## SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY

Rev. Lester Wolfgram, Pastor Rev. Justin Woodside, Pastor The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost August 27, 2023

Divine Service Setting Three	LSB 184
<b>Opening Hymn: "Built on the Rock"</b>	LSB 645
Hymn of the Day: "Christ is the World's Redeemer"	LSB 539
Distribution: "The Church's One Foundation"	LSB 644
"Thanks to Thee, Oh Christ"	LSB 548
Closing Hymn: "Onward Christian Soldiers"	LSB 662

**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. Introit

Psalm 2:6–7; 117; antiphon: Psalm 115:18

But we will | bless the LORD\* from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD! As for me, I have | set my King\* on Zion, my | holy hill. I will tell of the decree:\* The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you." Praise the LORD, all | nations!\* Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\* and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD! Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen. But we will | bless the LORD\* from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

For more than a century, Lutheran Family Service 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**: When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant, I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years. (Mark Twain) Truth be told, parents and their children get along much better when the adolescent years are over. Dr. James Dobson once said that the goal of parenting teenagers is simply to survive and live to tell about it. If you and your family are navigating the turbulent waters of adolescence, don't give up. It will get better! Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6 Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org



### 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Being part of a family is a great and blessed vocation from God. What does it mean to be a husband/wife? What does it mean to be a parent?

Join us for the 1<sup>st</sup> in our series of studies on the First Estate and the Vocation of Family.

Where: Bethel Lutheran

Church When Sunday Oct 1 1:00-2:30

Childcare Provided Contact Pastor Woodside TEXT: 951-217-3385





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:

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

August 27th: Rev. Timothy Schmeisser, Grace Lutheran Church, Sebeka, MN, Zion Lutheran Church, Sebeka, MN, and Nimrod Lutheran Church, Nimrod, MN, presents the message: "Back To Basics" based on Matthew 16:13-20. This Is the Life" program: "Stranger at the Door" – Having given up a baby for adoption 22 years before, a man shows up on her steps saying he is looking for his mother.

September 3: Rev. Scott Brown, Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Alexandria, MN, and St. James Lutheran Church, Parkers Prairie, MN, presents the message: "God's Way", based on Matthew 16:21-28. This Is the *Life program: "The Sound of Doors Closing" – A man's mid-life crisis and the effect it has on his family.* 

Catechism Instruction first day of class will be August  $30^{\text{th}}$ .







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



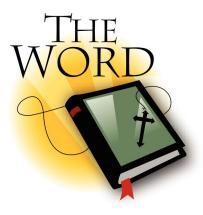
"This Is The Life" program



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.

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Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wednesday	Thursday	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
<u>9:00am</u>		<u>6:00pm</u>	<u>6:00pm</u>	<u>6:00pm</u>		
Divine Service		Bible Study	Confirmation Instruction	Sunday School		
<u>10:30am</u>			<u>6:00pm</u>	Planning		
Education Hour			Worship	Meeting		
<u>7:00pm</u>			(Wolfgram)			
Council						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<u>9:00am</u>		<u>2:30pm</u>	<u>6:00pm</u>			
Divine Service		Stewardship	Confirmation Instruction			
<u>10:30am</u>		<u>4:00pm</u>				
Education Hour		Evangelism				
		<u>4:30pm</u>				
		Human Care				
		<u>6:00pm</u>				
		Bible Study				



- Sun: 1 Kings 9:1-9, 10:1-13; 2 Cor. 5:1-21
- Mon: 1 Kings 11:1-26; 2 Cor. 6:1-18
- 1 Kings 11:42-12:19; 2 Cor. 7:1-16 Tue:
- Wed: 1 Kings 12:20-13:5, 33-34, 1 Kings 14:1-16:28; 2 Cor. 8:1-24
- Thu: 1 Kings 16:29-17:24, 2 Cor. 10:1-13:14; 2 Cor. 9:1-15
- 1 Kings 18:1-19; Eph. 1:1-23 Fri:
- 1 Kings 18:20-40; Eph. 2:1-22 Sat:

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





### **THOSE SERVING TODAY**

Preacher:	Pastor Justin Wood
Liturgist:	Pastor Justin Wood
Elder:	Lee Roath
Accompanist:	Eutimia Woodside
Acolyte:	David A.

### **Stewardship Thought**

Matthew 16:27 – "For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done." St Paul talks about rewards on the Last Day in 1 Corinthians 3, and Jesus says more about this "repaying" in Matthew 19:27–30. Bottom line: your good works can't buy you heaven, but in Christ your good works do matter. They are pleasing to your Heavenly Father, and they will be rewarded. In other words, your sacrifices for the Lord's kingdom are not in vain and do not go unnoticed by your Father. This should encourage you in your faithfulness.



Pastor Wolfgram will lead the service and proclaim God's Word at our Mid-week service on August 30th at 6:00 pm.

MIDWEEK

SERVICE

# Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

"A church family that shares, nurtures, and lives our faith in Christ"

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



# We rejoice with

Grace Wolfgram as she is installed as Director of Christian Education at

Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fargo this morning.