



# Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation  
A Member of the Virgin River Presbyterian Fellowship  
Serving Southern Utah since 1988



Partner Congregation to the Evangelical Baptist Church of Dorogobuzh, Russia

611 N 2450 E / PO Box 1499, St. George, UT 84771

Website: [gspcsg.org](http://gspcsg.org)

435-628-9158

Email: [office@gspcsg.org](mailto:office@gspcsg.org)

## February 2022

Volume 17, Issue 2

### In This Issue

- 1 Robbie Burns Returns to Good Shepherd!; Deacon Parish Realignment Complete; Souper Bowl of Caring February 13<sup>th</sup>
- 2 Prayer Concerns; Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures; Welcome New Members; Newsletter Deadline; Worship Schedule; Volunteers; Treasurer's Report
- 3 Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought
- 4 Prayer Corner; Strand of Pearls Prayer Chain; Healing Prayer Offered Weekly
- 5 Buildings; Christian Education; Congregational Growth & Care
- 6 Deacons; Fellowship; Mission/Outreach
- 7 Session News; Stewardship; Worship & Music
- 8 February Lectionary; March Lectionary; A Little Church Humor
- 9 February Calendar
- 10 2022 Deacon Parishes; Congregation News
- 11 Regularly Scheduled Activities; Building Fund Update; Church Contact Information/Leadership

## Robbie Burns Returns to Good Shepherd!

Robert Burns, born on January 25, 1759, is the Poet Laureate of Scotland. His birthday is a national holiday and celebrated in Scotland. After a hiatus of several years, remembering our Presbyterian connection to the Church of Scotland and celebrating our Scottish Church roots we, as well, will be celebrating "Robbie Burns Birth" on the evening of February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Conklin Hall.

A Scottish cookbook is available on the sign-up table in Conklin Hall for perusing and photographing Scottish recipes to attempt for this celebration. Of course, American pot-luck cuisine will be welcome as well. Following our dinner, we will have a short program saluting the Haggis and will then adjourn to the Sanctuary where the Black Watch from Cedar City will entertain us with the pipes, fiddles and traditional dance.

Feicfidh me ann thu! (See you there! In Gaelic)

## Deacon Parish Realignment Complete

Over the last few years as people have moved into, out of and around the area our Deacon parishes had become severely unbalanced in numbers meaning that some Deacons had only a few in their parish and some others had numbers that were simply unmanageable.

Over the last six weeks using maps and intuition Vicky Westland and Chris Schleter have completed a sort of GSPC redistricting. They moved some people around, eliminated a couple of parishes and created a new parish. To see where you ended up, take a look at the new parish list on page 10.

## Souper Bowl of Caring February 13<sup>th</sup>

The Souper Bowl of Caring takes place on the second Sunday in February. Wait! Isn't that the same Sunday as the Super Bowl? Yes, we are encouraged to take our level of passion for football and match it with our passion for giving to those in St George who are hungry. Bring your canned food donations along with you to church! Bring your money donations and place them in the donation box in the Narthex. Each donation is equal to a touchdown for those who are in need right here in our hometown.

The Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990 when a teenager participating in a Presbyterian Youth Group in North Carolina prayed – "While we watch the football game, let us be aware of those in need who don't even have a bowl of soup". Now the Souper Bowl of Caring is an ongoing organization in which hundreds of churches participate – donating to their local charities for those who are hungry.

The cash collected will go to Switchpoint for the Soup Kitchen and the food will be divided between Switchpoint and Solomon's Porch. Let's stop by our favorite grocery stores, buy many cans of food, bring them to church on Sunday to fill the Narthex and score touchdowns for those who are hungry!

