




February 20, 2022 The Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time



Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community

A Covenant Community

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7th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36

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Worship Aid and Bulletin

Covenant Prayer: Father, you have called us to be a People of the Covenant. You sent your only begotten Son to be our Savior so that we might praise You, proclaim your Word, encounter You in the sacraments, welcome each other, share our faith, bring our sacrifices and be strengthened for your service. We pray that we might be a source of compassion toward the poor, justice for the oppressed, peace for the troubled, healing for the wounded, and wisdom for the searching. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that we might live the mystery of your love and fulfill the covenant we celebrate in the Eucharist. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

Introductory Rites

THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

IN BABILONE

1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy Like the wide-ness
 2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sures
 3. Trou-bled souls, why will you scat-ter Like a crowd of

1. of the sea; There's a kind-ness in his jus-tice
 2. of our mind, And the heart of the E-ter-nal
 3. fright-ened sheep? Fool-ish hearts, why will you wan-der

1. Which is more than lib-er-ty. There is plen-ti-ful re-
 2. Is most won-der-ful-ly kind. If our love were but more
 3. From a love so true and deep? There is wel-come for the

1. demp-tion In the blood that has been shed; There is
 2. sim-ple We should take him at his word, And our
 3. sin-ner And more grac-es for the good; There is

1. joy for all the mem-bers In the sor-rows of the Head.
 2. lives would be thanks-giv-ing For the good-ness of our Lord.
 3. mer-cy with the Sav-ior, There is heal-ing in his blood.

Text: 87 87 D; Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.
 Music: *Oude en Nieuwe Boerenlities*, c. 1710.

Greeting

Penitential Rite

Gloria: Glory to God, from the Mass of Christ the Savior, Dan Schutte (this is now found in the pews)

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph. So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him.

Abishai whispered to David:

"God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day. Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I will not need a second thrust!"

But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the LORD's anointed and remain unpunished?"

So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at

Saul's head, and they got away without anyone's seeing or knowing or awakening.

All remained asleep, because the LORD had put them into a deep slumber.

Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops. He said: "Here is the king's spear.

Let an attendant come over to get it.

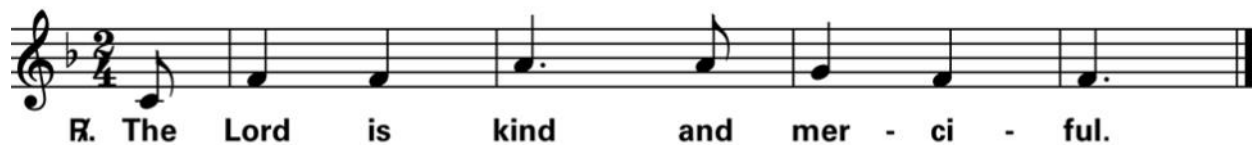
The LORD will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness.

Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the LORD's anointed."

The Word of the Lord

R: Thanks be to God

Responsorial: Psalm 103



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Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Brothers and sisters:

It is written, *The first man, Adam, became a living being,*

the last Adam a life-giving spirit.

But the spiritual was not first;

rather the natural and then the spiritual.

The first man was from the earth, earthly;

the second man, from heaven.

As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly,

and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly.

Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one,
we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.

The Word of the Lord

R: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



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Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples:

“To you who hear I say,

love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

To the person who strikes you on one cheek,

offer the other one as well,

and from the person who takes your cloak,

do not withhold even your tunic.

Give to everyone who asks of you,

and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back.

Do to others as you would have them do to you.

For if you love those who love you,

what credit is that to you?

Even sinners love those who love them.

And if you do good to those who do good to you,

what credit is that to you?

Even sinners do the same.

If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment,

what credit is that to you?

Even sinners lend to sinners,

and get back the same amount.

But rather, love your enemies and do good to them,

and lend expecting nothing back;

then your reward will be great

and you will be children of the Most High,

for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Stop judging and you will not be judged.

Stop condemning and you will not be condemned.

Forgive and you will be forgiven.

Give, and gifts will be given to you;

a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing,

will be poured into your lap.

