

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, September 24, 2023

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From The Pastor



Throughout my ministry, I have encountered this question, “what is my purpose?”

Today, Paul answers this question with these words, “If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me...My desire is to be with Christ...But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account.”

Paul realizes that if he remains in the flesh, then God has a reason for it. Now, I am aware that as we age our abilities change. Yet, does that mean our purpose of declaring the Gospel changes?

Last week Paul told us, “If I live, I live to the Lord.” Therefore, if we are in the flesh, we have a purpose to live for the Lord. Now, what does that look like?

Living for the Lord is sharing the love of God with everyone we encounter. Whether that is our family, friends, coworkers, people on the streets, medical teams, etc. you fill in the person, because it does not matter what stage of life, we will always encounter people that we can share the love of God with.

Sometimes this is done through prayer, and other times it is done through words or actions. The key is remembering that “If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me.” Instead of asking for the purpose of life, change that question to “God, what fruitful labor do you have for me today?”

Imagine the change in perspective when our perspective is joined with God!

Blessings,
Pastor Chad



“We come to God with our prayers, and He hears us. God comes to us with His Word, and we listen. Please join us in our study of the book of Genesis every Wednesday morning at 10:00 am.”

Lessons

This Week's Lessons

September 24, 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Second Reading: Phil. 1:12-14,19-30

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

Next Week's Lessons

October 1, 2023

First Reading: Ezekial 18:1-4,25-32

Second Reading: Phil. 2:1-4(5-13)14-18

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:23-27(28-32)



Pastor Czychke welcomes new members Rebecca Dixon and Mike Solley on September 17th, 2023.



WEEKLY *Sneak Peek*

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, September 24, 2023

8:30 am – Traditional Service
 9:30 am- Sunday School
 9:30 am-Adult Bible Study
 10:30 am – Contemporary Service

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

10:00am Bible Study

Next Week's Calendar

Sunday, October 1, 2023

8:30 am – Traditional Service
 9:30 am- Sunday School
 9:30 am-Adult Bible Study
 10:30 am – Contemporary Service

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

10:00am - Bible Study

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## Pastor Out of Office

Pastor Chad will be out of the office from Monday, September 18 through Thursday, September 28. Pastor Scott Gress will be leading us in worship Sunday, September 24. There will be Adult Bible Study and Sunday School on September 24. Please contact the office with any concerns.

## Altar Flowers

Remember a loved one with flowers on the altar.



The 2023 Flower Chart is posted across from the mailboxes. Each arrangement is \$20. Mark the calendar with your name and place payment in the offering plate using the envelope (to the right of the chart) with the information for the bulletin.



## Those Serving This Week

September 24, 2023

Ushers: 8:30am-Scott Burnett, Duane Timms, and Mike Solley  
 10:30am Jo Bellhorn  
 Lector: 8:30am Carol Irving  
 10:30am Andrea Canora  
 Counters: Jo Beadle/Karen Schmoe  
 Altar Guild: Roberta Murphy  
 Security: Mark McGuire  
 Sunday School Teacher- Christina McGuire

## Those Serving Next Week

October 1, 2023

Ushers: 8:30am-Jo Beadle, Carolyn Atchinson, Jeanne Larson, and Colleen Beaudoin  
 10:30am Jo Bellhorn  
 Lector: 8:30am Randy Laser  
 10:30am Gayle Hansen  
 Counters: Carolyn Atchison/Roberta Murphy  
 Altar Guild: Diane Nickel  
 Security: Jay Aamodt  
 Sunday School Teacher- Faith Grambow

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As September Closes



Lord, You are our strength and fortress, an ever present help in trouble. Therefore, we come before you to seek Your guidance and truth that in all things we see Your fruitful labor for our lives. Graciously guide us, in Jesus name. Amen.

