

# from Good Shepherd **Church in Owatonna**

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.



#### Quilts, Quilts, Quilts!

The Quilting group divided up and delivered more than 270 quilts to local and national aid organizations this month: babies to grownups, they made so many quilts we couldn't get them all in one photo!

Their latest donations include 50 quilts already donated to Beds for Kids this year, and the quilts they gift at every baptism,

and add up to over 280 quilts in one year!

The Quilters meet every Wednesday from 12:30-3:00pm in the Social Hall. If you love to guilt or want to learn, please stop in!

The guilters also love to receive guilt fabric donations. They are especially in need of cotton or flannel fabrics with children's or baby patterns. You may drop off donations on the round table in the corner of the Social Hall. Questions? Contact Janice: 390-5249





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#### **New Member Seminar** October 15 9:00am- 2:00pm

Are you ready to partner with us in ministry? We're ready to Follow Jesus, Share Hope, and Live Love with you. Learn more about church membership at Good Shepherd and ask Pastor Greg all your questions.

Lunch and all materials will be provided.

Child care provided upon request.

Register by visiting our website: GoodShepherdOwatonna.com, speaking to a pastor, or scanning the QR code here.

### October 2022 **Sunday Worship**

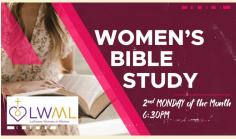
8:30 Worship with Hymns

10:00 Worship with Praise

10:00 Sunday School

**NO Sunday School Oct 23** 





#### **Monthly Bible Studies**

The Men's Breakfast meets the 1st Saturday of the month. They're studying the book of Acts this year. Bring a friend for coffee and Bible study with the guys!

The LWML Women in Mission meet on the second Monday of the month for Bible study, service projects, and fellowship. All women are welcome!

#### **LWML Conference Rally** Saturday, October 1 at St John's Lutheran Church in Austin, MN 8:30am Registration

Our Special Speaker will be Sarah Jane Holsteen, who will share information about the International Association for Refugees (IAFR) and their work with asylum seekers in St. Paul. More information is available in the Gathering Area at the LWML display.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Oct. 1: 8a Men's Breakfast

Oct. 1: LWML Fall Rally in Austin

Oct. 8: 8:30a LWML Meeting

Oct. 9: 2p Fall Leadership Retreat

Oct. 10: 6:30p LWML Bible Study

Oct. 11: 6:30p Exec Team

Oct. 14-16: Youth Fall Retreat

Oct. 15: 9a New Member Seminar

Oct. 18: 9a World Ministry

Oct. 20: 7p Dartball

Oct. 24: 7p Local Service and Outreach

Oct. 30: 2p Confirmation

#### Wednesdays This Fall:

1p Quilters Group6:15p Youth Group Grades 5-66:30p Confirmation Class7:15p Youth Group Grades 7-127p Choir



# Go Gather Give October: Winter is Coming!

This month we are collecting winter clothing for Community Pathways of Steele County (formerly the Clothesline). Drop off donations at the Go Gather Give display in the Gathering Area, in the container by the lower level doors, or in the black deck box by the office entrance, Thank you for supporting our community!



#### **Ark Display**

A full-size replica of the Ark of the Covenant will visit Good Shepherd this fall. Take a journey with the Children of Israel and feel like you are walking with them through the wilderness and then through the Promised Land. More information will be available next month.

#### Meet the Borkenhagens

We've set up several dates for you to meet Pastor Dan and his wife in a casual social setting on **October 6, 9, and 10**. Sign up in the Gathering Area by the Welcome Center.

#### Join the Choir

The Choir is meeting every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Worship Center, and is planning to sing on several Sundays this fall. Add your voice to our choir!

#### Dartball is back! Thursday, October 20 - 7:00pm

The first Dartball match of the year will be at Good Shepherd. Bring the family and enjoy good food and good fun! Questions? Contact Sharon Drache: (507) 455-0703

#### Fall is the Perfect Time to Make A Prayer Shawl

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at Good Shepherd makes and donates prayer shawls to people going through a crisis, loss, or a celebration as a tangible sign of God's peace, comfort, and presence. If you know someone who would like a shawl, you may take one from the basket in the Prayer Room. Patterns and yarn are also available if you would like to make a shawl. Questions? Contact Barb Spindler: spinub4852@gmail.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.

#### Bauer Bash Friday, October 7 5:30-9pm

We'll be back in Owatonna and plan to have a fun gathering with our great friends and neighbors at Good Shepherd!

Food and beverages will be provided. Looking forward to seeing EVERYONE!

Stacey and Tracy Bauer

#### **Exec Team Notes**

Hello Fellow Good Shepherd members,

Well, September lived up to the billing. With Sunday School and Preschool starting, the church has just been buzzing all month. For those of you that were able to attend Pastor Dan's Installation, how uplifting! Now it is time to "Let God do what God does."

As for what October will bring, the Exec Team is planning on holding a Leadership Retreat to make sure all the leadership teams of the congregation are working in a synergistic approach. You will continue to hear about opportunities to help with the goals the group sets.

Make sure if you have any concerns or question about what is going on at Good Shepherd, you reach out to one of the Exec Team Members.

Mike Westphal Executive Team Director



**Noisy Offerings** Donations for Noisy Offerings have collected almost \$1000 so far this year! Local Service and Outreach has pledged to double the offering this year, so keep bringing in those coins!

With our collections so far this year, we have put together **30 bags** for kids ages 0-18. Each bag includes a duffle bag, hygiene kit, devotion book, and cuddle blanket for the younger kids. There are currently 90 children in foster care, ages 0-18, through MNPrairie, which serves Dodge, Steele and Waseca counties. We will continue to prepare bags to serve these kids as offerings and supplies come in.

#### **Donate 3 Ways:**

- Drop coins in the Noisy Offering container at the front of the worship center or on the offering table in the Gathering Area,
- Collect coins at home in a Noisy Offering jar, or
- Write a "Noisy Check" to Good Shepherd with Noisy Offering written on the memo line.

#### Volunteer with Children's Ministry

#### **Sunday School**

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

Heather@GSOwatonna.com

#### Nursery

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.

## **OUTH GROUP**

wednesday nights

5-6th Grades 6:15-7:15pm

Confirmation 6:30-7:15pm

7-12th Grades 7:15-8:30pm

Questions about Confirmation or Youth Group?

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



#### We're Ready for a Great Year of Preschool!

Class information and online registration is available on our website:

#### GoodShepherdOwatonna.com/ Preschool-Home

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



#### 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.



#### **New! Church Center**

We're switching to a new online church app: **Church Center**. Download the Church Center app from your phone's app store, or click the Directory link at the top of the church website. Or scan the QR code here:  $\Longrightarrow$  Church Center is a great way to:



- Register for Events
- See your Giving Statement
- View the Church Calendar
- Browse Church Groups
- Give Electronically: Give once, or set up Recurring Giving It's easier to use than CCB, works well on mobile devices, and has more privacy options. It also uses an "opt-in" directory, meaning none of your information is published without your permission. If you would like to add your information to the directory, contact the church office and we'll send you an invitation.

#### **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!

#### 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. Past messages are also on our YouTube channel. If you would like to receive sermons in the mail or devotions from Our Daily Bread, we'd love to send them to you! Send a note to the church office with your updated address.

#### **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.

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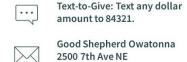
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#### We love to pray for you!

Owatonna MN 55060

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.

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