



Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church

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For the Week of August 15, 2021



IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Pastor Mark's Tuesday morning Bible starts up again this Tuesday at 10:00am in the Chapel. The study is entitled, "The Power of Forgiveness." This Bible study looks at forgiveness. Have you ever struggled with forgiveness? This study considers how our sin required God's pardon in order to re-establish the broken relationship caused by our original rebellion. Along the way, it looks at the necessity of forgiveness, the conditions of forgiveness, the possibilities of forgiveness, and the challenges of seeking forgiveness. Join us and bring a friend!

of our church family this fall. We have something for everyone! If you are leading a group and want a place at the sign-up table, let the church office know.

Visit us in the atrium on August 22 and 29 between services to learn more about ways you can connect with God and others here at Divine Shepherd!



SAVE THE DATE! Divine Shepherd's Family Fest is Sunday, September 19 from 9:00am-1:00pm in the church's upper parking lot. There will be inflatables, face-painting, food, games, music and great fellowship. More details in the weeks to come. You won't want to miss it!



Sign Up & Serve Sundays

Join us for Midweek Connection. Be a welcoming smile. Play bridge with

new friends. Work the sound board. Learn with others at a Bible study. Help serve donuts. Hang out with kids on Wednesdays. Go to the National Youth Gathering. Sing in the choir. Cook for a new mom. Play an instrument.

The church is so much more than a building or something we do on Sunday mornings. It's a community, a family in Christ. We're inviting you to join us by participating and serving in the life



Jenny Darr, who has been serving on staff in the area of communications and assisting in leadership with Little Lamb Preschool and Childcare, is now stepping into the role of Director of Community Life for our congregation. Jenny is an experienced church worker, having served for 10 years

in children's ministry in another church. She will continue to help with our communications needs as well. She already has been a great blessing

to us since coming on staff this past year. In her new role she will be focused on connecting members of the congregation with fellowship, service and Christian growth opportunities. She is married to Josh and they are expecting their first child in November.



INTRODUCING DIVINE SHEPHERD'S MIDWEEK CONNECTION: We are thrilled to announce some exciting changes which are coming to Wednesday nights at Divine Shepherd. Our focus will be on CONNECTIONS; connections first and foremost with God and His Word and also connections between each other. We are calling it MIDWEEK CONNECTION. Starting on Wednesday, September 8, we will offer a meal from 5-6 pm, an Opening for ages 3-103+ in the Sanctuary from 6:15-6:25 and classes and/or Bible studies for every person in our congregation from 6:30-7:30. We will be offering 4 adult Bible studies, a high school Bible study, middle school Confirmation classes and Bible story classes for 5th graders down through 3 year olds. The Nursery will also be available for children who can sit up by themselves (about 6 months old) through 2 year olds. There will be something for EVERYONE! Be sure to go to our website for up-to-date information on Bible studies being offered and for registration.

Please register yourself and your children for classes at dsomaha.org. Also new to Wednesday nights: registrations will need to be made for the dinner being offered every Wednesday. 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. Registration for dinner will also be on our website. Stay tuned for more information.



Next Weekend's Sermon
August 21 & 22

Lips and Hearts in Sync
Mark 7:1-13



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

Sunday mornings: 10:45am

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

Monday mornings: 10:00 am

Women's Bible study on the Gospel of John led by Trish Reinbold will begin on Monday, September 13 in the Trinity Center. Contact Trish to let her know you will be joining or for more information: trish@dsomaha.org

Tuesday mornings: 10:00am

Pastor Mark's Bible Study will resume August 17th. The study is entitled "*The Power of Forgiveness.*"

Friday mornings: 6:15am

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



Office Volunteers Needed

The church office is in need of volunteers to answer phones and do project work on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10:00am-2:00pm. If you would like to be a part of the volunteer team that supports the church office please contact jennie@dsomaha.org or kathy@dsomaha.org or call the church office at 402-895-1500



Upcoming Middle School & High School Events at Divine Shepherd

The 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering is fast approaching--we're under a year away! Next summer's gathering is in Houston, Texas and is for all high school students in grades 9-12. Mark your calendars! **Registration for the gathering will open on Sunday, August 15th with all registrations due by Friday, October 1st.** Additional details, cost

information and online registration can be found at dsomaha.org/NYG. Anyone with specific questions can talk to Spencer or email him at spencer@dsomaha.org.

