

# The Fold

Monthly Newsletter of Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

March 2018

## March Spotlight Project

For the month of March, Good Shepherd will be focusing on the Society of St. Andrew Potato Project. We have traditionally collected heavily for this group. It is right in line with our community identity of being the church that feeds people! Please read the following article and prayerfully consider making a contribution to the March Spotlight Goal of the Society of St. Andrew.

### Society of St. Andrew Potato & Produce Project



We salvage tractor-trailer loads of potatoes and other produce that are rejected by commercial markets or potato chip factories due to slight imperfections in size, shape, sugar content, or surface blemishes. Usually, these rejected loads end up at local landfills. Through the Potato and Produce Project, the Society of St. Andrew is able to redirect these 40,000-45,000-pound loads of fresh, nutritious produce to food banks, soup kitchens, food pantries, low income housing areas, local churches, and other hunger agencies for distribution to the poor.

Because this produce is donated to us, the Society of St. Andrew pays only for the transportation and packaging of the food—an amazingly low 9 cents per pound! That means we can provide food to the nation's hungry for about 3 cents per serving!

### Why it Works

The Potato & Produce Project is successful and extremely cost-effective for two simple reasons:

First, the food we receive is donated. This food is not marketable for cosmetic reasons, but is perfectly edible. We do not buy the food we distribute. Our costs are for the transportation and packaging of the food we receive.

Second, we operate in conjunction with existing food distribution organizations, such as food banks. We avoid duplication of effort in order to gain efficiency and to cut costs.

### Produce Drops

The direct delivery of food to the needy through the Potato and Produce Project includes Produce Drops, where a tractor-trailer load of fruit or vegetables is delivered to a church parking lot or other location.

Volunteers then process the load by bagging the produce, if necessary, and delivering the food to local hunger relief agencies.

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**Church Office Hours**  
Monday – Thursday,  
10:00am – 3:00 pm

### **Sunday Schedule**

**9:30 am: Adult Sunday  
Study**

**10:30 am: Worship  
Service**

Coffee & Conversation  
in Fellowship Hall  
following worship.



## **The Resurrection of Christ as the Foundation of a New Life**

by Rev. Seok Nam Lim

Kant, the most eminent thinker in modern history, was a Lutheran but his religion was unorthodox. He believed in the existence of God, who cannot be understood in human experience. His god is like the god of the Athenians, who worshiped to an unknown god (Acts 17:23). Their god is not the God “who made the world and everything in it, known as the “Lord of heaven and earth,” and who raised Jesus from the dead (Acts 17:24, 31). Likewise, Kant never accepted the God who is known to us in Scripture, which testifies God’s creation and redemption in Christ the Lord, especially, his crucifixion and resurrection.

However, despite his unorthodox faith, Kant respected the pietistic and moral integrity of Christian religion. His ideal of religion was made real through the practice of excellent morality. In his society one of his main concerns was about the inequality between the rich and the poor. He criticized the privilege of aristocratic bourgeoisie class disregarding the enslavement of the working class like peasants because of their lack of life resources. What is more, Kant put into practice his knowledge and belief by being engaged in the social action to organize a union of small business owners against the dominant merchants in the German society. He was like a radical social activist. He worked for the powerless people, so that he might save them from being abused by the powerful people. He looked for the liberation of his society from the subjective prejudice, greed, and immorality. His religion was unorthodox but his life orthodox.

According John Wesley, orthodox faith is capable of leading to orthodox life; God’s salvation in Christ by grace produces a new life in justice and holiness. Our salvation in Christ is given to us by God’s grace through faith in Christ alone, and further, this faith leads to a new life that “works by love,” empowering us to be set free from sin and its power and keeping us in holiness (“Upon our Lord’s Sermon on the Mount, Discourse V”). Living according to faith in Christ is to love and serve God with all our strength, so that God’s kingdom may come true to us now and here on earth. There is an inseparable relationship between faith and work, grace and love, and the gospel and the law. Our faith in Christ has the power to save us from the power of sin and lead us to justice and holiness. God’s grace makes us transformed to love God with all our strength and our neighbors like ourselves. The gospel of Christ empowers us to commit ourselves to the commandments of God for their perfection in our everyday practice.

For our Christian religion, orthodoxy cannot be separated from orthopraxis. We believe in the accomplishment of God’s salvation in Christ the Lord, who “died to sin once for all” and “was raised from the dead,” so that we consider ourselves to be “dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus” (Romans 6:9-11). Our union with Christ in his crucifixion and resurrection is the central truth of Christian religion; by God’s grace, “we have been united with him in his death,” so that “we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection” (Romans 6:8). However, our orthodox faith in Christ the risen Lord demands us to live an orthodox life in obedience to God. All of us, who are under God’s grace, not under law, are demanded to offer ourselves to God’s justice, not to live in slavery to unjust and evil power, which leads to death, but in obedience to God, “which leads to righteousness” and life (Romans 6:16).

## 5th Sunday Clothing Drive



PLEASE and THANK YOU

We appreciate the donations that are collected on the Fifth Sunday Clothing Drive and taken to Brightmoor. As always, this congregation is very generous. One small request, though: PLEASE make sure the items are in a bag or box for transport, and a size that is manageable for those who load and deliver the donations to Brightmoor. THANK YOU!

