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For the Week of January 30, 2022



IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Thank you for your generous response last weekend as \$2,500 was received in the special offering at the door and online for the work of the Assure Women's Center of Omaha. Assure Women's Center is committed to providing women facing unplanned pregnancies with valuable information about their pregnancy including free ultrasounds as well as pointing them to resources in the community that will meet their needs. Supporting the cause of life and defending the weak and defenseless is the work of God.

COMEDY NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Make plans to join us for the Comedy Night fundraiser on Friday, March 11 at 6:30pm featuring Omaha's Comedy Dad, Chris Scheufele! Tickets to the show, including a pasta dinner served by the youth, are on sale now at dsomaha.org/events and are \$20/person or \$150/table of 8. The youth group's live and silent auction will also be taking place that evening with pre-bidding available online or in the church atrium in the two weeks leading up to the Comedy Night. On-site childcare for parents who need a "night out" will be available that evening for kids 6 months and older. Mark your calendars and be sure to join us for a night full of laughter here at Divine Shepherd! All proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit the Youth Group.

ASSURE VALENTINE'S BABY SHOWER LUNCHEON

You're invited to an "Assure" Valentine Baby Shower Luncheon on February 14th at 12:00pm noon in the Chapel, hosted by the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Please bring a baby gift(s) and come for special fun, food, and fellowship. RSVP: Betty Buller jimandbettybuller@gmail.com or Sandy Womack 402-350-1166.

Finance Update December 31, 2021

	Budget	Actual
DSLCL Contributions	\$1,375,000	\$1,481,135
LLPC Tuition & Contributions	\$785,500	\$754,678
Total Income	\$2,160,500	\$2,235,813
DSLCL Expense	\$1,375,000	\$1,359,354
LLPC Expense	\$785,500	\$776,149
Total Expense	\$2,160,500	\$2,135,503
Net Operating Income	\$0	\$100,310

QUILTING MINISTRY

Come sew and fellowship with us and make warm, cozy quilts for the less fortunate. We will meet on Tuesday, February 8th from 1pm - 4pm in the chapel to sew and discuss future meeting dates. Bring your machine, thread, fabric scissors, and any cotton scraps you have to add to our quilts. No previous sewing and quilting experience needed. If you have questions or are interested in quilting but can't attend the first meeting, please contact Bonnie Clark at (402) 689-9108.

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH FOR 2021-2022

October	The Lutheran Church of South Sudan
November	GracePoint Institute for Relational Health
December	Angel Tree
January	Assure Women's Center
Feb. 19-20	Mission of Christ Network— Rev. Michael Parris preaching
March 5-6	Lutheran Bible Translators—Rev. Dr. Brent Smith preaching
April	Lutheran World Relief School Kits
May	Gideons
June	New York City Church Planting— Pastor Sean Chapman
July	Luther Academy, Riga, Latvia—Rev. Dr. Charles Cortright
August	Little Lamb Preschool and Childcare
September	The Garuna Foundation—Schools in Cambodia

We will be adding more information as more details come into view month by month.

MIDWEEK MEALS SUSPENDED

We are suspending our Midweek meals until further notice due to a reduction of participation recently. We hope to be able to resume meals again soon.

FINAL FIRST C

COMMUNION CLASS The final First Communion class of the year is coming up on Saturday, February 12th at 9am. This class is for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who would like to take part in Communion during worship. Parents are encouraged to attend with their youth. More information and signup can be found online at dsomaha.org/events.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY VISIT

High School youth (and parents!) are invited to join Spencer on a visit to Concordia University Nebraska in Seward - just one hour west of Omaha - on Monday, February 21st! With more than 70 academic programs, CUNE might just have something for you! This is a free trip with no strings attached - even if you've made up your mind about college - join us for a day of exploring campus, visiting with professors and coaches, and talking to college students about their experience. More details and the signup to join the trip can be found online at dsomaha.org/events.

SENIORS FOR THE LORD

Seniors for the Lord plan to meet on February 2nd at 9:30am in the Trinity Center. "Questions for Pastor Mark." A Potluck Brunch during the meeting is planned. Please bring any items you would like to share.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS RESCHEDULED

A class leading to membership at Divine Shepherd has been rescheduled, and will start on Sunday, March 27. The class, which had been set to begin February 6, is for those who do not have a background in our church body, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. It will cover the key teachings of the Bible and the Lutheran Church. This class will meet for six one-hour sessions at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings, taking a one-week break on Easter Sunday, April 17, and finishing on May 8.

A separate, one-hour orientation class for members who have recently transferred to Divine Shepherd from other Lutheran congregations will take place as scheduled on Sunday, March 20. The orientation class will be held in the Trinity Center on the lower level at 9:30 a.m. that day, with a welcome ceremony to follow at the 10:45 a.m. service.

