

# The Shepherd's Call

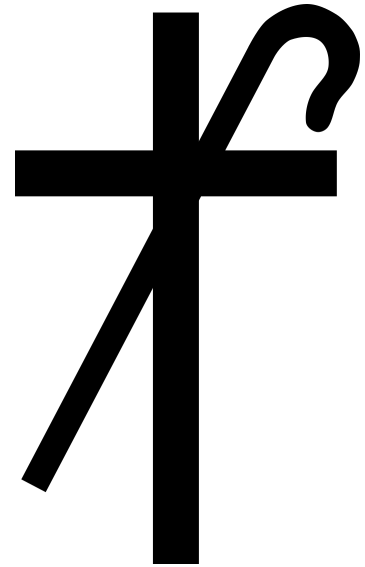
## Embracing Summer Through the Lens of Faith

As the warmth of summer surrounds us, it brings with it a natural pause—an invitation to slow down, breathe deeply, and reconnect. For Christians, this season is more than just a break from routine; it's a sacred opportunity to witness God's presence in creation and in our own lives. The long days and bright skies remind us of the beauty of the world we are called to cherish and care for. Whether walking through nature, enjoying time with loved ones, or simply sitting in stillness, summer becomes a season of spiritual renewal.

The rhythm of church life often shifts during summer, and that change can be a blessing. While some programs may pause and attendance may vary, the church community remains a steady presence, offering a space for reflection, creativity, and connection. These are moments to experience church beyond the walls, affirming that faith is not confined to a building but lives in our everyday encounters with grace, justice, and love.

Christianity calls us to be present—to one another, to creation, and to God. In summer, when we are naturally drawn outside and into the world, we can live this calling with fresh intention. Acts of hospitality, care for the environment, and advocacy for justice align with the Gospel's call and become tangible expressions of our faith. As progressive Christians, we are reminded that discipleship is not a passive identity but an active, evolving journey shaped by the seasons of our lives.

So as the sun shines brighter and our days stretch longer, may we embrace summer with open hearts and a deep sense of purpose. Let us find God in laughter, in rest, in service, and in the beauty that surrounds us. And may the church—in its many forms—continue to be a beacon of hope and compassion, guiding us toward a deeper love for one another and the world we share.



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### Special points of interest

- Day Camp is July 7 to July 11 this year! Help us get the word out!
- The A/V upgrades in the sanctuary and training are still in progress. Thank you for your patience as we work on streaming on YouTube on Sundays!
- The Lunds are away temporarily and would love to receive cards from Good Shepherd members!

## Council Members

### **President**

Jeff Neiman

### **Vice President and Recording Secretary**

Joanne Clark

### **Evangelism**

### **Outreach**

Kristin Neiman

### **Music and Worship**

George Strunk

### **Christian Education**

Moriah Horton

### **Fellowship**

Claudia Ball

### **Property**

Floyd Clark

### **Stewardship**

Trey Ball

## June Volunteers

### **June 1**

|             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| Altar Guild | Barnhart       |
| Usher       | Arnie Sampson  |
| Greeter     | Alexa Barnhart |
| Assistant   | Alex Wingate   |

### **June 8**

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Altar Guild | Forsleff     |
| Usher       | Ron Schaible |
| Greeter     | Lana Linker  |
| Assistant   | Joanne Clark |

### **June 15**

|             |                      |
|-------------|----------------------|
| Altar Guild | Barnhart             |
| Usher       | Bob Getz             |
| Greeter     | Virginia<br>Cheatham |
| Assistant   | Ricky Ball           |

### **June 22**

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Altar Guild | Sampson      |
| Usher       | Ricky Ball   |
| Greeter     | Claudia Ball |
| Assistant   | Tim Hively   |

### **June 29**

|             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| Altar Guild | Forsleff       |
| Usher       | John Reackhoff |
| Greeter     | Kathy          |
| Reackhoff   |                |
| Assistant   | Dean Nelson    |

## Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Sandra will be on vacation from June 2 to June 7. During this time Maureen will be available in the office as usual and Jeff Neiman, the president of the council, may be contacted by phone at 919-394-2045 or e-mail at [jeffreyleneiman@gmail.com](mailto:jeffreyleneiman@gmail.com).

## From Carol Sampson

Good Shepherd Friends,

Thank you for all the prayers these past few months. My breast cancer was a very rare type and there was a lot of testing. I have finished all treatment and am in the clear. I so appreciate each of you. God's blessings be yours.

Carol Sampson

## Summer Music Schedule

In the month of June, the choir will practice at 9:15 AM before worship on Sundays and the bell choir will practice at 11:00 AM after worship on Sundays. After June, the music program will be on a break for summer until September.

## Sunday School

There will be no Sunday school during summer. Sunday school will resume the Sunday after Labor Day (September 7).

## Cards for the Lunds!

The Lunds are away from Goldsboro for a time, but mail and cards are always appreciated! Send well-wishes and cards to David Lund at:

**PSC 2 Box 2956  
APO, AP 96264**

And send mail to Andrea and Wyatt at:

**3415 15th Ave S  
Minneapolis, MN 55407**

## Lutheran Men in Mission

The men of the church will meet on Saturday, June 21 at 8:00 AM. All the men of the church are welcome to attend. We will enjoy fellowship time, breakfast, and a short devotion.

