



Whether you are mourning the death of a loved one who died several years ago or the more recent loss of a family member, you are invited to Take Heart In Your Grief. Sessions will take place on six Sunday evenings at Shepherd of the Valley from 6:30-8:00 PM beginning October 6. Take Heart In Your Grief will give you the opportunity to connect with others who share your experience even as you are given hope in Christ. Pastor Marcis and Pastor Wolfgram will lead the discussion based on the booklet, Take Heart In Your Grief, authored by Dr. Oswald Hoffmann.



Contact Pastor Wolfgram if you have questions or would like to attend.

The next Men's Network will take place on Saturday, September 21st at 8:00 am at Bethel Lutheran Church.



The Southwest Circuit Forum will take place on Saturday, September 14 in Glenn Ullin to elect our Circuit Visitor and to address potential overtures for the 2025 LCMS ND District Convention January 19-22 in Minot. Our thanks to Lonny Lang for his willingness to serve as the representative for Shepherd of the Valley.



**Building Healthy Families:** A research project conducted with college age students in the Midwest found that most of them reported having an important relationship with grandparents or significant elders who influenced their values, goals, and life choices and gave them a sense of self, roots, and tradition. **Grandparents and older members of our church family, do you know how important you are?** Make sure the young adults in your family and congregation who have gone off to college or are returning to high school this month continue to hear from you. Now, more than ever, they need your love and support – even if they're not asking for it! **Lutheran Family Service**  
[www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)



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](http://www.mainstreetliving.com/north).

**Sep 8<sup>th</sup>:** Rev. Kevin Zellers, Messiah Lutheran Church, Mandan, ND, presents the message based on Mark 7:37. Visit [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) for more information. "This Is the Life" program: **"Families Come First"** - A man contends with the demands of his career, promotion, and his vocation as a father.

**Sep 15<sup>th</sup>:** Rev. Matt Thompson, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND, and St. John's Lutheran Church, McClusky, ND, presents the message: **"Words for Good"** based on James 3:1-12. This is the Life" program: **"Conspiracy of Silence"** - A husband and wife come to grips with a terminal illness.

Sunday Sept 15th as a church work event (all willing hands welcome to pour small concrete pads, trim shrubs and trees, and evaluate the nativity set).



"Our Wisdom Warrior committee has been continuing our planning as we work toward launching our Mentorship program in 2025. The official day to sign up for this program will be

Rally Day September 8, 2024 during Education Hour. This is the time for interested mentors and families of mentees to sign up for the program, and receive information on the upcoming training sessions (September and October). More information to come!"

Rally Day: As a part of the service today, we will install Sunday School teachers and elected leaders of the congregation. We will also receive Richard and Ellen Farley as members of our congregation. In addition, children in the congregation will receive a blessing to launch the new season for Sunday School. Please join us for brunch and visit with members of our leadership boards to learn how they serve Christ and His Church in this place.



The Tuesday morning Bible study will resume this week at 10:00 am as we continue our study of the Gospel according to John. There will be bible study at 6:00 pm.

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# Sept. 8 - Sept. 21

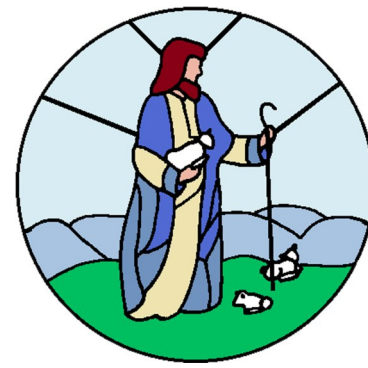
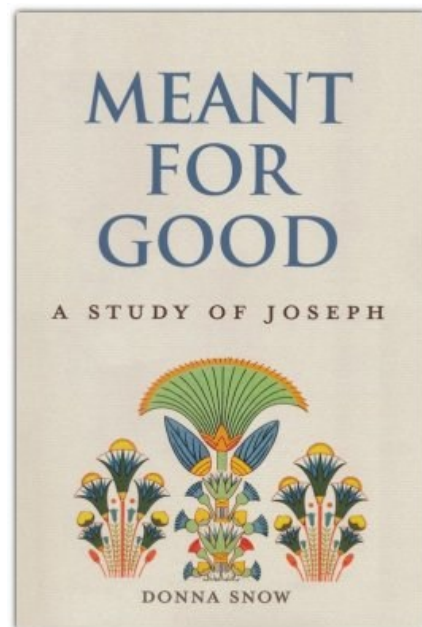
Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>8</b> <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Rally Day	<b>9</b> <u>6:00pm</u> Women's Bible Study	<b>10</b> <u>10:00am</u> Bible Study <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	<b>11</b> <u>6:00pm</u> Worship <u>6:00pm</u> Confirmation @ Bethel <u>7:00pm</u> Human Care	<b>12</b>       	<b>13</b>       	<b>14</b> <u>10:30am</u> Circuit Forum in Glen Ullin
<b>15</b> <u>9:00am</u> Divine Service <u>10:30am</u> Education Hour <u>1:00pm</u> Middle School Youth	<b>16</b>       	<b>17</b> <u>10:00am</u> Bible Study <u>6:00pm</u> Bible Study	<b>18</b> <u>6:00pm</u> Worship <u>6:00pm</u> Confirmation <u>7:00pm</u> Wisdom Warrior Training # 1	<b>19</b> <u>6:30pm</u> Elders	<b>20</b>       	<b>21</b> <u>8:00am</u> Men's Network <u>10:00am</u> Trustees <u>4:30pm</u> Hangout



## Iowa Flooding

The focus for human care for the third quarter of this year is support for congregations in Northwest Iowa that suffered severe flood damage in recent weeks.

Ladies in the congregation are invited to join us for a study of Joseph entitled, "Meant For God" that will take place on Monday night at 6:00 pm.



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

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

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 8, 2024

THE WEEKLY FYI



### THOSE SERVING TODAY

**Preacher:** Rev. Justin Woodside  
**Liturgist:** Rev. Les Wolfgram  
**Elder:** Dick Dever  
**Accompanist:** Eutimia Woodside  
**Acolyte:** Abby Z.

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

### Stewardship Thought

James 2:2 – "For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in ..." God shows no partiality: rich and poor alike are called into the kingdom. And both rich and poor alike have something to contribute to the kingdom in accordance with the callings God has given them in their lives. This is why both the Old and New Testaments talk about proportional giving — that is, giving a proportion of our income to the Lord's work. This makes it possible for rich and poor alike to have the honor of supporting God's work.

### JAMES 2:2-4

For example, suppose someone comes into your meeting dressed in fancy clothes and expensive jewelry, and another comes in who is poor and dressed in dirty clothes. **3** If you give special attention and a good seat to the rich person, but you say to the poor one, "You can stand over there,

**Sun:** 1 Kings 18:20-40; Eph. 2:1-22  
**Mon:** 1 Kings 19:1-21, 1 Kings 20:1-22:53; Eph. 3:1-21  
**Tue:** 2 Kings 2:1-18; Eph. 4:1-24  
**Wed:** 2 Kings 2:19-25, 4:1-7; Eph. 4:25-5:14  
**Thu:** 2 Kings 4:8-22, 32-37; Eph. 5:15-33  
**Fri:** 2 Kings 4:38-5:8; Eph. 6:1-24  
**Sat:** 2 Kings 5:9-27; Phil. 1:1-20

