



November 20, 2022

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 located 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.

November 20, 2022

9am Worship Service

10am Fellowship

NO Sunday School however they will play Bingo

10:20 Annual Meeting

Praise Team, Musician

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Announcements

Opening Song

"Thank You Lord"

Invocation

Pastor: We worship in the name of the God Who has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and in baptism brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:13-14)

Congregation: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: This is the Last Sunday of the Church Year, and we call it "Christ the King" Sunday. The Gospel lesson for today takes us to the cross and the crucifixion of Jesus. The sign over His head that day read, "This is the King of the Jews." (Luke 23:38) Later, moments after Jesus had died, a centurion soldier remarked, "Surely this was a righteous man." (Luke 23:47) That all happened so that sinners such as you and me could come to our God, confess our sins, and receive His forgiveness.

Congregation: Most merciful God, I confess that I am by nature sinful and unclean. I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart;

I have not loved my neighbors as I have loved myself. I justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, so that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy 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 therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen. "He has rescued us and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (Colossians 1:13-14)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Father, we know that the Day is coming when Christ will return, and all people will be judged.

Congregation: Use us we pray and our church family to reach out with the Good News of Jesus to all who are living in our community, that more and more of our friends and neighbors will be gathered around the throne of Jesus and hear these blessed words:

Pastor: "Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared For you since the creation of the world." (Matthew 25:34)

Congregation: Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Malachi 3:13-18 (Page 951)

Epistle – Colossians 1:13-20 (Page 1165)

Gospel – Luke 23:27-43 (Page 1046)

Sermon Song

"Open The Eyes Of My Heart"

Sermon
Pastor Dave Strohschein

“Jesus Moments!”

Matthew 25:40

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.

Noisy Offering The collection from the noisy offering today will be given to Terebinth Refuge.

Offering Announcement

Offering Song

“Give Thanks”

Prayers (Family this week: Mike Dase)

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.

Benediction

Closing Song

“He Is Jehovah”

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5
 Romans 13:8-14
 Matthew 24:36-44



We are glad to have you with us today!
Please sign our guest book.
Fellowship will be after church service.

Online Giving

Available Now

Go to SOTP website:

www.sotpministries.com/give

or call the office at

320-393-4295 for help setting this up!



Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual congregational meeting of SOTP will be held today Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 10:20am in the church sanctuary. We will have our normal service time at 9:00am. Thank you for attending and lending your voice. Feel free to contact any current board member with any questions you may have.



Keep Eyes open for upcoming events!

- Bible Studies, Wednesday morning 9:30am
 - Confirmation Wednesday at 6:00pm
 - Thanksgiving Eve Service this Wednesday Nov. 23rd at 6:30 PM
 - Office will be closed Thanksgiving Day and Friday this week.
 - Join us Next Wednesday for Advent Service @ 6:30pm with supper served before, from 5-6:15pm
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2023 God's Creation Calendars will be for sale this year and proceeds will be going to the VBS fund. Calendars cost only \$7 each and we have limited supplies. These calendars will make great Christmas gifts! Thank you for your support!

November NOISY OFFERING!



We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, November 20th** for the **Terebinth Refuge**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

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 a group to switch with. Each group is to bring in treats, serve, and clean up. Thank You!



November 20th M. Barringer, L. Saldana, K. Peterson
November 27th K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher. P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson
December 4th B. Jasmer, H. Jasmer, A. Ostendorf
December 11th J. Elliott, K. Maleska, K. Huhne/Popp
December 18th J. Amundson, M. Popp, B. Statz
December 25th No Fellowship

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.

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 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

Kyle Hackett, Pres.	266-1700	Joan Ramey	393-3342
David Perleberg V.P.	360-5147	Colleen Woods	685-4389
Bev Gerads Secretary	761-1894	Deb Erdmann	249-4804
Ron McKeever Treas.	492-5043	Garry Loidolt	393-2097

Keith Peterson - Church Properties

Executive Ministry Team

Open Position(s) - Service Team Leader

Brenda Hackett - Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Leader

Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader

November Altar Guild: Julie Clasen, Charyl Walberg, Brenda Pressnall

November Counters: Barb McKeever & Juli Popp



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 prayer 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

Cole Jordan Morgan
Olivia Pearl Morgan
Kye John Roelofs
Blakelyn Rose Gangl
Mädchen Cate Smallfield
Emily May Moulzolf
Bridger Allen Dumonceaux
Griffin Dale Maass

Date of Baptism

November 14, 2021
November 14, 2021
November 21, 2021
March 27, 2022
April 3, 2022
June 19, 2022
July 24, 2022
October 17, 2022

ALTAR GUILD TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED

We have openings for Altar Guild. This will introduce you to belonging to a group with minimal time commitment. We currently have 4 teams that each cover 3 months per year. We would like to have a least 4 individuals on each team. Please contact me, and we will go over what would be required....we also are responsible for decorating the church for all seasons which is really fun. See me at church or call me at 320 217 4431.

