



2023

Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church

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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Her given name was Viva Sarah Erna Marohn. She was born on May 6, 1924 to Robert and Martha Marohn in a farm home in Middleville Township (that's near Albion Center...it's also near Rasset...you all know where that is, I'm sure!) in Wright County. Her last name would change to Strohschein on June 15, 1947 when she married Marcus Strohschein. Their union would be blessed (at least I like to think that) with three sons, one of whom goes by the name of David.

Yep, I am talking about my Mom! And given this month is when we celebrate Mother's Day, I want to use this space to pay a tribute that is long past due to my Mom. And by way of doing this, encourage you to do the same, especially if your Mom is still living. Let your Mom know how much you love her and how thankful you are that God chose her to be your Mom!

He did choose Vi (as she was mostly called by her family and friends) to be my Mom. How thankful I am for the Lord's gracious choosing. He gave me a Mom who was before and above all else, a woman of faith. Proverbs 31 certainly could have been written with her in mind as she was all of those things. She possessed a quiet, humble spirit. She could cook and bake like no other! She was just always there for us, no matter what.

She even took me pheasant hunting one Sunday afternoon! My Dad had a church meeting somewhere, and it was my first season to be able to hunt. I had a single-shot 410. Mom and I went out roadhunting, hoping to see a pheasant along the way. And sure enough, we did! Mom stopped the car. I got out. The rooster jumped up out of the ditch. I fired...and lo, and behold the bird dropped. But he came down running in a soy bean field next to the country road. I put another shell in my gun, aimed and fired as the bird was running in the beans. My aim was good. I had my very first pheasant! And when we got home, my Mom plucked that bird (usually we skinned them) and made it for supper that night!

I can still see all of that in my mind's eye! What a Mom!

Thank You, Lord, for my Mom! Thank You, for each and every memory of her! Thank You for her faith! And thank You for the heaven she now enjoys!

Happy Mother's Day!

In Christ,

Vi Marohn's son (a.k.a. Pastor Dave)

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 29th

SOTP BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY MEETING

MARCH 23, 2023 7 P.M.

Pending Approval

PRESENT: Kyle Hackett, Ron McKeever, Colleen Woods, Joan Ramey, Paul Tschida, Deb Erdmann, Pastor Dave. Bev Gerads via zoom. Absent: Dave Perleberg. Also in Attendance Keith Peterson, Julie Kiraly, Keith Hackett.

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 P.M. by president Kyle Hackett. Opened with prayer and Mission Statement was read.

Treasurers Report: Ron McKeever shared that we met our bills and budget. Paul Tschida made a motion to accept the treasurers report as read, Bev Gerads second.

Property Report: The thermos outside the quilters room was outdated. Bad valve. Was repaired. Valleys on the roof were cleared of ice/snow. Thank you to those who helped. The parking lot will be done this summer. Railing safety, a few handicap spots will be added.

Secretary Report: The Secretary report was reviewed. Ron McKeever made a motion to accept as reported, Colleen Woods second.

Pastoral Activity Report: Reviewed activity as reported.

Old Business: Call process. Discussed the district draft list. Pastor Rehwaldt will update us. Jeff Ramey joined the call team. The call committee will update on whom is currently available.

Positions remain open as the Service Team Leader and the Altar Guild.

We reviewed the Easter schedule.

New member class moved to April 13, 7 to 9 P.M.

A discussion about the use of the fellowship hall has been updated.

The Insurance Questionnaire was discussed.

The funds from the BOLM Lenten dinner went to Pregnancy Resource Center. Joan made motion, Ron second.

Confirmation is April 30th.

New Business: Connecting with families of new baptismal members through various means. Peaceful release of the Kubat family who have moved and also Barb Zabzalka. Paul Tschida made motion, Ron McKeever second.

We reviewed the Noisy Offering schedule.

Benton County Resource Guide was mentioned.

A mention of the reviewing and meeting for the National Day of Prayer on May 4 at Shepherd of the Pines.

