



GOOD NEWS

from Good Shepherd Church in Owatonna

Follow Jesus. Share Hope. Live Love.

VBS 2026

SHINING A LIGHT ON WHO JESUS REALLY IS

ILLUMINATION STATION

JOHN 8:12

July 6-9, 6-8pm
Age 3-5th Grade

Register Now




Evening Walks in May

Mondays in May at 6:30PM

We'll meet in Good Shepherd's Parking Lot

Mondays in May at 6:30PM
Meet in the Good Shepherd Parking Lot

Let's move together!

Join your leader, Kris Duerr, for a short devotion followed by a walk with friends. This group will meet in the church parking lot, beginning Monday, May 4 at 6:30PM.

The group will decide how far/long to walk. Plan on no more than 60-90 minutes for devotion, prayer, and walking.

All women are welcome. If you wish to receive updates in case of inclement weather or schedule changes, please register.

SCAN HERE, register with the Church Center app, or visit our website:



GoodShepherdOwatonna.com

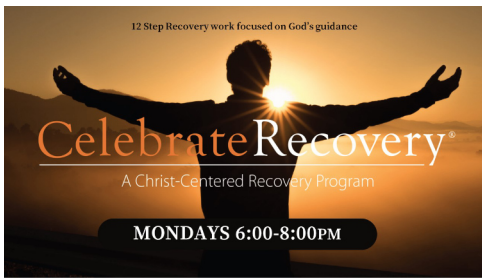
BUILD YOUR OWN BOUQUET

Saturday, May 16
9:30-11:00AM

Visit our Display in the Gathering Area

WOMEN AT THE WELL MOM'S GROUP





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.

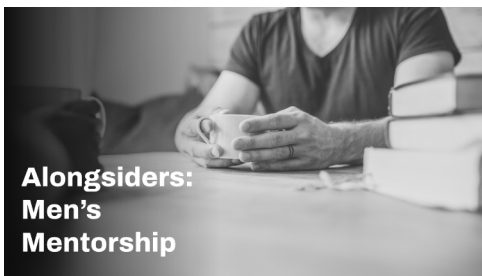
MONDAYS from 6:00-8:00PM

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, 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

VOTERS MEETING

SUNDAY, May 17
11:00AM

May Voters Meeting

At the May Voters Meeting we will elect two people to serve 3-year terms on the Executive Team beginning July 1, 2026. Learn more about our 5 candidates at the Welcome Center. Good Shepherd members ages 16 and up are encouraged to attend and vote.

Senior Pastor Call Committee

The Executive Team has formed a Call Committee to determine our next Senior Pastor. We are fortunate to have five members to take on this task: Ruth Brittain, Brad Klein, Nancy Benson, Dave Kenow, and Steve Herron, with Steve serving as Committee Chair. We thank them for their wisdom, thoughtfulness, time, and consideration to the matters of Good Shepherd and God's kingdom.

The Call Committee will bring a Senior Pastor recommendation to the congregation, and we will vote on extending a Call. They are aware that Good Shepherd is blessed with a wonderful Associate Pastor in Dan Borkenhagen. Please know that Dan will be part of the consideration.

Extending a Call is different from how job offers are handled in the business world. A Call is a divine invitation. Through prayer and discussion, a pastor is called to serve in specific ways unique to our congregation, trusting the process is guided and blessed by God. The Call Committee will take as much time as they need to consider their recommendation. In the meantime, please do the following:

- 1. Pray for the call committee.** Pray for God to guide them and give them discernment.
- 2. Pray for all pastors and church workers considering calls.** Pray God would place them in locations and roles most suitable for growing His kingdom and shepherding His people.
- 3. Ask questions and provide input.** If you have specific questions, thoughts, or concerns, please feel free to contact a member of the Call Committee or a member of the Executive Team. --Kevin Gentz, Executive Team Director

Mission Trip to Thailand and Bangladesh

October 9-25, 2026

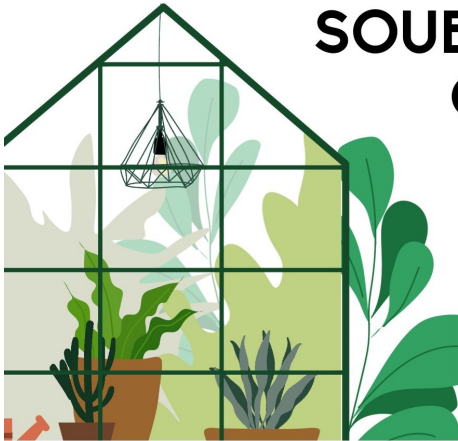
This October, we're inviting a group from our church to join a trip to Thailand and Bangladesh. We will start in Thailand at Project Video's training center, and then travel to Bangladesh to meet a local team sharing the message of Jesus in places where there is little to no access to the Gospel.

There are a few different ways to be part of this. Some of you might feel led to go. Others might be in a place to send and support someone who goes. And all of us can be part of this through prayer. If you're even a little curious, you can learn more at the Welcome Center or the World Ministry display in the Gathering Area.

Questions? Contact Megan Valdovinos: projectvideogso@project-video.org.

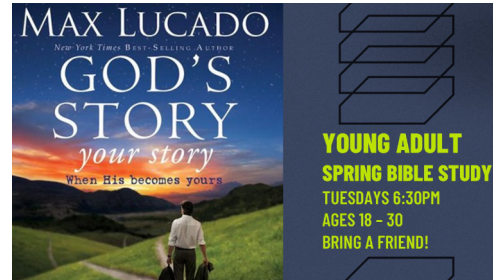
YOUTH FUNDRAISER

SOUBA GREENHOUSE GIFT CARDS



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

Questions? Contact Kelly - 213.3016



Young Adult Bible Study
Tuesdays at 6:30PM
Ages 18-30. Bring a Friend!

