



# Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church

*A Christian community sharing God's love with the world.*

## Announcements

**Week of May 12, 2024**

*We welcome you - join us to explore and participate in our activities!*

May	12	Sun	8:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	12	Sun	9:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Brunch (Friendship Hall)
	13	Mon	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon (Friendship Hall)
	13	Mon	11:30 a.m.	Women's AA Meeting (Friendship Hall)
	14	Tues	10:00 a.m.	GFWC Book Club (Conference Room)
	14	Tues	11:00 a.m.	GFWC Board Meeting (Conference Room)
	14	Tues	2:00 p.m.	Dream Circle (Conference Room)
	15	Wed	9:30 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity (Friendship Hall)
	15	Wed	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Sanctuary)
	19	Sun	8:30 a.m.	Choir Warm-up (Friendship Hall)
	19	Sun	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	19	Sun	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship (Friendship Hall)
	20	Mon	9:00 a.m.	Church Council Meeting (Conference Room)
	20	Mon	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon (Friendship Hall)
	20	Mon	11:30 a.m.	Women's AA Meeting (Friendship Hall)
	20	Mon	6:00 p.m.	CHEO (Friendship Hall)
	22	Wed	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Friendship Hall)

Email announcements by Wednesday noon: **Sandy Hagan** [shepherdofthelake13@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdofthelake13@gmail.com)

Find sermons, *News from the Pews*, and Announcements on our website: [shepherdofthelaketn.org](http://shepherdofthelaketn.org)

Pastor Phil contact information: cell: (913) 229-2129 email: [fathervickers@gmail.com](mailto:fathervickers@gmail.com)

### **In our prayers...**

**Caring and Healing – Our So+L family:** Susan & Howard Kastner, Mary Brown, Jim Wuolukka, Steve Opsal, Linda Brady, Wayne Lemke, Marjorie Porr, Char Gingrich, Ron Clesen

**Family and Friends of So+L:** Kathy Trusdorf (Arrowood/Hatch/Lillestolen), Donna Harless (Brown), Calderola family (Clesen), Sally Donohue, Heath Wakefield, Karla Walker, John Lewis, Guy Fitzgerald (Duvall), Sam, Andrew, Dillon Eberhardt (Elbert), Jackson Findley (Findley), Raymond Froese (Froese), Scott Graening (Graening), Sue Demakos, Aileen Demakos, Larry Mau (Hatt), Jen Lemmon, Stephen Hohausser, Jim Donald, Kari Donald, Barbara Whitney, Caden, Jane Fitzgibbon, Spike Haupt, Wendy Kastner, Wilhelm Von Schlag, Joe Skinner, Dale Weidinger, Jim Barton, Matt Kennan (Kastner), Brian Kirts (Kirts), Craig Mandro, Ava Edgell (Mandro), Tim Shally (Men's Fellowship), Jennifer Powers (Moxim), Donnie Zinsmeister (Navratil), Mary Petrie, Elaine & Bob Nevin (Nevin), Jim & Linda Robins, Scott Curfman (Opsal), Marjorie Waldrop (Sawinski), Lillian Hodges (Schuessler), Joan Fox, Belinda, Jackie Curtiss (Shubeck), Barbara Brown, Quinn Taylor, Sue McDermott, Dan Corr, Wendy Bretz, Les Muranyi (So+L), Victor Anthony Tisch (Tisch), Stephen & Betsy Friedrich (Vickers)

**Comfort in the Midst of Grief:** We pray for all who grieve the loss of loved ones.

**We also pray** for healing in our world. We pray for the homeless and those in distress in Haiti, Israel and Palestine. We pray for our country, our military, our allies, the people of war-torn countries, and U.S. citizens there. We also pray for those affected by severe weather.

We pray for our congregation, Pr. Phil, and Church Council, Bp. Kevin Strickland and the SE Synod staff; Bp. Elizabeth Eaton and the ELCA Churchwide staff.

# WORSHIP



Worship services are live streamed on Sundays at 9:00 a.m.  
To live stream, go to [shepherdofthelaketn.org](http://shepherdofthelaketn.org)  
- scroll down to “Live Stream Worship”  
- click on the light blue button on the right to connect to YOUTUBE  
- click on WORSHIP tab at top of home page for worship bulletin.

## Communing by Table:

We will continue communing by table. The usher will invite you to come forward in groups to stand side by side before the altar. The Pastor and the communion assistants will pass in front of you and offer the elements. When all those standing at the altar have communed, the Pastor will say a blessing for all and invite you to return to your seats. This way of taking communion is just another way to honor the sanctity of the Eucharist.

**Reminder:** Please silence cell phones and electronic devices prior to worship.

## Scripture Readings

Lectionary readings arrive by email every Monday morning for your review prior to Bible Study and worship.

### Daily Scripture Readings

<b>Monday</b>	Psalm 115; Exodus 28:29-38; Philippians 1:3-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	Psalm 115; Numbers 8:5-22; Titus 1:1-9
<b>Wednesday</b>	Psalm 115; Ezra 9:5-15; John 16:16-24
<b>Thursday</b>	Psalm 33:12-22; Genesis 2:4b-7; 1 Corinthians 15:42b-49
<b>Friday</b>	Psalm 33:12-22; Job 37:1-13; 1 Corinthians 15:50-57
<b>Saturday</b>	Psalm 33:12-22; Exodus 15:6-11; John 7:37-39



## Stewardship Moment

**John 17:18** – Jesus prayed to God about his disciples, “As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.”

*Because we live in an evil world, we can be tempted to withdraw, shut down, and disengage. But Jesus sends us steward/disciples out into the world, to be bearers of God’s love and light. We engage the world God loves.*



### Bible Study – Wednesdays at 10am

We are looking at the assigned lectionary texts for the coming Sunday. I will have all the materials we need, and you do not need to bring anything. This study meets in either the Sanctuary or Friendship Hall every Wednesday at 10am. If you have not previously been attending Bible study this would be a great time to jump in.

