

**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**  
**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Welcome to Shepherd of the Lakes!

The members of Shepherd of the Lakes are very pleased to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join with us in worshipping the Triune God: the Father who created us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who sets us apart to be God's people through his powerful word. Our church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a group of Lutheran churches committed to the Bible's teaching about life and salvation.

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**God speaks to us from the Scriptures:**

**The First Reading: Genesis 19:15-17, 23-29**

*In the midst of God's spectacular judgment on the wicked peoples of Sodom and Gomorrah, Lot and his daughters experience the Lord's gracious deliverance from destruction. Let us not hesitate to leave behind the things of this world for the promise of eternal deliverance. Let us not look back on what might have been, but ahead to the promised salvation of the Christ.*

**The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 25**, on page 74 in your hymnal

**The Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

*The Apostle Paul met the righteous branch of David face to face; he saw the promise of "the Lord Our Righteousness" fulfilled. Therefore he exhorts the Thessalonians and all believers to continue living lives of faith and hope in the promise that the Lord Jesus will come again to bring us to eternal life.*

**Verse of the Day:** Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia. (Rev. 22:20)

**The Gospel Reading: Luke 21:25-36**

*Jesus has proclaimed to us that he will come again to judge the world. While it is not for us to know "the day or hour," our Savior would not leave us ignorant of the coming judgment. The signs abound for those looking through eyes of faith. Yet, even as we anticipate his coming again*

*to be our judge, we need not cower in fear, for with him comes the deliverance promised of old.*

**Applying God's Word in our lives this week:**

Sermon: Psalm 25:1-5

Theme: A New Year of Trust in God

For Forgiveness

For Guidance

**STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US**

Worship service attendance for Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> was 28. Our hearts acknowledged God's love for us in all he has blessed us with and showed our trust in his continued blessing by offering him \$2617.00 for the work of his church. (A gift of \$1000.00 was received from St. Paul's, Saginaw)

*"Whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God!"*

**GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING**

**Usher/Altar Guild Schedule**

December 6<sup>th</sup> — 3\*

December 13<sup>th</sup> — 1

December 20<sup>th</sup> — 2\*

December 27<sup>th</sup> — 3

\* denotes Communion Sunday

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Today's Theme** The Lord is coming!

**Funeral** The funeral for Minnie Borchers will be on Thursday, December 3rd, at Case Funeral Home in Saginaw.

**Meditations** Please pick up the new Meditations on the table in the entry way.

**Next Sunday** Worship w/ communion – 9am/Bible Class – 10:15am

**OUR PATH OF  
WORSHIP**

"Morning Praise"

**P. 45**

**PREPARATION p.10**

**Opening Hymn: #1**

**Prayer and Praise: p.45-47**

**THE WORD**

Genesis 19:15-17, 23-29

**Psalm 25, page 74**

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Luke 21:25-36

**Seasonal Response, p.47**

**Hymn of the Day: #70**

The Sermon

***Te Deum* p. 48-49**

The Offering

***Kyrie* p. 50**

Lord's Prayer p. 50

**Hymn: #2**

Closing Prayer

Blessing p. 51

**Closing Hymn: #22**

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