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**SEASON OF PENTECOST
6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 20, 2025 9:30am**

Congregation Announcements

Sharing the Peace

Confession and Forgiveness

One: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Many: Amen.

One: Most merciful God,

Many: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

One: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Be God's grace our sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith!

Many: Amen!

Opening Hymn **ELW #526** "*God Is Here!*"

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Many: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day: Bulletin Insert

Psalmody: Psalm 15 Bulletin Insert

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28 Bulletin Insert

Gospel Acclamation **Page #142**

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Bulletin Insert

Response after the announcement: Glory to you, O Lord.

Response after the conclusion: Praise to you, O Christ.

**MESSAGE "Holding It Together"
Rev. Dr. John Throop**

APOSTLES' CREED Blue Bookmark in Hymnal

Hymn of the Day **ELW #464** "*Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal*"

Prayers

Offering

Offertory Prayer

One: Creator God,

Many: in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the

earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. AMEN.

The Great Thanksgiving

P. The Lord be with you C. And also with you
P. Lift up your hearts C. We lift them to the Lord
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
C. It is right to give our thanks and praise

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Any and all are welcome at Christ's table. Please join us!

Communion Distribution

An usher will come to let you know when to come forward to receive communion. Please hold your hand out so the Pastor can drop the bread in your hand. Then the usher will hand you a cup of either wine (purple) or grape juice (white), please let them know your preference.

Baskets are available for your empty cup.

If walking is difficult for you, please tell an usher that you would like to be served where you are seated.

Distribution Hymn **ELW #488** "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

One: Nourishing God,

Many: you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. AMEN.

Benediction

Closing Hymn **ELW #547** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

In person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.



Members celebrating a birthday this week:

Amy Buehler July 21
Carlie Parrish July 22
Noah Fenner July 23
Linda Buss July 24
Beth Winkel July 24

Our Semi-Annual Congregational meeting

will be on Sunday July 27, NEXT SUNDAY, after the worship service. Please plan on attending if able.



Karen Bruinooge, organist 920-457-4285 Kristin Madson, custodian 980-9012

WELCOME to guests and long-time friends, thanks for being here! You are welcome to our communion table during the service. You're also welcome to explore our building, visit our web site (www.stlukeshebfalls.org), or participate in anything St. Luke has happening.

Those serving the Lord:

	<u>Today</u>	<u>July 27, 9:30am</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Carol Wedepohl	Kris Madson
<u>Ushers:</u>	Randy Meyer John Kapelanski	Paul Schroeder Jeremy Raml
<u>Reader:</u>	Kathy Nelson	Samantha Goble
<u>Communion:</u>	David Kohl	Carol Frederick
<u>AV Tech:</u>	Jace Suckow	Lavonne Schroeder
<u>Bread Baker:</u>	Ellianna Perman	Lucas Strassburger



Sunday, July 13 (Outdoor) 48 Communed 46

Announcements:

FLOWERS on the altar are placed by Roland Buss in honor of Linda Buss' (wife) 80th birthday. Blessings for another year filled with joy, laughter and happiness.



Pastor FYI-John H-I will be on vacation through August 6. Pastors John Throop and Muriel Otto will be our preachers while he is enjoying some much deserved R &R. John H-I remains available for emergencies within the congregation or community. If you have a pastoral need during this time, please contact Andrea in the office.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS - JULY suggested donations are *spices and*

condiments. There is a list on the collection can for recommended ideas. Also accepting recycled PLASTIC BAGS (Walmart, Target, Piggly Wiggly, etc.). The Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry is open the 2nd Sat. of each month from 9-11am, in addition to every Thurs.

from 9-11am, located at 529 Giddings Ave. in Sheb. Falls.

THE WORD IN SEASON *July-September 2025* booklets are available in the narthex. Please take or share compliments of St. Luke.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be on Wednesday, August 20 and Thursday, August 21 from 6:00-8:00 pm in the evening! We need all of you to consider being a part of it! We need Pre-K through 6th grade kids to be here for learning and fun. We need grade 7-12 kids to help leader the younger ones in crafts and games and we need a few adults to help lead and work on food. Registration forms are in the narthex and library.

