

**You are invited to this week's activities
at Good Shepherd**

January 15th, Sunday

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:00 AM Wired Word
11:00 AM Worship & Communion
4:30 PM Serving @ Union Gospel Mission

January 16th, Monday

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
10:00 AM Quilting (FH)
5:30 & 7:15 PM Yoga (LLSR)
7:00 PM Girl Scouts (LLSR)

January 17th, Tuesday

10:00AM OWLS Steering Comm.
4:30PM RDT
6:30PM New Member Class

January 18th, Wednesday

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study (GS)
8:30 AM Jazzercise
6:00PM Confirmation
7:00PM Joyful Noise
7:00PM Vision Council
7:30 PM Peer Ministry
7:30 PM Good Shepherd Choir

January 19th, Thursday

9:30AM Bible Study
5:15PM Sing and Ring
6:00PM Lk Superior Watercolor

January 20th, Friday

7:00 AM Women's "Son" Rise Bible
8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
5:00PM Wedding Rehearsal
8:00 PM AA & Al-anon

January 21st, Saturday

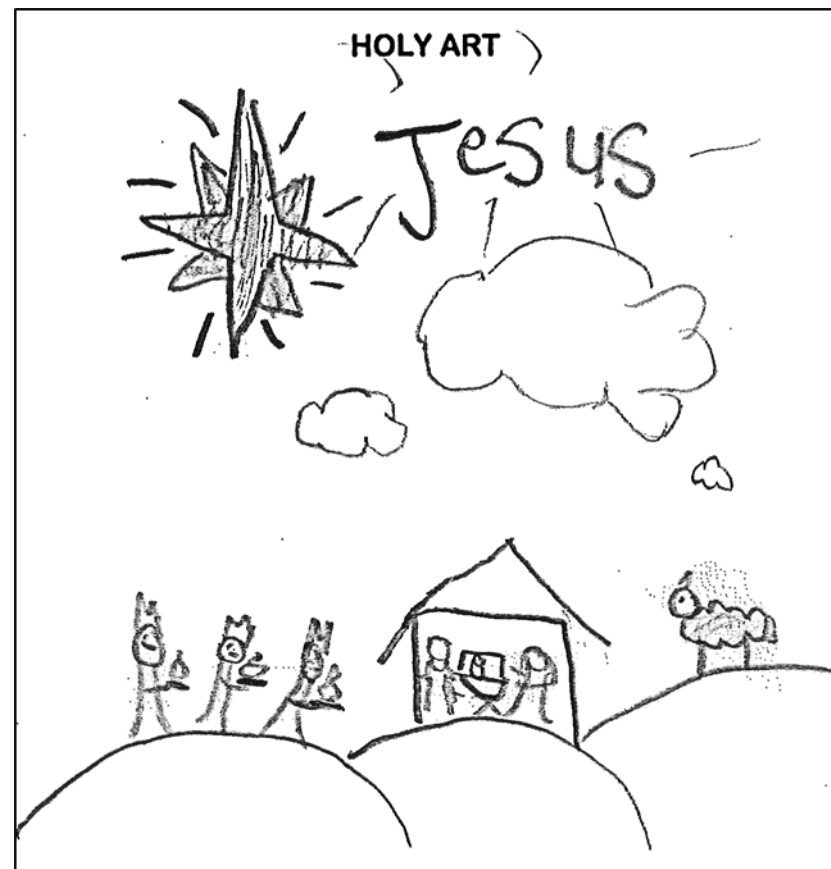
8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
4:00PM Bowe & Bradley Wedding

January 22nd, Sunday

8:45 AM Worship
10:00 AM Family Sunday School
10:00 AM ELCA Constitution and Budget Forum
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**

Duluth, Minnesota



**January 15th, 2017
Second Sunday after Epiphany**

8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship & Communion

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Welcome to Worship!

We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd! Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy, found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship* in each pew.

PARENTS & KIDS: We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Just outside of the sanctuary, we have a Kids' Corner with a bookshelf filled with Bibles and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- In the pews are "Holy Art" cards for kids of all ages to draw on.
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! *(Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.)*

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids (and parents!) need a break. Stop by our church's nursery (near the bathrooms) and say hi to Sydney! She will be more than happy to help!

COMMUNION

You are invited to join us this morning in Holy Communion. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine given at the Lord's Supper — a sacrament offered to renew the relationship God began in Baptism. Communicants will be ushered forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisles. Children not yet instructed to receive the Sacrament are invited forward for a blessing. The first two pews on the pulpit side are reserved for people who are unable to go up to the communion rail. Please sit there if you wish to have communion brought to you. Gluten free communion wafers are available, let the communion server know if you would prefer this option.

January 15, 2017 Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	John 1:19-23
Monday	John 1:24-28
Tuesday	John 1:29-34
Wednesday	John 1:35-42
Thursday	John 1:43-51
Friday	1 Corinthians 2:6-13
Saturday	1 Corinthians 2:14-16

TODAY! We are Serving at Union Gospel Mission! From 4:30-6:30pm. Please sign up in the Gathering Space. Thank you!



