



*Matthew 5:7*

***"Being a grace-filled person"***

January 29, 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 29, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

10:20 Sunday School

10:30 Bible Study

Lyric Videos, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"He is Exalted"

Invocation

Pastor: We gather today around the message of the cross, Christ and Him crucified.

**Congregation: And we worship in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: A long time ago through the prophet Micah the Lord God confronted His people with their sin. God had a case against His people, and through the prophet the Lord asked some very pointed questions. "My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer Me." God also made it clear as to how His people should live. "And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:3, 8) That Word of the Lord now speaks to us, calling us to confess our sins with the promise of His forgiveness and the invitation to walk humbly with Him.

**Congregation: Heavenly Father, I confess to You that I have fallen way short of how You have commanded me to live. I have not loved You with my whole heart. I have not loved my neighbor as myself. I have sinned in my thoughts. I have sinned with my words and with my deeds. For the sake of**

**Your Son, Jesus Christ, I seek Your forgiveness. Create a clean heart in me and renew me with Your Holy Spirit that I may walk humbly in faith with You.**

Pastor: Listen to these words of grace and forgiveness from the very next chapter of Micah. "Who is a God like You, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of His inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea." (Micah 7:18-19) In Jesus Christ, we know that is all true. This is what God has done. In and through His Son, He has forgiven you and me of all our sins. May He continue to give us His Holy Spirit so that we can walk humbly in faith with Him.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Thank You Lord for Your gracious and forgiving love.

**Congregation: We ask that You would continue to bless us with Your Holy Spirit, both to keep us in faith and to enable us to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with You.**

Pastor: We ask this in the name of Jesus.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Today We baptize Cal Nicholas Cervenka son of Robert & Darby Cervenka

## 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.

## Children’s Message

## Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Micah 6:1-8 (Page 923)

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (Page 1128)

Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12 (Page 958)

## Sermon Song

“His Mercy Is More”

### Sermon

Pastor Dave Strohschein

“Being a grace-filled person”

Matthew 5:7

Notes:

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Noisy Offering The collection from the noisy offering today will go to the Christian Scholarship Fund for those members of SOTP who would like to have their child enrolled in a Christian School.

## Offering Announcement

# Offering Song

“All Yours”

Prayers (Family this week: Brad & Jodi Dumonceaux

Child: Carson)

# 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 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

# Prayer and Anointing with Oil

Next Week’s Readings:        Isaiah 58:3-9  
    1 Corinthians 2:1-12  
    Matthew 5:13-20

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](http://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 29<sup>th</sup>**, for the **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
  - Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Daddy/Daughter Dance
  - Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Sweetheart Breakfast
  - Feb 26<sup>th</sup> Woman's Winter Gathering 3pm at Jordie's
  - Youth Lock in March 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>
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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 10

Easter Egg Hunt - April

Mom/Son Event - Unsure of when

Trunk or Treat Event - October

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## **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 29<sup>th</sup> R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp**

**February 5<sup>th</sup> P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki**

**February 12<sup>th</sup> Sweetheart Breakfast**

**February 19<sup>th</sup> J. Clasen, D. Giese, T. Hovland**

**February 26<sup>th</sup> D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson**

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# **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

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### **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.

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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

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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!

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## 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.

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## *Daddy/Daughter Dance*

Dads, Grandpas, and Uncles bring your daughters, granddaughters, and nieces to a fun night of Dancing (with a DJ), Crafts, Photo Booth and Snacks.

**Friday, February 10th 6:00pm-8:00pm**



**Shepherd of the Pines**  
Lutheran Church

Free Event - Register at [sotpministries.com/dance](http://sotpministries.com/dance)  
If you would like a picture on the slideshow during the dance, please email it to the church @ [office@sotpministries.com](mailto:office@sotpministries.com)

## Donations Needed for Sweetheart Breakfast

There is a sign-up sheet for donations that are needed for the Sweetheart Breakfast. Please look it over and help where you can. Donations need to be at church by Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Sweetheart breakfast will be served by the Youth on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Youth Invite You To the

*Sweetheart Breakfast*



Sunday February 12th @ 10am  
in the Fellowship Hall.

We will have Freewill offering to  
support the Youth Group

# Women's Winter Gathering

Sunday, February 26th @ 3:00PM  
Jordie's Trailside Cafe

We need to have a minimum of 15 signed up  
by February 22nd or event will be canceled.

Cost is \$12.00 & please bring a foodshelf donation.  
This will cover the buffet and a drink.  
Sign-up Sheet in Narthex

If you are interested in joining us on February 26<sup>th</sup> for Women's  
Winter Gathering please sign up by February 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Where** Jordie's Trailside Café

**When** February 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

**Cost is** \$12.00 includes buffet and drink (Please also bring a food  
shelf donation.)

(We need a minimum of 15 woman signed up by February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
or this event will be canceled.)

Also if interested in carpool please be at church by 2:15pm on  
February 26<sup>th</sup>

# This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

**Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> (Music- Lyric Videos) Noisy Offering  
Christian Education Fund**

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

**Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**

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

**Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 AM	Bible Study
6:30 PM	Confirmation

**Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Pastor Dave in the Office</b>
9:00 AM	Quilters
7:00 PM	AA Meeting

**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> (Music-Heather Statz)**

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 29<sup>th</sup>

**9:00am Worship:**

Greeters: Keith Hackett  
Projectionist: Cynthia Ollman  
Reader: Paul Tschida  
Ushers: Kevin & Janet Maleska

**Worship Leader:** Paul Tschida

**Worship Service Shepherd:** Joanny Ramey

**Fellowship** J. Nelson & L. Popp

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday  
February 5<sup>th</sup>

**9:00am Worship:**

Greeters: Lenarz Family  
Projectionist: Julie Kiraly  
Reader: Dennis Arntson  
Ushers: Bonnie Gottwalt & Charyl Walburg

**Worship Leader:** Dennis Arntson

**Worship Service Shepherd:** Paul Tschida

**Fellowship** S. Wood & B. Novitzki