There are **MANY EVENTS** and **ACTIVITIES** happening in our community to attend and/or support. Check out the bulletin board in the narthex for things that might appeal to you. ☺



CALENDAR REMINDER- We will be having **OUTDOOR WORSHIP** on August 10 in the prayer garden. Please bring your own lawn chairs for your comfort.

SUMMER FARMERS MARKET is held at Fountain Park in Sheboygan from 8am-1pm every Wednesday and Saturday until the end of October. Also, Food Trucks on Saturdays! By shopping at your local Farmers Market you are:

- Supporting your local farmers
- Purchasing locally grown products
- Providing fresh, healthy food for your family
- Supporting SCIO



CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG- One of our church members, Jill Madson, has a part in this production put on by the Dare To Dream Theatre. Performances are at the Sheboygan Lutheran High School **TODAY**, July 20th (2:00pm) and Friday, July 25th (6:30pm), Sat. 26th (1:00pm & 6:30pm) and Sunday 27th (2:00pm). Tickets and information are available at www.daretodreamtheatre.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER SIGN-UP: We'd like to start getting people lined up to teach Sunday School for the 2025-26 school year. Sunday School starts at 8:30 and runs until shortly before worship starts at 9:30am. We offer lots of support and all the materials needed. Currently we are running a "one-room-schoolhouse" for kids ages 4 - 6th grade. That might change based on how many kids we have and how the ages break out.

Few things are more joyful and important than helping little ones experience the faith community. That's what we do each week. You need virtually no bible

knowledge...what you do need is in the materials. What you most bring is love and a little structure and then based on how you are, some mix of games, art, music, serving projects, mini-construction projects, outdoor scavenger hunts, science "experiments," you name it! We welcome our kids, engage them, and teach them how faith is about everything in life! We need four teachers signed up so that you can rotate weeks (meaning, typically teaching only once a month), have two people there on big weeks (think Christmas program), and bring different styles and gifts to our kids. Teachers have traditionally been moms, which is great. We'd like to expand that a little by having at least one man, one person over age 65 and then anyone confirmed age (say 15) and up, who wants to give it a try. Talk to John H-I if you have questions. Sign-up is in the narthex!



MOUNT MERU COFFEE- Mt. Meru is in Tanzania. As part of our partnership with Lutherans in Tanzania, we help support their communities that grow, harvest and sell coffee. It's a little pricier than some coffees, but the cost reflects our contribution to sustainable livelihoods without the interference of outside interests that drive farmer prices down. In a way, buying this coffee really is "buying local." Check it out <https://www.mtmerucoffee.org/collections/all>



If you have a charity or worthy cause that is dear to your heart, please remember that the St. Luke **ENDOWMENT FUND** could possibly assist with funding. There are applications in the narthex and on our website: [stlukeshebfalls.org>about us>forms library>endowment request](http://stlukeshebfalls.org/about-us/forms-library/endowment-request). Questions can be directed to Karl Nelson, Committee Ch.



The 2025 **ALTAR FLOWER** calendar still has many open dates- September 7, 14, 21; November 2, 16, 23, 30; December 7, 21, 28. Sign up for dates that you would like to adorn our altar for an occasion special to you. Information for ordering and forms for having information shared in the bulletin are hanging by the calendar.



Questions can be directed to Andrea in the office.

"Summer"

