

Dear SVLC Friends and Families,

While the next Vistas newsletter is in the works, please read through the following announcements to find out about upcoming events, activities, and ministries of at Shepherd of the Valley. Contact the church office with any questions. Happy New Year!



Get away for the weekend to Luther Glen Family Winterfest!

Friday January 19, 2018 at 5:00pm thru Sunday, January 21.

Come with your whole family, or come alone and meet some new friends!

Children will have their own activities led by the LRCC staff. Enjoy a weekend of family, fun and fellowship! Adults meet separately with a keynote speaker.

We are hoping to see you all at camp for another great Family Winterfest. **SVLC members enjoy a special rate of \$50 per family. Please let Pastor Dan or the church office know by Friday, Jan. 5 if you're interested.**

The Closet on 54th at Calvary Lutheran, 3060 54th Street, could use a few volunteers. Please see January/February schedule on the sign up sheet in the narthex. Clothing donations in clean good condition accepted on site during open hours or in the collection box in the narthex of SVLC. For more information, please contact Leslie Atkins /thecloset54th@gmail.com

The SVLC Council "Mini-Retreat" will take place on Sunday, January 14 from 2-7pm at the home of Larry and Stephanie Jordan. Council Members please plan on attending!

The SVLC Kitchen Cabinet will gather on January 13 at 10am to prepare three meals and freeze them for our brothers and sisters who are homebound or otherwise in need of some food support. If you are available to lend your hands or want to be part of the "Food Chain" angels who deliver, please contact Stephanie Jordan (springlsj@gmail.com or (619)571-2345).

A Call for Worship Assistant Help...Our roster is mighty low for some of the duties each week at our worship services. In particular **we need more people to sign up to help during the 8:15 service** (but also for Sound Tech help during the 10:30 service) and it is OK if you can only serve every once in a while. All of the duties have instructions/training to make it easy for you to help. Please consider doing one or more of the following jobs on Sunday: Greeter, Usher, Lector (reads the Bible reading for the day), Altar Guild (prepares altar and materials for communion) Acolyte (lights the candles), Sexton (rings the bell) Sound Technician, Assisting Minister, Communion Assistant, Hospitality helper (makes & serves coffee and snacks) or Nursery Attendant. **For those currently serving AND for those new to the roster:** You may select a specific schedule to serve, i.e. Acolyte at the 8:15 service on the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Please also see the attached Master List of Worship Assistants - in case you are unable to serve as scheduled, if you are sick or something comes up and you need to know who might fill in for you. Many thanks to ALL who serve!

If you haven't already...Please pick up your 2018 offering envelopes from the table in the narthex. They are labeled with your name and address. Let the church office know you would like information about online giving. 2017 statements and acknowledgment of 2018 pledges will be in your mailboxes soon!

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**Many thanks to all who donated Christmas gifts for Common Ground, Crisis House and El Nido.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

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Our vision: *Extending God's welcome to all we meet along the way.*



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Sunday Worship services at 8:15am and 10:30am.*
Sunday School for preschool through Grade 5 takes place after the Children's Talk at the 10:30 service.
*Nursery available for infants and toddlers.

Bible Studies and Prayer Group
The Monday Evening Bible Study resumes Monday Jan. 7 at 6pm.
The Tuesday morning Gather, group will meet at 10am on Tuesday, January 16.
The Centering Prayer group meets at 9am on Fridays at SVLC. All are welcome!

The 2018 Flower Chart is posted on the Kiosk. Sign up for a Sunday to sponsor flowers in honor or memory of someone, to celebrate or commemorate a special occasion, or "just because." Cost per week is \$35.00 and can be paid/placed in the offering tray any time. **AND —if you are interested in helping purchase (to be reimbursed) and setting up the flowers for Sundays, please let the church office know.**