



Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

June 2019 Newsletter

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me." [Saint John 10:27]



The Creeds

Wherever truth abides, there falsehood desires to intrude. The devil opposes God. Cain opposes Abel. Pharaoh opposes Moses. Saul opposes David. The religious leaders oppose Jesus. Saul opposes the first Christians. This universal truth since the fall into sin is the reason why Martin Luther once said: Where Christ builds His Church, there Satan builds a chapel. Which is to say, falsehood and error are never far away, always contending for your allegiance.

Already during the time of the apostles, false teachers arose within the Church and began preaching a different gospel, a different Christ, a different God. So the apostles and first Christians came up with simple creeds (i.e. confessions) about who Jesus is. The earliest creed is only three words long: "Jesus is Lord" (Romans 10:9; 1 Corinthians 12:3).

In the Early Church, more false teachers arose, including:

- Sabellius taught that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are three different modes of God rather than three distinct persons in God Himself.
- Arius taught that the Son of God did not always exist, but was created by — and is therefore inferior to — God the Father.
- Nestorius emphasized the disunion between the human and divine natures of Jesus, claiming the man Jesus is not identical with the Son of God.
- Eutyches taught that the human nature of Christ was overcome by the divine, so that Jesus was of the same substance as the Father but not of the same substance as humanity.

To defend the Scriptural truth that God is triune (three distinct persons in one divine being) and that Jesus Christ is true God and true Man, against the false teachers and teachings listed above, the Early Church fathers formulated the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed. These creeds state what we, as God's children, believe about Him. They were — and still are — regarded as the unanimous voice of the apostolic Church, the catholic (i.e. universal) confession of the one true faith, and the orthodox (i.e. true) affirmation of the Triune God as He has revealed Himself to us in Holy Scripture.



This is how our Lutheran Confessions state this truth:

Right after the time of the apostles, and even while they were still living, false teachers and heretics arose [Titus 3:9-10]. Therefore, symbols (i.e. brief, concise confessions) were written against the heretics in the Early Church. These symbols were regarded as the unanimous, universal Christian faith and confession of the orthodox and true Church. They are the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed. We pledge ourselves to these symbols, and in this way we reject all heresies and teachings that have been introduced into God's Church against them. [Formula of Concord, Epitome, Summary 3]

Sadly, there are many post-modern Christians nowadays who like to say "deeds, not creeds." Not only is such a confession contrary to Holy Scripture (which desires us to confess our faith and walk in a manner worthy of our calling), it is also hypocritical. After all, the phrase "deeds, not creeds" is itself a creed, a statement of what they believe.

Simply put, confession is the natural outgrowth of faith in Christ. "For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved" (Romans 10:10). So join the one holy Christian and apostolic Church in confessing God as triune and Jesus Christ as true God and true Man, as we do in the Creeds. That is one of the many joys that is ours in Christ!

Pastor Mumme



June Calendar

Week of Easter 7 (June 2-8)

Sun, Jun 2, 9:00 am	Divine Service
Sun, Jun 2, 10:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Sun, Jun 2, 12:00 pm	Rummage Sale Drop Off
Mon, Jun 3, 4:00 pm	Rummage Sale Drop Off
Tue, Jun 4, 4:00 pm	Rummage Sale Drop Off
Wed, Jun 5, 4:00 pm	Rummage Sale Drop Off
Wed, Jun 5, 7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Thur, Jun 6, 3:00 pm	Rummage Sale
Fri, Jun 7	Making the Case Conference
Fri, Jun 7, 8:00 am	Rummage Sale
Sat, Jun 8	Making the Case Conference
Sat, Jun 8, 9:00 am	Rummage Sale

Week of Pentecost (June 9-15)

Sun, Jun 9, 9:00 am	Divine Service
Sun, Jun 9, 10:05 am	Thrivent Meeting
Sun, Jun 9, 10:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Tues, Jun 11, 1:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
Thu, Jun 13, 7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Sat, Jun 15, 8:30 am	Men's Bible Breakfast

Week of Holy Trinity (June 16-22)

Sun, Jun 15, 9:00 am	Divine Service
Sun, Jun 15, 10:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Wed, Jun 19	CCA Symposium
Thu, Jun 20	CCA Symposium
Fri, Jun 21	CCA Symposium

Week of Proper 7 (June 23-29)

Sun, Jun 23, 9:00 am	Divine Service
Sun, Jun 23, 10:35 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Tue, Jun 25	Youth Group Outing
Wed, Jun 26	Higher Things Conference
Thu, Jun 27	Higher Things Conference
Fri, Jun 28	Higher Things Conference
Sat, Jun 29	Higher Things Conference

Week of Proper 8 (June 30)

