



**"Have you ever spent
a day with Jesus?"**

John 1:39

January 15, 2023

Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Shepherd of the Pines!

About Our Worship Service

We're glad that you're here. Our order of service is in this bulletin and the lyrics to the songs will be on the screen. Our service is semi-casual and easy to follow along.

What About My Kids?

We encourage children to sit with their parents in the church service since the parents model worship and faith to their children (Deuteronomy 6:7). However, small children can get a little restless, so we have a nursery that is located in the back of the Fellowship Hall. Ask an usher or greeter to help you find the nursery and they will gladly show you around.

Do I Have to Give an Offering?

If you're visiting with us, we don't want you to feel obligated. We are glad that you are here. You are welcome to give financially if you wish.

Can I Take Communion?

Along with the historic church, our church teaches that not only is bread and wine present in communion, but also it is the true body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 10:16; 11:29).

If you believe that communion is the true body and blood of Christ and you are repentant of your sins, we welcome you to our table.

Thank you for visiting with us. Please sign our guest book. You are welcome to take a visitor guide also.

January 15, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

10:20 Sunday School

10:30 Bible Study

Praise Team, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Invocation

Pastor: God has called us into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. And He is faithful.

Congregation: We gather in His name and share the gift of this fellowship with each other.

Pastor: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Listen to this Word of the Lord from 1 John as it speaks to us about being in fellowship with God and with one another. "If we walk in the light, as He is light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:7-9) Together let us make confession of our sins.

Congregation: Heavenly Father, I cannot claim to be without sin. My own conscience convicts me as does the Holy Spirit through Your Word. I have sinned against heaven and against You. (We pause for a moment of personal reflection and confession.) For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, I ask Your forgiveness. I believe Jesus lived for me and died for me to take away my sin. I also ask that by the power and grace of Your Holy Spirit, You would empower me to walk and live in the light of Jesus. Amen.

Pastor: Our God is gracious even as He is merciful. In Jesus, not only does He take away the punishment we deserve, He also gives us the forgiveness we don't deserve. And He is faithful, not only in forgiving our sins but also in blessing us with the power of His Spirit that we might live a new life. You are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Father, we thank and praise You for all the gifts You have so freely and graciously given to us, especially the gifts of faith and forgiveness.

Congregation: We pray that You would use us to reach out to the people in our community who do not know You. Make us people of grace so that with our words and with our lives we bear witness to You.

Pastor: We ask this in the name of Jesus so that heaven can be as full as possible on the Day of our Lord's return. Amen.

Noisy Offering: The noisy offering today will be given to F.A.C.T. (Feeding Area Children Together). Sara Greenberg-Hassan will be here to explain the program.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Isaiah 49:1-7 (Page 726)

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (Page 1128)

Gospel – John 1:29-42 (Page 1050)

Sermon Song

“Someone Else Living In You”

Sermon

Pastor Dave Strohschein

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Notes:

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Announcement

Offering Song

"Make me a Servant"

Prayers

(Family this week: Gary & Julie Dubbin

Children: Anna, Brayden, Dylann, & Joselynn)

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Song

"Lord, Reign in Me"

Next Week's Readings:

Isaiah 9:1-4

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-25



We are glad to have you with us today! Please sign our guest book. Fellowship will be after church service.

Online Giving

Available Now

Go to SOTP website:

www.sotpministries.com/give

or call the office at

320-393-4295 for help setting this up!



January

NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, January 15th & January 29th**, for the **F. A. C. T (Feed Area Children Together) & Christian Education Fund**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Tuesday & Thursday Quilting
 - Bible Studies- Wednesday morning 9:30am
 - January 18th Youth meeting at 7:30
 - January 20th Movie Night "Home Alone"
 - February will bring Daddy/Daughter Dance, & Sweetheart breakfast
 - Youth Lock-in Night will be in February or March
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Open Position: Event Team Looking for volunteers

We are looking for a group of people to be on the service team. This group would help plan and organize events at SOTP. Please speak to a board member if this is something that you would be interested in, or if you would like more information. Our next event will be a Daddy/Daughter Dance in February.

2023 Events

Daddy/Daughter Dance - February

Easter Egg Hunt - April

Mom/Son Event - Unsure of when

Trunk or Treat Event - October

UPDATE TO FELLOWSHIP!!

Here is the schedule for fellowship. We ask that if you can't serve the Sunday that you are scheduled, please find a group to switch with. Each group is to bring in treats, serve, and clean up. Thank You!

January 15th J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, G. Welle

January 22nd Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett

January 29th R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp

February 5th P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki

February 12th Sweetheart Breakfast

February 19th J. Clasen, D. Giese, T. Hovland

February 26th D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson



Shepherd of the Pines Mission Statement: Connecting People to God...To Others...and To Service

The purpose of this congregation is mandated for us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as found in the words of the Great Commission (Matthew 28), namely first of all to Go. To leave our walls of refuge, going into all the world, comprised of our families and neighbors. We plan to achieve our purpose by identifying persons with whom we are particularly well-equipped to serve and reach with the challenge of becoming Disciples of Christ.

