



John 13

FEBRUARY 2018

# SERVANT LINES

*Christ the Servant Lutheran Church*

## LENT 2018: "THY WILL BE DONE"

"Not as I will, but as you will," Jesus prayed to His Father the night before He went to the cross for our salvation. And that is our prayer as well this Lent as we seek to do God's will in our lives, as we draw near to the observance of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection during Holy Week. Each service in this series focuses on a different aspect of God's will at work among us. Biblical characters will be used as insightful reference points each week to guide us in following our LORD more nearly day by day.

### ASH WEDNESDAY: ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

*God's Will and God's Promise*

By faith, Abraham trusted the will of God when He promised that a son would be born to him. God's will was done when that son, Isaac, was born, and God's will was done when His Son, Jesus, came into the world to redeem His people.

### WEEK 1: MOSES

*God's Will and My Inadequacy*

At first, Moses did not think he could free the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. BUT GOD gave him confidence to set His people free. In Lent, we remember that God sent His Son to do His will and set all people free from the slavery of sin.

### WEEK 2: DAVID

*God's Will and My Dreams*

Anointed by God to rule in Israel, King David followed God's will to shepherd His people, but often failed to live up to God's dream for him. We welcome the Good Shepherd into our lives who fulfills God's dream perfectly to gather His wandering sheep into the sheepfold of heaven.

### WEEK 3: MARY

*God's Will and My Identity*

In humility, Mary dutifully accepted the role God had given her to become the mother of our Savior. That Son would later accept His role, faithfully following the path His Father had in mind for Him to save us all.

### Week 4: PAUL

*God's Will and My Worldview*

On the road to Damascus, Paul had his worldview turned upside down when God called him to preach the name of the Christ he had been persecuting. We follow God's will by putting the crucified Christ at the center of our worldview!

### Week 5: LYDIA

*God's Will and My Response*

Lydia followed the will of God by responding in faith and hospitality when the Gospel message of Christ's sacrifice was preached to her. We follow the will of God by responding in love and service to one another in return for what Christ has done for us.

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## From the Pastor's Heart

This sure has been an "odd" winter season thus far, hasn't it? **The drastic changes in temperature from week to week (in some cases, day to day) has been somewhat difficult to deal with.** If you are tempted to complain (as most of us are, if we're truly honest), just consider those poor folks up North or in the Midwest, some places who have been absolutely hammered with massive amounts of snow and bone-chilling cold! Sometimes, **it's all about perspective!**

**For those of you who have taken "The Pastor's Challenge" to read your Bible every day in 2018, how are you doing so far?** If you need some encouragement on how you can continue to reach your goal OR if you want to start NOW, please see me, I have a bunch of ideas that just might help you!

As many of you know, I love books and I love to read! **One book that I have been reading on a daily basis** (that was highly recommended by a Pastor-friend of mine) is called: *A Gospel Primer for Christians: Learning to See the Glories of God's Love* by Milton Vincent. For me, this daily reminder of THE GOSPEL MESSAGE is keeping me focused on what is truly important. **Preaching the Gospel to one's self on a daily basis is the single most important thing that we can do in order to "keep the main thing, the main thing".** Our church exists to proclaim this Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ! ***"Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried, and He was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said."***(1 Corinthians 15:3b-4, NLT)

**On the family front, Elaine has been crazily busy this past month** (new semester, new enrollments, etc.) and has worked some crazy hours. **Fatigue continues to be her constant companion**, but thus far she has managed to get enough rest and proper nutrition to escape the flu or any other major illness....(prayers spoken, fingers and toes crossed and all that other good stuff) **Clorox Wipes are a beautiful thing!**

Likewise, Charles and I have (thus far) been relatively healthy, escaping the flu or any other major illness as well. **Charles achieved perfect attendance** yet again in the **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter** and received a **very good Report Card. He is growing at such a rapid rate that we are having a hard time keeping him in clothes and shoes.** He will turn 7 on June 8<sup>th</sup> and he is already wearing a size 10 pant, 14-16 shirt and size 3 sneakers! He continues to enjoy reading (doing very well) and the first homework assignment he completes is Math (completing all weekly assignments in one sitting in about 10-15 minutes, go figure!) He still struggles with paying attention in school, particularly in focusing. Please continue to pray for him and us!

