

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

March 12, Sunday

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

8:45 AM Worship
10:00 AM Sunday School: Faith Steps Lesson #2
10:00 AM The Wired Word
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship

March 13, Monday

8:30 AM Jazzercise
10:00 AM Quilting
5:30 PM Yoga
7:00 PM Girl Scouts

March 14, Tuesday

6:30 PM Ruth Circle (Hallback's)

March 15, Wednesday

Newsletter deadline

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study
8:30 AM Jazzercise
5:15 PM Sing & Ring
5:30PM Lenten Soup Supper
6:15PM Worship & Communion
7:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
7:00 PM Good Shepherd Choir

March 16, Thursday

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

March 17, Friday

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

March 18, Saturday

8:30 AM Jazzercise

March 19, Sunday

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
10:00 AM Sunday School: Faith Steps Lesson #3
10:00 AM The Wired Word
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship & Communion
3:00PM American Guild of Organists Fundraiser and Silent Auction @LCSGS

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**

Duluth, Minnesota

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John 3:16-17

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**March 12, 2017
Second Sunday in Lent**

8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship

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.

March 12, 2017 Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	John 3:1-10
Monday	John 3:11-16
Tuesday	John 3:17-21
Wednesday:	John 3:22-30
Thursday	John 3:31-36
Friday	Matthew 26:69-75
Saturday	Matthew 27:1-10



Wired Word 10am Upper Lakeside Room

The ACA. Political parties aside, we who follow Jesus rightly have a stake in what happens in Congress on this matter for more than what it might mean to us personally. We have faith reasons to pay attention to it. So those faith reasons will be the topic of our next class. Grab a cup of coffee and join us!

National Lutheran Choir - Bach's "Ein feste Burg" and Music of Early Lutheran Masters March 18, 2017 - 7:00pm
@ First Lutheran Church, Duluth



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 properly trained



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

Welcome Center Nan Asperheim(8:45); Phyllis Leschishin(11:00)
Greeter Audrey Amundson & Milt Legg(8:45)
 Phyllis & Denis Leschishin(11:00)
Acolytes volunteers needed(8:45) (11:00)
Liturgist Mark Monson
Reader Jeff Hallback(8:45); Lisa Wilson(11:00)
Ushers Wayne Kragseth, Jim Whitlinger, Sulo & Marge Kangas,
 Alivia & Kellen McIntosh(8:45)
 Bill & Laurel Pagel, Fred Nervick, Karen Guerndt, Cheryl Racine,
 Mike & Cynthia Bradley (11:00)
Altar Guild Grace Monson
Offering Counters Linda Susens, Mike Ronchetti, Elizabeth Lundgren,
 Sandy Scott
Accompanist Linda Turpening
Projectionist Jody Keppers(8:45); Jody Keppers(11:00)
Gathering Space Treats Debbie Sanders, Jody Sandstrom,
 Dona Schafer, Jessica Hehir



Lenten Calendar –All are welcome!

Wednesdays, Lenten services - soup supper, 5:30pm.

Worship 6:15pm March 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 15, 22, 29, and April 5. 5:30-6:15pm

NO supper 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 12, & 19. Make sure you’re also practicing your Faith Steps at home!

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

¹The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalm: Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?

²**My help comes from the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

³The LORD will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴**Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

⁵the LORD watches over you;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶**the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.

⁸**The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore.**

Gospel: John 3:1-17

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second

time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And 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."

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: Rev Joyce Piper & Rev David Mesner; Donna Powell; Lauri Shefchik, Daniel, Thomas, and Beth; Janice Barker



ALTAR FLOWERS — Today the altar flowers are given by Denis Leschishin in memory of his mother Iris Leschishin.

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



Today we welcome
Bobbi & Jason Aulie's son
Grayson Birger Aulie
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! 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.



The Women of the ELCA's Superior Conference

invite you to come join us Saturday, April 8th
9:00am-1:30pm at First Lutheran Church, 1100

East Superior St, Duluth. Lynn Gerlach-Collard, director of LSS' Renaissance House and Street Outreach will be our speaker: "WHAT IS YOUR STORY, HEARING STORIES CHANGES LIVES" Pastor Dianne Loufman will lead us in worship around the woman of Samaria John 4 text. Lunch cost is \$8 and reserve a spot by calling Marge Kangas 720-3510

We will be collecting Sox and Snax for Street Outreach that day.

Fat Quarter Tuesday "Create, Laugh, Learn"

March 28th, 9:00-3:00 Fellowship Hall

We have been gifted with a generous supply of "fat quarter" fabric of nice quality. Our plan is to come with a simple pattern that uses fat quarters. You only need to bring your sewing machine, and a lunch. If you do not sew but want to help, come help cut, iron, or just learn and watch. If you would like to help, put on your creative hat and make something we can sell in the fall.

Contact Sue Boutin

