

Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church

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

Announcements

Week of June 29, 2025

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

June	29	Sun	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	29	Sun	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship (Friendship Hall)
	30	Mon	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon (Friendship Hall)
	30	Mon	11:30 a.m.	Women's AA Meeting (Friendship Hall)
	30	Mon	5:00 p.m.	Top Notes Rehearsal (Friendship Hall)
July	1	Tues	8:00 a.m.	Lions Club of Tellico Village (Friendship Hall)
	1	Tues	11:00 a.m.	Kiwanis of Tellico Village (Friendship Hall)
	2	Wed	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Friendship Hall)
	4	Fri	Office Closed	July 4 th Holiday
	4	Fri	11:30 a.m.	Sisters in Sobriety (Friendship Hall)
	6	Sun	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
	6	Sun	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship (Friendship Hall)
	7	Mon	10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon (Friendship Hall)
	7	Mon	11:30 a.m.	Women's AA Meeting (Friendship Hall)
	8	Tues	9:00 a.m.	Communications Team Meeting (Conference Room)
	8	Tues	1:30 p.m.	Dream Study (Conference Room)
	9	Wed	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Friendship Hall)
	10	Thur	10:00 a.m.	Card Making Ministry (Friendship Hall)
	11	Fri	11:30 a.m.	Sisters in Sobriety (Friendship Hall)

Email announcements by Wednesday noon: Sandy Hagan shepherdofthelake13@gmail.com

Bulletins, Announcements, and News from the Pews, are on our website: shepherdofthelaketn.org

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

In our prayers...

Caring and Healing – Our So+L family: Susan & Howard Kastner, Mary Brown, Jim Wuolukka, Steve Opsal, Wayne Lemke, Penny Hatt, Deb Hickman, Jean & Ron Clesen, Kris Rowe, Dennis Smith, Steve Dormer, Cheryl Vickers, Claire Moxim, Charlie Shubeck

Family and Friends of So+L: Kathy Trusdorf, Ellen & Jerry Fox (Arrowood/Hatch/Lillestolen/Tisch), John Draper (Arrowood), Donna Harless (Brown), Calderola family, Sheri Lundell, Carolyn Blackman, Darren Taylor, Matt Fischer (Clesen), Toni Tschampion (DiPiazza), Sally & David Donohue, Heath Wakefield, Karla Walker, Addie Butler, Lillith Smith (Duvall), Jackson Findley (Findley), Scott Graening (Graening), Sue Demakos, Tom Peck (Hatt), Stephen Hohausser, Jen Lemmon, Jim Donald, Barbara Whitney, Caden, Jane Fitzgibbon, Marie Beckbay, Patty Lemmon (Kastner), Brian Kirts (Kirts), Tim Shally (Men's Fellowship), Elizabeth Campbell (Moxim), Irene Tison (Newman), Mary Petrie (Nevin), Scott Curfman, Jim & Linda Robins (Opsal), Kari Acord (Schaeffer), Jackie Curtiss, (Shubeck), Chuck Oswald (Oswald), Victor Tisch (Tisch), Barbara Brown, Quinn Taylor, Dan Corr, Elaine Nevin, Piper, Beverly Weems, Marilyn Toner (So+L), Stephen & Betsy Friedrich, Mort Patterson (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 victims of violence and their loved ones. We pray for those trying to recover from hurricanes and other weather-related devastation. We pray for the homeless and those in distress throughout the SE United States, and Europe. We pray for our country, our military, our allies, the people of war-torn countries, and U.S. citizens there.

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

- **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:

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 communion is just another way to honor the sanctity of the Eucharist.

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



New Members

We will be welcoming new members to our congregation on **Sunday, July 20**. This is a special and joyous time in the life of our church, as we embrace those who wish to join our faith community.

If you feel called to become part of our So+L church family, we invite you to reach out to Pastor Phil. He would love to connect with you and guide you through this meaningful step. Several people have already expressed their desire to join, and we look forward to celebrating together as we grow in with and fellowship.

Come and be part of something truly special—we can't wait to welcome you!

Scripture Readings

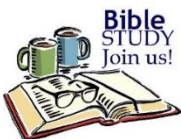
Lectionary readings arrive by email every Monday morning for your review prior to Bible Study and worship.

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday	Psalm 5; Jonah 4:1-11; Acts 8:26-40
Tuesday	Psalm 5; Nehemiah 1:1-11; Acts 3:1-10
Wednesday	Psalm 5; Isaiah 56:1-8; Mark 7:24-30
Thursday	Psalm 30; 2 Samuel 14:1-11; Acts 22:6-21
Friday	Psalm 30; 2 Samuel 14:12-24; Acts 26:1-11
Saturday	Psalm 30; 2 Samuel 14:25-33; Matthew 9:2-8



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

Biblical Storytelling Series—Coming Soon!

