

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude and Chiming of the Hour

Becky Carlisle

Welcome and Announcements

Visitors, we are glad you are worshiping with us today and appreciate your filling out the visitor's card found in the pew rack. Please place it in the offering plate. Prayer request cards are in the pew racks if you wish to use them and bring them to the Communion Table during the Passing the Peace.

Introit

"Our Prayer"

Choir

***Call to Worship**

One: Even when we feel alone in the wilderness,

All: we worship you and serve only you.

One: Despite the temptations life may throw at us,

All: we worship you and serve only you.

One: As we contemplate the path ahead,

All: we worship you and serve only you, wherever it may lead.

One: Let us worship God together!

***Opening Hymn #81** Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

Silent Prayers

One: God who was tempted,

All: Forgive us, for leading ourselves astray and pretending somehow we are the victims and the culprits.

Forgive us for appealing to our frailty as if, somehow, just by saying so we need face no charge for our own culpability.

Forgive us for hungering for what we do not need, and thirsting for what will not satisfy, when the feast is already offered to us: the bread of life and living water.

May we know your forgiveness in our hearts, and be transformed and cleansed, a new beginning from the temptations we have known. Amen.

***Assurance of Grace**

***Gloria Patri #579**

***Passing of the Peace**

One: As a forgiven and reconciled people, let us share with one another signs of peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hearing the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Psalm Reading Psalm 91:9-12 (p. 477; LP p. 511)

Gospel Reading Matthew 4:1-12 (p. 785; LP p. 3 NT)

One: For the Word of God in scripture,

For the Word of God among us,

For the Word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God.

Time with the Children

(Children ages 5-13 may now go downstairs for Junior Church.)

Pastor Bill

Anthem

"We Worship You, Almighty God" (Patterson)

Choir

Sermon

The Identity Test

Rev. Bill Davis

Responding to the Word

***Hymn #361** How Firm a Foundation

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostle's Creed (Traditional) Top of p. 14 in hymnal

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALENDAR

TODAY	Annual Reports Available in the Narthex and on the website Shepherds' Hall Rental 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Youth Group 6:30 p.m.
MONDAY	OFFICE CLOSED – MLK Day
TUESDAY	Retired Nurses (FH) 8:00 a.m. – noon
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study (Pastor's Office) 3:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Staff Meeting (Pastor's Office) 11:30 a.m.
FRIDAY	Food Bank Board Meeting (Reception area at SH) 12:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	Growing Home hosting at Northglenn United Methodist Church 5:00 p.m.
NEXT SUNDAY	Annual Congregational Meeting –following worship Children's Sunday School Classes 8:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School Classes 8:30 a.m. Shepherds' Hall Rental 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Youth Group 6:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Lay Reader Training – Feb. 1 at 11:15 a.m. or Feb. 4 at 5:00 p.m.
Baby Shower for Bill, Katie & Coulter Davis – Sun., Feb. 8 – 11:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Worship & Communion – Feb. 18 – 7:00 p.m.
1st Sunday in Lent – Feb. 22

Bill can be reached on the church office phone at 303-452-5478 or on his church cell phone at 720-626-6428. His e-mail is bill@thegoodshepherd.org.

Please make sure to “like” us on Facebook!

THE WEEKLY NEWS

January 18, 2015



WELCOME friends, new and old! May God's presence bring warmth, enlightenment and joy as we worship together. We invite you to join us downstairs following worship for fellowship and refreshments.

A nursery is available downstairs for children ages birth to 5 years.

COPIES OF THE 2014 ANNUAL REPORT are now on the website (click on January 25 Annual Meeting at the top of the home page). For those without internet access, there are copies in the Narthex. Please review it online or pick up a copy--one to a family please--and review before the Annual Congregational Meeting next Sunday.

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR BOX OF GIVING ENVELOPES in the Narthex this morning. If you did not get envelopes and would like them, please contact Joyce Matthews.

GIVING STATEMENTS for 2014 are now available. See Joyce Matthews in the Narthex.

GROWING HOME For our hosting on January 24, we still need a couple more people to sign up to bring food. The sign-up board is in the Narthex. Thank you to those who have already signed up!