To inquire about either class, contact Pastor Jim at jim@dsomaha.org or 402-895-1500, ext. 217.

CANASTA CARD CLUB

Canasta Card Club will not meet in January. Watch the Heartbeat for future meeting dates.

A GREAT WAY YOU CAN HELP A HURTING FRIEND!

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker or relative going through a difficult time? A Stephen Minister may be able to offer the support he or she needs. Stephen Ministers are member of Divine Shepherd or Grace Hill trained to provide emotional and spiritual care to people who are hurting. To learn how you can help a friend receive care, contact Pastor Mark or Joan Rowell at 402-658-1463 or mario87@windstream.net

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

This is the time that many of us will be making New Year's Resolutions! If you would like to make a difference in someone's life during this new year, the Divine Shepherd Prayer Shawl

Ministry would like to invite you to join our group! The long winter evenings ahead are perfect for knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl that will be given to someone in our community who has a need for comfort. Ministry members meet once a week to share prayer, friendship, and ideas. Yarn and instructions are provided and we will even teach you to knit or crochet. Won't you make a "resolution" to join us?
Our next meeting is Monday, January 31 at 1:00 PM in the Shepherd's Room. If you have questions, contact Betty Buller at 402-490-3668 or jimandbettybuller@gmail.com



Altar flowers are given by Mr. and Mrs. Don Hupman in celebration of Tessa Gnirk's 13th birthday, on February 3.

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

We offer Bible Studies for men and women throughout the week. Please visit our website to learn more details about the Bible Studies:
<https://www.dsomaha.org/ministry/adults>

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This Week's Calendar

Monday, January 31

10:00am **Women's Bible Study** The Gospel of John (Trinity Center)
1:00pm **Prayer Shawl**

Tuesday, February 1

10:00am **Pastor Mark's Bible study** (Chapel)

Wednesday, February 2

9:30am **Seniors for the Lord** (Trinity Center)
6:15pm **Chancel Choir**
6:15-7:30pm **Midweek Connection Classes and Bible Studies**

Thursday, February 3

7:30pm **AI-Anon** (Commons & Cave)

Friday, February 4

6:15am **Men's Bible Study** (Shepherd's Room)

Saturday, February 5

5:00pm **Evening Praise Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

Sunday, February 6

8:00am **Traditional Service** (Sanctuary)
8:45-11:00 **Fellowship Time with Coffee & Donuts** (Chapel)
9:30am **Kids Church** (Chapel)
9:30am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion
9:30am **Women's Bible Study** - Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture
9:30am **Bible Study** - "I Believe: The Creeds in My Life" (Commons)
10:45am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary)
10:45am **Zoom Adult Bible Study** on **Ephesians** with Pastor Doug Morton



Call the Church Office (895-1500) or e-mail prayers@dsomaha.org with prayer requests. Our Heartline Prayer Ministry members are notified via e-mail. In addition to our Pastors and Staff, our Elders serve as spiritual leaders for the congregation and will be happy to talk with you by phone or meet with you for prayer.

WITH JOY AND THANKSGIVING

- **Thanksgiving** that we have received an offer for the purchase of our land at 168th and Giles. May the Lord's will be done.

FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

- **Cynthia Petermann**, awaiting test results
- **John Sievers**, for healing
- **Faith Ramsey**, for healing
- **Jorden**, grandson of Dennis & Cheryl Evans, for medical solutions
- **Ken Van Hulle**, in hospice care
- **Rev. Ron Gocken**, former Divine Shepherd pastor, in hospice care
- **Judy Moore**, undergoing testing
- **Duane Stohs**, healing from back surgery and stroke
- **Elizabeth Krichau**, for healing
- **Chris Dennis**, upcoming shoulder surgery
- **All those battling cancer: Joe Niehaus** (son-in-law of Jenny Mosher), **Al Jankowski**, **Cyndee Earl**, **Gary Toelle**, **Bob Oberhauser**, **Laura Rogers**, **Sherri Flanagan**, **Donna Tatreau**, **Steve Jipp**, and **Daren Kizlin and his sister Angie**

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

- **The family of Joshua Magill**, who went home to the Lord on January 25

FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

- **For the honoring and defense of God's gift of life**
- **Protection for those serving in the military**, especially those deployed including Aaron Grelson
- **Law enforcement personnel, first responders, and front-line medical workers**
- **For those who serve in government, for wisdom, guidance, and courage**
- **For Christians around the world** who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus
- **For the pandemic to subside**

FOR THE LORD'S BLESSING AND GUIDANCE

- **Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare**—thankfulness for our staff, parents & children
- **Concordia Schools of Omaha**—our partners in Christian education
- **Rev. Dr. Charles Cortright**, serving as instructor for Luther Academy, Riga, Latvia
- **Our Stephen Ministers** providing care in Jesus' name and their care receivers and for members to consider serving in this ministry