

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

August 31st, 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 →→→→

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Serving in Worship

Pastor: Gregory Pope

Accompanist: Karin Stellick

Worship Attendance 8/24 and 8/25

Sunday Morning: 96

Monday Night: 14

Ushers & Greeters 9:00 am

Mark Ross Nicole Ross

John McDonald

Next Week Ushers & Greeter

Jacob Werre Kathy Werre

Mark Helmreich

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 31 st	Worship – 9am
Monday, September 1 st	No Monday Night Worship – Labor Day
Sunday, September 7 th	Worship with Holy Communion – 9am Kick Off Sunday/New Member Breakfast – 10:15am Sunday School – 10:15am
Monday, September 8 th	Worship with Holy Communion – 6:30pm

Kickoff Sunday and New Member Welcome

The Kickoff Sunday and New Member Breakfast will be held on Sunday, Sep 7th after the 9am worship service. Please plan to attend! Pancakes, sausage, and beverages will be provided. We are looking for members to bring muffins, donuts, coffee cakes, fruit, and egg bakes. If you're able to bring something, please sign up on the sheet in the entryway. We are also looking for people to help serve and clean up. Feel free to bring any yard games you might have to play after breakfast. Any questions please reach out to the fellowship team.

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!



Brat Barn Fundraiser

On Sunday, September 14th, Good Shepherd Lutheran will be doing a fundraiser at the Brat Barn which is located at Festival Foods in Holmen. The money raised will go towards the new preschool playground. Many volunteers are needed to run this throughout the day. We will need one griller per shift. The shifts start at 8 AM and go until 7:30 PM. The 8AM to 10AM shift is set up for the day. And the 6PM to 7:30PM shift is clean up and take down. Volunteers can be anyone in 7th grade on up, and you can sign up for as many shifts as you would like. There will be a leader there throughout the day to help with questions etc. We will have the sign-up available until September 10th. Thank you in advance for helping Good Shepherd in this way, it is very much appreciated!



A God-Lived Life Stewardship Challenge

For the next four months at Good Shepherd Lutheran, 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 lived shrewdly, and a life of hospitality.

Each month, we will be introduced to a challenge that we then prayerfully commit to carrying out the rest of the month. These challenges ask us—people who are moved by the grace of God and Jesus' life and death in our place—to commit to acting on the encouragements to put the Word into practice.

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.

At the end of one of the worship services in each of the months of September through December, we'll hand out the challenge cards for that month and then allow confirmed members to fill out the card on the spot and bring it home. The service will be shortened to allow for this time at the end. May God bless us as we grow in his Word and in our lives of living it!

Coulee Region OWLS Meeting

The Coulee Region OWLS will be holding their monthly meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2025, at First Ev. Lutheran Church, 400 West Ave., La Crosse with a Potluck Luncheon at 12:00 Noon. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Coffee will be provided. All church members – men and women age 55 or older – are welcome. The program will be "Outreach to China – 316 NOW". This is an organization of WELS to reach missionaries in China. Please come to a visit, enjoy the friends you meet, a good lunch, and an excellent program. There will be a free will offering.

Men's Retreat — September 19-21

Join us at Camp Croix for the 17th Annual Men's Retreat! Our featured speaker, Prof. Keith Wessel, will lead our study sessions this year. There will be plenty of time for deep study, fun, fishing, great food, and more. Don't miss this opportunity for fellowship. Learn more and sign up before we run out of spots at mensretreat.org.

Cleanup Day — October 18

Save the date for our Fall Cleanup Day—an easy way to help out at Camp Croix! Lunch will be provided on Saturday, and as a thank-you to everyone who helps, you can stay the weekend for free if you'd like. RSVP at campcroix.org/cleanup.

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

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.

Surround Care Position at St. Paul's Bangor

St. Paul's in Bangor is hiring a Surround Care worker for their afternoon session (3:00-6:00 pm) starting this fall with the new school year. The applicant must be a WELS member and have prior experience working with children. If interested in this position, please contact Pastor Groth at pastor@stpaulsbangor.com for a full job description and with any questions you may have.

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

Early-bird (\$30) registration is open for Flourish 2025 and ends August 31! Price is \$35 September 1-27.

Flourish 2025 is on Saturday, October 4th at St. John's in Lewiston from 8:30am -3pm! The retreat's six sessions will look into six doors- Closed Doors, Door of Suffering, Door of Waiting, Door of Hope, Door of Kindness, and Door of Joy. When you are not studying, you will have time to converse, share in activities, eat, and worship together. Register online at flourishretreat.lewistonlutherans.org or by calling the church office at 507-523-2508. Find updates on Facebook at [Flourish Women's Retreat - WELS](#).