

## LENTEN SERIES

### How Jesus is the culmination of the Old Covenant

By Joshua Brown, Senior Pastor

In the entire ONE focus for this year, I have been most excited about our Lenten series. This series focuses on how Jesus is the culmination of the Old Covenant. He alone is the means by which we relate to God, and He alone holds the offices given to complete that purpose. Through our Lenten journey we will discover how God created the offices of Prophet, King, Priest, Sacrifice, and Temple as a signpost pointing to Jesus. This will be a journey through the many pages of scripture and paths of God's people to come to the single point of God's revealed plan for His creation in the death and resurrection of His son.

### Shrove Tuesday Fundraiser | Tues., February 25 | 5:30-7:00 pm

Join us Tuesday, February 25th for our annual Shrove Tuesday dinner hosted by our Youth Group from 5:30-7:00 pm. Dishes will include a variety of pancakes, bacon, sausage, and fruit, along with juice, water, and coffee. This year, our youth will be hosting the event to help raise funds for their service trip this summer.



### Ash Wednesday | Wednesday, February 26

We'll offer two opportunities to receive ashes this year. You're able to come any time between 7 and 8 am for imposition of ashes, or 4:30 to 6 pm for an interactive worship experience with ashes and communion. For the morning session, please proceed directly to the Sanctuary. For the evening, please enter through the Fellowship Hall to begin your journey.



### Easter | Sunday, April 12 | 6:15, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am

Easter is our greatest festival worship day. We will celebrate it with all the pomp and circumstance we can muster to welcome people into the celebration of the resurrection of the Son of God who has overcome death and the grave! Make plans early to be at services and invite your friends.

### Easter Children's Choir Opportunity!

By Brittany Brown,

Director of Worship Arts

Ages 4-14 are welcome to participate in children's choir, starting March 4th, 6:10-7pm in the Music Room (North Hall). Children's Choir will end on Sunday, April 5th. Email [brittany@stlukesreno.org](mailto:brittany@stlukesreno.org) for more information.



## PARENTING THROUGH THE PHASES

### Fusion Tuesday | Parenting Through the Phases | February 4 | 6:30 pm

In our January session, we talked about how whichever phase your kid is in right now will go by faster than you think. To illustrate this in a compelling way, we used a jar of marbles filled with 936 marbles - the estimated number of weeks between birth and high school graduation. When you remove a marble for each week of a kid's life, it enforces a simple principle: When you see how much time you have left, you tend to get serious about the time you have now.

In the months to come, we invite you to lose your marbles in a very strategic way. We want to learn how to leverage our time effectively as parents during each phase of our kid's life. We want to equip our kids with valuable, emotional building blocks, and to learn how to have critical conversations about sex, technology, health, and faith. We want to explore how the ordinary things we do make an extraordinary difference when we do them over time.

Join us on Tuesday, February 4th at 6:30pm for our next session: Rediscovering Your Kid Every Year. Free childcare provided. Bring a snack/dinner, drop off the kiddos with our trusted sitters, and meet your table for another engaging session!

*"Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."*

~Psalm 90:12 NIV

### Fusion Tuesday | Holy Lands Info Session | February 11 | 7 pm

Pastor Josh together with Pastor Mark Duerr will be hosting informational sessions on the first Tuesday of each month discussing the biblical explanations of the various locations we will visit.

We hope many of you will commit to exploring these great places great places and capture the real depth of this journey.

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## REDISCOVER YOUR KID EVERY YEAR

PARENTING THROUGH  
THE PHASES

next  
newsletter  
deadline:  
Feb. 21

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## HOLY LANDS TRIP MEETING | SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 | 11 AM | N-2

If you are interested in traveling with the group, please plan to attend this meeting. If we do not have enough people committed by Feb. 2, we'll discuss rescheduling our tour. Contact **Brigitte Stafford** (sparkey024@aol.com) with any questions or bring them to this meeting on Feb. 2.