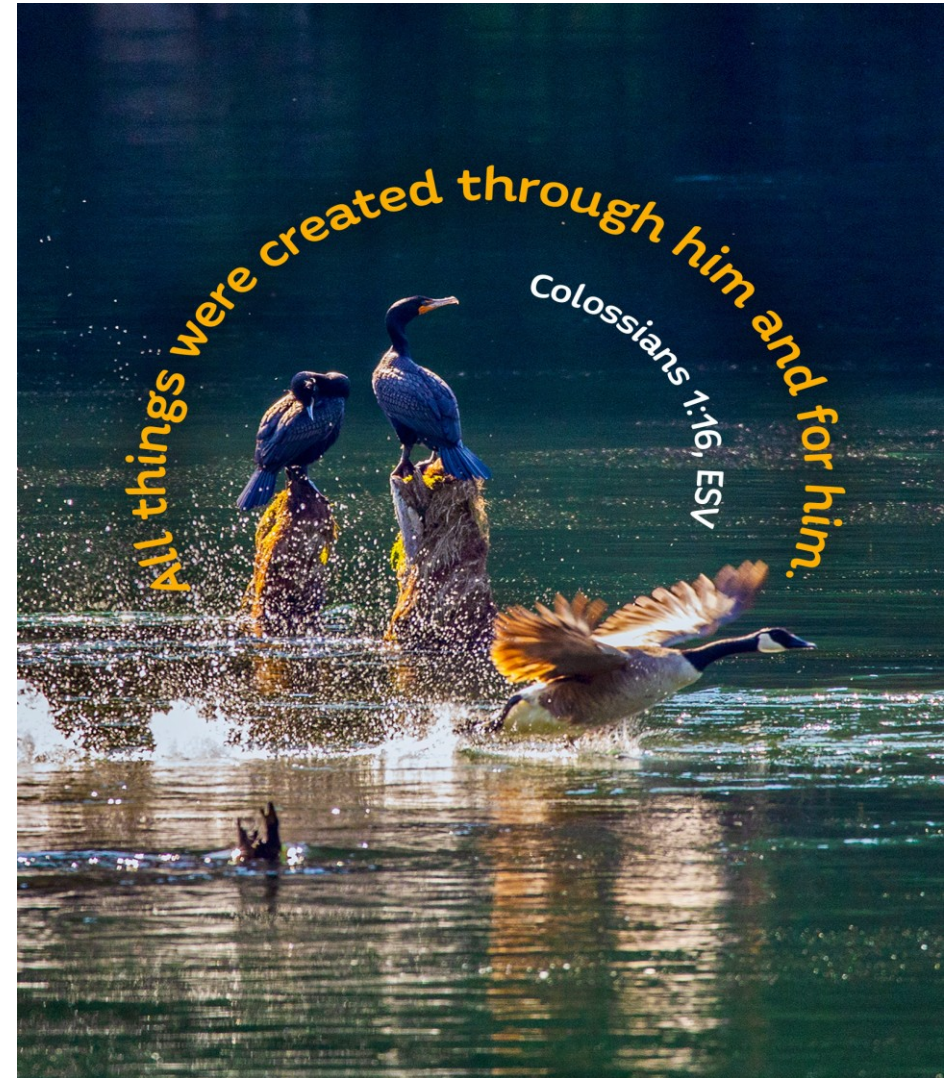
**'Tis summer, I know by the blue of the sky;
By the trees' deeper green, as beneath them I lie;
And more than all these, by the lovely wild rose
That now in the woodland its pink blossom shows. ...**

**I feel the warm west wind fan gently my cheek
As I sit on the grass, far too happy to speak;
And then in the twilight I see the faint spark
Of the fire-fly, flitting alone in the dark.**

**Oh! long happy days, when 'tis full of delight
To roam in the meadows from morning till night!
Oh! summer, sweet summer! glide slowly away,
For I love in your warmth and your fragrance to stay.**

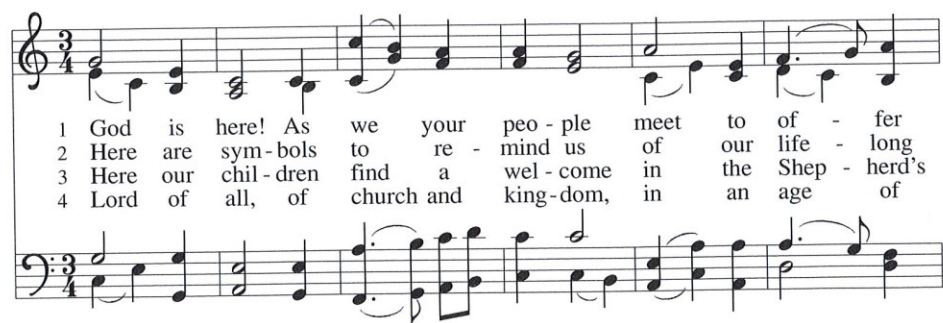
—H.P. Nichols

ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA



July 20, 2025 9:30am

God Is Here!



