

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd

June/July 2019 Newsletter

FROM PASTOR TIM

Jesus said, "Consider the birds of the air... Consider the lilies of the field..."

The Ruby-throated Hummingbirds are back, and I'm fascinated by how the sun interacts with their feathers to give off prisms of colors. The throat feathers can look completely black at one moment, and then the light reflects at a different angle and colors shimmer from deep purple to bright ruby.

Spring brings all sorts of colors into our lives. The luminous spring green of new aspen leaves, the deeper greens of the grasses, the grayer green of the oak leaves. This background of green is speckled with spring flowers - some that we've planted - some that we haven't. Our lawn is becoming decorated with lively dots of dandelion yellow. At the edges are a speckling of spring beauties and violets.

The colors are amazing.

After a long winter, our eyes are hungry to soak in all of this color. Those first colors grab our attention and draw us toward them. We pause to look, to notice, to enjoy the gift. As we move into the summer, I think of colors of another kind. It's those rich colors that we experience in the people around us. As God opens our eyes to see the colors of springtime, I pray that God also opens our eyes to see our children, parents, neighbors, co-workers, friends, and acquaintances in a new light.

There are vibrant colors that we experience when we take time to listen deeply to the people in our lives. The thoughts they hold, the memories they share, the times of quiet listening that they give to us, the way they put words together, the stories they tell.

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Within the ministries unfolding here at church, I see rich color. Through the people God has gathered here - through you - God is bringing bright and lively color into our church and community. Because of your involvement in your church, because of how you live out your life in Christ, God's love is coming through you and touching people in deeply meaningful, life-giving ways.

Through you, God is bringing colors into other people's lives, and the colors are amazing.

Pastor Tim

LCGS IS PRAYING

**Good Shepherd randomly prays for all its members.
During these weeks we are keeping the following in our prayers:**

- June 2 Barb & Bill Jahn, Jessica Brandon and Eric; Peggy MacDonald;
Amy & Jeff Packer, Elizabeth and William; Susan & Pat Sage
- June 9 Carolyn & Chris James; Audrey Madson
- June 16 Lisa & Jeff Jarvela, Jack, Annika and Reid; Lois Maine; Laurel & Bill Pagel;
Nancy & Rick Sall
- June 23 Jody & Bruce Jensen, Zachary and Nicholas; Karen & Bill Majerle, Matthew and Megan;
Saundra & Buzz Palmer; Debra & Craig Sanders
- June 30 Corrine Jensen; Thomas Maki, Peyton; Margaret & Michael Palmer;
Jody & Paul Sandstrom, and Samuel
- July 7 Marisa & Dane Ramsay; Beverly & Lowell Venberg; Kate Waggoner and Arianna
- July 14 Susan & Steve Ramsey; Cyndi & Tod Venberg; Dorothy Thomas
- July 21 Laura & Connor Rasch; Julie & Don Verelius
- July 28 Amber & Aaron Verhel; Beth & Rob Waksdahl, Robert, Marissa, and Morgan

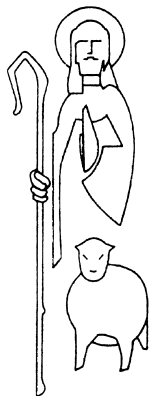


Prayer: God heals the broken in heart, and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3

PRAYER REQUEST - If you would like us to pray for a specific concern, please call the office at 525-1922 and your request will be shared with others who care about your needs and believe God will hear and answer. If you have a prayer request emergency and it is after church office hours, please email Amie at Communications@lcsduluth.org

PRAYERS FOR HOSPITALIZED PERSONS shared with the Prayer Chain (and in the Prayers of the Church) will begin with “God knows the names of all for whom we pray...” unless permission has been granted by the hospitalized individual or a family member of the individual. This is in keeping with our Privacy Policy. If you have questions/ comments regarding this policy, please feel free to discuss it with one of the pastors.

Worship Attendance					
	<u>8:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>		<u>8:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>
4/28	89	50	5/5	110	51
	<u>8:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>		<u>8:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>
5/12	104	39	5/19	110	64



"Create, Laugh, and Learn"



Tuesday, June 4th 9:00-2:30PM Good Shepherd Fellowship Hall

"Days for Girls" is an international organization which empowers women and girls worldwide to be able to stay in school through sustainable menstrual care products and health education. The WELCA women of Minnesota have teamed together to support their mission. If you cannot come to this event, please support us with

donations dropped off at the church office of the following:

1. Lightweight dark colored washcloths
2. 1/3yd. or more of printed dark colored 100% quilters cotton in geometric, botanical, batik fabric (no animals bugs reptiles people faces, eyes, camo, national symbols, girly glam)
3. 2 1-2 yds printed dark colored 100% cotton flannel (same guidelines for prints) no bed sheets
4. 2 yards or more of colorful 3/8 inch grosgrain ribbon for drawstrings
5. Freezer gallon size ziploc bags
6. Money donation to Marge Kangas or drop off in office.

Who can come? Mothers, daughters, friends. To do? Cut, iron, sort, sew, serge, glue labels, string bags.

What to bring if you can? Sewing machine, serger, fabric, scissors, rotary cutter, cutting mat, iron and board.

We will find a job for everyone.

Questions call Sue Boutin 218-349-5991



July Event! A Golf outing! All abilities welcome! The date is July 14, 4pm. At Lester Park Golf Course. It will be a Scramble format. Food and Drink in the clubhouse after. More information to come! Sign-up in the Gathering Space! Hosted by Pat & Bruce Johnson 728-5510

WELCA IS COLLECTING PENNIES FOR "DAYS FOR GIRLS".

