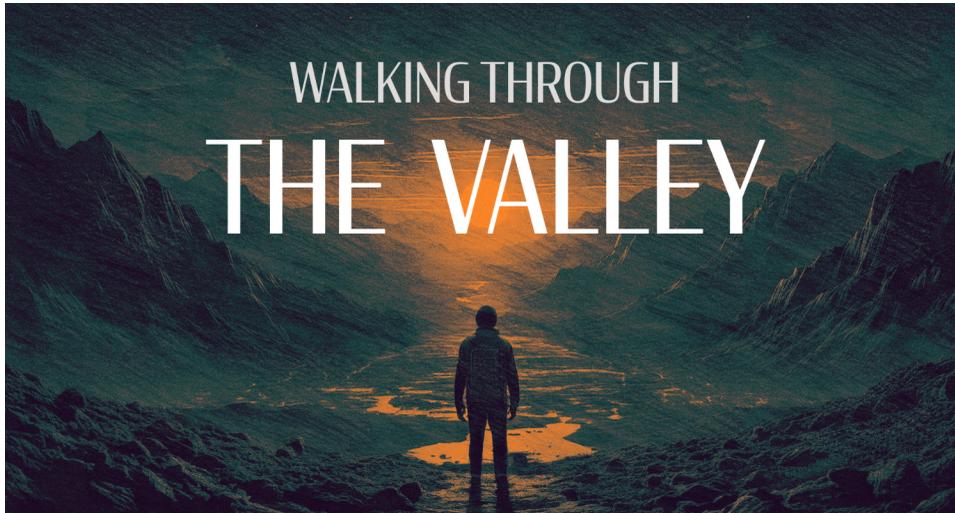




GOOD NEWS

from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.



Sermon Series for Lent: Walking Through the Valley

In Lent we turn our thoughts to the passion account: the suffering of Jesus for our salvation. But suffering is common to all people, and for ages people have wondered why God allows it. This year on the Sundays and Wednesdays of Lent we are going to explore that topic. On Sundays we'll tackle not only why our God allows evil and suffering in the world, but what God is trying to achieve by it, and how God desires us to face it. Our Wednesdays will relate more to personal stories and to the passion account of Jesus on the way to the cross.

Everyone walks through the valley in life. Everyone has times of trial or loss. Everyone has questions about what God is doing sometimes. Let's hear what God has to say about this as we walk with Jesus to the cross. --Pastor Greg

**GOOD SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL
TACO SUPPER & OPEN HOUSE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3 5-7PM**

Available Online, in the Church Office, and between services on 1/25, 2/1

GET YOUR TICKETS!

**\$8 IN ADVANCE/\$10 AT THE DOOR
5 AND UNDER FREE
TAKE OUT AVAILABLE**

ASH WEDNESDAY
February 18 5:30PM Meal 6:30PM Service

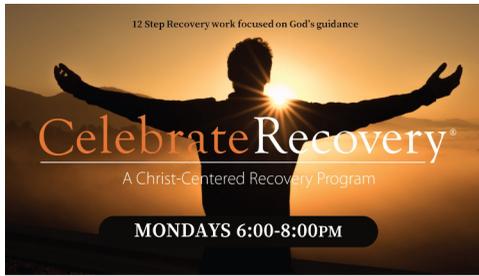
Ash Wednesday is February 18
5:30PM Meal hosted by the Youth Team
6:30PM Hymn Service with the Imposition of Ashes and Lord's Supper

LENT
WEDNESDAY MEALS
February 18 - March 25
5:30PM Meal
6:30PM Lent Service

Wednesdays During Lent
5:30PM Meal & 6:30PM Service
If your group would like to host a Lent meal, we have a few dates available. Please contact the church office.

- Feb 25: AVAILABLE**
- March 4: AVAILABLE**
- March 11: Hosted by LWML**
- March 18: Hosted by the Preschool**
- March 25: Hosted by World Ministry**

Holy Week / Easter Dates:
April 2: 6:30PM Maundy Thursday Hymn Service with the Lord's Supper
April 3: 6:30PM Good Friday Service
EASTER IS APRIL 5
6:30AM Sunrise Hymn Service
8:30AM Easter Hymn Service
10:30AM Easter Worship Service



Celebrate Recovery
 Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered 12-step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurts, hang-ups, and habits of any kind. It's a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling your life.
MONDAYS from 6:00-8:00PM
 Questions? Want to Volunteer?
 Contact Pastor Dan:
Dan@GSOwatonna.com



Moms Group
 Weekly devotions via email and an in-person meeting once a month. Register with the Church Center app, online at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com** or contact Amy:
amycurtrieck@aol.com



Alongsiders: Men's Mentorship
 Improve your relationship with God through discussions with a Christian mentor. Register with the Church Center app, online at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com** or contact Scott Haglund:
scotthaglund0463@gmail.com or Pastor Dan: **Dan@GSOwatonna.com**



MEN'S RETREAT

MARCH 6-7 AT CAMP OMEGA

BIBLICAL FRIENDSHIP, GRACIOUS FATHERHOOD AND TRUE MASCULINITY
 How would God like to grow you? We'll explore these themes and more with Dr. Scott Keith, a noted speaker and author who loves talking to men about God's design for them and family. We'll be surrounded by the natural beauty of Camp Omega, with plenty of time for fellowship and recreation. Sit by the lake, hike the woods, try target shooting, or gather inside for games.



Open to adult men and their sons or grandsons (age 16 and older).
 Registration includes all meals and study materials.
REGISTER HERE TODAY!