## Church Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Ralph Clingan**  
Pastor

**Ruth Ann Horvath**  
Clerk of Session

**Candy Hurlbut**  
Church Secretary

**Barbara McConnell**  
Music Director

**Stephen Talley**  
Organist

**Rev. Dolores Wiens**  
Strand of Pearls Prayer Chain

**Chris Schleter**  
Website / Newsletter Editor

### Prayer Concerns

*"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it"* John 14:13-14

Ed & Cheryl Mansfield      Margaret Ramquist  
 Jan Hirschi and her son      Josie Marsh  
 Kenny Butkovich      Carolyn Barnett  
 Shirley & Don Wilson  
 Janice Klein and her daughter  
 Mary Contreras's sister & family who lost their home in the Colorado fire  
 All those sick with COVID-19, flu & bad winter colds  
 Caregivers in our area, state and nation  
 Our partner congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia  
 Those Serving Our Country

### Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Minister of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. Rev. Ralph encourages our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for January were:

Rev. Ralph	Psalm 126	Return
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Psalm 5:11-12	Sing for Joy
Elder Leslie Lintz	Psalm 37:4	Delight in the Lord
Elder Alan Paige	Proverbs 3:5-6	Trust in the Lord
Elder Chris Schleiter	Titus 2:11-12	Salvation to all
Elder Bill Somplatsky-Jarman	1 Samuel 2:2	No one like our God
Elder Eric Westland	1 Chronicles 16:34	Steadfast love
Elder Barbara McConnell	Romans 15:3-5	Hope and encouragement
Elder Alicia Kitzman	Psalm 146	Praise the Lord

### Welcome New Members

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

### March Newsletter Deadline

February 19, 2022

### Worship Schedule

**8:45 – 9:00 am**  
**Morning Prayer and Communion**  
 Sanctuary  
**9:00 – 9:45 am**  
**Adult Education**  
 CE Building  
**10:30 am (Beginning January 9)**  
**Children's Sunday School**  
 CE Building  
**10:30 am**  
**Worship**  
 Sanctuary  
**11:45 am**  
**Fellowship Time**  
 Conklin Hall

### Thanks to our Volunteers

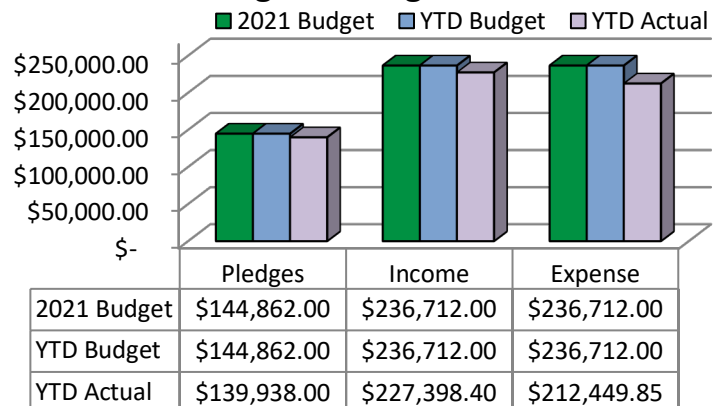
	Flowers	Nursery
<b>February</b>		
February 6	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
February 13	Alan & Sandy Paige	<i>Available</i>
February 20	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
February 27	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
<b>March</b>		
March 6	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
March 13	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
March 20	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
March 27	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>

Signup for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our website [gspscg.org](http://gspscg.org)

### Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of December 31	
Month of December	
Receipts	\$ 23,966.57
Expenditures	\$ 25,647.31
2021 YTD Budget vs Actual	
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$ 236,712.00
Actual Receipts	<b>\$227,398.40</b>
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 236,712.00
Actual Expenditures	<b>\$212,449.85</b>
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 39,408.77
Building Fund	\$ 58,402.72
Memorial Fund	\$ 4,334.50
Reserve Fund	\$ 45,670.09
Russia Mission Fund	\$ 8,073.05
Bequests	\$ 71,923.23

### 2021 Budget Through December 31



## Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

*When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, We were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter And our tongue with joyful shouting; Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us; We are joyful.*

*Restore our fortunes, LORD, As the streams in the South. Those who sow in tears shall harvest with joyful shouting. One who goes here and there weeping, carrying his bag of seed, Shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.*

*Psalm 126 (NASB)*



This past year has been, for us, a year of return. A return to our in-person worship services, studies and mission. And while, at this writing, COVID continues to present to us challenges, we continue to return.

