

2020

Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church

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One of the blessings of Lent is to have think about the Christian faith in new ways. Most of us have grown up with the 10 Commandments as part of our morality, but have you ever thought of how Jesus has fulfilled the 10 Commandments and how he has kept them.

This Lent, we will look at God's Commandments through the lens of how we are unable to perfectly keep God's law and then to also toward the Cross where by Jesus' wounds, we are healed.

Ash Wednesday: February 26 – The Wounds of Blasphemy

In this service for Ash Wednesday, we remember that the wounds of blasphemy we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Ash Wednesday reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

March 4 – The Wounds of Violating the Sabbath

In this service, we remember that the wounds of violating the Sabbath we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

March 11 - The Wounds of Dishonoring Authority

In this service, we remember that the wounds of dishonoring authority we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

March 18 – The Wounds of Murder

In this service, we remember that the wounds of murder and violence we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

March 25 - The Wounds of Adultery

In this service, we remember that the wounds of adultery and unfaithfulness we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

April 1 – The Wounds of Stealing

In this service, we remember that the wounds of stealing and dishonesty we committed against our Lord were laid on Christ on the cross. Our Lenten observance reminds us that though we have been brought low by sin, our Lord will bless us with new life in him through the cross.

I invite you to join us on Wednesdays in Lent to reflect on this truth. Our services are at 7pm each Wednesday with a Soup Supper at 5:15pm.

Grace + Peace,
Pastor David Edge



Greetings all!

I cannot believe we are entering March!!!! Where did the last 2 months go??? When I think of March I see a clover for St. Patrick's Day pop into my head. I am not once tiny drop Irish BUT I do like the clover. To me the clover reminds me right away of the Trinity, Father-Son-Holy Spirit! I love to think that March is "Trinity Month" starting all things fresh and new with Spring on the way soon! Are you ready for the Trinity in your life? Is it real and already present? If not, I encourage you to grab your Bible and embrace how much Jesus loves you and wants to be on your journey this side of Heaven! We have just completed the study from Lee Strobel "The Case For Christ". It put some more tools in the tool box of life!

We will be having the sign up sheets out for the Easter breakfast donations and helping. If God moves your heart to help in any way, please see the sheets on the counter in the Narthex. Easter will be earlier this year as a reminder. The proceeds for the free will offering will go to the Childrens/ Youth ministry in church.

We also really begin to work at the VBS planning and preparations. If you would like to be involved on this team OR any part of VBS for the event, please let me know and I will get your name and info set in place. It is a great event for the children in the community and many little lives are touched in BIG ways! Any and ALL helping hands are welcome!!!

I may be offering a Ray Vanderlan video study of the Holy Land this Spring. It is still in the planning process, but let me know if it would interest you. This helps in the planning or not planning process.

This month is going to fly by and I pray that as each day comes, God is walking beside you. Please keep the SOTP ministries in your prayers as we move into the close of the "school year" and plan for summer. May His peace surround each of you daily and guide you. Have a blessed month!

Brenda Hackett Small Group/Education Team Leader

Greetings,

Spring is right around the corner and with that comes some fun activities. With the Easter egg hunt coming up I am looking for a few volunteers to join our service team. It will not require a lot of time, but mainly to help our church actives run smoothly, so if you are interested in helping me please let me or the church office know. I have been working on some activities for spring and summer and I am excited to share them with you all. Be on the lookout for fun upcoming church activities and community outreach events.

God Blessings to you all, Jen Ollman

ANNOUNCING

Church and Community Prayer and Worship

All are welcome to join the Board of Lay Ministry Members and Pastor David at **6:30pm on March 19th** for a time of prayer and worship songs where we will lift up our church and community!

This prayer and worship time will continue each month the half hour prior to our BOLM Meeting!!

Join us as Shepherd of the Pines Serves a Meal at Place of Hope!!

