



**Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church**

**dsomaha.org (402) 895-1500**

**Love God | Share Jesus | Serve People**

***For the Week of September 5, 2021***



**MIDWEEK CONNECTION STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>!**

**SCHEDULE**

5:00 - 6:00pm *Meal in the gym*  
6:15 - 6:25pm *Opening in the Sanctuary*  
6:30 - 7:30pm *Midweek Connection Classes and Activities*

**CLASS OFFERINGS**

- Midweek Connections Bible Classes for Kids (3yrs - Fifth Grade)
- Midweek Connections Middle School Confirmation Class (Sixth through Eighth Grade)
- Midweek Connections High School Youth Group & Bible Study
- Adult Bible Study - Exposing the Darkness with Pastor Mark
- Parenting Bible Study - Intentional Parenting with Tim & Joan Nordquist
- Women's Bible Study - Seamless, Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story with Jenny Darr
- Men's Bible Study - with Ken Mar & Alan Eschmann
- Chancel Choir and Handbell Choir

*The Nursery will also be available for children who can sit up by themselves (about 6 months old) through 2 year olds.*

**SEPTEMBER 8 MEAL OPTIONS:**

Pot Roast with Scalloped Potatoes or Beefy Lasagna with Garden Salad. *Dinner rolls, desserts, and drinks are also included.*

**PRICES**

- \$8 for adults
- \$5 for children (5-10 years old) and
- kids 5 and under are free

**NEXT WEEK'S MEAL:**

Meatloaf with Green Beans with sauteed bacon and onions or Chicken and Pasta Alfredo with Buttered Corn

**Those planning to attend the meal this week must register online (click on the button below) or at the table in the atrium before 9am on Monday, September 6.**

Don't like what will be served? Feel free to bring your own dinner (picnic style, drive-thru, etc.) and still enjoy the fellowship of your Divine Shepherd friends around a table in the gym.

**Please register yourself and your children for classes and meals at [dsomaha.org](https://dsomaha.org)**



Come to Divine Shepherd for a morning of family fun in the church's upper parking lot. Family, friends, neighbors and the community are welcome to this free event! We invite you to come for worship and stay for the fun and great fellowship. You won't want to miss it! We also invite you to join us for worship that morning!

**ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:** bounce house - obstacle course - inflatable axe throwing - sumo wrestling - carnival games - face-painting - food - music - donuts & coffee

**Plan on parking in the lower lot or Millard South parking lots that morning. Some handicap parking will be made available closer to the church.**

**Membership Class Starting:** A class leading to membership at Divine Shepherd will begin Sunday, Sept. 19. This class, for those who don't have a background in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, will cover the key teachings of the Bible and the Lutheran Church. The class will meet for seven weeks at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday in the Trinity Center on the lower level and will be taught by the pastors. If you are interested in joining and have current or past membership in another congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, only a one-hour orientation class is required. That will take place Oct. 31 at 9:30 a.m. To enroll or inquire about either class, contact Kathy in the church office, 402-895-1500, or [kathy@dsomaha.org](mailto:kathy@dsomaha.org).



**Next Weekend's Sermon**  
September 11 & 12

*Speaking of Tongues*  
James 3:1-2

### **Nathan, Beth and Baby Returning Home:**

Nathan and Beth Toenjes and their baby daughter, Meilia, are preparing to move back to the United States after spending the past two years sharing God's love and truth in Asia. "About a month ago we were suddenly struck by the conviction that our time over here in ministry was coming to an end, and that the Lord was calling us back to the U.S. for a new adventure," they wrote in an email to supporters. "Through lots of prayers and conversations with some mentors, family, coworkers, and friends, we have finalized this decision and will be moving back at the end of September."

They intend to live in Lincoln, where ministry opportunities are in the works. The details will be shared once finalized. Reflecting on their experience in Asia, they said, "It has been a remarkable experience ... (God) most definitely used YOU in His mission here ... we never spent a moment in doubt over these last two years when it came to the overwhelming amount of support that was poured out on us, by God, through you, your prayers, your emails/calls/messages, and your financial support."

### **Adult Bible Studies**

#### **Sunday mornings: 10:45am**

Adult Bible study on **Ephesians** with Pastor Doug Morton. This class is moving to 9:30am Sunday at church starting September 12.

Women's Bible Study - Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture, Sundays at 9:30am with Dena Nigh.

#### **Monday mornings: 10:00 am**

Women's Bible study - The Gospel of John led by Trish Reinbold. Beginning Monday, September 13 in the Trinity Center. Contact Trish for more information: [trish@dsomaha.org](mailto:trish@dsomaha.org)

#### **Tuesday mornings: 10:00am**

Pastor Mark's Bible Study is entitled "*The Power of Forgiveness.*"

#### **Wednesdays:**

Women's Bible Study, *Gathered in Faith*, 9:00am with Jamie Holdt

Adult Bible Study - *Exposing the Darkness*,  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm with Pastor Mark

Parenting Bible Study - *Intentional Parenting*,  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm with Tim & Joan  
Nordquist

Women's Bible Study - *Seamless, Understanding  
the Bible as One Story*, Wednesdays at 6:30pm  
with Jenny Darr. Contact  
jennydarr@dsomaha.org

Men's Bible Study - Wednesdays at 6:30pm with  
Ken Mar & Alan Eschmann

### Friday mornings: 6:15am

Men's study on **2 Corinthians**, in person in the  
Shepherd's Room with Jason Snell.