Our Chancel and Bell choirs have returned to fill our sanctuary with joyous song of worship and celebration. Our Bible studies have returned, and our Kerygma studies have enjoyed large participation. As one of our attendees expressed in this past year regarding this class, "I never knew Bible study could be so much fun!" Many thanks to my teaching partner Rev. Dolores Wiens.

We continue to strongly support our local mission causes and our relationship with our sister church in Russia remains strong and growing. After a two-year hiatus Elder Chris Schleiter and I will be returning to visit and assist with Bible camp at the beginning of August. And, our Presbytery's Executive Presbyter, Rev. Mirjam Haass-Mechoir, has asked to join us on the trip. We greatly welcome her company.

We have returned to our active participation and support of the Saint George Area Interfaith Council, being the largest contributor to the annual CROP Walk.

Our Stephen Ministry, along with our partner churches, New Promise Lutheran Church, Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church and St. George Roman Catholic Church, have been training future Stephen Ministers with three from our congregation attending this training.

Several organizations that used our facility before the pandemic have returned and we have added some new ones.

The returning continues even in the face of some challenges. We know whose guiding hand continues to shepherd us throughout these days and times. Our Lord and Savior continues to call us into a new and bright future that we have only begun to enter. The returning continues.

In the meantime, I want to express my great appreciation for our Session, Deacons, Parish Health Ministry, Stephen Ministers and staff for their care, leadership, and counsel through these interesting and challenging days.

But most important, I want to express my great appreciation to our congregation who have remained positive, supportive, generous, faithful and hopeful with a loving Christian spirit throughout these days.

The Lord is near, and he has led us through these days. And I continue to give thanks to Him for you all.

*In Christ,  
Rev. Ralph*

### **\*\* Home Communion \*\***

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (435-628-9158).

### **\*\* Pastor's Note Regarding Hospital Visitation \*\***

With the federal laws that govern the privacy of medical records, hospitals no longer can give out any information regarding patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

If you or a family member is hospitalized, please alert the Pastor, your Deacon or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence in the hospital and will be unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

## Prayer Corner

**"And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive." Matthew 21:22**



### **I Believe in Angels**

I believe God knows every hurt in our hearts and wants to ease our pain. Sometimes, He does so in unexpected ways. I lost my dad when I was 27. In 1994. It wasn't sudden, we knew it was coming - my dad had terminal lung cancer and the doctor who diagnosed him had told us that my dad only had six months to live. So we had time to talk about the fact that he was going to be gone, and time to get things in order for him. Still, losing him was a terrible shock.

I was very close to my dad. He was my hero. I was working as a paramedic when my dad died. I remember him telling me, "You can't do CPR on me." The cancer had spread to his brain and bones. Keeping him alive longer would have only prolonged his suffering.

The night before he died, I spent the night in the hospital room with him, praying. He was in a coma, but I was so worried that he was afraid. I held his hand all night. My dad didn't know the Lord. I prayed that he would know Jesus before he died. The next morning, about 11:00, the family was around his hospital bed, keeping watch. My dad had severe back problems and was always in pain. I mention that because what happened next was physically impossible for him. My dad had been lying on the bed on his back with his eyes closed. Suddenly, he sat up, completely sat up from a prone position. And he opened his eyes. And he looked. And he was focusing. I know he was seeing God. And then he lay down and died. My beloved daddy was gone. I remember how hard it was not to do CPR on him. It's what I was trained to do. But I didn't. Sobbing, I hugged him and stayed with him awhile, but left the room before they took him away.