2nd Saturday of every month 1:30pm-6:00pm

(We will serve on March 14th)

This is a servant opportunity that is sure to fill you up in many ways. A great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus! Cooking begins at 1:30, circle prayer at 4:30, and serving at 4:45. You can choose to work the whole time or simply pick the first or second half of the timeframe. If interested, please contact Sandie Resch at 360-4563. Please prayerfully consider.

January's Church Income Statement

| | January | Year-to-Date |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Contributions | \$19,050 | \$19,050 |
| Expenses | <u>(\$17,124</u>) | <u>(\$17,124)</u> |
| Over/(Shortfall) | \$1,927 | \$1,927 |



A Huge Thank you to all our dear friends and church Members at SOTP for your donations and support to our family, after the fire to our family home. We are blessed to have such wonderful friends supporting us at this difficult time.

The Neutz Family



We have been praying for our church families each week as we go through our church directory from A to Z. As you go about your daily tasks lift a prayer for the family of the week as

the Lord brings them to mind. In March we will be praying for:

| March 1– | Jake & Jenny Hanebuth |
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Children: Amilia, Jaxon, & Rowan

March 8 – Rich & Robbin Hemple

Children: Katie & Kyle

March 15 – Gloria Henderickson March 22 – John & Peggy Herman

March 29 - Tim & Melissa Hinderschied

Children: Aubrey & Colton



QUILTING! QUILTING! QUILTING!

We will be

quilting on March 11th and 25th from 4:00pm and March 12th and 26th from 12:30pm at the church. Contact Ardelle for more info at 656-5858. Anyone is welcome to stop in and join us!



MARCH NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday**, **March 15**th, for the **Rice Area Food Shelf**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

Rice Area Food Shelf

March Distribution is Thursday, March 5th from 3:00-5:30pm at the Old Village Hall!



March 1 – Revelation 7:1-4 Ephesians 4:20-32

Matthew 28:16-20 Psalm 32:1-5

1 John 1:5-10 John 20:19-23

March 15 – Isaiah 55:1-11

2 Peter 1:16-2:3 John 6:61-69

March 22 – Leviticus 27:30-34

Philippians 4:11-13 Matthew 6:19-24

March 29 - Psalm 96:1-13

Psalm 113:1-9 Luke 1:46-55



Movie Night At SOTP

Friday, March 13th at 6:00pm Frozen 2 (Kid Night!)

Friday, March 20th at 7:00pm

The Art of Racing in the Rain

(Family Night!)

Feel free to bring your own snacks, beverages, and blankies. Please be mindful of the church when picking your snacks and beverages, we want to keep it neat and clean. NO colored juices. Hope you can join us!



Women's Winter Gathering Sunday, March 1st at 3:00pm

Jordie's Trailside Café

\$10.00 Buffet (Please bring food shelf donation) Sign-up sheet in the narthex!



Don't Miss The Annual Rice Lion's Club Breakfast SUNDAY, MARCH 1

Graham United Methodist Church

Serving: French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Juice & Coffee *Silent Auction Items Available (Tools, Wildlife Prints, Craft Items)* Bake Sale

Recycling at SOTP

Look for the blue collection cans by our regular garbage can.

We can recycle all CLEAN empty bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.
Keep foods, liquids, and plastic bags out of the recycling.

Thrivent Investment Member should apply for their Choice Dollars before March 31st, 2020. You may contact Thrivent online at Thrivent.com or by phone 1-800-847-4836.

Care Giver Support Group
Will Meet 2nd and 4th
Friday of the month
9am-10:30am at St. Stephen City Hall
For Information contact
Denise 320-228-0115

This is not the same as NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER WHICH WILL BE ON MAY 7[™].

World Day •
Prayer



Everyone

invited to attend the World Day of Prayer Service at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (4310 Co Rd 137, St Cloud, MN) on Friday, March 6 at 1:00 PM.

World Day of Prayer (WDP) is a worldwide ecumenical movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. Each year, a different country's committee serves as the writers of the WDP worship service. This year's worship service was written by the women of Zimbabwe, with the theme of "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk."

Join us in praying for justice, peace and healing, along with women, men and children in more than 170 countries around the world.



