



February 25, 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 25, 2024

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

10:20am Sunday School/Youth Group

10:30am Bible Study

Prince of Peace Chimes & Gabby, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song "Praise the Name of Jesus"

By 4th Grade Chimes; Prince of Peace Lutheran School

Invocation

Pastor: A long time ago, the Lord appeared to a man named Abram. The Lord then proceeded to say this to Abram, making this promise; "I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you." The very fact that we gather today around God's Word as believers in Jesus Christ is proof to us that God has been faithful to His promise, that His promise made to Abram has made its way to us. So it is that as descendants of Abram, we worship the God of Abram,

Congregation: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: If it were not for this truth stated by Paul in Romans 5, we would not be able to come before the Maker of heaven and earth and confess our sins. "But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Knowing that truth, we confess our sins to Him, asking to be forgiven for the sake of Christ, who died for us.

Congregation: Heavenly Father, I confess to You that I have sinned against You. I have not lived according to Your will. I have broken each of Your commandments in my thoughts and with my words and actions. My heart is broken over what I have done, for I have offended You. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, I ask to be forgiven. I also seek the gracious power of Your Holy Spirit in my heart and mind so that I can turn from my sinful ways and live to Your honor and glory. Father, forgive me, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Pastor: These aren't my words. They are God's. "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Through Jesus Christ, God sees you "just-as-if" you'd never sinned. To have peace with God means He has forgiven you all your sins. You are forgiven in Christ. In Christ, you have peace with God, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Lord Jesus, we want to follow You.

Congregation: Grant us the gift of Your Holy Spirit so that we can come after You, take up our cross, and follow You. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (Page 14)

Epistle – Romans 5:1-11 (Page 1116)

Gospel – Mark 8:27-38 (Page 999)

Sermon Song

“Great Are You Lord”

Sermon

Pastor Dave Strohschein

“Jesus Died for You!”

Romans 5:8

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

"There is a Redeemer"

By 5th Grade Chimes Prince of Peace school Lutheran School

Prayer (Family this week: Mary Kivi)

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

"Amazing Love", "In Christ Alone", & "As the Deer"

The Dismissal

The Benediction

Closing Song

"This I Believe"

Next Week's Readings: Exodus 20:1-17
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
John 2:13-25



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.



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 25th B. Hackett, G. Hendrickson, 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******

Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!.

- Sunday School- 10:20am on Sundays
- Bible Study- Sundays 10:30
- Quilters- Tuesday & Thursday 9am.
- Al-Anon meets Tuesday at 6pm, & AA meets Thursday at 7pm.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study- 9:30am.
- Wednesday Supper- 5-6:15: Lenten Service 6:30
- Choir will practice Feb 28th after service and then every Wednesday till Easter
- Easter Egg Hunt- March 30th
- Easter Service- 7 & 9:30am: Breakfast served from 8-9:15am

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

Paul Tschida	Pres.	360-5241	Joan Ramey	217-4431
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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

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

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

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- Adults \$11(\$10.00 in advance)

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

See Duane Ott, Del Shane or Garry Loidolt



"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 it's 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.

Lenten Worship Schedule

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

February 28th – 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



If anyone has information or ideas about a pastor who may be a good fit for our congregation, please fill out a form on the narthex counter or contact someone on the Call Committee.

Call Committee Members

John Alstrup 612-839-9490

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

**Volunteers needed for Lenten Suppers March 6th.
Volunteers are also needed for midweek service,
looking for reader & ushers/greeters See schedules
on the Narthex counter.**



**SAVE THE DATE FOR
POP Legacy Auction:**

Our Auction will be on **Sunday April 21st** this year. Please save the date. Tickets and more information will be coming out in March.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Apply for Thrivent Choice Dollars during February by phone at 1-800-847-4836 or online at Thrivent.com. Fill out the form in the church entrance to indicate how you would like your choice dollars designated, and give the form to Curt or our church secretary, Julie. Members should apply for their Choice Dollars before March 31st, 2024.



Everyone is welcome to join the choir. We will practice February 28th after service and then each week until Easter.

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, February 25th (Music-Gabby)

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

Monday, February 26th

7:30 PM	Bible Study – in homes
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Tuesday, February 27th

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

Wednesday, February 28th

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

Thursday, February 29th

9:00 AM	Quilters
7:00 PM	AA meeting

Sunday, March 3rd (Music-Heather)

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 25th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Deb Erdmann
Projectionist: Keith Hackett
Reader: Lois Perleberg
Ushers: Jeremy & Candace Dingmann

Worship Leader: Brenda Hackett

Worship Service Shepherd: Dave Perleberg

Fellowship B. Hackett, G. Hendrickson & R. Weinand

SOTP Worship Team Serving Next Sunday
March 3rd

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Shelley Pintok
Projectionist: Julie Kiraly
Reader: Wyatt Alstrup
Ushers: Brian & Heather Statz

Worship Leader: Jerry Nelson

Worship Service Shepherd: Joanny Ramey

Fellowship D. Arntson, R. Woods, B. Jasmer