

# FEBRUARY 2010



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
		9:00 am, Pastor's Bible Study No Quilting today			Office Closed	
<b>Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 7</b>  <i>Sacred Hope Dancers</i>  9:00 am, Sunday School; New Member Orientation 10:00 am, Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 am, Coffee	<b>8</b>  5:15 pm, Stewardship Meeting 5:30 pm, Book Group @ Good Shepherd	<b>9</b>  9:00 am, Pastor's Bible Study 10:00 am, Quilting @ Lois Robinson's	<b>10</b>  9:30 am, Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm, Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 pm, Chime Choir 7:30 pm, Adult Choir	<b>11</b>  7:00 pm, "Up North" Bible Study @ Wolffs Spring Lake	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord 14</b>  9:00 am, Sunday School; New Member Orientation 10:00 am, Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 am, Coffee Youth Group Sledding Time to be announced	<b>15</b>  6:30 pm, Tapestry Women's Group	<b>16</b>  9:00 am, Pastor's Bible Study 10:00 am, Quilting @ Lois Robinson's	<b>Ash Wednesday 17</b>  9:30 am, Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm, Al-Anon Meeting 7:00 pm, Ash Wednesday Service 8:00 pm, Adult Choir	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>First Sunday in Lent 21</b>  <i>New Member Reception</i>  9:00 am, Sunday School; New Member Orientation 10:00 am, Worship with Holy Communion; Reception of New Members 11:00 am, Congregational Meeting & Potluck	<b>22</b>  6:30 Church Council	<b>23</b>  9:00 am, Pastor's Bible Study 10:00 am, Quilting @ Lois Robinson's 11:00 am, Community Kitchen @ Western Seminary	<b>24</b>  9:30 am, Women's Bible Study 1:00 pm, Newsletter Assembly Crew 5:30 pm, Lenten Simple Supper 6:00 pm, Al-Anon Meeting 7:00 pm, Lent Service 8:00 pm, Adult Choir	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Second Sunday in Lent 28</b>  9:00 am, Sunday School; Adult Forum 10:00 am, Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 am, Coffee			<p><i>Note: All events take place at Good Shepherd unless noted otherwise</i></p> <p><i>Noisy Offering for February: The Groenhofs, a family who lost their home in a fire</i></p>			

## SERVANTS OF THE DAY: LEADERS AND HELPERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

Date	February 7	February 14	February 21	February 28
<b>Worship Folder</b>	Sundays of Epiphany	Now the Feast & Celebration	New Member Sunday	Sundays of Lent
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Tom Ludwig	Carolyn Willaman	Stephen Bolin	Dennis Willaman
<b>Bread Server</b>	Carol Ruggles	Dennis Willaman	Larry Heckel	Sheila Nicholas
<b>Wine Servers</b>	Rita Carleski &	Violet & Gunnard Kyllonen	Bob & Patty Pantano	Jerry & Julie Wolff
<b>Reader(s)</b>	Reid Ruggles	Peggy Gustafson	Bob Pantano	Sharon Wendt
<b>Piano/Music</b>	Corinne Becker	Corinne Becker	Carolyn Willaman	Carolyn Willaman
<b>Comm Set-up</b>	Deb Ludwig	Carol Ollermann	Violet Kyllonen	Bob & Patty Pantano
<b>Comm Clean-up</b>	Carol Ollermann	Carol Ollermann	Barb Mann	Bob & Patty Pantano
<b>Bread Baker</b>	Barb Mann	none	Rita Carleski	none

# Shepherding God's Gifts

Returning to God a portion of the time, talents and treasures God has first given us



## February Birthdays

Matthew Sinthasomphone	Feb 3
Patty Pantano	Feb 4
Laura Nicholas	Feb 7
Troy Brondyke	Feb 9
Ethan Doxey	Feb 10
Emma Manzo	Feb 13
Kennedy Sauer	Feb 14
Eric Kontowicz	Feb 14
Stephen Bolin	Feb 18
Cheryl Somero	Feb 19
Reid Ruggles	Feb 25

## February Anniversaries

Scott & Kris Middleton Feb 12

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## Help for Haiti

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

*"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." -1 Corinthians 12:26*

Almost two weeks have passed since the devastating earthquake in Haiti. The outpouring of gifts from members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) to ELCA Disaster Response has enabled a swift response on behalf of this church.

Thank you for your generous financial support which now totals more than \$1.6 million. Thousands of other gifts are still being counted. Our community-based partners are already providing:

- \* Two **water** purification systems to bring clean water to 25,000 people.
- \* Emergency **food** and **medical supplies** to thousands.
- \* Blankets and tents to **shelter** 10,000 people who are homeless.

Funding, distributed through three partners, will increase as giving continues.

\* \$300,000 has been sent to The Lutheran World Federation (LWF), a key responder and member of Action by Churches Together (ACT). The funds support LWF efforts to provide shelter to people left homeless by the quake.

\* \$150,000 has been sent to Lutheran World Relief (LWR), Baltimore, for material aid.

\* \$150,000 has been sent to Church World Service (CWS) for construction of temporary water systems and distribution of water purification materials.

In addition, \$25,000 has been sent to Lutheran Services of Florida for initial support to refugees and Haitian Americans entering or returning to the United States.

We are pleased that Louis Dorvillier, director for International Development and Disaster Response in the ELCA Global Mission program unit, is part of a delegation to his country of origin with LWF and ACT.

**Your generosity makes this life-saving work possible.** As we celebrate this outpouring of gifts and prayers, we also know that we have a long road to travel together. There is so much more to be done. This church is committed to walking with our brothers and sisters in Haiti for years to come; your continued support is needed to provide ongoing care.

I encourage you to visit the ELCA Disaster Response ([www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster)) Web site for updated information, worship resources, bulletin inserts and details on how to offer financial support. General mission-support dollars and gifts to ELCA Vision for Mission make it possible for 100 percent of your gifts designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief to be used entirely for this response effort.

To give today, go online ([www.elca.org/haitiearthquake](http://www.elca.org/haitiearthquake)) or call 800-638-3522.

In God's grace,

The Rev. Mark S. Hanson  
Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

P.S. View photos of your gifts at work at [www.elca.org/bishopstatement](http://www.elca.org/bishopstatement).

## The Measure of Our Love - through December

Operating Fund Contributions	\$183,600.70
Operating Fund Expenses	\$179,760.83
Surplus	\$3,839.87

Building Fund Total	\$102,210.32
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Restricted Fund Gifts in December:	
Noisy Offering (Walk for Warmth)	\$464.93
Building Fund Gifts in December	\$6,918.00
World Hunger	\$100.00

Average December Sunday Worship Attendance	102
Average December Children's Sunday School Attendance	16

*The Noisy Offering for February is designated for the Groenhofs, a local family who lost their house to a fire,*