Next BOLM Meeting: April 20, 7 P.M. Deb Erdmann made a motion to adjourn, Ron McKeever second at 8:15 P.M. Pastor Dave closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beverly Gerads BOLM Secretary

JOINT EMT/BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023 7P.M.
Pending Approval

PRESENT: Kyle Hackett, Dave Perleberg, Paul Tschida, Ron McKeever, Bev Gerads, Joan Ramey, Colleen Woods, Pastor Dave Strohschein, Keith Peterson, also in attendance EMT Keith Hackett, Brenda Hackett, Julie Kiraly. Meeting called to order by President Kyle Hackett at 7:04 P.M. Pastor Dave opened with prayer. Mission Statement was read by Colleen Woods.

EMT REPORTS:

Worship Team: Keith Hackett shared information on the May 7 Teen Challenge Worship service. We need help for our summer services. He also shared options for pre-Service music.

Education: Brenda Hackett shared the Easter Breakfast served 154/\$967. There are 2 Sundays left in Sunday School. Last day will be April 30. There will be Sundaes served along with Confirmation cake. VBS will begin on June 4-8. Registration is open. There will be a cap of 130 kids. There will be a couple of portable air condition units purchased from Easter Breakfast Funds. Keith Peterson will order these. There will be a food donation sheet for VBS in the Narthex in the next weeks. Small **Groups: Colleen Woods** shared the "Snowbirds" are back and the groups are larger now. There was no interest in Bible Study for parents during Sunday School. Groups are still meeting.

Service: Julie Kiraly reported there were 60 children for the Easter Egg Hunt. Bags were distributed to kids after the Easter service as well. Julie will update us on background checks for VBS. Next event will be the "Mom/ Son Event in September.

PASTORAL REPORT: Pastor Dave shared the report on Pastoral Activity. Worship, Education, Meetings, Visitations were reviewed.

TREASURERS REPORT: Ron McKeever reported on expenditures, transferring of some funds, extra services. Deb Erdmann made a motion to accept and Colleen Woods second.

SECRETARIES REPORT: The Secretaries' Report for March was reviewed. Paul Tschida made a Motion to accept report as presented, Ron McKeever second.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Call Process was discussed. The Committee had a meeting on April 12. Looking at updated possibilities that were shared by Pastor Rehwaltd.

New members will be welcomed to the congregation on April 23.

The Insurance Questionnaire has been filled out and signed.

Confirmation Sunday will be April 30.

National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 4.

NEW BUSINESS:

We reviewed our Worship Shepherd Schedule.

Our next BOLM meeting will be on May 18, 7P.M.

Transfer of the Edge Family to Grace Lutheran Church in Denison, Tx was approved. Ron McKeever made the motion, Paul Tschida second.

Deb Erdmann made a motion to adjourn, Colleen Woods second. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M. Pastor Dave closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Beverly Gerads BOLM Secretary



Education / Small Group Team

Happy Mother's Day and Happy MAY!!!

Wow...Sunday School came to a close last Sunday the 30th and now we are just a wee bit over a month away from VBS!!! How time flew by this year! We closed out Sunday School with Sunday Sundae and the kids each got a DQ gift card for attendance and the teachers get to enjoy a cool treat for all their hard work for the year too! I appreciate more than words, all that they gave each Sunday to teach our kids at SOTP! We now move into VBS mode and will meet many times in May! (17th, 24th, 31st) Then once June hits we will be June 1, 3, and VBS start June 4th! There is a sign up sheet on the counter in the Narthex with volunteers and food items needed for the week! This is such a huge community event for ALL children, I hope you consider to lend a hand! We have been so blessed financially that we have not had to use monies from the church budget to provide this great event. I ask that you lift us in prayer as we prepare this month!!! Have a great month!

Brenda Hackett
Education Team Leader

Philippians 2:13-15 "for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation." Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky as you hold firmly to the word of life."

This verse is a good reminder of the teaching from our last meeting.



There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex counter for youth and adults who would like volunteer to help set up and work during the garage sale. The garage sale will be held on Thursday May 11th, from 8am to 6pm Friday May 12th from 8am to 6pm and Saturday May 13th from 8am to noon. We will set up on May 7th directly following fellowship, May 9th 5-8pm and May 10th 5-8 pm. We will finish the garage sale at noon on Saturday and then pack up the leftovers for various local charities. Please contact Sarah Anderson (320-267-2628) with questions. Donations can be brought to the double Sunday school room directly off the fellowship hall any time. The garage sale is a fundraiser for our time at Camp Shamineau this October for Fall Fling. Registration is \$115 per student and I have reserved 12 spots which totals \$1380 we need to raise.