"Fore the Kids!" Golf Outing



"Fore the Kids!" golf outing will take place on **Monday, October 16, 2023**. Our goal is to raise enough money for each classroom to have a Smart Board. Start spreading the word, October will be here before we know it and some organizations need two or three months to process the requests for sponsorship. The event website is: <https://bit.ly/ForeTheKidsSouth-2023>

Another option is to use the QR code below. If you have any questions, then please contact a golf committee member or Cliff Higley through text or voicemail at 773-230-4322 or email cliff@cdpromos.com. Please direct organizations to review the sponsorship opportunities or to sign up their foursome.



Please join us for coffee and snacks every Sunday after the 9:00am Service. Yummy Donations are always welcome. See Irma or call her @ 954 776 6869. Thank you very much!

Want more from Shepherd of the Coast?

Please provide your phone number and email address on the attendance sheet and we'll add you to OneCall notifications and News & Notes list.

LCMS Foundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

Life is full of starts and stops, but the Lord looks at all our lives in one grand design. Our estate plans dwell in the Life is full of starts and grand design vision, instead of focusing only on the moment.

Bev and Frank were sitting out on their porch one evening reflecting on the events of their lives. Since marriage, they had lived in five different cities, as jobs had led them. Children's school events had once captured their lives. Now their local pickleball tournaments take up much of their time. They smiled and cried together as they reflected on life's events. But then Frank said, "Life just feels disjointed. With all the twists and turns, what was the purpose?" Bev responded, "Do you remember that verse from Bible study the other night? I think it was Colossians 3:17. Pastor made us memorize it. 'Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.' I'm pretty sure that's the point, don't you?" "You are right," Frank said. "Do you think our estate plans reflect that confidence or should we call the LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor who spoke at Church last week?" Bev replied, "Let's call her. I want to celebrate Jesus in all our life stages."

Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you get started. Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or tony.hunt@lfnd.org

In Our Prayers



- ❖ Benjamin and Scarlett Tino as they await their first child
- ❖ Carol Ewald – broken pelvis
- ❖ Wanda Guy – health
- ❖ Daniel Strickland – health/well-being
- ❖ Our Country – that our leaders will govern with principle.
- ❖ Shepherd of the Coast – reach those who need Christ
- ❖ Our school, and all schools, so that the education of our children will be blessed
- ❖ Dane Skuda – recovering from surgery
- ❖ David Thompson – rehab
- ❖ Pastors around the world that they can ‘serve the Lord with gladness’
- ❖ The troops around the world, that they know they are remembered
- ❖ Congregations waiting for a Pastor
- ❖ Those struggling with homelessness
- ❖ Those struggling with mental illness
- ❖ Jeff Malek – severe diabetes
- ❖ Christa Mueller – health concerns
- ❖ Sam Irving – serious health issues
- ❖ Jay Mindlin-Serious health issues
- ❖ Ted Welfelt-Serious Health Concern
- ❖ Our homebound members:
 - Joyce Garing
 - Marion Hill
 - Marion Bement
 - Sue Dalena
 - Joan Saunders
 - Ruth Galinat
 - Vera Crosco
 - Carolyn Griesse
 - Barb Scott



THRIFT STORE
Open Monday – Friday
10 am to 2 pm

Thank you for your donations!



LWML Fall Rally

The ladies of the LWML - and anyone else interested - have been invited to the Gold Coast Zone Fall Rally to be held at Gloria Dei on Saturday, October 7th from 9am to noon.

The theme for the day will be "Treasured by God". Our Gifts from the Heart will support "Showering Love" with reading glasses (150, 175, 200) wash clothes, travel size flashlights with batteries, pre-packaged snacks for lunches. There will be a basket in the lobby area if you would like to support "Showering Love".

Registration is \$5.00 and will begin at 8:30am. Breakfast will be served. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is located at 7601 SW 39th Street, Davie. We will depart from Shepherd of the Coast at 8:00 am if anyone is interested in attending and would like to share a ride.

Please contact Roberta Murphy or Jo Beadle if you'll be attending or if you have any questions.

