

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Institutional Ministries is partnering with St Paul's to offer an event, "Faith-Inspired Knowledge is Power" on Saturday May 1st, from 9am to 3pm. Mental health issues have dramatically increased with Covid over the past year, specifically with suicide, anxiety, and depression. We are reaching out to provide loving support to individuals and families in the Onalaska area. This event is intended to help equip attendees with knowledge about mental health concerns and to provide ongoing support. One-half of our presentation (about three hours) will focus directly on suicide prevention. The other half will be three shorter (one hour) topics on the subjects of domestic abuse, moral injury, and victimization. Each of these can directly lead to depression and suicide. Our intent is to reach families and their loved ones who are suffering and offer suggestions of support. This event will be open to the entire community. More information can be found on our bulletin board in the church lobby or visit im.life for registration.

Luther High School

Saturday, April 24th, Luther High School is holding an annual fundraiser, The Big Knight. This event is a dinner auction with 100% of the proceeds benefiting the students of Luther High. All who attend get to experience a PACKED silent auction followed by an elegant dinner and an INCREDIBLE live auction. This event will be held at Celebrations on the River in French Island, WI (Social Distancing Followed). This event not only raises funds for tuition assistance, but is a night of exceptional auction items, great food, and fellowship with others who love Luther High School. Doors will open at 5:30 pm with registration and the silent auction. Join us in supporting the students of Luther High School. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact the Mission Advancement Office: Director John Byus 608-783-5435 x1132

Worship of the Good Shepherd April 11/12, 2021

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
  - ♦ 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: Sonya Ganther

Worship Attendance Holy Week for April 1st, 2nd, and 4th, 2021

Maundy Thursday	Easter Sunday	Online Views
6:30pm 95	8:00 am 72	Facebook 52
Good Friday	9:15 am 89	Youtube 43
6:30pm 86	10:30 am 55	

Ushers & Greeters

Today 8:00 a.m. Mark & Clay Helmreich	Next Week 8:00 a.m. Kent & Joan Stephan
Today 10:30 a.m. Erik & Amy Sjolander	Next Week 10:30 a.m. Alan & Odetta Ross McCurdy Family

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

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# Good Shepherd's **Weekly Voice**

April 11/12, 2021

## **Weekly Calendar**

Sunday: Communion Worship 8 am & 10:30 am

Monday: Worship 6:30

Wednesday: Video Bible Study 7:00 am

Confirmation Class 5:00 pm

Sunday: Worship 8am & 10:30 am

Monday: Worship 6:30 pm

**Livestream Worship YouTube—Sunday 8:00 am**

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## **Five Weekends of Resurrection Truths Sermon Series Begins April 11<sup>th</sup>**

The resurrection of Jesus stands at the center of Christian faith and life. During the five weekends after Easter, we see how the living Jesus gives refreshing peace, enlightens us with his Word, is our Good Shepherd, is vital to a living Christian faith and calls us to a witnessing life of love. Discover the blessings that flow to you from the resurrected Jesus!

## **Confirmation Sunday Additional Worship Services**

In order to give our Confirmands the opportunity to celebrate this special occasion with as many of their friends and family as possible, we are **adding a 9:15 worship service to our schedule on April 25<sup>th</sup>**. You are invited to attend any of our Sunday morning services at 8:00; 9:15; 10:30 am or Monday evening 6:30 pm service. All of our Sunday morning services will have Confirmations included as part of worship. In the past some members have felt the need to worship at other WELS churches on Confirmation Sunday to help make room for the guests of our Confirmands. No need for that this year! We hope that with the additional worship services that our whole church family will be able to encourage our Confirmands by attending one of our three Confirmation services.

## **In-person Worship Capacity Increased**

The most recent guidelines from our local health department ask churches to follow three basic recommendations: wear masks, social distance and have proper ventilation. Applying these guidelines to our sanctuary means that we can have 86

individuals (each 6' apart) attend each worship service. With a sanctuary that has 246 chairs and considering that individuals living in the same household do not need to socially distance, we can safely seat the recommended 86 people. Therefore, we will be increasing capacity in each of our worship services from 65 to 86. We hope that more and more people will return to in-person as able and receive the blessings of being with their fellow Christians.

## **Sign-up for In-person Worship**

You can now **sign up for in-person worship for any of the Sundays and Mondays in April** by going to [www.gsholmen.org](http://www.gsholmen.org) and clicking on "Register for in person worship." Make sure to take note that there will be three Sunday morning worship services on April 25th as we celebrate Confirmation in each of those worship services. We will also be having Monday night worship that weekend to help with consistency. While signing up for in-person worship may be inconvenient, we're going to continue for at least the month of April. As always, if you realize you forgot to sign up on a Sunday morning, please come and we will safely make room for you!

## **Christian Leadership Experience**

All are invited to attend the 2021 Christian Leadership Experience which will be held virtually on June 11th from 1-5pm. The Christian Leadership Experience is a community of faithful Christians saved by grace who long for serving God in all areas: spiritual, personal and professional. In 2021, CLE charges into the future with *Challenge Accepted!* The messaging and inspiration behind this year's speakers is to help guide the next generation of Christians leaders. Worship and music shared by Pastor Mike Novotny of *Time of Grace Ministries* and music by Stephen Bautista. Speakers include Grand Skeldon, author of *The Passion Generation*, educational psychologist and WLC dean of student success Prof. Rhoda Wolle and authors of *Quick to Listen: Understanding Viewpoints that Challenge Your Faith*. Registration fee is only \$45 and includes a free book. Register at [www.christlead.com](http://www.christlead.com).

## **Recovery in Christ**

Recovery in Christ meets Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m. at the Coulee Recovery Center (933 Ferry Street, La Crosse) and Sundays, 6:00 p.m. in St. Paul's lower-level school library. Call/text 608-567-3038 to confirm the day/time.

## **Good Steward Resale Shop**

Good Steward is currently accepting application for two paid positions: : 1) Store Coordinator (part time- c. 24-32 hours per week) and 2) Warehouse Worker (part time c. 24 hours per week). Interested parties may obtain a job description with necessary qualifications and an application form at the Good Steward Resale Shop or by calling 608-784-5035.