

"Truly Humble!"



Philippians 2:8

April 2, 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.

April 2, 2023
9am Worship Service
10am Fellowship
10:20am Sunday School
10:30 Bible Study

Heather Statz, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Invocation

Pastor: We join our voices to those of the crowd in Jerusalem who on this day long ago welcomed Jesus the Messiah:

Congregation: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Hosanna! It means, "Lord, save us!" Jesus entered Jerusalem to do exactly that.

Congregation: "Lord, save us!"

Pastor: Really, that is the only plea we can make as sinners before a holy and just God. Let's confess our sins and our need for Him, asking our heavenly Father to forgive us for the sake of His Son. Hosanna; Lord save us!

Congregation: Lord, save me! For I have sinned against You with my thoughts and my words and my deeds. There are even sins I have done of which I am not aware. Forgive me also for my hidden faults. I am truly sorry for my sins. Hosanna! Lord, save me!

Pastor: That you and I might be forgiven of our sins is exactly why Jesus came. As we will hear from God's Word this day, Jesus "humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even to death on a cross." Five days after He rode into Jerusalem, Jesus was crucified for the sins of the world, including yours and mine. He did save us! We are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we pray and ask for this:

Congregation: By Your Spirit fill us with the mind and the attitude of Christ. Give to us servant hearts.

Pastor: We ask this in the name of Jesus, who humbled Himself and served us by giving His life for us and our forgiveness.

Congregation: Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Isaiah 50:4-9 (Page 728)

Epistle – Philippians 2:5-11 (Page 1162)

Gospel – John 12:12-19 (Page 1065)

Sermon Song Choir

"On That Day, When He Rode Into Jerusalem"

Sermon
Pastor Dave Strohschein
"Truly Humble!"
Philippians 2:8

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

"Hosanna"

Prayers (Family this week: Lloyd & Deb Erdmann)

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

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

Next Week's Readings:

Psalms 16

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

John 20:1-8



We are glad to have you with us today! Please sign our guest book. Also, Join us for fellowship after 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!



Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Tuesday & Thursday Quilting
 - Bible Studies- Wednesday morning; 9:30am
 - Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm & AA meets Thursday at 7pm
 - Maundy Thursday Service; April 6th 6:30pm
 - Good Friday Service April 7th 6:30pm
 - Easter Egg Hunt April 8th 10am
 - Easter Service April 9th ; 7am & 9:30am
 - Easter Breakfast April 9th ; 8-9:15am
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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!



April 2nd	S. Wood, K. Ellefson, B. Statz
April 9th	Easter Breakfast
April 16th	A. Gerads, S. Manea, R. Weinand
April 23rd	D. Arntson, R. Woods, T. Ollman
April 30th	J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, G. Welle
May 7th	Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett
May 14th	R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp
May 21st	j. Amundson, P. Dahl, B. Novitzki
May 28th	K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson

Lenten Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service 6:30pm

April 6th

Good Friday Service 6:30pm

April 7th

Easter Sunday Services

April 9th , 7:00am & 9:30am

*** Easter Breakfast 8am-9:15am

***Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 8th at 10am



Join us for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

- Easter Story
- Egg Hunt (Weather Permitting)
- Snack
- Photo Booth

(If there is still a lot of snow or mud we will give the kids eggs to take home and have a hunt at home)

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	217-4431
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

March Altar Guild: Deb Erdmann, Gloria Hendrickson & Joanny Ramey

March Counters: Ron McKeever & Wayne Anderson



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

Mädchen Cate Smallfield
Emily May Moulzolf
Bridger Allen Dumonceaux
Griffin Dale Maass
Bryce Nathan Leyk
Maverick Lee Wolff
Coen Maxwell Line
Cal Nicholas Cervenka
Barrett James Eggert
Amelia Rose Wentland

Date of Baptism

April 3, 2022
June 19, 2022
July 24, 2022
October 17, 2022
December 18, 2022
January 8, 2023
January 8, 2023
January 29, 2023
February 5, 2023
February 26, 2023

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.

AA Meeting at SOTP

We are meeting on Thursdays at 7pm. If you have questions reach out to Dan Carins 293-9213.

Open Position: Service/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 Easter Egg Hunt!

2023 Events

Easter Egg Hunt – April 8

Mom/Son Event - September

Trunk or Treat Event - October

Spring Cleaning & Recycling

Looking for a variety of items for shelters.



- ✓ Sheets Fitted & Flat
- ✓ Towels
- ✓ Denim Jeans
- ✓ Belts



Please leave in the church sewing room. Thank you!

Rice Area Food Shelf

April Distribution is

Thursday, April 6th

from 3:00-5:30pm

at the Old Village Hall!

