



Good News from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.

New Discipleship Pastor Dan Borkenhagen



To the People of Good Shepherd Lutheran:

A few weeks ago, my wife and I had the honor of visiting Good Shepherd and the community of Owatonna. We loved meeting so many different members and all we saw in the city. You made a profound impression on us as we considered what ministry with Good Shepherd could look like and what life for our family could be. **After careful and prayerful consideration, it is my honor to accept the call you have**

extended to me to become the new Pastor of Discipleship for Good Shepherd.

Our family is very excited to join your church and we are actively working to come as soon as possible. God's Richest Blessings!

—Pastor Dan



A MONUMENTAL VBS!

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who made Monumental VBS such a great experience for kids in our community. We had over 100 kids, and made many new friends while learning how much God loves us!



August 2022 Sunday Worship

8:30 Worship with Hymns

10:00 Worship with Praise

August 28

8:30 Indoor Worship

10:00 Outdoor Worship

SUNDAY SCHOOL

BEGINS
SEPTEMBER 11
at 10:00AM

Grades PreK - 6

Register online:

GoodShepherdOwatonna.com



Register for Sunday School

Sunday School begins Sunday, September 11 at 10:00am. Register at GoodShepherdOwatonna.com.

Questions? Contact Heather:
Heather@GSOwatonna.com

Discipleship Pastor Installation

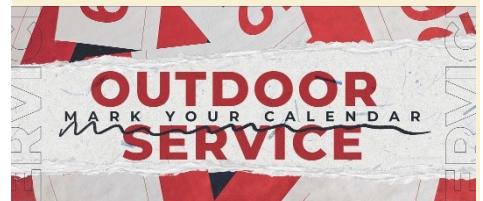


Sunday, September 11
2:00pm

Installation Service

Sunday, September 11 at 2:00pm

Celebrate with us! Pastor Dan Borkenhagen will be installed as the Discipleship Pastor on Sunday, September 11 at 2:00pm. Light refreshments will be served after the service. All Glory to God!



Summer Outdoor Service
Last Sunday of the month at 10:00am

Bring your lawn chairs and your singing voices!

Upcoming Events

August 16: Serve with Good Shepherd at the Fair

August 26: Father/Son Retreat

August 28: 10a Outdoor Church

Sept. 7: Youth Group Kickoff

Sept. 11: Sunday School Kickoff

Sept. 11: 2p **Installation of Pastor Dan Borkenhagen**

Exec Team Notes

Hello Fellow Good Shepherd members,

It is hard to believe the summer is half over! Who said summertime is the slow season in the church? If you believe that, you haven't been around Good Shepherd this summer with everything that has happened and is yet to happen soon. This being my first "Message from the Exec Team", I want to thank everyone who has helped with the activities around the church in the last few months!

The church picnic went great. Lots of people; lots of good food and a great opportunity for fellowship. The day started off with the announcement by Pastor Greg that Pastor Dan had accepted our call to be Good Shepherd's Pastor of Discipleship. Praise the Lord!

At our last Exec Team meeting we started to prepare for our Fall Leadership Retreat. It will be exciting to share all the things our Ministry Teams want to accomplish with each other and Pastor Dan.

I look forward to telling you more about all the opportunities to serve soon, so keep an eye on the newsletter in the future. Your chance for Stewardship will be there for the taking.

Mike Westphal—Exec. Director

Shepherd's Riders 2022

Motorcycle Ministry

August 26-28 Multi-day Trip

September 17 9:00AM

October 1 or 8 10:00AM

Please arrive at Good Shepherd 15 minutes before start time, with your bike fueled and ready to ride. We'll ride for about 2 hours, then stop for lunch, refreshments and fellowship. We always plan to be back to the church by 4:30PM.

Contact Steph for updates: bsmereuss1991@gmail.com



Sudanese Ministry Update

Please pray for Pastor Gatluk Reat as he starts to provide pastoral leadership to the Sudanese people in the western half of southern Minnesota. Once Pastor James Ruey relocates to Texas, Pastor Reat will be responsible for Sudanese Ministry for all of southern Minnesota. Pray that more people in our area will hear about this mission opportunity in our midst and be moved by the Lord to support it.

The Luther House in Rochester

The former parsonage of Trinity Lutheran Church, Rochester has been converted into *The Luther House*. This facility provides a comfortable and **free** place to stay for out-of-town LCMS members in need who are receiving medical treatment at the Mayo Clinic. The 3 units share a main entry and laundry, but have private doors and locked entrances. Contact lutherhouse@trinitylutheranchurch.org for more information.

Serve at the Aurora Diner

We're serving at the fair! Sign up at the Welcome Center to serve at the Aurora Diner at the Steele County Free Fair on **Tuesday, August 16**. Questions? Contact Grace Steele: **(507) 456-6755**

Serve This Summer

We're looking for Garden Team waterers and weeders for both the church grounds and the Community Garden. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Serve On Sunday

We have many fun and interesting ways for you to Share Hope and Live Love on Sunday mornings: Ushers, Audio/Video Volunteers, Coffee Hosts, Prayer Partners, Scripture Readers, and Welcome Center Hosts are always thankful for new volunteers. Contact us to get involved.

Got Keys?

If you have a key to the church that you're not using anymore, you may drop it off in the black box across from the church office. Thank you!

During **AUGUST**
We're giving to
BACKPACKS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

Let's bring in
PERSONAL CARE ITEMS: SHAMPOO, TOOTHBRUSH, COMB, LOTION, ETC.

Go
Gather
Give

Go Gather Give in August

We're collecting supplies to fill backpacks for Steele County foster children, especially personal care items: toothbrushes and toothpaste, comb, brush, shampoo, body wash, lotion, etc. Drop off donations in the Gathering Area or by the lower level doors.



