

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

February 26th, Sunday

8:45 AM Worship
10:00 AM Family Sunday School
"Faith Steps Preview"
10:00 AM The Wired Word
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship
2:00PM Esther Young funeral

February 27th, Monday

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
10:00AM Needle Art Board (LLSR)
10:30AM Needle Art Guild (FH)
5:30 & 7:15PM Yoga (LLSR)
7:00PM Girl Scouts (LLSR)
7:00PM Vision Council

February 28th, Tuesday

10:00AM Staff Meeting

March 1, Wednesday

ASH WEDNESDAY

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study
8:30 AM Jazzercise
7:00 PM Worship & Communion

March 2, Thursday

9:30 AM Bible Study
2:30PM Gentle Yoga

March 3, Friday

7:00 AM Women's "Son" rise
Bible Conversation
8:30 AM Jazzercise
8:00 PM AA & Al-Anon

March 4, Saturday

8:30 AM Jazzercise

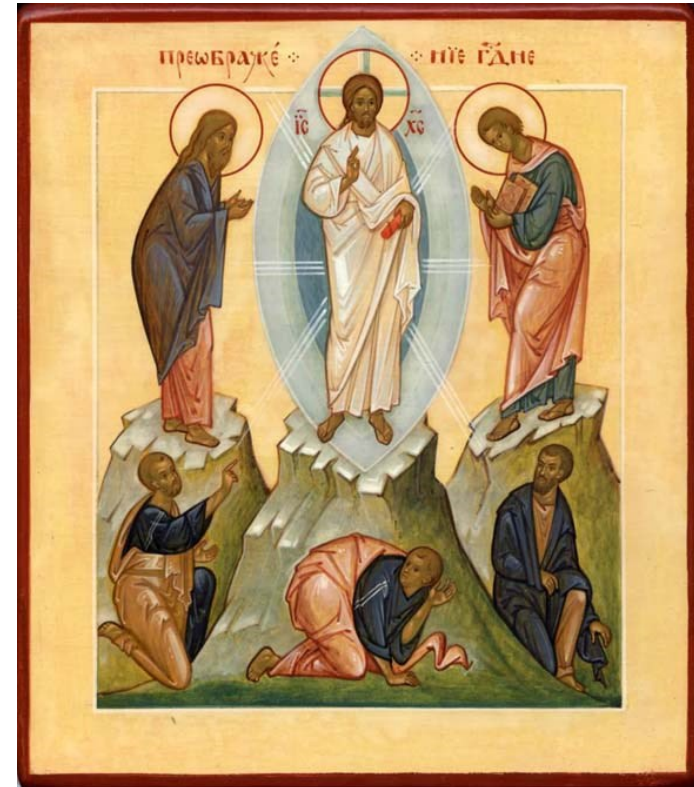
March 5, Sunday

SPIRITSONG

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks
10:00AM Sun School: Faith steps #1
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:00AM Wired Word
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**

Duluth, Minnesota



**February 26, 2017
Transfiguration of Our Lord**

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. **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 white 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.

February 26th, 2017 Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	Matthew 16:13-23
Monday	Matthew 16:24-28
Tuesday	Matthew 17:1-13
Ash Wednesday	Psalm 51
Thursday	Matthew 6:1-21
Friday	Joel 2:1-17
Saturday	Isaiah 58:1-12



Wired Word

10am Upper Lakeside Room

Ash Wednesday is this week. It is the first day of Lent. Do you observe Lent? Lent is typically a time of self-examination, reflection and repentance, in preparation for the coming of Easter. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. What does this mean for you? Grab a cup of coffee and join the discussion!

Did you know we host Yoga at LCGS? There are 2 opportunities!
Mondays at 5:30-6:45PM: Yoga for the People \$11 for class with Kate Olson
Thursdays from 2:20-3:30 is Gentle yoga with Lois Opseth (218-340-3605)
Bring a mat and blanket. Cost is \$7.00.
Both Classes are held in the Upper Lakeside Room

Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School is Coming! June 19-23 9:00am – Noon

This year's theme is "Maker Fun Factory!"

Created by God: Built for a Purpose!

