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Our Saviour's Good News

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MISSION STATEMENT

Our Saviour Lutheran Church welcomes all people to a safe place to grow in faith and serve the Lord Jesus Christ

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Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marks the onset of the Lent, the 40-day period of fasting and abstinence. It is also known as the 'Day of Ashes'. So called because on that day at church the faithful have their foreheads marked with ashes in the shape of a cross.

The name 'Day of Ashes' comes from "**Dies Cinerum**" in the Roman Missal and is found in the earliest existing copies of the Gregorian Sacramentary. The concept originated by the Roman Catholics somewhere in the 6th century. Though the exact origin of the day is not clear, the custom of marking the head with ashes on this Day is said to have originated during the papacy of Gregory the Great (590-604).

In the Old Testament ashes were found to have used for two purposes: as a sign of humility and mortality; and as a sign of sorrow and repentance for sin. The Christian connotation for ashes in the liturgy of Ash Wednesday has also been taken from this Old Testament biblical custom.



Receiving ashes on the head as a reminder of mortality and a sign of sorrow for sin was a practice of the Anglo-Saxon church in the 10th century. It was made universal throughout the Western church at the Synod of Benevento in 1091.

Originally the use of ashes to betoken penance was a matter of private devotion. Later it became part of the official rite for reconciling public penitents. In this context, ashes on the penitent served as a motive for fellow Christians to pray for the returning sinner and to feel sympathy for him. Still later, the use of ashes passed into its present rite of beginning the penitential season of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

There can be no doubt that the custom of distributing the ashes to all the faithful arose from a devotional imitation of the practice observed in the case of public penitents. But this devotional usage, the reception of a sacramental which is full of the symbolism of penance (cf. the *cor contritum quasi cinis* of the "*Dies Irae*") is of earlier date than was formerly supposed. It is mentioned as of general observance for both clerics and faithful in the Synod of Benevento, 1091 (Mansi, XX, 739), but nearly a hundred years earlier than this the Anglo-Saxon homilist Ælfric assumes that it applies to all classes of men.

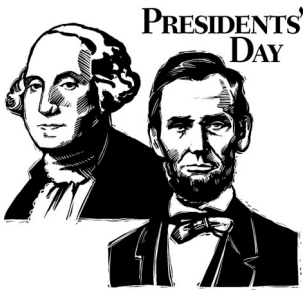
Putting a 'cross' mark on the forehead was in imitation of the spiritual mark or seal that is put on a Christian in baptism. This is when the newly born Christian is delivered from slavery to sin and the devil, and made a slave of righteousness and Christ (Rom. 6:3-18).

This can also be held as an adoption of the way 'righteousness' are described in the book of Revelation, where we come to know about the servants of God. The reference to the sealing of the servants of God for their protection in Revelation is an allusion to a parallel passage in Ezekiel, where Ezekiel also sees a sealing of the servants of God for their protection:

"And the LORD said to him [one of the four cherubim], 'Go through the city, through Jerusalem, and put a mark [literally, "a tav"] upon the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it.' And to the others he said in my hearing, 'Pass through the city after him, and smite; your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity; slay old men outright, young men and maidens, little children and women, but touch no one upon whom is the mark. And begin at my sanctuary.' So they began with the elders who were before the house." (Ezekiel 9:4-6)

Unfortunately, like most modern translations the one quoted above (the Revised

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When: Since 1968, it is celebrated on the third Monday in February(15)

President's Day is a day set aside to honor all of the U.S. presidents. We often think of two great presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln when we celebrate this holiday as it falls by design between their birthdays.

But more and more of us, look at this day as a tribute to each and every person who has ever served in the office as President of the United States of America. It is a national holiday, although most businesses and industry do not recognize it as a paid holiday.

George Washington's Birthday

When: February 22nd

The "Father of His Country", George Washington was born on February 22, 1732. He became commander in chief of the Continental Army in 1775 and fought a long and arduous war for freedom from British rule. The war was finally over in 1781 when the Continental Army with the help of the French, forced Cornwallis to surrender at Yorktown.

In 1787, Washington was unanimously elected president by the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia and took the oath of office in 1789. He served two terms of office from 1789 until 1797. After the presidency, Washington retired to his home in Mount Vernon, Virginia where he died on December 14, 1799 of a throat infection.

Quiz: What is George Washington's most famous quote?

Answer... *"I Can not tell a lie... .. I chopped down the Cherry Tree!"*

Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

When: February 12th.

Every American knows President Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States. "Honest Abe", as he was commonly known as, was born in the wilderness country of Hardin County, Kentucky on February 12, 1809.

Abraham Lincoln became president in 1861. Although he hated war, he was drawn into it as he believed it was the only way to save the nation after the southern states declared their secession to the Union.

In addition to serving as president during the civil war and saving the Union, Lincoln wrote the Emancipation Proclamation that ended slavery in the U.S. forever. He also wrote and gave The Gettysburg Address, memorializing the bloodiest and most important battle of the Civil War. Gettysburg proved to be the turning point of the war.