THE JANUARY ISSUE OF THE SHEPHERD'S CROOK is available on your e-mail and on the website (thegoodshepherd.org). Copies are available in the Narthex for those of you who do not have internet access.

THE PER CAPITA FOR 2015 is \$30 per member. Please consider paying your share of this expense for our congregation. Thank you!

THE BABY SHOWER FOR BILL, KATIE & BABY COULTER, has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 8, following worship.

CALENDARS FOR 2015 are on sale after worship in the Narthex. They are just \$10 for a beautiful calendar you will be glad to hang on your wall. Get several for gifts! The proceeds help

fund our Christian Education activities here at Good Shepherd, including Sunday school materials, Youth mission trip and Vacation Bible Camp. Thanks for investing in our young people!

THE 2015 SIGN-UP CALENDAR FOR SUNDAY FLOWERS is now up in the Narthex on the bulletin board at the head of the stairs. Please sign up for a Sunday in 2015 to honor a loved one or a special day. Flowers are \$20 per arrangement and need to be paid for one week in advance so that they can be ordered. Thank you!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A LAY READER DURING THE NEXT YEAR???

Joan Moore is working on the schedule for the next couple months and would love to add your name. Training sessions for interested (and current) readers who would like to brush up on their Lay Reader skills will be offered following worship on February 1st, and on Wednesday February 4th at 5pm. Please let Pastor Bill know if you're planning on attending.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOOD BANK FOR JANUARY: Canned soup, mac & cheese, toilet paper and bar soap. Please place items in the bench in the Narthex or bring to the Food Bank. Thank you! During December the Food Bank gave out 151 orders to 110 households serving 381 people, including 146 children. Thank you for your continued support for this important mission to our community.

FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Activity boxes are in the Narthex for children to use during worship. The red ones are for older children, and the rest for younger children. Please feel free to take a box, use it during worship, and return it to the shelf after the service. We will be cleaning and updating the supplies regularly. If you have any small-sized activity books you would like to donate for these boxes, give them to Mary Kennedy or leave them in the church office.

BE INSPIRED! INSPIRAR! BE UPLIFTED! MOTIVAR! BE THERE! LO ESPERAMOS! You will be inspired and uplifted at the first Latino Film Festival, sponsored by Denver Presbytery's Gala Task Force. View the startling Salt of the Earth, the only blacklisted film, and the heart-wrenching and spirit-lifting, A Class Apart. Both put a courageous spotlight on the life of Mexican Americans in the United States. It all takes place on Saturday, February 7, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Wellshire Presbyterian Church. It is free but we ask that you RSVP and learn more about these films at www.denpres.org/events. The Gala Task Force is celebrating Latino culture, art and history throughout 2015. Lo Esperamos!

REMINDER FROM OUR CUSTODIAN: Please remember to turn off lights and ensure the doors are locked if you are the last one in the building. Thank you!

Flock Notes

Birthdays January 23 to January 31

Jan. 23	Penny Kountz	Jan. 28	Kelly Keep
Jan. 26	Kira Braun	Jan. 31	Betty Casady

Here's What's Happening----Please keep in your thoughts and prayers----**The Family and Friends of Birda Siani** who died on December 26----**The Family & Friends of Vera Waldron** who died on December 30----**Wava Vincent & Family** on the recent death of her sister----**Teddie McConnell**, recovering from foot surgery----**Bill Keck**, fighting an infection----**Jean Magee**, in rehab following a fall where she fractured a vertebrae----**Damien**, Andy & Mary Kennedy's 5 month old great-grandson, recovering well after successful surgery----**Barb Haring**, recovering after a recent hospitalization----**Becki McConnell**, doing well after surgery for her broken leg----**Jerry & Jacque Noland**, as Jerry continues his struggle with health issues----All those fighting cancer: **Daniel Leieritz, Sue Coleman, Tom McConnell, Betty Casady, Donna Cadwallader**----**Blane, Ava & Tiffany**, coping with a very difficult custody situation----Each week we include a request for prayers for one of our church's mission projects: This week pray for the clients and volunteers of **Growing Home**---Let us know what's happening....drop off your news in the Church Office or call/e-mail it to us.

GINGERSNAP: Prayer is the ultimate wireless connection.



**Sunday, January 25
11:00 a.m.**

Please plan on attending!