

Revelation 7:13



"Heavenly 'Q and A'"

November 5, 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 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.

November 5, 2023

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

10:20 Sunday School

10:30 Bible Study

Heather, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"Softly & Tenderly"

Invocation

Pastor: For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed,

Congregation: Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastor: Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;

Congregation: Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastor: From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host.

Congregation: Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia! ("For All the Saints", LSB 677)

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us His forgiveness.

Congregation: O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray to You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, by virtue of my office as an ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God unto all of you. And in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Remembrance of Loved Ones called Home by the Lord

Pastor: "And I heard a voice from heaven, saying to me, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works to follow them." (Revelation 14:13) We remember with thanksgiving our sisters and brothers in Christ who are now home with the Lord.

(Names of those who passed away since last November 1)

Todd Case 11/18/22

Donna Poganski 11/20/22

Benedith Mager 11/27/22

Joyce Leidenfrost 12/4/22

Colleen Millard 12/8/22

Bob Happke 12/11/22

Alvin Scheel 12/13/22

Petronella Prokott 12/31/22

Melvin Jasmer 1/2/23

Celestine Gall 1/5/23

Audrey Klinker 1/17/23

Michael Popp 2/11/23

Lavina Rudek 2/21/23

Ray Schlichting 3/7/23

Delores Wainright 3/31/23

Mark Weinand 4/4/23

Cindy Carter 4/5/23
Evelyn Scapanski 4/8/23
Jeremy Zwack 5/2/23
Stan Skjei 5/31/23
Greg Kloss 6/5/23
Ed Spychalla 6/28/23
Jon Upton 7/29/23
Cara Freese 8/23/23

Joan Gill 4/6/23
Muggs Newman 4/19/23
Pat Cairns 5/15/23
Alex Ripka 6/1/23
Neveah Ripka 6/23/23
John McIntyre 7/15/23
Joe Then 8/5/23
Terry Christiansen 9/4/23

Congregation: "Oh, what their joy and their glory must be, those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see! Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest; God shall be all, and in all ever blest." ("Oh, What Their Joy", LSB 675)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, we thank and praise You for forever wiping away the tears of our loved ones.

Congregation: We thank and praise You for the eternal rest You have given to their souls.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, we pray that You would prepare our souls to be with You in Your heavenly home

Congregation: That we may see You and adore You with all Your saints above. Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Psalm 149 (Page 624)

Epistle – Revelation 7:9-17 (Page 1220)

Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12 (Page 958)

Sermon Song

"When I Look into Your Holiness"

Sermon
Pastor Dave Strohschein
"Heavenly 'Q and A'"
Revelation 7:13

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

"Grace Alone"

Prayer

(Family this week: John & Peggy Herman)

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 Benediction

Closing Song

“Shout to the North”

Next Week's Readings: Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13



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

Online Giving

Available Now, Go to SOTP website: sotpministries.com or call the office at 320-393-4295 for help setting this up



Annual Congregational Meeting



The annual congregational meeting of SOTP will be held after service on Sunday, November 19, 2023 at 10:20 in the church sanctuary. Thank you for attending and lending your voice. Feel free to contact any current board member with any questions you may have.

First Communion Class



First Communion Class is scheduled for this Tuesday, November 7th, 6:30-7:30pm. Pastor Dave would like your 5th grader or 6th grader and a parent to attend this class. As of now a First Communion Sunday has not been scheduled. Please email if you have any questions or concerns. Also, email to notify us if your child will be attending the class.

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
David Perleberg V.P.	360-5147	Colleen Woods	685-4389
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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

November Altar Guild: Julie Clasen, Charyl Walberg, & Brenda Pressnall

November 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 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

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
Barrett Charles Cole

Date of Baptism

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



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!

November 5th A. Gerads, S. Manea, R. Weinand

November 12th D. Arntson, R. Woods, T. Ollman

November 19th J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, G. Welle

November 26th K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher. P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson

December 3rd Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett, T. Hackett

December 10th R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp

December 17th P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki

December 24th No Fellowship

December 31st Volunteers Needed

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Sunday School from 10:20-11am
- Bible Study from 10:30-11am
- Quilters meet Tuesday 9am and Thursday 9am
- Wednesday morning Bible study 9:30am
- Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm, & AA meets Thursday at 7pm
- First Communion Class will be November 7th at 6:30pm for 5th graders or older who would like to start taking Holy Communion.
- Movie Night November 17th "The Little Mermaid"
- Annual Congregational meeting: November 19th

Movie Night @ SOTP! Join us on November 17th for The Little Mermaid. Come in Pjs, bring a blanket, and snacks if you would like. Some snacks are available to share as well.



SOTP will be the church of the month for Terebinth Refudge



Check out the table in the narthex for items in need, which include:

- Gift Cards to Walmart or Kwik Trip in amounts of \$10 or \$20
- Grocery Gift Certificate or cards in amounts of \$10 or \$20
- Toilet Paper
- Napkins
- Desk Lamps
- Radio Alarm Clocks
- 2024-2025 Day/Monthly planners
- Cute 3 ring binders
- Picture Frames 5x7 or 8x10

Items can be brought to the church office all month long. We will also have a Noisy offering on November 19th for Terebinth Refuge.

Pastor Names for Consideration

Rev. Jacob Allsteadt, Williston Park, NY
Rev. Jeffrey Anderson, Morton, IL
Rev. Jim Bender, Hudson, WI
Rev. Grant Bode, New Ulm, MN
Rev. David Knuth, Waupun, WI
Rev. John Miels, Rice Lake, WI
Rev. Derek Paetow, St. Louis, MO
Rev. Leonard Payton, Brookfield, IL
Rev. Scott Roberts, Seymour, IN
Rev. Douglas Stowe, Hartford, WI

If any member of SOTP has a concern about any of the pastors on the list, they can register their concern in writing for the Call committee to consider. Deadline for the Objection Period is November 20th

Call Committee Members

Scott Manea 320-267-5409	Lloyd Walburn 763-458-1236
Janet Maleska 320-249-4467	Jeff Ramey 320-260-5869
Colleen Woods 320-685-4389	Peg Herman 320-267-1863
Bruce Resch 320-360-4562	John Alstrup 612-839-9490
Gabby Dingmann 320-492-4992	Julie Kiraly 320-223-0880

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

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, November 5th (Music-Heather Statz)

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Fellowship
10:20 AM	Sunday School & Youth Group
10:30 AM	Bible Study

Monday, November 6th

7:30 PM	Bible Study – in homes
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Tuesday, November 7th

9:00 AM	Quilters
6:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting
6:30 PM	First Communion Class

Wednesday, November 8th

9:30 AM	Bible Study
6:30 PM	Confirmation

Thursday, November 9th

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

Sunday, November 12th (Music-Lyric Videos)

First Communion Sunday

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
10:00 AM	Fellowship
10:20 AM	Sunday School & Youth Group
10:30 AM	Bible Study

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday
November 5th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Shelley Pintok
Projectionist: Mackenzie Ramey
Reader: Ruth Brutcher
Ushers: Al & Bev Gerads

Worship Leader: Jane Nelson

Worship Service Shepherd: Paul Tschida

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

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday
November 12th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Joyce Saldana
Projectionist: Dennis Arntson
Reader: Wyatt Alstup
Ushers: Ron & Barb McKeever

Worship Leader: Keith Hackett

Worship Service Shepherd: Bev Gerads

Fellowship D. Arntson, R. Woods, T. Ollman