Shortly after the war ended, Abraham Lincoln became the first U.S. President to be assassinated. He was shot and mortally wounded on Good Friday, April 14, 1865 by John Wilkes Booth in Ford's Theatre.

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Standard Version, which we have been quoting thus far), is not sufficiently literal. What it actually says is to place a tav on the foreheads of the righteous inhabitants of Jerusalem. Tav is one of the letters of the Hebrew alphabet, and in ancient script it looked like the Greek letter chi, which happens to be two crossed lines (like an "x") and which happens to be the first letter in the word "Christ" in Greek Christos). The Jewish rabbis commented on the connection between tav and chi and this is undoubtedly the mark Revelation has in mind when the servants of God are sealed in it.

The early Church Fathers seized on this tav-chi-cross-christos connection and expounded it in their homilies, seeing in Ezekiel a prophetic foreshadowing of the sealing of Christians as servants of Christ. It is also part of the background to the Lutheran practice of making the sign of the cross, which in the early centuries (as can be documented from the second century [Catholics] on) was practiced by using one's thumb to furrow one's brow with a small sign of the cross, like Lutheran do today.

Coffee Filters: Not just for making Coffee....

1. Cover bowls or dishes when cooking in the microwave. Coffee filters make excellent covers.
2. Clean windows and mirrors. Coffee filters are lint-free so they'll leave windows sparkling.
3. Protect China . Separate your good dishes by putting a coffee filter between each dish.
4. Filter broken cork from wine. If you break the cork when opening a wine bottle, filter the wine through a coffee filter.
5. Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a coffee filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.
6. Apply shoe polish. Ball up a lint-free coffee filter.
7. Recycle frying oil. After frying, strain oil through a sieve lined with a coffee filter.
8. Weigh chopped foods. Place chopped ingredients in a coffee filter on a kitchen scale.
9. Hold tacos. Coffee filters make convenient wrappers for messy foods.
10. Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot. Line a plant pot with a coffee filter to prevent the soil from going through the drainage holes.
11. Prevent a Popsicle from dripping. Poke one or two holes as needed in a coffee filter.
12. Do you think we used expensive strips to wax eyebrows?? Use strips of coffee filters.
13. Put a few in a plate and put your fried bacon, french fries, chicken fingers, etc on them. Soaks outall the grease.
14. Keep in the bathroom. They make great razor nick fixers.

LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES**OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH
December 16, 2019****Devotions:** Alice Vlaservich

Meeting called to order by President, Bill Trudnak

Members present: Melinda White, Joe Finger, Robbie Wooten, Steve Digh, Bill Trudnak, and Alice Vlaservich, Jeff White, Teri Trudnak, Denise Traveria**Members Absent:** Betty Ratchford**Minutes:** November 18, 2019 minutes were reviewed. Alice Vlaservich made the motion to approve the minutes and Teri Trudnak seconded the motion.**Reception of Petitions and Communications:** None to report**Report of the Pastor:** No report available**Report of the Treasurer:** Report was reviewed, and a motion was made by Teri Trudnak to accept the Treasurer Report and seconded by Melinda White**Report of the Ministries:**

- a Property: No report
- b Stewardship and Finance: Budget was presented to Council
- c Worship & Music: Decorated the church for the Christmas season and prepared for the Hanging of the Green's service
- d Youth Team: No report this month
- e Witness: Cards and prayers continue to be sent to shut ins
- f Christian Education Team: Operation Christmas Child boxes collected were 20 +

Report of Auxiliaries: The Rachel Group met at the home of Betty Clemmer for a Christmas social and luncheon on 12/16/2019 at 11:30 am. They enjoyed fellowship and singing with 7 in attendance**Old and/or Unfinished Business:**None**New Business:**

- a Our Christmas trees used in the sanctuary are showing wear and tear and it was requested new ones be purchased using memorial funds. Robbie Wooten made a motion we accept this request and Melinda White seconded

General Information:

- a Attendance
- b Laszlo Mission (Kids International) Report
- C The Congregation met on December 1, 2019 to approve the 2020 budget as presented and to elect new members to the Church Council. Steve Digh and Bill Trudnak are going off the Council after serving two terms while Alice Vlaservich and Robbie Wooten will

- serve a 2nd term. Anna Lowery and Becky Messick are newly elected for their first term. Installation of new Council members will be 1/5/2020.
- d Our property insurance will be lower because of reclassing our Fire District Code. \$118 will be refunded from last year.
- e Report from LCMC will be tabled until the January meeting.