Thanks to all for well wishes, cards, phone calls and prayer!

Also, thanks Pastor Strohschein for telling your friends we were in Rochester-- they included us in three Lenten service/suppers! I could feel the prayer support, didn't feel like I was going it alone, and had no radiation side effects. Everything is looking good and I'll return in June for a follow-up.

Love you guys! Garry & Bonnie Loidolt

Pastor Names for Consideration

Rev. Henry Biar – Skokie, IL
Rev. Derek Broten Hastings MN
Rev. Dale Critchley – West St. Paul, MN
Rev. Chris Escher – Port St. Lucie, FL
Rev. David Ficken – Plover, WI
Rev. David Groth – Watertown, WI
Rev. John Huss – Milpitas, CA
Rev. Jeff Lee – Staples, MN
Rev. Marty Mably – Elk River, MN
Rev. Shawn Nettleton – Fort Collins, CO
Rev. John Otte – Blue Springs, MO
Rev. Andrew Ratcliffe – Perham, MN
Rev. Michael Saylor – Convoy, OH
Rev. Michael Thress – Elkton, MD
Rev. Matthew Albright-Blaine, MN
Rev. Scott Jensen -Riverfalls WI
Rev Bradley Knorr Easton CT
Rev Brett Matz Plymouth WI
Rev. Keith Bueltmann Riverton IL
Rev. Craig Donofrio Parma OH
Rev. Robert Jones Riverside CA
Rev. Doug Mauss Ellisville MO
Rev. James Thomas St. Louis MO
Rev Brad Zerkel Independence MO

Call Committee Members

Scott Manea 320-267-5409	Lloyd Walburn 763-458-1236
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If you have any questions for Pastor Dave Strohschein, here is his contact information as well. 320-241-5806.

PORTALS of PRAYER are available on the narthex counter!



New Members Class

Join us April 13th 7-9pm

Topics will include

- *The Bible as the Word of God
- *The person and work of Jesus
- *The means of Grace and the work of the Holy Spirit
- *Prayer
- *God Our Creator
- *Living a life of faith

This class is for those interested in becoming a member at SOTP or current members as a study refresher for their faith

Day care will be available for those who are in need of that service.

Membership Class has been rescheduled to
Thursday April 13th from 7-9pm

This class is for anyone interested in becoming a member of SOTP. Topics will include what we believe about:

- † The Bible as the Word of God
- † The person and work of Jesus
- † The means of Grace and the work of the Holy Spirit
- † Prayer
- † God as our Creator
- † Living a life of faith.

We will offer Daycare during the class for those who would like to attend and need daycare during that time.

Current members are also invited to join this study as a refresher for their faith.

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, April 2nd

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

10:00 AM

10:20 AM

10:30 AM

(Music-Heather Statz) Palm Sunday

Prayer Time

Worship

Fellowship

Sunday School/Youth Group

Bible Study

Monday, April 3rd

7:30 PM

7:30 PM

Praise Team

Bible Study – in homes

Tuesday, April 4th

9:00 AM

5:30 AM

6:00 PM

Quilters

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Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday April 5th

9:30 AM

6:30 PM

Bible Study

Confirmation

Thursday, April 6th

9:00 AM

6:30 PM

7:00 PM

Quilters

Maundy Thursday Service w/Holy

Communion

AA Meeting

Friday, April 7th

6:30 PM

Church office closed

Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 8th

10:00 AM

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 9th

7:00 Am

8:00 AM

8-9:15 AM

9:30 AM

(Music-Heather Statz) Easter Sunday

Worship Service w/Holy Communion

Prayer Time

Easter Breakfast

Worship Service w/Holy Communion

No Sunday School or Bible Study

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday

April 2nd

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Keith Hackett
Projectionist: Cynthia Ollman
Reader: Ruth Brutcher
Ushers: Deb Erdmann & Grand Children

Worship Leader: Brenda Hackett

Worship Service Shepherd: Ron McKeever

Fellowship J. Amundson, K. Ellefsons, B. Statz

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday

April 9th Easter Sunday 9:30am

7:00am Worship:

Greeters: Open
Projectionist: Open
Reader: Ruth Brutcher
Ushers: Open

Worship Leader: Open

Worship Service Shepherd: Bev Gerads

Easter Breakfast 8-9:15am

9:30am Worship:

Greeters: Ron & Barb McKeever
Projectionist: Julie Kiraly
Reader: Paul Tschida
Ushers: Keith & Roxanne Peterson

Worship Leader: Jerry Nelson

Worship Service Shepherd: Kyle Hackett

Please Join Us For Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday

April 6th 6:30pm

Good Friday Service

April 7th 6:30pm

Easter Sunday Services

April 9th 7:00am & 9:30am



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