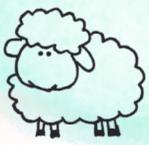


Women at the Well
 Are you ready to learn more about our Women at the Well Women's Ministry? Check out our information board in the Gathering Area!
 It includes descriptions of our ministry's mission, ongoing groups and special events, registration forms and a drop box, and a form for you to submit your ideas, too.

2026 Legacy Ministry Fund
 The Legacy Ministry Fund is now accepting applications for disbursements in the new year.
 Three areas receive consideration:

- MERCY is outreach to charities
- MINISTRY includes both LCMS and Good Shepherd ministries
- MUSIC includes anything that supports music ministry of the church.

Any member may submit an application for grants to help Good Shepherd in these areas as we strive to spread the love of God throughout the church, community and the world. Application forms are at the Welcome Center. Find out more by picking up a brochure or speaking to a committee member.



Good Shepherd Preschool

Knowing and Following Jesus

2026-2027 REGISTRATION
OPENS JAN 19
scan QR code for more info
& to register



NEW! **Preschool
Your Way**



**MORNING AND AFTERNOON PRESCHOOL
FOR 3-5 YEAR OLDS**

**WRAP AROUND CARE & ALL DAY OPTIONS
NOW AVAILABLE!**

**2025-2026
GOOD SHEPHERD
YOUTH MINISTRY**

GRADES 5 & 6	6:15 - 7:15 PM
CONFIRMATION CLASS	6:30 - 7:15 PM
GRADES 7-12	7:15-8:30 PM

NOISY OFFERINGS 2026
This year offerings will go to:

Christ's Care For Children: Kenya	&	Orphan Grain Train
Continue sponsoring Ayden through this LCMS program		Helping to end hunger *Includes a service opportunity

Noisy Offerings for 2026

We're collecting coins for *Christ's Care for Children: Kenya* where we sponsor a child and *Orphan Grain Train* which works to feed hungry people around the world.

Drop your noisy coins in the container at the front of the worship center or at the offering table in the Gathering Area. Then pick up a donation jar in the Gathering Area to fill at home!

FAITHFUL FAMILIES

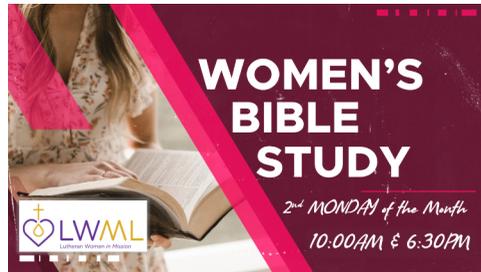
GROWING IN FAITH AND LOVE WITH ONE ANOTHER
FEBRUARY 2026 EVENT

FEBRUARY 22 | 3 PM
FAMILY BINGO AT MSB



Faithful Families had SNOW much wintry fun at our sledding and skating party!





LWML Women in Mission
2nd Monday of the Month
10:00AM OR 6:30PM

No registration necessary, all study materials are provided.

Questions? Contact Gloria Kenow:
gkenow@yahoo.com



Men's Breakfast
First Saturday of the Month:
8:00AM

Rise with the guys and enjoy Bible Study and fellowship. Bring a friend!

Questions? Contact Gene Kispert:
507-475-3417



Play 500 and Make Friends
February 12
1:30-4:00PM in the Gathering Area

Congrats to Bonnie Lurken, who had the Women's High Score, and Skip Hein and Lyle Schultz who tied for the Men's High Score in January!

exploring self-forgiveness

A six-week group with a faith-based lens
Begins Thursday, February 5 at 6:00PM

Whether you're seeking help for yourself or walking alongside others, this group is a safe place to find encouragement, guidance, and hope as we learn what it means to let go of the past and begin moving toward the freedom God desires for us.

Register Here or in the Gathering Area



Questions? Need Help?
Contact Us: 507-451-4125 or info@GSOWatonna.com
 Church Office Hours: 9:00AM-2:00PM Monday-Thursday, or by appointment.

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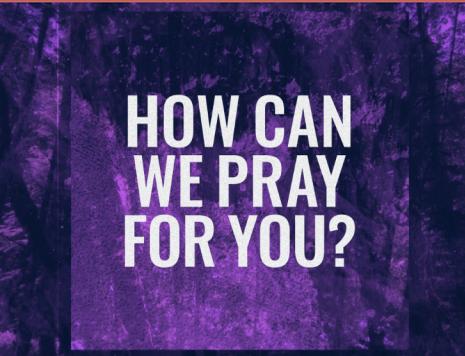
EVENT CALENDAR

- Feb 2: 7:00p Book Club: Women at the Well
- Feb 3: 9:00a World Ministry Team
- 5:00-7:00p **Preschool Taco Supper and Open House**
- Feb 5: 6:00p Exploring Self-Forgiveness
- Feb 7: 8:00a Men's Breakfast
- Feb 9: 10:00a LWML Morning Group
6:30p LWML Evening Group
- Feb 11: 6:30p Faithful Conversations
- Feb 12: 1:30p 500 Card Club Social
- Feb 15: **New Member Sunday**
- Feb 16: 6:30p Exec Team
- Feb 17: 7:00p Local Service Team
- Feb 18: **Ash Wednesday**
5:30p Lent Meal
6:30p Service
- Feb 24: 6:30p Lay Ministry Team
- Feb 26: 6:30p Moms Group

See the full calendar with Church Center or at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com**

During **FEBRUARY** We're collecting for **PREGNANCY OPTIONS**

Please bring in **DIAPERS IN ALL SIZES & BABY WIPES**

Send prayers to our prayer team:
GoodShepherdPrayer@msn.com
 You may also put prayer requests in the Prayer box in the Prayer Room, send us a note in the mail, or submit prayer requests online at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com**.