I remember riding an elevator to the bottom floor of the hospital, and I went outside to sit on a bench to cry. The bench was right next to a busy parking lot. I had sat there crying with my head in my hands for a while when suddenly I sensed someone standing there. A little girl who looked to be about 4 years old, with dark hair, was standing in front of me, holding a puppy. She was alone. She held the puppy out to me, a little fuzzy brown ball of fluff, and I took the puppy and cried into its fur. She stood there and waited. I don't know how long I held the puppy. As long as I wanted to. The little girl never said a word. My dad and I both loved dogs, and it crossed my mind at that moment that this little puppy was probably the only thing that would have brought me any sort of comfort at that moment. It was like my dad had sent her to me. At some point, I handed the puppy back to the little girl. I looked down again, and when I looked back up, she was gone. I could see all the way down the parking lot and didn't any see sign of her. No parents around. Nothing.

I have thought about that day for many years, and I am sure that the little girl was an angel sent from God to comfort me.

*Elder Leslie Lintz*

### **Strand of Pearls (aka, the Prayer Chain)**

Pearls on our Strand continue to pray actively for those for whom requests have been made as they come in. Updates and thanksgivings are appreciated and will be passed on.

Please call, email or text your requests to Rev. Dolores at 630-890-8343 or [revdfw@icloud.com](mailto:revdfw@icloud.com), and indicate whether you wish the request to remain confidential. Otherwise, it will be included in the GSPC prayer list in the newsletter.

*Rev. Dolores Wiens*

### **Healing Prayer Offered Weekly**

Following our Healing service which was held in November, Healing prayer and anointing will now be offered every Sunday morning at the conclusion of the Worship Service in the Chapel. Rev. Dolores Wiens and Carolyn Barnett will be available in the Chapel to offer healing prayer for all who desire it. Due to the very positive response and feedback we have received following our Healing Service, a Healing Service will take place in the spring on a date yet to be determined.

## Buildings

Let's talk about doors for a minute. Again. Our church has many, many doors, some are wonderful, others are demon-possessed. The good doors close properly and protect the building, but they need your help. I'm often told I am dumb as a doorknob, which must mean the doors are not much smarter.

If the interior door is heavy, and most are, they are probably fire doors. Fire doors are the good-flavored ones, but they only work to prevent fire from spreading if they are closed. If they are open, they are simply fuel. So, if you are in the building and it is generally unoccupied and spot a door propped open, please close it.

I lock up most Sundays and everyone does a great job of keeping the doors locked throughout the week. Despite this, the glass narthex doors, installed by Lucifer's Door and Window of Las Vegas, require checking after exiting. Even if the door is locked, anyone can exit by pushing the panic bar, but if you don't push it hard enough, it will not stay locked when it closes, so please look back and see it locked properly.

Finally, I want to thank Chris and Vicky for taking care of many of the tasks I could not do myself while I recovered from my shoulder surgery.

*Eric Westland*

## Christian Education

As Lent approaches, Rev. Ralph will begin a Monday evening study of the Gospel of Mark on February 21<sup>st</sup>. That's also President's Day. No U.S. President has been named Mark, or Matthew or Luke for that matter.

Stay tuned for word about the Lenten Devotional that we will have available toward the end of February.

Adult Sunday School continues at 9:00 am. We continue the use of *The Present Word*. Children's Sunday School meets at 10:30 am in the Education Building.

February has its share of special days. *World Interfaith Harmony Week* begins on February 1<sup>st</sup>. *Presbyterian Federal Chaplaincies* are lifted up on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>. The PCUSA has over 150 teaching elders serving as chaplains in federal institutions including the military. On the 10<sup>th</sup> *Thursdays in Black* is celebrated. Throughout the year many wear black clothing on Thursdays to bring attention to the reality of violence against women. *Camps and Retreat Centers* are celebrated in February for their role in the life of the church. And the 20<sup>th</sup> is the *Universal Day of Prayer for Students*.

