

# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

5 July 2020



Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people whom He has chosen as his heritage!.

- Psalm 33:12



## GOOD SHEPHERD

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# WELCOME!

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
 as we gather as God's people to worship the Lord!  
 May our worship strengthen your faith and desire to serve Him  
 Who loves us with an everlasting love in Christ Jesus! .

Some **FRIENDLY REMINDERS** before Worship: Please...

- Give your **Prayer Request** to an elder or usher before worship today.
- **Turn off** or place on vibration mode your **cell phone**.
- As you enter the worship area today, **be thoughtful of those around you**, who are contemplating being in the Lord's presence. This is a good time for private prayer (inside cover of Lutheran Service Book) and meditation on the Psalms (pg. 1) and Luther's "Small Catechism" (pg. 321) in the front section of the LSB hymnal.
- **Guests: Welcome to Good Shepherd!** If you don't have a church home, we invite you to complete the **WHO'S IN THE PEW** card located in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate or hand it to the usher. We're glad you're here! (Members note that the contact information need not be completed.)

|                              | TODAY   |   | NEXT SUNDAY   |   |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
|                              | 8:00a   | 10:30a  | 8:00a   | 10:30a  |
| <b>Organist/<br/>Pianist</b> | Brian Tidwell   | Brian Tidwell                                   | Brian Tidwell   | Brian Tidwell                                   |
| <b>Musician</b>              |   |   |   |   |
| <b>Elders</b>                | Jim Eakes   | Ron Parker                                      | Jim Eakes   |   |
| <b>Acolyte</b>               |   |   |   |   |
| <b>Ushers</b>                | Martin Harke,<br>Mike Moore,<br>Jerry Beasley,<br>Manny Vasquez | Ron Pendley,<br>Bill Schlegel,<br>Manny Vasquez | Martin Harke,<br>Mike Moore,<br>Jerry Beasley,<br>Manny Vasquez | Ron Pendley,<br>Bill Schlegel,<br>Manny Vasquez |

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**COVID-19 Pandemic Virus Notes:** The most accurate and up-to-date source of news for the all things related to the Coronavirus can be found at [coronavirus.gov](https://www.coronavirus.gov).

**WORSHIP NOTES:** Due to the extraordinary circumstances resulting from the pestilence smiting our day, please be aware of the following worship sanitary arrangements employed to minimize the spread of the **COVID-19 Pandemic Virus** thereby presenting reasonable assembly risk:

Our intent is to continue to offer Sunday morning worship services (i.e., 8:00a/10:30a) as one worship option for members to consider because “assembly” is an important dimension of worship in keeping with the 3<sup>rd</sup> commandment. For example, consider the kind of family life you would experience if there were no assembly or presence, i.e., you would only relate to one another by phone—it’s sort of two-dimensional, with significant limitations, not three-dimensional that is real life.

Today our Sunday morning worship is being broadcast (online) through our website as another devotional option for you to consider In keeping with ‘social distancing’ thinking. Technology, i.e. the internet, is helpful here in doing just that, but long term it lacks the ‘assembly’ or ‘presence’ dimension (i.e., it’s two-dimensional) which is an important element to the worship of God’s people, to the worship of the body of Christ (i.e., it’s three-dimensional). (By this arrangement there is no way to receive Holy Communion, the Lord’s Supper; it is only given out in assembly in what is called the Real Presence.)

All of that being said please do not feel compelled to attend any public assembly worship until a time when you determine it is acceptable to do so. During this pandemic scourge opting for either staying socially isolated or desiring to receive Holy Communion are both God-pleasing choices. However if you do wish to join in assembly worship please note the following sanitary precautions:

1. All door knobs, door plates, door handles, light switches, railings, et al., will be sanitized before your arrival to worship.
2. In keeping with ‘social distancing’ thinking, please sit somewhat apart from those seated around you. There is plenty of room in our sanctuary for doing this.
3. Please wear a face covering, or one will be provided.
4. No offering will be collected during worship services (to minimize the potential spread of any virus.). Offering plates will be on display at the back of the church for you to leave your offerings.
5. Holy Communion will be administered individually (with gloves) as you pass by the altar rather than in groups gathered around the chancel rail. This arrangement lessens accidental contact as we gather around the altar, in keeping with ‘social distancing’ thinking.

