



GOOD NEWS

from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.

EASTER

6:30AM 8:30AM 10:30AM

6:30AM **Sunrise**
Hymn Service

8:30AM
Hymn Service

10:30AM
Worship Service

Easter Breakfast between all services

When God Rocks your World

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it." Matthew 28:1-2

When I heard that I was going to be spending my vicarage year in California, I thought: "Maybe I'll get to experience an earthquake!" It didn't happen, and I don't know if I'm blessed by that or not, even though I sort of wanted to feel that awesome power.

There was an earthquake on that first Easter because of the stone. I don't know how large a stone that was. It was obviously too large for a group of women to move, since they worried about it on the way, but by itself that stone moving shouldn't have caused much quaking. Matthew tells us that the reason the earth shook that day was that an angel had moved it. God was acting, and when God acts the earth often shakes.

This Easter we celebrate God active in our world. It's intense, and it's powerful, as God moves heaven and earth to win your salvation. You and I may not ever experience an earthquake ourselves (since this is Minnesota) but on Easter Sunday we experience God breaking into our world in supernatural power, and that's earth-shattering Good News. --Pastor Greg



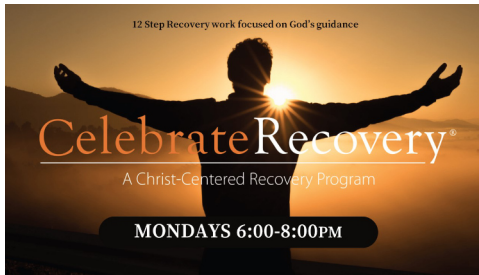
Maundy Thursday
April 2 at 6:30PM
Hymn Service with Lord's Supper
and First Communion
Pastor Greg



Good Friday
April 3 at 6:30PM
Contemplative Service
with Pastor Dan



Easter Breakfast
Free will offerings support Youth
mission trips and events.



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

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Weekly devotions via email and an in-person meeting once a month.

Register with the Church Center app, at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com** or contact Amy: **amycurtrieck@aol.com**



Alongsiders: Men's Mentorship

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Improve your relationship with God through discussions with a Christian mentor. Register with the Church Center app, online at

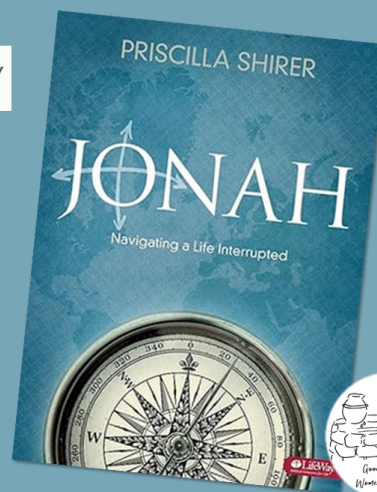
GoodShepherdOwatonna.com, or contact Scott Haglund: **scotthaglund0463@gmail.com** or Pastor Dan: **Dan@GSowatonna.com**

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Mornings
10:00-11:30AM
begins April 8

OR

Thursday Evenings
6:30-8:00PM
begins April 9



Women at the Well Bible Study

Jonah: Navigating a Life Interrupted by Priscilla Shirer

Interruptions. They're aggravating. Sometimes infuriating. What do we do when God interrupts our lives? Many times, like Jonah, we run!

In this 7-session Bible study, Priscilla redefines interruption and shows that interruption is actually God's invitation to do something beyond our wildest dreams. When Jonah was willing to allow God to interrupt his life, the result was revival in an entire city. What might God do when he interrupts us?

Enjoy the video, independent study, and discussion, no matter your experience level. All are welcome! Whether this is your first Bible study or your 100th, we hope you join us.

Materials cost \$22, payable online or by check at the first class, payable to Good Shepherd Church.

REGISTER HERE TODAY!

**Scholarships available if cost is a concern.
Please contact the church office.*



Go Gather Give

The diapers we collected for Pregnancy Options filled Steve's car to the brim! Thank you to all who donated. To learn more about Pregnancy Options and how you can volunteer: visit **FriendsofPregnancyOptions.org**.