Sunday, March 22nd

Crusade Choir 8:00am Service



Lenten Worship Schedule

Lenten Suppers

5:15 - 6:45 pm Free will offering Soup suppers.

March 4 BOLM

March 11 Wednesday Bible Study

March 18 Youth Group

March 25 Quilters

April 1 Jen Ollman and Group

Thanks to all who Volunteered.

<u>Lenten Services - 7pm</u> Wednesdays, March 4 – April 1, 7pm

Maundy Thursday Service
April 9, 7pm

Good Friday Service
April 10, 7pm

Easter Sunday Services
April 12, 6:00am, 8:00am, 10:30am

***Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 11 at 10am *** Easter Breakfast will be held April 12 7-10am

Please update your information with Julie in the office if any changes to address, email, or phone number in the last few years.

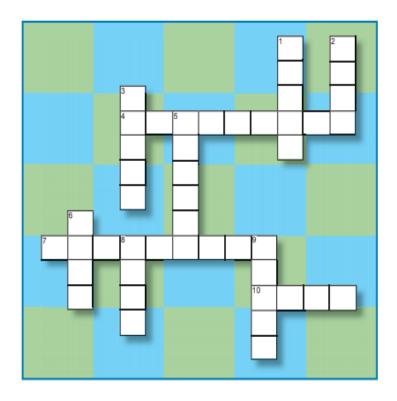
I have also noticed that I'm missing some Birthday and Anniversary information, if I missed you, I apologize just let me know and I will get the correct information into the system.

| March Birthdays | | |
|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Carter | Hovland | March 06 |
| Gabriella | Seppelt | March 06 |
| Ron | Bulthuis | March 06 |
| Jen | Ollman | March 07 |
| Amos | Ostendorf | March 08 |
| Mary | Bulthius | March 10 |
| Steve | Ree | March 10 |
| Jerry | Nelson | March 12 |
| Kira | Brouns | March 12 |
| Brenda | Hackett | March 13 |
| Nancy | Forer | March 13 |
| Brenda | Pressnall | March 14 |
| Noah | Ellefson | March 15 |
| Don | Dubbin | March 17 |
| Abigail | Seppelt | March 19 |
| Ann | Hovland | March 19 |
| Judy | Anderson | March 20 |
| Austin | Petron | March 21 |
| Robin | Hemple | March 23 |
| Joyce | Saldana | March 24 |
| Colton | Popp | March 25 |
| Jordie | Stay | March 26 |
| Lori | Dubbin | March 26 |
| Roxanne | Peterson | March 26 |
| Julie | Robinson | March 27 |
| Jessica | Brenny | March 29 |
| Macey | Mickelson | March 30 |

| March Anniversaries | | |
|---------------------|-------|----------|
| David and Joni | Hoeft | March 07 |

Also, Check out our Website <u>sotpministries.com</u> and Facebook page for Weekly Announcements and Events.

Jesus Calmed the Storm Crossword Puzzle



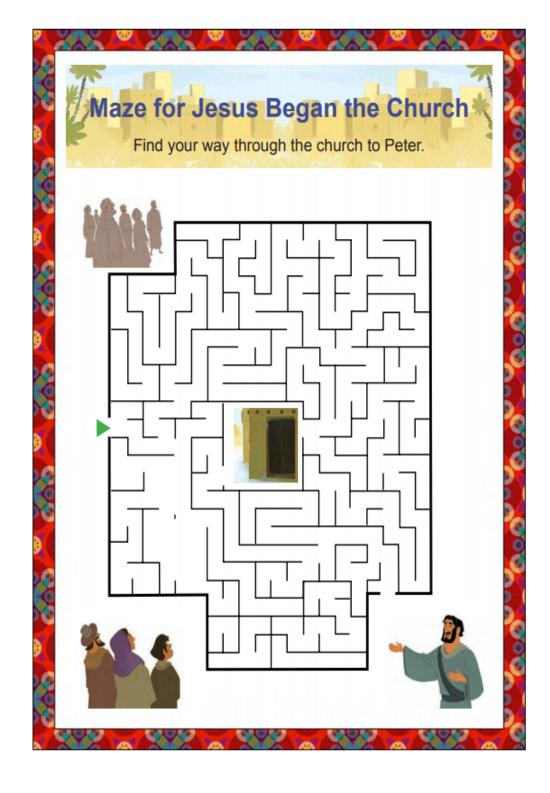
ACROSS

- 4. Feeling of wonder or awe
- 7. These people went with Jesus.
- 10. Follow commands

DOWN

- 1. A lake is full of this.
- 2. They rode across the lake on this.