Sun, Jun 30, 9:00 am	Divine Service
Sun, Jun 30, 10:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Sun, Jun 30, 12:00 pm	Bolingbrook Village Picnic

June Birthdays

- 05 Jim Bingenheimer
- 06 Colleen Donaldson
- 13 Emily Pruett
- 16 Bradley Learnahan
- 18 Kaylie Kiefer
- 19 Aubrey Learnahan
- 23 Leah Pape
- 24 Mike Olifirowicz
- 24 Luke Thornton
- 26 Jeff Bingenheimer
- 26 Aiden Schilling
- 27 Micky Woods
- 28 Adam Dobbs
- 29 Aimee Mazurkiewicz
- 30 Kristena Johnson-Wise
- 30 Meghan Zeller



Baptismal Anniversaries

- 03 Ron Ruisz
- 05 Tim Parmenter
- 16 Jesse Pape
- 16 Timothy Pape
- 16 Michael Shurhay
- 25 Luke Thornton
- 27 Daniel Shurhay
- 27 Elizabeth Shurhay



Wedding Anniversaries

- 04 Dale & Juli Thornton

Confirmation



On May 5 **Joey Asche, Adam Dobbs, Bridget Mazurkiewicz, and Aiden Schilling** were confirmed and received the Lord's Supper for the first time. We pray that they will grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ all the days of their life.

Bible & Lutheranism Studies

Sunday Bible Class

Topic: The Great Patriarchs

When: Sunday mornings @ 10:45 a.m.

Where: Luther Hall

Women's Bible Study

Topic: Demystifying the Proverbs 31 Woman

When: Tuesday, June 11 @ 1:00 p.m.

Where: Luther Hall

Men's Bible Breakfast

Topic: King David

When: Saturday, June 15 @ 8:30 a.m.

Where: Broken Yolk Café (12618 S Rt 59, Plainfield)

Book of Concord Study

Topic: The Augsburg Confession

When: resumes in fall

Where: Luther Hall

Preschool Appreciation Luncheon



We are so grateful to the Preschool staff for all of their hard work with the children. Thank you to **Teresa Pape** and **Lori Mumme** for help with planning and set up and to all who attended and/or provided food.

Robin Wise, Christian Education

Middle School Graduates

Congratulations to one of our youth who graduated middle school this spring and will be beginning high school this fall:

Vincenzo Data

High School Graduates

Congratulations to the following two members who graduated from high school this spring.

Moira Delaney, daughter of Mike & Jolene, graduated from Romeoville High School on June 2. She will be studying at Concordia University Chicago in River Forest.

Jacob Page, son of Tom & Ginny, graduated from Bolingbrook High School on June 2. He will be pursuing a degree/certification at Universal Technical Institute in Lisle.

Wear Red for Pentecost



Pentecost celebrates the sending of the Holy Spirit from the Father through the Son to the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. It always falls on the fiftieth day of Easter (thus its name). This year Pentecost is celebrated on **Sunday, June 9**. The Church celebrates Pentecost not only with joyous Scripture readings and hymns, but also with paraments, vestments, and banners that are red—the color of zeal (fire) and martyrdom (blood). *You are invited and encouraged to wear something red to the Divine Service this Pentecost* as we rejoice in the Third Person of the Holy Trinity and His work of calling us by the Gospel, enlightening us with His gifts, sanctifying and keeping us in the one true faith.

Church Library

You can browse the selection of books in our library by visiting librarything.com/catalog/DivineShepherd. Books may be checked out at any time by members.

Ladies Aid

Have you ever ordered Shop with Scrip (Manna) cards? If not, have you ever purchased a gift card from those available after each Sunday service? The next order dates are **June 16** and **July 21**.



Rummage Sale time has arrived. Gather all of your “still good” but “no longer needed” items together for these exciting days. What can we use? Just about anything—clothes, books, linens, kitchen items, tools, shoes, furniture, whatever!!! **We do not accept any electronics.** If you have large items, or more than you can transport, contact **Lori Mumme** who will arrange a pick-up time for you.

Items may be dropped off:

Sunday, June 2 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday, June 3 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 4 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 5 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Please do not drop off large items in Luther Hall until the week of the sale. We appreciate receiving all the items by Wednesday. It is very difficult to sort any items after the sale begins.

Sale dates are:

Thursday, June 6 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday, June 7 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 8 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Helpers are needed on drop-off days, sale days, and on Saturday after 1:00 p.m. to help pack up the things that do not sell. The unsold items will be donated to Salvation Army.

Being a volunteer at drop-off days, or sale days, or pack-up time is a great way to get to know other members of the congregation. Join us, members or not, for some great fun and a way to help the congregation—projects here at church, like our new kitchen (paid for with rummage sale profits), in our country, and abroad.

