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We extend a special welcome to
all who worship with us in God's
House today. If you have no
church home, we invite you to
make Good Shepherd your
church home.



July 18, 2026
The Eighth Sunday
after Pentecost

Please sign the attendance binder in the
pew and mark Communion if you partake

If you need communion at your seat, please let pastor
know before service.

Order of Service

Divine Service: Setting 3 Page 184
Opening Hymn: 496
Sermon Hymn: 761
Distribution: 789, 620, 575, 728
Closing Hymn: 921

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD

TODAY

9:00am-Divine Worship w/HC
10:30am-Adult Bible Study

MONDAY

CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

10:30am-Memorial Committee
11:30am-JOY Group
5:00pm-Swaddling Clothes
5:30pm-Endowment Committee
6:30pm-Trustees
7:00pm-Council

THURSDAY

7:00am-Men's Bible Study

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

5:00 pm – Divine Worship

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am-Divine Service
10:30am-Adult Bible Study
11:30am-Voter's Meeting

* **Flowers Gracing** our *
* chancel today are given by *
* Carol Johnston and family in *
* memory of her Dad, *
* Lawrence Jacobsen. *

In Our Prayers:

Wanda Wiese
Sharon Musselman
Bill Peterson
Sharon McNeil
Norman Prewitt
Mardell Prewitt
Brexton Hines
Ken Ropte
Peggy Anderson
Sherry Richardson
Dorothy Kester
Debbie Monical
Bea Naeve
Marlys Ditzenberger
Caroline Eichor
Deb Diemer

The family of Sandy Fiala. She was taken to her eternal rest this week.

Baptismal Birthdays:

Loraine Pogge-July 19
Kayden Terranova-July 19
Betty Albrecht-July 23
Dennis Detmering-July 23

Attendance – 40, 77

Gifts to the Lord:

Envelope/Plate - \$3835
Online \$475
Mission Central-\$20
Fellowship Hall-\$150
Total of all Gifts: \$4,480

Organist/Pianist:

7/18-Jan Altemeier
7/19-Judy Zoch

Elders in Charge of Communion:

7/18-Mike Wiese
7/19-Dennis Detmering and Mike Kopp

Ushers:

Jerry Bossart and Rich Neumann



JOY Group

Wednesday, July 22nd at 11:30am

Be sure to sign up in the Narthex for our served meal.

Invite a friend and join us for some fun, fellowship and great food!

Praise in the Park

Save the Date
Sunday, August 23rd 10:30am

Outdoor Worship at Kennedy Park at the Bob Heun Shelter.

Bring your lawn chairs and a dish to pass for the potluck to follow.

Note we will still have our regular 9am service here as well

PRODUCE TABLE

The produce table will be available **starting on July 25th**. So, if you have any extra produce from your gardens that you would like to share please feel free to put it on the table in the narthex.

Donations and your support are always appreciated!

Stewardship

As disciples living in a broken world, we faithfully steward our vocation, trusting God to bring His purposes to completion.

“Let both grow together until the harvest.” — *Matthew 13:30*

Introit

Psalm 86:11–15; antiphon: v. 6

P: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

C: listen to my plea for grace.

P: Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;

C: unite my heart to fear your name.

P: I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

C: and I will glorify your name forever.

P: For great is your steadfast love toward me;

C: you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

P: O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

C: and they do not set you before them.

P: But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,

C: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

C: listen to my plea for grace.

Collect

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

WORD OF GOD VERSE *833 v 3 Listen, God Is Calling*

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering forgiveness, Comfort, and joy.

Leader: Help us to be faithful,

All: Standing steadfast,

Leader: Walking in Your teachings,

All: Led by Your Word.

Leader: Listen,

All: listen, God is calling Through the Word inviting, Offering forgiveness, Comfort, and joy.

Old Testament

Isaiah 44:6–8

⁶Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: “I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. ⁸Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any.”