As I know you will, please keep praying for relief from this pestilence. May God grant us His grace and mercy in the meantime!

# THIS WEEK WITH THE SHEPHERD

|          |        |   |
|----------|--------|---|
| TODAY    | 8:00a  | Worship with Communion                            |
|          | 9:15a  | Bible Study                                       |
|          | 10:30a | Worship with Communion                            |
| Monday   | 6;15p  | Bell Choir Practice                               |
| Tuesday  | 7:00p  | LWML Meeting                                      |
| Thursday | 10:30a | ThuMBS (Thursday Morning Bible Study)             |
|          | 6:00p  | <b>NO</b> Choir Rehearsal                         |
| Friday   | 6:00a  | WEBS ( <b>Week-End(ing)-Bible-Study</b> )—Matthew |
| Sunday   | 8:00a  | Worship   |
|          | 9:15a  | Bible Study                                       |
|          | 10:30a | Worship   |
|          | 11:00a | Parish Education Meeting                          |

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 19 Council Meeting
- July 26 Voters' Assembly Meeting

**SERVICE MEMBERS— COAST GUARD:** Zane Arambula (Janet Quiram's grandson); **ARMY:** Summer Brubaker (Helen Kromanaker's granddaughter); **AIR FORCE:** Zachary Arambula (grandson of Janet Quiram); Aaron Manuel (Helen Kromanaker's grandson-in-law); Bill Gaythwaite (Australia); **NAVY:** Cameron Anderson (Richard & Kathleen Anderson's grandson), Jeff Vasseur (Margaret Kincheloe's grandson); Brody Vinson (Laura Crain's great-grandson); Dale Vinson (Laura Crain's grandson).



**July 12 "Perfection Welcomes Failure"** Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, God's perfect standards are exceeded only by His perfect patience and forgiveness. Listen to **THE LUTHERAN HOUR** on the radio – at 9:00a (KQCV 800AM, OKC) next Sunday!



**July 5** “Today we thank God that He believed so strongly in freedom from pain, sadness, mourning, and death that He was willing to sacrifice his Son for us. So even as we celebrate with our ‘close’ eye, our ‘far away’ eye is ‘longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them’ (Hebrews 11:16).” *Linda Buxa, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

**July 5– Pentecost V (Proper 9A)** – Generations of citizens before us have sacrificed to secure a safe, free, and fair land for us. And Christians of ages past also loved us enough to guard and deliver the Gospel of Jesus Christ. What great works of the Lord shall we gratefully commend to our descendants (Psalm 145:4)? We can't do any better than declaring and demonstrating how God creates, redeems, and calls every human life as His own precious treasure forever!



# SUNDAY—BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS:** A study on the Sunday lessons with Pastor Simpson.

## WEEKLY—BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month**—7:00pm—**Grow Up Christian**—meets at various member homes (Fritzie Rice)

**Thursday**—10:30am—**ThuMBS (Thursday Morning Bible Study)** — Telling the Truth to Troubled People study. (Pastor Simpson).

**Friday**—6:00am—**WEBS (Week-End(ing)-Bible Study)** — Matthew (Pastor Simpson)

**Saturday**—10:00am—(4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month only)—Neighborhood Women's Bible Study (Helen Kromanaker)

## SMALL GROUP—BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

The following small groups meet monthly, typically on Saturday afternoons for a couple of hours, either from 4-6pm or 5-7pm. We enjoy fellowship, prayer and study. Join the fellowship!!!