Start your spring cleaning by donating to our next drive on **April 29th!**

## KIDS ROCK at Good Shepherd Church

### Stories of Jesus and Holy Week.....

- For ages 3 through grade 5
- During the Sunday worship hour immediately after Children's Time @ 10:45am In the Fellowship Hall
- Bible Stories + Crafts



### Lenten Book Study Continues

March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29

Will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. See Jean Mackey if you have any questions.

### Prayer Concerns

The family of Dave Allerdyce  
Lisa Andrews  
Gary & Diane Atkins  
Bondy Family  
Byron Jr. and Family  
Jack Charlefour  
The family of Colleen Bushnell  
Nick Crossestt  
Devine Family  
Donna Draper  
Denise Fitzpatrick  
Mike Foster  
Brenna Gillespie  
David Gray  
Griffin Family  
The Family & friends of Alex Haam

Rev. James Herbolsheimer  
Chris Hillier  
Helen Hosker  
Robert & Kathy James  
Shirley Lantz  
Lamp Family  
The family of Delores Lebeck  
Doug & Lynn Lebeck  
Ho Lim  
Cassie Lubitz  
Elmer Lugh  
Jack & Marilyn MacTavish  
Terrie McCullough  
Drew & Elizabeth McDonald  
Mesick & Hood Family  
Mihalik Family

Samantha Myers & family  
Bill Noble  
Pigeon Family  
Amber Przygocki & Family  
Sally Rausch  
Mercedes Ruiz Family  
Michael Schlorff  
Megan Schroeder  
Tim Shaw Family  
Marie Shearer  
George & Karen Stoops  
Jeremy Travis  
The family of Maude Todd  
Andrew Urban  
Nate Wilson  
Paul Wilson and family  
Fran Zimmerman

#### Military Families

Zachary Danke, Us Army

#### Home Bound

Anne Creek, Helen Hickey,  
Mary Catherine Luoma, Robert Signoretti

# Easter Joy Ride



We'd like to thank everyone who contributed to our Valentine's Day Joy Ride. With your amazing donations we were able to pack up 10 plates of treats to distribute throughout our community. Truly an amazing outreach!

With Easter right around the corner we need to plan for our next Joy Ride. We will be collecting homemade cookies and treats on **Saturday, March 31st**. You may drop them off at the church that morning around 10:00. We will pack them up and have them ready for people to take with them after Easter service the following day. If you are at the church during the week and would like to bring them in, please place them in the refrigerator and label JOY RIDE.

Thank you again for all your support in this outreach program we offer!

## **At a Glance:**

**March 31st 10:00 AM**

collecting treats and packaging.

**April 1st 11:45 AM**

pick up treats to deliver after service and deliver around the community.



## EASTER BREAKFAST APRIL 1

Served in Fellowship Hall from 9-10 AM

### Menu:

Breakfast casseroles, fruit,  
bagels & beverages

All are welcome!

Sign up at the Opportunity Center in Fellowship Hall to assist with the following:

**Saturday, March 31:** Set up & decorate at 10 AM

**Sunday, April 1:**

- 8:15 AM Coffee making
- 8:30 AM Set out food & beverages
- 8:50 AM Bring fully cooked casseroles in disposable pans
- 12 noon – 12:15 PM Clean-up:  
After worship & fellowship time

# Spaghetti Dinner

Our spaghetti dinner 2017-2018 season concludes on  
**Friday, March 2nd!**



## 9:00 AM Thursday morning, March 1st

Preparation of the vegetables, needed for the salad bar and vegetarian sauce, will be done in the church kitchen.

## Friday, March 2nd

### 9:00 AM

Sauce prep in the kitchen.

### 10:00 AM

Getting the tables set and fellowship hall prepared for our guests

Look at the sign-up sheet at the Opportunity Center to guide you toward other opportunities to share a bit of your time and energy. *You* are needed!

Our guests know they can get a great meal and have a pleasant time visiting with their friends. Your support in any capacity is appreciated. Invite your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to join you for dinner!

## Correction...



This photo that appeared in the February Fold should have been captioned *Confirmation of Joshua Costantino.*

*Sincerest Apologies*

## March Spotlight Project Continued.....



It is important to keep in mind that Produce Drops are not the norm for the Potato and Produce Project. The

majority of food handled by the Potato and Produce Project is delivered directly to agencies. That is because most of the donated food we receive comes to us on relatively short notice and we deliver it to receiving agencies as economically as possible. For example, if a potato chip factory or a green bean packing house rejects a load of potatoes or green beans and donates it to us, it makes economic sense for us to try to find a place close by willing to receive the load rather than sending it to a food bank in a far-away state.

The purpose of a Produce Drop is primarily to help educate participants about hunger and the amount of perfectly edible food that goes to waste in America. It also is a good advocacy tool as it can help mobilize people to action.