The youth had an awesome night at paintball in July. It was a night of fun, food, fellowship, and devotion time. Thanks to fantastic adult volunteers that helped make the event a great success!

Youth Group Begins Wednesday, September 7

Grades 5-6: 6:15-7:15PM

Confirmation: 6:30-7:15PM

Grades 7-12: 7:15-8:30PM

Confirmation Class Begins Sept. 7 at 6:30PM

Questions about Confirmation?
Contact Kelly:

Kelly@GSOWatonna.com

Stay in touch: Sign up for Youth text notifications:

Grades 5-6: text @7eg7d7 to 81010

Grades 7-8: text @gsjrhigh to 81010

Grades 9-12: text@gssrhigh to 81010

Mission Trip July 31—August 6

Please keep our Youth Mission Trip participants in your prayers:

Oran Dowling

Kiara Gentz

Julia Gleason

Gavin Karow

Kayla Jensen

Olivia Lopez

Onyka Lopez

Haley McNett

Hannah McNett

Riley Mitchell

Madeline Rohde

Scott Scholljegerdes

Cody Shaw

Micah Snyder

Garrett Stelter

Will Wottreng

Adults: Eric Benson, Bill Effertz, Kelly Gentz, and Shay Rohde



Volunteer with the Sunday School

Contact Heather to learn more about how you can share the love of God with our kids:

Heather@GSOWatonna.com

Please note that a background check is required of all volunteers that work with children and youth.

Volunteer and Paid Opportunities in the Nursery

Volunteer: If you are interested in being a nursery volunteer, or if you feel that your teenage son or daughter would be interested in serving God in this way, please fill out the Volunteer Interest Form online or at the Children's Ministry table. On occasion, paid childcare provider opportunities are also available. **Please note that a background check is required of all volunteers that work with children and youth.**

Legacy Fund

You can remember Good Shepherd Church in your gift planning.

For more information, pick up a Legacy Fund brochure at the Welcome Center, or contact Warren Simons:

whsimons2010@hotmail.com



Now Registering for 2022-2023 Classes



Register for Good Shepherd Preschool Today!

Class information and online registration is available on our website:

**GoodShepherdOwatonna.com/
Preschool-Home**

NEW! Oak Hills Academy and Good Shepherd Preschool are partnering to provide a Christian learning environment that aids families in preparing their children for future learning success. "Oak Hills Classical Classes" offered at Good Shepherd Preschool will prepare students for success in all future environments, whether at home or in private and public schools.

Questions? Contact the Preschool and Children's Ministry Director:
Heather@GSOWatonna.com.



Operation Christmas Child Shopping!

We've created an Operation Christmas Child shopping registry on Amazon, where you can shop for box items all year long.

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/3B7H8KFFH2BUF/guest-view>

This link is also available on our website on the Serve page.

Support Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church.

When you shop at **smile.amazon.com**,
Amazon donates.

smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1484229

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Online Giving Options!

Your Gifts Make Good Shepherd's Ministry Possible.

Make giving easy—donate online through our website, or our new **Church Center Mobile App!** You may donate one time, or set up recurring giving. Or text any dollar amount to **84321** to give. You will receive a text with a link that will walk you through the giving process.

Reminder: A processing fee is deducted from credit card transactions by our merchant provider. Your donation will be reduced by the fee amount. You have the option to cover the processing fees when you donate. Donations from a checking or savings account are received as the full amount. For details on fees, please contact the church office. You may always mail your gift or drop it off in the black box by the church office. Thank you for supporting Good Shepherd's ministry!

Ways to Give

Your support makes ministry possible. Thank you.



Online at
goodshepherdowatonna.com



Download the Church Center app
to your mobile phone



Text-to-Give: Text any dollar
amount to 84321.



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Noisy Offering for 2022

We are collecting coins for a local program that provides backpacks and hygiene kits to children in foster care. Drop your coins in the bucket in the Gathering Area, or in the bucket by the steps at the front of the Worship Center. See an example backpack in the Gathering Area. Thank you for supporting ministry in our community!



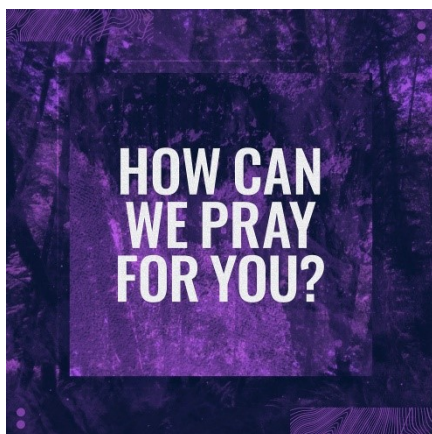
New! Church Center

We're trying out a new online church directory that's easier to use than CCB, works well on mobile devices, and has more privacy options. If you would like to help us test it out, contact the church office and we'll send you an invitation.

Stay Connected to our Community

Visit our website:

GoodShepherdOwatonna.com to see all the latest events and information. The latest sermon message is right on the front page. All past messages are also on our YouTube channel. If you would like to receive sermons in the mail or devotional materials from Our Daily Bread, we'd love to send them to you! Send a note to the office with your updated address.



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 us a note in the mail, or send prayer requests online at

GoodShepherdOwatonna.com.

Questions? Need Help?

info@GSOwatonna.com

The Church Office is currently open from 9:00am-3:00pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, or by appointment.

Senior Pastor: Greg Schlicker
Greg@GSOwatonna.com

Discipleship Pastor: Dan Borkenhagen
Dan@GSOwatonna.com (starting in September!)

Preschool & Children's Ministry Director: Heather Gleason
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Youth Director: Kelly Gentz
Youth@GSOwatonna.com

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