

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY

Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor

Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 30, 2023

Service Of Prayer and Preaching LSB 260

Opening Hymn: “I Love Your Kingdom Lord” LSB 651

Hymn of the Day: “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”
LSB 851

Closing Hymn: “Lord, Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee” LSB 573

WELCOME!! We are glad that you have joined us this morning as we lift up our hearts and voices in response to God’s great gift of forgiveness and life in Christ Jesus. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Pastor Les Wolfgram and Pastor Justin Woodside.

AT SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH, we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confidence that we receive, along with the bread and wine, our Savior’s true body and blood “through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins.” Besides individually receiving Christ’s free gift of forgiveness in this sacrament, all those who commune make a confession of the faith that we believe and teach in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. To commune at this altar is to accept the doctrinal position of this congregation. Because of that common confession, we invite those who are members at sister Missouri Synod Churches to join us at the Lord’s Table. If you would like more information on our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, please visit with Pastor Wolfgram or Pastor Woodside.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

For more than a century, [Lutheran Family Service](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org) has been walking with people in times of need, providing support just as God has been there to support us. And now the opportunity to walk with *YOU* in North Dakota is officially here!

Thanks to the newly established partnership with the LCMS North Dakota District, this year Lutheran Family Service is working in four specific areas to serve others:

Mental Health, Marriage, and Family Counseling, Church Worker Wellness, Seminars & Education, Pregnancy Counseling & Adoption

The Third Quarter focus for Human Care is Lutheran Family Service. You will hear more about the wonderful ministry of Lutheran Family Service and how they will be a blessing to you in the coming weeks. Learn more about LFS by going to the website at <https://lutheranfamilyservice.org/>.



Building Healthy Families: Whether it's your growing awareness of the number of hours in your day tinged with anxiety or depression, or a gnawing feeling in your gut about the distance you're feeling from you spouse, know that you don't have to wait for a crisis to benefit from visiting with a Lutheran Family Service counselor! It's often easier to prevent a problem than to recover from one in full bloom. Pay attention to your mental, emotional, spiritual, and relational health. Talk to your pastor and trusted friends, read God's word, but remember (as the tee shirt says): It's okay to have Jesus and a therapist, too!
Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org

The 68th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod is being held from July 29 to Aug. 3, 2023, at the Baird Center in downtown Milwaukee. The Synod will gather under the convention theme, "We Preach Christ Crucified," based on 1 Cor. 1:18–25. In a world of uncertainty, the church's proclamation, mission, and identity remain the same. We preach Christ crucified. Pastor Marcis and Brad Christensen are serving as delegates representing the Southwest Circuit of the North Dakota District Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod at the convention. Brad will offer a report to Shepherd members during education hour on August 6th.



YOU MAY ONLY BE ONE PERSON,
BUT YOU CAN BE THE ONE PERSON
WHO MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

Calling individuals and families to become part of
SOTV's GREETING MINISTRY!

All that is required is that you bring your friendliest smile to stand at the front door, open the door and welcome people to our amazing church. After service, thank them and provide words of blessing for a wonderful week as they leave. You will need to come 15 minutes early to service and stay 10 minutes after service. The ministry will resume on August 2nd.



MAIN STREET LIVING—LCMS TV Program—

Sunday Mornings @ 10 AM

KBMY Xtra / Bismarck Channel 17.3 Midco Channel 594

10:00 AM: worship service led by area pastors 10:30 AM:

"This Is The Life" program

To watch these programs at any time and see upcoming schedules go to www.mainstreetliving.com/north.

July 30th: Rev. Justin Woodside, Bethel & Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Churches, Bismarck, ND, presents the message: "Giving All for the Treasure" *This Is the Life* program: "The Selling Price" - A father and son face the issue of ethics, and how it relates to God's law.

August 6th: Rev. Thomas Marcis, Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND, presents the message: "Don't Just Send Them Away", based on Matthew 14:13-21. *This Is the Life* program: "No Laughing Matter" - A woman must learn to deal with her past in order to help someone else in her present.

Orientation for Catechism Instruction will take place on Wednesday, August 16th, 6:00 PM at Bethel Lutheran Church for parents and students entering grade 6-8. The annual Confirmation Retreat is scheduled to take place at Kidder County Lake #5 on Saturday, August 26th and the first day of class will be August 30th.



Save the date: Congregational picnic at the Community Center at Sertoma Park on Sunday, August 13. Serving starts at 12:00. The Board of Stewardship will provide fried chicken. Bring a dish to pass and share.

Volunteers needed: Please sign up to bring treats for fellowship during the education hour. We are also in need of persons willing to mow the church lawn. There are sign-up sheets for both of these in the narthex.



We continue our study of the book of Ezekiel with Pastor Woodside on Tuesday night at 6:00 pm. Plan to join us.



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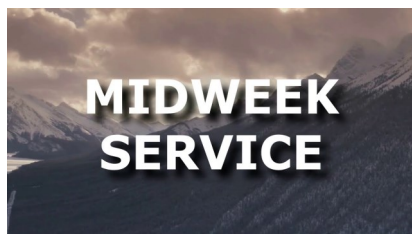
July 30 - Aug. 12

Sunday Mon Tue Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

30 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:15am</u> Education Hour	31	1 <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	2 <u>6:00pm</u> Worship (Wolfgram)	3	4	5
6 <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:15am</u> Education Hour	7	8 <u>4:00pm</u> Evangelism <u>4:30pm</u> Human Care <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	9 <u>6:00pm</u> Worship (Marcis)	10 <u>7:30pm</u> Trustees	11	12 <u>8:30am</u> Board of Education

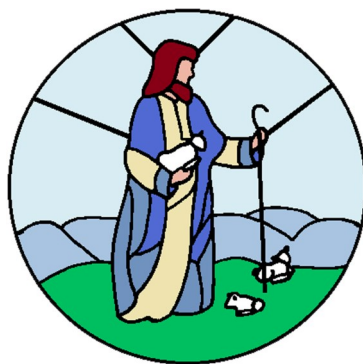


Sun: 1 Sam. 15:10-35; Acts 24:24-25:12
Mon: 1 Sam. 16:1-23; Acts 25:13-27
Tue: 1 Sam. 17:1-19; Acts 26:1-23
Wed: 1 Sam. 17:20-47; Acts 26:24-27:8
Thu: 1 Sam. 17:48-18:9; Acts 27:9-26
Fri: 1 Sam. 18:10-30; Acts 27:27-44
Sat: 1 Sam. 19:1-24; Acts 28:1-15



Pastor Wolfgram will lead the service and proclaim God's Word at our Mid-week service on August 2nd at 6:00 pm.

Sunday School Rally Day will be held on Sunday, September 10 as we kick off another year of Sunday School.



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
 "A church family that shares, nurtures, and lives our faith in Christ"

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THE WEEKLY FYI

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Justin Woodside
Liturgist: Pastor Justin Woodside
Elder: Dick Dever
Accompanist: Eutimia Woodside
Acolyte: Mackenzie G.

Worship Times
6:00 PM Every Wednesday
9:00 am Sunday Divine Service (livestream)
10:30 am Education Hour

Stewardship Thought

Matthew 13:45-46 – "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it." Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.



Summer Midweek Worship
 Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
 6:00 PM

July 26	Marcis
Aug. 2	Wolfgram
Aug. 9	Marcis
Aug. 16	Voss
Aug. 23	Marcis (Vicar Meyers)

