

HEARTBEAT Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church

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For the Week of May 9, 2021



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The social distancing rope barriers have been removed from the two middle seating sections in the sanctuary. The barriers remain in place in the outside sections for the time being. The Omaha mask mandate is in force until May 25.

A Congregational Assembly has been scheduled for Sunday, May 16 at 12:00pm in the sanctuary. A financial report will be given and an update will be shared about our property at 168th and Giles, with the likelihood of an actionable item related to that property being presented to the voters.



Our church along with other Lutheran Churches in the area have partnered with Orphan Grain Train to send emergency supplies, plumbing parts and building materials to the homes in the area southeast of Houston that were devastated by the Texas Frozen Pipe Disaster. Two teams of 10 volunteers for each of the two weeks of service have signed up. Thanks for your support of this effort. Keep these teams in your prayers.



Next Weekend's Sermon

May 15-16

An Overheard Prayer

John 17:11b-19



Adult Bible Studies
Bible Studies are available at Divine Shepherd—email contact person for more information.

Sunday mornings: 9:30am

Women's Bible Study: **"The Old Testament, Exploring God's Word"** with Dena Nigh in the Trinity Center. Contact Dena at jaydena888@cox.net

Sunday mornings: 10:45am

Zoom Adult Bible study on **Ephesians** with Pastor Doug Morton. Contact Spencer at spencer@dsomaha.org

Monday mornings: 10:00am

Women's Bible study on the 10 Commandments called **"Love Rules"**. We are meeting in-person (Chapel) only. Contact Trish at trish@dsomaha.org

Tuesday mornings: 10:00am

"The Wired Word" with Pastor Mark in the Chapel.

Friday mornings: 6:15am

Men's study on **1st Corinthians**. Contact Jason Snell at: jsnell@rdotc.com



Greeters Needed!

Please consider coming to church 20 minutes early to greet your fellow congregants. We are especially in need of Greeters for the 8am service, but will gladly add to our ranks at all services. You will be scheduled in advance and can adjust the schedule with an email, text or

phone call. Depending on the number of Greeters, you will only be scheduled every five to six weeks. Please contact Joan Rowell at 402-658-1463 by text or phone or email marjo87@windstream.net



Divine Shepherd Garden Club

The Garden Club plans to meet next Wednesday, May 12 at 10:00am. If you would like to join

us for some weeding, pruning and planting, we would love to have you join us. We will start with a short Bible study in the atrium and then work for 1-2 hours, or however long you would like. If the weather is rainy, we may postpone our work until Thursday. Someone will contact you if we decide to cancel. For more information and to get added to our email list, contact Janis at Janis.pfingsten@centurylink.net or call or text her at 402-672-3482.



Nursery Re-Open We are hoping to re-open the Nursery during our 9:30 and 10:45 services very soon, however, we need Nursery workers to care for the children in the Nursery. If you are interested in this

paid position, please contact Trish at your earliest convenience. You can reach her in the church office or at trish@dsomaha.org.



VBS is just around the corner! June 21-25 is when all the fun and excitement will take place, but many things are needed before then. Are you available to help during VBS? Please see Trish ASAP. Can you donate items for VBS? Please check out the VBS Needs Wall in the Atrium. If you see something you can lend or donate, please take the sheet from the wall, attach it to the needed item and return in on the date listed on the sheet. Thank you so much for helping to make this year's VBS a wonderful time where kids learn about their God Who Guides and Provides.



Can you help? Trish needs lots of volunteers to make sure the Summer Camps, VBS and Family Movie Nights run smoothly. If you are interested or need more information, contact Trish in the church office or at trish@dsomaha.org.



LITTLE LAMB PRESCHOOL & CHILDCARE
SUMMER 2021

- JUNE 1-4 **WILDLIFE CAMP**
- JUNE 7-11 **ART CAMP**
- JUNE 14-18 **LEGO AND BUILDING CAMP**
- JUNE 21-25 **VBS**
- JUNE 28-JULY 2 **WATER & MUD CAMP**
- JULY 6-9 **COOKING CAMP**
- JULY 12-16 **NATURE CAMP**
- JULY 19-23 **HEROES CAMP**
- JULY 26-30 **OLYMPICS CAMP**

- LLPC Summer Camps are open to the public!
- Pick and choose weeks that work for your family!
- All kids attending the camps must be 3 before January 1, 2021 through age 5 and FULLY potty trained.
- Those kids who are currently enrolled for summer childcare are automatically enrolled for our camps. If your child was enrolled throughout the year, but is not attending during the summer, you may choose which weeks your child would like to attend and sign up separately.

- Cost is \$95 per week from 8:30am to 11:30am
- Go to dsomaha.org/llpc to enroll. Please email Rhonda DeVries (rhonda@dsomaha.org) with any questions.



It's time to recognize our High School Seniors! On Sunday, June 6th at the 9:30am service we'll be recognizing our Seniors with a special prayer and blessing over them as they celebrate this milestone and prepare for their future endeavors. Please email the following information to the Senior to be recognized to spencer@dsomaha.org: 1) A picture of the senior, 2) A brief summary of their future plans, and 3) Their favorite Bible Verse. These will be compiled and a slideshow of our graduating seniors will be played before and after the worship services the weekend of June 5-6. The students will sit with their families and then be called forward right before the Prayers of the Church for a special blessing and prayer.

We're gearing up for summer fun at Divine Shepherd! There are a lot of events and activities happening this summer for both Middle School and High School youth! Please visit dsomaha.org/youth and click "Middle School and High School Summer Events - 2021" for a full list of everything planned! If you have questions or if your family needs financial assistance in paying for an event, please contact Spencer at 402-895-1500 or Spencer@dsomaha.org.



Altar flowers are given to God's glory by Hugh & Kathy Nehls in thankfulness for the recent confirmands.

Important Dates for your Calendar

May 12	Garden Club
May 16	Congregational Assembly
June 6	High School Recognition
June-July	Little Lamb Summer Camps

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Mark Hannemann

Senior Pastor/Director of Ministries

Rev. James Rasmussen

Associate Pastor/Director of Discipleship

Rev. Doug Morton

Pastoral Care Assistant

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Little Lamb Leadership

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To reach the church staff:

Telephone: 402-895-1500

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First_name@dsomaha.org



Call the Church Office (895-1500) or e-mail 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

- **Spencer & Johanna Owen welcomed baby son Finnley Joel** born May 1st
- **Ryker Marlie, baby son of Asa & Brooke Fetherston**, baptized this weekend

FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

- **Anatole Cigleris**, hospitalized
- **Jenny Moser**, beginning new treatment for multiple autoimmune diseases
- **Joyce Ehtencamp**, recovering from broken ribs and a foot injury after a fall
- **Drew DeVries**, recovering from eye surgery following a sports injury
- **Marty Rowell**, battling spinal problems
- **All those battling cancer:**
 - **Bob Oberhauser**
 - **Sherri Flanagan**
 - **Donna Tatreau**
 - **Steve Jipp**
 - **Daren Kizlin**
 - **Jay Shattuck**

FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

- **Protection for those serving in the military**, especially those deployed
- **Jake Ulrich**, deployed to Iraq
- **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