

December

2017



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Prepare, Prepare the Way of the Lord.

It's that time of year again. In the culture around us, this time of year is known as "the holidays" or "the holiday season." In the church, we call this season "Advent."

Advent is one of my favorite times in the church year. While the rest of the world seems to start the Christmas season even before Halloween, in the church, we deliberately slow down and prepare for Christmas, one of our most sacred holidays.

Although Advent doesn't begin until December 3rd, I can't help but feel like I'm already in that preparation mode. I've been in the season of preparing for the season of preparing for Christmas (the Advent of Advent). Though it can certainly feel hectic, and like there's far too much to do and not nearly enough time to do it, I still appreciate the message of Advent.

"Prepare the way of the Lord!" said the prophet Isaiah. "Prepare the way of the Lord!" quoted John the Baptist. Even now, we prepare the way of the Lord. Every Advent, we prepare our hearts, our minds, our lives for the Lord's arrival. Every Advent, we are making room for the Lord.

No doubt Advent will see you preparing in all kinds of ways—buying and wrapping presents, setting up your Christmas lights, trimming the tree, decorating your home, perhaps making travel plans or making up a room for guests. In amongst all that preparation, take time to appreciate the anticipation of the Advent season, the way that the world holds its breath, the quiet moments of waiting.

Advent will be full of preparations for Christmas. Take the time to prepare your hearts as well.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Jennifer



**Celebrate this Christmas  
at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church**

*o come, all ye faithful...*

Sunday, December 17th ~ 9:45 AM

Children's Christmas Program

The Christmas story told by the children of the congregation

*away in a manger...*

Wednesday, December 20th ~ 7:00 PM

Longest Night Service

A time of prayer for all who feel grief, loneliness, or depression

*comfort now my people...*

December 24th ~ Christmas Eve Worship

9:00 AM: Advent Service

5:00 PM: Kid-friendly Christmas Eve Service

7:30 and 9:00 PM: Candlelight Christmas Eve Services

*joy to the world!*



# Christmas Shoppe is December 9th

For the underprivileged of Simi Valley who might not be able to give their children something for Christmas.

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

**To Volunteer:** Go to the Action website at [actionvc.org](http://actionvc.org) (There are so many spots to fill)

1. Click on the volunteer opportunity of your choice
2. Click Next (upper right – green check mark)
3. Log in or create a new account
  - a. Create a new account
    - i. For “church/company,” select “other organization”
    - ii. For “organization name,” type in name of church
    - iii. Click to agree to both Terms of Use and Liability Waiver
4. Confirm volunteer selection and log out
5. NOTE: If members do not want to/are unable to sign up online, please collect the following information and email to Julie Zeller at [juliezeller45@gmail.com](mailto:juliezeller45@gmail.com)
  - a. First name
  - b. Last name
  - c. Full address, including zip code
  - d. Phone number
  - e. Church affiliation

**SCRIP:** We still need \$25 grocery Gift Cards

**Coat Drive:** Donate new or gently used coats, jackets and sweatshirts. A box will be in the Narthex

**Christmas Tree Gifts:** We are in need of and still collecting Unwrapped gifts for the children. Gift cards work great for teens.

**This is the last Sunday to bring these items to church.  
They can also be brought to the church office until  
Monday, December 4th.**

Questions? Contact Ray or Sally at  
[sally.valderrama@gmail.com](mailto:sally.valderrama@gmail.com)



# Come All Ye Women

## SVLC's ANNUAL WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

**WHEN:** Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** 7:00 pm

**WHERE:** Linda Watters 1617 Ona Circle, Simi

Bring a plate of cookies to share and  
a \$10 ornament for a fun game of Left-Right.  
Questions? Call Linda at (805) 490-4815