Adjourned with The Lord's Prayer

Next Meeting: January 20, 2019

Devotions: Melinda White

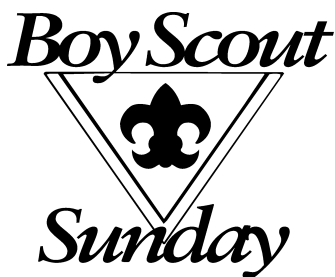


Each Wednesday Night during Lent
at
6:00 pm

Dialog: RUTH

COME, EAT AND LEARN

Sign-up Sheet for Meals on Table in Hallway



February 2

The **Boy Scouts of America (BSA)** is one of the largest youth organizations in the United States, with over four million youth members in its age-related divisions. In 1909, Chicago publisher W. D. Boyce was visiting London, where he encountered the Unknown Scout and learned of the Scouting movement. Soon after his return to the U.S., Boyce incorporated the Boy Scouts of America on February 8, 1910. Since its founding in 1910 as part of the international Scout Movement, more than 110 million Americans have been members of the BSA.

The BSA goal is to train youth in responsible citizenship, character development, and self-reliance through participation in a wide range of outdoor activities, educational programs, and, at older age levels, career-oriented programs in partnership with community organizations. For younger members, the Scout method is part of the program to inculcate typical Scouting values such as trustworthiness, good citizenship, and outdoors skills, through a variety of activities such as camping, aquatics, and hiking.

The BSA is a constituent member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. The traditional Scouting divisions are *Cub Scouting* for boys ages 7–10, *Boy Scouting* for boys ages 11–18 and *Venturing* for young men and women ages 14–21. Learning for Life is a non-traditional subsidiary that provides in-school and career education. The BSA operates traditional Scouting locally through units sponsored and operated by churches, clubs, civic associations, educational organizations and the like. Units are led entirely by volunteers who are supported by local councils using both paid professionals and volunteers.

The influence of Scouting on American society is frequently cited by both its advocates and critics. In addition to nostalgic memories of campfires kindling friendships, prominent leaders in various fields of endeavor have credited the skills they learned in Scouting as helping mold them into successful citizens.

The BSA's stated purpose at its incorporation in 1910 was "to teach [boys] patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred values. Later, in 1937, Deputy Chief Scout Executive George J. Fisher expressed the BSA's mission; "Each generation as it comes to maturity has no more important duty than that of teaching high ideals and proper behavior to the generation which follows." The current mission statement of the BSA is "to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law."

TRICK TO GET ROOM CLEAN

(But maybe for only one tooth at a time)

Dear Donovan,

I tried to come in and get your tooth but there were so many toys on your floor, I tripped and fell.. I am going to come back tonight. Please make sure your room is clean so I won't hurt myself again.

Tooth fairy

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The legend of Groundhog Day is based on an old Scottish couplet: "If Candlemas Day is bright and clear, there'll be two winters in the year."

Every February 2 –around 7:30 am ET - , people gather at Gobbler's Knob, a wooded knoll just outside of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

The ceremony in Punxsutawney was held in secret until 1966, and only Phil's prediction was revealed to the public. Since then, Phil's fearless forecast has been a national media event.

The groundhog comes out of his electrically heated burrow, looks for his shadow and utters his prediction to a Groundhog Club representative in "groundhogese." The representative then translates the prediction for the general public.







If Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow, it means six more weeks of winter. If he does not see his shadow, it means spring is just around the corner.

Phil started making predictions in 1887 and has become an American Institution. Residents contend that the groundhog has never been wrong. Approximately 90% of the time, Phil sees his shadow.

February 2020



Sunday School: 9:45 pm
Sunday Church Worship: 11:00 pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Souper Bowl Sunday February 2	 Presidents' Day February 18					1
 Boy Scouts 2	3 Team Mtg.	4	5	6	7	8
9 5th Sunday after the Epiphany	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14  Valentine's Day	15
16 6th Sunday after the Epiphany	17 Council Mtg.	18  Prayer Group	19	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday
23 Transfiguration	24 CLW/Rachel Group	25	26 Ash Wednesday	27	28	29  AFRICAN AMERICAN History Month



Holy Communion Schedule:
Every Sunday

Worship Service Assistance:

Acolyte: OSLC Members

Communion Asst: OSLC Members

Lay Reader: Anna Lowery

Worship Asst: Anna Lowery

Greeters: OSLC Members

Ushers: OSLC Members



Birthdays

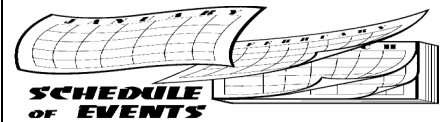


1 Tony Trudnak	Rob Trudnak
8 Jared Dease	Kathy Trudnak
9 Donna Clemmer	Becky Messick
14 Teri Trudnak	Ashley Trudnak
19 Melanie Pitzer	
20 Brady Cole	