In August you can join Pastor Phil and Linda Schuessler for a four-week series to introduce you to biblical storytelling. For more information watch for additional announcements in July and read the article, “Bringing Scripture to Life Through Its Stories,” in the upcoming July *News from the Pews*.



Mark your calendars for an informational meeting after worship on August 3. The weekly series will begin Thursday, August 14, 6:00-7:00 pm. We hope to see you there.

FELLOWSHIP

Rally Day, “Cruise-Chews-Blues” - Saturday, August 2, 2025

UPDATE: Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Event



Exciting plans are underway at So+L as the Communications Team introduces a new initiative aimed at fostering community engagement and bringing greater visibility to the church. To kick things off, the team is organizing a Rally Day—a special event that will bring members and neighbors together for an afternoon of fellowship, food, and fun.

We’re expecting a larger-than-usual crowd for our upcoming event and would love your help in making it a success! The Lions Club has generously included us in their flyer distribution in appreciation for their continued use of Friendship Hall. The flyers will be distributed in July, so watch for them in your paper tube.



If you’re available to lend a hand, we have several ways to get involved:

- **Set-up and clean-up**
- **Floating church greeters**
- **Food pickup**
- **Food prep and serving**

To sign up, please call Sandy at the church at **865-816-4756** or email shepherdofthelake13@gmail.com. Thank you for being part of our community spirit!

We will have the Tellico Top Notes band here with live music, classic cars on site, and plenty of delicious food to enjoy. Rain or shine, on Saturday, August 2, 10am to 1:30pm, in our church parking lot, we will be serving:

Hot dogs and brats, sauerkraut and all the trimmings
Chips, Cookies, Drinks - Soda & Water

There will be a “free will” offering, and if we experience rain, the event will move inside so we can still enjoy a wonderful time together. Church members, friends, and the Tellico Village Community are all invited to join us for this festive gathering. So, we can gauge the amount of food to prepare, please go to SignUpGenius and add your name if you plan to attend. Remember to invite your family and friends.

We welcome any and all volunteers who are willing to assist in making this a great community event.

OUTREACH

Christmas In July Help Good Shepherd Kids...

Return filled backpacks to the church TODAY

Have fun shopping for a back-to-school outfit and make someone's first day back to school brighter. Shepherd of the Lake had 28 backpacks available, each with a tag that lists needs, sizes, ages, and gender for clothing. You may shop on your own or find a partner to share the cost.



Outreach Program for the Month of July

The Good Shepherd Center is a non-profit organization located in Madisonville that has been serving Monroe County since 1986. On a monthly basis, they provide food and clothing to the people in need living in Monroe County.



I am one of the many So+L volunteers. I have the opportunity to talk with and listen to these people. That is one of the biggest blessings. It is truly amazing to hear about the struggles that some of these people have overcome and the stories of their faith. After listening and talking with them, they are able to pick two items from a list of "special needs" that GSC does not provide. These items are provided by churches in the area and our church is a big contributor. An example of some the choices is: shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, laundry soap, dish soap, sugar, coffee and flour.

After the intake process, they are able to shop for clothing and miscellaneous items that have all been donated. Each family can choose three items of clothing times the number of people in the family. They can also choose 5 miscellaneous items. When they check out at the clothing table, they receive a couple of plastic grocery bags. Once outside, they are able to fill these bags with fresh produce and sweets that have been donated. They also receive a box of food according to the size of their family. GSC provides other services to the families. A few of these are: help with utilities on an emergency basis, ETHRA vouchers for transportation to medical appointments, and layettes for newborns.

Our congregation has been actively involved with GSC since 2010. When you donate thru our church to the GSC fund, you are helping to provide some of the miscellaneous items mentioned above. Another program we have been involved with for years is going on now: Christmas In July. The children are provided with a new back to school outfit along with a backpack. For many of these children, it is the only time in which they will have an entirely new outfit. It is a wonderful way to start the first day of school.

The following is a few of the comments our clients wrote when asked to write a few words on what GSC means to them:

Good Shepherd means the world to me and my family. Without them in here, life would be harder.

Good Shepherd has gone above and beyond with generosity for myself and family.

They are always the friendliest people. They show everyone love!

Hope and inner peace.

Tina Smith, the GSC director, will be visiting our congregation on Sunday, July 13.

Kandie Shubeck