

THE GATHERING



Celebrating **50** years of GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 4, 2011

Second Sunday in Advent

WELCOME VISITORS

We are glad you are here and hope that you will return soon to worship with us again. Please fill out the attendance binders as they pass by. Prayer cards are located in the pews in front of you, fill one out and drop it in the offering plate when it passes. We would LOVE to pray for you. **Communion: We believe that all who profess faith in the victory of Jesus Christ over sin and death are welcome at the Lord's table.**

TODAY'S WORSHIP

8:00 am Service	9:30 am Service	11:15 am Service
Prelude, Gisela Chodos Welcome Processional Hymn <i>Prepare the Royal Highway, LBW 26</i> Confession and Forgiveness Prayer of the Day First Lesson: <i>Isaiah 40:1-11, p. 714</i> Psalm Response: <i>Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13, p. 584</i> Second Lesson: <i>2 Peter 3:8-15a, p. 1202</i> Lighting of the Advent Candle <i>Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah, WOV 630</i> The Holy Gospel: <i>Mark 1:1-8, p. 990</i> Message Altar Rail Prayer Ministry <i>On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry, LBW 36</i> <i>Comfort, Comfort Now My People, LBW 29</i> Profession of Faith Sharing of the Peace Offertory <i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, Festival Choir</i> The Great Thanksgiving Communion <i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, LBW 30</i> Doxology LBW 565 Benediction Closing Hymn <i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past, LBW 320 (vs 1,3)</i> Dismissal Postlude, Gisela Chodos	Gathering Music, Gisela Chodos Welcome Opening Song <i>Prepare the Royal Highway, LBW 26</i> Confession and Forgiveness Prayer of the Day First Lesson: <i>Isaiah 40:1-11, p. 714</i> Psalm Response: <i>Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13, p. 584</i> Second Lesson: <i>2 Peter 3:8-15a, p. 1202</i> Lighting of the Advent Candle <i>Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah, WOV 630</i> The Holy Gospel: <i>Mark 1:1-8, p. 990</i> Message Altar Rail Prayer Ministry <i>More Love More Power Majesty</i> Profession of Faith Sharing of the Peace Offertory <i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus, Festival Choir</i> The Great Thanksgiving Communion <i>How Great is Our God</i> Doxology LBW 565 Benediction Postlude <i>Power in the Blood</i>	Welcome Opening Song <i>Beautiful One Not to Us</i> Confession and Forgiveness Prayer of the Day First Lesson: <i>Isaiah 40:1-11, p. 714</i> Psalm Response: <i>Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13, p. 584</i> Second Lesson: <i>2 Peter 3:8-15a, p. 1202</i> Lighting of the Advent Candle <i>Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah, WOV 630</i> The Holy Gospel: <i>Mark 1:1-8, p. 990</i> Message Altar Rail Prayer Ministry <i>How Great Thou Art We Fall Down</i> Profession of Faith Sharing of the Peace Offertory The Great Thanksgiving Communion <i>This Road</i> Doxology LBW 565 Benediction Postlude

LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green hymnal)
LPH: Living Praise Hymnal
WOV: With One Voice (blue hymnal)

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- TODAY!!! WWJD MISSION TEAM:** Stop by the Serendipity room today (see p. 3)
- WOW CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Please join us on 12/6 at 6:30 pm, (see p. 2)
- ANGEL TREE & CHRISTMAS SHEPHERDS:** Look on the bulletin board to help, (see insert)
- ROYAL FAMILY KIDS:** Needs volunteers for fundraising, (see p. 3)
- SIGN UP TO MAKE SANDWICHES:** We will be serving on 12/18, (see p. 3)

OUR JOY IS TO **CONNECT** TO GOD AND ONE ANOTHER, TO **GROW** IN MATURITY IN CHRIST, AND TO **SERVE** IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

CONNECTING**CONNECT, GROW, AND SERVE...HAVE FUN**

Today!!! COOKBOOKS ARE IN: Pick up your cookbooks today! They make excellent Christmas presents!