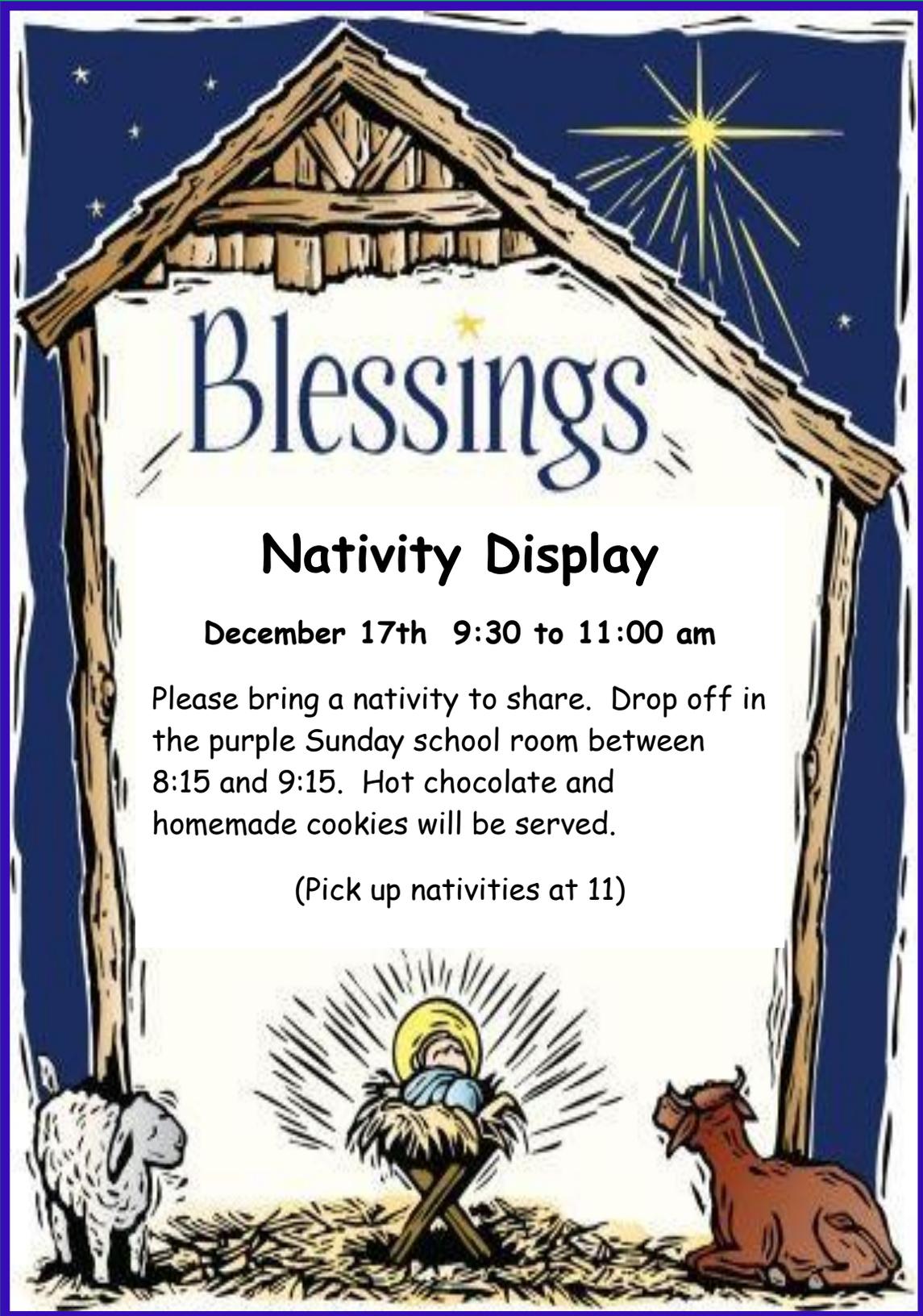
We will be collecting the usual items for Interface, (listed  
below) and/or a **SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT OFFERING:**  
The Interface **special gift** is a nonessential item you might give  
someone just to brighten their day. A scarf, fancy lotion, a shawl



### Interface Care Kit Items

Shampoo & Conditioner (full size )  
Disposable razors - Body/hand lotion  
Pocket size tissues  
Hair Brush and Comb - Body soap  
Deodorant – Tampons  
Tooth paste & tooth paste







## *SEEKING JESUS*

If you are seeking happiness  
Your quest will never end,  
Until you take the hand of Jesus  
And love Him as a friend.

His hand will hold you steady  
And never let you stray,  
And through the dismal storms of life  
His love will light the way.

Jesus is the guiding light above us,  
Awesome for all to see,  
Reflecting His promise and glory  
When we seek Him implicitly.

If you look for Jesus at Christmas,  
You won't need a special star  
He's no longer just in Bethlehem,  
He's right there where you are.

You may not be aware of Him  
amid the celebrations  
You'll have to look beyond the stores  
And all the decorations.

But if you take a moment  
From your list of things to do  
And listen to your heart,  
You'll find He's waiting there for you.

