

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Wednesday Bible Study:** Weekly on Wednesdays at 1pm or 7pm in Room 238. Please join us!
- ◆ **Coffee and Bagels:** Join us for our next coffee and bagels on Monday, April 7th from 10 to 11:30am. **Our new location is the Caribou Coffee on Rice Street and 694.**
- ◆ **Drive for Blessing Bag Items February 2-March 9:** On March 16th the Joy Team will be hosting a Blessing Bag packing event during the Donut Hour. In preparation for this event, we are looking for Blessing Bag Items to offset the cost. Blessing Bags are filled with basic resources that you can keep in your car and pass out to pan handlers letting them know they are seen and cared for. If you are able to bring in these items, new and unused, and put them in the Narthex bin that would be of great help:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel toothpaste• Travel Shampoo• Travel Size Conditioner• Travel Size Body Soap• Socks (men's and women's)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chapstick• Combs• Miniature deodorants• Travel first aid kits
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- ◆ **Girl Scout Cookies!:** Troop 58380 will be selling Girl Scout Cookies again! Your support will help them reach their goal of 4,500 boxes sold! You can purchase cookies in between services and after 10 am worship on February 23, March 3, and March 23. Cookies are \$6/box. Donated boxes will support deployed military troops, Ralph Reeder Food Shelf, and People Serving People.
- ◆ **Lent Midweek Services:** Lent continues this week with midweek worship **THIS** Wednesday, March 12th. Worship will take place at 6:15pm and Sarah Cledwyn will lead us in contemplative practice as part of the service. Soup supper starts at 5:00pm followed by worship. We hope you will carve out this time to be with us for your Lenten journey.
- ◆ **Lenten Devotions:** Pastor Nancy has crafted a daily devotional for this Lenten season. They include a scripture, reflection and prayer for each day of the Lenten season starting with Ash Wednesday and lasting until Easter Sunday. Hard copies can be found at the Welcome Desk and in the office. [Here](#) is a digital copy.
- ◆ **Lenten Soup Supper Host 2025:** This year we are looking for families to host our Lenten Potluck Soup Suppers, Wednesdays March 12-April 9. Each week we are hoping to find 4 families to provide soup and sides from home for the community. These families will be greeted by a staff or Kitchen Host who will help them get set up, then the families will serve and clean up. This is a great way to build our community and share our bounty with one another. Sign up [HERE](#) or sign up at the Welcome Desk.

- ◆ **Lenten Member Panels 2025:** During Lent our Confirmation and High School Youth ask you to join us! Each week during Lent we will be hosting 3-4 Shepherd Members on Member Panels where you will be asked about your job/hobbies, how you engage at Shepherd, how you see God at work in the world, and your hopes for our youth. These take place directly after Lenten Wednesday Worship in the Lower-Level Assembly from 6:50-7:15. Sign up [HERE](#) to join a panel. Reach out to Sister Tashina with any questions.
- ◆ **Hello Contemplative Community!** Just when you might need a little pick-me-up from our Minnesota winter, we have a wonderful contemplative practice retreat for you! It will be on Saturday March 15 at St Catherine University. The title is Putting Down the Bow: A traditional teaching and ritual of peacemaking. It is offered by Native American Spiritual Leader D. Richard Wright. It will be offered both in-person at St Kate's and on Zoom from 8:30-2:00. You can register [HERE!](#)
- ◆ **Song of Shepherd:** Samuel Holmberg is the Basilica Organist and Director of Cathedral Concerts at The Basilica of Saint Mary (Co-Cathedral) in downtown Minneapolis, America's first Basilica. A graduate of the Eastman School of Music and Luther College, Samuel holds degrees in organ performance, literature, and sacred music. Samuel has given concerts throughout the United States and Europe, performing upon landmark instruments. He will present a free recital at Shepherd **THIS** Thursday, March 13th at 7:00pm on our beautiful C.B. Fisk Organ.
- ◆ **Men's Retreat:** Men of Shepherd, you are all welcome to join our annual Men's Retreat April 4th-6th, 2025. This year we will be at Luther Crest Bible Camp and joined by Spiritual Director Peter Watkins who will lead us in through contemplative practices. There will be free time as well as time in community and worship. Contact Sister Tashina with any questions and sign up [HERE](#) today.
- ◆ **Shepherd's 2025 First Communion Class** will take place on April 6th from 11:30am-1pm. With the First Communion taking place during worship on Palm Sunday Worship, April 13th at the service of your choice. [Register HERE!](#) Here at Shepherd we believe that ALL are welcome at the Communion Table because it is God's Table for God's people, everyone. We have a formal instruction that typically takes place around 3rd grade but can be taken earlier or later depending on parental preference. If you have middle or high school youth (or if you as an adult) would like to join, please contact Pastor Renee or Sister Tashina before registering.

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Serving in worship today

10am

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Gathering/Donut Time

Gathering Time takes place in Shepherd's Hall. Come from 9 to 10 every Sunday morning to meet & greet and learn about the different groups that we have here at Shepherd of the Hills. Donuts and coffee will be provided.

Mar 9th: Personnel Committee
Mar 16th: Prayer Shawls

PrayGround

The space on the left side of the Sanctuary is open to families with young children. A small table and chairs, toys and activities are provided to help keep our littlest ones occupied. Parents are invited to sit with their children in the PrayGround.

Busy Bags will also be available in the PrayGround for children to borrow during services.

