



2021

Title: Repentance and Rest

In April I went to a respite retreat then in July I started the full program by Doxology, a pastoral care and training program. This retreat focused on the need for all of us to have rest and care for our souls. In fact, one of the historic words for a pastor is a "Caretaker of Souls."

Ministry can be very rewarding and encouraging. If you've volunteered at church, you might know exactly what I'm talking about. When your hard work pays off and you directly see how God is blessing others through you. There is nothing like this and it's one of the greatest joys for any Christian.

However, burnout, depression, and exhaustion are also all too common for people who work and volunteer at church. There are several reasons for this. For many, it's a busy lifestyle that seems to never slow down. I tell myself that things will calm down once... [insert the next season here]. Of course, this hardly is the reality.

The Bible has a lot to say about rest, but as I've spent more time in God's Word on this topic, I've been surprised to see how often rest is tied in with repentance. For instance, here is what God says in Isaiah 30 to God's people who are too stubborn to slow down, rest, pray and repent.

Isaiah 30:15 This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel, says:

"In repentance and rest is your salvation,
in quietness and trust is your strength,
but you would have none of it.

There are many examples like this where rest is not simply sleeping in or even taking Sunday off watching football. Instead, it's a more holistic view of not just our physical body, but also our soul. The 3rd Commandment is all about finding rest for our entire selves, which is found in Christ.

For parents of young children, Sunday morning church might seem like the furthest thing from rest. Waking up early and fighting the kids to get dressed is not easy. It seems like sleeping in and having a quiet morning at home would be much more restful. I hear this, but rest for your soul is one of the greatest things we can have.

If you've felt guilty or worried about something, there is no amount of sleep that can truly bring you peace of mind. This is where church comes in. We get to receive something unique. We hear God's Word and have his Sacraments brought to us. We confess our sins and have them and their burdening guilt lifted from us eternally.

If you're feeling exhausted, God invites you to have salvation that is found in our repentance and rest. I invite you to come and experience this. This promise is for you!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor David Edge

BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY AND EMT MEETING

PENDING APPROVAL THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021 7 P.M.

BOLM members present: Kyle Hackett, Deb Erdman, Pastor Edge, Bev Gerads, Dave Perleberg, Joan Ramey, Ron McKeever, via zoom Colleen Woods. Absent: Garry Loidolt **EMT:** Keith Hackett

Meeting Called to Order: Kyle Hackett called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. Prayer by Pastor Edge and Kyle Hackett read the Mission Statement.

EMT Report: Keith Hackett We resubscribed to the "Song Select" which assists in getting the music together for each Sunday at \$162.00 per year. Motion by Deb, second by Bev.

We still need volunteers in all areas! Musicians, readers, greeters, projection. Contact Keith Hackett or the Church Office. At this time there is no Education and Small Group Leader. Colleen Woods has volunteered to take on Sunday School interim until God leads another person to fill the position that Brenda Hackett held. Please pray about this position that you or you and a friend may have the gifts to fill this important ministry position.

SERVICE TEAM LEADER: Jen Ollman was not present.

PASTORAL REPORT: SOTP will have a float in the Rice Days Parade August 21.

We need people to sign up for the SOTP Outreach Booth at the Rice Craft Fair on September 11. A 2 hour shift is recommended. Speak with Pastor Edge about taking part in this ministry.

The Wall that Heals will arrive in Rice at 3PM the 19th of August- August 22nd. It is a true honor to have this in our Community! The Wall will be at the Rice Elementary.

We discussed the Fall Kick Off for September 12. We all discussed keeping one 9 A.M. Service at this time. This will be open to more discussion as the Fall church season approaches.

Pastor Edge gave a report on his activities in worship, Education, Regular Meetings, Official Acts, Visitations. EMT Excused.

TREASURERS REPORT: Ron McKeever presented the Treasurers report. Giving report will be in the monthly newsletter. Bev made a motion to accept the treasurers report and Joan seconded.

