

February 8 & 9, 2025

SHORELAND SUNDAY

**IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY** ... we welcome ministry partners from our Shoreland Lutheran High School. We are blessed to hear the Shoreland choir under the direction of Andrea Grasenick, Rev. Tom Bauer sharing God's Word, and Shoreland president Paul Scriver encouraging us in our shared Shoreland ministry.

**OPENING HYMN**

*"Lord, You Call Us as Your People"*

**Hymn 736**

Lord, you call us as your people, out of darkness into light.  
You created and redeemed us, made us precious in your sight.  
Give us faith to trust you boldly and to love you steadfastly.  
By your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.

Lord, you call us as disciples, walking on your pilgrim way.  
Crucified and risen Savior, you are with us ev'ry day.  
Give us wisdom, give us courage as you teach us patiently.  
By your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.

Lord, you send us to the harvest in your Great Commission's call,  
reaching out to all the nations, bringing life and hope to all.  
Give us boldness and compassion, bless us with your eyes to see.  
By your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.

Lord, you call us to new ventures by a pathway yet unknown.  
Though we cannot see the ending, we will follow you alone.  
Knowing that your hand is guiding and you love us faithfully,  
by your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.

Lord, you call us as your people, now in faith we sing your praise:  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, alleluias to you raise.  
Hold us in your gracious power, blessed Holy Trinity,  
that rejoicing we will ever faithful to our callings be.

## INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

C: **O most merciful God, who has given your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us forgiveness for all of our sins; and by your Holy Spirit, increase in us a true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your Word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only begotten Son to die for us. For Jesus' sake, he has forgiven all of our sins. To those who trust in Jesus, he gives power to become children of God and has promised them his Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this true and living faith, O Lord, unto us all.

C: **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

*Romans 10:12–17*

For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SHORELAND CHOIR (SUNDAY)**

***“By Faith”***  
**Hymn 868**

*By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation’s grand design,  
in the lives of those who prove his faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.*

*By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow’r of his promise in their hearts,  
of a holy city built by God’s own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.*

***Refrain***

*We will stand as children of the promise;  
we will fix our eyes on him, our soul’s reward.  
Till the race is finished and the work is done,  
we’ll walk by faith and not by sight.*

*By faith the prophets saw a day when the longed-for Messiah would appear  
with the pow’r to break the chains of sin and death  
and rise triumphant from the grave.*

*By faith the church was called to go in the pow’r of the Spirit to the lost  
to deliver captives and to preach good news in ev’ry corner of the earth. **Refrain***

*By faith this mountain shall be moved and the pow’r of the gospel shall prevail,  
for we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon his name.*

***Refrain***

**GOSPEL**

***Luke 5:1–11***

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God.

He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

HYMN

*"Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying"*

Hymn 745

Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?  
Fields are ripe and harvests waiting; who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth; rich reward he offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?

If you cannot speak like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
you can tell the love of Jesus, you can say he died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked with the judgment's dread alarms,  
you can lead the little children to the Savior's waiting arms.

If you cannot be a watchman, standing high on Zion's wall,  
pointing out the path to heaven, off'ring life and peace to all,  
with your prayers and with your off'rings you can do what God demands;  
you can be like faithful Aaron, holding up the prophet's hands.

Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"  
while the multitudes are dying, and the Master calls for you.  
Take the task he gives you gladly, let his work your pleasure be;  
answer quickly when he calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

## SERMON

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted,  
seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him  
were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their  
faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And  
they were calling to one another:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;  
the whole earth is full of his glory."

At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the  
temple was filled with smoke.

"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I  
live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the  
LORD Almighty."

Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which  
he had taken with tongs from the altar. With it he touched my mouth and  
said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin  
atoned for."

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who  
will go for us?"

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## OFFERING

*If you prefer to give online, the code at the right will take you to our Online Giving page. We invite our online givers to join in our offering with an "I Give Online" card in the pew racks.*



## SHORELAND CHOIR (SUNDAY)

*"Still, My Soul, Be Still"*

**Hymn 834**

*Still, my soul, be still and do not fear though winds of change may rage tomorrow.  
God is at your side; no longer dread the fires of unexpected sorrow.*

### ***Refrain***

*God, you are my God, and I will trust in you and not be shaken.  
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me  
to rest in you alone, to rest in you alone.*

*Still, my soul, be still; do not be moved by lesser lights and fleeting shadows.  
Hold on to his ways with shield of faith against temptation's flaming arrows.*

### ***Refrain***

*Still, my soul, be still; do not forsake the truth you learned in the beginning.  
Wait upon the Lord and hope will rise as stars appear when day is dimming.*  
**Refrain**