Our popular Wine and Chocolate Party was once again very well attended. Pastor Mumme was surprised that it was his birthday celebration. He had a very relaxed time with 45 members/friends. The wine, food, and chocolate was delicious and all were fully satisfied (we didn't have to cook an evening meal). Watch for this event to return in the fall.



THRIVENT FINANCIAL®

The Thrivent Group meets on the second Sunday each month after the Divine Service. Come join us.

Please let the office know if you have a policy or account with Thrivent Financial. Thrivent offers action team grants for various projects and events and we would love to utilize every opportunity we can (only Thrivent members can apply for these wonderful benefits). Thanks.

Happy Father's Day to all fathers who love to tell the story of Jesus and His love.

Blood Drive

Join us as we welcome our new blood drive partner, Heartland Blood Centers (a part of Versiti), on **Saturday, June 8!** Heartland will have its mobile coach on site from **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** that day.

All presenting donors will receive an official NFL licensed Chicago Bears hat as a special thank you for saving up to 3 lives that day. To schedule your appointment, call (800) 7 TO GIVE or go to www.versiti.org. We encourage you to spread this news with your family and friends.

Cindy Rambeaux, Blood Drive Coordinator



Coins for Caring Network



Caring Network (formerly CareNet Pregnancy Services) provides support, medical care, material goods, and mentoring to pregnant women, often in need. Divine Shepherd is once again participating in their annual “Coins for Caring Network” drive. To help, pick up a baby bottle from the narthex beginning on or after Mother's Day, fill with coins, dollars, or a check payable to Caring Network, and return it to church on or before Father's Day. Thanks!

Village Picnic

Our church will again have a booth at Bolingbrook's annual village picnic on **Sunday, June 30**. We need some members to sit at our shaded booth, share the love of Christ, greet our neighbors, tell them about our congregation, and pass out some basic information. Can you give us an hour or two? We have timeslots from Noon to 6:00 p.m. and welcome your help. Talk to **Karen Moritz** about your availability.

Church Maintenance

We have a team of volunteers in place who are helping with the maintenance around our Church Building, fondly known as "The BOTS." Please send or address any building concerns to bot@ds-lcms.org. As a team, we will continue to work on projects and serve our fellow members. Thank you.

Cindy Rambeaux, Board of Trustees

New Chairs for Luther Hall

As we welcome members and visitors and enjoy the activities in Luther Hall, we find that our chairs need some tender loving care these days. The red folding chairs are slowly breaking down and wearing out. We have been replacing them with white contoured folding chairs, which are working out well. At this time we would like to purchase another ten or so. Each chair costs \$22. If you are able to help with a small donation towards the cost of our chair replacement project, please include a little something *over and above your regular offering* (earmark this extra donation "Trustees/Chairs" so we know it is for the chairs). The chairs will be purchased by the Trustees so that they will match the style we already have. Thank you!



Cindy Rambeaux, Board of Trustees

Prayer Chain

Several members of our congregation are part of a church prayer chain. If you would like to join them in praying for our congregation's special needs, please contact **Bobbie Light** at **630-251-7860** or Pastor Mumme.



Call Received

As announced a few weeks ago, I have received a call from Saint John Lutheran Church in Sycamore, IL to be their senior pastor. I now need to spend some time considering this call, learning more, praying about it, and eventually coming to a decision on whether to accept it or return it. As with the call I received last spring to a congregation in Minnesota, I did not seek out this call. Each LCMS congregation is free to extend a call to any LCMS rostered pastor. As brothers and sisters in Christ whom I dearly love, your prayers are welcome and greatly appreciated.

Pastor Mumme

Sunday Treats

Please consider signing up on any given Sunday(s). *Empty slots means no treats*. The signup sheet is posted on the Luther Hall bulletin board. Consider bringing crackers and cheese and/or fruit for our diabetic members. Monetary donations are accepted to defray the cost of drinks and paper products, which are supplied by Ladies Aid.

Bulletin Covers & Altar Flowers

The July-September bulletin charts are posted in the narthex. Sign up for any open Sunday(s) to celebrate a special occasion or to honor/remember someone. Cost of bulletins is \$10.

The 2019 flower charts are posted. This is a wonderful way to help beautify God's house, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or remember a departed loved one. **Ruth Ogden** will do flowers of your choice for \$25 (please give her a 2-3 weeks heads up) or we can go thru the florist for \$40, \$45, or \$50 for two bouquets (subject to change). If you sign up, **Karen Moritz** will contact you. When the worship service is over, you are welcome to take your bouquets home or you may leave them at church for the following Sunday or for pastor to take to homebound or hospitalized members.

