



# Weekly News and Notes

**Mission:** *Serving the loving Christ by serving and loving others.*

**Vision:** *Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church is a place where all are welcome. Our ministry helps others see Jesus through Christ-centered worship, education, ministry, and outreach.*

**Sunday, July 28, 2024**

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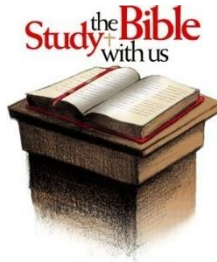
Who feels peace? Who can honestly say that today they feel extremely comfortable and at peace?

With the way things are shaping up in the world, it is hard for anyone to truly feel at peace. With health

concerns, loss of friends and family, job issues, financial difficulties, housing, and so much more, it is hard to be at peace. Think back for a moment to the flood. God called Noah and said, "Noah, build me an ark." Instant nerves and anxiety. On one hand, God asked him to perform a difficult task. No one was going to help him. All he had was his sons and their wives, 8 people to build a massive boat. Plus, the ridicule he would receive for building a massive boat in an area that did not understand what flooding was, because it never happened. On the other hand, God was going to send a lot of rain requiring a boat that big. What was going to happen to everything? Instant nerves, anxiety, and deep concern. Want to talk about peace? NOPE! Yet, in the reading this morning, we encounter Noah after the flood. His first instinct is to build an altar to God and praise Him. God's response was to put the rainbow in the sky to signal a new covenant that He would never again flood the entire world. For a moment, there was great peace. When we are distracted from God how badly do the winds and waves of the world pull us further into despair? If Noah had focused on all the bad happening around him, then he never would have been at peace. Yet, Noah trusted God to protect the ark and his family. That trust led to God's ultimate peace. It is difficult, but when we are distracted by the world and all its concerns, we need to quickly find our way back to God. Only in God is there true peace. It is a peace that surpasses all understanding. It is a peace that guards our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ. Today, I encourage you to be like Noah, to put your full trust in God, and allow His peace to fill you with hope, life, truth, and love that is ours in Jesus Christ.

Blessings,  
Pastor Czischke

## Mid-week Bible Study



We continue our study of Luke's Gospel. Luke relates many stories, teaching us about the life and works of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and more importantly, the message he wants us to learn. We read, question, and discuss God's

Word every Wednesday morning at 10:00.

Visitors and guests are welcome.

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### This Week's Lessons

July 28, 2024

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:45-56

### Next Week's Lessons

August 4, 2024

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-15

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16

Gospel Reading: John 6:22-35

## Sunday Morning Bible Study

We will resume Bible Study next week, **August 4th**. We encourage you to continue your daily devotions until we meet again.

## Sunday School Teachers Needed

If you are willing to teach Sunday School on a rotating basis, please reach out to Pastor to sign up to share the love of God with our little ones. Pick the dates that work for you, we'll provide the materials.

# WEEKLY Sneak Peek

## This Week's Calendar

Sunday, July 28, 2024

8:30 am- Traditional Service

9:40 am – Annual Voters' Meeting

10:30 am – Contemporary Service

Wednesday, August 1, 2024

10:00am - Bible Study – Luke

## Next Week's Calendar

Sunday, August 4, 2024

8:30 am- Traditional Service

9:40 am – Bible Study

10:30 am – Contemporary Service

Wednesday, August 8, 2024

10:00am - Bible Study – Luke

Saturday, August 10, 2024

8:00 am – Work Day

## Upcoming Events:

Teacher/Staff Installation – August 11

School resumes – August 12

Blood drive – August 18

### Ushers needed for the Praise Service

Are you available to help hand out bulletins, collect the offerings, etc. for the 10:30 service? Please contact Duane Timm for additional information at

954-771-1590



## Work Day

Our next workday will be on August 10<sup>th</sup>, right before the children return for the new school year. All are welcome to come help beautify our church and school. If you know a project that needs to be addressed, please speak to Pastor or Mark McGuire.

