



# Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



## October 2022 Newsletter

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

*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.*

*John 10:27-28*

*Dear Sheep of the Divine Shepherd:*

*When our Lord Jesus Christ teaches us to pray, God promises to hear and answer our petitions. The Prayer that Jesus Christ himself has given us teaches us on how to frame all our daily prayers. Unfortunately, because of our sinful flesh, there are many times we pray the Lord's Prayer and neglect to focus on what we are saying.*

*Let us look at a small portion of the Lord's Prayer. The Introduction. Our Father who are in heaven. What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father. As adopted sons and daughters (Romans 8:15-16) we can be sure that our Father loves us and cares for us and so answers our prayers according to His will. Calling upon God as Father helps us to understand how to shape all our other prayers. We pray to our dear Father who wishes to always help us.*

*Our Father who is in heaven, is Creator, ruler of all, and all-powerful to grant us all that is good for us. Yet, also remember that it is not wrong to pray to Jesus or to pray to the Holy Spirit for they are all one God. We certainly pray in Jesus' name (that is, through faith in Him and accordance to His will.) (John 14:14).*

*We also know that we have received the gift of the Holy Spirit in Baptism. It is the Holy Spirit that gives us the power and the blessing to speak to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:26). Our Father, who art in heaven. Only you, the children of God have such a great privilege. You have a Father in Heaven who loves you and hears your praises, as well as your cries.*

*Our Father, who from heaven above  
Bids all of us to live in love  
As members of one family  
And pray to You in unity,  
Teach us no thoughtless words to say  
But from our inmost hearts to pray. (LSB 766)*

*Listen to Jesus,  
Pastor Zimmer*



## October Birthdays

- 03 Jack Castro
- 05 Kamden Pruitt
- 06 Genevieve Wuthenow
- 12 Rose Clark (H)
- 14 Greg McClain
- 17 Paul Sturm
- 24 Lauren Collins
- 31 Joan Sturm



### Week of October 2-8

- Sun, Oct 2, 9:00 am Divine Service
- Sun, Oct 2, 10:05 am Fellowship
- Sun Oct 2, 10:30 am Bible Study
- Wed, Oct 5, 6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Week of October 9-15

- Sun, Oct 9, 9:00 am Divine Service
- Sun, Oct 9, 10:05 am Fellowship
- Sun, Oct 9, 10:30 am Bible Study
- Mon, Oct 10, 7:00 pm Elders Meeting
- Tue, Oct 11, noon Altar Guild Meeting
- Tue, Oct 11, 1:00 pm Women's Bible Study
- Wed, Oct 12, 6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Week of October 16-22

- Sun, Oct 16, 9:00 am Divine Service
- Sun, Oct 16, 10:05 am Fellowship
- Sun, Oct 16, 10:30 am Bible Study
- Mon, Oct 17, 7:00 pm Council Meeting
- Wed, Oct 19, 6:30 pm Choir Practice
- Sat, Oct 22, 10:00 am Ladies Aid Meeting

### Week of October 23-29

- Sun, Oct 23, 9:00 am Divine Service
- Sun, Oct 23, 10:05 am Fellowship
- Sun, Oct 23, 10:30 am Bible Study
- Wed, Oct 26, 6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Week of October 30-31

- Sun, Oct 30, 9:00 am Festive Divine Service
- Sun, Oct 30, 10:05 am Fellowship
- Sun, Oct 30, 10:30 am Bible Study

## Choir Practice

Choir practice is on **Wednesdays, at 6:30 p.m.** Anyone high school or older are encouraged to join. All are welcome to lend their voices in praise to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Many voices make for beautiful music.



## October Baptismal Anniversaries

- 05 Mark Drevlow
- 13 Steve Stroh
- 20 Kamden Pruett
- 21 Jenny Martinez
- 29 Emily Pruett
- 29 Paul Sturm
- 30 Lauren Collins



## October Wedding Anniversaries

- 16 Ed & Lisa Cruz
- 18 Dan & Robin Wise
- 31 Scott & Denise Collins



## Altar Flowers



Thank you to everyone who donated flowers for the altar in 2022 and to Ruth Ogden for arranging the beautiful bouquets.

The 2023 flower charts will be posted in November. Ruth Ogden will do two altar bouquets for **\$30**. **Karen** will contact you to get your flower request, and a brief note to place in the worship bulletin.



Please check upcoming bulletins in late November for forms to purchase poinsettias for the Christmas Season. Cost is \$12 and payment with completed form is due **December 11**.

## Ladies Aid

Approximately 20 people attended the wine/chocolate social in September, enjoying games, food, and fellowship.

Around Thanksgiving, you will see the Giving Tree for members and their families. Most times these families request gift cards to their favorite stores. You can purchase cards at the retail outlets, but even more convenient, order the cards from MANNA, or RaiseRight (as it is now called). Choose an envelope from the tree, see what the recipient is requesting, and order cards, purchase at stores, and bring items to church by the requested date. See **Lisa Cruz** with any questions.