*Bill Somplatsky-Jarman*

## Congregational Growth & Care

**New News** - In our article last month, we announced that an event we are to sponsor and in which we invite you to participate, Zoom at Noon, will be held on Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. For various reasons, we have changed that date to Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. Our speaker will be as announced, Deanna Flores, a Good Shepherd member and member of our committee. The title of Deanna's talk is "*Live Longer, Feel Your Best: Secrets of the World's Blue Zones.*" If the term "Blue Zones" is unfamiliar to you, it relates to a project begun in 2004 when a team of demographers, scientists and anthropologists set out to learn why residents in certain geographic areas in Costa Rica, Italy, Greece, Japan and the United States (Blue Zones) seemed to live longer and lead more emotionally happy lives than people in other parts of the world.

Perhaps surprisingly, our expectation for longevity is ordained only 20% by our genes but 80% by the lifestyle we choose. The evidence-based findings from the Blue Zone Project have confirmed that living a longer, healthier and more fulfilling life is dependent on learning to make better, more informed lifestyle choices not only regarding diet but also about influences on our everyday living. Deanna will define the secrets of the Blue Zone and we'll hear how embracing their concepts has proven transformative for many individuals and communities.

If you inferred by the title of the event - Zoom at Noon - that zooming is involved, you would be correct. However, we also offer the option for you to attend in-person on Thursday, March 24 at Noon, lasting about an hour. We are continuing the format of our previous Brown Bag events in that you should bring a sandwich to enjoy during the presentation. We will supply a treat and a beverage. We'd love to see you in Conklin Hall on the 24th but will also be glad to welcome you via Zoom from the comfort of your home. We will give specific and very easy to follow instructions in the March Newsletter so you may tune in virtually. We'll just plan to "See You," one way or the other!

*Alicia Kitzman*

## Deacons

You will find on page 4 of this newsletter the updated Parish List. The Pine Valley and Green Valley parishes were very small, so a decision was made to incorporate their parish members into other parishes. A couple of parishes were renamed, and a new parish, Quail Creek, was created to help make the Washington and Hurricane parishes more manageable. A careful effort was made to balance out the parishes geographically, so you may find that you have been placed into a different one. Thank you to the deacons, Chris Schleiter, and Rev. Ralph for your invaluable input in this matter.

Your new Deacon will be reaching out to you in the next several weeks to introduce themselves. However, feel free to say hello and introduce yourselves to your new Deacon too. Your Deacon would really appreciate it, to help establish a relationship with you even sooner!

Deacon/Elder training will be on Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. and our next Deacon's meeting will be Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the CE Building.

*In Christ's service,  
Vicky Westland*

## Fellowship

I want to thank Gloria McGilloway for her five years of service as the Elder for Fellowship. During that time, she made a lot of improvements in the kitchen and got everything reorganized.

Our first big fellowship gathering will be February 12<sup>th</sup> when we celebrate the birth of Scottish Poet Laureate Robert (Robbie) Burns. It will be a festive and fun evening and I hope you will join us.

Sunday fellowship continues to be well attended and we can always use more food.

See you soon!

*Mary Contreras*

## Mission/Outreach

With the end of the year activities behind us we are turning our attention to 2022.

First up will be the annual Souper Bowl of Caring on Super Bowl Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Bring non-perishable food and cash and let's work to feed the hungry. As we did in 2020, we will divide the donations between the Switchpoint Soup Kitchen and Solomon's Porch.

We will be collecting items for Operation Christmas Child each month in 2022, beginning in February. Donna Beasley will be our new leader for OCC and she has big plans for this year's Shoebox Christmas effort which will end with the annual dedication of our shoe boxes on the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

We are in the planning stages for a trip to visit Pastor Sergei and his congregation in August. As usual, we'll be there to assist with Bible Camp and whatever else they have planned for us. Rev. Ralph and I will be joined by our Presbytery's Executive Presbyter, Mirjam Haas-Melchior. We are excited to have her with us.

The CROP Walk will be held on November 12<sup>th</sup> so start getting in shape to walk with us.