For the measure with which you measure

will in return be measured out to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scrip-

tures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Music during the
Preparation of the
Altar and the Gifts:

Only in God, John Michael Talbot

Only in God is my soul at rest, in Him comes my salvation
He only is my Rock, my strength and my salvation
My stronghold my Savior, I shall not be afraid at all
My stronghold my Savior, I shall not be moved
Only in God is found safety, when the enemy pursues me
Only in God is found glory when I am found meek and found lowly
My stronghold my Savior, I shall not be afraid at all
My stronghold my Savior, I shall not be moved
Only in God is my soul at rest
In Him comes my salvation

Eucharistic Acclamations can now be found in the Pew

Preface: Holy, Mass of Christ the Savior, Dan Schutte

Memorial Acclamation: When We Eat, Mass of Christ the Savior, Dan Schutte

Great Amen: Amen, Mass of Christ the Savior, Dan Schutte

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God: Lamb of God, Mass of Christ the Savior, Dan Schutte

Communion

Communion Antiphon:

GOD OF MERCY

Ricky Manalo, CSP and Bob Hurd

Refrain

God of mer - cy, ho - ly mys - t'ry, ev - er faith - ful one,
 you have pitched your tent a - mong us, rec - on - cil - ing love.
 Heart and mind of Christ, live with - in our lives,
 form us in - to peo - ple of mer - cy and grace.

Verses

1. You have called us each by name in your great com -
2. Slow to an - ger, rich in love, you be - stow for -
3. In our midst as one who serves, break - ing down di -
4. Reach - ing out to those in pain, wound - ed and a -
5. In the word of truth you speak, word of hope and
6. In this Bread we break and share, in this Cup of

1. pas - sion, en - com - pass - ing our fail - ings with mer - cy.
2. give - ness. May we, in turn, for - give those who harm us.
3. vi - sions, to all in need you send us as neigh - bor.
4. ban - doned, may we cre - ate safe ha - vens for heal - ing.
5. chal - lenge, you sum - mon us to speak for the voice - less.
6. bless - ing, you sum - mon us to work for true jus - tice.

to Refrain

1-6. God of mer - cy, lead us.

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Meditation: Instrumental

Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal

Sending Forth Hymn:

PRaise GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

OLD HUNDREDETH

- 1, 4. Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all
2. From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre -
3. E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, And truth e -

- 1, 4. crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye
2. a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
3. ter - nal is thy word; Thy praise shall sound from

- 1, 4. heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.
2. name be sung Through ev - 'ry land by ev - 'ry one.
3. shore to shore Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Text: LM; verses 1, 4, Thomas Ken, 1637-1711; verses 2, 3, Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
 Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510-1561, alt.

**Thank you for
 worshipping
 with us today,
 and we are pray-
 ing for you and
 your family!**

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil—4:30 p.m.

Sunday— 8:00 a.m. in the church; 10:45 a.m. in church

live-streamed at 10:45 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube

Weekday Mass in the Chapel

Mon—8 a.m. Eucharistic Service

Tues-Sat—8 a.m.



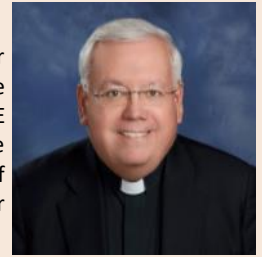
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Dear Members of our Community,

Thank you for your listening and for your participation in the *2022 Annual Appeal*. As we have been sharing, the *Annual Appeal* is the ONE time of year when we are asked to support more than 70 wonderful ministries in the Archdiocese of Washington. Your support is critical so that our Community makes its goal this year of \$105,200.



Cardinal Gregory recently sent me a beautiful letter thanking all of us for our support of the *2021 Annual Appeal*. We actually surpassed our goal. This is amazing. **THANK YOU!!!**

This year there is a new “incentive” to give to the *2022 Annual Appeal*. For all funds raised above parish goal, 50% of them will be returned to the parish for parish use. So, if we do well, and I am optimistic that we will, Jesus the Good Shepherd will be returned some funds. As you can imagine with a facility the size of ours and with many activities to go with it, there are *always* needs of *many* kinds, including maintenance. Your kind support of the *Appeal* will make this happen. Thank you!

St. Paul in today’s second reading speaks to us about the first man, Adam. By virtue of simply being people, we already bear the image of Adam: created in the image and likeness of God, yet imperfect.

Paul tells the Corinthians that we also shall bear the image of the heavenly One. As Christians, we seek constantly to bear Christ’s image ever more fully. Jesus did not give up any of his divinity when he was incarnate, but there are human parts of us that need still to be transformed if we are to become more like Christ.

Let us pray that the “life-giving spirit” of Christ may transform us into bearers of His image. “Loving God, grant that our lives may give living witness to you, without whom we are nothing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.” God bless you!

