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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING: Online giving is available and is appreciated. Please mail in your giving to P.O. Box 695 5 W. Washington St. Oswego IL 60543 or use our E giving for online giving <https://giving.ncsservices.org/app/giving/goodshepherdoswego> which can also be found on our website under the giving tab. ~ Thank you!

ONLINE GIVING: New Online Giving platform: Zeffy.com which is a 100% free service for not-for-profit organizations like Good Shepherd. Please consider switching your current online egiving as soon as possible:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/donate-to-support-church-of-the-good-shepherd-umc>

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please contact Pat Rogerson for prayer requests or to be added to the email list to join our prayer warriors at prayerchaingoodshepherd24@gmail.com

LENT BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Steve: This year's Adult Lent Study with Pastor Steve will read "The Third Day" by Tom Berlin, Monday evenings at 7 pm in the Gathering Room. Feb. 23 through March 30 during Holy Week. Please contact the church office if interested (630) 554-3269, or sign up in the Gathering Room. Please order your own book through Cokesbury or Amazon.

MISSION HELP: Missions is serving at the Hesed House Family Shelter on Monday, March 2nd. We will be providing sloppy joes and sides to about 30-35 guests.

We are seeking folks to contribute by donating any of the items below or volunteering to serve the meal. Please text (773-251-8372) or email (poniatowski@att.net) if you can help.

Macaroni and cheese (30-35 servings)

Hamburger buns (3 dozen)

Potato chips (30-35 servings)

Apple sauce (30-35 individual cups)

Dessert (30-35 servings)

Large canister Country Time (or similar) lemonade powdered drink mix

3-5 people to serve the meal

MEN'S LUNCH: The United Methodist Men will be having their monthly Men's Luncheon at Spartan House, 1032 Prairie St., Aurora on Wednesday, February 18th at noon. Please join us for fellowship and a fine meal.



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Online Worship Service
February 22, 2026

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"OPEN HEARTS. OPEN MINDS. OPEN DOORS."

February 22, 2026
1st Sunday in Lent

WELCOME! We are happy you came to worship with us today. If you would like to join our mailing list please subscribe on our website. www.goodshepherdoswego.org

PRELUDE	<i>Jesus Priceless Treasure</i>	Cheryl Todd
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WORSHIP IS CELEBRATING GOD’S LOVE AND POWER

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Out of the depths have I called to thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my cry.
People: I wait for the Lord with all my soul, I hope for the fulfilment of his word.
Leader: For in the Lord is love unfailing, and great is his power to set us free.
People: I wait for the Lord with all my soul, I hope for the fulfilment of his word. +

SONG OF PRAISE	<i>Lead Me Home</i>	Reborn
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WORSHIP IS SHARING AND PRAYING

JOYS AND CONCERNS
Leader: “Lord, in your mercy”
People: “Hear our prayer”

HYMN	<i>My Hope is Built</i>
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Prayer of Confession
When confronted by temptations, we are easily overcome. They allure us with promises we find hard to resist. We harbor fantasies of how our lives might have been. Our dreams become pervasive, hiding the truth of your love. O God, have mercy upon us; enable us to discern deception when it appears. Enlighten us to your genuine renewal in Christ. Amen

Assurance of Pardon
“It was clearly fitting that God for whom and through whom all things exist should, in bringing many to glory, make the leader who delivers them perfect through sufferings. . . For since Christ himself has passed through the test of suffering he is able to help those who are meeting their test now.”

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER #89

WORSHIP IS HEARING GOD’S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>The Passion Chorale</i>	Joyful Noise Handbells
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SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 26:1-11, * Mark 1:14-20	Rev. Steve Good
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SERMON: *Prepared to Follow*

WORSHIP IS WITNESSING TO THE WORLD

HYMN	<i>God be with You til We Meet Again</i>
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE	<i>The Solid Rock</i>	Cheryl Todd
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* Kirk When We Gather
Let Go music and lyrics by Jon Conover
Jesus, Priceless Treasure by Johann Cruger. Arranged by Roger Wilson.
“The Solid Rock”. Composed by William Bradbury and arranged by Edward Broughton
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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Sunday February 22nd

8:30am Traditional Service

10:00am Contemporary Worship

10:00am Sunday School

11:30am Youth Group

Monday February 23rd

6:30pm Handbells

Tuesday February 24th

7pm Choir Practice

7pm Church Council mtg- zoom

Wednesday February 25th

10am Bible Between Bytes Zoom

Thursday February 26th

7pm Band Rehearsal

Friday February 27th

7am Men's Coffee

Sunday March 1st

8:30am Traditional Service

10:00am Contemporary Worship

10:00am Sunday School

11:30am Youth Group

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