



Desert's Journey

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Dear Friends in Christ,

During the "Baptism of Our Lord" worship service in early January the cross of Christ was placed on our foreheads to remind us that we are anointed and consecrated by God for a special purpose. One person was confused and did not come forward for the anointing. He stated that because of his late arrival he did not understand the anointing until it was too late.

"Anointing" in the Old Testament means to "smear, rub, consecrate." In Baptism God uses the common "oil" to "consecrate" us for special ministry. "Jack. . .Marge. . .Rick. . .Cheryl. . .,child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever." Not only are you Christ's child but you have been given and are empowered by the Holy Spirit. As we pray for the Haitian people devastated by the earthquake, we rejoice at the creative ways Christians have responded with prayers and much more. The Haitian are God's children living in poverty and now devastation. Jesus said, "The poor will always be among us." Jesus did not ignore the "poor" and the "least" in the world but embrace the common by dying on the cross. Jesus anoints us to "smear" his love on the foreheads of all God's children. "Give us this day our daily bread" embraces includes the faith that there is enough "bread" for all when we consecrate it and share it.

Christ's love and peace,

Pastor Jack & Gerry



February



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Happy Birthday Jane Severino	2 6:00 pm Music Club @ Sheets 7:00 pm Water's Edge practice @ Sheets	3	4	5	6
7 9:30 am Classic Praise & Worship @ Cadwallader with Child Care 10:45-11:20 Children's Ministry 12:15-2:00 pm Foundations of Faith @ Williams'	8 Happy Birthday Stephanie Rucker	9 6:00 pm Music Club @ Sheets 7:00 pm Water's Edge Practice @ Sheets	10	11	12	13 Happy Anniversary Mike & Karen Paris
14- 9:30 am Classic Praise & Worship @ Cadwallader Middle School with Child Care 10:45-11:20 am Children's Ministry Happy Anniversary Richard & Barb Randall	15	16 6:00 pm Church Council @ Williams' 6:00 pm Music Club @ Sheets 7:00 pm Water's Edge Practice @ Sheets	17 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Holy Communion @ St. Andrew	18	19	20
21 9:30 am Classic Praise & Worship @ Cadwallader Middle School with Child Care 10:45-11:20 am Children's Ministry 11:30-2:00 pm Youth @ Mini Golf	22	23 6:00 pm Music Club @ Sheets' 7:00 pm Water's Edge Practice @ Sheets	24 6:00 pm Soup Supper 6:40 pm Lenten Worship @ St. Andrew Happy Anniversary Kip & Heide Coyne	25	26	27
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Catching Up with the Church Council

January 19: Minutes approved and reports were accepted. Darryl Buff was appointed to fill the council vacancy and serve as liaison to building & grounds. Beverly Larson, Jake Holzworth and Leon Walker have terms that will end in 2011. The budget and annual meeting were accepted. The LSSN Covenant will be presented at the annual meeting along with the leasing proposal. Adam & Krista Sheets were accepted as new members. Lenten services will be at St. Andrew starting February 17th. The nomination team will be appointed in February. The council approved Janean Earley's resignation as secretary. Council approved the list of inactive members along with voting members. The discipleship team will consist of Madi McGuire, Craig and Jane Duffney and Jim Ballow. Barb Randall was appointed treasurer for 2010. 3rd anniversary celebration will be May 2nd.

Old cell phones empty inkjet laser cartridges?

Please recycle! On the information table there is a **donation** box. Your donation will help save the environment and the Women's

The Privacy Act

The Congress of these United States passed a "Privacy Act" that prohibits divulging names. This act touches the church through hospitals and Institutions. These facilities are not permitted to contact your pastor unless you request it. Therefore, should you enter a hospital, specifically tell them that you want to **contact Pastor Jack at 254-4224**.

Care Notes

Do you need suggestions on "Easing the Burden of Stress" or have "End of Life Concerns?" **Care Notes** are a vehicle to assist in making life more meaningful and coping with concerns. **Care Notes** are available on the info table.

Rally in the Valley

The 15th annual "**Rally in the Valley, Lutheran Seniors Assembly 2010**" is hosted by La Casa de Cristo in Scottsdale, AZ on **February 15-16**. Check out the website www.lutheranseniors.org or the info table for more information.

Prayer Note Sheets

The "**Prayer Note Sheets**" offers you a chance to lift up your friends, family and important concerns in prayer. You may add to the list on Sunday morning or send your requests to www.livingspringslutheran.org. Please answer the following questions:

- Confidential - Available only to VIP prayer team members
- Public - Open to other prayer partner and prayer chains,
- Anonymity - Include only first name

Prayer Requests: Please pray for the following:

Pastor Ed Peterson	Carl Anderson	Jane Duffney
Martin Kolish	Bunnie Kallerson	Rob Neubauer-
Thomas Djozlija	Carla Patton	Lloyd Zutz
Bill Timm & family	Ciancola family	Leonard Reale
Bob Andersen	Terri Gauss	Kevin
Nathan Calice	Mike & family	Jim Cocayne
Suzette Williams	Michael Brown	John
Candice Gauss	Donna	Donnalyn
Cindy & Gary Hogman	Willie	Anonymous
Cassidy Patton		

Newsletters

To move toward "green" we will send out newsletters via email. If you are cannot open the attachment, please contact Pastor Jack.