If any of you have ideas for a group trip for the summer of 2024, please let us know. We would plan to stay within a 4-6 hour drive and would need several activities and sites to see in the area. The cabins we shared last time worked out great, so we would look for something similar. We welcome your itinerary ideas!

The next regular meeting will be on May 17th at 6:30pm (moving up an hour!). If the weather permits, we will have a campfire that night.

Put these future meeting dates on your calendar: June 7th & June 21st, July 5th & 19th will be regular Youth Group meetings at SOTP at 6:30pm. All youth 6-12th grade are welcome to join us for any of our activities.

If you haven't already, sign up to help with VBS in June!

Josh & Sarah Anderson
Youth Group Leaders



Worship Team

2023 Worship Team Schedule

MAY	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
5/7/2023	9:00am	Keith & Kathy Craft	Julie Kiraly	Dennis Arntson	Bev & Al Gerads	Dennis Arntson
05/14/23	9:00am	Ron & Barb McKeever	Keith Hackett	Jane Nelson	Keith & Brenda Hackett	Jane Nelson
05/21/23	9:00am	Jeff & Joan Ramey	Levi Brenny	Janet Maleska	Jeremy & Candace Dingmann	Steve Ree
05/28/23	9:00am	Garry Loidolt	Sarah Anderson	Peg Manea	Brian & Heather Statz	Jerry Nelson
JUNE	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
06/04/23	9:00am	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Mackenzie Ramey	Richael Weinand	Keith & Roxanne Peterson	Ron Bulthuis
06/11/23	9:00am	Kevin & Janet Maleska	Dennis Arntson	Ron Woods	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Paul Tschida
06/18/23	9:00am	Milt & Marlene Popp	Cal Ollman	Lois Perleberg	Brad & Holly Jasmer	Steve Ree
06/25/23	9:00am	Scott & Peg Manea	Denise Leahy	Ruth Brucher	Tom & Jen Ollman	Dennis Arntson
JULY	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
07/02/23	9:00am	Shelley Pintok	Sarah Anderson	Peg Manea	Al & Bev Gerads	Jerry Nelson
07/09/23	9:00am	Paulette Dahl	Mackenzie Ramey	Mary Bulthuis	Kevin & Janet Maleska	Jane Nelson
07/16/23	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Levi Brenny	Janet Maleska	Keith & Kathy Craft	Steve Ree
07/23/23	9:00am	Keith & Brenda Hackett	Denise Leahy	Dennis Arntson	Keith & Brenda Hackett	Dennis Arntson
07/30/23	9:00am	Deb Erdmann	Julie Kiraly	Paul Tschida	Steve & Roxann Ree	Paul Tschida

March's Church Income Statement

	March	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$20,206	\$62,587
Expenses	(\$19,021)	(\$46,256)
Over/(Shortfall)	\$1,185	\$16,331



May NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, 21st**, for the

Rice Elementary Staff.

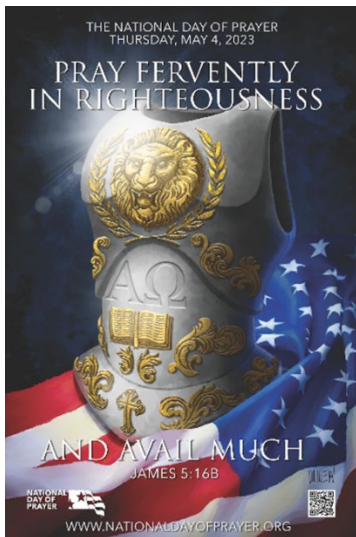
Rice Area Food Shelf

May Distribution is

Thursday, May 4th

from 3:00-5:30pm

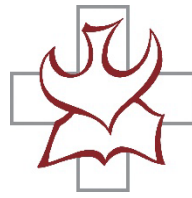
at the Old Village Hall!



The 72nd Annual National Day of Prayer will take place Thursday, May 4th. Millions will unite in prayer as thousands of events will take place from coast to coast. Our theme for the 2023 National Day of Prayer is **"Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much"**. The theme comes from the

words of James in James 5:16 "The effective fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. **"Please join us on Thursday, May 4th**, at SOTP for the Rice National Day of Prayer. We will have supper from 5:00-6:15pm. If you feel the tugging of the Holy Spirit to be involved with others in praying for God to move and work in our Community, you are invited!