While we will not be volunteering to serve meals at the Soup Kitchen, we will continue to collect food and cash donations on the first Sunday of every month.

As you can see, it's going to be a busy year for Mission!

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Mission efforts

Peace and Blessings

*Chris Schleiter*

## Session News

Session held their monthly meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Here is a synopsis of the action that was taken:

- Approved the purchase of a second Panasonic AW-HN38W PTZ camera for the Sanctuary at a cost not to exceed \$2,250 to be funded from bequests.
- Appointed Carolynn Thomas as Treasurer
- Appointed Ruth Ann Horvath as Clerk of Session
- Set the dates and times of 2022 Stated Session Meetings and Communion
- Appointed Gloria McGilloway as Commissioner to Presbytery for 2022
- Approved a resolution establishing the pastor's Health Reimbursement Arrangement funding for 2022
- Appointed Ruth Ann Horvath and Rev. Clingan to a committee to prepare the 2021 PCUSA Annual Statistical Report
- Approved an amendment to the By-Laws to be presented to the Congregation on January 23, 2022.
- Elected officers for the Corporation: President, Chris Schleiter; Vice President; Eric Westland, Secretary, Ruth Ann Horvath and Treasurer, Carolynn Thomas.

The next meeting of the Session will be Sunday, February 13, 2022, at 12:00 Noon in the CE Building.

*Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session*

## Stewardship

Thanks to all of you for your continued generosity. Even though our revenue for 2021 was about \$9,000 below our budget or expenditures were more than \$24,000 below the budget and we ended 2021 with a surplus of nearly \$15,000. That was a pleasant surprise given the challenges COVID-19 threw at us last year.

A special thank you to all those who have submitted pledges for 2022. Your generosity helps keep us thriving. As of January 23<sup>rd</sup>, we have received pledges totaling \$160,482 or slightly more than 95% of our needs for this year. That means we still have a little bit of work to do. If you haven't yet submitted a pledge, it's never too late to do so. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge so we have our budget for the year fully funded. Remember that a pledge is a commitment but if circumstances change, they can always be modified. We thank you for your continued support.

*Blessings  
Leslie Lintz*

## Worship & Music

The Worship Committee is responsible for the music program, ushers, and communion helpers. There is also a sanctuary committee who takes care of the lighting of the candles. Following each service, they see that the pews are cleaned, and the attendance pads are prepared for the next service. If you are interested in helping with any of these jobs, please contact me.

Anne Patten arranges the usher schedule for each Sunday. If you have committed to usher, our church secretary, Candy Hurlbut, will send you the schedule of ushers for that given month. Included will be an instruction sheet stating responsibilities for ushering. Ushers are always needed, so please consider this job. We want to give everyone a chance to have this fun experience!

"Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord" is what our Bell and Chancel Choirs do every Sunday. Due to some of our singers moving away or are dealing with health issues, we would love to welcome new singers! If you are interested in joining our Chancel Choir, please see me.

*Barbara McConnell*

### **Executive Presbyter to Join Good Shepherd for Worship**

On Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Mirjam Haas-Melchior, Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Utah will join us for worship and will be preaching. We welcome her and look forward to having a big crowd to greet her and hear the message she brings.

