

**"Your Prayer Partner!"**



Romans 8:26

**July 23, 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.

July 23, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

Bethany Mears, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"Our God"

Invocation

Pastor: We come into God's House for worship and praise in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: "I seek Your face with all my heart; be gracious to me according to Your promise." (Psalm 119:58)**

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: This is God's promise, from 1 John 1:8-9. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**Congregation: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Congregation: Most merciful God, I confess that I am by nature sinful and unclean. I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbor as myself. I justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins 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 don't always know what to pray for or how to pray.

**Congregation: Bless us with the power of Your Spirit to help us in our weakness. We thank You for the Spirit's intercession on our behalf as He prays for us in accordance with Your will. (Romans 8:26)**

Pastor: Help us to wait patiently for the hope we have been given in Jesus and to live our lives as people of hope.

**Congregation: We ask this in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## Children's Message

## Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Psalm 119:57-64 (Page 608)

Epistle – Romans 8:18-27 (Page 1118)

Gospel – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (Page 969)

## Sermon Song

“How Great Thou Art”

Sermon  
Pastor Dave Stroschein  
"Your Prayer Partner!"  
Romans 8:26

Notes:

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### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic

Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Offering Announcement

Offering Song

“It is Well With My Soul”

Prayer (Family this week: Jordan & Michele Giambrone

Son Reid)

## 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.

## The Words of our Lord

## Holy Communion

Communion Songs

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light,  
His Mercy is More, & Holy Spirt, Light Divine”

## The Dismissal

## Benediction

Closing Song

“10,000 Reason (Bless the Lord)”

Next Week's Readings:

Psalm 125

Romans 8:28-39

Matthew 13:44-52



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](http://www.sotpministries.com/give)

or call the office at 320-393-4295 for help setting this up!



## Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Quilters meet Tuesday 9 AM and Thursday 9 AM
- Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm & AA meets Thursday at 7pm

## 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 someone to switch with. Each group is to bring in treats, serve, and clean up. Thank You!

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**J. Amundson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz**

**July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**A. Gerads, S. Manea, R. Weinand**

**August 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Pastor Dave & Karen 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Potluck**

**August 13<sup>th</sup>**

**J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, G. Welle**

**August 20<sup>th</sup>**

**R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp**

**August 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett**

Looking for anyone who would be interested in heading up or being involved in

### **Operation Christmas Child**

this year at SOTP. Please reach out to the church office. Thank you!



# 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

**July Altar Guild:** Mary Bulthuis, Joan Ramey

**July Counters:** Barb McKeever, Juli Popp





# 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.

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Please keep our baptized children in your prayers...

### Child's Name

Bridger Allen Dumonceaux  
Griffin Dale Maass  
Bryce Nathan Leyk  
Maverick Lee Wolff  
Coen Maxwell Line  
Cal Nicholas Cervenka  
Barrett James Eggert  
Amelia Rose Wentland  
Joel Richard Page IV  
Rosalynn Grace Hall

### Date of Baptism

July 24, 2022  
October 17, 2022  
December 18, 2022  
January 8, 2023  
January 8, 2023  
January 29, 2023  
February 5, 2023  
February 26, 2023  
May 14, 2023  
May 21, 2023

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ALTAR GUILD

## 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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# This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

## **Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

10:00 AM

## **(Music- Bethany Mears)**

Prayer Time

Worship

Fellowship

## **Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 PM

Bible Study – in homes

## **Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM

Quilting

6:00 PM

Al-Anon Meeting

## **Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **9:00-Noon**

**Pastor Dave Strohschein in the office**

9:00 AM

Quilting

7:00 PM

AA

7:00 PM

Service Team Meeting

## **Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**

## **(Music- Gabby Dingmann) Noisy Offering**

8:00 AM

Prayer Time

9:00 AM

Worship

10:00 AM

Prayer & Anointing with Oil

10:00 AM

Fellowship

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday  
July 23<sup>rd</sup>

**9:00am Worship:**

Greeters: Kiraly Family  
Projectionist: Denise Leahy  
Reader: Dennis Arntson  
Ushers: Keith & Brenda Hackett

**Worship Leader:** Dennis Arntson

**Worship Service Shepherd:** Paul Tschida

**Fellowship** J. Amundson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz

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**Worship Leader:** Paul Tschida

**Worship Service Shepherd:** Kyle Hackett

**Fellowship** J. Elliott, K. Maleska, K. Huhne/Popp