## SERVING THIS WEEK

## Those Serving This Week

July 28, 2024

Ushers: 8:30 am- Carolyn Atchison, Jo Beadle, Colleen Beaudoin, Jeanne Larson

10:30 am-To be Determined

Lector: 8:30 am -Carol Irving

10:30 am-Andrea Canora

Counters: Karen Schmohe/

Altar Guild: Roberta Murphy

Security: Phil Lehenbauer

## Those Serving Next Week

August 4, 2024

Ushers: 8:30 am- Gary Dupont, Eldon DeVore

10:30 am-To be Determined

Lector: 8:30 am – Randy Laser

10:30 am – Gayle Hansen

Counters: Carolyn Atchison/Roberta Murphy

Altar Guild: Irma Quiroz

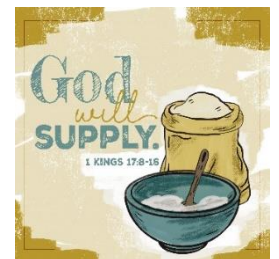
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## Annual Voters' Meeting – TODAY

Following the Traditional service we will have our annual Voters' meeting. We will elect church council members, vote on the proposed budget for the coming year and will be presented with proposed changes to our constitution and by-laws. If these changes are approved by us, the changes will be sent to Florida/Georgia District for review and approval or possible edits.

We encourage everyone to participate. Copies of the proposed changes to the constitution were sent via email on July 15<sup>th</sup>. If you did not receive it, please

provide your email address on the attendance sheet and **check the box** that you want to receive emails. We will also have some copies available at the meeting.





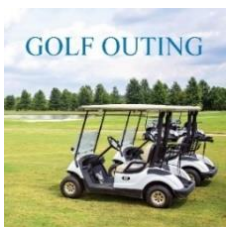
### Altar Flowers

Remember a loved one with flowers on the altar.

Mark the calendar with your name on the chosen date. Each arrangement is

\$20. Complete an envelope with your name and place payment in the offering plate (to the right of the chart) **This week's Altar flowers are given by the Ruth Jaipershad in honor of her birthday.**

### 'Fore' the Kids – 2024 Golf Outing



**This year's Golf Outing, is on Monday, November 4th** and will be here before you know it! We are looking for golfers, volunteers, and your support for this event.

You can support the event by asking local businesses or

restaurants to donate merchandise, gift cards, bring a foursome, or sponsor part of the event. We have letters and information available to help them learn more about the opportunity. If you have any questions, need copies of the letter, or desire to participate the day of the event, please speak with Cliff Higley or Debbie Lorenz after church or call or text Cliff at 773-230-4322, or Debbie at 954-647-9586. From the website you can sign up, purchase raffle tickets & see various sponsorship opportunities: (**The link is case sensitive.**) <https://bit.ly/ForetheKidsSouth-2024>

*Please join us for coffee and snacks every Sunday after the 8:30 am Traditional Service.*



*Yummy Donations are welcome for our Sunday Coffee Fellowship.*

*See Irma or call her @ 954 776 6869.*

### Have you ever asked, "what can I do?"

Take on the role of being a prayer warrior.



Paul tells us to pray unceasingly, and we need faithful people fulfilling this type of

call to prayer. Can you pray? Can you help? Be a Prayer Warrior!

# LCMS Foundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

Becky received a frantic text message from her friend Kim. "I need to schedule an appointment with my attorney to update things after Bill died and I am scared to death." Becky replied, "Why are you scared?" Kim shared, "It has been twenty years since I set foot in an attorney's office and at that time, they made me feel so dumb for not understanding basic legal process." Becky responded, "Sounds like you had the wrong attorney."

This is a frequent scenario played over and over in the minds of many that keep them from creating or updating their estate plans. Most attorneys are probably dismayed to hear such things, as they only want to help their clients achieve their goals. However, this situation illustrates that some preparation can alleviate some of this anxiety. You don't set out to replace your deck in your backyard without educating yourself first.