- 3. Jesus asked "Where is your _____?"
- Jesus was _____ when the windstorm hit.
- 6. Blowing air
- 8. Not stormy
- 9. Bad weather



| Worship | Shepherds |
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| March 1 | Kyle Hackett |
| March 8 | Wayne Peterson |
| March 15 | Sarah Anderson |
| March 22 | Kyle Hackett |
| March 29 | Wayne Peterson |
| March 1 | 8:00am Keith & Roxanne Peterson |
| | 10:30am Travis & Marlys Lenarz |
| March 8 | 8:00am Steve & Roxann Ree |
| | 10:30am Wayne & Colleen Peterson |
| March 15 | 8:00am Keith & Brenda Hackett |
| | 10:30am Bruce & Sandie Resch USHERS |
| March 22 | 8:00am Brian & Heather Statz |
| | 10:30am Tom & Jen Ollman |
| March 29 | 8:00a Jeremy & Candance Dingmann |
| | 10:30am Keith & Kathy Craft |
| March 1 | 8:00am Brenda Hackett |
| | 10:30am Howard Forer |
| March 8 | 8:00am Janet Maleska |
| | 10:30am Pastor David |
| March 15 | 8:00am Ruth Brutcher |
| | 10:30am Pastor David |
| March 22 | 8:00am Ostendorf Family |
| | 10:30am Sandie Resch |
| March 29 | 8:00am Lois Perleberg |
| | 10:30am Celeste Ollman |
| March 1 | 8:00am Deb Erdmann & Jordie Stay |
| | 10:30am Tom & Jen Ollman |
| March 8 | 8:00am Keith & Brenda Hackett |
| | 10:30am Keith & Brenda Hackett & ecters |
| March 15 | 8:00am Keith & Roxanne Peterson |
| | 10:30am Travis & Marlys Lenarz |
| March 22 | 8:00am Shelly Pintok |
| | 10:30am Howard & Nancey Forer |
| March 29 | 8:00 am Barb Zapzalka |
| | 10:30am Bruce & Sandie Resch |

Milton Popp, Barb McKeever, & Colleen Peterson





MARCH

Roxanne Peterson, Juli Popp & Joan Ramey



If it is your turn to serve fellowship, please bring some treats to share and arrive early to help set up. If your name is first on the list, please arrive 30 minutes prior

to the 8:00am service to make coffee. The directions for making coffee are posted on the bulletin board in the kitchen. When you serve fellowship, please plan on serving coffee and treats and cleaning up the kitchen after the first service. The others serving with you would appreciate it!

March 1 – S. Ree, D. Perelberg, M. Popp D. Newman, R. McKeever

March 8 – K. Hackett, T. Hinderschied,

W. Peterson, T. Morgan, M. Kiraly/Robinson

March 15 – D. Erdman, K. Craft, L. Grainger, J. Anderson, D. Koep

March 22 - B. Gottwalt, J. Brouns, B. Statz B. Resch, M. Kivi, D. Dirks

March 29 - C. Anderson, T. Omann, R. Kreifels, B. Jasmer, A. Ostendorf

March 1 - Pastor David March 8 - Jane Nelson March 15 - Steve Ree March 22 - Pastor David March 29 - Dennis Arntson



Muscians Heather March 1 March **Bethany &** Gabby Praise Team March 15 March 22 Crusade Choir/ Lyric Videos



