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**Next Service Readings**

Ezekiel 17:22-24 |

2 Corinthians 5:6-17 |

Mark 4:26-34

**Vacation Bible School**



**VBS: Volunteer, Decorate, Donate Supplies**

**VBS SCUBA AMAZON WISH LIST!** Help make the magic happen at Vacation Bible School. Check out our Amazon wish list of the supplies needed to pull everything together for this incredible outreach. Scan the QR code at the right to see the list.

**VBS SCUBA RECYCLABLE DONATIONS!** SCUBA Decorating Crew can use your help with some common recyclables you may have: bottle caps, pipe cleaners, paper towel rolls, unused coffee filters and bubble wrap. Leave your donations near the SCUBA in table in the church entry area. Thanks for all of your donations!

**HELP US DECORATE!** Do you have time to spare next week to help transform the church into an "underwater" deep sea adventure? If so, contact Holly Vanderhoof ([holly@gslcva.org](mailto:holly@gslcva.org)).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** SCUBA VBS needs **8 volunteers** to cover elementary crew leads, preschool crew assistants, and a preschool Deep Sea Bible Adventures assistant.

**VOLUNTEER TRAINING!** All VBS volunteers are asked to attend a meeting on **Wednesday, June 12, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall to go over everything VBS. For more information, contact Holly Vanderhoof ([holly@gslcva.org](mailto:holly@gslcva.org)). Vacation Bible School is an incredible outreach to the community, and we are so grateful to our volunteers who help make it happen.

Questions? Contact Holly Vanderhoof ([holly@gslcva.org](mailto:holly@gslcva.org)).

**VBS: Monday, June 17, through Friday, June 21, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**Budget (Expenses & Income) Report for April 2024**

Monthly	April, 2024	Fiscal Year to Date
Budget requirements	\$98,161.84	\$785,294.72
Actual expenses *	101,740.28	773,783.91
Total Income (All Sources)**	70,453.52	756,420.94
Offerings minus expenses	(31,286.76)	(17,362.97)

\*"Actual Expenses" line includes principal and interest payments on the church mortgage, staff salaries, facility costs, and all ministry expenses.

\*\*"Total Income (All Sources)" includes offerings and LCEF interest.

**Calling all grads!**

We'd like to recognize GSLC "family members" who are graduating this year. If you have a child or are a recent graduate from high school, college, university, NOVA, or a technical school, let us know so that we can offer congratulations. Send the graduate's full name and the school from which they graduated to Michele at [michele@gslcva.org](mailto:michele@gslcva.org) by **Monday, June 10**.

**Above & Beyond Updates (as of June 6)**

**Balances for Remaining Funds**

- Campus Ministry: \$2,000
- Iglesia Luterana Principe de Paz: \$500
- The Seed Company: \$1,000
- The Mustard Seed House: \$1,560
- HVAC: \$187,710



**Fully Funded Items from Current Catalog**

- Workcamp 2024 (Elizabeth City, North Carolina)
- Senior Youth Ministry
- Vacation Bible School
- Staff and Core Ministry Celebrations
- Celebrations (New Member/Volunteer/Congregational)
- Congregational Events (Sight & Sound Offset bus costs)
- Direct Mailing
- Expanded Congregational Care & Nurture Programs
- Sanctuary Choir Support
- Organ Repair Project
- Replacing Hymnals
- Choir Needs
- Preschool Big Books
- Preschool Expanding Operations
- Weekend Grocery Packs
- SLHS Food Pantry
- Lutheran World Relief
- Fraher Family Support
- Conference Room Television
- Special Music for Festivals
- Fellowship Hall Robotic Camera System
- Replacement and Supplemental Lighting for Fellowship Hall
- Praise Band Stage Backdrop and Decorations

**Quilt Blessing**

During today's service, we will bless 35 quilts that were lovingly created by members of the Helping Hands group. The quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief, which will distribute them to people in areas affected by natural disasters or war. The quilts are used as bedding, floor coverings, and even as small tents.

Members of Helping Hands also create lap quilts – sewn, knitted, or crocheted – for Capital Hospice. Steve Disilvio machine quilts all the finished fabric quilts, large and small.

Helping Hands meets the first Saturday of every month (or the second Saturday if the first Saturday is part of a holiday weekend) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in room 124. This year, the group will continue to meet during the summer.

Love to sew, crochet or knit but can't commit to a monthly meeting for Helping Hands? No problem! Cutting/sewing the patchwork tops can be done at home for the large (60" x 80") quilts and the lap quilts, and you are welcome to knit and crochet the lap quilts at home as well!

Questions? Contact Chris Miller through the church office ([gslc@gslcva.org](mailto:gslc@gslcva.org)). Please put "Helping Hands" in the email subject line.

**Looking for "Events"?**

It's on page 2 of this week's News & Announcements. Just flip the page and you'll find it. Or you can check out the calendar at [gslcva.org](https://gslcva.org).

**Planning Ahead: Confirmation 2025**

Planning for Confirmation 2025 has begun. If your child will begin 7th grade this fall, and you would like them to enroll in confirmation, please let Pastor James ([PastorGary@gslcva.org](mailto:PastorGary@gslcva.org)) know by emailing him.