ANNIVERSARIES

9thRyan & Keenan Grody
14thNick & Alice Vlaservich
27thBrian & Anna Cole



- Feb. 1-29—Black History Month
- Feb. 2—Purification of Mary and Presentation of Our Lord Sunday
SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY (see p 2)
Boy Scout Sunday (see p 4)
Ground Hog Day (see p 2)
- Feb. 3—Team Meetings:
Youth 6:30 pm
Others 7:00 pm
- Feb. 4—Gaston Together (see p 8)
- Feb. 9—5th Sunday after Epiphany
- Feb. 12—Lincoln's Birthday (see p 2)
- Feb. 14—Valentine Day
- Feb. 16—6th Sunday after Epiphany
- Feb. 17—Presidents' Day
Council Meeting—7:00 pm
- Feb. 18—"Prayer Group" will meet at the home of Shirlee Marazza at 1:30 pm
- Feb. 22—Washington's Birthday (see p 2)
- Feb. 23—7th Sunday after Epiphany
Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday
- Feb. 24—CLW/Rachel Group Meeting at the home of TBA (See p 8)
- Feb. 26—Ash Wednesday Service 7 p



FOOD FOR THE MONTH:

Soup, Mac n Cheese, Beanie Weenies.



Choir practice each Wednesday at 4:00 pm unless otherwise announced in the bulletin

FLOWERS

Flower Schedule:

Feb. 2 Open
Feb. 9 Ryan & Keenan Gordy
Feb. 16 Nick Vlaservich
Feb. 23 Julie Digh

Please sign up to place flowers on the altar in the Glory of God and in Honor or Memory of your love ones.

Plenty of openings (26)
Decorate the altar of our Lord
And then take home to decorate your home of give to a love one of shut-in



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OUTREACH MISSION

SHUT-INS **NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

Please remember our church members who are shut-ins or reside in a nursing home and visit them.

Marilyn Finger

1150 Meadow Way Dr., Dallas

Jerri Presley

2604 Ole Home Trail, Dallas

(If others, please let the church office know)



Help fill the pantry
at the
Dallas-High Shoals Christian Ministry.

Check and see what food item they need for the month (on page 5—our calendar) and let us over fill that basket in the hallway. This is a great outreach program.

God will bless you in your generosity.

Events For Lutheridge -Lutherock-Lutherspring- Lutheranch

Web site: www.NovusWay.com

and

Kure/Agape Beach

E-mail: kurebeach@agapekurebeach.org

Web site: www.agapekurebeach.org

Please see calendars
and
other
information on the
bulletin board or go on-line



GO OUT ON A LIMB

GET INVOLVED

BE A WORSHIP ASSISTANT

A positions are still open. Participate in the service of the Lord and sign up.

Sign up sheets
for the 2019 calendar year are on the
wall in the Education wing.

The Origin of St. Valentine

The origin of St. Valentine, and how many St. Valentines there were, remains a mystery. One opinion is that he was a Roman martyred for refusing to give up his Christian faith. Other historians hold that St. Valentine was a temple priest jailed for defiance during the reign of Claudius. Whoever he was, Valentine really existed because archaeologists have unearthed a Roman catacomb and an ancient church dedicated to Saint Valentine. In 496 AD Pope Gelasius marked February 14th as a celebration in honor of his martyrdom.

Saints are not supposed to rest in peace; they're expected to keep busy: to perform miracles, to intercede. Being in jail or dead is no excuse for non-performance of the supernatural. One legend says, while awaiting his execution, Valentinus restored the sight of his jailer's blind daughter. Another legend says, on the eve

of his death, he penned a farewell note to the jailer's daughter, signing it, "From your Valentine."

St. Valentine was a Priest, martyred in 269 at Rome and was buried on the Flaminian Way. He is the Patron Saint of affianced couples, bee keepers, engaged couples, epilepsy, fainting, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, plague, travelers, young people. He is represented in pictures with birds and roses.

A Stewardship Minute

The beloved UCLA basketball coach John Wooden, now in his nineties, began each basketball season by sitting his players on a bench and demonstrating the proper way to put on their socks before putting on their basketball shoes! Coach Wooden knew that if the socks were smooth and tight on their feet it would prevent them from getting blisters and probably not be able to play as they became worse.

One of Coach Wooden's mottos was: "Little things make big things happen." Another of his quotes is "Failing to prepare is preparing to fail." He believed that being disciplined in one's life, habits and daily

practices is the clue to living a successful and worthy life. Is it any wonder that his UCLA teams won National Championships 10 times? What the coach was teaching was that to be a good steward of the life God has given us, one must be disciplined in all things: one's body, mind, spirit, talents, resources, even the use of our time. This month's issue of **Stewardship** makes highlights the point that if we are not so disciplined, we will not fulfill the plans God has for each of us. The last five verses of the 24th chapter of the book of Proverbs makes a similar point:

"I passed by the field of one who was lazy ... and

it was all overgrown with thorns ... covered with nettles. Then I saw and considered it; I looked and received instruction. A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed warrior." (Proverb 24:30-34)

Such is the life of one who fails to apply their God-given gifts in a consistent, disciplined manner.