## Tile Floor Cleaning & Waxing

The educational wing will be closed off from June 2 to June 6 for floor maintenance.

### Important Reminder

Please remember that when the church building is empty, all doors should be locked and all lights should be turned off.

Even if you think you aren't the last one out of the building, go ahead and lock up! If someone gets locked in, some doors like the kitchen door lock when closed, so there's always a way out, and not as many ways inside.

### ZOOM Bags

Feel free to take some ZOOM Bags and hand them out. We are doing good deeds. Thank you to everyone that donated to the Zoom Fund! Your donations made 50 zoom bags. The donations are greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, feel free to call Kristin Neiman at 919-738-9674!

## Sunday Worship on YouTube

The service will be streamed live on YouTube each Sunday. Good Shepherd's YouTube channel can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@goodshepherdlutheranchurch8579>

Upgrading the A/V system in the sanctuary and training operators for it is still in progress. If anything affects our ability to stream, we will upload what we are able to record to Good Shepherd's YouTube channel.

## June Readings

### June 1: 7 Easter

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

Psalm: 97

Second reading: Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Gospel: John 17:20-26

### June 8: Day of Pentecost

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Psalm: 104:24-34, 35b

Second reading: Rom 8:14-17

Gospel: John 14:8-17, 25-27

### June 15: The Holy Trinity

First Reading: Prov 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalm: 8

Second reading: Rom 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

### June 22: Pentecost 2

First Reading: Isa 65:1-9

Psalm: 22:19-28

Second reading: Gal 3:23-29

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

### June 29: Pentecost 3

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalm: 16

Second reading: Gal 5:1, 13-25

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

## Day Camp

### Day Camp is July 7-11 this year!

Please spread the word about Day Camp by telling everyone you know about it. They may have friends or relatives that have children that would benefit from Day Camp. They can call the church for information and the registration packets are in the office. Also, if you know of a place that would be ideal for a flyer, there are some in the office for anyone to pick up and post. Thank you for your help and let's make this a wonderful summer for as many children as we can. If you have any questions feel free to call me.

Kristin Neiman  
919-738-9674

## Community Soup Kitchen

Have fun while serving others! Sign up for the Community Soup Kitchen. Good Shepherd volunteers on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 AM.

This month, that will be **June 18**.



## Altar Guild

We have a number of volunteers who make sure the altar and pulpit paraments are correct, fill communion cups and set communion on the altar, and prep the baptismal font.

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact George Strunk at 919-738-6428 or [GeorgeStrunk@att.net](mailto:GeorgeStrunk@att.net), and we will see that you are trained and added to the schedule.

## June 8: Day of Pentecost

Don't forget to wear red on Sunday, June 8: the Day of Pentecost!

### Keep up with GSLC Online

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There are many ways to keep up with Good Shepherd online. Check us out at:

Our Web site:

[www.goodshepherd-goldsboro.org](http://www.goodshepherd-goldsboro.org)

Our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdGoldsboro](https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdGoldsboro)

### NC Synod

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Would you like to know what is going on in the NC Synod? You can sign up for the Synod E-News through:

- Facebook—NC Synod, ELCA
- Twitter—[@nclutheran](https://twitter.com/nclutheran)
- Web page—[www.nclutheran.org](http://www.nclutheran.org)
- E-news directly in your inbox—sign up at [www.nclutheran.org](http://www.nclutheran.org)

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the July 2025 newsletter is Friday, June 20. Thank you for your help!

### Church Office Hours

Monday—Friday  
8:30 AM—2:00 PM  
(Lunch 11:30—12:00)

### Giving to the Church

Your faithfulness and regular giving of tithes and offerings to the church is greatly appreciated. Mail is regularly delivered to the church. If you wish to use the secure online giving at the church you may create an account with Tithe.ly by clicking on the “Donate” link on our Web site.

## Prayer Concerns

Ricky Ball • Virginia Cheatham • Kenneth Cline • Jerry Deakle • Madge Groll • Tim and Becky Hively • Peggy Hodel • June Hoyle • Sue Kampstra • Lee Lane • Joyce Luttenberger • Martha Nay • Sherle Palmer • Ned Petrak • Sue Ricke • Randy Swackhammer • Julie Swan • Bill Therrell

*The church office will automatically rotate names off the prayer list after four weeks without receiving updated information.*

## June Anniversaries

**Alex and Peggy Wingate**  
May 21

**John and Kathy Reackhoff**  
June 22

**Deborah and Dennis Flowers**  
June 29

**Erika and Andy Forsleff**  
June 29

## June Birthdays

|    |                 |
|----|-----------------|
| 3  | Mike Barnhart   |
| 7  | Dean Nelson     |
| 8  | Beth Gettle     |
| 9  | Floyd Clark     |
| 10 | John Lenk       |
| 11 | Lee Lane        |
| 11 | Betty Murray    |
| 11 | Paige Neiman    |
| 12 | George Strunk   |
| 14 | Annika Forsleff |
| 19 | Sue Ricke       |

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# WORSHIP WITH US!

Sunday School with Pastor Sandra Burroughs is at 9:00 AM.  
Worship is online and in-person at 10:00 AM.  
Everyone is invited!

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is a Christ centered community serving through word and action.

#### CORE VALUES

Christ Centered....Relationships....Mindfulness....Generosity