

Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church



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Mission Statement: We, the Congregation of Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), declare that God the Father is all powerful and eternal, that His Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, is the Living Word and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we aspire to live our lives according to the Word of God and to proclaim His truth to a lost and hurting world around us.

Ministerial Acts for May Pastor Norr's Page

The Moral Standards of the Church

- **Funerals**
MaryAnn Squires
Doris Josephine Peterson
- **Baptisms**
Izayaa Aloysuis Bechtold
- **Weddings**

If you have any prayer requests, please call Melissa Nissila at 865-4769 or 780-6378, she is in charge of the prayer chain.

Ephesians 4:17-24: "This I say therefore, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart; and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality, for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness. But you did not learn Christ in this way, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus, that, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth."

The summer season is upon us. And I know it is a short season in this part of the country. We try to pack many things into our week-ends. But Church must be a priority for a Christian family, and also at least one Bible Study during the week. To spend two hours on Sunday morning and one hour on Sunday or Wednesday evening. There are 168 hours in a week, are we saying 3 hours per week is too much to give to the Lord? People should be able to see a difference between Christians and non-Christians because of the way Christians live. We are to live as children of light. Paul told the Ephesians to leave behind the old life of sin, since they were followers of Christ. Living the Christian life is a process. Although we have a new nature, we don't automatically think all good thoughts and express all right attitudes when we become new people in Christ. But if we keep listening to God, we will be changing all the time. The old way of life before we believed in Christ is completely in the past. We should put it behind us like old clothes to be thrown away. In Pastor Barnhart's Vine and Branches Newsletter, he quotes Billy Graham on page 12; he spoke about Church attendance, it was a problem in New Testament times as well. He said, "A distain for church attendance boils down to a deeper issue," Graham writes: "What place does Jesus Christ have in our lives? Is He only one of many interests we have, or is He the center and foundation of all we do?" He warned that "a casual approach to Christ always leads to a casual approach to church." I'll give you a two or three weeks vacation from church, but expect you to attend every Sunday. God bless you, see you in church.

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Church Attendance

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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Helvi Ahola
 Earle Angellar
 Kim Gerzina
 Stanley Hill
 Tim Hunter
 Minerva Imberg at Edgewood Vista Assisted Living
 Daphne Koski
 Art Lee
 Grace Lee at Essentia Convalescent Care
 Tyne Lothberg at Edgewood Vista Assisted Living
 Lorna Mattila at Edgewood Vista Memory Care
 Michael McDonough
 Dale & Sue Mott
 Gordy Nissila
 Donna Simmons
 Ty, Carolyn, Jaxon and Ellia Stewart in Belgium
 Kim Schwartz



Arthur Tuominen
 Adult and Teen Challenge
 All our servicemen & women

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

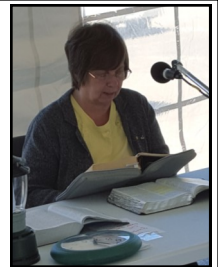
Denise Klatt June 2
 Jeff Forseen June 5
 Ernest Ahola June 6
 Lucian Mattila June 16
 Ralph & Kathy Isaacson June 24
 Tammy Sederlund June 27
 Barb Stewart June 28



On Monday, May 2nd at 7:00 a.m., a group of people from many churches began faithfully reading from the bible starting in Genesis. They read continually until they finished reading Revelation at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 5th. At noon, we met on the Courthouse lawn and celebrated the National Day of Prayer with many pastors taking part in the service.



