

# Springs of Grace Lutheran Church

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**Mission Team:** Brad Elliott, Barbara Key, Jane Lewis, Kathy Williams

**Building Team:** Melton Roof- Congregation; Ray Cromer – Council; Bob Williams – Community/Architect/Builder

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015

## Introduction to the Day

In Deuteronomy God promises to raise up a prophet like Moses, who will speak for God; in Psalm III God shows the people the power of God's works. For the church these are ways of pointing to the unique authority people sensed in Jesus' actions and words. We encounter that authority in God's word, around which we gather, the word that trumps any lesser spirit that would claim power over us, freeing us to follow Jesus.

## Commemorations for the Week

Monday, February 2, 2015

### Presentation of Our Lord

Forty days after the birth of Jesus we mark the day Mary and Joseph presented him in the temple in accordance with Jewish law. There they were greeted by Simeon, an aged priest who offered the song "Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace," as well as by the prophet Anna, who spoke of the redemption of Israel.

Tuesday, February 3

Ansgar, Bishop of Hamburg, missionary to Denmark and Sweden, died 865

A monk who helped bring Christianity to Scandinavia, Ansgar returned to Germany where he was named bishop of Hamburg. He is remembered for his love for poor people.

Thursday, February 5

The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597

Christianity was brought to Japan in the sixteenth century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

## THE PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 2/1

9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Fourth Sunday of Epiphany  
12noon Called Council

Wednesday 2/4

10am Kooper Group

Sunday 2/8

8am Council

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am Worship

## SOUPER BOWL

DONATE SOUP AND OTHER FOOD  
ITEMS AND YOUR LOOSE CHANGE  
FOR OUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRY  
JOINING CHURCHES ACROSS THE  
COUNTRY IN THIS EFFORT! YOUTH  
TO DELIVER.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

We remember in prayer our members:  
Gere, MaryEllen and Tom, MaryLou  
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Members' family and friends:

Anne Marie T., Kathy C., Ray C., Allan & Sharon H., Christian Adams, Jan, Kathy, Sue, Larry, Tom C., Susan Logan, Troy, Judy, Wayne, Karen, Bob Shaw, Spartanburg County Deputies, Linda, Rocky T., Brumhilde, MaryButler, friends of MaryAnn D., Dan Camp, Ann Lineberger, Eric Schaeffer, Family of Orion H., Sara L., Park O., Xing, Carley Li, Savage family  
Please keep Mary Ellen Wuerfel and her family in your prayers.  
Please keep the family of Dave Jordan in your prayers.



## JOYS? CONCERNS?

January 25<sup>th</sup>

Worship Attendance – 45

Offering - \$1,771

*District 1 School Lunch Buddies – Melton, Ron, Bob, Kathy, Susan, Gail*

## Spiritual Gifts Inventory In Progress

Lutheran Men in Mission:

LMM organizing pancake supper for Shrove Tuesday. Next Meeting Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm.

## Roadmap for the Congregation towards building our new church:

1. *Building Committee forwards drawings to architect – sketches for congregation ASAP*
2. *Drawings go out for bids from 3 contractors. Expect bids by end of February.*
3. *Deed transfer to SoG from SC Synod*
4. *Survey to subdivide property approved by Council.*
5. *Realtors to advise on property options.*
6. *Preliminary conversations for funding options with MIF – Jerry Jones to speak March 4<sup>th</sup>*
7. *Capital Campaign to begin tentatively in February. Key Leader meeting occurred January 14<sup>th</sup>. Interview with Rev. Nancy Amacher this Tuesday 7pm via conference call.*

See Springs of Grace Lutheran Church on FACEBOOK!

See Lutheran Disaster Response Blog for ministry occurring around the globe.

Serving Idea for Youth : Deliver the offering to the Family Resource Center today.

**Cluster News:**

**Mission Trip to the PeeDee Indian Reservation** in the works for this summer.

**Stewardship Key Leader Meeting** The council and Mission Team met with Ozzie Herlong of the SC Synod and Don Hallberg of the ELCA to discuss our Capital Campaign. Stewardship Key Leader Rev. Nancy Macher with the ELCA will speak to us by conference call this week. The SC Synod has offered to pay for 50% of the cost of a Stewardship Key Leader for our campaign.

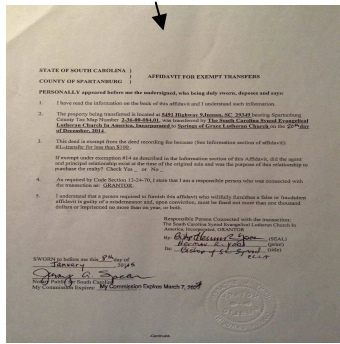
**Bishop Leadership Days**

Occurring across the SC Synod discussing changes going on in churches today. Faith, Pickens will host in our area: Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 – 8pm. Interest in attending see Pastor Outten.

**Prayer Journey Cluster** emphasis on prayer led here by Barbraann Barraud beginning in Lent.

**The Concordia Choir** in concert 4pm Sunday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> @ Central United Methodist, Ashville.

**Deed** This is the Deed transfer of the property on Highway 9 from the SC Synod to Springs of Grace.

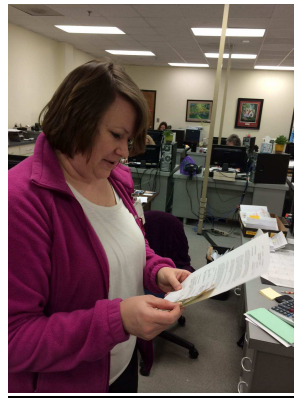


**New Members** Welcome Jean and Brian Barrow. Jane and Norm Lewis are their sponsors. We thank God for you and welcome you to this church family.

Brian and Jean Barrow  
Originally from Massachusetts  
Moved to South Carolina in 1994 to start a manufacturing facility  
Jean is in her 45<sup>th</sup> year as a registered cytologist  
Brian retired in 2013 after a career in manufacturing management and warehousing.  
Their hobbies are camping and gardening  
Now live in Campobello with their Border collie Bonnie Elizabeth Barrow and calico cat Gabby.

**Growing God's Mission**

Midweek Lent Offerings to go to SC Synod Growing God's Mission Campaign. This fund supports mission churches in our Synod and ministry in our companion Synods.



Good neighbors helping to get the job done, advance single women, record the deed with the county.