

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

Second Sunday after Pentecost -June 7, 2026

*please stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE

+ GATHER+

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Katie Rich, Director of Faith Formation

GREETING

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

Congregation Response: And also with you.

HYMN

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

ELW 808

Verse 1 will first be sung by our soloist, Elias Mokole, in both French and English.

On the third time through, please join Elias in singing verse 1 of this song:

Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey

I'll tell everybody about you wherever I go

You alone are our life and our peace and our love.

Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.

SPIRITUAL SELF CHECK IN

How are you this morning? How are you doing this week?

What is happening in your life right now that you are most grateful for?

What is happening in your life right now that is a struggle or burden?

Is there something you are wrestling with or unsure of?

(Perhaps something that you are least grateful for?)



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***SHARING THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world, enable us to be still and know that You are God.

O still, small voice, speak to us this hour

that we might become makers of Your peace

in our homes, in our communities, in our world.

We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea.

C: Amen.

+ WORD +

Bible Readings

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus often retreats for moments of rest, solitude, and prayer.

Hear these Bible Texts as examples and invitations for you to do the same:

A reading from Luke, chapter 5, verse 16:

"But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed."

A reading from Mark, chapter 1, verse 35:

"Very early in the morning, while it was still dark,

Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed."

A reading from Matthew chapter 14, verse 23:

"After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside to pray by himself.

Later that night, he was there alone..."

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Psalm 46:10 – Be Still and know that I am God

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia VII - Taize ELW 175

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

***GOSPEL:** Matthew 6:6 (The Message)

Here is what I want you to do: Find a quiet, secluded place so you won’t be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace.

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. Any problems can be answered by Cyndi Venberg

This Week at LCGS!

June 7, Sunday

9:30AM Worship

10:30AM Coffee Fellowship

June 8, Monday

9:00AM –3:30PM Quilters

6:00PM Church Council

June 9, Tuesday

4:00PM Music lessons with Cantor Parker

6:00PM Brass Rehearsal

June 10, Wednesday

7:00AM Men’s Bible Study

June 11, Thursday

9:30AM Women’s Faith Study

1:00PM Al-Anon

2:30PM Music lessons with Cantor Parker

7:00PM AA

June 12, Friday

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

June 13, Saturday

June 14, Sunday

9:30AM Worship

10:30AM Coffee Fellowship

NEXT WEEK!! Day Camp will be here at Good Shepherd June 15-18. We love to have Confirmation-aged students here as volunteers that week. Youth volunteers **really** make this experience special and meaningful for the younger kids. There will be a volunteer dinner/training on Sunday, June 14. You can sign up to volunteer here: www.lcgsduluth.org/2026-day-camp

Young adults (approximately ages 18-35) are invited to Gather Twin Ports' "Bevvies with the Bishops" on Wednesday, June 17, from 4:00-6:30 p.m. at Black Woods in Duluth. Join Bishop Amy Odgren and Bishop-Elect Taryn Montgomery for an informal evening of conversation, appetizers, and connection with young adults from across the Northeastern Minnesota Synod.

Mark your calendars for 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... **If you have an abundance of rhubarb, CHUM would love donations. Go to chumduluth.org to find out schedules.**

Update from the Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry (VLM) Board www.vlmcamps.org

Dear Friends and Supporters,
On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to announce the appointment of **Anna Quanbeck** as Acting Executive Director of Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry.

Anna brings a deep commitment to our mission and a passion for outdoor ministry that reflects the values of VLM. During this transition period, we are confident that she will provide thoughtful guidance and steady leadership for our staff, congregations, volunteers, campers, and community.

We are grateful for Anna's willingness to serve in this important role and ask you to join us in offering your prayers, encouragement, and support in the months ahead.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the ministry and mission of Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry.

With gratitude, Ryan Jagim -Board Chair

**We (Good Shepherd) are excited for VLM and Anna as they start their Summer! Please pray for her, the rest of the VLM staff, and all the campers who will be attending this Summer, that they may have a safe and faith-filled camp experience!*

SERMON

HYMN

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

ELW 808

Verse 2 will be sung in French by our soloist, Elias Mokole
Please join Elias in singing verse 2 and verse 3 in English:

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Faithful God,

We pray for our church.

We pray with gratitude for our Call Committee and our incoming, new pastor.

May this church continue to be a light in the darkness,
sharing God's love with our neighborhood and the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

Loving God,

We pray for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

We pray for those in hospitals and other institutions of care.

Protect and care for those most in need today,

Including those facing grief and death.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Holy God,

We pray for peace and justice in the world,

We pray for peace in areas of conflict and war.

We pray for all your children, and all your creation.

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

C: Amen

Before our offering today, I invite you to turn in your bulletins to the insert titled Prayers of the People. We need your help creating the prayers for next week. Please fill out as much as you are able, and place that in the offering plate today.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray together the prayer Jesus taught is to pray...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

OFFERING

***BLESSING**

***HYMN**

"Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

ELW 808

Please join us in singing the 4th and final verse of this song:

We will close with Elias repeating the first verse for us, this time in English

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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

- Projections Preparer Bruce Johnson
- Projectionist Karen Guerndt
- Streaming Brian Fischer
- Hospitality Patty Altonen

Next Week: Paula Bursch

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

June 14 - Pastor Dan Holm (communion will be served)

June 21 - Women's ministry group

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.

We are very sad to announce that Marina Vork has passed. Marina's funeral will be held at Ecumin Lakeshore on Friday, June 12th at 1:00pm with a reception to follow. We are keeping her loved ones in our prayers.

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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

As we get used to our new location we like it more and more. People are so grateful as always. We are streamlining our money tracking with input from our volunteers.

I know it is early to ask, but June comes quickly with our busy lives. 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: "Sweetly She Sleeps, My Alice Fair" (Foster) was published in 1850, the same year that the tune most people know for "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" was first published. Whether Foster and Richard Storrs Willis were aware of each other's music is unknown

Day Camp Update for everyone!

The theme for Day Camp this year is "Wear Love" based on Colossians 3:12-14:

"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."

Because of this theme, instead of our traditional food drive, this year, we are going to try a Day Camp **Kids Clothing Drive!**

We will be collecting:

- ***New* socks and underwear (all kids sizes)**
- **And gently used kids clothing (all kinds and sizes)**



Throughout the week, clothing will be collected, sorted, and organized for local organizations. If you still want to donate food, you are more than welcome! But, the donation that we will be most focused on, counting, and collecting this year is kids clothing. With the theme "Wear Love" - how cool will it be for kids to donate their own gently used clothes, knowing that this is one way they can share God's love with others!

You can bring donations to church anytime, but especially during our Wednesday Night Day Camp Dinner – hosted by the Men's Bible Study (everyone is welcome!) on June 17th! More information is coming soon.

Thank you for your generous support!