To find your Lord and Savior  
Just bow your head in prayer  
And if you truly seek Him,  
You'll find Him there and everywhere.

You're the one He wants to be with,  
You're the reason that He came  
You'll find Him in the stillness  
Softly whispering your name.

As Christmas approaches, it's easy for us to forget the real meaning of the season. We're so busy shopping for presents, preparing the house for guests or making travel plans that we sometimes forget that this is a blessed holiday for millions of Christians around the world. So as we prepare to celebrate Christmas with our family and friends, we would like to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and leave you with the Christmas story that can be found in the first 20 verses of the second chapter of Luke. In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.



# Stewardship Service



# Middle School Youth Gathering



Emma Sterling: Two things I liked about the gathering were that we got the opportunity to meet and bond with kids from other churches, and we got to learn about religion in a way we can better relate to.





Simon Addy: I had a great time at the middle school youth gathering. It was so much fun to make new friends and to also see old friends. Would definitely recommend and return for next year.

I had a blast at the middle school youth gathering hanging out with our youth. During the sessions I was able to see the wild side of our youth as we were jumping around with the worship songs praising God! Of course the highlight of the weekend would have to be traveling around Disneyland and experiencing the joy on the students faces!

Jared Honda - Chaperone

Luke Poley: The car ride took 3 hours. We went to Subway and Del Taco on the way back. I had gummy worms at the hotel.

I had a wonderful experience at the middle school youth gathering. We have outstanding youth in our congregation. They represented themselves and our church well. I enjoyed seeing them interact with each other with respect and kindness. I enjoyed watching them worship the Lord with excitement.

Julie Honda-Chaperone

Christina Stuck:  
1) The great amount of energy and the enthusiasm.  
2) Disneyland



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# Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

## Social Ministry Projects

Join one or more of these wonderful outreach programs and give back to your community. Fill out the form on our website [svlcsimi.com](http://svlcsimi.com) and indicate your interest in helping and someone will be in contact with you. Together we can make a difference.

For more information you can also email one of our committee members:



**Still Waters Cafe** – Nancy Mason  
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**Christmas Shoppe** – Sally Valderrama  
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**Relay for Life/Serve Days** – Julie Honda  
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**Samaritan Center** – Yvonne Baird  
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# LIBRARY NEWS



Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. LUKE 2:4-5



**Have a Blessed Advent!**



We are in the Advent season, getting ready for Christmas by decorating our homes and buying special presents for our loved ones. But have we forgotten to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Messiah? He is our special gift from God.

This month the book cart will have many wonderful Christmas books to help us prepare for the coming of Jesus. The children will also have Christmas stories to explore, some new and some familiar.

We have a new addition to the book cart – puzzles! Take one home to enjoy. Bring it back when you are done or bring in a different puzzle to exchange.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas.

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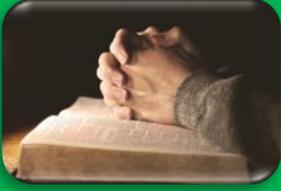
## Joke Of The Month

Q: What time of day did God create Adam?

A: Right before Eve.



# FAITH IN ACTION



*Dear friends and family, if there are friends and loved ones whom you would like to have prayers for, or military persons on active duty, please contact the church office at 526-7577 and we will list them in our bulletin and newsletter.*

E-mail [svlcprayer@svlcsimi.com](mailto:svlcprayer@svlcsimi.com) with any updates you may have on persons listed for prayers. Thank you

## Undergoing cancer therapy

Gary Savas, Mike Denmark (*Cathie Badillo's brother-in-law*), Brian Apuzzo, Barbara Corrigan

## Please keep in your prayers

Please keep Nancy Mason's mother Ardith Wallen and Kelli Stephens' daughter Taylor.

## Undergoing surgery, various tests, treatments, recuperating and continued comfort

## Military Recognition and Prayers:

We would like to honor our military by recognizing family members from our church currently serving.



Please keep Andrew Thompson in your prayers he is serving in the military and Marilyn Shapiro's nephew, Tyler Munguia, who left for Basic Training. He is enlisted for 4 years and hopes to become an Army Ranger. If you have a family member now serving in the military, please call Sally Valderrama @ 805-527-4061 or Email [Sally.Valderrama@gmail.com](mailto:Sally.Valderrama@gmail.com) for further details.

*The congregation of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church thanks you for your service*

## Luther's Attic

Sport Equip.etc.