Movie Nights at church will take a break for the Summer!! We will see you in the fall!! Have a wonderful and Safe Summer!!



Congratulations Confirmation Class of 2023

May the Holy Spirit continually pour His love, comfort, and guidance in the lives of our confirmand!

Mackenzie Ramey

Galatians 5:22-23 ²²But the fruit **of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

SOTP Youth Group

BIG GARAGE SALE



Garage Sale

May 11th & 12th

8am – 6pm

May 13th 8am-noon

We welcome your donations for the Sale starting April 24th.

This garage sale will benefit the SOTP youth who will be attending the Fall Fling at Camp Shamineau in Oct 2023



Mandy Groce '10

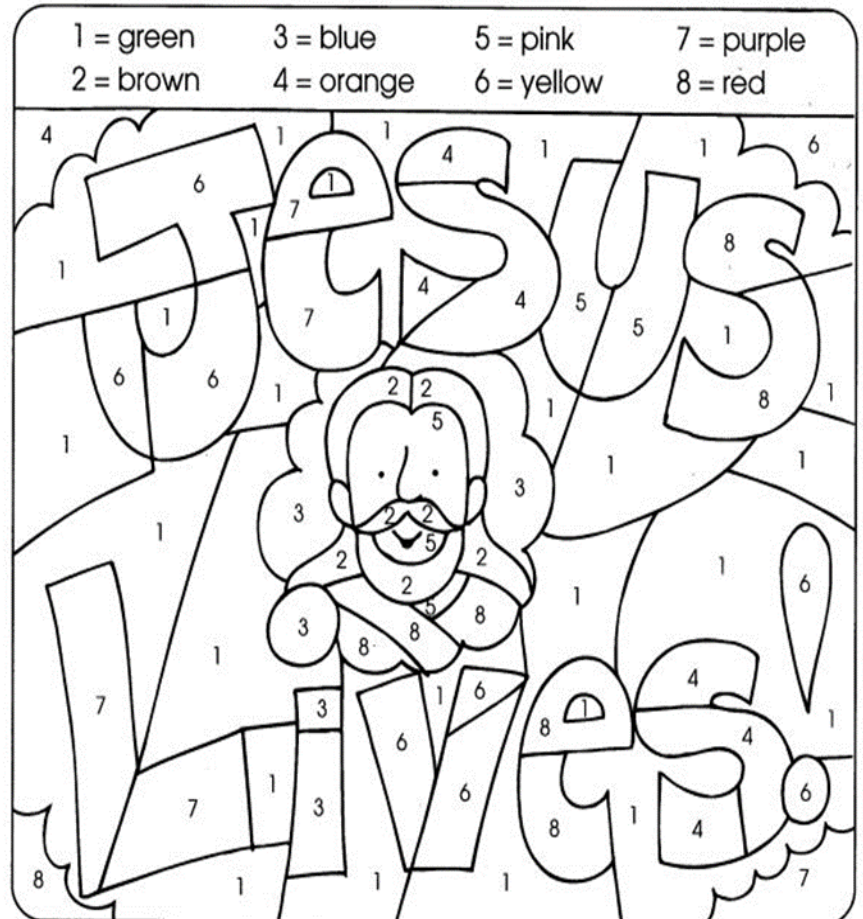
<http://ministry-to-children.com>

Jesus Is Alive!

(John 20)

At the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene talked to a man. She thought he was a gardener. But then she saw that the man was really Jesus! He had risen from the dead and was alive again!


Color the picture using the code. Cut it out and tape it up so you can be reminded of this wonderful truth!





Worship Shepherds

May 7 th		Ron McKeever
May 14 th		Colleen Woods
May 21 st		Paul Tschida
May 28 th		Bev Gerads

May 7 th		Keith & Kathy Craft
May 14 th		Ron & Barb McKeever
May 21 st		Jeff & Joanny Ramey
May 28 th		Garry Loidolt

May 7 th		Julie Kiraly
May 14 th		Keith Hackett
May 21 st		Levi Brenny
May 28 th		Sarah Anderson

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May 28 th	Brian & Heather Statz	

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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 May we will be praying for:**

May 14 th	George & Cara Freese
May 21 st	Howard & Nancy Forer
May 28 th	Doug & Kris Foss

UPDATE TO FELLOWSHIP!!

