



Good News

from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.

May 2, 2021

Celebrate Cori!
Acts 8:26-40
John 15:1-8
Next Sunday
Acts 10:34-48
1 John 5:1-8
John 15:9-17

Sunday Worship

9:00 Worship with Hymns
9:00 Worship Online
10:00 Worship with Praise

Executive Team Nominations

The Annual Voters Meeting will be **Sunday, May 16 at 1:00pm**, with drive-through voting available from noon-1:00pm. Questions? Contact the office.



Ashlan Zurbriggen

Hello Good Shepherd family! Over the past several weeks I have given prayerful consideration to joining the executive team, I have not taken this lightly and find it an honor to possibly serve our church body.

My husband Matt and I have been a part of Good Shepherd church for almost four years. We have three awesome kiddos, Autumn (8) Sienna (6) and Isaiah (2). In that time I have served on our preschool ministry team, garden crew, women's Bible study, and our small group. What a blessing it has been. Outside of church I serve as volunteer coordinator for Rachel's Light and board member for Alliance of Greater Equity of Owatonna.

This past year has presented numerous challenges for many of us. I believe with my whole heart that God is speaking to each of us here at Good Shepherd. I would be delighted to walk alongside our congregation and serve with you.



Carrie Johnson

Hello, I have been a member of Good Shepherd since 1986. I have not just watched our church grow but have grown with our church. I would use my past experience to serve on the executive team. I would serve with empathy and grace. I would listen to the many voices of our church. I strongly believe that we need to minister to the 99, but we must always be aware of that one person who is

longing for a personal relationship with God. I ask you to prayerfully consider me to serve on the executive team.



Heidi Cottingham

To start off I would say I am blessed, and that I have been secure in God throughout my journey in life challenges. I grew up in the Lutheran Church as a "PK," (Pastor's Kid.) I graduated from a Lutheran College and spent my college summers working at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp. I was a youth pastor's wife for 10 years, worked year-round full time at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp for 4 years. Living

onsite, camp was my biological kids' first home. I have been on mission trips to Africa and Brazil. Fast forward a BUNCH I was a school social worker for 14 years and currently work for the county as a social worker. I landed in Owatonna with my husband Trent almost 5 years ago. Trent and I met on Christian Mingle, a story for another time. We got married in November 2016. I have since gained 3 "bonus kids" and 3 "bonus grandkids." My biological daughter is engaged and my biological son has been married for a year. Trent and I have been attending Good Shepherd for about 3 years.

I have several passions in ministry. I feel that one of my strongest passions is, care for church staff, speaking on behalf of their spiritual, emotional, and other general needs. Music ministry is a passion of mine and I have enjoyed being a part of our worship team. I also love going deeper in small group Bible studies. "See the need, meet the need," was a motto used at camp as a vision for ministry. This is still a challenge that lingers in my heart.



Mike Westphal

I and my wife Marilyn have been members at Good Shepherd since we moved to Owatonna in 1991. I felt honored when asked if I would consider a nomination to the Exec Board, since I served on the board in the past and felt moved by God to get involved in leadership again.

Celebrate Cori!

Sunday, May 2

at both in-person services: 9:00am and 10:00am

We're celebrating Cori's last Sunday at Good Shepherd with **FLIP-FLOPS**

(because we're both happy and sad!)

We will celebrate Cori's work at Good Shepherd, thank her and her family, and pray God's blessings on their move to Nebraska.



Wear your flip-flops!

The Bible Mom Awards

Family Faith Kit

The Bible Mom Awards is designed for families and children to learn more about mothers in the Bible. Families will discover four moms from the Bible who displayed love for their children and for God. Kits are available in the church gathering area and in the weatherproof box near the church office.

During **MAY**

We're giving to

COMMUNITY PATHWAYS OF STEELE COUNTY

Let's bring in

CAKE MIX, FROSTING, & CANDLES FOR BIRTHDAY KITS

Go Gather Give.

Go. Gather. Give. in May

This month we're collecting supplies to build birthday kits for Community Pathways of Steele County. Bring in cake mix, frosting, and candles. Drop off donations in the Gathering Area or by the lower level doors.

DRIVE-THROUGH Communion and Prayer

Saturday, May 8

11:00am - 12:00pm

I served on the committee to call Pastor Rosenau and then served on the Executive Board for 6 years following his call. During this time, I also served as chair of the Executive Team. I also was on the call committee for Pastor Greg Schlicker, and on the fund-raising committee to build the new sanctuary. You may ask why I feel God is now calling me back to leadership in the church? I can only believe it was God's will to change my work assignment at Cargill, allowing me to be home more and be able to serve again. Some of my other interests including singing in the church choir as well as helping my wife at the church preschool, when asked. In the summer you might find me on the golf course and in the winter, in my fish house.



Thomas A. Kuntz

Tom was born in Owatonna. He and his wife Shelby have three children: Kimberly, Jennifer, and Matthew. After graduating from Owatonna High School, he served in the United States Air Force for eight years. Tom began working for the Owatonna Public Utilities (OPU) in 1971 as a meter reader. In 1997, he was named the General Manager of OPU and worked in this position until his retirement in

2003. In 2003, Tom was elected to serve as the Mayor for the City of Owatonna. He has held the office of Mayor for the past 17 years and reelected to a four-year term in 2020.

Tom has been active in the community. He is a member of the American Legion; former President, Coalition of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors; former President, Highway 14 Coalition; former member, League of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors; Board of Director, Owatonna College and University Center; former President, Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency Board of Directors; Graduate of the Blandin Community Leadership Program; member and former President, The Owatonna Rotary Club; and current member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Youth Group Wednesdays
Grades 5-6: 6:15-7:15pm
Grades 7-8: 6:15-7:15pm
Grades 9-12: 7:30-8:30pm
 We can't wait to see you!



Family Faith Resources
 Check out the new activities, coloring pages, and worship notes at GoodShepherdOwatonna.com

2021-2022 REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

 CALL HEATHER AT 507-451-4821 TO SCHEDULE A TOUR
 REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE ONLINE AND IN PERSON

2021-22 Preschool Registration Is Now Open!
 Visit our website to register today!
 Questions? email the Preschool at GSPreschool@GSOwatonna.com.

Beds For Kids Challenge 2021!

Our 2021 "Noisy Offerings" will go to provide beds and bedding for children in our community through the Beds for Kids Organization. Our goal is to help 5 children feel the warmth and comfort of their very own bed this year!



We love to pray for you!

Send prayers to our prayer team:
GoodShepherdPrayer@msn.com

You may also put prayer requests in the Prayer box at the Welcome Center, send prayer requests online at GoodShepherdOwatonna.com, or send us a note in the mail. Do you have a relative in the military you would like prayer for? Please contact the prayer team.

We're focused on Building Community in 2021
 Add your ideas and joys to our Building Community wall in the Gathering Area. Watch for Building Community events and activities all year long.

Serve On Sunday
 It takes a lot of people to make Sunday morning worship possible. We have many fun and interesting ways for you to Share Hope and Live Love on Sunday mornings. Contact us to get involved.

Event Calendar
Wednesdays
 6:15 & 7:30 Youth Group
Upcoming Events
 May 2: Celebrate Cori!
 May 8: 11:00am Drive-Through Communion and Prayer
 May 10: 6:30pm LWML
 May 16: Voters Meeting
 May 23: Ken from Habitat for Humanity will speak
 May 27: Preschool Graduation

Questions? Need Help?
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 The Church Office is currently open from 9:00-noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays, or by appointment.
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