Father Mike



Weekend Mass Intentions for February 19-20, 2022

Sat	4:30 PM	Virga Lee Wood at the request of the Taylor family
Sun	8:00 AM	Healing and Blessings for Patti Buck at the request of Jim and Midgie Haerer
Sun	10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul of Sue Raino, wife of Dom, at the request of Cathy Bodenhorn

Mass Intentions for February 21-26, 2022

Mon	2/21	8 AM	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tues	2/22	8 AM	Blessings for Les Silva, husband of Mary Ann
Wed	2/23	8 AM	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thurs	2/24	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Hunter Sondberg at the request of his family
Fri	2/25	8 AM	Blessings for Jeana Rudolph
Sat	2/26	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of John Albright at the request of Lorraine Boccabella



Liturgical Ministers — Help is needed!

We are back to full capacity!! Did you know it takes 7-10 volunteers for *EVERY* Mass to run smoothly? Can you help? Please contact the church office as soon as possible if you can help fill this critical need. We need Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors and Altar Servers. You may contact Sheryl at receptionist@ccjgs.org or Katie at music@ccjgs.org. Interested Altar Servers may contact Laurie Spence at Laurietspence@yahoo.com. Thank you so much!

Are you new?



NEW MEMBERS ONLINE REGISTRATION!

Online registration is available on the JGS website by clicking here: ccjgs.org. To be eligible for admission to our Children's Faith Formation Program, reception of the Sacraments or to receive testimonial letters for sponsorship, an individual must be a registered, participating member of the parish, attend the sacraments, and support the parish via offertory and involvement.

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News and Events



Pancake Supper
Tues, Mar 1
5:30-7:30pm

All are welcome!
Sponsored by JGS Men's Club.
Good Will Offering Accepted!



Ash Wednesday, March 2
Mass Times:
6:30 am
12:00 noon
7:00 pm



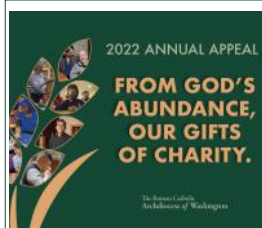
A Hidden Life: A martyr in the making, Franz Jägerstätter

Join us in the Upper Media Center on **Sunday March 6 at 9:20am-10:20am** for this Lenten Reflection on **A Hidden Life**. **A Hidden Life** is available on Apple TV (\$3.99), Amazon Prime (\$3.99), Google Play (\$3.99), or purchase for 19.99. **A Hidden Life** may be viewed before or after the discussion.

JGS parishioner, Dr. David Walsh, professor of politics at The Catholic University of America, will lead the discussion.

Learn about Terence Malick's breathtaking movie, **A Hidden Life**, and then discuss its importance and relevance to evangelization in our modern times! In, **A Hidden Life**, we hear about blessed Franz Jägerstätter, the solitary Austrian who refused to serve in the Nazi Army, and how his bravery to take a stand gives witness to our call as missionary disciples.

In Dr. Walsh's own words from his published article on the movie, "thanks to the arrival of **A Hidden Life**, I have gained a perspective on an extraordinary witness who lived far from the fame and notoriety by which we usually judge what matters."



The 2022 Annual Appeal is here! This year's theme is *From God's Abundance, Our Gifts of Charity* to remind us that everything we have and share with others is from our loving Father. Through our collective support of the Annual Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ that is our local Church, and we sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. Please consider a commitment to the 2022 Annual Appeal next weekend at home or in-person. Your gift will be credited toward our parish goal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at appeal.adw.org.

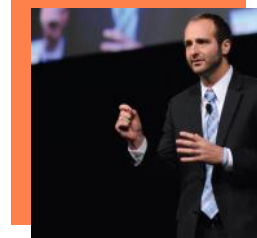


Save the Date!! Surge of the Heart A Lenten Mission

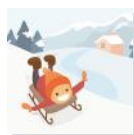
Wednesday-Thursday
March 16th and 17th
Begins with Hospitality at 6:00 p.m.
Presentation begins at 6:30 p.m.


We encourage everyone of the parish to join us for a life changing experience with nationally known Catholic speaker, best-selling author and radio host, Jon Leonetti on Wednesday and Thursday evening, March 16-17 beginning with hospitality at 6:00 p.m. Jon will give us both practical and effective ways to live, know

and grow in our Catholic faith. Sharing powerful stories of the martyrs and saints Jon will inspire and challenge us in our call to holiness. Jon has been featured on the nation's top Catholic websites, blogs and radio shows and we're excited to host him.