## Events This Week

**Worship Service: Sunday, June 16:** 9:30 a.m. (Traditional). Check out our website (<https://gslcva.org/worship/services/>) for more information

**Note:** Sunday School resumes on September 8. See article above for information about adult Bible study.

**Prayer Gathering: Wednesday, June 12:** 7:00 p.m. (video teleconference)

**Community Service: Monday, June 10:** 2:00-4:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry (pantry rooms) | **Wednesday, June 12:** 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry (pantry rooms) | **Thursday, June 13:** 3:00 p.m. SLHS Food Pantry transport for distribution at SLHS (lower parking lot) | Questions? Contact Holly Vanderhoof ([holly@gslcva.org](mailto:holly@gslcva.org))

## Life Groups

**Friday, June 14:** 7:00-8:00 a.m. at Panera Bread (Elden Street). Contact Jeff Kroese, Jeff Peterson, and Jim Smith through the church office ([gslc@gslcva.org](mailto:gslc@gslcva.org)) for more information. Please type the Life Group name in the email Subject line when requesting information via email.

**Please note:** Most Life Groups are on summer break. The Friday eBlast and the Sunday News & Announcements will have the most up-to-date information about Life Group meetings through the summer.

## Community Service

**Do you know of someone who needs help finding resources in our area?** For a list of comprehensive services in our area please call or visit: 2-1-1 Virginia. 2-1-1 Virginia is a source of information about community and social services available in Fairfax County and statewide. When you dial 2-1-1, a trained professional will listen to your situation and suggest sources to help using one of the largest databases of health and human services in Virginia.

**Volunteers needed! The Closet of Greater Herndon. Congregation scheduled days have returned to The Closet! Good Shepherd's next volunteer days are June 10, July 2, July 25, August 16, September 9.** The Closet **needs** volunteers to maintain day to day operations. Please consider donating some time to this valuable resource in our community. Scan the QR code at the right to sign up or visit <http://tinyurl.com/5n7kbmb2>.

**The Closet's Summer Fashion Show!** Get ready to witness the magic of sustainable style at The Closet's Summer Fashion Show! You're in for an exciting showcase of unique and affordable fashion finds that will make you rethink your summer wardrobe. Discover the thrill of thrifting as they unveil a curated collection of pre-loved gems, from vintage classics to contemporary trends. Experience the joy of seeing one-of-a-kind pieces that express individuality, all while making a positive impact on the environment. Be inspired by creative styling ideas and learn how to mix and match thrifted treasures to create stylish ensembles for any occasion. Whether you're a seasoned thrift shopper or new to the thrifting scene, this event promises something special for everyone. Join The Closet for an evening of fashion, fun, and sustainable shopping! Bring your friends and embrace the thrill of the hunt as we celebrate the beauty of thrifted fashion together. Tickets are \$10.00 and are on sale now. The fashion show takes place on **June 22 at 6:00 p.m.**, at 779 Center St., Herndon.

**Weekend Grocery Packs for Dranesville Elementary!** Thank you to all who helped with Weekend Grocery Packs for the 2023-2024 school year! The packs will resume in the fall, when school is back in session. Want to help? Consider donating money, any amount, to the Above & Beyond request for Dranesville Elementary Weekend Grocery packs at <http://tinyurl.com/cruh78>. For more information on packing dates contact Holly Vanderhoof at [holly@gslcva.org](mailto:holly@gslcva.org).

**South Lakes Food Pantry – continues to serve the community!** Since the beginning the pantry has distributed more than **1.5 MILLION POUNDS** of food and toiletries to our neighbors in need. What a significant difference you've made in the community with your support of this incredible ministry. Needs are on the rise. We are averaging well over **7,000 pounds (3½ tons) of food to families and students in need each week**. Please consider shopping from our urgent needs (see list below) or donating money to the pantry so that they can purchase food for the pantry.

### NO-CONTACT Donation curbside drop offs:

Mondays (2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.)

Wednesdays (10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.)

Donations may also be shipped to the church: SLHS Food Pantry,  
c/o GSLC, 1133 Reston Ave., Herndon, VA 20170

**DRIVERS NEEDED.** With a 40% increase in weekly family bags, we need a few more drivers to help, when needed, to deliver food to the school on Thursday afternoons. Bags will be loaded and unloaded at the school for you if needed.

**LOADING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** We are averaging 190 bags each week, not including the additional donations of fresh produce and meat from Trader Joe's. Volunteers would meet at the church lower parking lot at 2:30 p.m., please allow 45-60 minutes for this volunteer need.

**URGENT NEEDS:** peanut butter, 1-pound bagged rice, bar soap

**Women Giving Back.** Women Giving Back supports women and children in crisis on a first step to stability by providing quality clothing at no cost, assisted by a caring and committed community. From grassroots humble beginnings, Women Giving Back has grown into an organization that serves more than 24,000 women and children in need every year. To learn more about Women Giving Back and how to volunteer visit: <https://womengivingback.org>.

**Cornerstones Volunteer Opportunities.** Cornerstones offers a multitude of volunteer opportunities to serve members of our community. Opportunities include Farmers Market Gleaning, Career Mentors, Financial Literacy Mentors, Interpreters, Front Desk Assistants, Pathways to Sustainable Employment Program Volunteers and so much more. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/mvzzu4ue> to sign up for a volunteer hub and learn more about these opportunities as well as their virtual volunteer orientation sessions.

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