Prayer: Teach us, dear Lord, to make our lives fruitful so that we become good and faithful servants of Christ. **Amen.**

ONE DAY AT A TIME

The most useless thing to do	Worry
The greatest Joy.....	Giving
The greatest loss.....	Loss of self-respect
The most satisfying work.....	Helping others
The ugliest personality trait.....	Selfishness
The most endangered species.....	Dedicated leaders
The greatest "shot in the arm".....	Encouragement
The greatest problem to overcome.....	Fear
Most effective sleeping pill.....	Peace of mind
The most crippling failure disease.....	Excuses
The most powerful force in life.....	Love
The most dangerous pariah.....	A gossip
The world's most incredible computer.....	The brain
The worst thing to be without.....	Hope
The deadliest weapon.....	The tongue
The two most power-filled words.....	"I Can"
The greatest asset.....	Faith
The most worthless emotion.....	Self-pity
The most prized possession.....	Integrity
The most beautiful attire.....	A SMILE!
The most powerful channel of communication.....	Prayer
The most contagious spirit.....	Enthusiasm
The most important thing in life.....	GOD





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GASTON TOGETHER'S CLERGY & CITIZENS COALITION

February 4, 2020

8:30 am to Noon

Clinton Room, Gaston Memorial Hospital

Breakfast before meeting, if you wish



**Souper  
Bowl Sunday**



**CLW/RACHEL GROUP**

will meet at the home of TBA

February 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am

**LET US PRAY...** *"Are any among you suffering? They should pray...The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up."* (James 5:13-15)



SUSAN Aderholt, SETH Alexander, AMANDA (friend of the Penley's), MARVIS Anderson, WHITNEY Auten (breast cancer), KELLY Ballard (friend of Shana Dease), BRAXTON Bearden (friend of the Locketts), ADDISON Blanton (friend of Dease's), KATHY Bohanan (cancer), RHONA and ADRIAN Carpenter (parents of Raygen Messick), KAREN Brady, MIKE Coffey (Robbie Wooten's uncle), DON Greene (cancer-friend of Teri & Melinda), HARDY Feige (Pete's dad - chronic back pain), JASON Hames (friend of the White's) DANA Kirshman (friend of Robbie Wooten-cancer), CHRIS Messick (intestinal blockage), GARY Neal, (friend of Caleb Dease), MARY O'Shea (co-worker of Melinda White's), SONDRRA Phillips (friend of Melinda White), JERRIE Presley, GARY Turner (father of Jason Murray), ANNE White (niece of Betty Ratchford-breast cancer), JOE White (stroke), MARY Wooten (Sara's great-grandmother and Rosalee's great-great grandmother). NANCY Wilson

**GOD WANTS YOU!**

- (1) God wants you to participate in His worship service for **2020** by servicing as a worship assistant as a Crucifer, Greeter or Usher

See the sign up sheet in notebook in hold on office door and please help.

- (2) New Flower Calendar is up. Please remember your love ones and also help decorate our Lord's altar. **Cost of Flowers has increased to \$35.10 There are 25 openings**



*is coming*



Colin Kaepernick did you know before the below you objected to the Betsy Ross flat (on Nike's tennis shoe), because you said it represents slavery.

For the record: Betsy Ross was a Quaker. Quakers were abolitionists. Quakers helped ban slaver in England. Quakers were vital to the American underground Railroad to free slaves. This just shows complete and utter ignorance of the truth.



"The heart-shaped communion wafers were a nice touch for Valentine's Day."



DALLAS DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL  
SIGN-UPS

BASEBALL AGES 5—15

SOFTBALL AGES 6—14

DENNIS FRANKLIN GYM

Now thru February 14

Baseball Cost—\$60 if you live inside and \$70 outside

Go to [Dallasnc.net](http://Dallasnc.net) for Sign-up form or

## FACTS ABOUT FEBRUARY

According to the Georgian calendar, February is the second month of the year, and also the shortest month. February has 28 days until Julius Caesar gave it 29, and 30 days every four years. According to tradition, Augustus, the Roman emperor, took one day off to add one day to August, the month named after him. We now have February with 28 days, and 29 on leap years.

- **February 1:** Supreme Court of the United States met for the first time, 1790
- **February 2:** Ground-Hog Day  
 ~Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, Mexico gave New Mexico and California to the United States, 1848  
 ~James Joyce, Irish novelist and poet, born 1882.  
 ~The last German troops surrendered in the Stalingrad pocket, completing the Soviet Union's victory at Stalingrad, during World War II, 1943.
- **February 4:** Confederate States of America organized by a temporary committee that met at Montgomery, Ala., 1861.  
 ~Philippine Rebellion against the United States began, 1899.  
 ~Charles A. Lindbergh, American aviator, born 1902.  
 ~Yalta Conference began, 1945. Amendment 24 to the U.S. Constitution, banning poll tax, proclaimed, 1964.
- **February 6:** Aaron Burr, American political leader, born 1756.  
 ~Massachusetts ratified the Constitution, 1788.  
 ~Home run king "Babe" Ruth, 1895.  
 ~The United States Senate ratified the peace treaty ending the Spanish-American War, 1899.  
 ~Ronald Reagan, 40th President of the United States, born in Tampico, Ill., 1911.  
 ~Amendment 20 to the United States Constitution, moving Inauguration Day to January 20, proclaimed, 1933.
- **February 7:** British novelist Charles Dickens born 1812.  
 ~Nobel Prize-winning novelist Sinclair Lewis born 1885.
- **February 8:** College of William and Mary, second oldest college in the United States, chartered, 1693.  
 ~William T. Sherman, Union Army general in the Civil War, born 1820  
 ~Boy Scouts of America incorporated, 1910.
- **February 9:** William Henry Harrison, ninth President of the United States, born in Charles City County, Virginia, 1773.
- **February 11:** Thomas A. Edison, American inventor, born, 1847.
- **February 12:** 1746.Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States, born near present-day Hodgenville, Ky., 1809.  
 ~John L. Lewis, American labor leader, born , 1880.
- **February 13:** Grant Wood, American painter, born, 1891.
- **February 14:** Valentine's Day. February 14.  
 ~Oregon became the 33rd state to join the Union, 1859.  
 ~Arizona became the 48th state, 1912.
- **February 15:** Galileo, Italian astronomer and physicist, born, 1564.  
 ~Inventor Cyrus McCormick born, 1809.