Practice the "Three's"



Pray **three** sentence prayers daily:

Lord, anoint *Living Springs* and with your Spirit of love, With your Spirit of power, and With your Spirit of discernment

Participate in "The Three Minute Blitz" on each Sunday to meet others.

Volunteer "three hours each month for Outreach."

Extend three invitation cards each month to invite others.

Youth

Child Care Volunteers

Adult and teen volunteers are needed for child care every Sunday. Please sign the sheet on the information table.

Children's Ministry

continues every Sunday from 10:45-11:20 am. Children's Ministry provides a solid foundation in the Bible for your youth.

Foundations of Faith concludes the study of the **Apostle's Creed** on **February 7th and 28th**
12:15-2:00 pm

Youth Music Club & Worship

Middle and high school youth are invited to learn how to play an instrument on **Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm** at Sheet's. Please bring a friend and share the good news of Jesus.

Youth Activity

After worship on **February 7th** project "Doughnut Hole" begins at **11:30 am**. We will show our appreciation to those people who have to work on **Sundays**. On **February 21st** the youth will venture to play miniature golf.

Worship in February

Worship is the springboard to growth in Christ. "**Touch Holiness**" concludes and "**Cross Conversations**" starts after Ash Wednesday.

Feb 7 – "**Strange Praise Partners**" Luke 4:40-41

Feb 14 - "**Touching the Mysterious**" John 9:28-36

Feb 17 – Ash Wednesday Service at St. Andrew

Feb 21 – "**The Turning Point**" John 15:1-8

Feb 28 - "**In His Shadow**" John 5:1-13

If you have a suggestion for worship themes, please communicate with Pastor Jack.

Worship in Lent

St. Andrew Lutheran has invited us to worship with them during Lent. Lent prepares for the Easter season by focusing on the life of Christ and his walk toward Jerusalem.

Worship starts with Ash Wednesday Holy Communion on **February 17th at 7:00 pm**.

The Lenten services continue at **6:00 pm** on-
Wednesdays with soup supper and worship services at **6:40 pm**.

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LSSN News

The Discipleship Team will coordinate our service projects with LSSN. If you have suggestions, please contact Mike Paris (656-4135 or mplirrengret@embarqmail.com)

Ronald McDonald House

We need a person to coordinate the collection of "tabs" for the Ronald McDonald House. The "tabs" keep the facilities open for families with children in the hospital.

Spiritual Gifts of *Living Springs* February 2010

Marge Andersen (658-5258) is **Looking for Monthly Volunteers**, please sign up on the back table for the month March.

	2/7/2010	2/14/2010	2/21/2010	2/28/2010
	Service	Service	Service	Service
Greeters	Mike Paris	Martin Kolish	Martin Kolish	Martin Kolish
	Martin Kolish	Mike Paris	Colleen Kidwell	Colleen Kidwell
Communion	Pastor Jack & Gerry Williams	Adam Sheets		
Ushers	Sue Ellen Rubin Harlan Nelson	Sue Ellen Rubin Harlan Nelson	Sue Ellen Rubin Harlan Nelson	Sue Ellen Rubin Harlan Nelson
Church Set Up & Take Down	WE PLEASE UP	NEED COME AT	VOLUNTEERS HELP 8:00 AM	TO HELP SET
Refreshments Joy Thomas	Williams Family	Valentine's Day		
Child Care	WE Need And	Volunteers Help	To Please	Come Volunteer
Sunday School Teachers	Jennifer Balew Susan Schuler Colleen Kidwell Judy Ellithorpe	Jennifer Balew Susan Schuler Colleen Kidwell Judy Ellithorpe	Jennifer Balew Susan Schuler Colleen Kidwell Judy Ellithorpe	Jennifer Balew Susan Schuler Colleen Kidwell Judy Ellithorpe

Thrivent Matching Funds

Policy holders of Thrivent for Lutheran have the option in 2010 to designate their GivingPlus program to a list of Lutheran institutions. This program replaces the Matching Funds. In the past these funds have fueled our youth program, building fund and assisted family with needs. Policy holders are asked to notify Pastor Jack so Living Springs may receive funds for ministry and mission.

Church Secretary

The position of church secretary is vacant. We thank Janean Earley for her tenure and expertise as she completes her master of Social Work degree. The job description includes updating the permanent records and coordinating the monthly newsletter. Please contact Pastor Jack.



You are invited to be a Virtual Internet Prayer Servant.

Please contact Terrie @ stonesolutiongranite@yahoo.com

Worship Services

At The Cadwallader Middle School Cafeteria located on the corner of Elkhorn and Buffalo. On Sundays we lift up the name of Jesus through inspiring music and message at the 9:30 am Classic Praise Worship. Children's Ministries and Youth Forum follows from 10:40 am to 11:20 am. Child Care is provided for both ministries.



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