## Fusion Tuesday | Ladies Night | February 18 | Time & Location TBD

We'll be meeting for a study, then doing some sort of activity in the community. Stay tuned for full details coming soon. Email [megan@stlukesreno.org](mailto:megan@stlukesreno.org) to be added to the group and to receive study notes.

## Fusion Tuesday | Guys Night | February 25 | Time & Location TBD

Pastor Josh will be leading a character study then enjoy an activity in the community. Details to be announced soon. Check the Sunday sheets or email [megan@stlukesreno.org](mailto:megan@stlukesreno.org) to be kept in the loop.

### EVENTS

## Roots class May 30!

Our next Roots classes will be held on May 30 from 8 am-4 pm in classroom N-2. If you're interested in learning more about our church history, want to become a member, or just want to hear more about the various ways to get involved here at St. Lukes, this is for you! Sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or contact the office ([office@stlukesreno.org](mailto:office@stlukesreno.org)).



## Campout | June 11-14

We're excited to announce that we've secured groups sites once again at Sugar Pine Point on the West side of Lake Tahoe for our annual Church Campout. We'll be camping Thursday, June 11 through Sunday, June 14. Please save the date! Look out for more information to follow soon with details on how to reserve your spot. We can't wait to spend another fun campout with you in Lake Tahoe!



## February Fusion | Tuesdays

1st Tuesday | Parenting Through the Phases

2nd Tuesday | Holy Lands

3rd Tuesday | Ladies Night

4th Tuesday | Guys Night







## WOMEN'S NEWS

### Next Meeting February 11 | 6 pm

#### We will be voting on donations to charities

Thanks to the success of Basket Bonanza, our Ruth Guild has funds to donate. Members, please plan to attend the February meeting and bring your suggestions.

#### Thank you, Dave Dickens!

One of the challenges in our altar duty activities has been made so much easier! We now have 2 candle holders to use when filling the candles with oil. Thanks to Dave for building these—it can now be a one-person job. And the two holders allow us to have a back-up set of candles ready for replacement when needed.



### Mailboxes are available

*By Wes Sheaffer*

Church mailboxes are available in the front hallway (across from the nursery) for any member who would like to have one. While our main channel of communications is through email, we understand that some members would prefer to receive printed newsletters and use their mailboxes for communications between members. If you do not have a church mailbox, and would like one, please contact Julie in the office. If you are a member and are doing projects for the church that require reimbursement from the office, it would be helpful if you signed up for a spot.

#### New procedure begins this month

There are a few boxes that may not have been checked for months. In an effort to cut down on waste, we are implementing a new procedure this month. If we notice your mailbox is overflowing with materials, we will place a colored slip of paper in your box. If the mail has not been picked up in a month's time, the box will be removed. We understand that there are some that may be out of town for multiple months at a time. If you are going to be gone for more than three months, please let us know in the office. Not only to keep your mailbox from filling up, but also so that we may pray for your safe travels and return home.

## ONLINE RESOURCES

### GIVING:

[stlukesreno.org/donate/](http://stlukesreno.org/donate/)

### SERMONS:

[stlukesreno.org/sermon/](http://stlukesreno.org/sermon/)

### MY ST. LUKES

[stlukesreno.ccbchurch.com](http://stlukesreno.ccbchurch.com)

## School Exploratory Committee Update

**A**t the January Council meeting, a motion was passed establishing a school exploratory committee consisting of Mary Culpepper, William Heinicke, Sharon Rodarte, Jennifer Kenny, RuthAnn Grundy, Mark Duerr, and Paul Maurer. This committee will investigate the viability of St. Luke's establishing a school. This action is being taken in response to a motion passed by our congregation at our last voter's meeting in November.

The committee is just getting organized with action assignments. There will be requirements for additional help from others within the church that can assist with establishing real estate values and the formatting of secured data for presentation purposes.

If you have any questions about the committee or its activities, please contact Paul Maurer.

