

# Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

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**Welcome to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church.** We are a faith family made up of regular, imperfect people rejoicing together in God's gracious gifts of reconciliation and forgiveness. We celebrate continuous Holy Communion every Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe that Jesus Christ is truly present beneath the consecrated forms of bread and wine are invited to partake in communion. In this sacramental act you find assurance that your sins are forgiven. If, for health reasons, you cannot consume the consecrated wine (red) there is grape juice (gold) or you may consume the consecrated bread alone. If you feel you cannot commune but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward during communion with your arms crossed over your chest.



**January 18, 2026**

## **Second Sunday After Epiphany**

**Rev. Duane Marburger, Interim Pastor**  
**Carol Hatfield, Assisting Minister**  
**Carole McBride, Music Director**

*Altar flowers are donated today by Teresa Waterman in loving memory of her father, Leland Bartle.*

***The Order of Service is found in your white binder.***

**Gathering Hymn** ELW #531 *"The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing"*

**Choir Anthem** *"Come Eat This Bread"* by Robt. Lau 1995 Coronet Press

**First Reading** Isaiah 49:1-7

**Psalm 40:1-11** Read responsively

1 I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.

**2 He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.**

3 He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.

**4 Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.**

5 Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us. None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

**6 Sacrifice and offering you did not desire—but my ears you have opened—burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require.**

7 Then I said, "Here I am, I have come—it is written about me in the scroll.

**8 I desire to do your will, my God; your law is within my heart."**

9 I proclaim your saving acts in the great assembly; I do not seal my lips, Lord, as you know.

**10 I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and your saving help. I do not conceal your love and your faithfulness from the great assembly.**

11 Do not withhold your mercy from me, Lord; may your love and faithfulness always protect me.

**Epistle** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

**Gospel** John 1:29-42a

**Hymn of the Day** ELW #794 *"Calm To The Waves"*

**Handbell Choir** *"Standing On The Promises"* by R. Kelso Carter

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**Closing Hymn** ELW #543 *"Go, My Children, With My Blessing"*

## Prayers for our Flock

Please keep all of these individuals in your prayers this week: Jeff Boone, the Gilbertsen family, Judy Chapman, Doug Drodge, Nancy McLaughlin, Larry Baumiller, Patrick Ricketts, Compton Cooper, Nancy Drodge, Bea Drodge-Garmer, Cheryl Schlimme, Chase Farber, Kathy Mundth, Mark Powell, Bonnie Nelson, Ann Cox, Russell Harris, Steve Hanson, Marilyn Davis, Sheryl Poulter, and Fred Viebranz.

All of our Military Personnel including: Brock Braun, Jeff Mills and Lawrence Baumiller III.

## Announcements

We have a jar at the back of the sanctuary for individuals to put in extra funds to help pay off the mortgage. Our current balance is just under \$35,000.

## Regular Calendar of Events

Sunday – Please join us for coffee, doughnuts and fellowship in the narthex after the service. Bible Study begins at 11am in Bertschy Hall.

Monday 6pm – Handbell practice


2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 2:00pm – Board meeting (Church)


Wednesday 6pm - Choir      Friday 10:00am - Quilters (Bertschy Hall)

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 11am-1pm – Food pantry (Bertschy Hall)

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday monthly from 2-3pm - Singing at The Gardens of Westbrooke ZH

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

 1/24 Judy Chapman    2/3 Cissy Torres    2/9 Juan Torres  
2/10 Marilyn Davis

 2/18 Vince & Diane Bardsley

**Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church**  
**welcomes you on this,**  
**the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany.**