

WELCOME!

We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd!
Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy. Join us for treats after worship!

PARENTS & KIDS: We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Children's Chapel is at the back of the sanctuary with a bookshelf filled with books and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! (Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.)

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids need a break.

For more information about LCGS go to www.lcgsduluth.org

You will find a sign up for a weekly e-mail of events and updates!

People can give online by going to www.onrealm.org/LCGSDuluth/Give. You can text LCGSDULUTH to 73256 followed by the gift amount, to give online through text.

Or people can mail their gift to Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1325 N 45th Ave E, Duluth, MN 55804.



LCGS Office is open: office@lcgsduluth.org

Monday – Thursday 9am-4pm

Friday 9am – noon

Katie Rich, Director of Faith Formation

has varied hours to meet the schedules of families and programs, especially in the summer!

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Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost -June 21, 2026

*please stand in body or spirit

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*HYMN

“This is My Father’s World”

ELW 824

*GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

*KYRIE AND PRAISE

ELW 203-204

*SHARING OF PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always

C: And also with you

L: Please share a sign of God’s peace with one another

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray,

C: Teach us Father God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will. May we see you in the beauty of creation all around us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Katie Rich

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:11 *He tends his flock like a shepherd; He gathers the lambs in his arms, and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.*

Matthew 7:9-11 *Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him.*

DEVOTIONAL SHARING - Dona Schafer and Nancy Carlson

HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

ELW 781

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:25-30 *Therefore do not worry about your life, what you shall eat, or drink, or wear? Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, who neither sow nor reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can you, by worrying, add a single hour to your span of life? Consider too, the lilies of the field, and how they grow; they neither toil, nor spin, and yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, oh you of little faith?*

Matthew 10:29-31 *Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.*

Job 12:10 *In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being.*

DEVOTIONAL SHARING - Nan Asperheim and Marcia Semerau

HYMN

“Borning Cry”

ELW 732

OFFERING - “His Eye is on the Sparrow”

Linda Turpening



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*APOSTLES CREED *Please stand as you are able and profess our faith in the words of the Apostles’ Creed*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

This Week at LCGS!

June 21, Sunday

9:30AM Worship
10:30AM Coffee Fellowship

June 22, Monday

9:30AM –4:00PM Quilters
6:30PM Folk Dance Group

June 23, Tuesday

8:30-11:30 Laundry Love @ 820 E 4th Street
4:00PM Music lessons with Cantor Parker
6:00PM Brass Rehearsal

June 24, Wednesday

7:00AM Men’s Bible Study
4:00PM Car rally in LCGS parking lot

June 25, Thursday

1:00PM Al-Anon
2:30PM Music lessons with Cantor Parker
6:00PM Spirited Faith at Bulldog Pizza
7:00PM AA

June 26, Friday

8:00AM Women’s “Son”rise Bible Conversation (ZOOM)

June 27, Saturday

Rhubarb Festival @ Asbury United Methodist

June 28, Sunday

9:30AM Worship
10:30AM Coffee Fellowship

Did you notice the beautiful new flower pots as you came in today? Thank you to Susan Sage and Cyndi Venberg who were able to use donations to buy them and plant them with beautiful flowers!! Again this summer we are Looking for some people to **water the flower pots at church.** We are hoping to have someone come to church on Monday and Thursday, Pull the hose out of the brown hose holder to the length needed to reach the front door pots. Then use the faucet key, found in the hose box to turn on water and water generously. Also condition the pot by taking off dead leaves. Then roll up the hose, put the key back in it's spot and you are done. The pots are under the roof so they will still need watering but if it's raining on your day just come the day after. Thank you for your generosity of your time and energy. Go to www.lcgsduluth.org/services To sign-up. Any problems can be answered by Cyndi Venberg 218-391-8953.



I'm writing today to invite you to an upcoming tour of LSS Bethany Crisis Shelter in Duluth. We have this tour scheduled for Wednesday, July 15 at 10:30am. It will last until about noon. This is a great chance to learn about Bethany, to see the building "in action", and to hear about the scope of LSS

youth services in NE MN generally.

I would love for you to be on this tour, and to invite others who might find it interesting, as well.

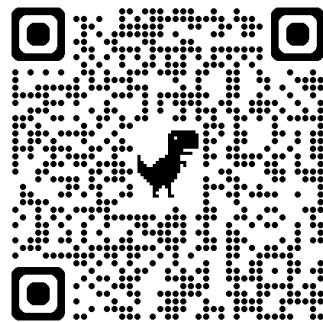
Please let me know if this works for you, or if you have any questions. You can RSVP to me

Kathryn.Tiede@lssmn.org or to events@lssmn.org.

