

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

NOV 27TH, SUNDAY

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
& Baptism of Jack Mosely
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

NOV 28TH, MONDAY

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
10:00 AM AARP Board Meeting
(ULSR)
10:00AM Needle Art Guild Board
10:30AM Needle Art Guild
5:30 & 7:15 PM Yoga (LLSR)
6:30 PM Nurturing Faith Leadership
Team
7:00 PM Girl Scouts (LLSR)

NOV 29TH, TUESDAY

NOV 30TH, WEDNESDAY

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study (GS)
8:30 AM Jazzercise
5:15 PM Sing and Ring
6:00 PM Advent Evening Worship
(ULSR)
6:00 PM Confirmation
7:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir

Thursday, December 1st

9:30 AM Bible Study
5:00– 8:00 PM Pasty Making

Friday, December 2nd

7:00AM Women's "Son"rise Bible
Conversation
8:00AM—8:00 PM Pasty Making
8:00PM AA & Al-Anon

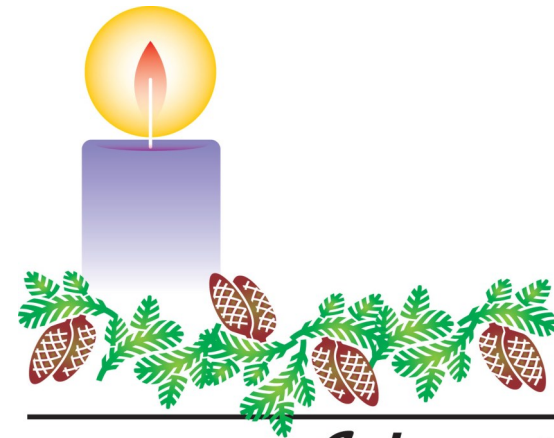
Saturday December 3rd

8:00AM Pasty Sale
Advent Set-Up

Sunday, December 4th

Spiritsong
Second Sunday of Advent
8:45 AM Worship & Communion
9:45AM Blood pressure checks
10:00AM Sunday School - Christmas
Program Practice & Advent
Workshop!!
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:00AM Wired Word
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**
Duluth, Minnesota



FIRST SUNDAY OF *Advent*

November 27, 2016
First Sunday in Advent
8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship & Communion

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Pastor Timothy P. Berdahl

Katie Kaiser Rich, Director of Youth & Family Ministry; Debbie Sanders, Director
Good Shepherd Choir; Amie Abenth Leader Sing & Ring;
Heather Honer, Jodi Leonidas, Directors Joyful Noise; Linda Turpening, Organist;
Nona Harkness, Spirit Song Pianist; Patti Hallback, Office Manager; Amie Abenth
Communications Coordinator; Sydney Fischer, Nursery Director;
Bob Franseen, Greg Susens, Custodian

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.



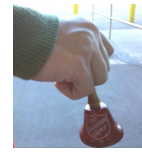
PARENTS & KIDS: We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- 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 Syndey! 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. **Communion will be served today by Intinction.** Communicants should come forward to the two serving stations, receive the wafer of bread and dip it into the chalice of red wine or the chalice of clear grape juice. 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.

Please join us Wednesday Evenings during Advent for our Advent Night Prayer at 6:00pm. It's a wonderful way to center ourselves during the season of Advent!



Salvation Army Bell Ringing - December 3rd & 10th - Are you looking for a way you can do ministry during the holidays? One easy way is ringing bells for the Salvation Army. LCGS members, families and friends have the opportunity to donate one or two (or more) hours of time to assist with this critical work. We will cover two full days of bell ringing at one location: Cub Foods on Central Entrance (inside!). The dates are Saturday, December 3rd and 10th, from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Look for the signup poster, in the gathering space. Please fill in your name for one or two one-hour time slots to offer your help for this worthwhile cause. Call Marcia Semerau at 722-1042 with questions.



START YOUR SHOPPING WITH AMAZON SMILE! By shopping through Amazon Smile, Amazon gives 0.5% of the price of your purchase to LCGS. You must log into Amazon Smile and designate Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd as your charity in order for the 0.5% to be passed along to Good Shepherd. Amazon Smile has the same prices, the same products, the same service as Amazon. Login here: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-0872836>

November 27th, 2016 1st Sunday in Advent Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	Matt 24:1-8
Monday	Matt 24:9-14
Tuesday	Matt 24:15-28
Wednesday	Matt 24:29-31
Thursday	Matt 24:32-35
Friday	Matt 24:36-44
Saturday	Matt 24:45- 51

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

Welcome Center..... Marge Kangas(8:45),Audrey Madson (11:00)
Greeters Loeffler-Kemp family(8:45); Jack & Candy Rendulich(11:00)
AcolytesEthan Neveau, Emily Neveau (8:45) volunteer needed (11:00)
Liturgist..... Linda Susens
ReadersJeff Hallback (8:45); Amber Westerbur(11:00)
Communion Assistants Cyndi Venberg, Jim Skoog(8:45)
..... Ardy Bloomquist, Sue Boman(11:00)
UshersEarley Family (8:45) Dick & Mary Husby(11:00)
Altar Guild..... Rosemary Guttormsson
Offering Counters Doug Carlson, Audrey Madson, Nancy Cayemberg
Accompanist..... Linda Turpening
Projectionist Bruce Johnson(8:45) Rosemary Guttormsson(11:00)
Gathering Space Treats Sandra Fleck, Yvonne Franseen,
..... Carrie Gertsema, Karen Guerndt

MARKETPLACE THANK YOU!! Your generous offerings of silent auction and emporium donations, bakery goods, handmade gifts, materials, volunteer time and service were well received by the many comments we heard during the successful Marketplace sale.