You visit stores and look at the variety of materials. You read articles about the best choices. You might even watch videos to elevate your familiarity. The same is true for your estate plan. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor has a great resource that outlines the basic elements of an estate plan and highlights decisions you will need to make along the path toward completion. Instead of being put on the spot in a timed appointment in an attorney's office, you can begin thinking and praying about what you believe is your goal. Conversations with your Gift Planning Counselor can help you clarify your thoughts. With anticipation and even excitement, you can look forward to that attorney visit, because you know it is helping you to move forward in being a faithful steward of the gifts God has placed in your life to manage for Him, blessing the family you love and the ministries you care about. To get started on your preparation, Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or [tony.hunt@lfnd.org](mailto:tony.hunt@lfnd.org)

### Portals of Prayer Available

The July – September issue of "Portals of Prayer" is now available in the hallway by the mailboxes. Portals of Prayer is a daily devotion for personal and family devotions.





## In Our Prayers

- ❖ Family of Jeanne Larsen at the passing of her brother-in-law
  - ❖ George Risquez -following emergency open heart surgery
- ❖ Raymond Rickard - hospitalized long term
- ❖ John Christianson - hospitalized, traumatic head injury (parent of SOTC student)
  - ❖ Robert Pierre - Leukemia
  - ❖ Noah Curiel - personal safety
  - ❖ Jenna Teachman, age 10 - cancer
- ❖ Jackie Hardin - recovering after serious fall
  - ❖ LaKeisha & her children - struggling.
- ❖ Kayler Gleason (2-yr old) rare health issues - wisdom for doctors to diagnose/treat
- ❖ Addison Czischke - niece of Pastor Chad and Jen, health concerns
- ❖ Sherry Khan, Winston and Ruth Jaipershad - autoimmune disease
  - ❖ Our Country - principled leaders to govern wisely.
- ❖ SOTC - that we reach those who need Christ
  - ❖ Our school teachers and workers that they are prepared for the new school year
    - ❖ Daniel Strickland - health/well-being
  - ❖ Safety of the troops around the world
    - ❖ Congregations waiting for a Pastor
    - ❖ Those struggling with homelessness
    - ❖ Those struggling with mental illness
    - ❖ Those struggling with addiction
      - ❖ Jeff Farnella - Loneliness
      - ❖ Our homebound members:
        - Marion Bement    -Carolyn Griesse
        - Vera Crusco    - Wanda Guy
        - Sue Dalena    -Joan Saunders
        - Ruth Galinat    -Barb Scott
        - Joyce Garing

## School Endowment Fund

The SOTC School Endowment Fund was established in 2020 with three specific purposes. Proceeds from the Fund are to

- a) provide tuition assistance to school students,
- b) support school staff education activities, and
- c) fund school capital improvements.

The Fund was made possible through a Kaleidoscope Grant that was funded jointly by The Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Foundation. Contributions were matched by the grant on a one-to-one basis. Many thanks to our members that made donations to meet the requirements of the grant. The goal is to have the Fund continually grow and have a greater and greater impact for years to come. Donations to the School Endowment Fund are always welcome and encouraged. Please consider how you can help. Contact Larry Ueltzen at [luelitzen@prodigy.net](mailto:luelitzen@prodigy.net) or call the office at 954-772-8010.

## August Communion Schedule

Pastor Susskraut will be here today and will provide communion in the late service. In August communion will be served at the traditional service on the 2nd and 4th Sunday and at the Praise service the 1st and 3rd Sunday.

August 4	Late Service
August 11	Early Service
August 18	Late Service
August 25	Early Service

Send your child to a private school with the help of a Step Up scholarship. Learn more at [SUFS.org](http://SUFS.org)



### DID YOU KNOW?

Your child could attend Shepherd of the Coast with the help of a K-12 Step Up

For Students Scholarship. Now all families are eligible, regardless of household income, to receive an average of \$7,700 a year, per child for tuition and other educational needs. Child must be a Florida resident and eligible to enroll in a K-12 public school to receive a scholarship. Learn more or apply today at [SUFS.org](http://SUFS.org)