Attention! Do not miss all the good stuff:



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CHRISTMAS IN APRIL "NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS" – For the past 25 years the Covenant Community of Jesus the Good Shepherd has partnered with Christmas in April in making needed repairs to homes of lower income Calvert County homeowners (seniors on fixed income, families with children, disabled, and veterans), assuring they live independently in warm, secure, dry, and safe homes. Skilled and unskilled volunteers are welcomed to join in the repairs of our assigned house. For further information on helping the last week of April contact Randy Kozik at 301-520-2537 (cell) or email at rkozik@comcast.net or Glenn Phelps at Gphelps.ciacc@gmail.com.



“LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN [AND THE TEENS]COME TO ME” [Mark 10:14b]

One of the many blessings we enjoy at Jesus the Good Shepherd is the presence of young children. They are a reminder that our parish, thank God, is growing. Kindly welcome all children as Christ does, giving a smile of encouragement and a friendly “hello” to their parents and do what you can do to help make our worship a positive experience for them and for all. The way we respond at Mass and welcome children and their parents impacts how THEY will respond presently and in the future to the Church, God and others. Let the little children know that **this is their home, too.**

Parents: To help your children participate and understand what is happening at Mass, there are children’s bulletins in the special bulletin container near the church office in the vestibule on the far right side as you enter if you want to learn something about the Sunday Gospel or write down something you learned by listening to Jesus or even write Jesus a note! Just pick one up before entering the church. At the 10:45 a.m. Mass, we have the CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD. This is for all young children in our community. They share in the same readings the adults hear in the church but in a translation that is more “accessible” to children. Parents, please encourage your child to come forward at the designated time. WELCOME, CHILDREN, TO JESUS THE GOOD SHEPHERD!

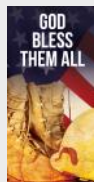
The same sense of welcome can also be applied to our **TEENS**. Our teens are again another blessing we enjoy at Jesus the Good Shepherd. They, too, are a reminder that our parish, thank God, is growing!!! Kindly welcome all **TEENS** as Christ does, giving a smile of encouragement to our wonderful teens who truly want to belong and feel welcome in their parish. Quite a few of our teens who are able to drive come to Mass on their own, unaccompanied by family members. What an additional inspiration they are!!!

Again, the way WE respond to Mass and welcome our teens and their parents impacts how our teens will respond presently and in the future to the Catholic Church, God and others. Let’s all make more of an effort to acknowledge our teens when we see them and to say hello to them and make feel they are an important part of our family, our community, at Jesus the Good Shepherd.

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; Michael Hardy; LCDR Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Larson Weeks; Captain Robert Patterson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer; Matthew Cullens; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Michael Henry Thayer;

Gerald Cullens; Noah Pirner; Scott Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Joseph Masoero; Christopher Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder; Brennan McConnell; Ian Torr; Michael Metler; Joey Wyvill; Mike Wilson; Shane Nissen; Lt. Ridge Alkonis, USN



Please contact the church office to have a name added to this list.

Readings for the week of February 20, 2022

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38 **Monday:** Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 9:14-29 **Tuesday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19 **Wednesday:** Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40 **Thursday:** Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/Mk 9:41-50 **Friday:** Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12 **Saturday:** Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16 **Next Sunday:** Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45 ©LPi



CHILDREN AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Morning Classes will meet: Feb 27, Mar 6
Evening Classes will meet: Feb 27 and Mar 13
ACT Youth Group will meet: Feb 27 and Mar 13

Confirmation Class: Feb 27 and Mar 13

Contact the church office at 410-257-3810 if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION 2022 FAMILIES: All Confirmation families are kindly reminded if they have not done so to submit their application for Sponsor into the church office ASAP. The updated Eligibility Form was distributed at the latest Confirmation meeting and also sent out via email with a follow-up letter with other important information. The quicker the application is submitted to the church office, the quicker the sponsor can be approved. Thank you!