Second, to Make Disciples or in the words of St Paul, "To equip the saints" (Ephesians 4:12). This is to be understood as helping people to live the Christian life here on earth, preparing and encouraging young and old alike to find and to use their God given gifts and abilities for the extension of His Kingdom, and to grow in fervent love for God and for others.

Thirdly, to Baptize as commanded by Jesus Himself. As God reaches down to mankind with His means of grace, He would have us baptize His people, bringing them into His family and Kingdom, granting them life, forgiveness of sins, and eternal salvation.

And lastly, to continue steadfast in His Word, Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. A continued zeal for the study of His Word, the Bible, is necessary for the growth of any Christian congregation. Thus, the Word of God will be taught and studied in full measure and His Word shall be the rule and norm of this congregation's faith and life.

To that end, our every effort and energy will be used in motivating, training, and putting to use our time, and talents and treasures to Make Disciples.

Board of Lay Ministry/Elders

Kyle Hackett, Pres.	266-1700	Joan Ramey	393-3342
David Perleberg V.P.	360-5147	Colleen Woods	685-4389
Bev Gerads Secretary	761-1894	Deb Erdmann	249-4804
Ron McKeever Treas.	492-5043	Paul Tschida	360-5241

Keith Peterson - Church Properties

Executive Ministry Team

Open Position(s) - Service Team Leader

Brenda Hackett - Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Leader

Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader

January Altar Guild: Roxanne Peterson, Juli Popp, & Joanny Ramey

January Counters: Curt Kvamme, Deb Erdmann, Sandie Resch



Shepherd of the Pines

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worship Shepherd has a clipboard for prayer requests.

You will find the clipboard in the narthex before you enter the church sanctuary. Prayer requests are important, and we encourage you to get your prayer requests on the prayer list so they can be included in the worship prayer time.



Please keep our baptized children in your prayers...

Child's Name

Blakelyn Rose Gangl
Mädchen Cate Smallfield
Emily May Moulzolf
Bridger Allen Dumonceaux
Griffin Dale Maass
Bryce Nathan Leyk
Maverick Lee Wolff
Coen Maxwell Line

Date of Baptism

March 27, 2022
April 3, 2022
June 19, 2022
July 24, 2022
October 17, 2022
December 18, 2022
January 8, 2023
January 8, 2023

Hospital & Nursing Homes white blankets

Do you have a personal connection with anyone who works in a hospital or nursing home? The quilters need additional blankets. Call Ardelle 656-5858.

HHH (Homeless Helping Homeless)

Homeless Helping Homeless is in need of gloves, coats, hats, boots, & socks. Please check with Ardelle if you are able to help or would like more information.

Movie Night is returning to SOTP! Join us on January 20th for Home Alone! Come in pjs, bring a blanket, and snacks if you would like. Some snacks available to share as well.



Homework Hour

If you or your child is interested in a homework hour please reach out to the church office. This time will be for any student that has questions or needs help with their homework. We are looking at Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm. We will have adults here to help you with questions, or if you just want to study with another peer this is a great time and place to get that done. Currently we are going to do week by week if anyone is signed up.

Sunday Parents Bible Study info



Parents, bring your coffee and a snack and meet other parents who are looking for something to do while your kids are in Sunday School!

Our Goal is to create a place where we can come together as parents to encourage and help and support each other in the gift of Christian parenting.

We will meet in the youth group room located at the end of the hall of classrooms. Please feel free to wander on down even if your child or children are too young to go to Sunday school. And yes! you can bring your littles with you! All are welcome!

ALTAR GUILD TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED

We have openings for Altar Guild. This will introduce you to belonging to a group with minimal time commitment. We currently have 4 teams that each cover 3 months per year. We would like to have at least 4 individuals on each team. Please contact me, and we will go over what would be required....we are also responsible for decorating the church for all seasons, which is really fun. See Joanny Ramey at church or call 320 217-4431.

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, January 15th (Music- Praise Team) Noisy Offering

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Fellowship
10:20 AM	Sunday School/Youth Group
10:30 AM	Bible Study

Monday, January 16th

7:30 PM	Praise Team
7:30 PM	Bible Study – in homes

Tuesday, January 17th

9:00 AM	Quilters
5:30 PM	Quilters
6:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday January 18th

9:30 AM	Bible Study
6:30 PM	Confirmation

Thursday, January 19th

9:00 AM	Pastor Dave in the Office
9:00 AM	Quilters
6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
7:00 PM	Joint EMT/BOLM Meeting
7:00 PM	AA Meeting

Friday, January 20th

6:30 PM	Movie Night “Home Alone”
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Sunday, January 22nd (Music- Lyric Videos)

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Fellowship
10:20 AM	Sunday School/Youth Group
10:30 AM	Bible Study

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday
January 15th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Jeff & Joanny Ramey
Projectionist: Dennis Arntson
Reader: Richael Weinand
Ushers: Deb Erdmann & Grandchildren

Worship Leader: Steve Ree

Worship Service Shepherd: Deb Erdmann

Fellowship J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, & G. Welle

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday
January 22nd

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Garry Loidolt
Projectionist: Levi Brenny
Reader: Ruth brutcher
Ushers: Keith & Roxanne Peterson

Worship Leader: Dennis Arntson

Worship Service Shepherd: Dave Perleberg

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