

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 19, 2022 Updates and more information at <u>gslcva.org/</u>

Livestream:

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Next Sunday's readings

1 Kings 19: 15 - 16, 19 - 21

Galatians 5: 1, 13 - 25

Luke 9: 51-62

Next worship services: June 26

The following services will be offered: **8:30 a.m. outdoor, 10:00 a.m. indoor (with livestream starting 15 minutes before the start of the service), and 11:15 a.m. adult Sunday School.** Coffee hour will be following the 10:00 a.m. service in the narthex (this week only). The recording of the 10:00 a.m. indoor service will be available late Sunday afternoon.

New Summer Schedule - starting today!

Starting today, June 19, and ending on September 4 there will be a change to our worship schedule. GSLC will have one outdoor service, one indoor service, and adult Sunday school. The scheduled times will be as follows:

- 8:30 a.m. outdoor worship service
- 10:00 a.m. indoor worship service
- 11:15 a.m. adult Sunday school (following the 10:00 a.m. service)

The indoor worship service will follow the current service format with the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays being a traditional service and the 2nd and 4th Sundays being a praise service.

Summer Adult Sunday School

Today, following the 10:00 a.m. indoor worship service, Pastor James and Paul Kasulis will lead a 7-session study of "The Apocrypha." Described by Martin Luther as useful texts to read, but not divinely inspired, "The Apocrypha" allows Lutherans to look back at their heritage and see the Bible as our forefathers would have. The study is not a verse-by-verse look at the books of "The Apocrypha." Instead, it will help those attending gain a broad overview of "The Apocrypha." Please email Michele Clair (michele@gslcva.org) or call the church office to let us know that you will be attending. This will assist us in the preparation of materials for the study. Pastor James (pastorgary@gslcva.org) is available for additional questions.

Monumental Vacation Bible School - This week!

Monumental Vacation Bible School June 20 – 24, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. At Monumental, kids explore the sunbaked Southwestern desert as they dig into God's great love! Participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible memory buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out fun science gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Registration for adult volunteers is still available at www.gslcva.org/vbs.

Monumental Vacation Bible School Supply Donations

Vacation Bible School needs more than volunteers – we also need supplies! If you're interested in donating some of the supplies needed to decorate and class supplies please visit our Amazon Wish List at: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2H000ZLCBBF8H?type=wishlist

Nemeh Azzam - status update

We give thanks to God for the gifts of Nemeh Azzam, who has served the Lord and Good Shepherd for the past decade in our music ministry. Nemeh will not return to us to direct our choir this fall, as previously anticipated. We pray for the Azzam family as they continue their life together in Mexico. We look forward to appreciating his service at a gathering, if and when he returns to our area to visit or reside. The worship team will be moving forward with the process of searching for and selecting a new choir director.

Women's Retreat

The annual women's retreat is fast approaching. This year the retreat will be in Winchester, Virginia from November 11 to 13. Stay tuned for registration information (August 1).

High School Ministry (HSM)

HSM630 Stay Connected! Highschoolers: download the GroupMe app and scan the code to join our HSM630 Group Chat to stay connected for the latest information about youth group.



Next Week's Upcoming Events

Worship Services

Sunday, June 26: 8:30 a.m. outdoor | 10:00 a.m. indoor | Info? Contact the church office (gslc@gslcva.org).

Adult Sunday School

Sunday, June 26: 11:15 a.m. (adults) | Info? Contact the church office (gslc@gslcva.org).

Prayer Gathering

Wednesday, June 22: 7:00 p.m. (virtual) | Info? Contact the church office (gslc@gslcva.org).

Adult Education

Tuesday, June 21: Young Adults Life Group | Info? Mark & Abbey Panetti (gslc@gslcva.org).

Community Service

Monday, June 20: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry (pantry rooms) | **Wednesday, June 22:** 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry (pantry rooms) **Thursday, June 23:** 3:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry Food transport for distribution at SLHS (Lower parking lot) | Info? Contact Holly Vanderhoof (holly@gslcva.org).

Above & Beyond

Thanks to all who have been supporting the Above & Beyond program. The audio upgrade project is now fully funded and can begin to move ahead, Bethania Kids has also been fully funded, and Workcamp (to include vans for Workcamp) has also been fully supported. You can view the catalog on the <u>Giving</u> section of our webpage. Thank you for your generosity, above and beyond your regular giving, which allows Good Shepherd to enhance and grow our ministry programs further than our general budget can accommodate.

Community Service

Community Service and COVID-19. Active COVID protocols will be followed in most cases and are subject to change. Vacation Bible School – Volunteers needed June 20-24. VBS is an incredible outreach to our community. Lots of kids are already signed up with more expected to before registration closes. We can't do this without volunteers! Please visit www.gslcva.org/vbs for more information and to sign up. This is a high energy week and is fun for kids -young and old!

The Closet of Greater Herndon – Volunteers needed. The Closet, under new supervision, has recently undergone a significant improvement in the facility layout and is now more organized, inviting and efficient. Check out the signup genius link to see how you can help this valuable resource to our community with a variety of volunteer opportunities. For more information and to volunteer visit: https://tinyurl.com/vv9czr8k

The Closet now requires proof of COVID vaccination from all staff and volunteers who work/volunteer at The Closet. This measure is being taken to protect the health and safety of the store's customers, volunteers, and staff.

South Lakes Food Pantry! The SLHS Food Pantry recently celebrated its 5th anniversary! Since the beginning they have distributed more than **857,000 pounds** of food to our neighbors in need. What a significant difference you've made in the community with your support of this incredible ministry. *If you are interested in helping, email Holly Vanderhoof,* holly@gslcva.org, to get up-to-date volunteer needs. Revised volunteer guidelines: active COVID protocols will be followed.

NO-CONTACT Donation curbside drop offs:

Mondays 2:00 p.m. to -4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Donations may also be shipped to the church: SLHS Food Pantry,
c/o GSLC, 1133 Reston Ave., Herndon, VA 20170

Extra volunteers. As summer approaches we could always use a few extra volunteers when our regulars take a vacation. This could be for our regular donation days or as a driver to the school on Thursday afternoons. Interested? Please contact Holly Vanderhoof at holly@gslcva.org.

URGENT NEEDS: peanut butter, jelly, cereal, diced tomatoes, canned meat, oatmeal, canned vegetables, (pasta sauce, snacks (granola bars, etc.), spaghetti, boxed ,mac & cheese, ramen

Cornerstones Volunteer Opportunities. Cornerstones offers a multitude of volunteer opportunities to serve members of our community. Opportunities include Career Mentors, Financial Literacy Mentors, Interpreters, Front Desk Assistants, Pathways to Sustainable Employment Program Volunteers and so much more.

Visit https://www.cornerstonesva.org/volunteerops/ to learn more about these opportunities as well as their virtual volunteer orientation sessions.