

**You are invited to this week's activities
at Good Shepherd**

April 23rd, Sunday

8:45 AM Worship & Communion
10:00 AM Family Sunday School–
End of Year Party!
10:00 AM The Wired Word
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

April 24th, Monday

8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
9:15AM OWLS to Aquarium
10:00 AM Needle Art Board
10:30AM Needle Art Guild
5:30 PM Yoga (ULSR)
7:00 PM Girl Scouts

April 25th, Tuesday

April 26th, Wednesday

6:15 Men's Bible Study (GS)
8:30 AM Jazzercise
6:00 PM Confirmation
7:00PM HS youth/parent meeting
7:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
7:00 PM Good Shepherd Choir

April 27th, Thursday

9:00 AM Crafters - Watercolor!
9:30 AM Bible Study
12:00 PM AARP Spring Luncheon
2:30 PM Gentle Yoga

April 28th, Friday

SYNOD ASSEMBLY @ CRAGUN'S
7:00 AM Women's "Son" Rise Bible
8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)
8:00 PM AA & Al-anon

April 29th, Saturday

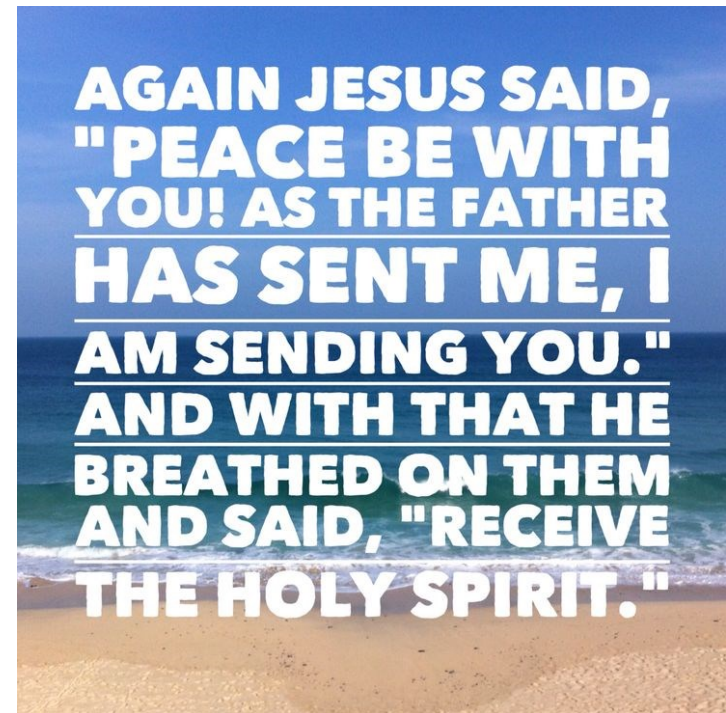
SYNOD ASSEMBLY @ CRAGUN'S
8:30 AM Jazzercise (FH)

April 30th, Sunday

SYNOD ASSEMBLY @ CRAGUN'S
8:45 AM Worship & Communion
10:00 AM Family Sunday School
-VBS Preview!! Robots!
10:00 AM The Wired Word
10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:00 AM Worship & Communion

**Lutheran Church of
the Good Shepherd**

Duluth, Minnesota



**April 23, 2017
Second Sunday in Easter
Faith Steps Celebration**

8:45 & 11:00 AM Worship

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A Community of Christ Experiencing God, Reaching Out, Nurturing Faith

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Patti Hallback, Office Manager; Amie Abenth, Communications Coordinator;
Sydney Fischer, Nursery Director;
Bob Franseen, Greg Susens, Custodian

Welcome to Worship!

We are happy you have chosen to worship at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd! Please use this bulletin as a guide for today's liturgy, found in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship* in each pew.

PARENTS & KIDS: We have a few special things to help children enjoy worship:

- Just outside of the sanctuary, we have a Kids' Corner with a bookshelf filled with Bibles and other activities. You are welcome to bring a Bible into worship with you today!
- In the back of the sanctuary are Joy Bags filled with fun activities for younger kids.
- Come sit in the front of the sanctuary so your child can see everything that's happening!
- In the pews are "Holy Art" cards for kids of all ages to draw on.
- Please come up front for the Children's Sermon! *(Parents, you are welcome to come up with your child to help them feel more comfortable.)*

We love to have children in worship, but we also understand that sometimes kids (and parents!) need a break. Stop by our church's nursery (near the bathrooms) and say hi to Sydney! She will be more than happy to help!

COMMUNION

You are invited to join us this morning in Holy Communion. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine given at the Lord's Supper — a sacrament offered to renew the relationship God began in Baptism. **Communion will be served today by Intinction.** Communicants should come forward to the two serving stations, receive the wafer of bread and dip it into the chalice of red wine or the chalice of white grape juice. Children not yet instructed to receive the Sacrament are invited forward for a blessing. The first two pews on the pulpit side are reserved for people who are unable to go up to the communion rail. Please sit there if you wish to have communion brought to you. Gluten free communion wafers are available, let the communion server know if you would prefer this option.

April 23, 2017 Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday	John 20:1-10
Monday	John 20:11-18
Tuesday	John 20:19-23
Wednesday:	John 20:24-29
Thursday	John 20:30-31
Friday	1 Peter 2:11-17
Saturday	1 Peter 2:18-25



**Come Celebrate! Sunday,
May 7th 10:00-11:00am in the
Fellowship Hall.**

**Join us for a family
celebration of our growth
and vitality of our**

**Congregation and the success of our capital
campaign! Ice cream, fun and games!**



Wired Word 10am Upper Lakeside Room

United Airlines has been going through a PR nightmare since staff dragged a passenger off one of their planes. So, we can look at our own reactions to our mistakes. What does the Bible say about acknowledging our sin and repentance? All are welcome!

