



Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church

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Sermon Series: We Believe

Have you ever heard of an elevator speech? It's a 30 second explanation to give to someone when you're in an elevator. For instance, if someone asks what you do or what you're about, you only have a few seconds to get your point across.

At first it might seem easy to be concise but if you really want to say this well, you would want it to be interesting enough to include the specific details. If you give an answer that is too generic then it's boring. But if you say it in a way that causes intrigue and interest, then you have their attention.

It's much harder to say something short. There's a joke attributed to Mark Twain where he said "Sorry that the letter is so long. If I had more time, it would be shorter." Admittedly, pastors are not great at being concise. We love to talk about God and enjoy discussions, ideas and arguments people might make in a conversation.

However, pastors and God's people realized early on the need to convey important ideas in a concise manner. This was in a time when most people could not read or write, so things of the greatest importance were memorized. This includes the Apostles' Creed, which has been in use in the Western Church since the 2nd century. It's called the Apostles' Creed because it reflects the teachings of the Apostles.

During the Reformation, Martin Luther wanted all Christians to not only know the Creed but to also have a deep understanding of the concepts in the Creed. Even though the Creed is short, Christians can continue to study the concepts and Bible verses it expresses.

This fall, we will walk through the Apostles' Creed on Sunday mornings in a new sermon series titled "We Believe." I pray that this will draw you closer to the truths expressed in this ancient creed and that you can find greater comfort from the God who is expressed in it.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor David Edge

Join us as Shepherd of the Pines Serves a Meal at Place of Hope!!

2nd Saturday of every month

1:30pm-6:00pm

(We will serve on [September 12th](#))

This is a servant opportunity that is sure to fill you up in many ways. A great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus! Cooking begins at 1:30, circle prayer at 4:30, and serving at 4:45. You can choose to work the whole time or simply pick the first or second half of the timeframe. If interested, please contact Sandie Resch at 360-4563. Please prayerfully consider.

July's Church Income Statement

	July	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$14,606	\$130,134
Expenses	(\$18,694)	(\$136,637)
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$4,088)	(\$6,503)



RICE AREA BLOOD DRIVE will be at Shepherd of the Pines on **Monday, October 26th** from **1:00pm - 6:45pm**. Give the gift of life so that others may live. To set up an appointment call Lora@393-2701 evenings. Thank you for your support!



PREPARE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!!

Start date: Sunday, September 13th

Blessing of the Backpacks:

Sunday, September 13th tentative

Forms and sign-up sheet on the narthex counter

We will be following Minnesota Executive order 20-81 and Require masks

Children under 5 or People who have health conditions, disabilities or behavioral needs that make it difficult to safely wear a mask are exempted from the rule.

(Mask can be removed temporarily for the musician when performing, or anyone who is speaking at the podium, or when we take Holy Communion)



SEPTEMBER NOISY OFFERING!

We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, September 16th**, for the **Quilters**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

Rice Area Food Shelf

September Distribution is Thursday, September 10th from 3:00-5:30pm



Education / Small Group Team

Greetings Dear ones!

Well here we are... September and back to a different normal for a while! (I hope) We are planning to do things differently for Sunday School for the time being. How long you ask...I have no answer BUT the children need to hear God's word. Pastor David and my team are working for a new format for Sunday mornings. Church will remain at the 9:00 a.m service until the BOLM decides differently so that being said, we will be trying to do a "Group" Sunday School in the sanctuary after church service for 30 minutes. On each Sunday, the children will have a message relating to the Bible passage from service (kids time) , song from past VBS with movement and motion, we will ask that it be FAMILY style, so kids can sit with moms and dads for this time (keeping Social distance in mind for families), scripture memory challenges, and a take home craft. We will use the verses from the WINGS books each week and IF the children want to do memory work, they will get a treat for reciting it the next week. This will require no staff, no substitutes, no extra cleaning for the janitor. This will be for the Pre-K thru 5th grade. We are working as what to do with the older kids. Because at the time I type this, the schools still do not know 100% the direction they are going, we still can change this format at any time and follow what schools are doing also. You will need to watch the church website to see for sure IF class will be on Sundays because if we do not have church, we will not have class. We also have days for holidays that will be taken off to. I do not know about the Christmas program sad to say.... It seems that the unknown is present more so then the known at this time.

