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Church Services are held on Sundays at 9:00 am.

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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 the chalice or individual portions as you prefer. We offer grape juice as an alternative to wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available at your request from communion servers when you partake.

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.

Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.

Go to the Church website at
www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

and look for the  symbol.

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

Readings for January 29, 2023:

1st Reading: Micah 6: 1 - 8
Psalm: 15
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31
Holy Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12



Seeing and Telling Who Jesus Is

The time after Epiphany is the church's time to invite us to come and see who this one born in a manger will be, and to discover what this one born to a young woman might mean for us and for the world. Today's gospel tells us that Jesus is the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world," "the Son of God," and "the Messiah." These appellations show us that the coming of Jesus has meaning not just for those who follow him, but for all people and all the world. In the gospel, neither John nor Andrew can contain their testimony about who Jesus is. They have had an encounter with Christ that has had such an impact on their lives that they cannot help but tell others about it. John tells his disciples and everyone else within earshot about Jesus. Andrew runs to find his brother, Peter, and brings him to Jesus so that Peter might have the same life-changing encounter he himself has experienced.

We are invited to "come and see" who Jesus is. We are reminded that God's forgiveness and love proclaimed in Jesus Christ is meant to be good news for us and for all people. As we encounter Christ, our lives are changed. Like John and Andrew in today's gospel, we are called to share with others who we have seen Jesus to be.

CHURCH SERVICES:

Regular Sunday morning services at 9:00 am. Masking is not required, but if you wish to wear a mask, we have them available on the table in the entryway. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later in the day.

FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:

Please join us for coffee and fellowship each Sunday after worship.

The second Sunday of each month will be our regular fellowship brunch. Bring a dish to pass as you can.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

Council meeting February 19, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

FINANCIAL NOTES:

January 15, 2023	
General Funds	\$ 3,148.00
Caritas	\$ 10.00
Food Pantry	\$ 75.00
Weekend Backpack	\$ 25.00
World Hunger	\$ 7.00
Total	\$ 3,283.00

ANNUAL MEETING:

There will be two separate Congregational meetings held on Sunday, January 29, 2023. We will begin with a Call meeting to vote if we want to call Bill Wendorf, LLM as our pastor now that he has completed his certificate classes. The Congregation will decide whether to offer Bill a formal letter of call.

The second meeting will be our normal Annual Meeting.

BILL'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday	Off	Friday	9 am – 1 pm
Tuesday	As Needed	Saturday	As Needed
Wednesday	9 am – 12 noon, 3 – 5 pm	Sunday	Worship
Thursday	9 am – 1 pm		ALWAYS ON CALL

“THE TRUTH PROJECT”:

Thirteen-week video class led by Jack Carlson. Class to be held on Monday evenings at 6 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible study to be held on Tuesday evenings, beginning at 5 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED FOR 2023:

There will be two vacancies on the church council that will need to be filled at the annual meeting. If you are interested in being a part of the church council, please let any of the current council members know.

CHILI LUNCHEON:

A Chili Luncheon fundraiser for the Humane Society of Vilas County will be held on Saturday, February 18th from 11 – 2 p.m. at the Church. Offered will be chili, turkey soup, sandwiches and all the fixin's for the chili. Free will offerings accepted. All pet supply donations are greatly appreciated!

FOOD PANTRY:

There are a lot of people in our area who depend upon the food pantry. Please pick up an extra can or two as you shop and place in the brown basket in the coat room. Thank you!

JAN SPECHT ADDRESS:

Jan sent us a thank you card for all of the help in packing her household. Her new address is:

Janice Specht
2209 Browns Lake Drive, #108
Burlington, WI 53105

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:

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Gus, Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Lyn, and Melody.

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, and Zachary.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

Pray for those who have passed:

The family of Dena Levihn

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

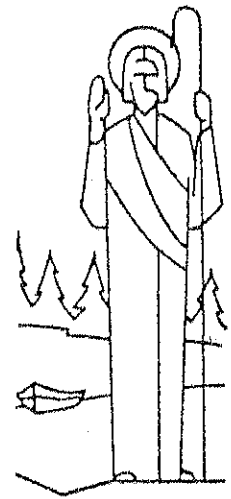
Please email Bill at pastor@SOTLsayner.com or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean at secretary@SOTLsayner.com or 715-542-4213 if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

Sayner, Wisconsin

Sundays After Epiphany 2023

January 22, 2023



Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism)

We begin our worship this day in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Mighty and loving God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your
mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths,
the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with
the Holy Spirit in faith, hope, and love.**

Amen

Thus says our God: “The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare.”
God’s mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ✝ Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light" ELW 815

(Please Stand as you are comfortable)

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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Opening Dialogue

God spoke through the prophet, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you."

God calls us by name, we belong to God.

"When you pass through the waters..."

God will be with us.

"When you pass through the rivers..."

God will be with us.

"When you walk through the fire..."

God will be with us.

God is our Savior, we are precious in God's sight.

Come let us worship our Savior, who leads us into life.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with your all.

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God,

**your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us.
Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness
that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Lesson Isaiah 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;**

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.**

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing;

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸**My heart speaks your message "Seek my face."**

Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel Alleluia

(Please Stand as You are Comfortable)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel According to.....
Glory to You, O Lord.

Matthew 4:12-23

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶the people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death

light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and

followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

(Please be Seated)

Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please greet your neighbor as you and your neighbor are comfortable)

Great Thanksgiving

As the Lord's Table is prepared and our offering is received:

Please join in singing "Let us Break Bread together" *ELW 471*

Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part.

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

The Refrain section begins with the lyrics "When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing". The musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in the same key as the previous sections.

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

The second part of the Refrain continues with the lyrics "sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.". The musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in the same key as the previous sections.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Offertory Prayer

God of all creation,

all you have made is good, and your love endures forever.

You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.

Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your Hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and Praise.

It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

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.

Invitation

Communion Distribution

*Please be seated and come forward as the ushers direct.
All those who wish to commune are welcomed to the Lord's table.*



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;
 2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;
 3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;
 4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is past,

from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.
 let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.
 through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.
 I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.
 Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalmes of David*, 1579, alt.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,

Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -

own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain

On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

Just As I Am, without One Plea

The musical score is written for a four-part vocal setting. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are arranged in four verses, with the first verse starting at the beginning of the first system and the final verse ending at the end of the third system. The lyrics are: 1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y a con - flict,
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,
4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry
shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
man - y a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,
cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,
bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789-1871

Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

Communion Blessing *(Please Stand As You Comfortable)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Communion Prayer

Gracious God,

**in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,
and nourished us at your table with food and drink,
the body and blood of Christ.
Now send us forth to be your people in the world,
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

Benediction

Closing Hymn "We Are Marching In The Light Of God" ELW 866 vs. 1,3,4.



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) OO
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) OO



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing ...
 We are praying ...
 We are singing ...

Text: South African traditional; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984

Music: SIYAHAMBA, South African traditional

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.

Calendar for Week of January 22 - 29, 2023

Monday	January 23, 2023	“The Truth Project”	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	January 24, 2023	Bible Study	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	January 25, 2023	Church School	3:45 p.m.
Thursday	January 26, 2023	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Friday	January 27, 2023	Blood Drive	Noon – 4 p.m.
Sunday	January 29, 2023	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	January 29, 2023	Congregational Mtg	10:30 a.m.
Sunday	January 29, 2023	Annual Meeting	To follow

Next Council Meeting:

February 19, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

Annual Meeting January 29, 2023 (Two meetings)

Chili Dinner February 18, 2023

Check our calendar of events on the church website for times and dates of additional events and worship services.

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