Important Phone Numbers

Church Office: 630-759-5300 ext. 1
Preschool: 630-759-5300 ext. 2 (Terri Kreier)
Pastor Mumme: 815-676-4444
Prayer Chain: 630-251-7860 (Bobbie Light)
Newsletter: 630-759-3188 (Karen Moritz)

(items are due June 24)

Treasurer's Report

As of 3/31/19	Actual	Budget
Expenses	\$43,051	\$61,398
Income	\$46,820	\$44,587



Funny Name. Easy Fundraising.

Shop with Scrip (Manna) cards are available throughout the year for everyday expenses and gifts for any special occasion. Order dates are **June 16** and **July 21**. Pre-purchased cards are available after Sunday services and forms are on the cabinet in Luther Hall. These cards make many of the Ladies Aid projects possible, and best of all they do not cost members anything beyond the face-value amount. Shop with Scrip pays us to use their service. What's more, many of these cards can be reloaded so you don't have to continually buy new ones.

Your Organization:

Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church - Manna

Your Coordinator:

Lisa Cruz

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Your Enrollment Code:

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You may elect to receive 50% of your profit percentage back as a cash rebate. These rebates will be paid directly to you in the form of a quarterly check. The more you purchase using physical cards, reload, reload now, and scrip ecards, the more you will earn. Any questions, please contact **Lisa Cruz** at 630-636-6359 or dslcmanna@yahoo.com.

Benefit Mobile

Sign up via benefit-mobile.com and designate Divine Shepherd as your charitable organization. Then download the app (Apple or Android). Benefit Mobile purchases qualify for our 50% cash back rebate. Purchased gift cards are electronic instead of physical cards and can be used immediately. You may also send these as a gift to an email account.

Toner Cartridges

The youth group continues to accept used *toner* cartridges as a fundraiser (the company we work with is currently only accepting original Brother, Canon, and HP *toner* cartridges). Please drop them off in the container in the shelves near the entrance/exit in Luther Hall. We are no longer able to accept *ink* cartridges. Toner cartridges not listed above, as well as ink cartridges, may be recycled at Cartridge World. Thanks!

Amazon Smile

Go to smile.amazon.com, select Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church in Bolingbrook as your charitable organization, begin each of your purchases at smile.amazon.com, and Amazon will do the rest. Our congregation will receive 0.5% of every Amazon Smile purchase made. Thanks for supporting us!

Vacations

Although most people take at least one vacation a year, God never does. He is always available to speak to you in His Word and to listen to your prayers. When you go on vacation, your monthly bills still need to be paid; the same is true with our church's obligations. Do not forget Divine Shepherd even as you visit and relax. Blessings on your summer activities.

If you need help locating an LCMS congregation near you when you are visiting family or on vacation, ask Pastor Mumme. He is happy to help you.

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020

Oberammergau, a little village nestled in Germany's Bavarian Alps, is home to the world-famous Passion Play held every 10 years since the mid 1600s. Lori and I invite you to join us on an 11-day Germany and Austria tour in **September 2020**, the highlight of which will be First Class Category 1 tickets to this play. Also on the itinerary are Frankfurt, Heidelberg, the Rhine Valley, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Melk, Vienna, Munich, and Rothenburg. We are finalizing plans with the tour company and will have information available in the near future. Let us know if you are interested in learning more about this once-in-a-lifetime trip. We'd love to have you join us!

Pastor Mumme

Issues, Etc.



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mewe.com/group/54f50012e4b0d53626519e4d

Father's Day Prayer



Dearest Father, you reveal in Yourself what true Fatherhood is. You give Your children gifts beyond compare: food, clothing, shelter, family, friends, work, healthy bodies, and all that they need. You gave us Your Son, Jesus, who died for our sins to restore us to Your family through His blood. You also discipline us with Your Law, to show us our sin; and You gave us Your Holy Spirit, to show our Savior. We thank You for our earthly fathers, who care for our physical and emotional needs. Bless all fathers, encouraging them to live in faith and godly services, so that their example reveals Your fatherly love. Amen.

Portals of Prayer

*The best fathers not only give us life,
they teach us how to live it.*

Flag Day



Lord God, You display Your love for us so freely and openly that we cannot help but praise You. We are blessed that You have given us such a beautiful nation. You provide sun and rain for our crops and food for our bodies. You have given us a country in which we are free to worship You. Through our nation, You give us rights and opportunities that people in many places have never dreamed of. Thank You for the freedom You give us in this land and for the many blessings You have shown us here. Cause us to honor our nation and our nation's flag in thanksgiving for the blessing this land has been to us. As we honor her, let us always rely on You. In Jesus' name. Amen.