



You have seen Him

John 9:37

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

“Connecting People to Christ in the Tri-County Area”

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March 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Worship Service at 10:30 am

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Prelude
Announcements

Opening Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy #507

Sermon Hymn: Redeemer, Savior, Friend Handout

Theme Why Do You Quarrel With Me?

Closing Hymn: What A Friend We Have in Jesus #770

Closing Words

- P: When we follow Jesus at home**
- C: Our families get stronger**
- P: When we follow Jesus together**
- C: We get the support we need**
- P: When we follow Jesus into our neighborhood**
- C: Our neighbors get the care they need.**

We welcome all members and visitors to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (LCMS) on this Fourth Sunday in Lent! We are delighted that you are with us this morning and pray for God’s Word to encourage and guide your hearts and minds. All are urged to fill in the fellowship Register located at the end of each pew.

Holy Communion: Before communing at our altar, all communicants are invited to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of Christian Faith.

1. I am sorry for my sins and believe that Jesus is my Savior.
2. I believe that Christ’s body and blood are truly present in the Sacrament.
3. I desire to amend my sinful ways and live for the glory of God.

Flowers are given to the Glory of God

Servants for Our Service:

Greeters: Teresa Irby

Communion Assistant: Doug Barlow

Reader: Debbie Swilley

Altar Guild for March 2026: Sarah Beth Pergrossi

Financial Facts and Figures:

Attendance 03-08-2026-47

Our Weekly Budget needs for 2026 \$1554.00 YTD \$17,094.00

Actual Received 03-08-26 \$1,770.00 YTD \$21,282.00

Week at a Glance

- Monday March 16 10:30 am TOPS
- Tuesday March 17 9-10 am Cardio Drumming
- Wednesday March 18 9:30 am Adult Information Class
- 11:00 Lenten Service
- Lite Lunch
- Bible Study
- Thursday March 19 9-10 am Cardio Drumming
- Saturday March 21 7:00 pm AA Mtg
- Sunday March 22 10:30 am Worship Service
- Council Meeting**

Reminder: All men are invited to a Men’s breakfast on Saturday April 11, 2026 at 9 am.

Reminder: Sign up sheet for Easter Lilys is available in the entry hall .

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:14–21

- ¹⁴ For a long time I have held my peace;
I have kept still and restrained myself;
now I will cry out like a woman in labor;
I will gasp and pant.
- ¹⁵ I will lay waste mountains and hills,
and dry up all their vegetation;
I will turn the rivers into islands,
and dry up the pools.
- ¹⁶ And I will lead the blind
in a way that they do not know,
in paths that they have not known
I will guide them.
I will turn the darkness before them into light,
the rough places into level ground.
These are the things I do,
and I do not forsake them.
- ¹⁷ They are turned back and utterly put to shame,
who trust in carved idols,
who say to metal images,
“You are our gods.”
- ¹⁸ Hear, you deaf,
and look, you blind, that you may see!
- ¹⁹ Who is blind but my servant,
or deaf as my messenger whom I send?
Who is blind as my dedicated one,
or blind as the servant of the Lord?
- ²⁰ He sees many things, but does not observe them;
his ears are open, but he does not hear.
- ²¹ The Lord was pleased, for his righteousness' sake,
to magnify his law and make it glorious.

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8–14

“For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true).⁹ and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.¹⁰ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.¹¹ For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret.¹² But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible,¹³ for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Holy Gospel: John 9:1–41

¹As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth.²And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”³Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him.⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud⁷ and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before

as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?”⁹Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.”¹⁰So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?”¹¹He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.”¹²They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind.¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.”¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them.¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight¹⁹ and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?”²⁰His parents answered, “We know that this is our son and that he was born blind.²¹But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.”²²(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.)²³Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.”²⁵He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”²⁶They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?”²⁷He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?”²⁸And they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses.²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.”³⁰The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him.³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind.³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.”³⁴They answered him, “You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?” And they cast him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”³⁶He answered, “And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?”³⁷Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.”³⁸He said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him.³⁹Jesus said, “For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.”⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, “Are we also blind?”⁴¹Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your guilt remains.”



About the Cover: Jesus brought mud, washing, and His Word together to give sight to a man who was born blind. Then Jesus used His Word to let the man know whom he was looking at. The gift of physical sight was only a preamble to the spiritual sight the man needed to see the Son of Man. Jesus is still granting us the eyes of faith to see His work. He unites His Word with water to wash away our sin. He brings His Word together with bread and wine to give us His very body and blood, given and shed for us. Jesus continues to open eyes by faith, helping people see Him at work and delivering them forgiveness of sins and eternal life.