

## **SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY**

**Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor**

**Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor**

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**February 4, 2024**

**Divine Service III**

**LSB 184**

**Opening Hymn: “Hail to The Lord’s Anointed”**

**LSB 398**

**Hymn of the Day: “Praise the Almighty”**

**LSB 797**

**Distribution: “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”** LSB 622

**“Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face”**

**LSB 631**

**Closing Hymn: “We Praise You and Acknowledge You”**

**LSB 941**

**WELCOME!!** We are glad that you have joined us this morning as we lift up our hearts and voices in response to God’s great gift of forgiveness and life in Christ Jesus. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Pastor Les Wolfgram and Pastor Justin Woodside.

### **AT SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH,**

we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confidence that we receive, along with the bread and wine, our Savior’s true body and blood “through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins.” Besides individually receiving Christ’s free gift of forgiveness in this sacrament, all those who commune make a confession of the faith that we believe and teach in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. To commune at this altar is to accept the doctrinal position of this congregation. Because of that common confession, we invite those who are members at sister Missouri Synod Churches to join us at the Lord’s Table. If you would like more information on our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, please visit with Pastor Wolfgram or Pastor Woodside.

## **Introit**

*Psalm 13:3–5; antiphon: v. 6*

I will sing | to the LORD,\*

because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;\*

light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,

lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed | over him,”\*

lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\*

my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



The Human Care Committee focus for the first quarter is Soul 57 Youth Grief Support. You can view their website at [www.soul57.org](http://www.soul57.org). There you will find information about their program.

Grief is a feast of feelings and emotions, made up of different ingredients, mixed and stewed differently for each individual. What is universal, however, is that grief is not finite. It is a constant that ebbs and flows with time and circumstance. What's more, everyone experiences and processes those feelings in their own way. It can be a lonely road filled with highs and lows, and for children those polarizing emotions are tricky to both understand and communicate effectively. Adults have the capacity to communicate their thoughts and find solutions that fit their needs as they navigate grief. Kids, though, are a completely different beast, and they don't necessarily have the wherewithal to clearly state their feelings and process their emotions. They need outlets to effectively explore those emotions in a healthy, safe, and effectual matter.

*Building Healthy Families: Who's your favorite NFL team and coach? (... bonus points if you answered Andy Reid and the Chiefs!) Researcher George Barna rightly notes that great parents are much like great coaches as they demonstrate these four qualities when relating to their "winning team": 1) the impact of a great coach (parent) on his player (child) is proportional to the depth of the relationship fostered with them; 2) great coaches (parents) whole-heartedly embrace the outcomes they are pushing their team (children) to achieve; 3) great coaches (parents) are great communicators; and 4) great coaches (parents) have a comprehensive plan for building a winning team (family). So, coach, how are you and your team doing?? Lutheran Family Service [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)*



**BUNCO NIGHT!**

Please join us for bunco night on Friday, February 23.

A light supper will be served at 6:00 followed by Bunco.

- stewardship committee



The next Men's Network will take place on February 17 at 8:00 am at Shepherd of the Valley. Join us for breakfast, fellowship, and our study of Romans led by Pastor Woodside.



**MAIN STREET LIVING—LCMS TV Program—**

**Sunday Mornings @ 10 AM**

**KBMY Xtra / Bismarck Channel 17.3 Midco Channel 594**

10:00 AM: worship service led by area pastors 10:30 AM:

"This Is The Life" program To watch these programs at any time and see upcoming schedules go to [www.mainstreetliving.com/north](http://www.mainstreetliving.com/north).

**Feb. 4: Rev. Craig Fenske**, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Forks, ND, presents the message: **"The Greatness of God"** based on Isaiah 40:21-31. *"This Is the Life" program: "Which Way Grows the Vine"* - A father struggles to accept the consequences of his actions and set an example for his son.

**Feb. 11: Rev. Bruce Blocker**, Immanuel Lutheran Church, McIntosh, MN, presents the message: **"They Saw No One Except Jesus"** based on Mark 9:2-9. *"This Is the Life" program: "Prescription TLC"* - Injuries after a plane crash cause a couple to seek God for comfort and healing.

Soup packing will take place on Saturday, February 17, starting at 10:00 am.



Ash Wednesday is February 14 as we begin the Lenten season. Supper will be served by the board of elders at 5:00 pm. Plan to join us for our special mid-week Lenten services at 6:00 pm during the season of Lent as we journey with Jesus to the cross.

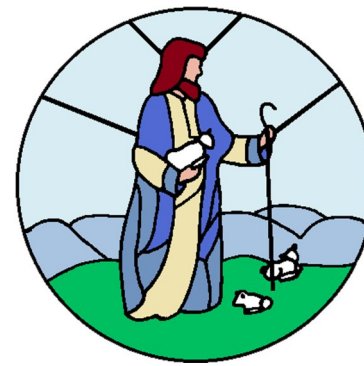


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# Feb. 4- Feb. 17

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Education Hour	5 7:00pm MVCO Rehearsal	6 2:30pm Stewardship 4:00pm Evangelism 5:00pm Human Care 6:00pm Bible Study	7 6:00pm Worship	8 10:00am People Matter	9 7:00pm MVCO Rehearsal	10 8:15am For Such a Time as This @ Zion 10:00am MVCO Rehearsal
11 9:00am Divine Service 10:30am Education Hour 3:00pm MVCO Concert	12	13 6:00pm Bible Study	14 5:00pm Lenten Supper 6:00pm Worship	15	16	17 8:00am Men's Network @ Shepherd 10:00am Trustee's 10:00pm Soup Packing 4:30pm Hang Out



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 lives our faith in Christ"

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## THE WEEKLY FYI

### THOSE SERVING TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Justin Woodside  
 Liturgist: Pastor Les Wolfgram  
 Elder: Ken Purdy  
 Accompanist: Shirley Cook  
 Acolyte: Olivia D.

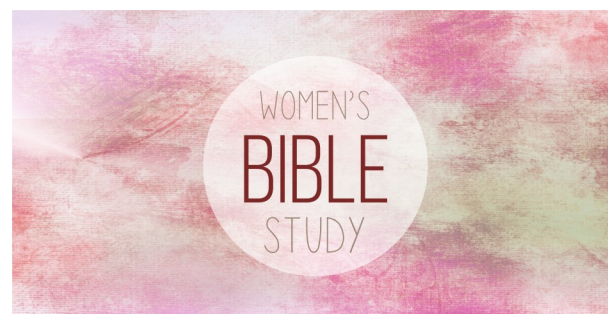
**Worship Times**  
**6:00 PM Every Wednesday**  
**9:00 am Sunday Divine Service (livestream)**  
**10:30 am Education Hour**

### Stewardship Thought

1 Corinthians 9:25 – "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit, for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received new life in Christ by His grace, He now calls us to follow Him deliberately, with self-control and intention.



Homecoming. Shepherd of the Valley will host a special homecoming Sunday on February 18. We are reaching out to members and friends who may not have worshiped with us for some time to welcome them back to our family of faith. We will offer a Homecoming pot-bless meal following the Divine Service to celebrate as the body of Christ in this place.



We are looking to offer a Bible study opportunity for ladies at Shepherd. If you would be interested in participating in a women's Bible study, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Sun: Job 7:1-21; John 4:7-26  
 Mon: Job 8:1-22; John 4:27-45  
 Tue: Job 9:1-35; John 4:46-54  
 Wed: Job 10:1-22; John 5:1-18  
 Thu: Job 11:1-20; John 5:19-29  
 Fri: Job 12:1-6, 12-25; John 5:30-47  
 Sat: Job 13:1-12; John 6:1-21

