

**Those serving the Lord today and next week December 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**

**12/26**

**Music:** Beth Steuck

**Elder:** John Gunter

**Acolyte:** Grant Lingl

**Ushers:** Jason & Jayden Manthei

**Counters:** Kathy Dahl

**Servers:** N/A

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**Sunday, December 19, 2021**

**Attendance: 117**

**Communicants: NA**

**This Week at Good Shepherd**

**12/26/20 – 1/6/21**

**Sunday- St. Stephen Martyr**

9am – Divine Service III

15 Minutes After Service – Education Hour

**Tuesday**

7pm AA Meeting

**Wednesday**

7am – Men’s Bible Study @ McDonald’s

**Thursday**

Pastor’s Day Off – Gerri In Office

**Friday**

6:00pm New Year’s Eve Service

**Saturday**

New Year’s Day

**Second Sunday After Christmas**

9am – Divine Service III

15 Minutes After Service – Education Hour

**The Congregation at Prayer**

**How to use this bulletin for daily prayer all week long.**

*Reading God’s Word and offering up our prayers to God should be part of our daily routine.*

*Below is an outline for a simple daily devotion.*

*Also included is a portion of the Small Catechism for the week and the prayers of our parish.*

Invocation: **In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Introit: **Bulletin Insert**

Learn by Heart Bible: **Psalm 128:5-6; James 3:6**

Catechism: **The Lord’s Prayer: The Seventh Petition**

Daily Readings:

Sunday: **Is. 49:22-26; 50:4-51:8, 12-16; Matt 1:18-25**

Monday: **Is. 51:17-52:12; Matt. 2:1-12**

Tuesday: **Is. 52:13-54:10; Matt 2:13-23**

Wednesday: **Is. 55:1-13; Luke 1:1-25**

Thursday: **Is. 58:1-59:3, 14-21; Luke 1:1:26-38**

Friday: **Is. 60:1-22; Luke 1:39-56**

Saturday: **Is. 61:1-11; Luke 1:57-80**

Readings for next Sunday: **Genesis 46:1-7; 1 Peter 4:12-19; Matthew 2:13-23**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- **Birthdays:** Bob Schrunk 12/31; Matt Ust 1/1; Judson Brockberg 1/2
- **Sickness/Illness/Recovery:** Luis Rubio, son-in-law of Dick & Barb Werner; Anita Johnson, sister of Kathy Brockberg; Marge Meffert, sister of Bob Meffert; Carolyn Bayerkohler; Carol Nienkirk; Joanne Christoffer; Diane, Aunt of Lisa Haen; Jon Gullickson; Lorraine Gullickson; David Sturrock; Floyd Brecheisen, brother of Gay Brockberg; Shirlene Schwab; Ruth Timm; Jon Gerken; Bob Meffert; Jean Peirce; Esther Schrunk; Karen Geske; Hester, sister of David Sturrock; Tobias Haugen, grandson of Mavis Ochsendorf; Del Determan, friend of the Pratts; Larry Pratt; Joshua Grau, godson of Bob Meffert; Bonnie, mother of Lisa Haen

HYMN OF THE MONTH: **#333 “Once He Came In Blessing”**

COLLECT (**Bulletin Insert**)

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LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING: **The almighty and most merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.**

**St. Stephen, Martyr**

Divine Service III: **pp. 184 – 202**

Processional Hymn: **LSB #389**

Confession and Absolution: **pp. 184-185**

Introit: **Bulletin Insert**

Kyrie: **p. 186**

Gloria in Excelsis: **pp. 187-189**

Salutation-Collect: **p. 189**

Old Testament Reading: **2 Chronicles 24:17-22**

Gradual: **Bulletin Insert**

Epistle Reading: **Acts 6:8-7:2a, 51-60**

Alleluia: **p. 190**

Holy Gospel: **Matthew 23:34-39**

Nicene Creed: **p. 192**

Hymn of the Day: **LSB #661**

Sermon

Offertory **p. 192**

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament: **pp. 194-199**

Distribution Hymns: **LSB #373, #386, #372**

Post-Communion Liturgy: **pp. 199-202**

Closing Hymn: **LSB #387**

Announcements

To our visitors and guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Good Shepherd in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. You may also come up to the rail and receive a baptismal blessing. Signify this by crossing your hands over your chest. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Pastor.

