# Good Shepherd
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**1500 Sand Lake Road Holmen, WI 54636**

## Worship of the Good Shepherd

November 15, 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: Jon Tesch

Accompanist:

**Worship Attendance 11/8-9**

Sunday Morning: 198

Monday Night: No Service

**Ushers & Greeter 9:00am**

Aaron Larson Ann Everson

Dan Peterson

**Next Week Ushers & Greeters**

Mark Bateman Heather McCarty

John McDonald

Church Office: (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**

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| Sunday, November 15th | Worship – 9 am |
| | Bible Study - 10:15 am |
| | Sunday School – 10:15 am |
| | Youth Bible Study – 10:15 am |
| Monday, November 16th | No Worship (suspended until call is filled) |
| Tuesday, November 17th | Women's Bible Study – 9:30 am |
| Wednesday, November 18th | Catechism Class - 5 pm |
| Sunday, November 22nd | Worship – 9 am |
| | Bible Study – 10:15 am |
| | Sunday School – 10:15 am |
| | Youth Bible Study – 10:15 am |

**Call Extended to Pastor David Barkow**

During our call meeting on Sunday, October 25, our congregation extended a divine call to Pastor David Barkow to serve as our next pastor.

Pastor Barkow currently serves at Christ the Lord Lutheran Church in Cottage Grove, Minnesota. He and his wife, Rachel, have three children, ages 15, 13, and 10.

Please keep Pastor Barkow and his family in your prayers as he prayerfully considers where the Lord would have him serve. We trust that God will guide his decision according to His will. Pastor Barkow's email is pastor@christthelord.net and his cell number is 651-323-3814.

**Monday Night Services Suspended beginning November 9**

We will be suspending Monday evening worship services until we are blessed with a full-time pastor.

For those who need a weekday worship option, we encourage you to consider services at other nearby WELS congregations. The following churches currently offer Monday evening services:

- **Christ Lutheran Church** – West Salem, WI
- **Bethel Lutheran Church** – Arcadia, WI

**Live Nativity Update**

On **November 19th at 9am** help is needed to move costumes down to the main level at First Light. Many hands make light work. Please contact Pastor Quinn Bilitz if you have any questions. Pastor Bllitz cell: (920) 222-6520, email: pastor.bilitz@firstlacrosse.org

**Help us welcome our community at Jinglefest!**

We're looking for volunteers to help at our church booth inside the American Legion on Saturday, December 5. Volunteers will help children play Plinko, hand out prizes, and share information about our church and preschool with visitors.

We plan to have two volunteers per shift, with most shifts lasting two hours. Shifts start at 10AM and will go to approximately 5pm. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of church. Please contact Steven Blankenship with questions or to volunteer. We'd love to have you join us!

**Coulee Chorale is Back!**

Join us as the Coulee Chorale is back again for a 2026 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 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 6:00-8:00 pm and on December 5 from 9:00-11:00 am. This year's concert is on Sunday, December 6, 2026, at 2:00 pm. You can sign up today at https://forms.gle/8Jq1z7zPgyHwNu9W7. Questions? Contact Paul Adickes at adicpaul@luther.k12.wi.us or 608-783-5435, ext.1340.

**Volunteers Needed at Luther**

We have the privilege of hosting the 2026-2027 WELS Middle School Honors Band on Saturday, November 21, with more than 70 students and 12 directors from 4 different states. We are looking for volunteers to help make the day run as smoothly as possible - preparing and serving meals, greeting people, ushering, and more. This is an exciting event, and we would love to have many in our Luther Family to help make our guests feel welcome! Please contact Miss Emily Schmidt at **schmemil@luther.k12.wi.us** for more information.

**Christmas Decorating**

On Saturday, November 28th, we will be getting the church decorated for Christmas. We would like to start around 10AM. Many hands make light work, so anyone willing to help would be greatly appreciated. We could especially use a few men to hang wreaths and get a nativity scene set up. Again, any and all help is very much appreciated, thank you!

**Christmas for Kids**

Christmas for Kids will take place on Saturday, December 12th from 8:45AM-11:00AM. This event is for kids aged 3 years old – 5th grade. Any kids in 6th grade or older can volunteer

to help with the various activities. We also need many volunteers for this event to cover the various stations. These include Bible storytelling, music, crafts, games, and snacks. You can register your child and register to help with the QR code or go to https://vbspro.events/p/e39bc4. There is also a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for volunteers. Thank you in advance for your willingness to help; it is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please direct them to Tammy Melott at tmelott@gsholmen.org or talk to Tammy at church.

**Cradled in Christ: Connect and Care**

Have you experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or the loss of an infant? You are invited to join us for **Cradled in Christ: Connect and Care**, a place for women to find support, share in fellowship, and be comforted by God's promises and the hope we have in Christ. Whether your loss was recent or many years ago, you are welcome. You are not alone.

**When:** Second Sunday of each month at 6:30 PM (December 13, January 10, etc.)

**Where:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1201 Main St., Onalaska. Please enter through the church doors.

**Contact:** Wendy Schibbelhut at wschibbelhut@stpaulsonalaska.org for more information.