

## 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](http://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](http://www.onrealm.org/LCGSDuluth/Give). You can text LCGSDULUTH to 73256 followed by the gift amount, to give online.  
Or people can mail their gift to Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd,  
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## Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

10th Sunday after Pentecost -August 2, 2026

\*please stand in body or spirit

### Gathering

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

#### Prelude

*“Chorale Prelude on Beach Spring”, arr. David Tryggestad*

#### Welcome and Announcements

##### \*Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God,

**C: we confess to you all our sins.**

**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.**

**In your mercy, call us back to you.**

**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**

**Restore us to dwell in your peace.**

**In Christ's name we pray,**

**Amen.**

P: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest.”

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

**C: Amen.**

#### \*Gathering Song

*“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”*

ELW 461

#### \*Prayer of the Day

L: Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

Children's Sermon

**Isaiah 55:1-5**  
A reading from Isaiah:  
Hear, everyone who thirsts;  
    come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
    come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
    without money and without price.  
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread  
    and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
    and delight yourselves in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
    listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
    my steadfast, sure love for David.  
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
    a leader and commander for the peoples.  
Now you shall call nations that you do not know,  
    and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
    for God has glorified you.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 145:8-9, 14-21**  
We read Psalm 145 responsively by whole verse:  
    <sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
        slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
    <sup>9</sup> **LORD, you are good to all,  
        and your compassion is over all your works.**  
    <sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall  
        and lifts up those who are bowed down.

like to register, you need to contact Jerry or Nan  
up after church in the gathering space.

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Asperheim at or sign



LAUNDRY LOVE

Good Shepherd will be volunteering at Maytag Duluth 820 E 4th Street every 4th Tuesday of the month. **Maytag Day August 25th 8:30-11:30**  
Please let me know if July 28 works for you! Text message to with name. Thanks. Susan Boutin

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**Did you notice the beautiful flowers as you came in today?** 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](http://www.lcgsduluth.org/services)

To sign-up. Any problems can be answered by Cyndi Venberg  
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| This Week at LCGS!                                                                 |                                                                                          |
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| <b>August 2, Sunday</b><br>9:30AM Worship<br>10:30AM Coffee Fellowship             | <b>August 6, Thursday</b><br>OWLS @ St. Louis Harbor tour<br>1:00PM Al-Anon<br>7:00PM AA |
| <b>August 3, Monday</b><br>9:30AM –3:30PM Quilters<br>10:30AM Growing Little Loves | <b>August 7, Friday</b><br>8:00AM Women’s “Son”rise Bible Conversa-<br>tion (ZOOM)       |
| <b>August 4, Tuesday</b>                                                           | <b>August 8, Saturday</b>                                                                |
| <b>August 5, Wednesday</b><br>7:00AM Men’s Bible Study                             | <b>August 9, Sunday</b><br>9:30AM Worship<br>10:30AM Coffee Fellowship                   |

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

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| Altar Guild          | Julie & Tom Seidelmann |                        |
| Projections Preparer | Julie Seidelmann       |                        |
| Projectionist        | Marica Semerau         |                        |
| Streaming            | Brian Fischer          |                        |
| Hospitality          | Linda Susens           | Next Week: Sandy Scott |

**TODAY! Family friendly Small Group Gathering: Get to know Pastor Liz and the LCGS Community!**  
**Sunday, Aug 2, 5pm Lester Park-** Bring your own picnic desserts provided. Sign up at church or RSVP to Pastor Liz. Gatherings will be scheduled periodically through the fall to keep the groups small and give everyone an opportunity to participate.

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**Join Us for an End of Summer Celebration on Thursday, August 20!**

**When:** Thursday, August 20 at 6:00 pm

**Where:** LCGS Lawn (Fellowship Hall in case of rain)

**Who:** Everyone is welcome! Invite your neighbors, friends, and family.

**Details:** Let's get together to send off the summer with a party! We will have an ice cream sundae bar, music, lawn games, crafts, and socializing. If you have lawn games you'd like to bring, please do. Contact Anna Quanbeck with questions or if you'd like to volunteer at this event.



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**SOME SAVE THE DATES!**

**August 20th!** Thursday, August 20 at 6:00 pm End of Summer Celebration @ LCGS

**Saturday, September 12th** at 2:00pm (First Lutheran) Pastor Taryn Montgomery will be installed as Bishop of the NE MN Synod

**Sunday, September 13th:** Blessing of the Backpacks, Snacks for Schools, Brunch, etc.

**Sunday, October 4th** during worship, Pastor Liz Davis will be Installed as Pastor!

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**Join us for Pastor Liz’s Installation and a Celebration on October 4!**

The installation of a pastor is a ceremony in which a congregation formally welcomes a pastor and commissions their work. It also serves as a symbolic culmination of the call process. Bishop-elect Taryn Montgomery will preside over a special worship service at LCGS on October 4 during which we will install Pastor Liz in our congregation.

The installation of our new pastor is cause for celebration! The LCGS Congregational Council and the Call Committee will host a reception following the service. All are invited and welcome to attend the service and the following reception, even if you are not a member or regular attendee of LCGS. We look forward to seeing you there!

**THIS WEEK! Owls (Older, Wiser, Lutherans) have rescheduled the harbor tour for Aug 6th.** If you’d

<sup>15</sup> **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup> You open wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup> **You are righteous in all your ways  
and loving in all your works.**

<sup>18</sup> You are near to all who call upon you,  
to all who call upon you faithfully.

<sup>19</sup> **You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;  
you hear their cry and save them.**

<sup>20</sup> You watch over all those who love you,  
but all the wicked you shall destroy.

<sup>21</sup> **My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;  
let all flesh bless God’s holy name forever and ever.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

“Alleluia VII: Taizé”  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

ELW 175

**\*Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21**

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard (that Herod had killed John the Baptist), he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

ELW 712

\* Prayers of the People

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

God who abounds in steadfast love, teach us to share your love. Make this congregation known for its love: love shared here and out into the community.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer

God who hears our cries, listen as we speak the names of those in need of your healing.... Listen as we speak the names of places in need of your peace....

Answer our need with your compassion.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

God who is near to all, give hope to all who grieve. Help us to trust that you hold all who have died in your promised eternal life.

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

\*We 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 would like, and place that in the offering plate today.

\*Peace - Pastor

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

C: And also with you.

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

Offering “A Rose Touched by the Sun's Warm Rays” by Maria Brubacher, tr. Jean Berger

A rose touched by the sun's warm rays  
All its petals gently does unfold;  
So you, when touched by God's great mercy,  
Let joy and gladness win your soul.

Quartet: Jill Kaiser, Bruce Johnson, Mark and Grace Monson



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Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Words of Institution

\*Lord’s Prayer

C: 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 forever. Amen.

Distribution All are welcome! Please come forward and receive communion or a blessing. Please put a hand over your heart if you would prefer a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available for those with allergies – simply indicate your need when you come forward. Dip the wafer in the wine (red) or juice (yellow).

Song during Communion: “One Bread, One Body” ELW 496

Sending

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

\*Blessing

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,

✙ one God,  
bless, heal, and hold you  
today and always.

C: Amen

\*Sending Song: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” ELW 836

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

\*Postlude

Improvisation on Ode to Joy

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