PROPERTIES REPORT: Keith Peterson gave a report on the church properties. Currently we have 2 air conditioners not working in the fellowship room and it appears they will need to be replaced. After speaking with 2 repair companies they both saw the same problem, "A lot of use and just plain worn out. We await bids. Our garbage company negotiated with Keith so we were able to get a much better plan than the first negotiation.

SECRETARIES REPORT: The secretaries report was reviewed and approved by the board. Joan made a motion to accept and Deb seconded.

OLD BUSINESS: The Rox Baseball game was a treat with special give away items to those in attendance. Few families but lots of freebees!

YOUTH GARAGE SALE JULY 23 AND 24.

DAVE ANDERSON CONCERT: August 29th @ 6:P.M. At SOTP The Contract, Fee which Thrivent will pay part and Advertising were discussed.

OPEN POSITIONS: Wedding Coordinator, EMT Education and Small Group.

NEW BUSINESS: We discussed the Worship Schedule Next Board Meeting will be August 26th.

There will be a Designated Fund Line Item Line for VBS. Bev made a motion and Deb seconded. Thank you notes were read and donations were noted.

Deb made a motion to adjourn, Dave seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.

PASTORS VACATION AUGUST 1-17.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bev Gerads, Secretary BOLM



Education / Small Group Team

Dear SOTP Family,

At our BOLM Meeting on July 15, I agreed to temporarily step into the position of Education and Small Group Team Leader, working with Pastor David to plan and facilitate Sunday School for this fall. I believe it is important to sow seeds of faith into the lives of our Children.

We need YOUR input too! Especially parents and those who are thinking about volunteering to help with Sunday School in some way. We are praying for you and the children.

Watch for updates thru the Sunday Announcements in the Bulletin.

Colleen Woods

Sunday School Registration is open! Please sign-up slips are on the narthex counter or click below

[Sunday School Registration](#)

[Volunteer Registration](#)

An Evening of Worship

With Musicians

Dave Anderson and Roger Walck

Sunday August 29, 2021 at 6pm

Hosted at Shepherd of the Pines

Free Concert with a Free-will Offering
for Shepherd Canyon Retreat

Family Event- All are welcome!
sotpministries.com/events





Worship Team

Greetings all!

As we enter into the last month of summer, I pray that God has refreshed your hearts. Even though we have been experiencing severe heat, God can bring the calm cool of the day. I want to again thank all who have volunteered over the summer and we look forward to Fall. If God is moving your heart to be a servant, please contact me at 267-6213 or Julie at the office 393-4295 and we can get you on board!

Enjoy and blessings to you!

Keith Hackett
Worship Team Leader

2021 Worship Team Schedule

AUGUST	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
08/01/21	9:00am	Milt & Marlene Popp	Levi Brenny	Brenda Hackett		Brenda Hackett
08/08/21	9:00am	Ron & Barb McKeever	Julie Kiraly	Jerry Nelson		Jerry Nelson
08/15/21	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Sarah Anderson	Ruth Brutcher		Steve Ree
08/22/21	9:00am	Keith & Kathy Craft	Ian Cairns	Lois Perleberg		Dennis Arntson
08/29/21	9:00am	Garry Loidolt	Mike Kiraly	Sandie Resch		Pastor David

September	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
09/05/21	9:00am	Annette & John Elliott	Sarah Anderson	Jerry Nelson		Dennis Arntson
09/12/21	9:00am	Ron & Barb McKeever	Isabelle Cairns	Ron Woods		Pastor David
09/19/21	9:00am	Jeff & Joan Ramey	Dennis Arntson	Lois Perleberg		Steve Ree
09/26/21	9:00am	Ronita Walburn	Levi Brenny	Ruth Brutcher		Jerry Nelson



Philippians 4:6-7 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Thank you to all the youth and adults who helped out with the garage sale! We raised \$2500 for youth to attend the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston in July 2022. This is an amazing amount and it is because of the generosity of those who donated treasures, those who gave of their time to set up, those who manned the sale, those who came and made purchases, those who prayed for the event and those who cleaned up. **God is good!**