We want to take this opportunity to **THANK YOU ALL for your love, support and ongoing encouragement of our ministry at our church. We feel extremely blessed and fortunate to be able to serve as your Pastor.** May this upcoming month and year provide us with many opportunities for fellowship and enjoying each others' company and getting to know each other better. **WE LOVE YOU ALL!**



**A NOTE OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE FOR THOSE  
EXITING THE CHURCH PARKING LOT AT ANYTIME, BUT MOST  
IMPORTANTLY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN THE  
HOURS OF 9:30 A.M. AND 12:30 P.M.**

Sunday mornings are very busy times to exit the church parking lot and extreme care must be taken when MAKING A LEFT TURN ONTO HWY 501. If you must, please be aware that there are THREE (3) LANES OF TRAFFIC YOU MUST CROSS OVER BEFORE THE MEDIAN TO TURN LEFT. There have been several cases where this was not done and accidents have happened. The third lane is very difficult to see, so please be very aware. This will be a problem until Hwy 501 is widened. When a right hand turn is made there is still caution to be taken. There will be a sign placed on our driveway to also be a reminder. Thank you and if there are any questions please contact George Lotterer, Ron Dusterhoft or John Garbett.



**Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00 p.m. – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** sponsored by the Youth of the church. Pancakes, sausages, orange juice. Cost is \$ 5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 10 years and under.

**LENT BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 WITH HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE AND BESTOWAL OF ASHES AT 7:00 P.M.** On the following Wednesdays in February we will have Soup & Sandwich Supper at 5:45 with devotions at 6:30. Choir practice as usual at 7:00 p.m.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY TEAM** will meet on Wednesday, February 7, at 10:30 a.m. An open invitation is extended to all.

**CALLING ALL KIDS:** Kids Club will meet on Fridays, February 9 and 23 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall! Please join in the fun while learning the Bible. For more information contact Geoffry Deans at 843/333 6525.

**STITCHIN' SISTERS** meets on Thursday, February 15 at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

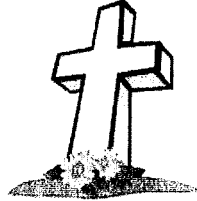
**PASTOR'S BIBLE CLASS** meets on Wednesday, February 21 at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

**SUPPER CLUB** will meet on February 24 at 5:00 p.m. at T-Bonz, Seaboard Street near Broadway at the Beach, Myrtle Beach. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer. For more information contact Teresa Anderson at 843/234 3214.

## OUR ATTENDANCE IN JANUARY 2018

DATE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	8:30 WORSHIP	11:00 WORSHIP	TOTAL WORSHIP
Jan. 7	5	74	85	159
Jan. 14	N/A	87	111	198
Jan. 21	13	119	105	224
Jan. 28	9	80	105	185

**2017 YEARLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** are available in the narthex. Please pick up yours so we can save the cost of mailing. Questions?? Contact Financial Secretary Dianne Siew at 843/347 9404 or [dsiew@sc.rr.com](mailto:dsiew@sc.rr.com).



**WE OFFER OUR DEEPEST CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** to the family of Lois Collins who passed into the Church Triumphant on January 19, 2018. Pastor Rick conducted a private graveside service for the family on Monday, January 22, 2018. Please keep this family in your prayers.

We have received donations in memory of Connie Chandler from Jeanne Shaffer and Kay Faircloth.

We have donations in memory of Victor Hitchcock from Jeanne Shaffer, Kay Faircloth and Joyce Metts.



**CAP (Churches Assisting People)** of Conway is in desperate need of food to fill their shelves. Can you help? Needed items: pork 'n' beans, instant oatmeal packets, instant grits packets, 1 lbs. bags of rice, cereal. Monetary gifts are also needed and can be put in the large CAP jar in the narthex.