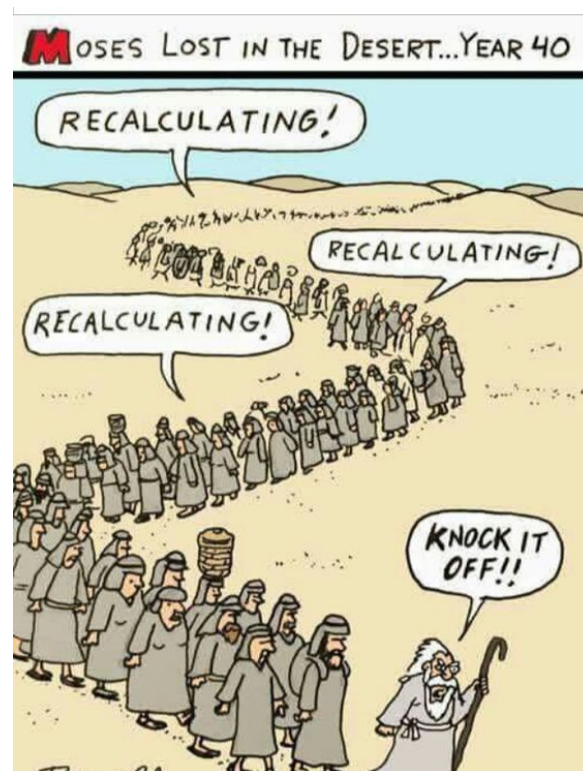
## Lectionary Readings for February

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Sunday, February 6 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13) Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
Sunday, February 13 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany	Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
Sunday, February 20 Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany	Genesis 45:3-11, 15 Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50	Luke 6:27-38
Sunday, February 27 Transfiguration of the Lord	Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99	2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-36 [37-43]

## Lectionary Readings for March

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Wednesday, March 2 Ash Wednesday	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 51:1-17	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
Sunday, March 6 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16	Romans 10:8b-13	Luke 4:1-13
Sunday, March 13 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27	Philippians 3:17—4:1	Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36
Sunday, March 20 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent	Isaiah 55:1-9 Psalm 63:1-8	1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
Sunday, March 27 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent	Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

## A Little Church Humor





## February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:30 Grief & Loss pm Support Group	<b>2</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>3</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal	<b>4</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	<b>5</b> 2:00 Bell Choir Rehearsal pm
<b>6</b> 8:45 Prayer Service with am Communion 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 10:30 Children's Sunday am School & Nursery 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Christian Noon Education Committee Meeting 12:00 Worship Noon Committee Meeting	<b>7</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>8</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	<b>9</b> 11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>10</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal	<b>11</b> 7:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's on Sunset 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	<b>12</b> 2:00 Bell Choir Rehearsal pm 6:00 Robbie Burns pm Night
<b>13</b> Souper Bowl of Caring 8:45 Prayer Service with am Communion 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 10:30 Children's Sunday am School & Nursery 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Session Meeting Noon	<b>14</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>15</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:30 Grief & Loss pm Support Group	<b>16</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>17</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal	<b>18</b> 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	<b>19</b> Newsletter Deadline 9:30 Elder/Deacon am Training 2:00 Bell Choir Rehearsal pm
<b>20</b> 8:45 Prayer Service with am Communion 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 10:30 Children's Sunday am School & Nursery 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken	<b>21</b> Presidents' Day 9:30 Calendar am Coordinating Council Meeting 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm 6:00 Kerygma Bible pm Study and Potluck - The Gospel of Mark	<b>22</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 6:00 Stephen Ministry pm Supervision Group Meeting	<b>23</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	<b>24</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal	<b>25</b> 7:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's on Sunset 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	<b>26</b> 2:00 Bell Choir Rehearsal pm
<b>27</b> Transfiguration of the Lord 8:45 Prayer Service with am Communion 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship - Rev. am Dolores Wiens preaching 10:30 Children's Sunday am School & Nursery 11:45 Fellowship am	<b>28</b> 11:30 Women's Bible am Study & Fellowship 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm 6:00 Kerygma Bible pm Study and Potluck - The Gospel of Mark					

## PLEASE NOTE:

Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from through February 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Rev. Dolores Wiens (630-890-8343) with any pastoral concerns.

This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website [gpscg.org](http://gpscg.org) for the latest information.

