIATE PAST PRES: Allen Summers
 HEAD ELDER: Anne Reisinger
 HEAD TRUSTEE: Paul Ableman
 CHRISTIAN ED; Brandi Ableman & Jennifer Johnson

Council Meeting - Sunday, January 13th
 Voters Meeting – Sunday, February 10th
 Council Meeting – Sunday, March 10th
 Council Meeting – Sunday, April 14th
 Voters Meeting – Sunday, May 5th
 Council Meeting- Sunday, June 9th
 Council Meeting, Sunday, July 14th
 Council Meeting, Sunday, August 11th
 Voters Meeting – Sunday, September 8TH
 Council Meeting- Sunday, October 13th
 Voters Meeting- Sunday, November 10th
 Council Meeting- Sunday, December 8th

DATE	OCCASION	TIME	#	TIME	#	Total Attend.	Offering
Nov 25	Sunday	8:00 AM	40	10:30 AM	87	127	4264.00
Dec 2	Sunday	8:00 AM	55	10:30 AM	106	161	9685.00
Dec 5	Advent			7:00 PM	69	69	
Dec 9	Sunday	NO SERVICES		SNOW DAY			
Dec 12	Advent			7:00 PM	68		
Dec 16	Sunday	8:00 AM	51	10:30 AM	130	181	
Dec 19	Advent			7:00 PM			
Dec 23	Sunday	8:00 AM		10:30 AM	55	126	
Dec 24	Christmas Eve	7:00 PM	148	11:00 PM	61	209	
Dec 25	Christmas Day	ONE SERVICE		10:00 AM	115	115	
Dec 30	Sunday	8:00 AM		10:30 AM			

LCGS Council Meeting Minutes

- 1) Call to Order— 12:15 pm by Thomas Greinke. Attendance: 12 Members.
- 2) Opening Prayer — Pastor Steve Saxe.
- 3) Additions / Changes to Agenda — Thomas Greinke. None.
- 4) Motion to approve prior Council Meeting Minutes without Changes — Allen Summers, 2nd: Leslie Weirmeir, motion carried.
- 5) Pastor's Report — Pastor Steve Saxe. No report.
- 6) Financial Secretary's Report— Frank Meyer. Report for 1-1-18 to 12-2-18 on file. Motion to approve: Allen Summers, 2nd: Leslie Weirmeir, motion carried.
- 7) Treasurer's Report — Amy Dammers. Financial Report period ending 11/30/18 on file.
- 8) Superintendents of Christian Education — Brandy Ableman and Jennifer L. Johnson. No report.

Board Reports

a) Board of Elders — Ann Reisinger. No report.

b) Board of Trustees— Dan Elias. Discussion of HVAC issues. No report.

Board of Finance — Amy Dammers. 2019 Financial Plan approved today in Voters' meeting.

Standing Committee & Coordinator Reports — None.

11) New Business

a) Motion to create Sunday School/Education Committee — Pastor Steve Saxe. Discussion, motion unnecessary, motion retracted.

b) Motion to donate profit of \$60 from Christkindlemart to Lutherans for Life — Emme Gannon. 2nd: Ann Reisinger, motion carried.

Motion to pay Bechtel Children \$200 each for 2018 babysitting from Discretionary Fund — Pastor Steve Saxe, 2nd: Ann Reisinger, motion carried.

d) Motion to suspend police presence as of 1/1/19 until other options can be researched — Amy Dammers.

Discussion, this was approved when police presence began, motion retracted.

e) Motion to create new Church Pictorial Directory — Jennifer L. Johnson. Discussion and handouts. 2nd: Leslie Weirmeir, motion carried.

f) Motion to pay employees Christmas and Cantor Markus Bockle bonus of \$150 (minus taxes & FICA) from Discretionary Fund — Al Weirmeir. Discussion. 2nd:

Allen Summers, motion carried.

Announcements

Planning for 2020 Christkindlemart will begin in 2019.

Next Church Council Meeting Sunday, January 13, 2019.

Adjournment—Thomas Greinke. 1:41 pm.

14) Benediction —Pastor Steve Saxe.

Respectfully submitted by
Susanne Fisher, recording Secretary