



February 11, 2024

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.

February 11, 2024

9am Worship Service

10am Sweetheart Breakfast

Gabby, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

“Chain Breaker”

Invocation

Pastor: Recalling our baptisms, we make our beginning in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: “It is good, Lord, for us to be here.” (Mark 9:5)

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Knowing that our Heavenly Father is gracious and faithful and will forgive us our sins for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, we come to Him now to confess our sins and to receive His forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Congregation: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

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 me, forgive me my sins, and lead me to everlasting life. In Jesus' 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 tell you that all your sins are forgiven 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 praise You for Who You are, for Your glory and power and grace.

Congregation: We thank You for bringing the light of the knowledge of Jesus into our hearts through the work of Your Holy Spirit.

Pastor: Use us, we pray, as Your servants

Congregation: To bring that Good News to our families, the people we work with or go to school with, to our friends and our neighbors, that they too would be blessed to know Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Exodus 34:29-35 (Page 89)

Epistle – 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:6 (Page 1143)

Gospel – Mark 9:2-9 (Page 1000)

Sermon Song

“Build My Life”

Sermon
Pastor Dave Strohschein
“He’s Your Happy Place!”
Mark 9:5

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

“Hymn of Heaven”

Prayer (Family this week: Michael & Julie Kiraly; Daughter
Cecilia)

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

“His Mercy is More & I Stand Amazed”

The Dismissal

The Benediction

Closing Song

“Battle Belongs”

Next Week's Readings: Genesis 22:1-18
 James 1:12-18
 Mark 1:9-15



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: sotpmministries.com or call the office at 320-393-4295 for help setting this up.

The Youth Invite You To the

Sweetheart Breakfast



Sunday February 11th @ 10am
in the Fellowship Hall.
We will have Freewill offering to
support the Youth Group



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!

February 11th **Sweetheart Breakfast******

February 18th D. Arntson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz

February 25th A. Gerads, S. Manea, R. Weinand

March 3rd J. Amundson, R. Woods, B. Jasmer

March 10th J. Ramey, M. Kiraly, J. Alstrup, G. Welle

March 17th Ke. Hackett, Ky. Hackett, J. Hackett, T. Hackett

March 24th R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp

March 31st **Easter Breakfast******

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

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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

February Altar Guild: Deb Erdmann, Judy Hackett, Gloria Hendrickson

February Counters: Dennis Arntson & Scott Manea



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

Date of Baptism

Cal Nicholas Cervenka	January 29, 2023
Barrett James Eggert	February 5, 2023
Amelia Rose Wentland	February 26, 2023
Joel Richard Page IV	May 14, 2023
Rosalynn Grace Hall	May 21, 2023
Barrett Charles Cole	October 8, 2023
Louise Lee Dumonceaux	December 10, 2023
Rowen Wes Skajewski	December 10, 2023
Marie Dawn Moulzolf	January 7, 2024
Emersyn Lynn Pekarek	January 14, 2024
Olivia Lynn Dancer	February 4, 2024



FEBRUARY NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, February 18th**, for **Pregnancy Resource Center**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

“The Women of Lent”

It began with Eve. It continued with Ruth. We also can see connections to it in the lives of the prophetess Anna, Martha and her sister Mary, in a Samaritan woman, an anonymous woman, and finally, in the life of Jesus’ mother, Mary. Let’s call them “The Women of Lent”, as they each had something to do with God’s promise to Eve, that someday He would send a Savior to redeem the world from its fall into sin.

This will be the focus of a series of dialogue messages for our Lenten services, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 14th, and continuing through Good Friday, March 29th. I have a favor to ask my sisters in Christ at SOTP. I would like to have at least two of you join me each week in presenting the message as part of a dialogue message. You would serve as a panel to help bring out insights into each of the women we will be studying. Your preparation would involve spending some time in advance with the story of the woman we are focusing on each week, and then joining me to talk about and share how these women help us each to see our Savior’s passion and cross a little more clearly. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Dave and I can give you more details.

Lenten Worship Schedule

[Ash Wednesday 6:30pm: Supper from 5-6:15pm](#)

February 14th

[Lenten Services – 6:30pm: Supper from 5-6:15pm](#)

February 21st – March 20th

[Maundy Thursday Service 6:30pm](#)

March 28th

[Good Friday Service 6:30pm](#)

March 29th

[Easter Sunday Services](#)

March 31st, 7:00am & 9:30am

***[Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30th at 10am](#)

*** [Easter Breakfast 8am-9:15am](#)

Pastor Names for Consideration

Rev. Joseph Bangert, Sanborn, IA

Rev. Timothy Martinal, Millington, MI

Rev. Kevin Richter, Reinbeck, IA

Rev. Jonathon Rusche, Toledo, OH

Rev. Lynn Wilson, Blue Springs, MO

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

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Sunday, February 11th, Sweetheart Breakfast after church.
 - February 14th Ash Wednesday Supper 5-6:15: Service 6:30
 - Quilters; Tuesday & Thursday 9am.
 - Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm, & AA meets Thursday at 7pm.
 - Wednesday Moring Bible Study; 9:30am.
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Don't Miss The Annual Rice Lion's Club Breakfast

SUNDAY, MARCH 3rd

Graham United Methodist Church

8:00am-12:00pm

Serving: French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Juice & Coffee

*Silent Auction Items Available (Tools, Gift Certificates, Wildlife Prints, Craft Items) *

Bake Sale

Tickets available Adult \$11(\$10.00 in Advance)

\$5 for children (7-12) Children (6 and under) FREE

See Duane Ott, Del Shane or Garry Loidolt



This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, February 11th (Music-Gabby)

8:00 AM Prayer Time
9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion
10:00 AM Sweetheart Breakfast

Monday, February 12th

7:30 PM Praise Team
7:30 PM Bible Study – in homes

Tuesday, February 13th

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

Wednesday, February 14th Ash Wednesday

9:30 AM Bible Study
5:00-6:15 PM Lent Supper BOLM
6:00 PM Confirmation
6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 15th

9:00 AM Quilters
6:30 PM Elder's Meeting
7:00 PM BOLM Meeting
7:00 PM AA meeting

Sunday, February 18th (Music-Praise Team)

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

SOTP Worship Team Serving This Sunday
February 11th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Kevin & Janet Maleska
Projectionist: Denise Leahy
Reader: Jane Nelson
Ushers: Ron & Barb McKeever

Worship Leader: Jane Nelson

Worship Service Shepherd: Joanny Ramey

Fellowship Sweetheart Breakfast

SOTP Worship Team Serving Next Sunday
February 18th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Milt & Marlene Popp
Projectionist: Mackenzie Ramey
Reader: Dennis Arntson
Ushers: Keith & Kathy Craft

Worship Leader: Steve Ree

Worship Service Shepherd: Colleen Woods

Fellowship D. Arntson, K. Ellefson, B. Statz