

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

March 11th, Sunday

(DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS)

8:45 AM Worship
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:00AM Wired Word
10:00AM Sun. School Faith Steps #3
and Easter Garden
11:00 AM Worship

March 12th, Monday

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
10:00AM Quilting
10:00AM Needle Arts Guild (LLSR)
6:30PM Reaching Out Leadership
team
7:00PM Girl Scouts

March 13th, Tuesday

9:30AM VBS Team meeting
6:30PM Ruth Circle (@ Venberg's)
6:30PM New Member #3

March 14th, Wednesday

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study (GS)
8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
5:30PM Lenten Soup Supper
6:15 PM Worship & Communion
7:00PM Joyful Noise youth choir
7:00PM Good Shepherd choir

March 15th, Thursday

9:30 AM Bible Study (LLSR)
10:45AM Gentle Yoga (LLSR)
4:30 PM Stewardship Team
6:00PM Experiencing God Leadership
team

March 16th, Friday

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

March 17th, Saturday

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)

March 18th, Sunday

FAITH STEPS WORSHIP

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
9:45AM Blood pressure checks
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
10:00AM Wired Word
10:00AM Sunday School Easter Egg
Hunt
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Duluth, Minnesota

Moses said, "Hineni" Here I am!



Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship

March 11, 2018

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A Community of Christ Experiencing God, Reaching Out, Nurturing Faith

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Linda Turpening, Organist;

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 Sydney! She will be more than happy to help!

LEARN MORE

You will find a calendar of worship services and church events on the back page of this bulletin. Please pick up a current newsletter from the Welcome Center near the entrance for additional church news. Call the church office at 525-1922 or visit us at www.lcgsduluth.com if you would like more information about Good Shepherd.

Fourth Sunday in Lent	3/11/18
Sunday	John 3:1-9
Monday	John 3:10-16
Tuesday	John 3:17-21
Wednesday	Mark 15:33-39
Thursday	Mark 15:40-47
Friday	John 18:1-11
Saturday	John 18:12-18

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.

"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 14, March 21. 5:30-6:15pm (NO supper on Ash Wed. or during Holy Week)



Lent and Easter Schedule

Wednesdays in Lent: Soup Supper 5:30, worship 6:15pm

Holy Week begins March 25, Palm Sunday

Maundy Thursday worship, 7pm, March 29

Good Friday worship, 7pm, March 30

Easter Sunday is April 1. 6:48am, 8:45am and 11:00am


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

Welcome Center Nan Asperheim (8:45); Phyllis Leschishin (11:00)
Greeter Lara Ahrens (8:45) Volunteer needed (11:00)
Acolyte Alex Conklin (8:45) Volunteer needed (11:00)
Liturgist Carolyn James
Readers Jeff Hallback (8:45); Grace Monson (11:00)
Ushers Cathy Kreft, Kerola Family, Steve & Susan Aulie (8:45)
 Jeff Somrock, Amy & Adam Bergstrom(11:00)
Altar Guild Judi Hermans
Offering Counters Doug Carlson, Nancy Cayemberg, Ruth Tryon
Accompanist Linda Turpening
Projectionist Cyndi Venberg (8:45); Brian Fischer (11:00)
Gathering Space Treats Debbie Sanders, Jody Sandstrom,
 Dona Schafer, Jessica Hehir

Sabbatical for Pastor Tim! We are excited to be granting Pastor Tim a three month sabbatical beginning April 9! From an article in Lutheran Partners: "A congregational sabbatical focuses on the total person – the minister's physical, emotional, spiritual, and intellectual aspects. It offers the minister the chance to break the routine of daily ministry and do something very different. It creates space for creativity, rest, and renewal. It gives the minister the marvelous gift of time. A sabbatical leave is a way for a congregation to express how much it values the minister. The concept of sabbatical is grounded on the biblical idea of Sabbath rest. The example of Jesus, who frequently sought out a quiet place where he could meditate and pray, away from the constant demands of the crowds, is a strong model for a sabbatical. Sabbaticals offer ministers a chance to step away from the long hours of work, to find healing and rest, and then to return to their place of call equipped and refreshed to inaugurate new ways of being in ministry" (John Gugel, 2007).

Technology Specialist -Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd seeks a part-time (up to 25 hrs. per month) technology specialist to provide guidance and assistance for church projections, sound and light systems, and social media. Flexible hours, with some Sunday mornings desired. To obtain a job description and application, contact church office at 218-525-1922 or office@lcsduluth.org. Deadline 3/9/18. EOE

March and April's Lutheran World Relief kits is preparing Baby Care Kits: find the list of needs on the box to put the items in is in the Welcome Area at church. Thank you!



Wired Word
10am Upper Lakeside Room

Last week, the science journal Nature reported that astronomers, using a radio telescope, have detected what they believe to be the remains of the first light ever in the universe. This finding, which reminds us of the Genesis creation account where God said, "Let there be light" and light came into being, gives us an opportunity to consider God's intention for humankind when he included us as part of his creation. So that will be the topic of our next class. Join us!

FIRST READING: EXODUS 3:1-10

1Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. 3Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." 4When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." 6He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. 7Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, 8and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. 10So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-2, 23-28

1Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. 3By faith Moses was hidden by his parents for three months after his birth, because they saw that the child was beautiful; and they were not afraid of the king's edict. 4By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called a son of Pharaoh's daughter, 5choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. 6He considered abuse suffered for the Christ to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to the reward. 7By faith he left Egypt, unafraid of the king's anger; for he persevered as though he saw him who is invisible. 8By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel.

GOSPEL: JOHN 3:14-21

[Jesus said:] 14“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. 18Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. 20For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. 21But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: Kathryn Sislo & Bob Hill; Lou Anne and Dick Siefert; Kristi Slick and Isaiah Bolen



ALTAR FLOWERS — The Altar flowers today are given by Denis Leschishin in memory of his mother Iris Leschishin. The 2018 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.

Sunday School! Today!! – Faith Steps Lesson, Worship Practice, and Easter Garden Project (after Sunday School)

Sunday, March 18 – Faith Steps Worship & Easter Egg Hunt! Sunday School Kids lead worship!!

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School June 18-22, 9:00 am – Noon

SHIPWRECKED: Rescued by Jesus!



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.

Create, Laugh, Learn - Good Shepherd Tool Belt

Ever been busy doing something and need multiple tools or items at your fingertips? This tool belt can be used for many purposes such as gardening, cleaning, crafting, sewing, cooking and even dog walking. It has a basic design with three pockets to keep you organized during any adventure. The construction is a one size fits all body types, petite to not so petite. Once you have one, you will want to make more for friends and family. Call Marcia Opie 525-2310 to sign up.

Date of Class: Monday, March 26th Time: 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

See the information in the Gathering Space for the material list.