

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

August 17th, 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: Karin Stellick

Worship Attendance 8/10 and 8/11

Sunday Morning: 96

Monday Night: 28

Ushers & Greeter 9:00 am

Dan Peterson Julie Peterson

Mark Ross Nicole Ross

Bennett King

Next Week Ushers & Greeters

Jacob Werre Kathy Werre

Alan Ross Odetta Ross

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**

Sunday, August 17 th	Worship with Holy Communion – 9am
Monday, August 18 th	Worship with Holy Communion – 6:30pm
Wednesday, August 20 th	Church Council Meeting – 6pm Book Club – 6pm
Thursday, August 21 st	Stephan Bautista Concert – 6pm
Sunday, August 24 th	Worship – 9am
Monday, August 25 th	Worship – 6:30pm

Book Club for August

Hello Readers, our next book club will be on Wednesday, August 20th at 6 p.m. We will meet at Features in Holmen, unless someone would like to host in their home. If you would like to host, please let me know. When coming to Features, some of the members just order a beverage, while some order an appetizer or a meal. Feel free to do what is best for you. We will try to sit out on the patio weather permitting.

The book is Under the Tulip Tree by Michelle Shocklee. I was able to listen to the audiobook through Hoopla the library's free app, but there are 6 copies at the library. I think this book will lend itself to a lot of discussion on a few different topics. I have gone on to listen and read several more books of hers. This is again Christian historical fiction.

Any questions please contact Lisa Carlson at 608-797-5521. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you are able to come, please sign up or send me a text before Aug 18th. Happy Reading!

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.

Registration for the 2025-2026 Sunday School year is open.

Sunday School is for children ages 3 years old - 6th grade. New this year is also a youth Bible Time for anyone in 7th - 12th grade. This will take place at the same time, 10:15AM - 11:00AM. This group will focus more on topics that kids at this age are faced with. If you have questions about this new group, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Please register your 7th-12th graders as well, thank you. You can use the QR code to register your children. Any questions can be directed to



tmelott@gsholmen.org. We look forward to having your children attend Sunday School this year!

Stephan Bautista Concert Announcement

WELS traveling musician Stephen Bautista and his family gave a concert for us last year. We're blessed to have them come again on Thursday, August 21 at 6 pm. This concert will be at Good Shepherd, on our church grounds.

Please consider supporting Stephen's music mission by purchasing his CDs and/or contributing a freewill offering that will help him continue spreading the Gospel of Jesus with his music. For more information about Stephen's music and upcoming events, visit www.StephenBautistaMusic.com.

Flourish Women's Retreat - St. John's, Lewiston, MN

We are excited to invite you to Flourish 2025, which focuses on 6 Doors- Closed Doors, Door of Suffering, Door of Waiting, Door of Hope, Door of Kindness, and Door of Joy! The event is Saturday, October 4th, 2025, with registration beginning at 8:15 am and closing at 3 pm. Early Bird cost (\$30) runs from July 15th - August 31st. Regular registration cost (\$35) runs from September 1st-27th

Immeasurably More: St. Paul's Women's Ministry Retreat 2025

Time & Location

Sep 06, 2025, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1201 Main St, Onalaska

About The Event

Do you often feel like you're yearning for something more? Life can frequently leave us feeling unfulfilled, but God provides more: depth, a deeper relationship with Him, and greater purpose in our lives. Join Marilyn Sievert, Amber Albee Swenson, and Dr. Rhoda Wolle as they lead us to the king's storehouses, where there is always more, immeasurably more.

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be the glory..." Ephesians 3:20

- **Pricing:** \$50 per person, or bring a friend and pay \$80 for both! Registration is limited to 200 participants.
- **What to Bring:** No need to bring anything. Just bring yourself!
- **What to Wear:** Casual attire is ideal. Come as you are and be comfortable.
- **Childcare:** Please be aware that childcare is not available.

Luther Junior Knight Basketball Registration for the 25-26 season is now open

Junior Knight basketball is open to boys and girls in grades 4-8. Practices will begin in mid-to-late November and run through February for grades 4-6 and March for grades 7-8. Use this quick link to access the [Junior Knight Basketball Page](#). Detailed information and the registration form can be found on this page. Go Knights!

Travel with WELS Groups

Interested in traveling with members of your faith family? The [OWLS](#) (WELS Seniors) is partnering with [Father's World Tours](#) to offer several upcoming tours that incorporate daily devotion and connections with local WELS ministries. The [Ozarks](#) and [Minnesota](#) trips are sold out, but spots remain for [Autumn in New England](#) (9/22-10/4), and [California Cruisin'](#) (12/31-1/13). Don't delay. New England registration closes this Monday at midnight (8/18) and the CA cruise is filling fast. Trips are open to W/ELS members of all ages. Visit www.fathersworldtours.com or contact us (steve@fathersworldtours.com or 507-217-1731) to learn more.

A God-Lived Life Stewardship Challenge

Stewardship is about more than money. *It's our whole lives.* Jesus lived his life and gave his life for us. Our loving response is to imitate that.

Starting in September, for the next four months, God's Word will be challenging us, and we'll be challenging one another to live a God-lived life. And that encompasses everything. We will be talking about a life of *being a disciple*, a life *lived for others*, a life of *hospitality*, and a life *lived shrewdly*.

Each month, we will be introduced to a challenge that we then prayerfully commit to carrying out the rest of the month. How will we commit to the challenges? As individual members, we are going to fill out a different challenge card each month. This will help to involve our entire family of faith in the challenges and help us encourage each other in the challenges. May God bless us as we grow in his Word and in our lives of living it!