WOMEN OF THE WORD (WOW) CHRISTMAS PARTY (12/6): The annual Christmas party will be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 6th. All women of Good Shepherd are invited for a ham dinner, please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Also, bring an item for the food bank. If you will need the nursery for your child/children, please let the church office know by noon on Monday, December 5th.

55 & HOLDING (12/7): For December, our group will be traveling to the University of Utah Museum of Natural History. Please join us on our adventure to see all the changes they have made. We will meet at church at 9:30 am on WEDNESDAY, December 7th (notice the day change) and take the van to the U!

QUILTING (12/8): Join us for quilting and a potluck lunch at 9:00 am on Thursday, December 8th.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED (12/9): Advent service will be held Friday, December 9th at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 1971 S. 2300 E., at 1 pm. Tea and Fellowship to follow.

BAPTISM BY IMMERSION, LIFE IN THE CHURCH & SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK (12/11): A Celebration of Baptism by Immersion will be held on Sunday, December 11th, 4:00 pm at Mountain View Christian Assembly, 300 E 8000 S. If you have been considering being baptized and would like to join in, call the church office. Please come and support the participants on their special day. Life in the Church will be held from 2-4 pm and the Second Sunday Potluck will be held at 5 pm, at Good Shepherd. Bring a potluck dish to share based on the food assignment: (A-I) bring a Main dish, (J-R) bring a Salad, (S-Z) bring a Dessert.

BELLS, HARPS & CHOIR (12/18): Let the Angels Ring! Come hear harps, bells, and voices in a free Christmas concert at Good Shepherd on Sunday, December 18th at 4:00 pm. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors. All are welcome!

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS KIDZONE SCHEDULE: Wednesdays, Dec. 21 and 28, No STAR Club or Snack Bar. Sundays, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1, no Sunday school. Plan to attend the Family Drive in Movie on Sunday, Dec. 18 at 5 pm and you won't want to miss the Family Christmas Eve Service on December 24 at 4 pm. The service will include members of the 11:15 am Worship team, the Youth Worship team, some junior high and high school staffers and, of course, our KidZone kids and dancers! The KidZone Lock In dates have changed, watch for new times to be announced soon.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICES (12/24): Saturday's Christmas Eve services will be held at 4, 7, 9 & 11 pm, childcare will be available during the 4, 7, and 9 pm services. There will be Sign Language Interpretation offered during the 9 pm service. Sunday's Christmas Day service will be held at 10 am. New Year's Day services will be held at 9 and 11:15 am.

GROWING**CONNECT, GROW, AND SERVE...LEARN MORE ABOUT GOD**

ESSENTIALS OF DISCIPLINE (12/4): Parents and Grandparents; please consider joining us for this class today, "Changing Discipline as Your Child Grows, part 2 (applies to older children)." Contact Kelli with questions.

COME AS YOU ARE BIBLE STUDY (12/7): To start this Advent season, please join us to read and discuss selections from the "Revelation to St John," at Good Shepherd, Dec. 7th at 6:30 pm. We invite everyone to read ahead, then when we meet, be ready to read a passage or two and discuss what it says to us about "our whole lives returned to God." All are welcome, no prior experience needed.

LDS IN TRANSITION AT GSLC (12/8): Former or current members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are invited to be part of our Transitions Group, Thursdays 7-9 pm. Contact P. James for more info.

ALTAR RAIL PRAYER TRAINING (12/10) Join us on Saturday as we will be training those interested in praying with the congregation during Altar Rail Prayer time in the services. Pastor Christine will begin the training at 9 am.