*Pr. Phil*



### **Choir Rehearsal – Sunday, May 19, 8:30am, Friendship Hall**

Calling all choir members, there will be a choir warm-up in Friendship Hall on Sunday, May 19, at 8:30am. Every voice is important, and Sue Schemberger is reminding you to put this on your calendar TODAY.

## **CHURCH NEWS**

We received news this week that Sue McDermott is now in Hospice Care. If you would like to send her a card here is her address: Sue McDermott,  
2041 West State. Rd. 426, Room 301,  
Oviedo, Florida 32765

### **SAVE THE DATE – So+L 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Sunday, September 22**

More details will follow in the near future.

## **FELLOWSHIP**



### **Mother's Day Brunch – TODAY, Friendship Hall**

The Men's Fellowship group is hosting a brunch to honor the women of the congregation. Everyone is welcome to attend. Thank you to all the men that served the women on this special day.

### **Women's Fellowship – Garden Party, Thursday, May 23, 9:30am, Jean Clesen Home**

So+L women and friends, come and enjoy conversation and a delicious brunch in beautiful surroundings!

- Take a pathway walk through the lovely gardens
- Be entertained by storyteller Linda Schuessler

Thursday, May 23 (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday), 9:30-11:30am, at the Clesens home on the lake in Kahite. The menu will be quiche (meat & vegetarian), hash browns, muffins, fruit, and beverages. The cost is \$10 payable that day. We will carpool from the church at 9:10am. Go to SignUpGenius to make a reservation.



## **OUTREACH**

### **Habitat for Humanity – Wednesday, May 15**

We have a wonderful opportunity to assist with one of our So+L Outreach programs. Habitat has volunteers who assist with building new homes in Loudon County, and we have been asked to provide lunch for them. There are 10-12 workers who will be at the site on May 15.

Thank you to all that have volunteered to purchase food and those who will prepare it on Wednesday, May 15 at 9:30am in the kitchen area of Friendship Hall. Any questions can be directed to me. Thank you! *Pauline Gorsline* (847-830-6097)

## **Spring Gala Event - Dinner & Auction (RSVP today for tickets!)**

Please join us for a Gala event to benefit **Our PLACE** on **Sunday, May 19 from 5-10pm** at the Yacht Club in Tellico Village.

**Our PLACE** will host our Spring Capital Campaign Fundraiser & Gala in support of our Capital Fund for further expansion.

We have planned a very special evening, including a social hour, hors d'oeuvres, a delicious dinner, wonderful music, and many auction items. The real beneficiaries of this annual event are the families and caregivers who struggle daily with the many aspects of dementia. Your participation in this event will not only provide you with an enjoyable and entertaining evening, but it will also help **Our PLACE** to continue *Creating Moments of Joy* for so many individuals. For your convenience, follow this link to RSVP form: <https://form.jotform.com/240744302721144> (Secure online credit card payment is offered for your convenience.)

## **Outreach Program of the Month – Buddy Benches Save your bottle caps for benches!**

Our Outreach Ministry of the Month is the **Kiwanis Bench Project**, which converts our bottle caps into **Buddy Benches** for schools, libraries, community organizations, and Habitat communities. Why is it called a Buddy Bench? It was originally designed so that kids who may be shy, new, or just having a bad day could sit there; a classmate or teacher who noticed a child sitting on the bench would know that they needed a buddy. Today it fills that need as well as fostering relationships for all ages.

Kevin Meyer from Community Church started the Tellico Village bench program five years ago, and Shepherd of the Lake has been one of its supporters from the start. Early on, the Kiwanis Club joined the endeavor as a co-sponsor. From five benches the first year, the program has grown, and this year dedicated its **50<sup>th</sup>** bench! It takes 200 pounds of caps to make one bench. Here's how you can help:

**Collect plastic bottle caps.** In Friendship Hall there is a bin near the exit door where you can deposit your caps. Barb Warfel, who is our liaison, empties the bin periodically and delivers the caps to Kevin. Many types of clean plastic bottle caps up to 8" and recycle #2, #4 or #5 are acceptable. A complete list with pictures is available *here*: [k15626.site.kiwanis.org/buddy-benches/](http://k15626.site.kiwanis.org/buddy-benches/) Scroll down the page and click on the **DOWNLOAD** link to access the Acceptable Caps List.

**Sponsor or co-sponsor a bench.** The labor cost for each bench is \$400, and individuals or groups may sponsor a bench. A co-sponsorship is \$200. The sponsor may help select the location for the bench, and a plaque on the bench recognizes the sponsor and if it was dedicated in honor or memory of someone. You will be invited to the dedication on location. Several members from Shepherd of the Lake have sponsored benches in the past, so please consider this worthwhile investment in our community.



**In appreciation of  
Sweetwater Elementary  
Teachers, Staff and Students  
(Deb and Amos Hatch)**



**Vonore Elementary School,  
in memory of  
Ida Rattleman,  
a Mother & Veteran with  
a love for education and children  
(Carol and Steve Opsal)**



**Boys and Girls Club of Lenoir City  
(Norm and Linda Schuessler)**