**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

JAMS

Free Will Donation ~ Proceeds go to GS Youth Ministry

FLAVORS:

- Blu-Razzle Honey
- Raspberry Peach
- Strawberry Rhubarb
- Rhubarb Plumcota
- Cherry Rhuberry
- Strapple Beach
- Aprico-Tella
- Citrus Candy
- Mud Pie



GREAT ON:

- Breads & Bagels
- Crackers
- Pancakes or Waffles
- Yogurt
- Ice cream!

Youth will be selling Sundays now until May 17 (not May 10) from 9:15-10am or contact Kelly

Donated by Dave's Garden Shack - 5224 Lemond Rd

**2025-2026
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**LAST DAY OF
SUNDAY SCHOOL
MAY 17**

Now Hiring: Preschool Teacher
Good Shepherd Preschool is looking for a part-time preschool teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Applicants must have an Associate's Degree in Education or higher, and a personal Christian Faith. Contact Heather Gleason, Preschool and Children's Ministry Director, for more information:
Heather@GSowatonna.com

NOISY OFFERINGS 2026

This year offerings will go to:

Christ's Care
For Children:
Kenya

Continue sponsoring
Ayden through this LCMS
program



Orphan Grain
Train

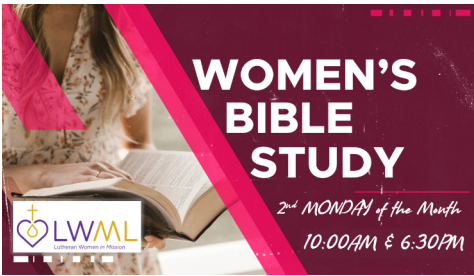
Helping to end hunger
*Includes a service
opportunity

2026-2027 REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN
scan QR code for more info
& to register



NEW! **Preschool
Your Way**

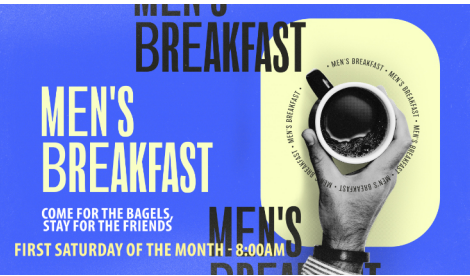
MORNING AND AFTERNOON PRESCHOOL
FOR 3-5 YEAR OLDS
WRAP AROUND CARE & ALL DAY OPTIONS
NOW AVAILABLE!



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, May 2
8:00AM

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

Questions? Contact Gene Kispert:
507-475-3417

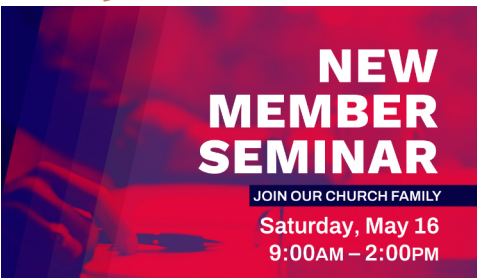
EVENT CALENDAR

- May 2: 8:00a Men's Breakfast
- May 4: 6:30p Evening Walks in May
7:00p Women @Well Book Club
- May 5: 6:30p Young Adult Bible Study
- May 6: 10:00a Jonah Bible Study
- May 7: 6:30p Jonah Bible Study
- May 11: 10:00a LWML Morning Group
6:30p LWML Evening Group
6:30p Evening Walks in May
- May 12: 6:30p Exec Team
6:30p Young Adult Bible Study
- May 13: 10:00a Jonah Bible Study
6:30p Faithful Conversations
- May 14: 6:30p Jonah Bible Study
- May 16: 9:00a New Member Seminar
9:30a Build Your Own Bouquet
- May 17: **Last Day of Sunday School**
11:00a Voters Meeting
- May 18: 6:30p Evening Walks in May
- May 19: 9:00a World Ministry Team
6:30p Young Adult Bible Study
- May 20: 10:00a Jonah Bible Study
- May 21: 6:00p Moms Group
6:30p Preschool Graduation
6:30p Jonah Bible Study
- May 25: 6:30p Evening Walks in May
- May 26: 6:30p Lay Ministry Team
6:30p Young Adult Bible Study
- May 27: 6:30p Faithful Conversations
- May 31: **New Member Sunday**
11:00 Potluck Lunch



The Ladies' Game Night got some great reviews: Thank you for putting Ladies Game Night together. My friend and I had so much fun! It was a space we both could just relax and be ourselves and meet new friends. I look forward to another one!

Check out upcoming Women at the Well events at the display in the Gathering Area, or at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com**



New Member Seminar
Saturday, May 16
9:00AM - 2:00PM

Lunch is included. Childcare is available upon request. Register at **GoodShepherdOwatonna.com**

Questions? Contact Pastor Greg.

Questions? Need Help?

Contact Us: 507-451-4125 or info@GSOwatonna.com

Church Office Hours: 9:00AM-2:00PM Monday-Thursday, or by appointment.

Senior Pastor: Greg Schlicker

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Preschool & Children's Ministry Director: Heather Gleason

Heather@GSOwatonna.com

Youth Director: Kelly Gentz

Kelly@GSOwatonna.com



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**.