Wired Word 10am Lower Lakeside Room

Join us Today for Wired Word! In the News: Social Media tries to bait a famous couple into controversy. Chip and Joanna Gaines responded with hope instead of "taking the bait". What does the Bible say about it? Also, the city of Bangalore, India has been overtaken by illegal garbage dumping. Citizens have taken it upon themselves "for the greater good"

Please join us for our start-up fellowship of "Create, Laugh, Learn!" Tuesday, January 24th in Fellowship Hall from 8:30-

2:30. Bring your ideas, project to work on and a snack. What a great way to meet new friends, share ideas, and forget about these COLD January days. As always, everyone is welcome.

Contact Sue Boutin with any questions. sjbinthewoods@yahoo.com



Thank you to the following individuals who assisted in today's worship service:

Welcome Center Grace Chura (8:45); Volunteer needed (11:00)
Greeter Sue Soderholm (8:45)
 Cynthia & Mike Bradley (11:00)
Acolytes volunteers needed
Liturgist Sue Boman
Reader Debbie Sanders (8:45); Sue Heskin(11:00)
Ushers Jim Skoog, Dave Kreager, Ron Gullicks, Dave Johnson(8:45)
 Jeff Somrock, John & Sue Boutin(11:00)
Altar Guild Pat Johnson, Barb Skogg
Communion Assistants Cal and Amy Loken(8:45)
 Kathy Gustafson, Cheryl Racine(11:00)
Offering Counters Linda Susens, Mike Ronchetti,
 Elizabeth Lundgren, Sandy Scott
Accompanist Linda Turpening
Projectionist Chris McIntosh (8:45); Chris McIntosh (11:00)
Gathering Space Treats Deb Klopp, Karen Kragseth,
 Jess Kramer, Gina Kreager



NEW MEMBER CLASSES will be held Tuesday January 17, 31 and February 7 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. We will Welcome the group on New Member Sunday, February 12. Child care is available upon request. Please call Pastor Tim or the church office to register – 218.525.1922

Are you following Hannah Loeffler-Kemp's Blog?

Hannah is a member of LCGS and is serving a year with Young Adults in Global Mission through the ELCA! She is serving in Manchester, England. There is also a link to support her financially. We continue to send up prayers for Hannah's ministry!
<https://hannahloefflerkemp.wordpress.com>

Good Shepherd Choir Join us! If you enjoy singing in a fun and relaxed atmosphere contact Debbie Sanders at debra.k.sanders@icloud.com for details and rehearsal times. Experience is not necessary!



Families of K-4th graders! Sing and Ring will be Thursdays 5:15PM–5:45PM! All are welcome! Invite a friend to join you! We have lots of fun learning music! Contact Amie Abenth with Questions! Communications@lcsduluth.org

Lutheran World Relief kits: donations welcome January and February Baby Care kits: cotton tshirts (no onesies), gowns or sleepers, receiving blankets (up to 52" sq), cloth diapers (flat fold) jacket, sweater, hoodie (baby caps used if not hood), socks, bath size bars gentle soap, diaper pins. Donation box is located in the Welcome Area. Thank you!

Summer Camp Registration is now open!

Check out the schedule on our website - www.VLMcamps.org/summer-schedule

We are also seeking college-aged young adults to serve on our summer staff!

If you or someone you know is interested have them contact us today.



First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.
³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."
⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—
⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Psalm: Psalm 40:1-11

¹I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.
²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**
³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.
⁴**Happy are they who trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**
⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.
⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

⁷And so I said, “Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸**‘I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within me.’”**

⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;

I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

¹⁰**I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your
faithfulness and your deliverance;**

**I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great
assembly.**

¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me;

may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

Gospel: John 1:29-42

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week
we remember in our prayers: Susan & Donald Sell; Ruth Bakke;
Caroline & Justine Aulie; Rosemary & Steve Guttormsson



ALTAR FLOWERS — Today the altar flowers are given by Cheryl & Scott Racine in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, Congratulations!

The Tryon Family gives altar flowers today in Memory of Rex Tryon.

The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Sign up to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or to memorialize loved ones, or celebrate a special event. The cost is \$35.

Mark your Calendar for the LCGS Annual Meeting on February 5th, 2017

Congregational Forums

You are invited to congregational forums hosted by the Vision Council. The purpose of these forums is to provide an opportunity for conversation on the proposed Budget for 2017, Constitutional updates presented by the ELCA, as well as any questions, suggestions, and affirmations that you would like to raise.

The forums will be held in the Upper Lakeside Room. (**NOTE:** we have Cancelled January 15th to be able to provide a complete budget) We hope to see you there!

- ◆ **January 22nd 10 AM— forum**
- ◆ **January 29th 10 AM— forum**
- ◆ **February 5th, 9:45 AM—Annual Meeting**

Constitution Update - The Vision Council proposes the following motion to be decided at our February 5, 2017 Annual Meeting: “Be it resolved that the Constitution, ByLaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd be amended to bring them into conformity with the Model Constitution for Congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America as most recently amended (Summer 2016) by the Churchwide Assembly.”