### Open Council Positions | The Church Needs You!

Please consider joining the leadership of our Church by volunteering your time and talents to serve on our Church Council. We currently have three vacant positions: Secretary, Education Chair, and Welfare Chair. If you're interested in helping shape the future of St. Luke's, please contact anyone on Council (Scott Gross, Hal Albright, George Olesinski, Tom Taelour, Jim Ahrens, Mary Mang, and Darrell Armuth). Our next meeting is scheduled for February 20 at 5:30 pm in Classroom N-1.

### Approved minutes:

**Approved minutes** from the Dec. Council meeting are now available on My St. Luke's and printed copies can be found in the Narthex.



### Bible Studies

- **Ladies' Bible Study**  
Sundays at 9:30 am in Room N1
- **Youth Bible Study**  
Sundays at 9:30 in Room N-3
- **Tuesday mornings with Bill Heinicke**  
From 11 am-noon in Room N-1
- **Fusion | Tuesdays**  
1st Tuesday | Parenting Through the Phases  
2nd Tuesday | Holy Lands  
3rd Tuesday | Ladies Night  
4th Tuesday | Guys Night

### MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

## Visitation Ministry Training Session | Saturday, February 29 | 10 am - noon | Classroom N-1

**O**ur Visitation Ministry is a group of connected volunteers who go into the community to visit with members and friends of our congregation who are sick, home-bound, or just need some extra prayer. This informational meeting will discuss the structure of the group and we'll role-play visitation experiences so our volunteers feel confident going out into our community in various contexts. All group members are encouraged to attend and we invite those who are considering joining as new members of this ministry, as well.



## Orphan Grain Train

By Dave Lorenz,

Sierra Nevada Branch Manager

Our Sierra Nevada branch of Orphan Grain Train, Inc. recently packed up a shipping container to send to people in need in Moldova. Our team loaded 1521 boxes 31 pieces (wheel chairs, walkers, etc.). The container arrived in December, and they were kind enough to take pictures of their crew unloading and preparing to distribute! As the pictures show, they arrived in excellent condition.

This was the 4th shipment of 5 made since we opened our branch in Feb. 2018. I just want to THANK all our volunteers for everything you did to make this possible. You donated goods, sorted, washed, packed in boxes, found local charities to receive any items not needed for our OGT shipment, etc. THANKS TO ALL!!

Happy New Year and God Bless.



## Shared Harvest

St. Lukes is hosting the assembly of bags for Shared Harvest on Sunday, January 26 and Sunday, February 23. The assembly will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed. We need 4-6 volunteers at 12 noon to create the bag in a bag (paper grocery bag put inside a plastic grocery bag) set up tables and remove our food items for that month from the Food Pantry closet and set them logically on the tables. We also need 4-6 volunteers at 12:30 to greet and help unload the items

from other churches, set them in the appropriate place and count items. Finally we need 4-6 volunteers to run the assembly line and fill bags. No experience needed. Please contact **Barbara Hoffman** at 775.826.2253 or 775.560.4901 (cell) if you have questions or would like to help.

## Good Shepherd

The Good Shepard Clothes Closet is a local non-profit organization that collects and distributes free clothing and bedding to local residents. Last year, they once again served over 30,000 people in the Reno/Sparks area.

## New Children's Program

Good Shepard is currently visiting local elementary and middle schools on a monthly basis distributing shoes and clothes to families in need. There is a never-ending need for shoes and clothes for children in grades K-8 that this program is designed to serve.

Please consider donating gently used clothing for this special new ongoing program, serving our local community.

Winter is here and cold weather clothes for men and women are needed now. If you want to help those in our community, please put your donations in the barrel marked Good Shepard in the Fellowship Hall. Good Shepard survives based solely upon donated goods and cash donations and would greatly appreciate your support.