SERVING**CONNECT, GROW, AND SERVE IN OUR COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD**

CANDLE DANCE (12/5): The Dance Ministry has begun preparations for Christmas Eve services. If you would like to join us in the Candle Dance this year, please contact Tracy Emsley @ 801-870-8079. We meet on Monday nights at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

FESTIVAL CHOIR (12/7): Join the Festival Choir this Christmas Eve. Practice is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. If you play an instrument and would like to be involved on Christmas Eve please contact Barbara Nelson, 801-259-9059.

WWJD MISSION TEAM: Stop by the Serendipity Room today as the WWJD Mission Team will be selling Christmas items they have made to fund their Mission trip next summer.

KIDZONE FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT: Not just for kids! (12/7): Please mark your calendar for Wednesday, December 7th, 6:30 to 8:30 pm and plan to join us. We will be making dresses out of pillowcases to send to "Hope 4 Women International." We'd love to send at least 50 dresses. Please consider joining us! If you have a sewing machine that travels easy, please bring it with you. For more information about this organization call Kelli or go to www.dressagirlaroundtheworld.com.

SANDWICHES NEEDED FOR THE HOMELESS: They look like ordinary sandwiches. Two slices of bread with layers of lettuce, tomato, and cheese, and piles of sandwich meat, egg salad, or tuna salad in between. But to those who made them, members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church's Sandwich team (formerly Salvation Army), they are handmade packages of love and care that are part of building the body of Christ. Once a month, members of GSLC makes sandwiches, to help feed some 300-500 of Salt Lake City's homeless people, for the Catholic Community Services Community Dining Room. If you would like to help by making 2 loaves of sandwiches, visit the table today!!!

HUGS FOR T.UG.: Duy Beck will be returning to Tanzania full time for 6-8 months. He is asking for the following donations for the orphanage: 2-3 buddy passes or Skymiles for workers that will be helping to build the orphanage; quilts & fleece blankets; and baby formula. Thank you!

ROYAL FAMILY KIDS: *Our Royal Family is growing! Praise God!* The board of Royal Family Kids is in need of some help in the fundraising area for our banquet which will be held March 24, 2012. These jobs are for a short time period, January-March. A working Fundraising Committee would consist of: Volunteer coordinator, Audio-Visual, Live/Silent Auction Coordinator, Facilities Coordinator, and a Fundraising Specialist. Please pray about helping the board out and if interested, contact Victoria Robertson at vbushong@msn.com or Darlene Johnson at darlenejohnson999@hotmail.com.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS: Also, thank you to Thrivent for matching funds from the WOW Boutique in the amount of \$250!

VISUAL ARTISTS OF ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVEL: Good Shepherd is now allocating some space to display artwork. You may have already noticed Ellen Brady's photographs in the Serendipity room that reflected November's theme of thanks and praise to God. This month will, of course, be focusing on Jesus' birth. Please contact Yvonne Krause if you would like to see some art work displayed; either from you or someone else. She will go over the display specifications as well as proceeds, if you want to sell them, ykrause@comcast.net or 801-969-9227.

WE NEED CONTAINERS (12/18): The KidZone is collecting items to make drums at Family Movie Night on December 18th. They will be watching Veggie Tales, "Little Drummer Boy". Please donate large containers from yogurt, cottage cheese, ice cream, oatmeal, etc... You can leave them in the box by the church office door. Thank you!

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCIAL TRUSTEE: "The Journey still continues..". I want to inform the congregation that we have made a payment of \$20,000 toward the note on the Johnson Way Property #2. At the past fall Congregational meeting, I pointed out that while the Church's Mortgage is paid off, we still have the \$140,000 Note on the Johnson Way Property # 2 as our only outstanding debt. At that meeting, I offered a challenge to the congregation, to focus on paying off this remaining debt within a five year period. I believe with God's help, this congregation can not only meet this goal, but possibly pay it off in a shorter period of time. On your giving envelopes, we will still have the Mortgage reduction box, please use it as you did before. With God's Blessings, all things are possible.... Bob Scott , Financial Trustee

GIVING

CONNECT, GROW AND SERVE BY SHARING MONEY, TIME, TALENTS

The WOW Thank offering was \$3,108—Thank you.

