

"Convicted and Convinced!"

Matthew 16:16

August 27, 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.

August 27, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

Gabby, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"Raise a Hallelujah"

Invocation

Pastor: We begin our worship in the name placed upon us at our baptism, the moment we became God's redeemed and forgiven children.

Congregation: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying:

Congregation: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. Have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 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, You have called us to witness that in Christ You have reconciled us to Yourself.

Congregation: Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may proclaim the good news of Your salvation so that all who hear it may receive the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Isaiah 51:1-6 (Page 728)

Epistle – Romans 11:33-12:8 (Page 1122)

Gospel – Matthew 16:13-20 (Page 972)

Sermon Song

“Chain Breaker”

Sermon

Pastor Dave Strohschein

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Notes:

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

“There was Jesus ”

Prayer (Family this week: Marshall & Kelsay Grams Children: Finnegan, Maverick, & Taylor)

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

“To the Table & At the Cross”

The Dismissal

The Benediction

Closing Song

“We Believe”

Next Week's Readings: Psalm 26
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28



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



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!

August 27th Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett

September 3rd K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson

September 10th P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki

September 17th J. Clasen, D. Giese, T. Hovland

September 24th D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm & AA meets Thursday at 7pm
 - Blessing of the backpacks on September 10th; bring your backpacks to church on that Sunday morning.
 - On September 10th, 3 graders will get their Bibles and 7th graders will get their Catechisms
 - Sunday School will start on September 10th. Registration is open.
 - Confirmation Class for 7th & 8th graders will start on September 13th
 - Movie night will return in September.
 - We will have a Mom/Son Harvest Adventure on September 27th Registration is open and will close on September 20th
 - First Communion Class will be in October for 5th graders or older who would like to start taking Holy Communion.
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If you would like information about the scholarship fund, please reach out to Pastor Dave, Ron McKeever, or Paul Tschida.



Congratulations to Jami Kreifels

She has accepted the position as the Activity Team Leader. We are excited to have you in this special role to be the leader of the Activity Team and keep growing events at SOTP.

Registration for Mom/Son Event is open. This is a free event and will be on **September 27th from 5:30-7:30pm** Registration will close on **September 20th** Please register online!



**Mom/Son
Harvest Adventure
Wednesday,
September 27th
5:30pm-7:30pm**
Hosted by
**Shepherd of the Pines
Lutheran Church**
Hosted at
Triple S Pumpkin Patch
7408 Imperial Rd, Royalton, MN 56373
This is a Free Event!
Registration is required for this event. You can register at sotpministries.com/harvestadventure Because of the location and food, registration will be open until September 20th. After this date we will not be able to accommodate any add ons. Please register early!

Pastor Names for Consideration

- Rev. Joseph Ferry, Fort Wayne, IN
- Rev. Stuart Freese, Hooper, NE
- Rev. William Hugo, Columbia Heights MN
- Rev. Russell Kampfer, Mosinee, WI
- Rev. Christopher Nitzel, Hartley, IA
- Rev. Derek Paetow, St. Louis, MO
- Rev. Gary Schulte, St. Louis, MO
- Rev. Erik Stadler, Odessa, TX
- Rev. Douglas Zahner, Mayville, WI
- Rev. Robert Zellmer, Lawtown IA

Call Committee Members

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*If you have any questions for Pastor Dave Strohschein, this is his contact information as well. 320-241-5806

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.

Third, 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
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Executive Ministry Team

Jami Kreifels - Activity Team Leader

Brenda Hackett - Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Leader

Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader

August Altar Guild: Deb Erdmann, Joan Ramey, & Gloria Hendrickson

August 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 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

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
Rosallynn Grace Hall

Date of Baptism

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



ALTAR GUILD

ALTAR GUILD TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED

We have 3 openings for Altar Guild. 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, August 27th (Music- Gabby)

8:00 AM Prayer Time
9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship

Monday, August 28th

7:30 PM Bible Study – in homes

Tuesday, August 29th

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

Wednesday, August 30th

Thursday, August 31st

9:00-Noon Pastor Dave Strohschein in the office
9:00 AM Quilters
7:00 PM AA

Friday, September 1st

Sunday, September 3rd (Music- Praise Team)

8:00 AM Prayer Time
9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday
August 27th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Garry Loidolt
Projectionist: Cynthia Ollman
Reader: Ron Woods
Ushers: Brian & Heather Statz

Worship Leader: Keith Hackett

Worship Service Shepherd: Ron McKeever

Fellowship Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday
September 3rd

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Al & Bev Gerads
Projectionist: Sarah Anderson
Reader: Jerry Nelson
Ushers: Brenda & Keith Hackett

Worship Leader: Ron Bulthuis

Worship Service Shepherd: Colleen Woods

Fellowship K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson