



September 3, 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.

September 3, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

Heather Statz, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"Majesty"

Invocation

Pastor: Let's speak some of the words of Psalm 26 together as we enter God's house to worship.

Congregation: "I love the house where you live, O Lord, the place where Your glory dwells. My feet stand on level ground; in the great assembly I will praise the Lord." (Psalm 26:8, 12)

Pastor: And so we begin this time of worship and praise to the Lord

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

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: In today's New Testament reading from Romans, we will hear Paul talk about our faith and love for the Lord in action. While it is true that we have put our faith into action this week, it is also true that there were times when we did not act on our faith or live out our faith. Let's confess those sins now and seek God's forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Congregation: Heavenly Father, my love for You has not always been sincere. I have not always hated what was evil but instead I embraced it. There were times this week when I put myself first and deemed myself more important than

those around me. I was selfish and did not share with those in need. I did not bless those who were not being kind to me. Rather, I did to them as they were doing to me. I am truly sorry for my sins, for with them I have offended You. I ask You to forgive me for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Jesus Christ was born for you. Jesus Christ lived a perfect life for you. Then, Jesus Christ died on the cross for you and rose again for you. He did all of this to gain the forgiveness of sins for all sinners, and that includes you and me. In Him and through Him, you are forgiven. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You bless the earth to make it fruitful so as to provide whatever is needed for the support of our lives.

Congregation: Bless the work of farmers and all those who labor to bring food to our tables. Give them seasonable weather that they may gather the harvest and proclaim Your goodness with thanksgiving.

Pastor: We ask this in Jesus' name.

Congregation: Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Psalm 26 (Page 545)

Epistle – Romans 12:9-21 (Page 1123)

Gospel – Matthew 16:21-28 (Page 973)

Sermon Song

“Seek Ye First”

Sermon
Pastor Dave Strohschein
"How do you live a Hallelujah?"
Romans 12:9-21

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

"Alleluia"

Prayer (Family this week: Kathy Gummert Family)

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 Dismissal

The Benediction

Closing Song

“People of God”

Next Week's Readings: Psalm 32:1-7
Romans 13:1-10
Matthew 18:1-20



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



**Thank you to all
the Volunteers
who helped
with the Church
Cleaning!! We
appreciate all
the help!**

THANK YOU
Volunteers



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!

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
October 1st S. Pressnall, C. Walberg, D. Cairns
October 8th M. Barringer, L. Saldana, K. Peterson
October 15th B. Jasmer & A. Ostendorf
October 22nd J. Elliott, K. Maleska, K. Huhne/Popp
October 29th J. Amundson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz

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.
 - Bible Study will start on September 10th from 10:30-11am
 - Confirmation Class for 7th & 8th graders will start on September 13th
 - Join us for Movie Night on September 15th at 6:30pm. The movie will be The Super Mario Bros. Come in Pjs, bring a blanket and snacks if you would like. Some snacks will be available to share as well.
 - We will have a Mom/Son Harvest Adventure on September 27th Registration is open and will close on September 20th
 - Save the Date Trunk or Treat event will be October 28th from 4-6pm
 - First Communion Class will be in November for 5th graders or older who would like to start taking Holy Communion.
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Here the list in the order of the Call Committee's recommendation

Rev Pastor Joseph Ferry
Fort Wayne, IN

For Sermons go to <https://southwestlutheran.org/>. Go to the middle of the page and find the words "click below to view our Sunday worship livestream". Click there and you can see the Sunday Sermons

Pastor Russell Kampfner
Mosinee WI

Go to St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church Wausau WI Facebook page to review some Pastor Sermon notes

Pastor Robert Zellmer
Lawtown, IA

Bethel Lutheran Church

For Sermons go to <https://www.bethellawton.org/home>. Scroll down to the youtube link and you can watch the sermons there.

We will have an introduction meeting on **Tuesday September 12th at 6:30** We encourage you to check out the information on these Pastors and prayerfully consider how they might fit into God's plan for our church.

If you want to see the PIFs and SETs please contact Julie in the office to set up a time to look at them. These items cannot leave SOTP.

We will have a voting congregational meeting on September 17th at 10:20 after church.

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

September Altar Guild: Julie Clasen, Charyl Walber, & Brenda Pressnall

September Counters: Curt Kvamme, Deb Erdmann, & Sandie Resch



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
Rosalynn 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.

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

Moms, Grandmas, and Aunts bring your sons, grandsons, and nephews to a fun evening with a Wagon Ride, Playing, Photo Booth and Food.

**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!

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, September 3rd (Music- Heather Statz)

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

Monday, September 4th Labor Day Office Closed

7:30 PM Bible Study – in homes

Tuesday, September 5th

6:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, September 6th

7:30 PM Youth Group Meeting

Thursday, September 7th

9:00-Noon Pastor Dave Strohschein in the office

9:00 AM Quilters
7:00 PM AA meeting

Sunday, September 10th (Music- Lyric Videos)

Blessing of backpacks

8:00 AM Prayer Time
9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion
10:00 AM Fellowship/Fall kickoff
10:20 AM First Day of Sunday School
10:30 AM Bible Study

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday
September 3rd

9:00am Worship:

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

Worship Leader: Paul Tschida

Worship Service Shepherd: Colleen Woods

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

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday
September 10th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Ron & Barb McKeever
Projectionist: Mackenzie Ramey
Reader: Wyatt Alstrup
Ushers: Lenarz Family

Worship Leader: Brenda Hackett

Worship Service Shepherd: Joanny Ramey

Fellowship P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki