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Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

A Member congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC)

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Website: www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org

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Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

WELCOME GUESTS

We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church we celebrate Holy Communion whenever we gather, and we would like to invite you to join us, as **all** are welcome to the Lord's table here. If you are in need of any additional information regarding our church or Synod affiliation, please contact Pastor Bill at 1-715-617-6477. Thank you for joining us.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus and seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

	<u>Recorded Services</u> :
1	All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube.
Go to the	e Church website at <u>www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org</u> and look for the Church symbol. Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.
	For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to:
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	Or on the church website – www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org
	You can donate through our PayPal account.

"Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together."

Readings for June 22, 2025 2nd Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading	Isaiah 65: 1-9	
Psalm	22: 19-28	
Second Reading	Galatians 3: 23-29	
Holy Gospel	Luke 8: 26-29	

Proclaiming How Much Jesus Has Done

We feel powerless when life's storms rage about us. Despite our best efforts, we cannot navigate those dangers without the hand of God to guide and free us.

In the gospel, the man with demons was unable to help himself. His affliction had caused him to be chained and shackled by his community. Yet even that could not control the raging evil within him. He remained helpless and ostracized on his own until he was emancipated by the power of God in Christ. Even though he was an outsider from the land of the Geresenes, Jesus came to his aid. He cast out the legion of demons in the man and sent them into the nearby herd of pigs, who then flung themselves off the bank. Though that dramatic event caused fear and confusion, the man was at last set free and commissioned by Jesus as a witness to his stunning liberation.

Paul reflects on the human condition of being "imprisoned" and "guarded" and the necessity of Christ to restore us. He reminds us of the power of our baptism to free and unite us. The text goes on to make the radically inclusive statement that there is no longer "Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:28).

Together, these texts recount the journey of faith from bondage to freedom, from separation to unity, from death to new life. And this is a path open to all, no matter who we are or from whence we've come. The scriptures energize us to join that man in the gospel who went out proclaiming "how much Jesus had done for him," even to those who would rather not hear it.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AT 9:00 A.M.

Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Please join us for mid-week services on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. They will run until July 16th.

QUILTING

Please join the quilting group at 9 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. You don't need to know how to quilt or sew - if you can tie knots, they can use your help!

ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose. *STEP ONE:*

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets *STEP TWO*:

You can provide flowers in two ways:

1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.

2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as *Altar Flower Donation*.

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

WEEKEND BACKPACK PROGRAM

With the additional number of children receiving weekly food supplements during the school year, we have finally depleted the weekend backpack fund. Please consider making a donation for this very worthwhile program headed up by the Krieck family. Pink envelopes are located on the Narthex table for your use.

UPCOMING EVENTS

If you would be interested in helping at either the Community Picnic on Saturday, July 26, or the Popcorn Event during the Fourth of July Parade, we would love to have you! Contact Barb Steinhilber for the Picnic and Jean Maines for the Popcorn Event. There are lots of ways you can be a part of these events!

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JUNE 1st

Attendance: 34

General Funds	\$1,896.00
Backpack Program	\$ 5.00
Food Pantry	\$ 20.00
Total	\$1,921.00



Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Evie, Doug, Graham, Ken B., Courtney, Lynn C, Jim C, Melody, Dick K., and Mike.

(Please let us know if/when names should be removed from this "current issues" list or moved to "ongoing list")

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Larry, Mary Lou, Ericka, Mike, Shelle, Sharon G., Brian, Graham and Ron

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah, Dylan, and David.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

Pray for peace and consoling comfort for the families of those who have passed:

Please email Bill Wendorf at <u>pastor@SOTLsayner.com</u> or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean Maines at <u>treasurer@SOTLsayner.com</u> if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list.

CONTACT INFO

In addition to the listed office hours, we are also available anytime by phone!

Treasurer – Jean Maines (715) 542-4213 or (715) 891-3344 Email: treasurer@sotlsayner.com or jamaines2012@gmail.com Office Hours on Monday and Friday, 10 am – 2 pm (Please call Jean's cell to make sure she is in the office.)

Secretary – Sharon Brooker (715) 892-7049 Email: secretary@sotlsayner.com or plclerk@gmail.com Office Hours on Tuesday from 3 pm – 7 pm and Thursday from Noon – 4 pm

Pastor Bill Wendorf (715) 542-3701 (Church) or 715-617-6477 Email: wendorfw@gmail.com or pastor@sotlsayner.com Office Hours:

Tuesdays As Needed Wednesdays 9 AM – Noon and 3 PM – 5 PM Thursday 9 AM – 1 PM Friday 9 AM - 1 PM Or by Appointment

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The Augsburg Lutheran Churches (ALC) First Sunday After Pentecost June 15th, 2025

"Holy Trinity Sunday"

Greeting & Announcements

Invocation

(Please remain seated.)

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession And Forgiveness

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen



Gathering Song

g "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" ELW 413 (Please stand as you are comfortable) Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Dialog for Holy Trinity

Worthy of praise from every mouth, Worthy of confession from every tongue,

Worthy of worship from every creature, Is your glorious name, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

For you created the world in your grace,

And by your compassion you saved the world.

To your majesty, O God, ten thousand times ten thousand bow down and adore, Singing and praising without ceasing, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;

Heaven and earth are full of your praises. Hosanna in the highest.

Hymn of Praise







Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray....

Almighty and ever-living God,

You have given us grace, by the confession of true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and, in the power of your divine majesty, to worship the unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

(Please share the peace as you are comfortable, then please be seated)

First Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

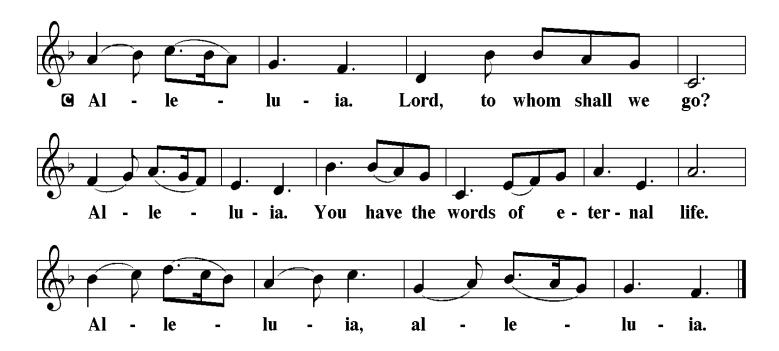
Psalm 8

¹O LORD our Lord. how majestic is your name in all the earth! ² you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger. ³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, ⁴ what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them? ⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them. ⁶ You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet: ⁷ all flocks and cattle. even the wild beasts of the field. ⁸ the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea. ⁹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading Romans 5:1-5

Gospel Acclamation

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



The Holy Gospel According to....

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading John 16:12-15

The Gospel of the Lord....

Glory to you, O Christ.

(Please be Seated)

Sermon

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

Apostles Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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. Amen

Prayers of the People

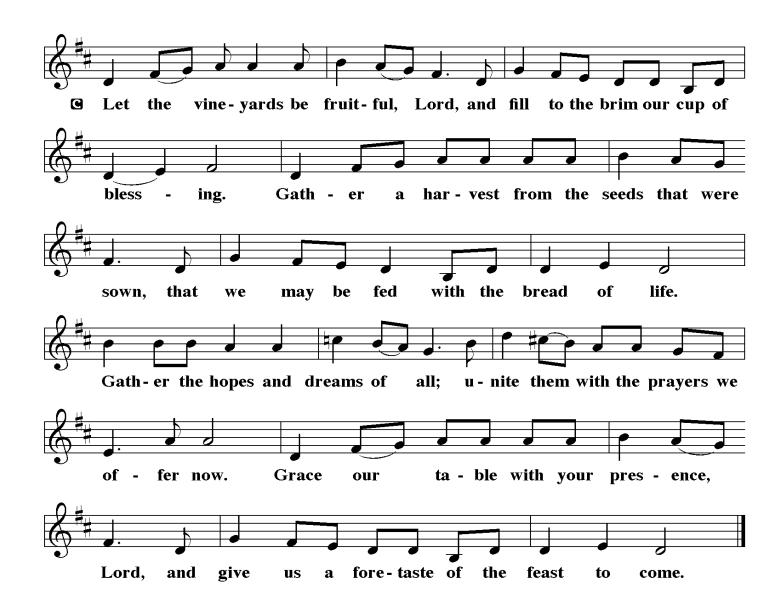
Offering

(We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

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Presentation Of Gifts

(Please stand as you are comfortable and join in the offertory hymn)



Offertory Prayer

Merciful God,

You open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord...... Amen.

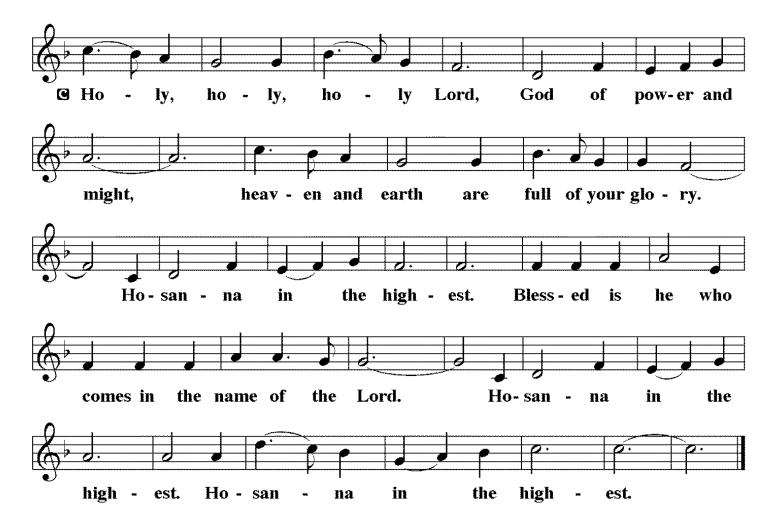
Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy..... and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

Lords Prayer

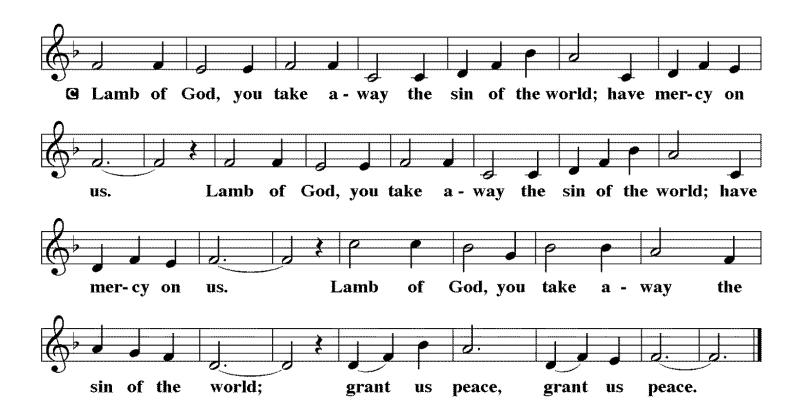
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Invitation

Distribution

(Please be seated)

Everyone is welcome to the Lord's Table at Shepherd of the Lakes. Please come forward as the ushers direct, receive the bread in your hand and then receive the wine by dipping the host into the wine (chalice). Grape juice is also offered as an alternative to the wine in the clear chalice. We also have gluten free wafers for those in need, simply ask for them when you come forward. Small children and others that wish not to commune may come forward for a blessing. ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.



Communion Hymns

"This Is My Fathers World" ELW 824

This Is My Father's World



Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.



Text: Christopher Idle, b. 1938 Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune; arr. Alice Parker, b. 1925 Text © 1980 Jubilate Hymns, admin. Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by permission. Arr. © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

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"Beautiful Savior" ELW 838 Beautiful Savior



Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Communion Blessing (*Please stand as you are comfortable*)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Prayer

Almighty God,

You gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Blessing/Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen

Sending Hymn

"Thy Strong Word" ELW 511 vs. 1-4 Thy Strong Word



Text: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–1976 Music: EBENEZER, Thomas J. Williams, 1869–1944 Text © 1969 Concordia Publishing House

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Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Calendar for Week of June 16 to June 22, 2025

Wednesday	June 18, 2025	Quilting	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	June 18, 2025	Mid-Week Service	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	June 19, 2025	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	June 22, 2025	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

Next Council Meeting:

June 22, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

Summer Community Picnic – Saturday, July 26th Popcorn during the Parade on July 4th!

Check our calendar of events on the church website for times and dates of events and worship services.

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