*Pastor, what is the Litany?*

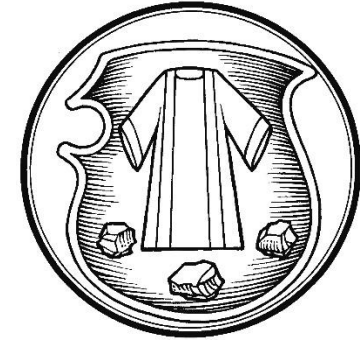
The name is derived from the Greek, *litancia*, meaning, an entreating.

In the Middle ages there were quite a number of "Litanies" in use. The Litany of the Common Service is a translation of Luther's reconstruction of what was known as "The Great Litany of all saints." Luther considered it "the best prayer on earth after the Lord's Prayer." In its general arrangement the apostolic exhortation (1 Tim. 2:1,2) can be recognized.

*How should the Litany be used?*

It may be sung responsively by two choirs or said or sung responsively by Minister and Congregation.

An Explanation of the Service Proper: The Office of the Word, The Service: Matins and Vespers—235-236.



## Announcements

**Spiritual Discipline for December:** Daily read one chapter from the Bible. If you are looking to work through an entire book, read through Proverbs.

Thank you to the people of Good Shepherd for your kindness shown to our family this Christmas. We give thanks to God for you all! -The Stefanics

**Good Shepherd is providing members an opportunity to contribute funds to LCMS Disaster Relief for victims of tornadoes and disasters.** An offering plate will be placed in the narthex for 3 weeks. Make checks to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and indicate that the money is for disaster relief. Thank you for your response.

**LWML MN South District Grant - MN South District Student Aid Scholarships - \$30,000** - The MN South District offers scholarships to LCMS students studying at one of the Concordia University System universities or seminaries to become professional church workers. The training and equipping of men and women for full-time professional ministry in the Church is imperative to carrying out Jesus' Great Commission to make disciples of all nations. The training that mission workers receive in the Concordia University System helps them devote themselves to serving the people of the world post-graduation. This grant would continue to provide aid to current and future mission workers confronted with rapidly rising tuition costs. To contribute to this grant, please put your donation in the LWML mites box in the narthex.

**Meals on Wheels site in Marshall at 507-537-6124 is looking for volunteers.** If interested in volunteering, please call them at that phone#.

**\*Ushers Needed\*** - looking for ushers to do 2 weeks at a time, please contact Kerry Kerr.

**New Reading Material Available** – New Kids' December Devotionals!! Check out the table today in the Narthex.

**EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST...Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen at your convenience at [issueset.org](http://issueset.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

*If you missed being here last Sunday and would like a bulletin, they are available in the foyer on the free materials table.*

## *Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*

*A Member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*

**Worship Schedule: Sunday 9:00am**

**Education Hour: Sunday @ 10:30am**

**Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 8am-12:00pm  
507-532-4857**

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*Pastor: James J. Stefanic*

We, the members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, believing the Bible to be God's inspired and inerrant Word, acknowledging that Jesus Christ is Lord, and affirming that we are saved by Grace through faith in Him alone, offer the following as our statement of mission:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit and loving our neighbors as ourselves, we, as ambassadors for Christ, must strive to make disciples of all nations; Using the gifts the Lord has given to each of us, we must help the saints to grow in unity of faith through regular worship attendance, the partaking of the Sacraments, the study of God's Word, and by ministering to the spiritual needs of others; we will persevere in prayer and thanksgiving for all the opportunities and blessings which God places before us.

**St. Stephen, Martyr  
December 26, 2021**