PLEASE...HELP SUPPORT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN SCHOOL At...  
Luther's Attic...a thrift store which is located in the city of Moorpark  
189 E High Street

Monday – Saturday 10AM – 4PM  
(805) 523-7188

[Visit our website here](#)





Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church serves a meal to the less fortunate at the *Samaritan Center* (located at 280 Royal Ave)  
**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month from 4:45 – 6:00.**

**We need volunteers to serve food at the Samaritan Center, AND...buy and deliver food or donate money**

If you would like to help, please contact Yvonne Baird at 584-2521. Thank you for your prayers



## Interface

The women of Shepherd of the Valley support this organization so it can support women in Ventura County that have suffered from family violence. Interface's Family Violence Intervention Services department provides comprehensive family violence programming that aims to prevent, interrupt and end the cycle of violence within family systems.

Donations of regular sized items listed below may be placed in the box in the narthex or brought to Circle meetings. A good place to purchase these items is the 99 cent store or the Dollar Tree. When I have enough to complete the bags containing these items I will take them to Interface.

A big thank you for your kindness and generosity.

### Items always needed:

Brush, Comb, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Disposable razors, Tampons. Pocket size Kleenex, Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner, Lotion and Deodorant.

### SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT OFFERING:

The Interface special gift is a nonessential item you might give someone just to brighten their day. A scarf, fancy lotion, a shawl ...

Thank God for our many Blessings,

Carol Ramsey



# Still Waters Cafe



Invites you to share a free community meal every **Thursday** at **5:00 p.m.**

The café is located at 4191 Cochran Street.

For more information please call 805-526-7577

“A dining service to those who are suffering economic hardship, homelessness or who are lonely and wish to have a dining companion”

Amenities at the café:

- **Mealtime is served beginning at 5:00p.m.–6:30pm every Thursday.**
- **Fresh home cooked meal served in a family atmosphere with home style table settings.**
- **To-go snack bags are offered.**
- **Highchairs and booster seats are available for the younger family members.**
- **There are wheelchair accessible entrances and bathrooms available.**
- **Prayer requests can be satisfied.**

Still Waters exists because of our wonderful volunteers and contributions from the congregation, but we are in desperate need of the following in order to keep this program going:

Someone to go to Food Share twice a month on Wednesday morning. Our assigned time to shop is 8 to 9 am. Time commitment 2 hours per Wednesday.

Someone to sub when our regular volunteers go on vacation or are unavailable. Commitment 2 hours.

Please consider giving a few hours of your time to help this outreach. It is so important.

## Christmas Shoppe

### YOU DID IT.



We were able to fill 250 bags of groceries for a Christmas dinner as well as a \$25 gift card to buy meat of their choice. We could not have done it without the generosity of our fantastic congregation. You have blessed many families this season so thank you, thank you, thank you, Ray and Sally Valderrama

### For Still Waters

Still Waters is in need of warm jackets, new white socks and blankets (single or double bed size only) for the winter months. Please place items in the box in the Narthex or contact Sally and Ray Valderrama at 732-3758.

# SCRIP



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas is just around the corner and we don't want to forget that the true meaning of Christmas and the Christmas season is the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. But we also know and acknowledge that families and friends still enjoy the gathering together to exchange gifts and good tidings and we want to be an integral part of that.

Are you a current scrip participant or someone new at experiencing the SVLC scrip program? Either way, we are here to help make your Christmas shopping easier, faster and more convenient. Along with your everyday purchases, we have a large array of gift cards that would make the perfect Christmas gift for almost anyone on your list. Are you looking for department stores? We have cards for Macy's, Sears, Nordstrom, Marshalls, Home Goods, Kohl's, JC Penney, Target and Walmart, just to name a few. If you are shopping for a youngster or teenager, we have cards for Toys "R" Us, GameStop, iTunes, Best Buy, Radio Shack and more. If the one you are buying for is a sports enthusiast, we have gift cards for Big 5 Sporting Goods, Bass Pro Shops, REI (Recreational Equipment Inc.) and Footlocker. Perhaps you want to give a gift for dining out, you might want to consider Black Angus, Outback Steak House, Buca di Beppo, Cheesecake Factory, Chili's, Macaroni Grill, Claim Jumper, Red Lobster, Islands, Red Robin, or any of the other fine restaurants that we have available. We also have a number of specialty stores and shops for you to choose from, with over one hundred vendors participating in our scrip program. Are you going to be driving local or long distance to celebrate Christmas with family or friends, we offer gasoline scrip for Arco and Shell. Something new for those of you who like to fly to your various destinations, we now offer scrip for Delta and American Airlines. We have a new, updated list of all our participating vendors available upon request, just stop by the scrip table and ask us for one. And remember that a percentage of every gift card you purchase is returned to our church. What better way to get that special gift, for that special someone, and at the same time help support SVLC? It's a win/win situation for you and our church! We know that the holiday season can be a hectic and stressful time and we want to help make your shopping experience as easy as possible. We are here to serve you! Come visit us on the patio each and every Sunday between the 8:30 and 9:45 services and the 9:45 and 11:00 services. If the weather is windy or rainy, you can find us in the library.

