

Caring Christians-Mental Health

Caring Christians-Mental Health will meet at First Lutheran in La Crosse on Tuesday, September 8 at 6:30 p.m. The topic will be: Dealing with anxiety during the COVID crisis

Little Lamb Preschool

Preschool will begin in-person at its traditional time during the week after Labor Day. An additional morning session was added to meet the growing interest of 4 year-old preschool. If you know of a family that might be interested in the Christian atmosphere and education that our preschool provides, please let them know that there still are openings in both the 3 & 4 year-old programs. Contact Lisa Carlson at 526-4829 or littlelambs@gsholmen.org.

Private Communion Available

If you are not comfortable or able to receive communion in worship, please contact Pastor Kruschel 399-8200 pastor@gsholmen.org to line up a time for private communion.

Worship of the Good Shepherd

September 6, 2020

Offering

Our congregation has joined together to share 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.

Offerings plates are found in the back of church as you exit/enter the sanctuary.

Electronic Offering Options

- ◆ **Give Plus** church app on Apple or Android device
- ◆ **Text** 844-907-2720 with amount
- ◆ **Online** giving at www.gsholmen.org

Credit card transactions have 3% processing fee deducted from offering.

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher: Pastor Jonathan Kruschel

Pianist/Organist: Barb Weinberger

Soloists/Instrumentalists: KamiJo Lipps & Barb Weinberger

Ushers & Greeters

Today 8:00 a.m. Kent & Joan Stephan

Today 10:30 a.m. Alan & Odetta Ross

No Monday Worship on September 7 Labor Day

Next Week 8:00 a.m. Dan & Julie Peterson

Next Week 10:30 a.m. Jim & Sheryl Rupprecht

Interested in serving as an usher or greeter? Contact the church office!

Worship Attendance August 30/31, 2020

In-person

8:00 am	61
10:30 am	35
6:30 pm	20

Online Views

YouTube	55
Facebook	92

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Good Shepherd's Weekly Voice

September 6, 2020

Weekly Calendar

Communion Sunday: Sunday Worship – 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Monday: No Worship on Labor Day – Sept. 7th

Wednesday: Video Bible Study

Sunday: Sunday Worship – 8 & 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. – Sept. 13th
Congregational & Voter's Meeting – 11:10 a.m.

Monday: Monday Worship – 6:30 p.m. – Sept. 14th

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Communion in Worship Today

We will be using continuous flow distribution in order to encourage social distancing. People will line up in the center aisle maintaining a distance of 6 ft apart. A table at the front of church will have individual wafers for people to take and hear the words, "The body of Christ." The person will then move to the second table where there will be individual cups for people to take and hear the words, "The blood of Christ." The person discards their individual communion cup and returns to their seat down the side aisles.

Kickoff Sunday September 13/14

While Sunday school and Bible study will initially look a little different this year, we still have lots to celebrate. Therefore, we are asking all those who are able, to attend an in-person worship service on either Sunday morning or Monday evening. To meet the growing number of people attending in-person worship while limiting capacity of 50 people per worship service, we're **adding a 9:15 am Sunday morning worship service** for Kickoff Sunday, September 13. We hope to fill all three of our Sunday morning worship services (8:00; 9:15; 10:30 am) in addition to Monday evening (6:30 pm). If this additional Sunday service allows for more people to attend in-person worship, we will consider continuing until capacity restrictions are no longer necessary. **Sign up for in-person worship at www.gsholmen.org** or call the church office at 526-4829.

Whole Church Family Sunday School Begins Next Sunday!

Yes, we're still having Sunday school and group Bible study! Beginning on Sunday, September 13th, our whole church family is going to have the opportunity to study the same Bible stories with one another throughout the week. Here's how it works.

- **Sunday-school-aged children (Preschool-grade 8)** are assigned a teacher who will provide a packet each week of activities, projects and supplies that are related to that week's Bible story. The Bible story can either be read from *The Story Bible* or watched through a video link. Videos are even age specific! Please register your child online so we can prepare correct number of packets.
- **Teens and adults** can pick up a Bible study sheet that has questions and thoughts that are specific to that week's Bible story. The Wednesday morning video Bible study will walk us through those sheets or you can complete them on your own.

No matter what your age, everyone in our church family can participate. Let's grow together in Christ!

Congregational & Voter's Meetings in September

Due to COVID 19 and the inability to gather in person, the regularly scheduled May Congregational and Voter's Meetings were postponed. The Church Council has been operating under the principles of the 2019-2020 fiscal year Ministry Spending Plan/Budget while also developing a 2020-2021 Spending Plan/Budget. The Church Council has called for a Congregational Meeting to take place immediately following the September 13, 10:30 am worship service (11:10 am) where this Spending Plan/Budget will be presented along with other updates, plans and membership action within our ministry. A Voter's Meeting will follow on Sunday, September 27 immediately after the 10:30 am worship service (11:10 am) to act on the proposed budget and membership action. We hope to have a good representation of our Church Family there to discuss and direct our gospel ministry.

Catechism 2020-2021

Catechism instruction will begin for public school students entering grades 6-8 on **Wednesday, September 16** at 5:00-6:30 pm. Parents and students will meet the first evening in the fellowship hall. If you have a child in those grades who has not received information, please contact Pastor Kruschel pastor@gsholmen.org.