~Susan B. Anthony, American woman suffrage leader, born, 1820.

• **February 16:** Henry Adams, American historian, born, 1838.

• **February 17:** Thomas R. Malthus, British economist, born February 17, 1766.

• **February 18:** Jefferson Davis took the oath as provisional President of the Confederate States of America, 1861.

~Wendell Willkie, American political leader, born 1892.

~San Francisco's Golden Gate International Exposition opened, 1939.

• **February 19:** Polish astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus born, 1473.

~Thomas A. Edison patented the phonograph, 1878.

• **February 20:** Astronaut John H. Glenn, Jr., became first American to orbit the earth, 1962.

• **February 21:** Richard M. Nixon became first U.S. President to visit China, 1972.

• **February 22:** George Washington, first U.S. President, born in Westmoreland County, Va., 1732.

~James Russell Lowell, American poet, born, 1819.

~The United States acquired the Florida territory from Spain, 1819.

• **February 23:** W.E.B. Du Bois, American civil rights leader, historian, and sociologist, born, 1868.

~Amendment 25 to the U.S. Constitution, on presidential succession, proclaimed, 1967.

• **February 24:** Winslow Homer, American painter, born, 1836.

• **February 25:** Amendment 16 to the Constitution, authorizing the income tax, proclaimed, 1913.

• **February 26:** American frontiersman William Frederick Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill," born 1846.

• **February 27:** Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, American poet, born, 1807.

~Marian Anderson, American singer, born, 1897.

• **February 28:** American author Ben Hecht, born, 1894.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

1. Reheat Pizza: Heat up leftover pizza in a nonstick skillet on top of the stove, set heat to med-low and heat till warm. This keeps the crust crispy. No soggy micro pizza. I saw this on the cooking channel and it really works.

2. Easy Deviled Eggs: Put cooked egg yolks in a zip lock bag. Seal, mash till they are all broken up. Add remainder of ingredients, reseal, keep mashing it up mixing thoroughly, cut the tip of the baggy, squeeze mixture into egg. Just throw bag away when done easy clean up.

3. Expanding Frosting: When you buy a container of cake frosting from the store, whip it with your mixer for a few minutes. You can double it in size. You get to frost more cake/cupcakes with the same amount. You also eat less sugar and calories per serving.

4. Reheating refrigerated bread: To warm biscuits, pancakes, or muffins that were refrigerated, place them in a microwave with a cup of water. The increased moisture will keep the food moist and help it reheat faster.

5. Newspaper weeds away Start putting in your plants, work the nutrients in your soil. Wet newspapers put layers around the plants overlapping as you go cover with mulch and forget about weeds. Weeds will get through some gardening plastic they will not get through wet newspapers.

## Crisis Pregnancy Center of Gaston County

We at Crisis Pregnancy Center of Gaston County, Inc. would like to welcome you to our center. Our pregnancy center is a nonprofit pro-life organization of committed Christians sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ and actively helping women, men and families in crisis pregnancy situations.

Questioned frequently asked:

- Where can a pregnant women go for physical help and emotional support
- Where can a a new mom or dad go for resources and support for their newborn to twelve month old?
- Where can a pregnant teenager go for support, advice and mentoring?
- Where can a woman carrying the guilt of an abortion go for healing and support?
- Where can a teen hear the truth of Purity and practical ways to live an Abstinent lifestyle?

The answer to all those questions is Crisis Pregnancy.

Since 1986, Crisis Pregnancy Center of Gaston County has offered all of our servies for free thanks to the donations and support of individuals, churches and businesses across Gaston County.

