

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

July 6th, 2025

Offering

Our congregation has joined together to proclaim Jesus and his love in this community and around the world. This offering is a joyful response of our faith. If you are a visitor with us, please do not feel obligated to give an offering unless you desire to do so.

Electronic Offering Options

† **VancoFaith** church app on Apple or Android device

† **Online** giving at www.gsholmen.org Scan the QR Code →→→→

Credit card transactions have a 3% processing fee deducted from the offering while only 1% is deducted from an ACH bank transaction.



Serving in Worship

Pastor: Gregory Pope

Accompanist: Barb Weinberger

Ushers & Greeter 9:00 am

Gary Priem Denise Priem

John McDonald

Worship Attendance 6/29 and 6/30

Sunday Morning: 121

Monday Night: 9

Next Week Ushers & Greeter

Jacob Werre Kathy Werre

Kyle Sime

Pastor Gregory Pope: pastor@gsholmen.org (920) 323-0848

Church Administrator: Jennifer Pope (608) 526-4829 office@gsholmen.org

Early Childhood Coordinator/Preschool Director:

Mrs. Tammy Melott tmelott@gsholmen.org

Little Lamb Preschool Teachers:

Mrs. Lisa Carlson littlelambs@gsholmen.org

Mrs. Ashley Sime asime@gsholmen.org

Good Shepherd's **Weekly Calendar**

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| Sunday, July 6 th | Worship with Holy Communion – 9am |
| Monday, July 7 th | Worship with Holy Communion – 6:30pm |
| Thursday, July 10 th | Sowers of Good Shepherd |
| Sunday, July 13 th | Worship – 9am |
| Monday, July 14 th | Worship – 6:30pm |

Who Can You Invite to Church This Week?

Around us everywhere are people with whom Jesus wants us to share his message of love and salvation. Sometimes, we don't realize who we can invite to church or talk to about our faith with. That's why we are encouraging all our members to think about who they can invite to church this week. They could be:

- Friends
- Relatives
- Acquaintances (work colleagues, dentists/doctors, coaches, etc.)
- Neighbors

Take five minutes and think about these lost souls, pray for them and consider inviting them to church this week.

Sunday School Music Teachers Needed

After many years of service to our Sunday School music program, Kami Jo Lipps and Rachel Sting are stepping down. We would like to thank them on behalf of the church for serving Good Shepherd in this way. We will be looking for a new leader for the Sunday School music. If this is something that interests you, please talk to Tammy at church or email Tammy at tmelott@gsholmen.org to get the details of the position.

Vacation Bible School

Registration for VBS will be open until July 21st. You may register by scanning the QR code.

There is a sign-up sheet on the window in the narthex for snack donations and also a basket if you would wish to donate money toward ice cream treats and craft items. We look forward to another wonderful VBS event here at Good Shepherd because of supporters like you!



La Crosse Interstate Fair

Good Shepherd is excited to be joining other local WELS Synod Churches and hosting a booth at the La Crosse Interstate Fair in West Salem July 16-20. Good Shepherd will manage the booth on Thursday, July 17. The booth will feature a prize wheel for children to win school supplies and adults can fill out an entry form for a chance to win a gift card.

How can you help?

- Volunteer - A Sign-up sheet is available in the church entryway. People are also needed to help with setting up the booth on Tuesday, July 15. Volunteers will meet at Christ Lutheran in West Salem at 4:30 PM to load and then meet at the fairgrounds at 5:00 PM to set everything up.
- Donate School Supplies - These are the prizes awarded to children when they spin the prize wheel. We are looking for these specific supplies: Backpacks, #2 Ticonderoga Pencils, colored pencils, pens, crayons, glue, notebooks, loose leaf paper, markers, folders, glue sticks, and rulers. Please drop off donations in the back of church by July 13th.
- Financial Donation - Please consider a financial offering to purchase school supplies. Good Shepherd is responsible for two \$50 gift cards to be awarded as adult prizes and \$100 to cover booth expenses and future improvements to the booth.
- Questions? Contact Erik Sjolander - 608.780.7537 or erik.d.sjolander@gmail.com.

Guest Preacher Scheduled for July

Pastor Makisimu Musa (Moses) will be the guest preacher on Sunday, July 20th and we will have the video of his sermon for the Monday night service on July 21st.

Pastor Makisimu Musa (Moses) is the leader of the Obadiah Lutheran Synod (OLS) in Uganda. God has blessed him with the opportunity to bring together and grow congregations around the eastern and northern parts of the country. The church had very humble beginnings—three men meeting in one of their homes in 2008. After 15 years, they had worked with very limited resources to gather and shepherd 21 congregations with a total of more than 4,000 souls! Of course, only by God's blessing. Some of that blessing comes in the form of Pastor Musa, a humble leader who has a strong passion for the truth of Scripture and for sharing that truth with more people. He also recognizes the importance of sharing the work with others and training new leaders within the church. With God's continued blessing, Pastor Musa's leadership will continue to benefit the Obadiah Lutheran Synod for years to come and will bring many more to learn the truth about their Savior.

This biography is from Benjamin Foxen, missionary in Zambia.

Raising Funds for New Playground

We have so much to be thankful for at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church—especially the joy and laughter of children who fill our halls, classrooms, and worship spaces. As we look ahead with thankful hearts, we're excited to share a new opportunity to bless the youngest members of our church family: a brand-new playground for our preschool and the children of the congregation.

A new playground will provide a safe, welcoming, and engaging space where children can learn, grow, and build friendships through active play. It will serve not only our preschool students, but also the many families who attend church events, worship services, and community gatherings.

This is a significant project, and we are prayerfully inviting the entire Good Shepherd community to come together to help bring it to life. We are thrilled to announce that we've already received a generous lead gift! Now, we are seeking to raise an additional \$16,529 to meet our full goal.

We invite you to give in honor of the children in your life, in memory of someone who loved kids, or simply out of gratitude for the blessings of family, faith, and fellowship. You can partner with others to sponsor together or offer your support anonymously. If you are not able to give financially at this time, we welcome your prayers and encouragement—and invite you to share this opportunity with others who may feel called to support it.

Ways to donate:

- Online through the Vanco App – please select the “Special Projects” category: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z7KV/home>.
- In person via offering envelopes – write “playground fund” on the “Other” line.

Let's build something together—for the children of Good Shepherd.

Removal of Pea Gravel

As we are preparing for the new playground to be installed, some existing materials need to be removed. The playground has been removed, and now we need the pea gravel gone as well. We are offering it to congregational members to haul as much or as little as you need, and we would appreciate it if you could get it within the next two weeks, by Sunday, July 20th. If you would like to give a donation to the new playground for what you take it would be appreciated but not necessary.