SHINING A LIGHT ON WHO JESUS REALLY IS

ILLUMINATION STATION

JOHN 8:12

Register Now 



VBS 2026
July 6-9
6-8pm
Age 3-5th Grade

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

YOUTH FUNDRAISER



SOUBA GREENHOUSE GIFT CARDS

Cards available Wednesday nights in March & Sundays between services (starting in April)

Questions? Contact Kelly - 213.3016

Gift Card Fundraiser
The Youth will be selling Souba Greenhouse gift cards in the Gathering Area on Sundays from 9:15-10AM on April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, and May 17. Great for Mother's Day gifts or planning your own spring planting!

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

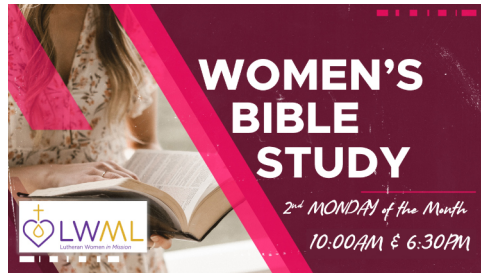
Thanks for supporting our youth at Culver's. We had an AMAZING turn out!

Youth are having fun each week at youth group with games, snacks, youth testimonies, and small group discussions around God's Word.



First Communion 2026
God's blessings on our students who will take their first Communion on Maundy Thursday:

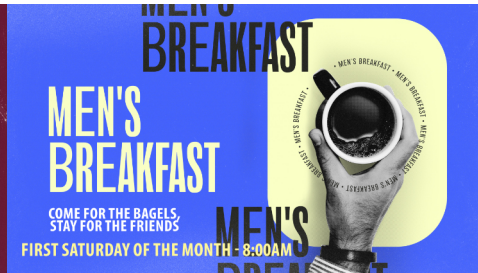
- Liam Aus
- Sawyer Carey
- Alejandra Gonzalez
- McKayla Graves
- Randy Graves
- Jacey Herron
- Olivia Ihlenfeld
- Jack Indahl
- Keegan Klein
- Max Kramer
- Macy Manka
- Annika Rud
- Nyla Seid
- Emma Vereide
- Luci Yule



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
Saturday, April 11 (after Easter)
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
April 9
1:30-4:00PM in the Gathering Area

Bring a friend, make some new ones, and have fun playing 500!



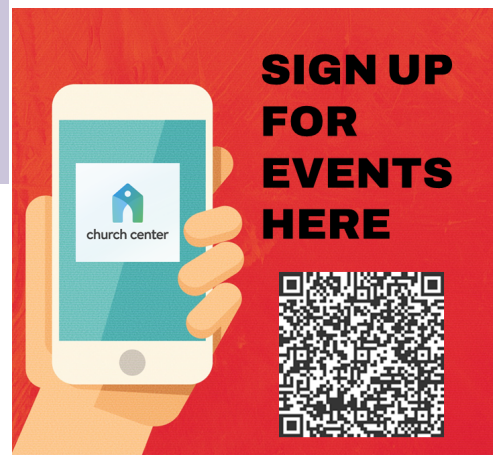
Ladies' Game Night
April 10
6:00-7:30PM in the Social Hall

Please join us for some indoor fun and games! Invite your friends and meet some new ones. If you wish, bring a light snack for yourself.

EVENT CALENDAR

- March 25: 5:30p Lent Meal
6:30p Lent Service
7:15p Faithful Conversations
- March 26: 6:30p Moms Group
- March 31: 6:30p Lay Ministry Team
- April 2: 6:30p **Maundy Thursday**
- April 3: 6:30p **Good Friday**
- April 5: **EASTER SUNDAY**
(see page 1)
- April 6: 7:00p Women at the Well Book Club
- April 8: 10:00a Women's Bible Study
6:30p Faithful Conversations
- April 9: 1:30p 500 Card Club
6:30p Women's Bible Study
- April 10: 6:00p Ladies' Game Night
- April 11: 8:00a Men's Breakfast
- April 13: 10:00a LWML Morning Gp
6:30p LWML Evening Gp

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



Join us at Card Club!



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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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**.