Youth, it is time to start considering if you will attend the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX where thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to be encouraged in their walk with Jesus Christ and learn about the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity in July 2022. If you are 14 to 19 years old and the following sounds interesting to you, please start talking to your parents about attending. The **Guiding Principles from the gathering website state:**

- Youth Gatherings proclaim the Lordship of Jesus Christ and God's saving grace to His people through Christ. In this setting, young people grow in their personal relationship with God and grow in their fellowship of Word and Sacrament in Christ's Church.
- Youth Gatherings are a vehicle by which the Church reaches out to, cares for and affirms young people, both church and unchurched.
- Youth Gatherings equip youth and adults for ministry and vocational service in a variety of settings in their congregations, communities, and world.
- Youth Gatherings affirm, equip, and support adults who work with young people.
- Youth Gatherings celebrate the meaning of Christian joy in all of life's situations, including transitions and crisis.
- Youth Gatherings recognize and affirm the diversity of God's people
- Youth Gatherings affirm, support, and promote the ministry of LCMS Districts and congregation

Youth fifth grade and older are invited to a **youth gathering at the church on August 8th from 6 to 8pm**. We will play games; have supper and a sweet snack together. Come and enjoy some fun time together in fellowship and feel free to bring a friend and your lawn chair! Plan on coming whether rain or shine, we will move inside if there is rain! Please call or text Sarah at 320-267-2628 if you are coming so we have a headcount.

I encourage all youth to participate in representing our church in the **Rice Parade on August 21st**. This is an ideal time to show others in our community our faith (and hand out candy)! Please contact the church office to sign up! After the parade, youth are invited to the church for a snack and games. See you there!

Sarah Anderson
Youth Group Leader

ANNOUNCING Prayer & Praise

All are welcome to join the Board of Lay Ministry Members and Pastor David at **6:30pm on August 26th** for a time of prayer and worship songs where we will lift up our church and community!

June's Church Income Statement

	June	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$19,928	\$104,190
Expenses	(\$17,821)	(\$108,987)
Over/(Shortfall)	\$2,107	(\$4,797)

August NOISY OFFERING!



We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, August 15th**, for the **Rice Fire & Police Departments**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

Rice Area Food Shelf

April Distribution is
Thursday, August 5th
from 3:00-5:30pm
at the Old Village Hall!



Men's Bible study meets Wednesday Nights at 7pm-8pm Study is on creation & science

Women's Bible taking a break for Summer. We will start up in the Fall.



Have you asked yourself, "How can I have a variety of inspiring Bible based information and teaching on many topics & issues for kids, teens and adults available on my smartphone, I-Pad, TV, computer, etc?" Shepherd of the Pines offers you, for no charge, all of that on RightNow Media. [Just Click here to set it up](#), and you will be able to use all this wonderful stuff to help you grow in your faith! You can refer your friends and family members too!

Bible Studies

If you are interest in joining a Bible Study in the Fall. Please call Colleen Woods Home 320-685-4389 or Cell 320-291-5910 Also The Power of a praying Parent sign up Study will start in the Fall



St Paul Lutheran Church in Royalton will be having VBS Aug 9-13th from 6-8pm if you are interested or would like to register your child Please call Gloria at 249-4952.

Pastor David will be out on Vacation August 1-17th While he is gone here is who will be filling in at the Pulpit:

August 1st

Pastor John Beck

August 8th

Pastor John Beck

August 15th

Pastor Dave Strohschien



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Search "Shepherd of the Pines" in your podcast app

Worship Shepherds

August 1 Deb Erdmann
 August 8 Kyle Hackett
 August 15 Garry Loidolt
 August 22 Dave Perleberg
 August 29 Ron McKeever



August 1 9:00am Brenda Hackett
 August 8 9:00am Jerry Nelson
 August 15 9:00am Ruth Brutcher
 August 22 9:00am Lois Perleberg
 August 29 9:00am Sandie Resch



August 1 9:00am Milt & Marlene Popp
 August 8 9:00am Ron & Barb McKeever
 August 15 9:00am Bruce & Sandie Resch
 August 22 9:00am Keith & Kathy Craft
 August 29 9:00am Garry Loidolt



