OFFERING: GOOD SHEPHERD, CRANDON

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Crandon WI was founded in 1978 and the existing building was built in 1980. Crandon is a small town of around 2,000. As of September, 2017, the congregation consisted of 180 baptized members, with an average of 45 worshipping every Sunday.

Good Shepherd suffered a fire on September 13, 2017. The fire was concentrated in the narthex but made its way into the attic and crept toward the sanctuary. Thankfully, volunteer fire crews were able to stop any further spread of the fire but there was considerable smoke and water damage throughout the building. The fire inspector concluded that arcing within the electrical conduit leading to and from the front entrance light was the cause of the fire.

In the days that followed, typical disaster procedure ensued. The damage was assessed. The building's contents were collected and placed in storage. Alternate church service locations were coordinated. The members of Good Shepherd have found refuge at their sister congregation at St. John, Laona and the two churches combined their services into one – a delightful blessing after the evil of the fire.

There was an immediate outpouring of sympathy and support in the wake of the fire. Details of the insurance settlement have taken a considerable amount of time and resulted in a settlement of simply *restoring* the building, not *rebuilding* it. Work began on Monday, July 2nd, and will likely continue into October, when by God's grace, the members of Good Shepherd will again be able to hear God's Word and receive His gifts in their Crandon building.

This process has taken over a year and the insurance policy only covered up to eight months of storage in the wake of disaster. Starting in June, Good Shepherd was responsible for the continued storage of its church furnishings and accourrements with a monthly storage fee of \$1,257. Since the members will likely not be in their building until October at the earliest, Good Shepherd will be strapped with a \$5,000+ bill when the restoration is all said and done which has added undue stress to an already stressful situation.

We certainly appreciate any and all help in this trying time! Thank you for your prayers and support! If you know of someone who may also wish to support Good Shepherd, they may do so by mailing a donation to:

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church PO Box 146 Crandon WI 54520

Please make checks payable to: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

"A BLESSED LIFE: A FRESH LOOK AT THE BEATITUDES"

Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy

Underneath the Beatitudes in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount are virtues meant to characterize the Christian life. The Beatitudes are as much about being as they are about doing. What kind of a person we are matters as much as what we accomplish. This study puts the lens of virtue ethics on these well-known blessings of Christ. Participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles.



NWP Adult Gathering

"A Blessed Life: A Fresh Look at the Beatitudes"

October 30, 2018

Registration - 9:30 a.m.

Opening - 10:00 a.m.

Closing - 2:30 p.m.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church 6205 Alderson Street Weston, WI 54476



KEYNOTE: Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy Former President—Minnesota South District



Dean Nadasdy has served as President of the Minnesota South District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (2012-2018). His parish experience includes pastorates at Woodbury Lutheran Church, Woodbury, MN (2000-2012); Cross View Lutheran Church, Edina, MN (1981-1997); and Grace Lutheran Church, Eugene, OR, on the campus of the University of Oregon (1973-1981).

From 1997 to 2000, Dean served as Associate Professor of Practical Theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, where he held the Gregg H. Benidt Memorial Chair in Homiletics and Literature. He currently teaches as an adjunct instructor in the D. Min. program at Concordia Seminary. He has lectured in homiletics at seminaries in Latvia and Hungary. He is a frequent presenter in homiletics, worship, and mission at conferences of pastors and Christian educators. Dean also served as 3rd and 4th Vice President of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod 2004-2010.

He has writiten, co-edited, and published various works throughout his career. Dean received the Outstanding Alumnus Award from Concordia University, Ann Arbor, MI, in 1993. In 1996, Concordia University, Seward, NE, awarded him its Doctor of Letters degree for his writing. He enjoys writing poetry, drama, and hymn lyrics and loves art history and films. Three of his choral lyrics have recently been published as choral settings (MorningStar and Augsburg).

Dean is married to Susie, a retired Lutheran middle and high school English teacher. They are blessed with three children, Kristin, Molly, and Philip, and five grandchildren, Luke, Greta, Micah, Emily, and Esther.

DEVOTION LEADER: Rev. Dwayne Lueck



Rev. Lueck was born in Shelbyville, Illinois and grew up in Reedsburg, Wisconsin. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis in 1979. He has served congregations in Nebraska and Oklahoma.

In 1987 he received a call

from the LCMS North Wisconsin District to serve in the position of Mission, Evangelism, and Stewardship Executive. In June 2012 he was elected President of the LCMS North Wisconsin District and was re-elected in 2015 & 2018.

Dwayne is married to Cheryl. They have three children, Alison (married to David), Ben (married to Michelle), and Kim, and two grandchildren, Mila and Riley.

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2018 Adult Gathering Registration

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| Address |
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| COST: \$20 per person |
| (Includes program, breaks, and lunch) |
| For additional registrations, please make copies. |
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You can register online (credit card is an option) at: www.nwdlcms.org under "Events and Information" on our homepage **OR** complete this form and return with your check.

Send check and registration form to:

North Wisconsin District 3103 Seymour Lane Wausau, WI 54401

Registration Deadline: Oct. 16, 2018
Limited to 275 people

Please note: This event is on a first-come, first-served basis. You are not considered registered until payment is received.

Questions: 715-845-8241, ext. 100