

Good Shepherd

LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636

Worship of the Good Shepherd

September 13, 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: Shaun Arndt

Accompanist: Barb Weinberger

Worship Attendance 9/6

Sunday Morning: 95

Monday Night: No worship – Labor Day

Ushers & Greeter 9:00am

Mark Ross

Nicole Ross

Alan Ross

Odetta Ross

Next Week Ushers & Greeters

Mike Melott

Tammy Melott

Mark Bateman

Church Office: (608) 526-4829 office@gsholmen.org

Early Childhood Coordinator/Preschool Director:

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Little Lamb Preschool Teachers:

Mrs. Lisa Carlson littlelambs@gsholmen.org

Mrs. Ashley Sime asime@gsholmen.org

Good Shepherd's **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday, September 13th	Choir Practice – 8:00am 50 th Anniversary Celebration Worship – 9am Anniversary Presentation – 10:15am Luncheon – to follow presentation
Monday, September 14th	No Worship
Wednesday, September 16 th	Catechism Class – 5:00pm
Sunday, September 20th	Worship – 9am Sunday School – 10:15

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 20th, 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.

Church Office and Little Lambs Preschool Hours

The following activities take place Monday through Friday. Little Lambs Preschool follows the Holmen School District Calendar.

- The Church Office will be open 8:00am-12:00pm.
- Little Lambs Preschool is in session 8:00am-3:15pm.
- Afterschool care runs 3:00pm-5:30pm.

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.

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.

Church Youth Group Bike Ride

The church youth group would like to invite all Good Shepherd families to a bike ride on September 20th from 4:00pm-6:00pm. The bike ride will start at Midway and go to Dairy Queen in Onalaska using the bike trail. After enjoying an ice cream treat, (make sure you have cash) you will bike back to Midway. The round trip is about 6 miles. You can come as a family, or if you have older kids that would just like to join us, that is okay too. Carl and Kenton Newman will be organizing this event. We are also inviting Bethel in Galesville and St. Paul's Onalaska. This is a good way to enjoy fellowship not only with our own members, but with members from sister congregations as well. We hope to see many of you there!

LWMS Rally

The LWMS Fall Rally will be held on October 17, 2026. It is being hosted by First Lutheran Church in La Crescent. The Guest Speaker will be Rev. Larry Schlomer who is on the board for World Missions. Doors open at 8:00am for the event which begins at 9:00am. Childcare will be provided.

There will be a door offering on Sunday, September 27 to support LWMS Mission Projects chosen by the local Winona Circuit of which Good Shepherd is a member.