"Well organized", "beautifully displayed", a "variety" of goods, "a welcoming church", "we will return".

What we liked: Bringing our congregation and community together, discovering the talents of our members, donations from people beyond our congregation, welcoming others to join our creativity!

Ushers at 11:00am worship! We currently only have small teams scheduled for 2nd, 3rd and 4th weeks of each month. If you attend worship at 1100 and may be available to fill in to help with offering on those short weeks, please speak up and talk to those ushers present. If willing to fill in a team, let me know (525-6610) or dalin48@charter.net. Thanks, Linda Susens

Nov. and Dec. Donations Lutheran World Relief kits are collected for all year. These two months, we are collecting for Health kits. See bright yellow box in gathering area. Soap is always in need. Plus bath size towel, toothbrush, sturdy comb and metal nail clippers.

Join **Next Serving Team at Damiano**: Sunday, December 4th 1:30- 6: 30 p.m. see Hunger team, signup in gathering space



SHARE YOUR TALENT WITH US! The gift of music is a wonderful way to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus. We will have several opportunities for you or your child to share a musical offering during the Christmas Season: Dec. 11 (prelude before the Sunday

School Christmas Worship); Dec. 18 (during the Carol Sing at 10:00 AM); Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve worship at 2:30 PM, 4:30 PM, or 10:30 PM); Dec. 25 (Christmas Day worship at 10:00 AM in the Gathering Space); and Jan. 1 (10:00 AM worship).

Contact Linda Turpening (952-210-4211) or Debbie Sanders (218-724-9065).

NEW DEADLINE! We are organizing a day trip to the MIA on Saturday, January 7, 2017. To see the "Luther" exhibit. In order to get tickets we need to know how many can commit to joining the group. Tickets for the show would cost \$16 plus another \$5 for audio, if desired. A round trip ride in a 52 passenger motor coach would cost \$20. If you are interested or want more information contact **Rosemary Guttormsson** rosey-rita@mac.com or call her 218-728-4037. She needs a commitment to get tickets by Dec. 1st.

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Psalm: Psalm 122

¹I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

²**Now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

³Jerusalem is built as a city
that is at unity with itself;

⁴**to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.**

⁵For there are the thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the house of David.

⁶**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you.**

⁷Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.

⁸**For the sake of my kindred and companions,
I pray for your prosperity.**

⁹Because of the house of the LORD our God,
I will seek to do you good."

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

[Jesus said to the disciples,]³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark,³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man.⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left.⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into.⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Worship Notes and Announcements



AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: *Phyllis & Denis Leschishin; Ana Leschishin; Judy & Richard Hane; Elaine Hanger*

ALTAR FLOWERS - Today the altar flowers are provided by Rachel and Jim Mosely in honor of the baptism today of our Grandson Jack. Sign up to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or to memorialize loved ones, or celebrate a special event. The poster & envelopes are available on the bulletin board. The cost for providing altar flowers each Sunday is \$35.



Today we welcome
Jack Timothy Mosely
Son of Ashley & Dan Mosely
into the body of Christ and into the mission
we share. Join us in giving thanks and
praise to God!

THIS WEEK!! GOOD SHEPHERD ANNUAL PASTY SALE!

Each time this year we make Pasties from scratch in our kitchen! We gather volunteers and have a great time together for 3 days making and selling Pasties! And are they ever good!! Our goal is to sell 2,000, with proceeds supporting the ongoing mission of Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

Thursday, December 1, Friday, December 2, and Saturday, December 3, 2016

You may ask, “How can I help?”

1 Solicit pasty sales. Ask your friends and relatives! Get creative! Pasties will sell for \$5.00 each; they weigh in at a hefty one pound (16 oz.)

2 Volunteer! Peel potatoes, carrots, onions and rutabaga on Thurs Dec 1, 5:00 to 9:00 PM Make and bake on Friday, Dec. 2 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Make and bake on Sat, Dec. 3, 8:00 AM until we finish, Mid Afternoon.

The secret to our success is that we have a lot of people working together for short periods of time. We need your help and others that may want to help. Our support staff will train for all levels from dough balls, crimping, portion control, cooling and bagging. **Final Clean up.**

Please see the signup sheet in the Gathering Space with the times you can help to make this a fun fund raiser a success!

2016 CONTRIBUTIONS intended for the 2016 tax year must dropped off at the office or be postmarked on or before **December 31, 2016** No exceptions can be made due to IRS Regulations.

PLEDGE CARD REMINDER — TODAY!! Pledge cards are available on the table along side the name tags. Please return your completed pledge & volunteer cards by mail this week or bring them to worship Sunday and leave the envelope in the offering plate.



COOKIES FOR OUTREACH—You can help brighten someone’s holiday season! Good Shepherd’s Visitation Team is collecting cookies for our home-bound members as well as for the CHUM Drop-In Center, the St. Louis County Jail, and the Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarer's. We bring a smile to many faces with this ministry; the Jail's annual program serves over 225 people including inmates, staff and volunteers. Please put your homemade cookies on the counter in the church office by 9:00 Monday morning December 12th. To assure proper delivery, mark them "Visitation." Because of food allergies, if you bake with nuts, peanut butter or coconut, please label your cookies accordingly. Again this year, the Jail will take any extra holiday cards we may have. Those can be left in the church office to Marcia's attention. Questions, contact Patty Altonen at 525-1807 or Marcia Semerau at 722-1042. Thank you!