- Don & Debbie Arnhart Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.
- Vic & Denise Ewing Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.
- Marguerite Christman Small Group Bible Study—meet monthly.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

**PRE-SCHOOL & ELEM** — (*Music Room*) Sue Ogle, Debbie Hudson, Lynn Cunningham & Sarah Cunningham

**MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL, 6<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup>** —(*Youth Room*) Royce Junghanns & John Ashford

**COLLEGE & CAREER** —(*Church Library*) Jo Chesher

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

During the 10:30am worship service, on non-communion Sundays kids Pre-K (3 years) thru 4<sup>th</sup> Grade will be invited to attend "Children's Church". This will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Songs, a short Bible story, and a craft will be offered. Church will be 20-30 minutes long and kids will return to the Sanctuary for final prayers, the blessing and last hymn.

Join us every **Thursday morning** for **ThuMBS (Thursday Morning Bible Study)** beginning at 10:30a. Telling the Truth to Troubled People study. .

Join **WEBS (Week-End(ing)-Bible-Study)** every Friday morning beginning at 6:00a. We are presently discussing the book of Matthew.

# PRAYER REQUESTS (non-members in italic)

**HEALTH** — *Linda* (cancer, Marilyn Hall's daughter); *Bradley Jessee* (cancer, son of Royce and Marla Junghanns); Geri Nast (Health); Royce Junghanns (health); *Ashley Jones* (heart procedure, Martha Casey's great granddaughter); *Cindy Douglas* (back surgery, Kara McNair's mother); Marilyn Alsip (hip surgery); Gwen Madden (back surgery); *Jay Mahon* (health issues, friend of Connie Grant); *Ashley Melcek* (eating disorder, friend of Emily James); Victor Ray (lymphatic cancer, uncle to Lavender McWilliams); *Crystal Simon* (assault, a co-worker's sister of Brian Morton); *Mark Reyes* (kidney replacement, brother to Grace Reyes); *Tiffany Koch Picken* (car accident, daughter of Manny Vasquez's co-worker); *Bob Waldon* (surgery recovery, Martha Casey's brother); *Cindy Casey* (back surgery, Martha Casey's niece); *James Cress* (heart & cancer issues, cousin of Norma Place); *Margaret Adams* (surgeries, friend of Connie Grant); *John Nicholas* (broken hip & wrist, friend of Brian Morton); *Judy Williams* (surgery, sister of Jim Eakes); *Larry Stacey* (multiple health issues & facing surgery, cousin of Sue Ogle); *George Harrison* (cancer, uncle of Brian Morton); *Terri French* (recurring cancer, cousin of the Grundmann Family); *Michelle Lynch* (liver cancer, friend of the Marlatt Family); *Irene* (lung transplant, friend of Enna Vaughan-Carter); Enna Vaughan-Carter (continued health problems); *Mark Horad* (cancer returned, friend of Manny Vasquez); *Maryann Basham* (fighting cancer, friend of Sandi Snelling).

**HOMEBOUND** — Marilyn Alsip, Paulene Akin, Vivian Bingman; Dean Cash; Phillip Curtis; Laurine Goode-Schulz; Marilyn Hall; Dale Hildebrand; Margaret Kincheloe; Geri Nast; Richard Ranken, Jean Stelling; Jim & Norma Tanner; Leslie Tucker.

**BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES** — (7-5) Helen Stelling (7-6) Melody Carter, Kathy Webie, (7-8) Beverly Hughes, Sheila Striegel

**BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**—

**Wedding Anniversaries** — (7-5) Kenneth and Norma

## REMEMBER GOOD SHEPHERD IN YOUR WILL!

| MONTHLY GENERAL OFFERING |       |        |       |       |       |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
|                          | 5/31  | 6/7    | 6/14  | 6/21  | 6/28  |
| Budget                   | 8,859 | 8,859  | 8,859 | 8,859 | 8,859 |
| Actual                   | 3,264 | 15,940 | 4,205 | 2,705 | 3,615 |
| Attendance               | 31/44 | 32/30  | 29/38 | 28/33 | 24/25 |