

**Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church**  
A Congregation of the Evangelical  
Lutheran Church in America

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**WELCOME GUESTS**

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. Everyone is welcome to Holy Communion at Shepherd of the Lakes. Come forward as ushers direct, receive the wafer in your hand and move to the wine which is served in individual portions. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

**Church Services:**

**Church services are temporarily cancelled.  
The Saturday evening service will be recorded  
and available for viewing on YouTube  
for Sunday morning worship.**



**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

Saturday November 7, 2020  
Sunday November 8, 2020

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

**Next Council Meeting:** postponed

**All church activities postponed due to Covid-19**

**2021 Budget meeting postponed until November**

### Thanksgiving Dinner:

Due to the generosity of one of our congregation, individual Thanksgiving dinners will be available from Save More for curbside pick up at church or by delivery to your home.

**Please contact** Jeanne Kroll by phone at 715-542-2797 or Jean Maines by email at [treasurer@sotlsayner.com](mailto:treasurer@sotlsayner.com) by 8:00 pm Sunday, November 22, 2020.

Meals consist of:

- Turkey, ham, or turkey and ham
- Homemade Stuffing
- Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Choice of baby carrots or sweet potatoes

Cranberry-orange relish

Pumpkin Pie with whipped cream

Dinner roll and butter

**Recorded Services:** All Saturday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on YouTube, usually by 9 AM Sunday morning.

Go to the Church website at [shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://shepherdofthelakeschurch.org)

and look for the  symbol. Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

## PRAYER REQUESTS



*(Please note: "Current issue" listings remain in the bulletin for three weeks and then are removed unless instructions are received to move that listing to the "ongoing health issues" list.)*

### Pray for those dealing with current issues:

**Continue to pray** for those in the world affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for our world leaders, church leaders, and Shepherd of the Lakes leaders so that they may help to meet the needs of those they serve as we move forward in these everchanging times.

### Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Jim & Teresa Luebke, Brian Repenshek, Larry & Joannie Stephenson, Arlene Dreyfus, Rich Kysiak, Julie Smith, Elaine Kuhlmann & Family, Chris (Evie's nephew), Dee's daughter Meri and son-in-law Ray & Carolyn, and Tom & Carol Miles.

### Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Jeff Hammer, Brian Kriek, Adam & Brittany Recob, Brooks Maines, Will Schmidt, Sgt. Keara Kangas, Alex Bauer, Jared Mann, Noah Storaasli, and Zachary Raatz.

### Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Ramona Schaeffel, Mel & Barb Harvey, and Elisabeth Jacobsen.

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Please email Bill Wendorf at [pastor@sotlsayner.com](mailto:pastor@sotlsayner.com) or Jean Maines at [secretary@sotlsayner.com](mailto:secretary@sotlsayner.com) if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email.

*If anyone is interested in being the contact person for the prayer chain, please contact Bill Wendorf or Sharon Geist*

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rather than God (in Matthew). Paul reminds us that our relationship with God is cause for joy, even in the midst of sorrow, since we believe (trust) God's promise of eternal life through the living Lord Jesus.

### **Trusting in God, Trusting with God**

Human beings are relational creatures. We are created to be in relationship with one another and with God. No one, no matter how independent or disconnected they may feel they are, functions completely outside the context of relationships. From the moment we are born we are thrust into relationship with people around us—the people who delivered us, the people who will be taking care of us in a hospital nursery, our family, and God. When we enter this world we do so forming relationships right from the start.

Relationships, healthy relationships, require a lot of work and care to continue. In particular, relationships require trust to grow and become mature. Relationships rooted in trust can bring out the best in us. Relationships rooted in anything else can bring out the worst.

Today's readings give us the chance to consider the trust required in the relationship between God and God's people. Moreover, we are invited to give thought to the consequences of replacing trust with something else: hubris stemming from trust in one's identity or work (in Amos), or hubris stemming from trust in others to sustain us

### **Readings for**

**November 14 & 15, 2020**

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18  
Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12  
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11  
Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30