

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 7th, 2021

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.

God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

The Lord speaks the Ten Commandments to his people Israel, setting out his expectations for those who are in a covenant relationship with him.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 19, on page 70 in your Hymnal

The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

We preach Christ crucified because it's all the wisdom and power we need.

Verse of the day: Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:14, 15)

The Gospel Reading: John 2:13-22

Jesus cleanses the temple at the beginning of his public ministry. When challenged to demonstrate his authority, Jesus made a veiled prediction of his death and resurrection.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Sermon Text: Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon Theme: Jesus Shows Us True Worship

In His house

In our hearts

Holy Communion: In Holy Communion we are receiving Jesus' true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, new life, and salvation. But that's not all. We also receive strength, encouragement, and comfort knowing that in this sacrament **we are at one with our God** through Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, **we are one in faith with those communing beside us**, and **we are joined with all the saints**, who share our common faith. For this reason we practice **close communion**, inviting only WELS or ELS members to partake of the sacrament so as not to call into question the communion that we share. **If you are a visitor, please speak to Pastor Seelow before communing.**

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US

Worship service attendance for Sunday, February 28th was 33 (Wed:17); 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 \$2185.00 (Wed:\$185.00) for the work of his Church.

GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING

Usher/Altar Guild Schedule

March 21 — Sharon Krumnauer and Bert Sweet

Cleaning Crew for March: Pat Seelow and Sharon Borchers

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme We are reminded in the season of Lent that God is serious about all his Word.

Council Meeting The council will meet next Sunday after the worship service.

Midweek Lent Our journey to the cross through Lent continues this Wednesday at 6:00pm.

Thank you to Pastor David Naumann from St. Paul's in Saginaw for filling in for Pastor Seelow. Pastor Seelow was sick on Friday night and though better, won't get the results from his Covid test for 3-5 days.

Next Sunday Worship – 9am / Council meeting 10:15am

OUR PATH OF WORSHIP

“The Common Service”

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #221

Confession of Sins: **p. 15**

Prayer and Praise: **p. 16-17**

THE WORD

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm 19, page 70

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Verse of the day, p. 30

John 2:13-22

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Hymn of the Day: #393

The Sermon

Create in Me p. 20

The Offering

Prayers, p. 20

THE SACRAMENT
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Distribution Hymn: #385
1,3,5

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Blessing, p. 25

Closing Hymn: #456

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