Members from GSLC participating: Pastor Norr, Denise Klatt, KariAnn Kolocek, Linda Kolocek, Todd Niemi, Eric Nilsson, Sandra Tuominen, Sherry Johnson and Kathy Carlson



Volunteer Update

	June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
Greeters	Dave & Barb Stewart	Dave & Barb Stewart	Caroline Mannila	Caroline Mannila
Ushers	Todd Niemi & Deb Hanela	Warren Swartz & Don Genung	Tim & Deb Hunter	Jeff Forseen & Art Lee
Acolytes	Arthur Tuominen	Kirsti Saranen	Reese Jorgensen	Janelle Saranen
Offering Counters	Lisa I. & Linda K.	Linda K. & Melissa N.	Melissa N. & Tammy B.	Kathy C. & Sherry J.
Readers	Arthur Tuominen	Dave Saranen	Melissa Nissila	Tim Hunter
Kitchen Clean-up	Lisa Inman	Sherry Johnson	Sharon Maki	Caroline Mannila

Laundering Linens for the Month: Ellen Bane

"WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT!" MATTHEW 25:23

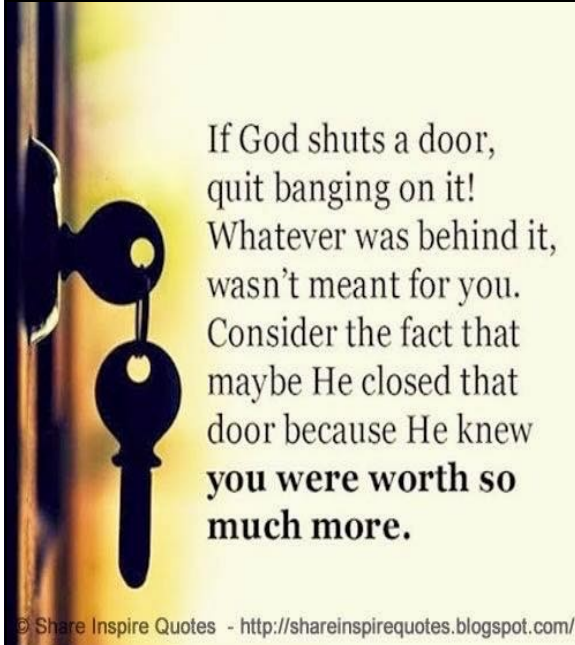
June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>5 9:00 am—Radio Broadcast/KRBT 9:00 am—Adult Sunday School 9:45 am—Praise & Worship 10:00 am—Worship / Communion Service 2:00 pm—VCC Nursing Home Service 4:00 pm—Columbia Service</p>	<p>6 12:00 pm—Pray for our Nation 6:15 pm—Book Study at Sheri Peterson's</p>	<p>7 3:00 pm—Washington Manor Service 6:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery in the Park</p>	<p>1 7:00 pm—Bible Study</p>	<p>2 8:00 am—Pastor's Prayer Breakfast @ Northgate Café 10:30 am—Edgewood Vista Service 2:00 pm—Soup Kitchen 4:00 pm—Group Home 5:30 pm—Prayer Session</p>	<p>3 3:00 pm—Laurentian Manor Service</p>	<p>4</p>
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<p>19 Spirit Sunday 9:00 am—Radio Broadcast/KRBT 9:00 am—Adult Sunday School 9:45 am—Praise & Worship 10:00 am—Worship Service 4:00 pm—Columbia Service</p> <p>Father's Day</p>	<p>20 12:00 pm—Pray for our Nation 6:15 pm—Book Study at Sheri Peterson's</p> <p>VBS at Riverside Chapel</p>	<p>21 3:00 pm—Washington Manor Service 6:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery VBS at Riverside Chapel</p>	<p>22 7:00 pm—Bible Study VBS at Riverside Chapel</p>	<p>23 8:00 am—Pastors' Prayer Breakfast @ Northgate Café 4:00 pm—Group Home 5:30 pm—Prayer Session VBS at Riverside Chapel</p>	<p>24 3:00 pm—Laurentian Manor Service VBS at Riverside Chapel</p>	<p>25</p>
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If you have any news, concerns, or requests, you can contact Sherry by phone, text, or email. If you prefer to receive this newsletter in email format, let Sherry know.

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*Church Picnic
July 31st at Olcott Park*

*StoryBook Lodge Bible
Camp
August 14-20, 2016*

Vacation Bible School
June 20-24
Riverside Chapel in Forbes
Ages 4 through High School
Theme: Ocean Commotion

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