## FEBRUARY SHARED HARVEST NEEDS

- ▶ 27 jars of Peanut Butter (no glass)
- ▶ 40 cans of fruit
- ▶ 40 powdered milk packets
- ▶ Bar soap

**Deadline: Feb. 23, 11:00 am**

**Please place items on the Shared Harvest cart in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Assembly:**

St Lukes Lutheran Church  
Feb. 23, 1:00 pm

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!**

## Welfare Project for February

Our Welfare Committee project for February is our annual Diaper Drive. We are accepting diapers in all sizes, from infant to adult. Please place your donations in the Pack N' Play near the Welfare bulletin board

the Fellowship Hall by February 29. Diapers will be donated to the Family Resource Center

### Questions?

**Terry Hoffman, 826-2253**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2020 Coffee Sign Ups & Training Session

Help us offer a welcoming fellowship time on Sunday mornings! This is a great opportunity for individuals to celebrate occasions, ministry groups to share a mission or recruit new members, or just a group of individuals to come together to add to our Sunday morning experience. The sign-up sheet can be found in the kitchen.

If you've been hesitant to host a coffee hour because you're not quite sure what it entails, or, let's be honest,

you just find our giant coffee maker to be intimidating, don't worry!

**Sara Nelson**, seasoned coffee hour volunteer, has offered to host a quick Coffee Hour How-To session on Sunday, February 9. Meet her in the kitchen from 9:10-9:25. She'll show you the basics, give you a kitchen tour, and reveal where we hide all the "cheat-sheets" for hosting a flawless coffee hour.



### EGGSTRAVAGANZA Eggs and candy donations

Our annual egg hunt meets color run is coming up April 4! We were able to recycle 7,000 plastic eggs from last year's event! This year, our goal once again is to collect

10,000 filled eggs to make our event a success. We are asking for 3,000 additional filled eggs, and 7,000 fillers (candy, stickers, small toys, etc.) that we will stuff in the eggs we

already have. Please bring donations to the Fellowship Hall between February 23 and March 29. We'll have bags of empty eggs that need to be filled available in the

Fellowship Hall as well, if you'd like to take some to stuff and return.

If you'd like to help plan this year's event, the next meeting will be February 9 at 11 am in Classroom N-2. We'll also be looking for approximately 50 volunteers to help out the day of the event. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex and plan to attend a volunteers meeting on March 29 at 11 am.

Thank you for your support of this awesome community event!





## Your passport to Odyssey

**O**ur Passport to Odyssey program has launched and is off to a great start! Each Sunday morning, our travelers head back to the Holy Lands to meet the characters of the Bible and watch as Jesus' ministry unfolds around them. New travelers are always welcome! Children ages 3 thru 5th grade are invited to come with us as we journey through God's redemption story and learn how we fit into His big plan! Odyssey will be happening every week, year-round, with the exception of Unity Sundays, so always plan on Odyssey!

Odyssey starts at 9:30 in the Sanctuary with worship during the Modern service. Please check your children in at the check in station in the Narthex prior to entering the sanctuary. At 9:45, the children leave to travel with Odyssey. They will meet in the "customs room" to get their lanyards, have their passports stamped, and get into groups (they might enjoy a little sing-a-long time as well). Then they are off to their journey where they'll watch and play along with the story in the Day Tours room. They do a craft to help learn the story in the market place, and then visit the Synagogue to dive into the Bible. Passport to Odyssey concludes at 10:45 am, which is when parents can head down to the Fellowship Hall and into the Odyssey hallway to collect their children.

### Volunteers Needed!

**Tour Director** | Leads a group of sessions, makes sure we have enough volunteers scheduled, distributes tour itinerary to volunteers, leads Customs room, and makes sure the Staging Room is stocked with everything needed for that block of tours. This can be done individually or with a group of up to 3 people. Directors will serve for 4-5 consecutive weeks (one month).

**Tour Guide** | Navigates travelers to the different rooms each week and keeps travelers in line with the rules. This position is more flexible in scheduling in that you can serve one week at a time (please wear a Hawaiian shirt or tourist garb).