We will have the blessing of the backpacks the very first Sunday of Sunday school during Sunday school. The kick off day is tentatively set for September 13. We no longer have the children's message during church service and not sure when that will return. So that being said, we will do Bibles for our 3rd graders, Confirmation Catechisms and such items during the Sunday School time on that first Sunday of Sunday School. I hope you will consider to keep the children growing in the Lord and I look forward to seeing you in a new setting! Peace in the Lord and always!

Brenda Hackett

Small Group/Edu. Team Leader



Worship Team **Worship Help Schedule**

September	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
09/06/20	9:00am	Keith & Kathy Craft	Sarah Anderson	Jeff Ramey	Dennis Arntson
09/13/20	9:00am	Ron & Barb McKeever	Isabelle Cairns	Pastor David	Pastor David
09/20/20	9:00am	Jeff & Joan Ramey	Dennis Arntson	Lois Perleberg	Steve Ree
09/27/20	9:00am	Garry Loidolt	Levi Brenny	Ruth Brutcher	Pastor David

October	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
10/04/20	9:00am	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Ian Cairns	Dennis Arntson	Dennis Arntson
10/11/20	9:00am	Kevin & Janet Maleska	Sarah Anderson	Janet Maleska	Pastor David
10/18/20	9:00am	Al & Bev Gerads	Isabelle Cairns	Jeff Ramey	Steve Ree
10/25/20	9:00am	Garry Loidolt	Dennis Arntson	Pastor David	Pastor David

November	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
11/01/20	9:00am	Shelley Pintok	Levi Brenny	Lois Perleberg	Pastor David
11/08/20	9:00am	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Ian Cairns	Ruth Brutcher	Pastor David
11/15/20	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Sarah Anderson	Dennis Arntson	Steve Ree
11/22/20	9:00am	Keith & Kathy Craft	Isabelle Cairns	Janet Maleska	Dennis Arntson
11/29/20	9:00am	Jeff & Joan Ramey	Dennis Arntson	Jeff Ramey	Pastor David

December	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
12/06/20	9:00am	Shelley Pintok	Levi Brenny	Pastor David	Pastor David
12/13/20	9:00am	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Ian Cairns	Lois Perleberg	Pastor David
12/20/20	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Sarah Anderson	Ruth Brutcher	Steve Ree
12/27/20	9:00am	Keith & Kathy Craft	Isabelle Cairns	Dennis Arntson	Dennis Arntson

TECH+

2nd Annual MN North District Technology Workshop... PLUS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2020

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church, Rice, MN

- ◇ CHURCH WEBSITES AND SOCIAL MEDIA
- ◇ WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY
- ◇ CHURCH MANAGEMENT TOOLS
- ◇ ONLINE GIVING
- ◇ PLUS... BUILDING SECURITY, TREASURER WORKSHOP, AND MORE!

\$10 Registration Fee | Lunch will be served

Speakers

[Register \\$15 person \\$30 Couple](#)



Matt & Lauren Chandler

Matt Chandler is the lead pastor of The Village Church. Lauren Chandler is a worship leader.



Conway & Jada Edwards

Dr. Conway Edwards is the founding and lead pastor of One Community Church and Jada Edwards is the creative arts director at One Community Church.



Les & Leslie Parrott

Marriage experts and *New York Times* bestselling authors of *Love Talk* and the award-winning *Saving Your Marriage Before it Starts*.



Michael Jr., Comedian

Michael Jr. has been featured on *The Tonight Show*, *Jimmy Kimmel Live*, and *Comedy Central*.

September 12, 2020 6:00-9:30pm Daycare available

MN MARRIAGE NIGHT

Membership Information

Welcome New Families.

Hicks

Patrick & Wendy Hicks
 Children: Meghan & Joe
 Cindy Christensen



September Anniversaries		
Kyle & Ashley	Hackett	September 06
Adam & Clare	Elyea	September 10
Hunter & Amanda	Jasmer	September 15
Tony & Linda	Omann	September 17
Josh & Kalley	Wright	September 21
Ron & Mary	Bulthius	September 23
Paul & Lila	Tschida	September 24
Keith & Roxanne	Peterson	September 27
Keith & Kathy	Craft	September 28
David & Lois	Perleberg	September 30