Thanks and peace, Rev. Kathryn A. Tiede

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota

WORSHIP SURVEY - Before she left, Pastor Lisa put together a Worship Task Force and challenged us to gather information from the congregation and provide **feedback on what is meaningful in worship.** We will compile this information and present it to the Church Council and incoming Pastor Liz Davis. There is comfort found in tradition and familiarity, especially when life is chaotic. But doing something simply because that's the way it's always been done isn't always a good enough reason to keep doing it. Without change, we cannot see growth. The Worship Task Force has put together these questions for you, and we request that you thoughtfully and prayerfully answer them to the best of your ability. All answers will be anonymous. Look for the survey in your email. **If you prefer to fill out a paper survey, they can be found in the church office or at the Welcome desk.** We appreciate you taking the time to fill out the survey and ask that you return it to us by Friday, July 3.



*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE -

With the whole people God in Christ Jesus,
Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation:

Faithful Father, we thank you for this week of Daycamp. We pray that the message of wearing love comes to life for our children, volunteers, and families.

We pray for the children and families that receive clothes from the clothing drive.

We pray for the car show at church this week, and the community that attends,

We pray for the summer activities that people and families do.

Lord in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer

Loving Father, we pray for those in need, those suffering hunger or homelessness,

We pray for those with serious illnesses; those in pain or grief,

We pray for all suffering from addiction or mental distress, that all would draw near to you for hope and healing

Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

Holy Father, bring peace and healing to our world, to our country, to our families, to our planet.

We pray for peace in areas of conflict and war,

We pray for peace between leaders, peace between neighbors and family members.

We pray for the protection and healing of our amazing planet - thank you for all the beauty of nature around us.

Lord in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

*LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

May the Father, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,
Bless you, heal you, and hold you
Today and always.

Go now in peace

C: Thanks be to God

*HYMN "Have No Fear Little Flock" ELW 764
POSTLUDE

Thank you all our volunteers who signed up this morning and the following who prepare ahead!

Projections Preparer	Julie Seidelmann	
Projectionist	Bruce Johnson	
Streaming	Brian Fischer	
Hospitality	TBA	Next Week: Susan Boutin

There will be a few Sundays before Pastor Liz starts at LCGS on July 5th. Here is our plan for those Sundays. If you have any questions you can contact Anna Quanbeck at avquanbeck@gmail.com

June 21 - Women's ministry group -THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR MINISTRY!

NEXT SUNDAY-June 28 - We're having a "Service Service!" No worship; we will start with a gathering prayer followed by a church clean up to prepare to welcome our new pastor! There will be projects for all abilities! Please wear clothes to clean and work gloves if you can.

LAUNDRY LOVE

Good Shepherd will be volunteering at Maytag Duluth 820 E 4th Street every 4th Tuesday of the month.

Maytag Day June 23rd 8:30-11:30

Please let me know if June works for you! Text message to 218-349-5991 with name. Thanks. Susan Boutin



Stephen Foster, Two Hundred Years of Song



Sunday, June 28, 2026 -3:00 p.m. -Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
Join baritone Elias Mokole and pianist Linda Turpening for an afternoon celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Stephen Foster (1826–1864), born on July 4, 1826, and remembered as one of America's most beloved songwriters. The program features familiar Foster melodies, humorous songs, patriotic selections, music of Charles Ives, and songs from the Revolutionary era, with audience members invited to help select portions of the program.

A small Stephen Foster tidbit: "Did you know? Most people associate Stephen Foster with tender songs such as *Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair* and *Beautiful Dreamer*. But *That's What's the Matter* (1862) offers a witty look at a society divided by arguments over loyalty, rights, and changing times."

This Saturday, June 27: this is CHUM's Rhubarb Festival here in Duluth. Our church has been asked to take the lead on kid's activities, arts and crafts and gaga ball all day. During the Rhubarb Festival, we'll set up the same inflatable gaga ball pit. But, I constantly need 2-3 people willing to *play* gaga ball, welcome kids to join in, teach them how to play, etc...

Guests are encouraged to park at: Spirit Mountain Bike Park and Trailhead - 8551 Grand Avenue A free shuttle to the festival grounds will run regularly from the trailhead, starting at 9:30am, and ending at 3:30pm. The shuttle will drop passengers off at the main festival entrance off of Grand Avenue.

"Spirited Faith" (ages 30's, 40's, and 50's) will meet on Thursday, June 25 and Thursday, July 30, both at 6 pm at Bulldog Pizza & Grill. Join us for food and fellowship! Inquiries can be directed to Elizabeth Pappas Weitzell, liisa619@yahoo.com

Duluth/Superior Car Rally in our parking lot!
Wednesday, June 24th starting at 4pm. (Rain date is the 25th)

The Men's Bible Study Group will be grilling and providing cold drinks for a donation. Join us for a fun evening and invite your neighbors!