### Now, how can we serve you?

- |                        |                        |                     |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| • Pregnancy test       | • Peer Counseling      | • Ultrasound        |
| • Adolescent Parenting | • Abstinence Education | • Maternity Clothes |
| • Baby Clothes         | • Car Seats            | • Pack & Plays      |
| • Diapers              | • Wipes                | • Baby Supplies     |
| • Formula              | • Baby Food            | • Blankets and more |

## Sanctity of Human Life

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For more than 3 decades we have been making a difference in Gaston, Lincoln and the greater Piedmont of NC. Simply, by the grace of God, He has strategically placed us here for such a time as this with a reason that he will honor them, and they will not be insignificant. This is our time.

We work with each client on an individual basis to meet their needs so that giving life to their baby is a option. We also prevent unwanted pregnancies by training our youth to save sex for marriage and offering ing and forgiveness in Jesus to those already wounded by an abortion in their past. By PARTNERing with you can help end the tragedy of abortion one life at a time. YOU can make a difference.

CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER  
OF GASTON COUNTY'S

# CELEBRATION OF LIFE

## 2020 VISION FOR LIFE



**THURSDAY  
12  
MAR / 2020**

**GUEST SPEAKER  
JUSTIN REEDER**

**WORSHIP WITH THE  
FIRST ASSEMBLY  
WORSHIP TEAM**

**LOCATION: FIRST ASSEMBLY**  
\$100 PER PEW OF 8 | INDIVIDUAL TICKET \$15  
BUFFET BBQ MEAL FROM 5-6:30PM | IN FIRST KIDS BUILDING  
**WORSHIP FROM 6:15-7PM | PROGRAM BEGINS AT 7PM**  
.....  
CONTACT MEG KOONTZ, EVENT COORDINATOR 704.867.3706 OR MEG.KOONTZ.CPC@GMAIL.COM  
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**Do you want to help us share good news?**  
**Would you be willing to invite 7 friends to our annual Celebration of LIFE Fundraiser?**  
If so, please contact Meg at [meg.koontz.cpc@gmail.com](mailto:meg.koontz.cpc@gmail.com)

or

704-867-3706

Please note: If you have already signed up, we have reserved your pew for you

## Daily Bible reading guide from NALC, LCMS and LCC

*Reading the Word of God*, a daily Bible reading guide, has been prepared for Lutherans to use over the next three years.

The North American Lutheran Church has joined with the Lutheran Church-Canada and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to compile a three-year plan of *daily* Bible readings and a year-long series of *weekly* readings on Martin Luther's approach to the Scriptures.

### Daily readings

The daily readings are listed on calendars for **2020**. The plan provides a guide that will take the reader through the entire Old Testament one time in three years, with the exception of Psalms, which are read twice each year. The New Testament will be read twice in the three years.

A reading from the Old Testament, a psalm (or portion of a psalm) and a reading from the New Testament are assigned for each day. Certain church festivals - Christmas, Easter, Pentecost and so forth - have readings appointed for the specific occasion.

Each month of the Daily Bible Reading Guide will be in the monthly newsletter.

# February 2020

| Sun                                                                                                            | Mon                                                               | Tue                                                                  | Wed                                                                                                             | Thu                                                              | Fri                                                                | Sat                                                                  |
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| 2<br><i>Is. 47:1-15</i><br><i>Ps. 31</i><br><i>John 13:1-20</i>                                                | 3<br><i>Is. 48:1-11</i><br><i>Ps. 32</i><br><i>John 13:21-55</i>  | 4<br><i>Is. 48:12-22</i><br><i>Ps. 33</i><br><i>John 13:56-14:14</i> | 5<br><i>Is. 49:1-7</i><br><i>Ps. 34</i><br><i>John 14:15-31</i>                                                 | 6<br><i>Is. 49:8-26</i><br><i>Ps. 35</i><br><i>John 15:1-17</i>  | 7<br><i>Is. 50:1-11</i><br><i>Ps. 36</i><br><i>John 15:18-16:4</i> | 8<br><i>Is. 51:1-11</i><br><i>Ps. 37:1-22</i><br><i>John 16:4-24</i> |
| 9<br><i>Is. 51:12-23</i><br><i>Ps. 37:23-40</i><br><i>John 16:25-33</i>                                        | 10<br><i>Is. 52:1-12</i><br><i>Ps. 38</i><br><i>John 17:1-26</i>  | 11<br><i>Is. 52:13-53:12</i><br><i>Ps. 39</i><br><i>John 18:1-19</i> | 12<br><i>Is. 54:1-17</i><br><i>Ps. 40</i><br><i>John 18:19-40</i>                                               | 13<br><i>Is. 55:1-13</i><br><i>Ps. 41</i><br><i>John 19:1-16</i> | 14<br><i>Is. 56:1-12</i><br><i>Ps. 42</i><br><i>John 19:16-27</i>  | 15<br><i>Is. 57:1-10</i><br><i>Ps. 43</i><br><i>John 1:28-42</i>     |
| 16<br><i>Is. 57:11-21</i><br><i>Ps. 44</i><br><i>John 20:1-18</i>                                              | 17<br><i>Is. 58:1-14</i><br><i>Ps. 45</i><br><i>John 20:19-31</i> | 18<br><i>Is. 59:1-15</i><br><i>Ps. 46</i><br><i>John 21:1-19</i>     | 19<br><i>Is. 59:16-21</i><br><i>Ps. 47</i><br><i>John 21:0-25</i>                                               | 20<br><i>Is. 60:1-22</i><br><i>Ps. 48</i><br><i>Gal. 1:1-24</i>  | 21<br><i>Is. 61:1-1</i><br><i>Ps. 49</i><br><i>Gal. 2:1-14</i>     | 22<br><i>Is. 62:1-12</i><br><i>Ps. 50</i><br><i>Gal. 2:15-3:9</i>    |
| 23 <i>Transfiguration</i><br><i>Ex 24:8-18</i><br><i>Ps. 2</i><br><i>2 Peter 2:16-21</i><br><i>Matt 17:1-9</i> | 24<br><i>Is. 63:1-14</i><br><i>Ps. 51</i><br><i>Gal. 3:10-39</i>  | 25<br><i>Is. 63:15-64:12</i><br><i>Ps. 52</i><br><i>Gal. 4:1-20</i>  | 26 <i>Ash Wednesday</i><br><i>Joel 2: 12-19</i><br><i>Ps. 51</i><br><i>2 Cor 5:20-6:10</i><br><i>Matt 6:1-6</i> | 27<br><i>Is. 65:1-1</i><br><i>Ps. 53</i><br><i>Gal. 4:21-31</i>  | 28<br><i>Is. 65:17-25</i><br><i>Ps. 54</i><br><i>Gal. 5:1-15</i>   | 29<br><i>Is. 66:1-6</i><br><i>Ps. 55</i><br><i>Gal. 5:16-6:5</i>     |
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## 2020 Feb. Mission Emphasis – DHSCSM