September Birthdays		
Gayle	Plumski	September 01
Andy	Eggert	September 04
Gene	Kubat	September 05
Laurie	Madoll	September 06
Dale	Dirks	September 07
Anna	Herrmann	September 07
Beau	Johnson	September 07
Kim	Kubat	September 07
DuReine	Matheny	September 07
Evan	Ostendorf	September 08
Koriana	Hackett	September 09
Cal	Ollman	September 09
Aubrey	Hinderschied	September 13
Wayne	Anderson	September 14
Melissa	Hinderschied	September 14
Marlys	Skudlarek	September 15
Judy	Hackett	September 16
Grant	Donabauer	September 17
Colton	Hinderschied	September 17
McKenna	Brannen	September 19
Karen	Ellefson	September 19
Kris	Foss	September 19
Steve	Pressnall	September 23
Tim	Hinderschied	September 24
Terri	Skajewski	September 25
Brian	Statz	September 27
Katie	Hemple	September 30
Bruce	Knafla	September 30

Word Scramble for Exile Is Coming!

Unscramble each of the clue words. Take the letters that appear in the circle boxes and unscramble them to find the answer to the last phrase.

EBOY

○	□	□	□
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GINK

□	○	□	○
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URTEFU

○	□	□	□	□	□
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EVETSYN

□	□	○	□	□	□	□
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ROMPEIS

□	○	□	□	□	□	○
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God promised to _____.

Coded Words for Exile Is Coming!

Each number stands for a letter of the alphabet.
Write the correct letter in the blank to find the coded words and phrase.

2 1 2 25 12 15 14

19 5 22 5 14 20 25

16 18 15 13 9 19 5

15 2 5 25

Code key

A 1	J 10	S 19
B 2	K 11	T 20
C 3	L 12	U 21
D 4	M 13	V 22
E 5	N 14	W 23
F 6	O 15	X 24
G 7	P 16	Y 25
H 8	Q 17	Z 26
I 9	R 18	

PHRASE:

10 5 18 5 13 9 1 8

20 15 12 4 5 24 9 12 5

23 1 19 1 8 5 1 4

Worship Shepherds

September 6 Janet Maleska
 September 13 Dave Perleberg
 September 20 Bev Gerads
 September 27 Wayne Anderson



Fellowship Hour will be postponed until further notice.

September 6 Dennis Arntson
 September 13 Pastor David
 September 20 Steve Ree
 September 27 Pastor David



September 6 9AM Jeff Ramey
 September 13 9AM Pastor David
 September 20 9AM Lois Perleberg
 September 27 9AM Ruth Brutcher



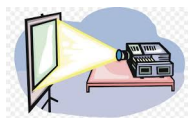
Musicians
 September 6 Heather Statz
 September 13 Lyric Videos
 September 20 Praise Team
 September 27 Lyric Videos



September 6 9AM Keith & Kathy Craft
 September 13 9AM Ron & Barb McKeever
 September 20 9AM Jeff & Joan Ramey
 September 27 9AM Garry Loidolt



PROJECTIONISTS



September 6 9AM Sarah Anderson
 September 13 9AM Isabelle Cairns
 September 20 9AM Dennis Arntson
 September 27 9AM Levi Brenny

SEPTEMBER

Deb Erdmann, Curt Kvamme, &
 Sandie Resch



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 September we will be praying for:**

September 6- Fred & LuAnn Legatt
 September 13 - Travis & Marlys Lenarz
 September 20 - Garry & Bonnie Loidolt
 September 27 - James & Laurie Madoll



SEPTEMBER
 Julie Clasen, Charyl Walberg, &
 Brenda Pressnall

September 6- Isaiah 53:8-12
 1 Corinthians 15:1-8
 Luke 24:1-8

September 13 - Psalm 139:7-16
 Colossians 1:15-20
 Matthew 10:26-31



September 20 - Genesis 1:1-5, 26-28
 Romans 8:9-11
 Mark 2:1-11

September 27 - Isaiah 9:1-6
 Philippians 2:1-9
 Matthew 1:18-25

RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED



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SOTP BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY/ELDERS

Sarah Anderson, Secretary 267-2628; Janet Maleska 249-4467; Deb Erdmann, 249-4804; David Perleberg, Vice President 360-5147; Wayne Anderson 393-2128; Curt Kvamme Treas. 393-3353; Kyle Hackett, President 266-1700; Bev Gerads 761-1894

Keith Peterson, Church Properties 292-4007

EXECUTIVE MINISTRY TEAM

Brenda Hackett – 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.