Joanny Ramey

Central MN Foster Grandparent Program

Calling all volunteers age 55+!! You have many opportunities to make a difference in the life of a child at local schools, childcare centers or KIDSTOP programs.

Help children succeed

- Only 260 hours per year
- Tax-free stipend
- Travel reimbursement
- Training provided

Contact Sue at 320-229-4589 or email at sue.feliciano@ccstcloud.org for more information.

Open Positions to create a Service Team

We are looking for a group of people to be on the service team. This group would help plan and organize events at SOTP. Please speak to a board member if this is something that you would be interested in, or if you would like more information.

AA at SOTP

AA will start meeting back up at SOTP on Thursday December 1st at 7PM. They will be meeting weekly. If you have any questions or would like more information, reach out to Dan Carins. 320-293-9213

Bible Studies have begun!

† **After service Sunday mornings**

A study of the Scriptures of the day led by Pastor Dave Stroschein

† **9:30 Wednesday mornings**

The Book of Matthew, led by Lois Perleberg - all are welcome!

"Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak" led by Marlene Popp

† **7 pm Wednesday evenings**

"Get Out of Your Head" led by Emily Wunderlich

† **ON OUR RADAR:**

Sunday mornings during Sunday School

A study for Parents led by Richael Weinand



I encourage everyone to join a Small Group this winter! Whether it be connecting with two others to form a **Triad** to pray for each other, joining a **Bible Study**, starting a **Bible Study**, working on a **Mission project**, such as quilting, joining with others to serve a meal once a month at **Place of Hope**, gathering with others to **pray for children in public schools...**

Talk to me about your ideas, interests, and concerns!

320-685-4389 - Please leave a message if there is no answer.
Colleen Woods

Youth Group News and information

- On Wednesday Nov 23rd following the Thanksgiving Eve service, the youth group will help decorate the church Christmas tree. Please plan to stay after service and enjoy some time together, getting into the holiday spirit together.
- On Saturday Dec 3rd, Country Manor - Assisted Living has invited the youth group to help put up Christmas decorations and get into the Christmas spirit with the residents.
- On Wednesday Dec 7th, the youth group will serve the Advent Soup Supper.



Join us on Wednesday, November 23rd, at 6:30pm for our Thanksgiving Eve Service at Shepherd of the Pines.

In Ephesians 5:19 - 20, the Apostle Paul encourages us to, "speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." We welcome you to join together with your SOTP family as we give thanks to our Lord.

Holiday Worship Schedule

Thanksgiving Eve Service – November 23rd at 6:30pm

Advent Services – November 30th December 7th, 14th, & 21st
6:30pm

Children's Sunday Service- December 18th 9:00am

Christmas Eve Services – December 24th at 3:00pm and 5:00pm

Christmas Day Service Sunday December 25th 9am

Looking for a group/individuals to sign up
for Advent Suppers.

Supper will be served from 5pm to 6:15pm.
Service will be at 6:30pm

November 30th BOLM

December 7th Youth Group

December 14th Quilter/Bible Study

December 21st OPEN



Homework Hour

If you or your child is interested in a homework hour please reach out to the church office. This time will be for any student that has questions or needs help with their homework. We are looking at Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm. We will have adults here to help you with questions or if you just want to study with another peer this is a great time and place to get that done. Currently we are going to do week by week if anyone is signed up.

This Week at Shepherd of the Pines

Sunday, November 20th (Music- Praise Team) **NOISY OFFERING**

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Fellowship
10:20 AM	Annual Congregational Meeting
10:20 AM	Children BINGO

Monday, November 21st

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

Tuesday, November 22nd

6:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting
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Wednesday November 23rd

9:30 AM	Bible Study: Book of Matthew
9:30 AM	Woman's Study: Mothers and Daughters
6:00 PM	Confirmation
6:30 PM	Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thursday, November 24th **OFFICE IS CLOSED THANKGIVNG DAY**

Friday, November 25th **OFFICE IS CLOSED**

Sunday, November 27th (Music- Lyric Videos)

8:00 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
10:00 AM	Fellowship
	No Sunday School/Youth Group
	No Bible Studay

SOTP Worship Team Serving, This Sunday
November 20th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Bruce & Sandie Resch
Projectionist: Denise Leahy
Reader: Jerry Nelson
Ushers: Ron & Barb McKeever

Worship Leader: Steve Ree

Worship Service Shepherd: Colleen Woods

Fellowship M. Barringer, L. Saldana, K. Peterson

SOTP Worship Team Serving, Next Sunday
November 27th

9:00am Worship:

Greeters: Keith & Brenda Hackett
Projectionist: Volunteer
Reader: Ron Woods
Ushers: Keith & Kathy Craft

Worship Leader: Dennis Arntson

Worship Service Shepherd: Garry Loidolt

Fellowship K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, G. Hendrickson