## 2022 Deacon Parishes

Sun River	Bloomington	Bloomington Hills	Dixie Downs	Red Cliffs	Santa Clara / Ivins	Washington	Quail Creek	Hurricane	Deacons +
Mona Johnson	Peggy Graber	Sandy Paige	Ruthanne Skinner	Ann McLuckie	Jesse Henderson	Ka-Wai Yu	Candy Hurlbut	Sue Lundgreen	Vicky Westland
408-799-7166	801-541-7444	703-9272	541-510-5660	680-1062	404-859-3408	812-340-2184	435-879-9394	773-368-3054	435-414-1960
					Melissa Henderson				
					404-859-2128				
Clark	Bartlett	Clingan, J	Arganbright	Babb	Baker	Cannon	Elwood	Abbott	Graber
Horvath	Bass	Delgado	Contreras, L	Baxter	Beckman	Carlson	Kitzman	Borden	Henderson
Larson	Bayle	Gibbons	Jakubczak	Dull	Contreras, M	Frausto	Lucky	Hogan	Hurlbut
Mansfield	Beasley, C/D	Jentzer	McGilloway	Estlack	Everitt	Holmes	Miller	Hunt	Ingold, T
McGaha	Dunham	Mowery	Perkins	Fine	Florence	Jimenez	Schleter	Marsh	Johnson
Morgan, C/T	Laubscher	Otness	Schroeder	Kellejan	Flores	Jordy	Seefeld	Overkamp	Lundgreen
Patten	Lintz	Phipps	West	Linn	Gearhart	Klein	Smpltsky-Jarman	Safreno	Malcomson
Prinselaar	Noble	Snipes		Metzger	McConnell, B	Morrison	Starks	Shonkwiler	McLuckie
Stevens	Reid (Hawk)	Thomson		Morgan, B/E	Milford	Schultzman		Stone	Paige
Whatley	Smith	Westland		Starrett	Thomas, C			Whitton	Penzari
	Wilson				Wiens				Skinner
									Yu

## Congregation News

### **Thanks to the Higgins Ringers**

The Higgins Ringer's Salvation Army Christmas Kettle at Albertsons was manned by 31 different people filling all 56 time slots. Most of those people that rang reflected with me that it was an extraordinarily rewarding experience. I agree.

Our kettle represented 7% of the total number of kettles (15) in Washington County, and collected 17% (\$8,953) of the Washington County total of \$51,500. Some believe it is because Dick Higgins knew how to pick a great spot, others believe it is because Presbyterians are so friendly, but I personally believe it is becauseCarolynn looks so darn cute in her Santa cap.

The money collected is already going to work to help people in need with every penny collected staying right here in Washington County. The Salvation Army is very thankful for the roles everyone played in this effort, but the real words of appreciation will come from those being helped. We'll never hear those words, but I imagine that will be fine with all of us. Well done, Higgins Ringers.

*Eric Westland*

### **Services Live Streamed Every Sunday**

Let's say it's Sunday morning and you just can't make it to church. What can you do? You can join us through the live stream we provide both at our website (<http://gspcsg.org>) and our Sermon Network site (<https://gspcsg.sermon.net/>). The stream begins about 10:28 am each Sunday and concludes at the end of the Postlude. With Jeff Clingan producing, you'll be able to follow all the parts of the service and a bulletin including hymn lyrics and the calendar for the week, are available for download.

The video should remain available until Sunday evening if you need to watch later in the day and the audio will be available a few minutes after the end of the service and for at least a couple of months. Please be aware that we do not publish the recorded video - this is handled by Sermon Net - and sometimes it fails to publish. If the video is not available after the service, we apologize.

We look forward to seeing everyone in church but if you just can't make it, we hope you will find the live stream useful and fulfilling.



Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church  
611 N 2450 E  
PO Box 1499  
Saint George UT 84771-1499

Address Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORG.  
US POSTAGE PAID  
ST. GEORGE, UT  
PERMIT NO. 675

**If you are not a member of the church and no longer wish to receive our newsletter, please let us know by emailing [newsletter@gspcsg.org](mailto:newsletter@gspcsg.org) and we will remove you from our mailing list. Thank you.**

**The newsletter is also available on our website [gspcsg.org](http://gspcsg.org)**