We have been praying for our church families each week as we go through our church directory from A to Z. As you go about your daily tasks lift a prayer for the family of the week as the Lord brings them to mind. **In August we will be praying for:**

August 1- Joyce Saldana

August 8- Leah Saldana

August 15 - Scott & Kris Schlichting

August 22 - Brent & Brandi Seppelt

Children: Abigail, Evie, Gabriella, Liam,
 Libbie & Peter

August 29 - Delroy & Marlene Shane

August 1- Exodus 16:2-15
 Ephesians 4:1-16
 John 6:22-35



August 8 - 1 Kings 19:1-8
 Ephesians 4:17-5:2
 John 6:35-51

August 15- Proverbs 9:1-10
 Ephesians 5:6-21
 John 6:51-69

August 22- Isaiah 29:11-19
 Ephesians 5:22-33
 Luke 13:6-9

August 29- Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
 Ephesians 6:10-20
 Matthew 20:1-16

UPDATE TO FELLOWSHIP!!

Here is the schedule for this summer for Fellowship. We ask if you can't do the Sunday that you are scheduled please find a group to switch with. Each group is to bring in treats, serve, and clean up. Thank You!



August 1st J Nelson, R McKeever

August 8th J Amundson, M Popp

August 15th J Ramey, M Kiraly

August 22nd D Arntson, K Craft

August 29th A Gerads, S Manea

September 5th K Kirchner, R Brutcher

September 12th D Erdmann, J Brenny

September 19th Ke Hackett, Ky Hackett

September 26th A Betker, G Loidolt

August 1 - Brenda Hackett

August 8 - Jerry Nelson

August 15 - Steve Ree

August 22 - Dennis Arntson

August 29 - Pastor David



Musicians

August 1 Heather

August 8 Bethany

August 15 Praise Team

August 22 Volunteer/Lyric Videos

August 29 Bethany



AUGUST

Deb Erdmann & Joan Ramey



AUGUST

Ron McKeever, Wayne Anderson,
 & Juli Popp



PROJECTIONISTS

August 1 9:00am Levi Brenny

August 8 9:00am Julie Kiraly

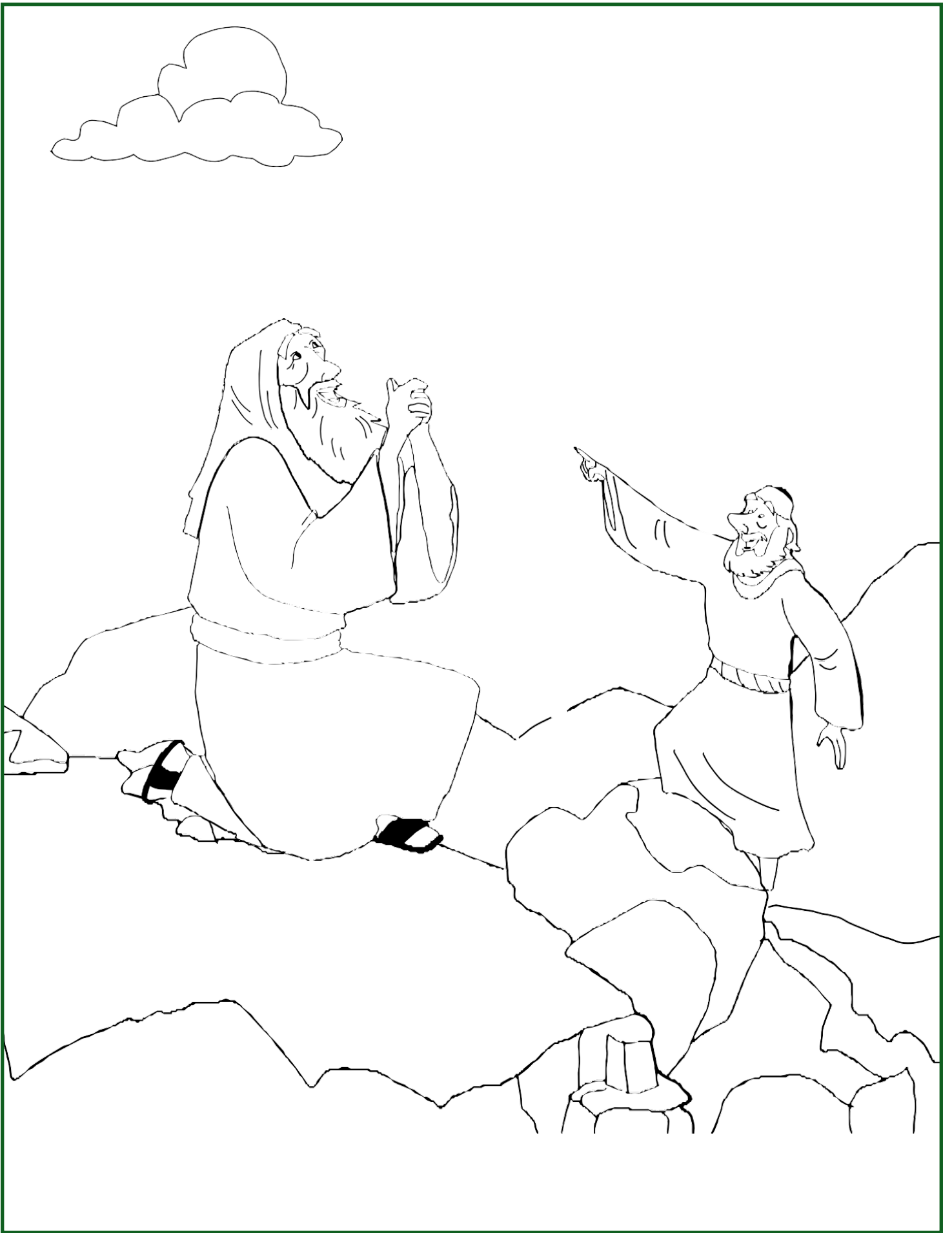
August 15 9:00am Sarah Anderson

August 22 9:00am Ian Cairns

August 29 9:00am Julie Kiraly



If you are available to Volunteer Contact Keith Hackett or Church Office!



Check out Main street Living

Benton Communication Channel 8

August 1

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 a.m. on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of *This Is the Life*. This week's episode "Stranger at the Door" features a woman who had given up a baby 22 years before when a man shows up at her door saying he is looking for his mother.

The worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Rev. Glen Kleppe from Zion Lutheran Church in Pine City, MN. His message titled "Speaking the Truth in Love" will be based upon Ephesians 4:1-16. For more information or to watch the program, go to mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.



August 8

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 a.m. on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of *This Is the Life*. This week's episode "The Fathering Kind" features a single father who is down and out trying to raise a son alone.

The worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Rev. Terry Grzybowski from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Elk River, MN. His message titled "Taste and See that the Lord Is Good" will be based upon 1 Kings 19:1-8. For more information or to watch the program, go to mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

August 15

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 a.m. on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of *This Is the Life*. This week's episode "A Nice Girl Like You" features a widowed pastor who dates a single woman in his parish, but when she professes her love, he tells her he cannot return it.

The worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. with Rev. Eric Zacharias from Zion Lutheran Church & School in Cologne, MN. His message titled "Pursuing Peace" is based upon Psalm 32:12-14. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.