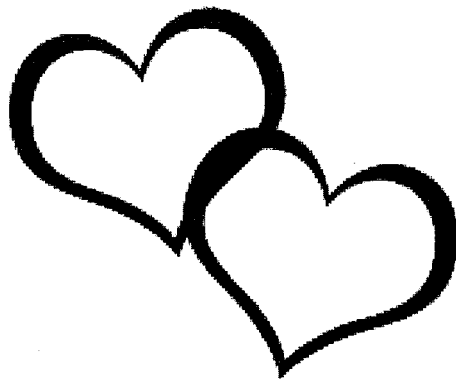
Those who are served by CAP sometimes walk to and from their homes. If you have any cloth bags that you do not need, these bags can be used by CAP. Leave the bags in the CAP box in the narthex. Thank You.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY TEAM** will be collecting items for the Blue Star Mothers "Hero Boxes" from February 4 through March 4. A list of suggested items is located on the table in the narthex. A new item has been added to the wish list – over the calf crew sox (white or black). The Hero Boxes will be shipped for Easter. Thank you for your support.

Volunteers are always welcome to help pack the boxes on Saturday, March 17, at the Moose Lodge on Burcale Road at 10:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS (2) NEEDED** for the children's class. Please prayerfully consider serving as a Sunday School teacher for these younger children. If interested or have questions please see or call Jeanne Shaffer at 843/347 7875.

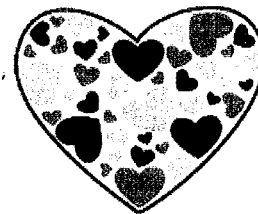
**We are in the process of preparing our 2018 Directory.** If you have moved or changed your telephone or email address within the past year, please notify the office.



**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**


3 Christopher Skinner  
5 Sommer Tarabek  
8 George Lotterer  
9 Jerry Herbert  
11 Emily Saenz  
12 Sara Goff  
13 Matthew Snell  
15 Ed Walters  
Donna Currie  
17 Karen Wiles  
Kayee Weil  
18 Kim Tarabek

19 Gary Rose  
20 "Lee" Pascoello  
21 Emily Currie  
Cole Currie  
22 Maryjane Vielhauer



**ANNIVERSARIES**

9 Pastor Rick & Elaine Weidman

  
Blessed are they who seek the LORD  
with all their heart

**FEBRUARY 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 2:00 Outreach MT 6:00 Bible Study	2	3
4 <b>SOUP-ER BOWL</b> 8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Holy Communion	5 1:00 Care & Prayer	6 7:00 Handbells	7 10:30 Social MT Noon AA 5:00 PA Friends 7:00 Choir	8 6:00 Bible Study	9 6:30 Kids Club	10 6:00 Valentine's Dance
11 8:30 Worship Service 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Congregation Council	12	13 12:30 Pairs & Spares 6:00 Pancake Supper 7:00 Handbells	14 <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Noon AA 7:00 Holy Communion Service & Bestowal of Ashes	15 10:00 Stitchin' Sisters 6:00 Bible Study	16	17
18 <b>Anniversary Sunday</b> 8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Fellowship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Holy Communion Noon Anniversary Luncheon	19 5:30 Waterford Plantation HOA	20 7:00 Handbells	21 10:30 Pastor's Class Noon AA 5:45 Soup & Sandwich 6:30 Devotions 7:00 Choir	22 6:00 Bible Study	23 6:30 Kids Club	24 8:30 Men's Breakfast 5:00 Supper Club @ T-Bonz/Broadway at the Beach
25 8:30 Worship Service 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service	26 11:30 League of Women Voters	27 7:00 Handbells	28 Noon AA 5:45 Soup & Sandwich 6:30 Devotions 7:00 Choir	<b>ON THE FIRST SUNDAY</b> of each month you are invited to bring non-perishable food and monetary offerings for CAP. Please place food in the CAP box and monetary offerings in the jar. Thank you!		

**LAY ASSISTANTS**

**8:30** Geoff Wilson  
**11:00** George Lotterer

**ACOLYTES**

John Johnson III  
Christian Pardue

**USHERS 8:30**

Ricky Reagan  
Joyce Reagan

**USHERS 11:00**

Mike Sicurella  
John Glover

**GREETERS 8:30**

Ken Larson  
Mary Larson

**GREETERS 11:00**

Joyce Metts

**ALTAR GUILD**

Shirley Dresch  
Joyce Metts

**FLOWERS**

Feb. 4 Open  
Feb. 11 R. & E. Weidman  
Feb. 18 A. Kongvold  
Feb. 25 Open

If you are unable to fulfill your assignment please arrange for a replacement.