Preschool (age 3*) – entering 5th Grade

Older students, parents, and congregation members are welcome to volunteer with us for the week! *All Preschoolers must be potty trained

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

Welcome Center Susan Sage (8:45); volunteer needed (11:00)
Greeter LeighAnn Viche (8:45) Mary Hains (11:00)
Acolytes volunteers needed(8:45) (11:00)
Liturgist Kathy Gustafson
Reader Rosemary Guttormsson (8:45); Marge Kangas(11:00)
Ushers... John & Nancy Carlson, Craig & Debbie Sanders, Mary Thorene,
.....Lois Opseth(8:45)
.....Stevens Family, Dona Schafer, Mark Newman(11:00)
Communion Assistants.....Chris & Carolyn James (8:45)
..... Marge & Sulo Kangas (11:00)
Altar Guild Kathy Gustafson
Offering Counters..... Tom Seidelmann, John Boutin,
..... Jim Moseley, Sulo Kangas
Accompanist Linda Turpening
Projectionist..... Cyndi Venberg (8:45); Brian Fischer(11:00)
Gathering Space Treats Ellen Ramsay, Susan Ramsey, Julie Reichhoff



Lenten Calendar –All are welcome!

Ash Wednesday service, Wed. March 1 at 7pm
Wednesdays, Lenten services - soup supper, 5:30pm.
Worship 6:15pm March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5
Palm Sunday - April 9
Maundy Thursday - April 13 7pm
Good Friday - April 14 7pm
Easter - April 16 Sunrise 6:18am

LENTEN SUPPER SERVING TEAMS — JOIN IN!

We are looking for people to help us with our five Soup Suppers. There will be sign up sheets in the Gathering Space if you would like to be part of a serving team. As a member of a team, you would most likely be asked to bring a crock of soup and a loaf of bread.



Some members of the team will need to come by 5:00 PM to help set up, and some members will need to stay for clean-up after worship. We need dishwashers for each week.

“The goal is to have the clean up done in such a way so ALL can attend worship at 6:15pm.”

Dates for soup supper are: March 8, 15, 22, 29, and April 5. 5:30-6:15pm NO supper on Ash Wed. (March 1) or during Holy Week.

Sunday School Announcements: “Faith Steps!”

Join us this March for Sunday School’s “Faith Steps” Unit! What are Faith Steps? Faith Steps are key pieces of our Christian faith that we want all children to know, learn, and hopefully even memorize! Faith Steps are songs, Bible Verses, and Baptismal Promises! At your child’s baptism, you promised nurture your child(ren) in faith and prayer. You also promised to teach the Creed, Lord’s Prayer, and 10 Commandments. (Those are three of our seven Faith Steps!) Faith Steps are a way for us to help you fulfill your promises. Plus, your child(ren) will learn God’s Word by heart!

Preschool: “Jesus Loves Me”
Kindergarten: Daily Prayer
1st Grade: Fruit of the Spirit
2nd Grade: Lord’s Prayer
3rd Grade: 10 Commandments
4th Grade: Apostles’ Creed
5th-6th Grade: Psalm 23

Each grade will be practicing and learning about their Faith Step during Sunday School March 5, 12, & 19. Make sure you’re also practicing your Faith Steps at home!

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

¹²The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Psalm: Psalm 99

¹The LORD is king; let the people tremble.
The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
²**The LORD, great in Zion,
is high above all peoples.**
³Let them confess God’s name, which is great and awesome;
God is the Holy One.
⁴**O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**
⁵Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God’s footstool;
God is the Holy One.
⁶**Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call
upon your name, O LORD,
they called upon you, and you answered them,
you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.**
⁸**O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil
deeds.**
⁹Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God’s holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the

Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: Cassie & Dave Chura, Wes and Kate; Grace & Ted Chura; Marion & John Hedenberg; Alison Lillegaard



Do you have a special event coming up? Is there a special person who you would like to honor? You can do that by sponsoring the Altar flowers on Sunday morning! The flower calendar for 2017 has been posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Envelopes are available on the bulletin board.

The cost for providing altar flowers each Sunday is \$35. Please call the office with any questions! 525-1922



Today we welcome
Emily and Andrew Lian's son

Silas Bertel Lian

into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God!



Today we welcome
Sara and Dave Johnson's daughter

Olivia Ruth Johnson

into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God!

Hunger team says "Help Locally and Globally" Lenten campaign starts

March 5th! Donations can be monetary (we will split funds between Second Harvest Food Bank and World Hunger through the Synod campaign). March remains Minnesota Food Share month with a chance to match funds for Second Harvest and also contribute to World Hunger at the Synod Assembly at the end of April.

Watch our "donations gauge" fill up with donations of Food items or monies.

One item (box, can etc) or 1 dollar will be traded for one marble to also fill that familiar Well.



Artists and Crafters!

Create, Laugh, and Learn welcomes anyone with a desire to play and help support our church stewardship ministry. Once again we will be having a fall Marketplace. Our group project this month is to learn how to appliqué on kitchen towels. If you have holiday fabric panels or stencils, please bring them. We will provide the towels. We will have a project assembly of cutters, sewers, designers, stencilers. As always, we welcome anyone who wants to bring their own projects to work on or just come and share the fellowship. We want to learn from you! **Join us Tues, Feb 28th from 9-3**