BRING ANY LOOSE CHANGE AND PUT IT IN THE POLKA DOT BOX IN THE WELCOME CENTER.



OWLS! (Older, Wiser, Lutherans)

Grease, performance at the NorShor Theatre! There are only 11 seats left!

Sunday, July 28, 2019 @ 2:00 p.m. Tickets \$45 (group discount rate, normally \$50) 27 seats available on the main floor in rows "L" and

"M" Deadline is Wednesday, June 26th to make reservations and get your money to Marcia Semerau Questions contact Marcia at 218-576-5531 or

msemrau@hotmail.com



Will you be gone over summer? You can still give!

Giving on-line is easy! Go to our website today!

Lcgsduluth.org/give



Summer Schedule!

Join us for worship Sunday mornings at 9:30am!
Summer office hours: Mon-Thurs: 9:00am-4:00pm, Fri: closed.

LCGS Women Contribute to Lutheran World Relief

For 32 years, women for LCGS and Lutheran Churches from all over the United States, have been making quilts and putting together, Baby, Personal Care, Fabric, and School kits for poverty stricken countries. This year LCGS donated 33 boxes filled with 46 School Kits, 38 Baby Kits, 34 Personal Care Kits, 17 Fabric Kits, and 50 beautiful quilts: these 33 boxes will be brought to Sugar Lake Lodge for the NE MN Synod summer WELCA Gathering. From there, they will begin their Journey to countries of poverty throughout the world. This ministry is only possible with the annual dedication and work in making quilts, and gathering and purchasing items for the kits all year long. Many, many, many thanks to all of you who helped us with this ministry during this past year.

With much appreciation, Kathy Kreager, Coordinator



Lutheran World Relief



LCGS New Member classes. Have you been looking for a church home? What does becoming a member of a church mean? We will be hosting classes 6:00 to 7:30 Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24. You'll get a chance to learn more about our church and ask questions. Please contact Pastor Tim at 525-1922 or tberdahl@lcsduluth.org

New Member Sunday will be July 28th

Recruiting Rummage Sale Volunteer Coordinator

Do you enjoy rummage sales ... organizing all the donated merchandise and of course finding those hidden "treasures?" Consider volunteering to organize a rummage sale for Good Shepherd. There is some member interest in supporting this event with donations.

Resource Development Leadership Team is also supportive of the church hosting a rummage sale as a fundraiser, if a member volunteer leader steps forward. This fundraiser is also a good service project to our community to assist others by sharing our "stuff" at very low cost. The church has done a number of rummage sales in the past so lots of experienced "mentors" available to assist with overall planning. If you are interested in leading a rummage sale fundraiser this year, please call the office at 218-525-1922.

What is going on at Camp Vermilion and Camp Hiawatha? Register for summer camp now!

Summer Camp is right around the corner! VLMCAMPS.ORG

Look for kids camps, Family camps, and BWCAW Camps!

Bluegrass Festival! Saturday, July 27th, 2019 at Camp Vermilion 1:00-7:00 p.m.

Join us for a day of great music, great food, and great family fun in God's great northwoods.

This annual concert and fundraiser is an event you won't want to miss!

Bluegrass Raffle Prizes

1st Prize 1400 Lund Fury W/30 HP Mercury Tiller and Trailer (\$15,000 Retail Value)
2nd Prize Super One Foods Gift Cards (\$1,000 Value) 3rd Prize \$500 Cash Prize

Drawing will take place at 6:15 pm on July 27th at Camp Vermilion during the festival.

(Need not be present to win)

If you would like to help by selling raffle tickets in your congregation call the VLM office at 218-666-5465



Vacation Bible School: ROAR: Life is Wild; God is Good!

June 17-21 9:00 am – Noon

We are extra full this summer! So EXCITING!

Please keep the leaders & campers in your prayers this week as they learn more about their faith and God's Love!

If you have any supplies to donate, they should be delivered by Sunday, June 2nd.

The decoration challenge is a free standing safari animal!

You can bring them to church anytime before VBS!

See you there!!



Sunday School is out during the summer! Join us for worship as a family on Sundays at 9:30am!

We will be sending out information about Sunday School at the end of Summer! Have a fun one!

"BACK TO SCHOOL WITH BACKPACKS" PROJECT

HERE'S HOW WE CAN HELP

--Go to chumduluth.org to find out what the greatest needs are

--Make a \$20 donation so supplies can be purchased



ITEMS NEEDED TO FILL A K-5 BACKPACK

Wide ruled spiral notebooks
Pocket folders
Scissors
No.2 pencils
Box of 8 markers
Box of 24 crayons
Glue sticks
Backpacks

ITEMS NEEDED TO FILL A 6-12 BACKPACK

College ruled spiral notebooks
Pocket folders
3-ring binder
college ruled loose leaf filler paper
No.2 pencils
Black stick pens
Box of 12 colored pencils
Backpacks

To ensure fairness to all students, each backpack is packed identically based on this list. It is most helpful to CHUM that we not include additional items in our donations. If unable to donate a full backpack, the items most needed are backpacks, colored pencils, crayons, and pocket folders.

If making a monetary donation, checks should be made out to CHUM. Financial donations can be placed in the Reaching Out Leadership Team box in the church office to Marcia's attention. Please mark it for the Backpack project.

Look for the yellow school bus on July 21st and place the items in it. It will be up until August 4th. Marcia Semerau will deliver LCGS donations to CHUM on Wednesday, August 7th. Any questions please contact her at 218-576-5531 or at msemerau@hotmail.com

Thank you for supporting local students! More than 1,100 backpacks were distributed last year.

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