Here is the Spring Fellowship schedule. We ask that if you can't serve 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!



- May 7th
Pot Luck
- May 14th
R. McKeever, J. Nelson, L. Popp
- May 21st
P. Dahl, S. Wood, B. Novitzki
- May 28th
K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson
- June 4th
J. Clasen, D. Giese, T. Hovland
- June 11th
D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson
- June 18th
S. Pressnall, C. Walberg, D. Cairns
- June 25th
M. Barringer, L. Saldana, K. Peterson

Musicians

- May 7th MN Adult & Teen Challenge
- May 14th Heather
- May 21st Praise Team
- May 28th Bethany Mears



MAY

Curt Kvamme, Deb Erdmann, & Sandie Resch

MAY

Mary Bulthuis & Joan Ramey



May 7th
Psalm 146
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

May 21st
Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53



May 14th
Proverbs 31:10-31
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

May 28th
Numbers 11:24-30
Acts 2:1-21
John 7:37-39

Join us for our free VBS. This is for all who are age 4 through 5th grade.

Note: Update on VBS 2023! It is scheduled for June 4th - 8th for children ages 4yrs- 5th grade. If your child is 4 yrs. old through or the completion of 5th grade in 2023, we look forward to seeing you! There are a couple requests we ask of the parents. First, we are asking for as much pre-registration as possible so we can see the numbers we are looking at. We have enough to facilitate 130 children (max of 24-four year old's) so we will go on a first come first serve basis. Second, VBS can't happen without you! We need 50 volunteers to make this a success for a safe, smooth flowing time, PLEASE volunteer!!! Let's give the children a week of the Holy Spirit filled with laughter, fun, food, that we ALL so need!!! Contact church 393-4295, Brenda @ 267-6472, or online at the church website! Blessings on your day!

[Click Here to Register Your child/children](#)

[Click Here to Volunteer](#)

[Click Here to Update your Background Check](#)

Rice Area Community VBS

STELLAR
SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

www.sotpministries.com/vbs

June 4th-8th
6:30pm -8:30pm

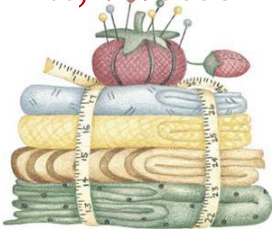
May Birthdays		
Shaunna	Johnson	May 01
Emma	Taylor	May 01
Harley	Johnson	May 02
Nicole	Novitzki	May 02
Ken	Feia	May 03
Cara	Freese	May 03
Sandra	Froelich	May 03
Laura	Popp	May 03
Madison	Jasmer	May 04
Mary	Campion	May 07
Bonnie	Loidolt	May 08
Ben	Cole	May 09
Randy	Klaphake	May 09
Jane	Nelson	May 09
Mason	Novitzki	May 10
Garry	Loidolt	May 11
Pat	Rolph	May 11
Michael	Barringer	May 13
Teegan	Sauer	May 14

May Birthdays Continued		
Bradley	Jasmer	May 15
Levi	Popp	May 16
Joan	Ramey	May 17
Randy	Kreifels	May 19
Reed	Kreifels	May 19
Janet	Maleska	May 23
Avie	Manea	May 23
Duane	Ott	May 24
Mary	Adkins	May 26
Jeremiah	Pressnall	May 26
Rolland	Adkins	May 28
Geri	Ott	May 28
Jim	Amundson	May 29
Brielle	Elyea	May 29
Sebastian	Gertken	May 30
Josh	Anderson	May 31
Jami	Kreifels	May 31

May Anniversaries		
Don & Jan	Klinker	May 07
Scott & Peg	Manea	May 09
Mike & Diane	Barringer	May 12
John & Peggy	Herman	May 17
Kelly & Ileana	Merten	May 19
Gary & Sherry	Kapsner	May 21
DelRoy & Marlene	Shane	May 27
John & Raquel	Alstrup	May 29
Gayle & June	Plumski	May 29