Thank you to the following individuals who assisted in today's worship service:

Welcome Center	Susan Sage (8:45); Donna Schafer(11:00)
Greeter	Earley Family (8:45) Karen Asanovich (11:00)
Liturgist	Caro9lyn James
Reader	Tom Seidelmann (8:45) Lisa Wilson (11:00)
Ushers	John & Nancy Carlson, Craig & Debbie Sanders, Mary Thorene, Lois Opseth(8:45) Dick & Mary Husby (11:00)
Communion Assistants	Amy & Cal Lokken (8:45)
Altar Guild	Rosemary Guttormsson
Offering Counters	Linda Susens, Mike Ronchetti, Elizabeth Lundgren, Sandy Scott
Accompanist	Linda Turpening
Projectionist	Chris McIntosh (8:45); Chris McIntosh (11:00)
Gathering Space Treats	Meg Weber, Pat Wellberg, Barbie Westerberg, Amber Westerbur

What is going on at Camp Vermilion and Camp Hiawatha? vlmcamps.org

Did you know that LCGS Sponsors (takes care of) the main bath/shower house? What hospitality we can show all CV guests! Join us to spring clean

Lutheran World Relief - May 18th, the Ruth Circle will pack up Kits. Join us to help pack at 9 a..m.

Mean while, we are seeking donations to fill the holes in supplies. especially need the following: Mild bars of Soap always welcome. Cloth diapers(each kits gets 4) best are a flat fold type, Bath and small hand towels (darker colors), Notebooks: 70 page ones either wide or college ruled, boxes of crayons(24 count) Pencil sharpeners, Nail clippers, Baby socks and Sleepers

HEY HIGH SCHOOLERS!

Current 8th-11th Graders – and their parents! – are invited to an information meeting on **Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00 pm.** (Yes, immediately following the Confirmation Parent Meeting that same night!) There are some awesome events coming up for this age group that we want to tell you all about. Including...

“Act Local” July 17-23 Open to current 8th-11th Graders
AND!

ELCA National Youth Gathering in HOUSTON 2018 Open to current 8th-11th Graders The trip is next summer, but we need to register this Sept!



Create, Laugh, and Learn”- Craft/art fellowship! Rosemary Gut-tormsson, our very own church watercolor artist will be sharing her talents to help you produce a fanciful piece of art for your wall. Class, supplies, and lunch included in \$25 fee. April 27th, 9:30am-12:00 noon. The class will take about 2 hours. Lunch has been graciously provided by Pat Johnson. NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! Please call Rosemary at (218) 390-8426 to secure a spot. Proceeds benefit our Marketplace Fund.

OWLS! (Older, Wiser, Lutherans)

- Monday, April 24th, 10:00 a.m. We are going to the Great Lakes Aquarium! We will see exhibits plus a behind the scenes guided tour! \$14.00 admission
- Meet in the upper church parking lot at 9:15 to carpool at 9:30
- We will have lunch at the Silo's following the Aquarium.
- Reservations are required. Please contact Jerry or Nan @ 724-7733.
- Cost: Aquarium \$14 (reduced admission) Lunch is on your own.



FIRST READING : 1 Peter 1:3-9

3Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, 7so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. 8Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, 9for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Psalm 16

- 1Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”
- 2**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- 3But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**
- 5O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**
- 7I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.
- 8**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**
- 9My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**
- 11You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

19When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

24But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

26A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 27Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." 28Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 29Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

30Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.



Today we welcome Elizabeth & Kyle Weitzell's son **Andrew Wesley Weitzell** into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God!

Worship Notes and Announcements

AS WE ARE PRAYING FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION, this week we remember in our prayers: Kathy & Bill Westholm; Patricia Fride; Sue & John Boutin; Jennifer & Dan Boese, Kennedy and Kelton



ALTAR FLOWERS — Today the altar flowers are given by *Kathy Gustafson in memory of family members*. The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Sign up to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or to memorialize loved ones, or celebrate a special event. The cost is \$35



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: MAKER FUN FACTORY!
CREATED BY GOD: BUILT FOR A PURPOSE
JUNE 19-23, 9:00 AM – NOON

Preschool (age 3*) – entering 5th Grade
 Current 5th-6th Gr. can join us as "Volunteers in Training"
 Current 7th-9th Graders can volunteer as "Crew Leaders"
 Older youth and adults needed as volunteers, too! Just let us know what you are interested in!

*All preschoolers must be potty trained
Registration Deadline: Registration Deadline: MAY 21st OR WHEN FULL!
You can register online now! Go to our website: www.lcgsduluth.com
Yes, we do need adult volunteers!!! Even if you can only help for a day or two, let us know! We have chosen a May 21 Registration Deadline so that all t-shirts can be ordered and arrive on time this year! This deadline applies to ALL – kids, volunteers, even adults!

VBS Robot Challenge!! all ages can participate! As individuals or as a family: work together to build a freestanding robot model. Use your imagination to create a one-of-a-kind robot! We will display your robot during VBS! Create your robot using any material you'd like (cardboard boxes, paper, tin cans, 5 gallon buckets, etc.) Robots are due back at church on April 26, 2017 (VBS Preview Day!) You will be able to take it home after VBS!



Spring and Mothers Day are just round the corner. I can't wait! Turn your gloomy gray days into a colorful promise of warmer days to come with a garden basket. We will be selling baskets from Engwalls in the Gathering Space on Sundays to support outdoor landscape improvements. Baskets cost \$30. Outdoor shrub replacement is a significant cost so our goal is to work toward raising funds over a period of years. If you would like to sell a book of tickets please contact Sue Boutin @ 525-3994 or 218-349-5991.