Epistle

Romans 8:18–27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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Romans 8:27

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’ ²⁸He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” . . .

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

The 2026 LCMS National Convention is this month, July 18-23. Each circuit sends a lay and pastoral delegate to convention to vote on various synod resolutions and on individuals for synod offices. You can read the resolutions and nominations at <https://www.lcms.org/convention/national> Please feel free to contact our two delegates if you have any thoughts or questions about our synod convention. Our pastoral delegate is Pastor Aaron Zimmerman. He can be reached at (952) 797-2307 or at pastorzimmerman2019@gmail.com. Our lay delegate is Richard Rieck and can be reached at (515) 667-0374 or at rariECK@gmail.com.

Voters' Meeting Agenda

Sunday, July 26th 11:30am

Following Adult Bible Study

1. Open with prayer
2. Minutes of previous meeting
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Board & Committee Reports
 - Trustees
 - Elders
 - Christian Management
 - Christian Outreach
 - Endowment Committee
 - Board of Education
 - Sunday School
 - Pastor
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Adjourn with Lord's Prayer

**Are you going away this summer but want to stay current
with your weekly offering?
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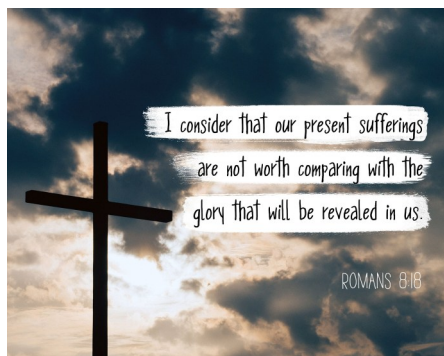
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Stewardship Corner:

Romans 8:18 – “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.” It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel — if we keep our focus on “the glory to be revealed,” we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.



“Each of us amounts to more than assorted cells, isolated fluids, and random spasms. Human means—in every case—a character, with an emerging identity, disclosing a history, developing toward an intended destiny. Every life is a story.” Rev. Michael Salemink, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org**

"From Groans to Glory"

A day will come when the grief will end, the groans will be silenced. Jesus will return and the dead in Christ will arise with bodies glorified. (Romans 8: 21-27)

Hear about it on the Lutheran

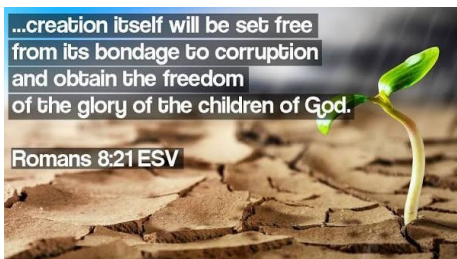
Hour WHO (1040 AM) 7:30 am. Sunday, KTLB (105.9 FM) at 8:00 am Sunday, KQWC (95.7 FM) at 11:00 am KHBT (97.7 FM) at 11:30 am Sunday. Log on to www.lhm.org for other stations and details.

Building Healthy Families:

This week, take time to notice the beautiful (or wilting!) flowers and vegetables growing in your own or someone else's garden. Let them remind you that great relationships don't just happen – they require time and attention. Who needs more of yours? *“Remember that children, marriages, and gardens reflect the kind of care they get.”* (H. Jackson Brown, Jr.)

Lutheran Family Service

www.LutheranFamilyService.org



Thank you to my Christian
Friends for making my 90th
birthday a special time.

-God's Blessings
Lorraine Pogge



C.I.A.

The C.I.A. will be having a Summer Fun day!
Sunday, August 2nd following the 9am service.

It will be held at Twin Lakes
(Hosted by the Kastendieck Family).



We will be having devotions, food, and lake fun.

MEMORY VERSE

Long ago, at many times
and in many ways, God
spoke to our fathers by
the prophets, *but in
these last days He has
spoken to us by His Son,*
whom He appointed
the heir of all things,
through whom also
He created the world.

HEBREWS 1:1-2