At the same time as fulfilling those Giving Tree wishes, will be the annual Food Drive. First, we like to provide the members on this list with items that can be used for a festive holiday dinner, and then provide staples to save those amounts so that they can be used by the family for the Merry CHRISTmas season. Each time you go to the grocery store until Christmas, try to purchase an item for the Food Drive. In the past years, we have given each family an amazing amount of food and other staples (paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, etc.). We would like to do that again this year.

Now is the best time to join Ladies Aid at our next meeting on **October 15 at 10:00 am**. Our efforts for this meeting will be focused on the programs for the coming year.

### **Divine Shepherd Wants you! Altar Guild needs a few good women!**

Help is needed for communion set-up and clean-up. Time commitment is about 15-30 minutes monthly. Communion set-up is usually completed on Friday or Saturday at a time of your choice. Communion clean-up is performed immediately after church services. Someone will work with you during “boot camp” until you feel you are ready to carry out a solo mission. No prior experience necessary. Requirements include prior KP duty (washing and drying!), basic math skills and a willing heart with a desire to serve your congregation. See or contact Pastor Zimmer or Ruth Ogden if you would like to enlist.

## Prayer Chain



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

## Sunday Treats

Do you enjoy treats and fellowship after Sunday services? If so, please consider signing up on any given Sunday(s). Why not sign up with a friend? *Empty slots mean no treats.*



## THRIVENT FINANCIAL®

Directing Choice Dollars is a great way for eligible Thrivent members to show support for what matters most to them. Thank you to everyone who donated their choice dollars – Divine Shepherd received over \$1,300 since the first of the year. Remember to donate your second and/ or third quarter choice dollars.

## Raise Right

Shop with Raise Right (new name) cards are available throughout the year for everyday expenses and gifts for any special occasion. Next order dates are, **October 16, November 6 & 20, December 18**. Pre-purchased cards are available after Sunday services and forms are on the bookcase 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. RaiseRight pays us to use their service. What is more, many of these cards can be reloaded so you do not have to continually buy new cards

*Your Organization:*

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*Your Coordinator:* **Lisa Cruz**

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## Reformation Day

Each year we celebrate the Reformation of the Church. What precisely are we celebrating? The start of a “new Church”? No. The Reformation was not the start of a new Church, but the reformation of the old Church of Christ and the apostles. What then are we celebrating? What we thank and praise God for on this day is the rediscovery of the place of Christ and His Gospel in the Church. The Good News of God’s love and mercy for us in Jesus is what the Reformation is all about. Indeed, ‘he who has ears to hear let him hear’.



The Reformation continues. The Church is always being reformed, because God’s Word of Law and Gospel continues to change hearts and lives, showing people their sins and their need for the Savior. Let us hear that Good News and take it to heart. Let us rejoice in the work of Luther and the other reformers, not in a prideful way, but by way of humble repentance and prayer for personal renewal in the grace of Christ. Indeed, let us hear the Good News of Christ and then boldly share it with others. May God keep us steadfast in His Word for the sake of Christ, our Savior. (Portals of Prayer)

## I Am Your Church Budget

Through me, families are launched in marriage, persons are baptized, and the young are trained in Christian character. I provide music to enrich your worship and preaching services to help you live more nobly. I heat and cool your church and keep it in repair for your comfort and use. I reach out to your community and country, preaching, teaching, and healing in Christ's name. I help to train ministers in seminaries, and I aid those who retired after years of faithful service to God through the Church. It is through me that the sick and spiritual strength, the troubled and the discouraged are steadied. I go out into the wide world, preaching the Gospel in every language. I carry the Word to people of every race, color, and clan.

I am your BUDGET. Believe in me; support me that I may carry on in your name. With your help, I make possible all of these services. As the budget, I am **YOU AT WORK.**



However, I do need your help. I do need your support. Without you to support me, I am helpless. You are my foundation, my supporting walls.

I am your money, your prayer, your concern - translated into action. **I can only do what you, through sacrifice, make it possible for me to do.**

## Jesus Loves Seniors

Jesus loves me, this I know, Though my hair is white as snow  
Though my sight is growing dim, Still He bids me trust in Him.

Though my steps are oh, so slow, With my hand in His I'll go  
On through life, let come what may, He'll be there to lead the way.

When the nights are dark and long, In my heart He puts a song.  
Telling me in words so clear, "Have no fear, for I am near."

When my work on earth is done, And life's victories have been won.  
He will take me home above, Then I'll understand His love.

I love Jesus, does He know? Have I ever told Him so?  
Jesus loves to hear me say, That I love Him every day.





## **Shop & earn options to fit your lifestyle Make fundraising part of your everyday life with gift cards purchased through RaiseRight.**

### **eGift cards**

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- Schedule eGift cards to arrive in a friend’s inbox at a specific time for a surprise gift
- Easily keep track of all your eGift cards with your Wallet

### **Physical gift cards**

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- Easily keep track of the money you’ve added with your Wallet

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