Have a blessed and joyous Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year in 2018.

*In His Service,  
Marvin and Jenny Kidd, SVLC Scrip Committee*

# VOLUNTEERS...

## A priceless treasure



Julie Ostberg

Volunteers are worth their weight in gold. They share their time and talents without any compensation.

Our honored volunteer this month is Julie Ostberg. Julie has worked with our Youth Director Marc organizing and planning Sunday School for quite a few years, including evaluating the curriculum to be used, rounding up and scheduling teachers, teaching on a regular basis and leading the music portion at the beginning of each Sunday whenever needed. She only recently passed the torch on to others for the annual kids Christmas Program. She found material (dialogue and music/songs) to fit the kids participating, organized practices and dug out costumes to add to the festivities. She has spearheaded cleaning days for the youth rooms (and even brought her own vacuum on occasion!), worked on freshening up the décor (paint and new couches) and organized the craft supply room. Julie has also co-lead the craft portion of Vacation Bible School, working with Jenny Kidd to determine projects that accentuate the theme, shopping for supplies and then teaching the crafts, modifying it as needed for the age level. She was also a part of the Call Committee that hired our new Pastor! Julie has/was instrumental in cleaning up the Sunday school rooms and Sunday school supply closet. She and her kids have helped at Relay the past few years early on Sunday morning cleaning up and collecting canned food. Julie always has a smile on her face.

Thank you Julie for your time and commitment to our congregation. Your willingness to use your gifts and abilities has strengthened the mission of this church. You have also been an example of servant-leadership, giving and love. For all your time, effort, hard work and prayers, please accept the thanks and appreciation of Shepherd of the Valley, its leaders and staff. You both have truly been a blessing to this congregation.



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# Youth Calendar

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

- Sunday school each Sunday at the 9:45am service. All ages meet in the Purple Room across the patio.
- \*\*Coming Soon! Intergenerational Bible Study! Keep an eye out for more info!\*\*

## MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Confirmation continues to meet each Wednesday at 7:00pm.

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade - Shari Swanson – ([cygnet418@aol.com](mailto:cygnet418@aol.com)) Conf. Rm. 206

8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Pastor Jennie – ([Jenniferchrien@gmail.com](mailto:Jenniferchrien@gmail.com)) Youth Room

- Middle School Chat meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 9:45am.

## HIGH SCHOOL:

- Youth Group meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 8pm in the Youth Room.

## COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULTS:

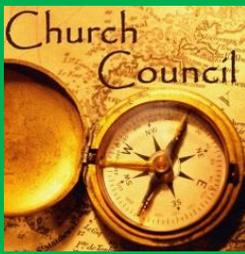
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 8:00pm - Bible study at the Lembke's house. 4268 Nome Circle, Simi Valley. Amanda (805) 279-2676
- **Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Toppers Pizza.**
- In January, we will resume meetings at our house on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month at 8pm.