RICE AREA MISSION QUILTERS

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Project Needs

Volunteers

Tie & Pin Quilts

Supplies

1. Fabric – Yardage and Pieces
2. Yarn
3. Thread – Partial Spool ok
4. Polyester Batting
5. Towels
6. Sheets & Pillowcases

Quilts, Blankets, Sheets, Towels, Washcloths, Pillowcases, Wheelchair Bags, Rice Bags, Lap Robes, Receiving Blankets & Hot Pads Are Donated

To:

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|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ✚ Youth for Christ | ✚ Sterling Park |
| ✚ Hagen Min | ✚ Adolescent Addictions Services |
| ✚ Foley Food Shelf (CROSS) | ✚ Salvation Army |
| ✚ Place of Hope | ✚ Becker Faith in Action |
| ✚ St. Cloud Vet Stand Down | ✚ Dream Center |
| ✚ Lindon Grove | ✚ Catholic Charities |
| ✚ Global Health Ministries | ✚ Homestyle Living |
| ✚ VA Medical Center | ✚ Lutheran World Relief |
| ✚ Social Justice | ✚ 180° Youth |
| ✚ Bridge Recovery | ✚ Personal Ministry & Benefits |
| ✚ Haiti | ✚ Adara Home Health |
| ✚ Eden Brook Care Center | ✚ Country Manor |
| ✚ Harding Place | ✚ Homeless helping Homeless |
| ✚ Bags of Love | ✚ Light House |

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We appreciate any & all donations given!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Quilting News!

We have had a very productive year in Quilting! During the year 2022, we were able to deliver 1,669 queen and regular quilts, lap robes, and receiving blankets. We also deliver miscellaneous pillowcases, sheets, towels, and washcloths free of charge to low income families.

We want to thank everyone that has donated money, fabric, their time sewing tops, pillowcases, potholders and ironing sheets. We have accomplished so much with everyone using their wonderful talents. We would really appreciate more people participating in the pinning and tying of the quilts. (We have a lot of fun and laughs!) No need to know how to sew!!

A special thank you to Rice Lion's, Thrivent Financial, Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church, and Jordie's Trailside Café for supporting our purchase of sheets for our quilts.

We are making rice bags and pillowcase dresses for Haiti. We also sew wheelchair bags for the VA Med. Center and area nursing homes.

We have a list on the back of all the agencies that have received our items. They are all very grateful for all the time and talents of everyone that has taken part in this mission.

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MAY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	9:00 Quilters 5:30 Quilters 6:00 AI-Anon	9:30 Bible Study 6:30pm Confirmation	 9:00 Quilters 5-6:15 Supper 6:30 National Day of Prayer Service		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Music: MN Adult & Teen Challenge 8:00 Prayer Time 9:00 Worship 10:00 Pot Luck Meal	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	9:00 Quilters 5:30 Quilters 6:00 AI-Anon	9:30 Bible Study	 Youth Garage Sale 8am-6pm 9:00 Quilters Youth Garage Sale 8am-6pm Youth Garage Sale 8am-12pm		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
 Music: Heather 8:00 Prayer Time 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 Fellowship	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	9:00 Quilters 5:30 Quilters 6:00 AI-Anon	9:30 Bible Study	9:00 Quilters 6:30 Elder's Meeting 7:00 BOLM Meeting		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
NOISY OFFERING Rice Elementary Music: Praise Team 8:00 Prayer Time 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Bible Study	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study	9:00 Quilters 5:30 Quilters 6:00 AI-Anon		9:00 Quilters		
28	29	30	31	 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group Study		
Music: Bethany 8:00 Prayer Time 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Bible Study	9:00 Quilters 5:30 Quilters 6:00 AI-Anon	9:30 Bible Study	 <i>Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.</i> Proverbs 22:6			

RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED



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Kyle Hackett, President 266-1700; David Perleberg, Vice President 360-5147; Bev Gerads, Secretary 761-1894; Ron McKeever
Treas. 393-2524; Joan Ramey 217-4431; Colleen Woods 685-4389; Deb Erdmann, 249-4804; Paul Tschida 360-5241

Keith Peterson, Church Properties 292-4007

EXECUTIVE MINISTRY TEAM

Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader, Leader, Brenda Hackett – Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Team,
Open Position 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.