



Good News

from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

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LET'S CELEBRATE AND GIVE THANKS!

YOUTH THANKSGIVING MEAL

A turkey and ham meal served by Good Shepherd youth.

Youth Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 13 at 10:45 and 11:30

There are two Thanksgiving Dinner sign-ups in the Gathering Area: one to choose your meal time and help us plan, and one to donate supplies. Proceeds will support youth group mission trips and service projects.

During **NOVEMBER**
We're also collecting for the



**GIFT OF LOVE EVENT
on DECEMBER 10**

Let's bring in **NEW, UNWRAPPED
GIFTS FOR KIDS AGES 0-18**

Go
Gather
Give.

Gift Of Love

Planning has begun for our 2nd annual "Gift of Love" Christmas store event at Good Shepherd! We will once again be collecting new, unwrapped gifts for children ages 0-18. Gift donations can be dropped off by the tree in the Go Gather Give area.

Invited families in need will shop for their children here at Good Shepherd on **Saturday, December 10**. Volunteers are needed for setting up on the 9th, as well as on the day of the event.

If you are interested in helping or have questions, please contact Jen Werk: jenwerk@msn.com

November 2022 Sunday Worship

8:30 Worship with Hymns

10:00 Worship with Praise

10:00 Sunday School

NO Sunday School Nov 27

Upcoming Worship Events

Thanksgiving
WORSHIP SERVICE

Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30p

Thanksgiving Eve
Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30p



Oh Boy! Christmas Event
Sunday, December 4 3:00-5:30p
Register at GoodShepherdOwatonna.com

Advent

WEDNESDAYS IN DECEMBER

Meal 5:30p Worship Service 6:30p

Advent Wednesdays
Meal at 5:30p Worship at 6:30p



Upcoming Events

Nov 5: 8a Men's Breakfast

Nov 8: 6:30p Exec Team

Nov 13: **10:45 & 11:30 Youth Thanksgiving Dinner**

Nov 14: 6:30p LWML Meeting

Nov 23: 6:30p **Thanksgiving Eve Service**

Nov 25: 10-4 Blood Drive

Nov 28: 7p Local Service and Outreach

Wednesdays This Fall:

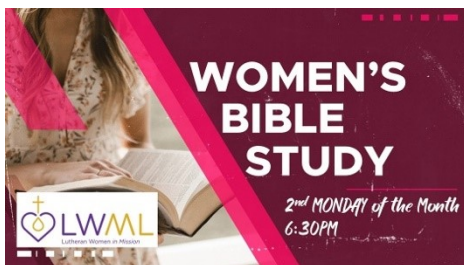
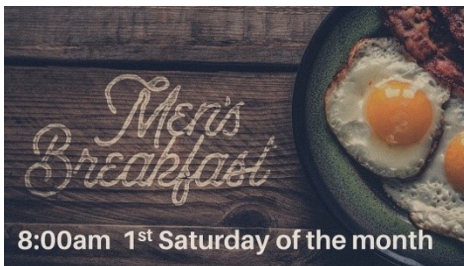
1p Quilters Group

6:15p Youth Group Grades 5-6

6:30p Confirmation Class

7:15p Youth Group Grades 7-12

7p Choir



Welcome, New Members!

Darlene Blong
Megan Fuhrman
David and Nicole Kramer
Max and Asher
Randy Njos
Jacob West



Ark Display

A full-size replica of the Ark of the Covenant will visit Good Shepherd **Sunday, November 20**. 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. The artist, Grant Jacobson, will give a short presentation between services at 9:30am the replica and what it represents.

Exec Team Notes

Hello Fellow Good Shepherd members,

October has been an exciting month. We have a fully staffed Executive Team again. We held our second annual Leadership Retreat in early October. We had nearly 20 of our Ministry Team Leaders meet with the Exec Team to review things we accomplished over the last year, and plan what each team wants to accomplish in the next year.

The Executive Team is also working hard to finalize a budget to present to the congregation at the December's Voter's Meeting. Looking forward to seeing all of you in early December to hear more about the opportunities to serve God.

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

Mike Westphal
Executive Team Director



Operation Christmas Child

Pick up and fill a box today!

Packed boxes are due back at church no later than **Sunday, November 20**. Donations are greatly appreciated for shipping and supplies and can be put in the church's dropbox in the office hallway, or in the offering plate with "Operation Christmas Child" in the memo line.

During NOVEMBER

We're giving to
COMMUNITY PATHWAYS OF STEELE COUNTY
Let's bring in
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD & MONEY FOR FOOD



Go Gather Give

We are collecting non-perishable food items for Market Place at Community Pathways of Steele County (formerly the Food Shelf). 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.

You may also donate funds to purchase food; Community Pathways can purchase food at a considerable discount, so your money will go farther. Please write Go Gather Give on your check or envelope. Thank you for supporting our community!

Blessings on our Confirmands

Easton Borwege
Mylie Born
Isaiah Carreon-Sorensen
Wyatt Frantesl
Kaylyn Hobart
Kayla Jensen
Isaac Kreitinger
Isabel Kreitinger
Olivia Lopez
Haley McNett
Logan Risser
Madeline Rohde
Micah Snyder
Addison Tolman
Isaac Tolzman
Logan Torres



Youth Retreat Update

27 participants attended the Youth Fall Retreat at Camp Omega in October. We had a great time of fellowship with Bible studies, games, canoeing, archery, and axe throwing. If you're curious to know more, ask one of the youth about the 24-headed, 15-footed monster that was

spotted at camp! Thank you for supporting the youth at Good Shepherd.

WHO: Youth currently in grades 8-12 (friends welcome)

COST: \$350 total (\$50 due by Nov. 20 to guarantee spot) - talk to Kelly if cost is an issue

SIGNUP: forms in youth room downstairs

Kelly 507-213-3016



NOISY OFFERINGS 2022 BLESSING BACKPACKS & MORE



This year we will help kids in our community by:

- Providing hygiene kits for children in our local schools
- Providing foster kids with a Blessing Backpack, filled with a stuffed animal and Bible

2022 Noisy Offerings

Donations for Noisy Offerings have collected \$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.

YOUTH 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



Sunday School

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

Heather@GSOWatonna.com

Nursery

If you or your teenage son or daughter would be interested in being a nursery volunteer, 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.**

We're Having a Fun 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.

New! Church Center

We're using 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: ➡

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.



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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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.

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

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