# December 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9:00am- Office Open 8:00pm – P.A.D.S. (SAC/Rm.205)	2 8:00am-AI-anon 10:00am-AA Library
3 8:30am-Traditional 9:45am-Rejoice 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Traditional 7:00pm-AI-anon	4 6:00pm-Stretch/Tone 7:00pm-AI-anon 7:30pm-AI-ateen	5 9:00am Office Open 10:00am-SVLC/Attic 6:00pm-Stretch /Tone 6:00pm –AA (Library)	6 9:00am - Office Open 5:00pm –Community Dinner (Samaritan Center) 7:30pm – Confirmation (Youth Room)	7 9:00am Office Open 10:00am-SVLC/Attic 5:00pm-Still Waters Café Open 6:00pm-Stretch /Tone 6:30pm-SPARK 7:00pm – AI Anon	8 9:00am- Office Open 8:00pm – P.A.D.S. (SAC/Rm.205)	9 8:00am-AI-anon 10:00am-AA Library
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17 8:30am-Traditional  <b>9:30am-Nativity Display-Purple Rm.</b>  9:45am-Rejoice <b>Christmas Program</b>  11:00am-Traditional  7:00pm-AI-anon	18 9:00am-Office Open 6:00pm-Stretch/Tone 7:00pm-AI-anon 7:30pm-AI-ateen	19 9:00am - Office Open 6:00pm - Stretch/ Tone 6:00pm –AA (Library) 7:00pm –Happy Squares (Rm. 101) 7:00pm – SVLC Council Meeting	20 9:00am - Office Open 6:00pm-College/ Young Adults <b>TOPPERS PIZZA</b>  <b>7:00pm – “Longest Night” Service</b>	21 9:00am Office Open 10:00am-SVLC/Attic 11:30am- <b>Y.I.M.A.H</b> 5:00pm-Still Waters Café Open 6:00pm-Stretch /Tone 6:30pm-SPARK 7:00pm – AI Anon	22 8:00pm – P.A.D.S. (SAC/Rm.205)	23 8:00am-AI-anon 10:00am-AA Library
24 <b>9:00am -1 Service</b>  <b>5:00pm – Christmas Eve Service-Kid friendly</b>  <b>7:30pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service</b>  <b>9:00pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service</b>	25 <b>OFFICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS</b>  	26 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  10:00am- SVLC/ Attic 6:00-Stretch/ Tone 6:00pm –AA (Library) 7:00pm-Youth Board Meeting	27 9:00am - Office Open	28 9:00am Office Open 10:00am-SVLC/Attic 5:00pm-Still Waters Café Open 6:00pm-Stretch /Tone 6:30pm-SPARK 7:00pm – AI Anon 8:00pm-H.S. Youth Grp	29 8:00pm – P.A.D.S. (SAC/Rm.205)	30 8:00am-AI-anon 10:00am-AA Library
31 <b>9:00am – 1 Service</b>						



**Church Council Members:**

Barry Watters – President  
Julie Honda – Vice President  
Pastor Jennifer  
Lynn Squire – Secretary  
Shelley McLain – Treasurer  
Barbara Bruner  
Lori Lioy  
Tom McLain  
Nancy Mason  
Sue Holloway  
Pat Plyler

**Youth Board Members:**

Pastor Jennifer  
Vacant – Youth Director  
Susan Caranchini  
Tom & Shelley McLain  
Jennifer Sterling  
Amanda Burns

**Women's Board:**

Sue Holloway - President  
Barbara Swanson - Treasurer  
Linda Watters  
Jennifer Sterling  
Carol Ramsey  
Dianne Marshall  
Lisa Gearhart  
Melanie Addy  
Lynn Bonelli  
Kelli Stevens

**Elementary:**

Sunday – Sunday School @ 9:45 (No Sunday School during summer schedule.)  
Thursday – Spark (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) 6:30-7:45 (Aug. – May)

**Middle School:**

Wednesdays – Confirmation - 7:00-8:15pm  
6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade - Shari Swanson – ([cvynet418@aol.com](mailto:cvynet418@aol.com))  
Conf. Rm. 206  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Pastor Jennie – ([Jenniferchrien@gmail.com](mailto:Jenniferchrien@gmail.com))  
Youth Room

Middle School Chat – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday @9:45am (Aug-May)

**High School:**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Youth Group 8:00-9:30pm

**College/Young Adult Group:**

Meets monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 8:00pm. At the home of Neal and Amanda Lembke, 4268 Nome Circle, Simi Valley.  
Questions? Contact Amanda @ (805) 279-2676

**Women's Bible Study**

For information on the Women's groups, please contact Carol Ramsey @ 805-583-5532 or [carolandken@roadrunner.com](mailto:carolandken@roadrunner.com)

**The Hannah Circle**

Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm – Linda Watter's house.

Pastor  
Jennifer Chrien  
[Jenniferchrien@gmail.com](mailto:Jenniferchrien@gmail.com)

Interim Youth  
Pastor Jennifer - Confirmation  
Amanda Burns – Youth Gatherings  
Claudia Gordon – Nursery  
Julie Ostberg – Sunday School  
Bryan Honda – Middle School & Acolyte  
Austin Thompson - SPARK  
Shelley McLain – High School  
Neal & Amanda Lembke – College Group

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