**Rabbi in the Synagogue** | Leads that week's Bible story. Also flexible in scheduling, can serve one week at a time.

### Drama Leader in Day Tour room

| This person can act out that day's story, recruit additional actors to participate as needed, or guide children to perform the story. Scheduling for this position is dependent on curriculum.

**Marketplace** | Leads and assists children in craft projects and activities that support the Bible lesson. This can be a one week at a time position.



**Check-In** | Be present at the table in the Narthex and help get children checked in to the program. Also, unlocks the door from the Fellowship Hall at 10:45 and helps parents find their children, as needed. This can be a one week at a time position.

**Craft/Décor Prep** | Work behind the scenes preparing craft projects and setting up rooms when we transition between blocks of lessons. Jobs/needs will be coordinated by Tour Directors. Depending on curriculum, some tasks could be done at home.

### To volunteer:

Please email Elizabeth Petersen (elizabeth.petersen94@gmail.com) and she'll get you on the schedule.

**Volunteers:** Please meet your Tour Director in the Marketplace at 9:15 each Sunday you're working for a review of the game plan for the day as well as a time of prayer for the children.

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### Nursery

Nursery care is available Sunday mornings from 7:45 am until noon.

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## Thank you, Wes Scheaffer!

On behalf of our Church Council, Elders, Staff, and our entire congregation, we'd like to extend a HUGE thank you to Wes Sheaffer! Church Council brought Wes on to be part-time staff last February to help streamline and figure out what

we needed in an Administrator. Wes transitioned to working full-time as our "Interim Administrator" in September and has provided a great service in many, many roles church-wide. We're all excited about the future, and the Sheaffers are excited to get back

to their family-focused worship and service. Please join us in thanking Wes for his time spent as a staff member and help us welcome our new team member Sharise Chatfield! Wes will stay on board through February to help train Sharise in her new role.

## Meet Sharise Chatfield



Mrs. Sharise Chatfield is a wife to one, sister to many and Life Changer to all she meets. She is a passionate woman about God's business in her many roles.

She previously served as Practice Manager with Nevada Care Connect and Operations Building Manager with Arrohealth/Ciox Health. She served

as the Executive Assistant to Dr. Elliott Cuff, at the Lincoln Heights Baptist Church in Cincinnati, OH 2004 – 2010 prior to moving to Nevada.

She lives in Sparks, NV and is happily married to Kenneth Chatfield. Together they have blended a great family of three: Justin (28), Eric (23) and Hannah (17). She has devoted her life to her family and to the calling on her life for the ministry of administration and hospitality.

She is member of Summit Church where she leads and serves on the Prayer Team Ministry and The Women's Ministry. She is passionate about every one of her roles and works tirelessly at each one. She is making an impact, and setting the example in her home as a wife and mother; in her church as a leader and encourager; and in her community as a Life Changer and mentor.

*"I am THE  
ADDministrator... I  
ADD value, I  
MINISTER excellence  
to the execution of the  
plan!"*

~ Sharise Chatfield



Sharise's family

*"God will let you laugh again; you'll raise the roof with shouts of joy!"*

~ Job 8:21 The Message Version.

**W**e've added St. Lukes picnic blankets, ONE shirts, and Pastor Josh's book. Profits from the marketplace will go to benefitting the Youth Group. Stop by on Communion Sundays between services to purchase your St. Lukes swag. Cash, check, and credit cards are accepted. Items range in price from \$10-\$30.



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8 & 11 am Traditional Worship w/ Communion 9 am Prayer Quilt Prayers 9:30 am Modern Worship 9:15 am Odyssey Volunteers 9:30 am Odyssey / Christian Ed Hour 11 am Holy Lands Trip Meeting 12:30 pm ONE Challenge	5:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm Handbell Rehearsal	10 am - 2 pm Prayer Quilters Work session 11 am Bible Study 5:30 pm Fusion Parenting	5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 6 pm Confirmation	5:30 pm Tutoring 7 pm Social groups leadership meeting	5:30 pm AA Meeting	1:00 pm Senior Bingo
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