

**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

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: Joshua 7:16-26**

*The devastating effects of temptation are seen in the tragic story of Achan. Fresh from spectacular victory at the walls of Jericho, the Lord's anger burned against Israel. For the city was to have been devoted entirely to the Lord as the first spoils of Canaan. Yet some of the spoils were not given to the Lord. Witness the seriousness of the Word of the Lord and the hopelessness of our sin-stained obedience!*

**The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 91, on page 100 in your hymnal**

**The Epistle Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16**

*How easy it would be for us to cower in fear at the Lord's fierce anger against sin. For we are no better than Achan. We, too, have wandered from the way of the Lord to hoard and hide all that tempts. Yet the promise is sure: Jesus is our High Priest and has made atonement for our sin. We need not fear divine retribution. We can come in repentant confidence relying on the grace of God.*

**Verse of the Day:** It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." (Matthew 4:10)

**The Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13**

*Had Jesus failed to resist temptation, had he bowed, or jumped, or even simply made some bread...all would have been lost. But our Champion won the battle: Jesus the Christ holds the field and the kingdom is ours forever.*

**Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:**

Sermon text: Luke 4:1-13

Theme: Jesus, our fortress.

He stayed the course,

so that, for our salvation

He remains the only source.

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

Worship service attendance for Sunday, February 7th was 43. 36 received the comfort of Holy Communion. 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 \$1260.00 for the work of his church. Ash Wednesday attendance: 24/21 Offering: \$341.00

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

**GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING**

**Usher/Altar Guild Schedule**

February 21<sup>st</sup> — 2\*

February 28<sup>th</sup> — 3

\* denotes Communion Sunday

**NEWS AND NOTES**

**Today's Theme** Jesus remains our mighty fortress!

**Council Meeting** The council will meet after Bible Class/Sunday School.

**Wartburg Project** As you may know, our synod is working on our own translation of the Bible. This past week the committee released the name of the new translation. It will be called the Evangelical Heritage Version (EHV). To learn more about this project, please visit [www.wartburgproject.org](http://www.wartburgproject.org).

**A memorial** was received last Sunday in memory of Mitchell McLosky, the father of Lisa Miller, who passed away last month. Please keep Lisa in your prayers as she remains in Owosso caring for her mother.

**Next Sunday** Worship W/ Communion— 9am BC/SS— 10:15

**OUR PATH OF  
WORSHIP**

"The Service of  
the Word" p.38

**PREPARATION p.10**

**Opening Hymn: #472**

Confession of Sins: p. 38

Prayer and Praise: p. 39

**THE WORD**

Joshua 7:16-26

**Psalm 91, page 100**

Hebrew 4:14-16

Verse of the day, p. 30

Luke 4:1-13

**Response: p. 40**

**Hymn of the Day: #200**

The Sermon

**Apostle's' Creed p. 41**

**THANKSGIVING**

The Offering

Prayers p. 42-43

**Hymn: #459**

Closing Prayer p. 43

Blessing p. 44

**Closing Hymn: #455**

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