**Registration for the 2022 LCMS Youth  
Gathering is now open!** Next summer's  
gathering is July 8-15th in Houston, Texas and is  
open to all students entering high school  
(current 8th graders) to seniors. Additional  
details, cost information and online registration  
can be found online at [dsomaha.org/NYG](http://dsomaha.org/NYG).  
Anyone with specific questions can talk to  
Spencer or email him at [spencer@dsomaha.org](mailto:spencer@dsomaha.org).  
All registrations must be completed by Oct. 1!

**Adult Leader Applications** are also available  
online at [dsomaha.org/NYG](http://dsomaha.org/NYG) or paper copies are  
available from Spencer. Adults interested in  
serving as an Adult Leader for next summer's  
gathering are encouraged to fill out an  
application and return it to Spencer by Oct. 1.  
Adult leaders will be chosen by Oct. 18.

**Nebraska District Middle School Youth  
Gathering Registration.** Registration is \$170/.  
Registration can be found on [dsomaha.org](http://dsomaha.org) under  
the "Register for all Divine Shepherd Events  
Here" button on the homepage.



**Altar flowers** are given by Paul and  
Loisa Koehler in celebration of their 49th  
anniversary on Sept 3, and by Leon and Betty

Bilau in celebration of their 37th anniversary on  
Sept. 6th.

**HEY KIDS, DO YOU LIKE MUSIC?** Would you  
like to join other kids who also like music? Kids  
in 4th-8th grade are invited to join our Hope  
Youth Handbell Choir. You do NOT need to  
know how to read music and no experience is  
necessary. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays  
from 5:00-5:30 in the Sanctuary starting on  
September 8. To sign up or ask questions,  
please contact Judy Newman at 402-676-6607  
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## This Week's Calendar

### Monday, September 6 LABOR DAY

1:00pm **Church Office Closed**

### Tuesday, September 7

10:00am **Pastor Mark's Bible study** "*The Power of Forgiveness.*" (Chapel)

### Wednesday, September 8

11:00 **Seniors Outing**  
5:00pm **Hope Youth Handbell Choir** (Sanctuary)  
6:15pm **Chancel Choir**  
5:00-6:00pm **Meal in the gym**  
6:15-6:25pm **Opening in the Sanctuary (all ages)**  
6:30-7:30pm **Midweek Connection Classes and Bible Studies**

### Thursday, September 9

7:30pm **Al-Anon** (Commons & Cave)

### Friday, September 10

6:15am **Men's Bible Study** (Shepherd's Room)

### Saturday, September 11

5:00pm **Evening Praise Worship** (Sanctuary)

### Sunday, September 12

8:00am **Traditional Service** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion  
8:45-11:00 **Fellowship Time with Coffee & Donuts** (Chapel)  
9:30am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary)  
9:30am **Women's Bible Study** - Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture,  
10:45am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion  
10:45am **Zoom Adult Bible Study** on **Ephesians** with Pastor Doug Morton

Call the Church Office (895-1500) or e-mail [prayers@dsomaha.org](mailto:prayers@dsomaha.org) with prayer requests. Our Heartline Prayer Ministry members are notified via e-mail. In addition to our Pastors and Staff, our Elders serve as spiritual leaders for the congregation and will be happy to talk with you by phone or meet with you for prayer.

#### WITH JOY AND THANKSGIVING

- **Theodora Bailey Stone**, daughter of Patrick & Carlyn Stone baptized this weekend
- **Paul & Lois Koehler** celebrate 49 years of marriage on September 3
- **Leon & Betty Bilau** celebrate 37 years of marriage on September 6

#### FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

- **Shannon Greene**, undergoing medical treatment
- **Steve Jipp**, recovering from COVID
- **Rosy Gunn**, dealing with severe joint pain
- **Lloyd Gnirk**, recovering from triple bypass surgery
- **Liz Pyatt**, diagnosed with thyroid disease
- **Janine Podany**, recovering from surgery to remove a tumor
- **Bob Dolezal**, recovering from surgery
- **Kathy Weber**, knee replacement
- **Marty Rowell**, battling spinal problems
- **All those battling cancer:**
  - **Gary Toelle**
  - **Bob Oberhauser**
  - **Laura Rogers**
  - **Sherri Flanagan**
  - **Donna Tatreau**
  - **Steve Jipp**
  - **Daren Kizlin**

#### FOR PEACE AND COMFORT

- **Grace and the family of Albert Romero**, called home to the Lord September 2.  
(Service at Braman, Millard, September 6 10:00am)

#### FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

- **Protection for those serving in the military**, especially those deployed
- **Nick Bredenkamp & Jake Ulrich**, deployed military
- **Law enforcement personnel, first responders, and front-line medical workers**
- **For those who serve in government, for wisdom, guidance, and courage For Christians around the world** who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus

#### FOR THE LORD'S BLESSING AND GUIDANCE

- **Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare**—thankfulness for our staff, parents & children
- **Concordia Schools of Omaha**—our partners in Christian education
- **Charles Cohen**, serving in the mission field in Guatemala
- **Rev. Dr. Charles & Connie Cortright**, serving in the mission field in Russia
- **Beth & Nathan Toenjes**, serving as missionaries in Asia
- **Our Stephen Ministers** providing care in Jesus' name and their care receivers and for members to consider serving in this ministry