**Psalm 27**

*The Lord is my light and my salvation Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life Of whom shall I be afraid?*

**Refrain**

*Lord, You are my shelter God of my salvation, I am not forsaken  
Lord, my shield and protector  
Waiting on Your promise I will see Your goodness O Lord*

*When troubles arise no foe can harm me You are my peace, You are my peace  
You lift me above the raging storm You conquer my enemies*

**Refrain**

*One thing I have asked, to see Your beauty This I will seek, this I will seek  
To dwell in Your house, to walk in Your ways Your presence is all I need*

**Bridge**

*I wait, wait for the Lord In faith, trusting Your Word  
I wait, wait for the Lord In faith, trusting Your Word 2x*

**Refrain**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Gracious Father, your Son grew in wisdom and stature and in favor with you and all people. Bless, guide, and govern the children and young people of your Church by your Holy Spirit, that they may grow in grace and in knowledge of the truth. Lord, in your great mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You made them your children through the cleansing waters of Baptism, and clothed them with forgiveness and your robe of righteousness. Teach them to know their great calling to boldly and joyfully declare your gospel message of free forgiveness, and to reflect your light to the world through their words and actions. Lord, in your great mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Grant that they may serve You well and usefully, developing their talents not for their own sakes but to Your glory and for the welfare of their neighbor. Lord, in your great mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Guide them so that they can discern your Truth from the errors of human philosophy, morality from immorality, and selfless love from selfish interests. Lord, in your great mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Give Your holy angels charge over them to protect them from all harm and danger, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

The grace of our Lord  $\tau$  Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**Amen.**



CLOSING HYMN

*“O Lord, Our God, Your Gracious Hand”*

Hymn 909 vs. 1, 3

O Lord, our God, your gracious hand has crowned our lives with blessing;  
your goodness has enriched our land with gifts for our possessing.  
Our homes, our food, and ev’ry good for earthly work and living,  
abundant wealth and life and health your faithful love is giving.

We thank you, Lord, and sing your praise for blessings you have given;  
be with us still in future days to guide our youth to heaven.  
Lord, grant that we may clearly see the worth of Christian training  
that youth may grow your love to know, eternal riches gaining.

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Our school is accredited by Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation (WELSSA). This involves a process in which the school evaluates its current educational practices and seeks sound methods to build on its strengths and determine new ways to grow and strengthen the educational ministry of the school for the benefit of the students and parents to the glory of God.

WELSSA operates under these three core values:  
continuous improvement,  
distinctly Lutheran,  
and discerning accountability.

WELSSA is a sanctioned member of the National Council for Private School Accreditation (NCPSA).

Since we are at the end of an accreditation cycle, a visiting team of 4 members will be coming into our school next week Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. They will be observing our classrooms, touring our facility, interviewing staff and various parents, and going through our submitted documentation. On Friday, February 14, they will share their results during a presentation in the church at 3:45pm.

If you see any of these visiting members next week, be sure to greet them and share your input if they ask you to do so. We ask for God's blessings on their visit and on our efforts as we continually work to improve our school.

## **St. John Snow Tubing Event**

Join your St. John friends and family on Saturday, February 22, from 4-6 PM for snow tubing as a group up at Crystal Ridge in Franklin, WI. We have 30 allotted tickets, so first come first serve. There is no minimum age requirement, but all tubers must be at least 36 inches tall. If you are coming, you will need to fill out a waiver in advance. To purchase tickets and for more information, please either scan the QR code below or go to the following website:

<https://shop.crystalridge.com/groups/details?gc=StJohn>

**Contact Paul Massey with any questions:  
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## **ENROLLMENT FOR 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

We are excited to open enrollment season at St. John Lutheran School for the 2025/2026 school year!

For more information, please visit our website (stjohnslib.com/school), call our office at 847-362-4424, or email David.Retzlaff@stjohnslib.com. We are eager to discuss with you how we can partner with you in your child's education!

# Shoreland Lutheran High School Expansion Project

## *A St. John Mission Project*

### Why is the Shoreland Lutheran High School Expansion Project a St. John Mission Project?

- We love and we are eager to be part of a growing ministry sharing Jesus with teens.
- We love and we are eager to be part of a ministry sharing Jesus with a growing number of unchurched teens who may not know Jesus as we know Jesus.
- We are part of the Shoreland Federation; Shoreland is our high school!

### How can we support the Shoreland High School Expansion Project?

- Your monthly Special Offering envelope highlights our Shoreland opportunity in 2 ways –
  - 1) supporting Shoreland's ongoing ministry, and
  - 2) supporting Shoreland's Expansion Project.
- Our St. John Online Giving Page offers the opportunity to support with one-time gifts or recurring gifts.
- Shoreland has ways you can give directly (without going through St. John).