Praise Team Plus March 29

PROJECTIONISTS

10:30am Denise Leahy

| March 1 | 8:00am Dennis Arntson |
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| | 10:30am Cal Ollman |
| March 8 | 8:00am Aaron Betker |
| | 10:30am Denise Leahy |
| March 15 | 8:00am Gabby Dingmann |
| | 10:30am Keith Hackett |
| March 22 | 8:00am Sarah Anderson |
| | 10:30am Cal Ollman |
| March 29 | 8:00am Keith Hackett |



RICE AREA MISSION QUILTERS

Shepherd Of The Pines Lutheran Church 1950 125th St NW - Rice, MN 56367

Project Needs Volunteers

Sew Tops Tie & Pin Quilts

Supplies

- 1. Fabric Yardage and Pieces
- 2. Yarn
- 3. Thread Partial Spool ok



- 4. Polyester Batting
- 5. Towels
- 6. Sheets & Pillowcases

Quilts, Blankets, Sheets, Towels, Washcloths, Pillowcases, Laundry Bags, Wheelchair Bags, Rice Bag, Lap Robes, Receiving Blankets & Hot Pads Are Donated To:

- Tr Youth for Christ † Pathway 4 Youth ₱ Journey Home Recovery Plus
- 🕈 Anna Marie ♣ Foley Food Shelf (CROSS)
- † Place of Hope ₱ Salvation Army
- ₽ St. Cloud Vet Stand Down ₱ Becker Faith in Action
- Bags of Love ₱ Dream Center
- **†** Catholic Charities **†** Global Health Ministries
- **†** Homestyle Living ♣ VA Medical Center
- 1 Lutheran World Relief ☆ Central MN ReEntry ♣ St. Cloud Group Home
 - † Eagles Healing Nest
 - **River Crest**
 - **Personal Ministry & Benefits**
 - **†** Adara Home Health
 - ☆ Talahi Care Center
 - ♣ CentraCare Health Home Care
- ♣ Clara's House and Hospice
- **†** Good Shepherd Care Center

† Harding Place

♣ Oasis~ Little Falls

♣ DOMAS

Contact: Ardelle (320)656-5858 Cell: (320)333-5858 Cherie (320)393-4164 Cell: (320)420-4164 Rita 320~492~1067

We appreciate any & all donations given! THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

<u>Quilting News!</u>

We have had a very productive year in Quilting! During the year 2019, we were able to deliver 2134 queen and regular quilts, lap robes, and receiving blankets. We also deliver miscellaneous pillowcases, sheets, blankets, towels, and washcloths free of charge to low income families.

We have to thank everyone that has donated money, fabric, their time sewing tops, pillowcases, potholders and ironing sheets. We have accomplished so much with everyone using their wonderful talents. We would really appreciate more people participating in the pinning and tying of the quilts. (We have a lot of fun and laughs!) No need to know how to sew!!

A special thank you to Thrivent Financial, Shepherd of the Pine Lutheran Church, and Jordie's Trailside Café for supporting our purchase of sheets for our quilts. Good Shepherd Oaks also provides a room to tie and pin quilts.

We are making rice bags, pillowcase dresses, and receiving blankets for Haiti as well.

We have a list on the back of all the agencies that have received our items. They are all very grateful for all the time and talents of everyone that has taken part in this mission.



Jesus brings joy to...

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SOTP BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY/ELDERS

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EXECUTIVE MINISTRY TEAM

Brenda Hackett – Education & Small Group Team Leader, Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader, Jen Ollman- Service Team Leader

In case of church cancellation due to bad weather listen to, 98 COUNTRY 98.1, SPIRIT 92.9, KCLD 104.7, WJON 1240,

or call the church office and listen to the message.

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 <u>Great Commission</u> (Matthew 28), namely first of all to <u>Go</u>. To leave our walls of refuge, going into all the world, comprising 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 <u>Make Disciples</u> or in the words of St Paul, "<u>To equip the saints</u>" (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 <u>Baptize</u> 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 to them life, forgiveness of sins, and eternal salvation.

And lastly, to continue steadfast in His Word, <u>Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you</u>. 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 <u>Make Disciples</u>.