

January 14, 2024

Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church 1950 125th Street NW

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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.

January 14, 2024

9am Worship Service 10am Fellowship 10:20 Sunday School/ Youth Group 10:30 Bible Study

Lyric Video, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"I'll Fly Away"

Invocation

Pastor: In a few moments, Emersyn Lynn Pekarek will become one of God's redeemed and forgiven children as the Holy Spirit gives her the gift of faith in Christ through the water and the word of Holy Baptism. We remember now that moment of Baptism in our lives when we also became His children, as we begin our worship in the name into which we were baptized.

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

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. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I will confess my sins unto the Lord,

Congregation: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O almighty God, heavenly Father,

Congregation: 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 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 I by virtue of my office as an ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you. And in the stead and by the command of our Lord and Savior 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.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Today we baptize Emersyn Lynn Pekarek, daughter of Ryan & Stephanie Pekarek

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. Children's Message

Scripture Readings Old Testament – Psalm 139:1-10 (Page 618) Epistle – 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (Page 1131) Gospel – John 1:43-51 (Page 1050)

Sermon Song

"Draw Me Close To You"

Sermon Pastor Paul Cloeter "When Jesus Calls" John 1:43-51

Notes:

Offering Announcement

Offering Song

"Your Name"

Prayer (Family this week: Jan Johnson)

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

(Grape juice is available for those who prefer not to take wine. Gluten free wafers are also available)

Communion Songs

"Boldly I Approach, & Here I am to Worship"

"The River Is Here"

Online Giving Through Checking

www.sotpministries.com/give

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Communion Dismissal

The Benediction

Closing Song

Next Week's Readings:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20



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.

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Sunday School/Youth Group Today at 10:20 ٠
- Bible study Today at 10:30 •
- Quilters Tuesday & Thursday 9am •
- Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm, & AA meets Thursday at 7pm •
- Wednesday Moring Bible Study 9:30am •
- Confirmation Wednesday at 6:30pm by zoom •
- January 17th Sunshine Group meet at 10:00am •
- January 21st Noisy Offering F.A.C.T feeding area children • together



UPDATE TO FELLOWSHIP!

Buship 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!

January 14th D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson January 21st S. Pressnall, C. Walberg, D. Cairns January 28th M. Barringer, L. Saldana, K. Peterson February 4th J. Elliott, K. Maleska, K. Huhne/Popp February 11th ***Sweetheart Breakfast**** February 18th J. Amundson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz February 25th A. Gerads, S. Manea, R. Weinand



JANUARY NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on Sunday, January 21st, for the F. A.C.T (Feed Area Children Together) Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

We need volunteers for fellowship on February 25th. Please reach out to the office or Evie if you can help.

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 <u>Great Commission</u> (Matthew 28), namely first of all to <u>Go</u>; 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 <u>Make Disciples</u> or in the words of St Paul, <u>"To equip the saints</u>" (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 <u>Baptize</u> 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, <u>Teaching them to observe all</u> <u>things whatsoever I have commanded you</u>. 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 <u>rule and norm</u> 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 <u>Make Disciples</u>.

Board of Lay Ministry/Elders

Josh Anderson	260-0808	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

Jami Kreifels - Activity Team Leader Brenda Hackett - Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Leader Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader

January Altar Guild: Roxanne Peterson, Juli Popp, & Karen Ellefson

January Counters: Curt Kvamme, Deb Erdmann, Sandi 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

Cal Nicholas Cervenka Barrett James Eggert Amelia Rose Wentland Joel Richard Page IV Rosalynn Grace Hall Barrett Charles Cole Louise Lee Dumonceaux Rowen Wes Skajewski Marie Dawn Moulzolf

Date of Baptism

January 29, 2023 February 5, 2023 February 26, 2023 May 14, 2023 May 21, 2023 October 8, 2023 December 10, 2023 December 10, 2023 January 7, 2024



The Sunshine Group at SOTP will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, and we will be sending out birthday cards.

We are looking for volunteers and unused birthday cards with matching envelopes. Our next meeting will be **January 17th at 10am.**

Please reach out to Gloria Hendrickson 393-2698 or Evelyn Kirchner 320-290-5478

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, January 14 th	(Music-Lyric Videos) Pastor Paul Cloeter	
8:00 AM	Prayer Time	
9:00 AM	Worship with Holy Communion	
10:00 AM	Fellowship	
10:20 AM	Sunday School	
10:30 AM	Bible Study	
Monday, January 15 th		
7:30 PM	Praise Team	
7:30 PM	Bible Study – in homes	
Tuesday, January 16 th		
9:00 AM	Quilters	
6:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting	
Wednesday, January 17 th		
9:30 AM	Bible Study	
10:00 AM	Sunshine Group	
6:30 PM	Confirmation by zoom	
Thursday, January 18 th		
9:00 AM	Quilters	
6:30 PM	Elders Meeting	
7:00 PM	EMT/BOLM Meeting	
7:00 PM	AA meeting	
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SOTP Worship Team Serving This Sunday January 14th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters:	
Projectionist:	
Reader:	
Ushers:	

Keith & Roxanne Peterson Mackenzie Ramey **Ron Woods** The Lenarz Family

Worship Leader:

Jane Nelson

Worship Service Shepherd: Colleen Woods

Fellowship

D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson

<u>SOTP Worship Team Serving Next Sunday</u> January 21st

9:00am Worship:

Jeff & Joan Ramey
Dennis Arntson
Richael Weinand
Deb Erdmann & Grandchildren

Worship Leader:

Steve Ree

Worship Service Shepherd:

Dave Perleberg

Fellowship

S. Pressnall, C. Walberg, D. Cairns