August 22nd TBD

August 29th TBD


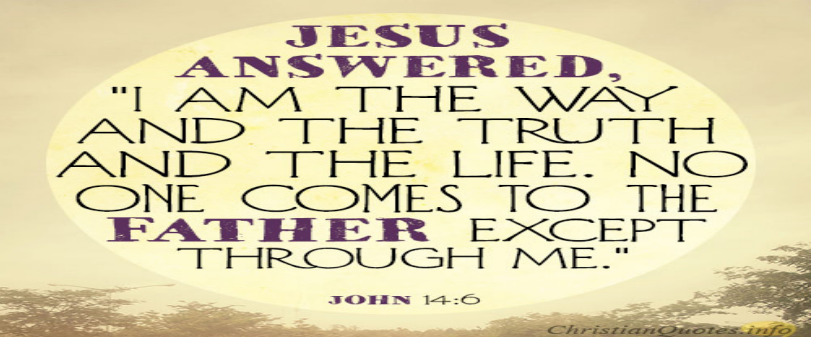


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AUGUST 2021

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pastor David On Vacation Reachable for Emergencies Only.						
Pastor John Beck Music: Heather 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	10:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon	7:00 Men's Bible Study	9:00 Quilters		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Pastor David On Vacation Reachable for Emergencies Only.						
Pastor John Beck Music: Bethany 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship 6-8 Youth Fellowship	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	10:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon	7:00 Men's Bible Study			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Pastor David On Vacation available Emergencies Only						
Pastor Dave Strohschein Music: Paise Team NOISY OFFERING Rice Fire & Police Department 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	10:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon	7:00 Men's Bible Study			 11:30am for prep. 12pm Rice Parade starts
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Julie on Vacation Reachable by Phone or Email						
Music: Bethany 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	10:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon	7:00 Men's Bible Study	6:30 Prayer & Praise 7:00 BOLM Meeting		
29	30	31				
Music: Bethany 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 6:00 Dave Anderson & Roger Walck Concert	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	10:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon				

August Birthdays			August Birthdays Con.		
Jesse	Johnson	August 01	Marlene	Popp	August 15
Deb	Erdmann	August 02	Ashley	Betker	August 17
Troy	Hovland	August 02	Gloria	Hendrickson	August 19
Lloyd	Erdmann	August 04	Armon	Matheny	August 19
Judy	Gehrking	August 05	Sarah	Anderson	August 20
Ron	Woods	August 07	Hava	Edge	August 22
Linne`a	Maslonkowski	August 08	Jeremiah	Dingmann	August 23
Jeremy	Manea	August 10	Ted	Morgan	August 24
Suzanne	Monnier	August 10	Sadie	Mickelson	August 27
Wayne	Peterson	August 10	Madeline	Popp	August 27
Dan	Cairns	August 11	Richard	Hemple	August 30
Dannette	Brannen	August 12	Steve	Wood	August 30
Elianna	Edge	August 13	Mark	Larson	August 31
Hunter	Novitzki	August 14			

August Anniversaries		
Duane & Darlene	Albrecht	August 01
Steve & Roxann	Ree	August 01
Ben & Nicole	Cole	August 03
Glen & Christine	Gertken	August 06
Ken & Peggy	Feia	August 06
Brad & Jodi	Dumonceaux	August 08
Tim & Melissa	Hinderschied	August 09
Keith & Brenda	Hackett	August 18
Dan & Denise	Leahy	August 18
Ron & Barb	McKeever	August 21
Barret & Nicole	Novitzki	August 21
Michael & Julie	Kiraly	August 22
Garry & Bonnie	Loidolt	August 23
Ron & Sarah Jean	Folkerts	August 24
Ed & Shelley	Pintok	August 25
Bradley & Holly	Jasmer	August 28
Wayne & Colleen	Peterson	August 28

RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED



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Jesus gives rejoices in..

Pastor David Edge

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SOTP BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY/ELDERS

Kyle Hackett, President 266-1700; David Perleberg, Vice President 360-5147; Bev Gerads, Secretary 761-1894; Joan Ramey 393-3342; Ron McKeever Treas. 393-2524; Colleen Woods 685-4389; Deb Erdmann, 249-4804; Garry Loidolt 393-2097

Keith Peterson, Church Properties 292-4007

EXECUTIVE MINISTRY TEAM

Open Position – Education & Small Group Team Leader, Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader, Jen Ollman- Service Team Leader

*In case of church cancellation due to bad weather listen to, 98 COUNTRY 98.1, SPIRIT 92.9, KCLD 104.7, WJON 1240,
or call the church office and listen to the message.*

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, comprising 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.

Thirdly, 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 to 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.