For more information or to register for any of the events, visit dsomaha.org/youth.



Altar flowers are given by Paul and Erin Oberhauser in memory of "Super Jack," and by Steve and Suzanne Stamp in thankfulness for 46 years of God's blessings of marriage.



Handbell Choir
Would you like to find out what handbell choir is all about? Do you

already know how to play handbells? If so, you are in luck! We have openings in the Divine Shepherd Ceaseless Praise Handbell Choir. Anyone interested should be high school age or older, but no experience is necessary. (Being able to read music is helpful but not required.) To learn more, contact Angie Miller at sahm.miller2@gmail.com or 402-206-3071. We are also having a "Get to Know You" potluck gathering in the church gym on Friday, August 27th at 6:30pm. Come join in the fun!



"When is Chancel Choir going to start?" The answer is finally here! **What:** Potluck with singing and regrouping. **Date:** August 18th. **Time:** 6-6:30. **Where:** Trinity Room (downstairs). Former

members & new members with your significant others welcome. LET'S SING PRAISES TO THE LORD. **Questions?** Call Betty Buller at 402-490-3668 or email jimandbettybuller@gmail.com

Important Dates for your Calendar

August 17	Tuesday Morning Bible Study
August 18	Chancel Choir Potluck
August 19	Bridge Group
August 22	Sign Up Sunday!
August 29	Sign Up Sunday!



ARE YOU GREAT WITH KIDS? DOES ROCKING BABIES, READING WITH TODDLERS, OR DOING PRESCHOOL CRAFTS SOUND LIKE FUN?

DIVINE SHEPHERD MOPS

MEETING DATES:
SEPTEMBER 24TH
OCTOBER 8 TH & 22ND
NOVEMBER 12TH
DECEMBER 10TH
JANUARY 14TH & 28TH
FEBRUARY 11TH & 25TH
MARCH 11TH & 25TH
APRIL 22ND
MAY 13TH

THIS WONDERFUL TIME FOR MOMS TO CONNECT CAN ONLY SUCCEED IF WE HAVE CHILDCARE HELPERS!

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING AND ARE AVAILABLE ON JUST A FEW OF THE LISTED DATES FROM 9-12PM PLEASE EMAIL AMANDA AT DAHL.AMANDA@GMAIL.COM



Church Staff

- Rev. Dr. Mark Hannemann**
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This Week's Calendar

Monday, August 16

1:00pm **Prayer Shawl Group** (Shepherd's Room)

Tuesday, August 17

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

Wednesday, August 18

Thursday, August 19

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

Friday, August 20

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

Saturday, August 21

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

Sunday, August 22

8:00am **Traditional Service** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

8:45-11:00 **Fellowship Time with Coffee & Donuts** (Chapel)

9:30am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary)

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 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

- **Bill & Sandy Womack** celebrate 61 years of marriage August 20th
- **Howard & Kathy Engberg** celebrate their 56th anniversary on August 14
- **Steve and Suzanne Stamp** celebrate 46 years of marriage August 16th

FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

- **Darrel Swenson**, for healing
- **Judy Muirhead**, recovering from eye surgery
- **Stephanie Moquin**, recovering from surgery
- **Cyndee Earl**, recovering from surgery
- **Debi Williams**, daughter of Hans & Ellen Schwartz, recovering from surgery
- **Greg & Jenny Mosher**, for healing and comfort
- **Janine Podany**, prayers for successful surgery to remove a tumor
- **Kathy Stinnett**, complications following knee surgery
- **Marty Rowell**, battling spinal problems
- **All those battling cancer:**
 - **Bob Oberhauser**
 - **Sherri Flanagan**
 - **Donna Tatreau**
 - **Steve Jipp**
 - **Daren Kizlin**

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

- **The family of Pastor Rasmussen** as his mother was called home to the Lord on August 8

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