July Newsletter
Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church
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Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

Worship Service: Sunday 9:00 AM Wednesday 6:00 PM

EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND ROOTED IN THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE A LOVING COMMUNITY THAT FOLLOWS JESUS, AND SEEKS TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD AND PRACTICE IT IN OUR DAILY LIVES.

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Office Hours

Pastor Bill's office hours:

Tuesdays As Needed
Wednesdays 9 AM – Noon and 3 PM – 5 PM
(Worship Services at 6 p.m.)
Thursday 9 AM – 1 PM
Friday 9 AM - 1 PM
Or by Appointment

WORSHIP SERVICES:

Sunday Morning at 9:00 am and Wednesday Evening at 6:00 p.m.

RECORDED SERVICES: Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are Live Streamed at 9:00 am. The services are also recorded and put on YouTube and will be available for viewing later on Sundays. Go to www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org and on the Home Page, look for the YouTube link. Previously uploaded services are available on the link.

If you would like a copy of the current worship guide, please look for the "Worship Guide" page on the Church Website. You can open the files and print.

ONLINE GIVING: Also available on the Church website is a link to PayPal for online giving.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Tuesday Bible Study will be suspended for the summer. We will let you know when they will start up again.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Sunday, July 28, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

DEVOTION

A Letter From the Battlefield II Timothy 4:7 "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

For more than two decades, Andrew Carroll has been urging people not to throw away the letters written by family members or friends during a time of war. Carroll, director of the Center for American War Letters at Chapman University in California, considers them an irreplaceable link to tie families together and open a door of understanding. "Younger generations are reading these letters," Carroll says, "and asking questions and saying, 'Now I understand what you endured, what you sacrificed."

When the Apostle Paul was imprisoned in Rome and knew his life would soon end, he wrote a letter to a young man whom he considered a "son in the faith," Timothy.

Like a soldier on the battlefield, Paul opened his heart to him:

"The time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only, but also to all who have loved His appearing."

When we read the letters in the Bible that the heroes of the Christian faith have left for us and grasp what they endured because of their love for Christ, their Savior, we gain courage to follow their example and to stand strong for those come after us.

Lord, give us strength for the spiritual battles we face this day, knowing that You have won the ultimate victory and that one day we will live eternally with You. Amen

POSTAGE STAMPS

Please continue to save cancelled stamps throughout the year.

There is a collection box on the coat room shelf.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Bible Study will not be held for the summer months. It will be announced when this group is ready to start up again.

Please join us! The women of Shepherd of the Lakes will be quilting on the third Wednesday of each month starting at 9:00 a.m. You do not have to be a quilter or own a sewing machine. If you can tie a knot, we want you. Everyone is welcome.

Our quilting ministry is community oriented. Finished quilts are donated once a year to the Tri-County Council on Domestic Violence in Rhinelander. We would like to increase our ministry and our sewing circle. Come and join the fun.

QUILTING

Dates:

August 21st September 18th October 2nd & 16th

We have all the supplies, We just need your smiling face!

RECIPE CORNER

POTATO PANCAKES (A side dish to fried fish)

Dick Kloepfer

6 med. potatoes, grated 2 eggs, lightly beaten 1 med. Onion, grated pinch black pepper 1 tsp. baking powder 1 C. Canola Oil

6 T. flour (heaping tablespoons) 1 tsp. chives, chopped, fresh or dry

Use a hand grater to grate potatoes and onion, ensuring the right texture and taste. Put potatoes and onion in a bowl; using a plate slightly smaller in diameter than bowl, press down and express the juices; press and pour several times. Add flour, baking powder, black pepper, chives and eggs. Mix together well. Put all the cooking oil in an electric fry pan heated to 400°. Put in a large spoonful of potato mixture and press down to a patty about 4" in diameter; cook on both sides until golden brown and blot with paper towels before placing in 200° oven to keep hot until all are cooked. Fish can be fried in the same oil, adding more as necessary. Serve potato pancakes with hot applesauce or maple syrup.

Treasurer's Office Hours:

Mondays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m. You can always reach me on my cell 715-891-3344.

No financial report for this issue – see upcoming issue. Thanks, Jean

BUILDING FUND DRIVE:

We are Blessed to have an opportunity to take on several long-needed building and grounds projects due to a matching funds offer of \$25,000.00. For the months of July and August, we will have special collection envelopes in the pews and on the table in the narthex for your donations to the Building Fund.

If we can raise \$25,000.00 it will give us \$50,000.00 to spend on repairing and painting the driveways and parking lots, exterior lighting of the parking lots, repair and painting of the exterior areas of the church not covered by siding, and repair of the outside shelter and construction of a new storage building.

Please consider making a donation during July and August to the Building Fund. Thank you for your always generous support!

ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose. **STEP ONE:**

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets **STEP TWO:**

You can provide flowers in two ways:

- 1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.
- 2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as Altar Flower Donation.

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

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Thank You!

