

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

September 6, 2026

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: Tim Gray

Accompanist: Emily Schmidt

Worship Attendance 8/30-31

Sunday Morning: 111

Monday Night: 10

Ushers & Greeter 9:00am

Aaron Larson

Sarah Larson

Mark Bateman

Next Week Ushers & Greeters

Mark Ross

Nicole Ross

Alan Ross

Odetta Ross

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Good Shepherd's **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, September 6th	Worship – 9am
Monday, September 7th	No Worship – Labor Day
Wednesday, September 9th	Catechism Class – 5:00pm
Sunday, September 13th	Choir Practice – 8:00am 50 th Anniversary Celebration Worship – 9am Anniversary Presentation – 10:15am Luncheon – to follow presentation

50th Anniversary Celebration

Mark your calendars for September 13th to celebrate how good God has blessed Good Shepherd these past 50 years. Pastor Arndt, who previously served here, will be the guest preacher. After the service, we will have a program in the church focusing on the 50 years and how God has and continues to bless Good Shepherd. That will be followed by a lunch in the fellowship area where articles from the past 50 years will also be displayed.

Good Shepherd will provide the meat and beverages for the luncheon, and we are asking congregation members to provide the rest. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please see the sheet for the items that you can sign up for. If you plan to attend and bring an item, please sign up by today, September 6th. Don't feel obligated to bring something, you can just sign up for the meal as well. We hope to see many of you there!

Special Collection for Missions

In thankfulness for the many blessings that God has bestowed on Good Shepherd over the past 50 years, we would like to support a new mission that is starting out in Altoona, WI. Over the next month we will be collecting money to help them as they are in the beginning stages of establishing themselves as a congregation. This is a special way that you can thank God for being a part of Good Shepherd congregation, and also support another group of people hoping to establish their own identity as a congregation to reach out to the people in their area with the truths of God's Word.

If you would like to give a gift, you can put an envelope in the collection plate marked Altoona Mission. There is also a basket with envelopes in the narthex area where you can place your donation. We will be collecting gifts through September 20th. Thank you in advance for supporting this mission project.

Fellowship Hour

Starting September 6th, we will be having fellowship hour every Sunday after service. We would love to have more people involved in this. There is a sign-up sheet posted by the kitchen. You choose a date that works for you, provide treats of your choosing, make the coffee and put out juice. (The coffee, juice, and cups are provided.) Instructions for making the coffee are posted on the refrigerator. Once everyone is done eating, we ask that you wash the tables and clean up the kitchen. (Washing any dishes used, emptying the coffee grounds and cleaning the pots, and wiping down the counters.) This is a great way for our congregation to visit each other and get to know one another better as well.

Women's Retreat

St. Paul's in Onalaska will be hosting a Women's Retreat on Saturday, September 19. It will feature Amber Albee Swenson and will be "A day to strengthen faith and share in fellowship". You can register at amberalbeeswenson.com.

Call Meeting Scheduled

We will be having our call meeting to call a pastor on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30pm. District President Jensen will be leading the meeting. All are encouraged to attend!

Keurig Pods to Give

There are free Keurig pods on a table in the entryway. Pastor Pope had purchased the Keurig and all the pods/supplies, and he didn't want any of it. There were so many pods that we felt it best to offer some for free to those who would enjoy them. Also, the Keurig machine has been moved to the fellowship hall next to the new coffee counter we have put in there.

Coulee Region OWLS Meeting

The Coulee Region OWLS will be holding their monthly meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2026 at First Ev. Lutheran Church, 400 West Avenue South, La Crosse, at 12:00 Noon with a Potluck Luncheon. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Coffee will be provided. The program will be Jon Beilke, Luther High School Principal, discussing the progress of Luther High. All church members – men and women age 55 or older – are welcome. Please come for a visit, enjoy the friends you meet, a good lunch, and an informative program. There will be a good will offering.

Book Club News

Hello Readers we will be reading A Winters Dream by Richard Paul Evans. Copies are available at the library. This story parallels the story of Joseph which will be fun to discuss. We will meet the last Tuesday, September 29th at 6:00 at Features. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Carlson (608-797-5521). Lisa will put a signup sheet in the narthex, so we can make a reservation at Features.

Calling all women to come to a Bible Study/Book Study

"Designed on Purpose for a Purpose" by Dr. Rhoda Wolle and Amber Albee Swensen. Do you ever wonder if you are doing what you were truly meant to do in this life? Or maybe you are entering a new season and wondering what is next. You may be feeling like you are stuck in a rut and wondering how you got here. No matter what age or stage of life you are in, it's important to know you have options. If you don't like your current circumstances, you *can* do something about it. A feeling of discontent is often the nudge we need to be motivated to change. Dr. Rhoda Wolle and Amber Albee Swenson take you through this journaling journey to help you discover how you can live your purpose to honor and glorify God, no matter what season you are in.

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**Starting, Tuesday, September 22nd at 9:15. Led by Barb Weinberger. Please email bweinberger926@yahoo.com or Text 608/790-1575 if you plan on coming.

Bible Study beginning in September

We're going to be looking at Rev. Dr. Mike Novotny's book, Taboo, from Northwestern Publishing House.

Hot-button issues dominating our culture can make speaking out taboo. Hiding from hard conversations won't work. We need to know what God actually says about these issues, and by looking to Scripture, we can find the answers.

In Taboo, author Pastor Novotny covers deeply personal, vulnerable, and emotional topics, handling them with grace and respect.

God's Word gives us clarity, healing, and hope. Not talking is not helping! It's time for believers to step gracefully into the Taboo and share God's truth with a world in need.