

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

October 26th, 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: Emily Schmidt

Ushers & Greeters 9:00 am

John McDonald Sylvia McDonald

Mike Melott Tammy Melott

Worship Attendance 10/19 and 10/20

Sunday Morning: 111

Monday Night: 8

Next Week Ushers & Greeters

Alan Ross Odetta Ross

Gary Priem Denise Priem

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

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Early Childhood Coordinator/Preschool Director:

Mrs. Tammy Melott tmelott@gsholmen.org

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Mrs. Lisa Carlson littlelambs@gsholmen.org

Mrs. Ashley Sime asime@gsholmen.org

Good Shepherd's **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, October 26 th	Choir Rehearsal – 8am Worship – 9am Family Bible Study /Sunday School – 10:15am Fall Concert at Luther High – 2pm
Monday, October 27 th	Worship – 6:30pm
Wednesday, October 29 th	Confirmation Class – 5pm
Sunday, November 2 nd	Choir Rehearsal – 8am Worship with Holy Communion – 9am Family Bible Study /Sunday School – 10:15am Joint Reformation Service at Luther High – 2pm Youth Group Bowling – 4pm
Monday, November 3 rd	Worship with Holy Communion – 6:30pm

A GOD-LIVED LIFE: A life lived for others

This month the particular focus of the God-lived life is a *life lived for others*, a life of generosity. God allows us the opportunity to serve and love one another, especially those who are part of our communities.

Our challenge card this month will focus on being a good neighbor. What makes someone a good neighbor? How can you show God's love to others by being a good neighbor? How can our church be a good neighbor to our community? How can we be present for others?

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 live a God-lived life, serving others!

Updated Council Member Listing

- Jacob Werre: President & HR team
- Jim Pagel: Treasurer
- Ryan Radloff: Secretary, Worship and Inreach/Spiritual Care
- Dan Schams: Education
- Chad Wacker: Building & Grounds & Technology
- Chad Klein: Fellowship and Evangelism

Mission Enhancement Application Voters' Meeting on November 9th

All are welcome to attend an upcoming Voters' Meeting where we will share our Mission Enhancement Application plan and vote to move forward with it. As a reminder, Mission Enhancement is part of a 10-year initiative (2023–2033) to plant 100 new churches and enhance 75 existing ministries within the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). The enhancement grants provide financial support to help existing congregations expand their reach. Please contact Jacob Werre with any questions, jacobi_4@hotmail.com.

Organization of the Month

You probably noticed the banner and flowers in the church entryway. The Holmen Business Association (HBA) honored us as Business of the Month for October. Of course, we are not a business; we are a church but this is the broad meaning of the word “business”, as the HBA is made up of many profits and nonprofits and is a great organization. Pastor was able to speak about the church at the Holmen Business Association lunch this recent Thursday. Thank the Lord for this solid association here in Holmen, the HBA, which does a lot of good work behind the scenes to make this such a pleasant community. Our church has joined this organization in the last two years. Please contact Pastor Pope if you have any other questions or thoughts about this pastor@gsholmen.org or 920-323-0848.

Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up

Fall is in the air which means it is time for another highway clean-up. We're looking for up to twelve people to participate in the clean-up on Sunday, November 2nd after Bible Study. We will be serving pizza for volunteers before heading out to clean. Our adopted highway is a one-mile stretch of Highway 53 between Old Highway 93 and Amsterdam Prairie Road. Volunteers are encouraged to wear gloves and bright-colored clothing. A limited number of safety vests are available. If interested in participating, please sign up on the sheet located in the back of the church. Please contact Erik Sjolander with any questions.

New Online Reimbursement Form

We now have an electronic expense reimbursement form that you can fill out online if you purchase anything for the church. The link to it is now on the contact page of the Good Shepherd website. If you have any questions, contact our treasurer Jim Pagel at jpagel1480@charter.net

Upcoming Luther High School Events

- Fall Concert – October 26th at 2 pm in the Luther High School Auditorium
- Service to Our Nation – Veteran's Day at Luther High School – November 11th from 10-11:10 am in the Luther High School Chapel Auditorium. A continental breakfast will be served from 8:30-9:45 am for Veterans and their families.
- Please also note that they are posters in the church entryway with more information about upcoming events. Please check the bulletin board periodically for updates.

LIVE NATIVITY SET-UP at Riverside Park will be November 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. 9am-5pm. Rotary provides lunch. Many hands make light work! Please come for any amount of time you can spare on any of those Saturdays. Questions? Call George Italiano (608-317-0271).

★ Also, there is a **NEW WEBSITE** that should be up and running in a couple weeks! All signup links are already located there www.nativitydiorama.com.

Luther High Reformation Service

On Sunday, November 2nd at 2pm, there will be an area worship service at Luther High School recognizing God's grace and faithfulness in blessing us with the Reformation and with 175 years as a synod. It promises to be an uplifting gospel-centered service with choirs, instrumentalists, and Prof. Paul Koelpin from Martin Luther College as our preacher.

Following the service in the school commons, there will be refreshments and a presentation by Prof. Koelpin on the history of worker training in our synod, with special focus on our college of ministry and its predecessor schools. We hope you can join us for this special celebration!

Luther Junior Knight Wrestling

Registration for the 2025-26 Luther Junior Knight Wrestling program is now open through November 1. The JK Wrestling program is open to boys and girls in grades K-8 from our Luther LES schools and home-schooled students of the Luther High School Association. Please use this link for more information and the registration form.

<https://www.lutherjuniorknights.com/wrestling>.

Coulee Chorale Rehearsals and Concert

Join us as the Coulee Chorale is back again for a 2025 Christmas Concert in December! Any WELS member at one of the Luther High School Association churches can join. Rehearsals are held at Luther High School on November 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 6:00-8:00 pm and on December 6 from 9:00-11:00 am. This year's concert is on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 2:00 pm. Questions? Contact Paul Adickes at adicpaul@luther.k12.wi.us or 608-783-5435, ext.1340.