"...and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love kindness  
and to walk humbly with your God." ---Micah 6:8

### *OUR MISSION*

The mission of The Dallas/High Shoals Christian Social Ministry (DHSCSM) is to serve as a cooperative ministry of the area churches in bearing witness to the Love of God made visible in Jesus Christ through acts of compassion and mercy by providing crisis assistance, humanitarian aid and developmental (self improvement) opportunities to persons and families in the North Gaston area.

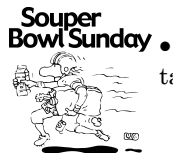
### *OUR HISTORY*

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### **TWO DHSCSM MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES FOR OSLC THIS MONTH:**



**Souper Bowl Sunday • Souper Bowl Sunday – February 2, 2020:** Bring soup (and other canned goods) for DHSCSM. There will be containers in the hallway for the cans.



• **Love Offering to Replace the Chicken Dumpling Dinner**

Love offering for the all the Sundays in February. The DHSCSM received over \$10,000/year. All the area churches will be having something to help the DHSCSM.

The DHSCSM is the February Mission opportunity for you to participate in locally.

- **Pray** for the organization, its staff, those who come to receive food, clothes, financial emergency support for their unpaid medical, electrical, and gas bills, will be encouraged by the words of care and concern spoken in Jesus' Name.
- **Bring cans of soup** (or other canned goods) on Souper Bowl Sunday – Feb. 2



**Food Collection**

**Soup, Mac n Cheese, Beanie Weenies.**



## 2020 PARISH DIRECTORY OF



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Term of Office for Board Officers and Board Members on Ministries starts January 1 of each year and ends December 31 of the same year.

\*\* Made up of two outgoing board members and the executive officers of the Board (Pres., V-P, & Sec.). This team will compile a slate of eligible candidates (up to 5) for the ballot to the Leadership Board to voted upon by the congregation.



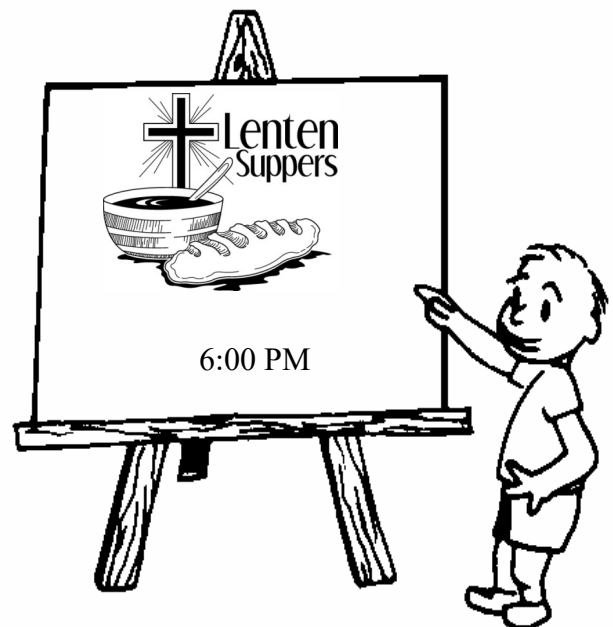
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# Souper Bowl Sunday



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**Don't forget to bring can goods on  
February 2**