General Fund Financial Update:

Preliminary November Totals:

	Nov	Jan-Nov	Last Year
Income	\$66,109	\$776,388	\$717,265
Expenses	(\$72,044)	(\$768,764)	(\$771,398)
Net Income	(\$5,935)	\$7,624	(\$54,133)

Nov Week One Offering \$17,848
 Nov Week Two Offering \$12,400
 Nov Week Three Offering \$9,673
 Nov Week Four Offering \$9,508

Facility Debt Reduction - \$21,367 toward 140K

Thank you for your faithful giving.

CONNECT

GROW

SERVE

THIS WEEK AT GSLC

2nd Sunday in Advent, December 4

8:00, 9:30 and 11:15 am Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Essentials of Discipline Parenting Class
9:30 am Experiencing God
10:30 am KidZone Dance Ministry
1:00 pm Russian Tea Market Party
1:00 pm Youth Return From Camp
1:30 pm Youth Worship Team Rehearsal

Monday, December 5

9:00 am Christian Aerobics
6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Boy, Girl & Cub Scouts
7:00 pm Dance Ministry

Tuesday, December 6

9:30 am Explorer's Bible Study
10:00 am Little Lambs Play Group
6:30 pm WOW Christmas Party
7:00 pm Christianity Explored
7:00 pm Circle of Friends Ensemble Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 7

9:00 am Christian Aerobics
9:30 am 55 & Holding
6:00 pm Snack Bar
6:30 pm Star Club / Family Service Night
6:30 pm Community
6:30 pm The BOOK Club
6:30 pm Come As You Are Bible Study
7:00 pm Festival Choir, Orchestra & Bells Rehearsal

Thursday, December 8

9:00 am Quilting & Potluck Lunch
10:00 am Busy Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm 11:15 Worship Team Rehearsal
7:00 pm LDS in Transition

Friday, December 9

9:00 am Christian Aerobics
7:00 pm Crop Club Scrapbooking

Saturday, December 10

8:00 am Men's Bagels, Bible Study & Brotherhood
9:00 am Saturday Morning Prayer class
11:00 am Restarting Class

3rd Sunday in Advent, December 11

Pericope: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thess 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

8:00, 9:30 and 11:15 am Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Essentials of Discipline Parenting Class
9:30 am Confirmation class for grades 7-9
9:30 am High School Sunday School
9:30 am Experiencing God
10:30 am KidZone Dance Ministry
1:30 pm Youth Worship Team Rehearsal
2:00 pm Youth Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Life in the Church
4:00 pm Baptism by Immersion
5:00 pm Second Sunday Potluck

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2-4

Jr High Winter Retreat

December 6

WOW Christmas Party

December 7

55 & Holding
Family Service Project, Not Just For Kids!

December 9 & 10

Sandy Symphony Concert

December 11

Life in the Church
Baptism by Immersion
Second Sunday Potluck

December 15

Sally Bytheway Chorale Concert

December 18

Drive-In Movie Night, Veggie Tales, "Little Drummer Boy."
Harp & Music Concert

December 24

Christmas Eve Services: 4, 7, 9, & 11 pm

December 25

Christmas Day Service: 10 am

January 1, 2012

New Year's Day Services: 9 & 11:15 am

ALTAR FLOWERS



Donated by: *The Wash Family*

In honor of all the December family birthdays.

Donated by: *The Keslers*

*In memory of Arthur Volker & glory to God for
Duncan's 14th birthday*

GSLC STAFF

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for The Schaeffer & Hardell family, Carl Berg, Connie Rowley, Jake Drain, JoAnna Johannesen, Family of Jamie Pierre, Martha Green & family, Glenice Coward, Ashley Allred, Donna Mickelsen, Karen McGinn.

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