Thank you notes received from:

Lutheran World Relief Northwoods Share Caritas of Eagle River Praise in the Pines

ROCK MINISTRIES

From Jack Carlson:

As Treasurer of Northwoods Share in Eagle River, I work at community dinners at The Rock ministry in Eagle River every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evening at 4:30. SOTL members are welcome to volunteer and attend as we support this mission as part of our benevolence funding at SOTL.



Prayer Concerns

Pray for those dealing with current issues:

Deb, Brian, Jim & Wendy, Ruth, Emma, Ron, Sharon & Bruce, Joanne, Joan E., Shelle.

(Please let me know if/when names should be removed from this "current issues" list or moved to "ongoing list")

Pray for those with ongoing health issues:

Gus, Larry, Mary Lou, Brian, Melody, Ericka, Bob B., Graham

Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:

Brian, Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, Noah and Dylan.

Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:

Elisabeth

Pray for the families of those who have passed:

Please email Bill at <u>pastor@SOTLsayner.com</u> or text to 715-617-6477 or email Jean at <u>treasurer@SOTLsayner.com</u> or call 715-542-4213 if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list. Prayer requests are sent out via email

PRAYER REQUESTS

Your church family would like the opportunity to pray for you, make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion, or support you by other means. Please contact us:

- ...if you or someone in your family are ill at home or hospitalized.
- ...if you are anticipating surgery or another medical procedure.
- ...if you have a birth or death in your family.
- ...if you want to request prayers for someone else, you must ask their permission first.
- ...if you have any other significant event in your family.
- ...if you would like to schedule a visit with Pastor Bill or another church member.

Never forget that each of you are valued, loved, and cared for by your church family. Please notify Pastor Bill at 715-617-6477 (pastor@SOTLsayner.com) or Jean Maines at 715-542-4213 (treasurer@SOTLsayner.com) if you need prayers for any reason.

Submitted by Joan Ebert:

23rd Psalm for Busy People

The Lord is my pacesetter, I shall not rush.

He makes me stop and rest for quiet intervals,

He provides me with images of stillness, which restore my serenity.

He leads me in ways of efficiency, through calmness of mind, and his guidance is peace.

Even though I have a great many things to accomplish this day, I will not fret,

For His presence is here; His timelessness, His all-importance will keep me in balance.

He prepares refreshment and renewal in the midst of my activity

by anointing my mind with the oils of tranquility.

My cup of joyous energy overflows. Surely harmony and effectiveness shall be the fruits of my hours, for I shall walk in the pace of my Lord, and dwell in His house forever.

-----Toki Miyashina

BATTING NEEDED FOR QUILTERS

The quilting group is almost at the end of their available batting for making quilts. If anyone could help financially for batting, please contact the church to let them know. Donations of larger pieces of fabric for backing would also be appreciated – flat sheets (**new**) work great!

CARITAS

Caritas has reported that they have had more requests than usual for help and their funds are being stretched to the limit. There are labeled pink envelopes for this purpose in the Narthex. Please help them as you are able.

COMMUNITY SIUMMER PICNIC

Plans are underway for the Annual "*Community Summer Picnic*" to be held on July 27th (formerly the Ice Cream Social). Volunteers will be needed to help with set-up that morning. Barb Steinhilber is in charge of this event this year and she also has sign-up sheets – please contact her to let her know how you can help!

A man asks God "How long is a trillion years to you?"
God replies "One second."

The man then asks "God, how much is a trillion dollars to you?"
God answers "One cent."

The man then thinks for a few moments and asks
"Uh, God, would you please give me a cent?"
God then responds "Sure, my son! Just a second."

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – JULY Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday **Sunday** Worship 6 PM 10 12 13 11 9 AM Worship 9 AM Text Study Worship 6 PM 15 16 17 18 19 20 14 9 AM Worship Quilting 9 AM Fellowship Brunch Worship 6 PM 9 AM Text Study 21 22 23 24 25 26 Community Picnic 9 AM Worship Worship 6 PM 9 AM Text Study 28 29 31 *Food pantry* items needed for the month of July: 30 Canned meats (tuna, salmon, chicken etc.), cake **Pantry** Needs mixes, frosting mixes Place items in the appropriate containers in the 9 AM Worship Worship 6 PM Coat Room.

Birthdays this month:

2	Dawn Puetz	7	Melody Kysiak
23	Mark Helge	24	Jennifer Will
28	Cayden Peterson	30	Bill Brewer

SHEPHERD OF THE LAKES LUTHERAN CHURCH – AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Pantry clean	I pantry items needed aliness items, including thwash, dental floss, ha	band-aids, toothpaste	, toothbrush,	1	2	3
	Place items in the app	propriate containers in	the Coat Room.	9 AM Text Study		Flynn Wedding
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9 AM Worship			6 PM Worship	9 AM Text Study		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9 AM Worship Fellowship Brunch			6 PM Worship	9 AM Text Study		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9 AM Worship			9 AM Quilting 6 PM Worship	9 AM Text Study		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
9 AM Worship			6 PM Worship	9 AM Text Study		

Birthdays this Month:

2	Alyson Sima	18	Nick Thompson
19	Sharon Gust	20	Jon Erpenbach
20	Eric Eade	21	Joanne Pierce
23	Sharon Geist	29	Charlyne Perrine