JGS Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study—

Dear JGS Women and your sisters, mothers and women friends, have you been thinking about making a New Year's Resolution to spend more time on your spiritual growth? Would you like to study scripture with other women in a safe and loving environment? Have you heard about the video series, **The Chosen**, and would you like to watch it with other women and be able to discuss the content? Ever wonder what God's plan is for you and what His priority is? How about joining us for a new Walking With Purpose Study called "Ordering Your Priorities?" Maybe you would like to join our Bible Study, "Touching the Divine", to learn more about God's message in the Gospel of John? If you would like to know more, please reach out by email or phone to Vicki Thorne, JGS Walking With Purpose Pastoral Coordinator at vw22@comcast.net or cell 301-325-4904. Our classes are held in the JGS Shepherd's Cove and are as follows:

- Monday** 9:30-11:30 am beginning Feb 7 - **The Chosen**
- Tuesday** 9:30-11:30 am beginning Feb 1 - **Ordering Your Priorities**
- Tuesday** 7-9 pm beginning Feb 1 - **The Chosen**
- Thursday** 6:30-8:30 pm beginning Feb 1 - **Touching the Divine**

Lord Jesus, teach me to know you better through your scriptures. Amen.



The sick: Marguerite Suite; Jerry Worrell; Marty Oberman; Michael Davis; Karen Worrell; Dante Nazario; Rachel Guest & son Patrick Michael Guest; Patty Shields; Jean Mensh; Thomas Haug; Lorraine

Dusseau; Maria Huffer; Lou Flaig; Anita Stuck Culkin; Gail Ricker; Les Silva; Jenna Beeson; Marilyn Cooney; Chuck Kuhn; Dolores Marinaccio; Gina Richardson; Tony Dockum; Ronald Joseph Furr; Becky Furr; Mary Ann Silva; Janet Barna; Tom Floyd; Riley Bodenhorn; Ed Brophy; Linda Patterson; Ralph Smola; Anthony Wyvill; John Hepp; Tammy Pierce; James Richardson, Sr.; Verna Jurewicz; Doreen Dardzinski; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Sue Baczynski; Anne Brophy; Duke Dusseau; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill; Bobbie Martin; Chad Martin.

Friends/relatives in need of prayer and for those who have died contact the church office monthly to include them in our bulletin.

MAJOR PROJECT FOR 2022 FOR THE ENTIRE JGS COMMUNITY:

Since the 1990's, the Centre kitchen and restrooms have served faithfully for hundreds of all kinds of social activities. Due to age and much use, the restrooms in particular have become "old and tired!"

With the support of our Stewardship Committee, a *Centre Restrooms and Kitchen Renovation Committee* was formed last fall to undertake the renovation of these two spaces. The Committee's major goals are:

- overall updating of our Centre Restrooms to make them more attractive and especially handicapped accessible;
- overall renovation of our Centre Kitchen, including updating the equipment, a better working space for food storage, food prep and food service, all in compliance with county health codes

The Committee has had several meetings and is currently working on the finalization of a draft of the entire plan to be shared with our entire community. This will give all a better appreciation of the substance of the Committee's discussions and its overall plan. Please stay tuned when this information becomes available and please keep this large project in your prayers. Thank you!

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 Retrouvaille [pronounced retro-vi with a long i] helps married couples through difficult times in their marriages. Persons seeking confidential information about Retrouvaille should visit www.Helpourmarriage.org, call 443-400-7017 or email 3015helpourmarriage.org.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

THANKING GOD FOR MISSING SPEARS Imagine how Saul must have felt when he awoke from his sleep and saw his spear missing from its resting place. Now imagine how he felt when he realized that the person who had it was the same person seeking his life — and there he sat, safe and sound. Now there's a day you don't forget your morning prayers.

I think if we look, we can all find a "missing spear moment" in our lives, when it hits us right in the gut that God has kept us safe from an impending disaster. This can be physical disaster, sure — but more commonly, I think it is spiritual disaster. ***Often the salvation comes through the gift of a person, or people, through whom God reveals His mercy.***

When I was in high school, I had a circle of friends who were really into their faith. We were all in youth ministry together, and the bond we shared taught me a lesson that changed me as a person: we become those with whom we associate. I can look back now, all these years later, and see that these people are evidence of God's hand in my life.

Take a look at your life. In whose love has God shown you comfort? By whose hand has God brought you closer to Him, or kept you away from harm? Through whose friendship has God shaped you into the person you are?

Let's strive to remember to thank God for these people — and to thank them, too. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI*



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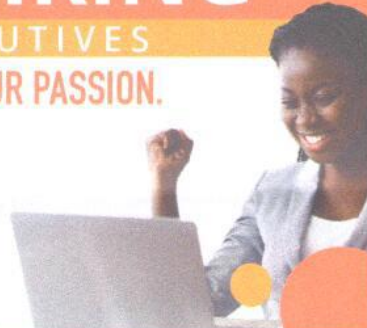
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