

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY

Rev. Lester Wolfram, Pastor

Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor

The Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

Divine Service Setting Three **LSB 184**

Opening Hymn: “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”
LSB 708

Hymn of the Day: “O Litle Flock, Fear Not the Foe” **LSB 666**

Distribution: “Life High the Cross” **LSB 837**
“Lord Jesus Christ, Life Giving Bread” **LSB 625**

Closing Hymn: “Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ!”
LSB 668

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 Wolfram 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 Wolfram or Pastor Woodside.

Introit

Psalm 115:11–13, 18; antiphon: Psalm 25:6

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.

You who fear the LORD, trust | in the LORD!*

He is their help | and their shield.

The LORD has remembered us; he will | bless us;*

he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of
| Aaron;

he will bless those who | fear the LORD,*

both the small | and the great.

We will | bless the LORD*

from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the LORD!

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.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength.
By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities
that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts
that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ,
Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



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.

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

Building Healthy Families: Remember the old Sunday School song that starts, "Oh be careful little eyes what you see..."? As simple as these lyrics may be, they hold a profound truth for us. Many of the things our little eyes see today aren't good for us and aren't God-pleasing. Our hearts and minds are imprinted with images and messages that negatively influence how we think and feel about ourselves and others. Be careful to avoid experiences, relationships, web sites, TV shows and song lyrics that don't reflect God's good will for you, His beloved child. His designs and plans for you are oh so much better! "Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways." Psalm 119:37 **Lutheran Family Service**
www.LutheranFamilyService.org



The second annual Shepherd of the Valley indoor Corn Hole Tournament and picnic will take place on Friday, March 15, 6:00 pm. The Board of Stewardship is looking forward to this evening of food, fellowship, and some spirited competition with the bean bags. Plan to join us. You'll be glad you did!



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.

Feb. 25: **Rev. Daniel Voth**, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Forks, ND, presents the message: "Confess Jesus" based on St. Mark 8:27-38. "This Is the Life" program: "Who will tell Lauria?" - A family struggles with what to do after their daughter loses her sight in an accident.

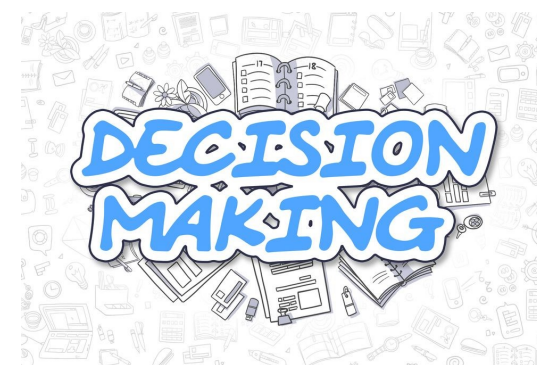
March 3rd: **Rev. Thomas Puffe**, St. John's Lutheran Church, Thief River Falls, MN, and Zion Lutheran Church, Warren, MN, presents the message based on the text of John 2:13-22. "This Is the Life" program: "Betrayed" - A man struggles to do what is right after a reporter uncovers shady dealings in his business.

On Sunday, March 17, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church is hosting a free Biblically based gift planning (estate) awareness session for LCMS members in the Bismarck area. Mike Fischer, Sr Gift Planning Advocate, from The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Mission Advancement will be the featured presenter during the Bible class hour at 10:30 am. This presentation will focus on how one can be generous and wise with the treasures God has given during life. Mike will then be available for free individual consultation that following Monday through Wednesday.

Please mark your calendars for this event and let me know if you have any questions about this upcoming presentation. May God continue to bless your day.



Midweek Lent Services: We have begun our forty-day journey in Lent. Please join us for our Lent supper at 5:00 pm followed by the special midweek Lent service at 6:00 pm on Wednesday. Pastor Wolfgram will address the theme and image of Trees throughout the Bible.

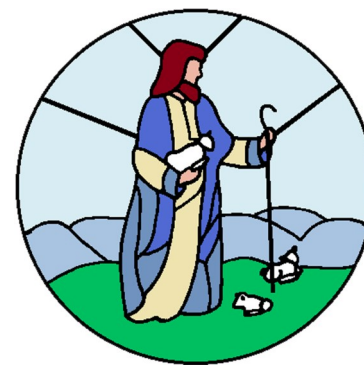


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Feb. 25- Mar. 9

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour <u>1:00pm</u> Senior High Youth <u>7:00pm</u> Council	26	27	28 <u>5:00pm</u> Lenten Supper <u>6:00pm</u> Worship	29	1	2
3 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour	4	5	6 <u>5:00pm</u> Lenten Supper <u>6:00pm</u> Worship	7	8	9

Lutheran Family Service will offer a Support Workshop entitled, "Heartache and hope with infant loss" at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Minot on Saturday, April 6, from 1-4 pm. If you or someone close to you has suffered the tragic loss of a child, please consider attending this worship with Dr. Mark VandeBraak.



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“A church family that shares, nurtures, and lives our faith in Christ”

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THE WEEKLY FYI

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Justin Woodside
 Liturgist: Pastor Justin Woodside
 Elder: Kevin Olson
 Accompanist: Eutimia Woodside
 Acolyte: Madison G.

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

Stewardship Thought

Mark 8:32 – “And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.” Anytime we sin, we are acting like Peter, thinking we know better than the Lord. But as Jesus says, such acts stem from Satan. So let us repent. Let us trust our Lord Jesus and follow Him. For certainly He has earned our trust with His gracious sacrifice for us



Sun: Job 36:1-21; John 11:38-57
 Mon: Gen. 16:1-9, 15-17:22; Mark 6:1-13
 Tue: Gen. 18:1-15, Gen 18:16-20:18; Mark 6:14-34
 Wed: Gen. 21:1-21; Mark 6:35-56
 Thu: Gen. 22:1-19; Mark 7:1-23
 Fri: Gen. 24:1-31; Mark 7:24-37
 Sat: Gen. 24:32-52, 61-67, Gen 25:1-26:35; Mark 8:1-21