## The Resurrection of Christ Continued...

As Karl Barth argues in *the Epistle to the Romans*, our orthodox faith in the Easter event, the resurrection of Christ, transforms our heart to be in the love of God and makes our mortal body “become a poem of love, a vessel of honor, and a weapon of the righteousness of God.” The resurrection of Christ as a historical event has the power to make us offer the parts of our body, in other words, our material and social life, to God, so that the world where we live now may be renewed into the image of Christ. Our orthodox faith in Christ will be proved and manifested by our orthodox life in obedience to him.

# Looking Forward in Worship

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## Worship Leaders

March 4	Neicy Lines
March 11	Georgia Grovesteen
March 18	Marti Boynton Tamaroglio
March 25	Dean Lewis

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## Ushers

March 4	Al Constantino & Donna Eberhart
March 11	Annie Smith & Anita Polzin
March 18	Anita Polzin & Donna Eberhart
March 25	Al Constantino & Annie Smith

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## Acolytes

Josh Costantino  
Lilly Lawson  
Sabrina Perry, Substitute

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## Counters

1st	Scott Williams & Carla Schneider
2nd	Scott Williams & Jim Woods
3rd	Jim Woods & Carla Schneider
4th	Carla Schneider & Scott Williams
5th	Scott Williams & Jim Woods

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## Greeters

1st	Fred Michaelson & Pam Post
2nd	Donna Eberhart & Anita Polzin
3rd	Annie Smith & Paula Turbett
4th	Donna Eberhart & Anita Polzin
5th	Fred Michaelson & Pam Post

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## Nursery

1st	Carolyn Costantino & Lori Lawson
2nd	Lori Lawson & Kathy Lewis
3rd	Carolyn Costantino & Lori Lawson
4th	Kathy Lewis & Paula Turbett
5th	Lori Lawson

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## Openers

1st	Thomas Garrant
2nd	Al Costantino
3rd	Scott Williams
4th	Marti Boynton Tamaroglio
5th	Georgia Grovesteen

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## Message and Text

<b>March 4</b>	The Message of the Cross: I Corinthians 1:18-25
<b>March 11</b>	Eternal Life in Christ: John 3:14-21
<b>March 18</b>	God's Glory in Christ: John 12:20-33
<b>March 25</b>	The Suffering of the Lord: Isaiah 50:4-9a <b>Palm/Suffering Sunday</b>
<b>March 30</b>	Jesus Washed the Feet of His Disciples: John 13:1-17 <b>7:00 PM Good Friday Service</b>
<b>April 1</b>	The First Testimony of the Resurrection of Christ: John 20:1-18 <b>Easter Sunday</b>

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## Happy Birthday

March 1	Dan Frank
March 4	Gianna Lewis
March 5	Tania Walters
March 6	Scott Murdoch
March 8	Pam Post
March 13	Glenn Garrant
March 15	Liz Cairo
March 17	Mercedes Ruiz
March 21	Molly Costantino
March 24	Jessica Dietrich
March 26	Scott Williams
March 30	Janet Connick
March 31	Kathryn Woods



## Sunday, March 11th





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Fold Articles are due on the 15th of each Month.  
**April Fold articles** are due Thursday, March 15th. to the church email, [gshepherdumc@att.net](mailto:gshepherdumc@att.net).



# March 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:30 am Willing Disciples 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship	29	30 6:15 pm Mindful Meditation	31 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Choir	1 9:00 am Spaghetti Dinner Prep 10:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Lenten Book Study	2 9:00 am Spaghetti Dinner Prep 5:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner	3
4 9:30 am Willing Disciples 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship	5	6	7 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Choir	8 10:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Lenten Book Study	9	10 8:00 AM Second Saturday Bible Study @ Parsonage
11 9:30 am Willing Disciples 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship <b>Daylight Savings</b> 	12	13 6:15 pm Mindful Meditation	14 1:00 pm Food Pantry Prep 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Choir	15 10:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Lenten Book Study  April Fold Articles due, <a href="mailto:gshepherdumc@att.net">gshepherdumc@att.net</a>	16	17  9:00 am Prayer Shawls 9-11:00 am Food Pantry
18 9:30 am Willing Disciples 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship	19 6:30 pm SPARK	20 6:15 pm Mindful Meditation	21 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Choir	22 10:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Lenten Book Study	23	24
 25 9:30 am Willing Disciples 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Coffee Fellowship  <i>Easter Sunday</i> April 1 9:00 am Easter Breakfast 10:30 am Easter Sunday Service	26	27 6:15 pm Mindful Meditation	28 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Choir	 29 10:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm Lenten Book Study 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service at Dearborn First UMC 22124 Garrison at Mason	 30 7:00 pm Good Friday Service	31 10:00 am Collecting Joy Ride treats and packaging trays

*Worship for Oakwood Common residents is on Sundays at 1PM and for Hubbard West residents on 2nd Sundays at 4:30 PM*

**HOLY WEEK**  
  
**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

- March 25 10:30 AM Palm Sunday
- March 29 Maundy Thursday Service at  
Dearborn First UMC
- March 30 7:00 PM Good Friday Service
- April 1 9:00 AM Easter Breakfast  
10:30 AM Easter Sunday Service



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