

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY
Rev. Lester Wolfram, Pastor
Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor
Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
February 16, 2025

Divine Service Four	LSB 203
Opening Hymn: “Blessed Jesus, At Your Word”	LSB 904
Hymn of the Day: “I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus”	LSB 729
Distribution: “Come unto Me Ye Weary”	LSB 684
“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”	LSB 631
Closing Hymn: “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”	LSB 699

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 119:1–2, 4–5; antiphon: v. 7

I will praise you with an | upright heart,*
when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.
Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*
who walk in the law | of the LORD!
Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,*
who seek him with their | whole heart.
You have commanded your | precepts*
to be kept dil- | igently.
Oh that my ways may be | steadfast*
in keeping your | statutes!
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.
I will praise you with an | upright heart,*
when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**



During the month of February, Martin Luther School students in grades 5-8 are organizing a food drive for the Little Free Pantries that are offered at two of our LCMS churches: Zion Lutheran Church and Shepherd of the Valley Church. Students have created a month's worth of fun collection days, and would love to invite YOU to donate any items that you would like to contribute! If you have a donation item, you can either place it in the collection box at your church, visit with a MLS Student from your parish, or you can drop it by Martin Luther School and we will add it to our "growing" heart by the school entrance. Thank you in advance for your support of our food drive!



Building Healthy Families: Wives, want to have a closer relationship with your husband, even during times of stress or conflict? Check your tone, your attitude, and your words. Research supports what Scripture already tells us: During an argument, 83% of husbands feel disrespected. "Each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband." (Ephesians 5:33) Respect your husband always, even when you're not happy with him. It's not just a good idea; it's a clear directive from the creator of marriage Himself. And it works! **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org



The focus of Human Care for the first quarter of 2025 will be Disaster Relief for North Carolina following Hurricane Helene.



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. 16th: ND District President, Rev. Arie Bertsch, Minot, ND, presents the message: "Bodies Will Rise", based I Corinthians 15:12-20. *This Is The Life* program: "The True Abundance" - A tale of misunderstanding and forgiveness.

Feb. 23rd: Rev. Kent Borglum, St. John's Lutheran Church, Montevideo, MN., presents the message: "Undeserved Love" based on Luke 6:27-38. *This Is The Life* program: "Richest Man in the World" - A gardener reminds a town what's most important in life.

Ash Wednesday is just around the corner. The Lenten season begins on Wednesday, March 5, with our Ash Wednesday service at 6:00 pm. Members of our leadership boards will provide a light supper before each of our mid-week Lenten services.



Bible Studies:

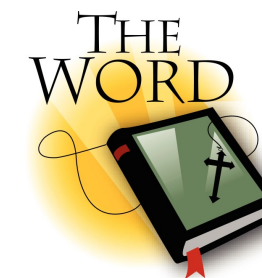
Sundays during Education Hour

Tuesdays @ 10:00am

Tuesdays @ 6:00pm

Women's Bible Study:

Second and Fourth Mondays @ 6:00pm



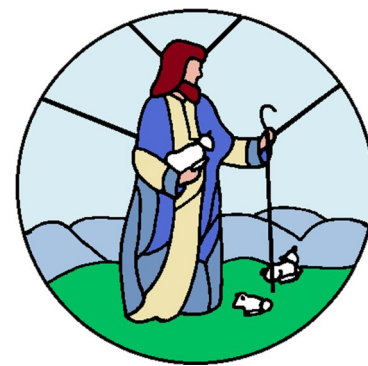
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Feb. 16 - Mar. 1

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour Pot Blessed Meal <u>1:00pm</u> Middle School	17	18 <u>10:00am</u> Bible Study <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	19 <u>6:00pm</u> Worship <u>7:00pm</u> Human Care	20 <u>6:30pm</u> Elders	21	22
23 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour <u>1:00pm</u> Senior High Youth <u>7:00pm</u>	24 <u>6:00pm</u> Women's Bible Study	25 <u>10:00am</u> Bible Study <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	26 <u>6:00pm</u> Worship	27	28	1 <u>10:00am</u> Soup Packing

Let's make soup! The Human Care Committee has set Saturday, March 1st, as our next soup preparation day. We will gather at Shepherd at 10:00 am to compile soup packs for the Little Free Pantry. Join in the fun as we assist those in need in our community.



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

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

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THE WEEKLY FYI

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Sermon: Pastor Les Wolfgram
 Liturgist: Pastor Les Wolfgram
 Elder: Dick Dever
 Accompanist: Shirley Cook
 Acolyte: Sam N.

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



Stewardship Thought

Luke 5:5 – “And Simon answered, ‘Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.’” In Peter’s words there is both exasperation and trust. He’s tired. He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust the Lord’s Word and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting the Lord’s Word and acting on it.



Sun: Job 13:1-12; John 6:1-21
 Mon: Job 13:13-28; John 6:22-40
 Tue: Job 14:1-22; John 6:41-59
 Wed: Job 15:1-23, 30-35; John 6:60-71
 Thu: Job 16:1-22; John 7:1-13
 Fri: Job 17:1-16; John 7:14-31
 Sat: Job 18:1-21; John 7:32-53



Join us for our pot-blessed brunch immediately following the service this morning as we gather for fellowship and refreshment as a church family. Renew old acquaintances and make new friends!