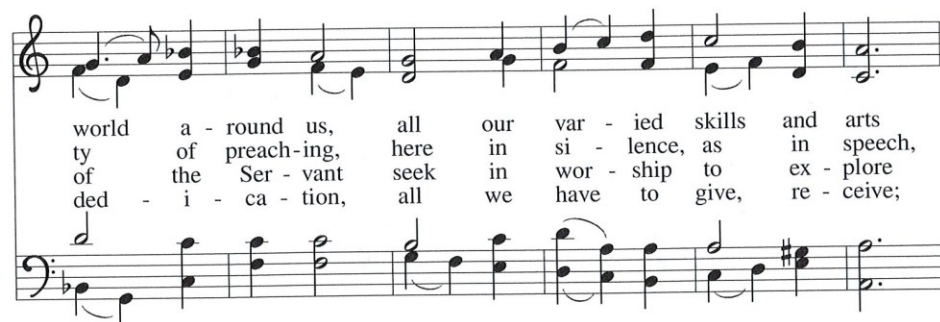
1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



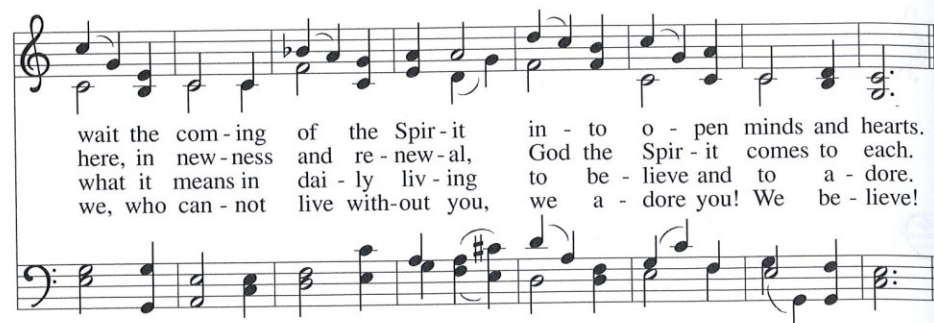
praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

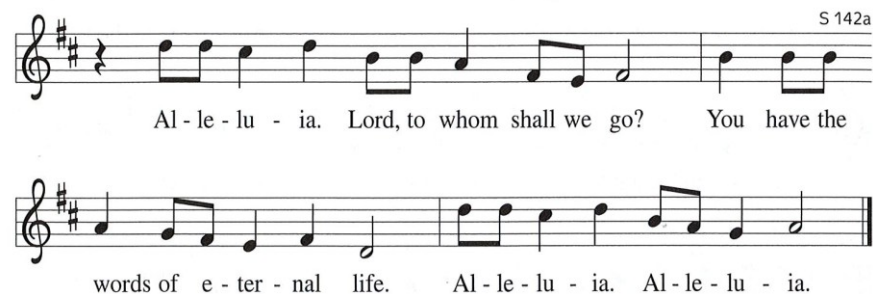


world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal

D A B D G A D G D Bm⁷ A

1 Bread of life, our host and meal, Je - sus, feed us.
 2 Bread now break and wine now pour, Je - sus, feed us.
 3 Grant for - give - ness in the feast— Je - sus, feed us—
 4 Thank you for this gift we share. Je - sus, feed us.

G⁷ A B D G A D Em⁷ D G Em D

Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.
 Make us one, our hope re - store; feed us with your love.
 for the great - est and the least; feed us with your love.
 Save God's chil - dren ev - 'ry - where; feed us with your love.

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

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1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, leave the gloom - y haunts of sad - ness,
 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.
 3 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der o - ver this sur - pass - ing won - der
 4 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, tru - est friend, and dear - est trea - sure,

come in - to the day - light's splen - dor, there with joy your prais - es ren - der.
 There he stands al - read - y knock - ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un - lock - ing,
 that the bread of life is bound - less though the souls it feeds are count - less;
 peace be - yond all un - der - stand - ing, joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing;

Bless the one whose grace un - bound - ed this a - maz - ing ban - quet found - ed;
 o - pen wide the fast - closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:
 with the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.
 hum - bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;

Christ, though heav'n - ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
 "Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with - in my heart for - ev - er."
 Oh, most glo - rious con - so - la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.
 wor - thi - ly let me re - ceive you, and, so fa - vored, nev - er leave you.

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,

the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
 the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—

The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
 our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,

the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.

The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
 With your feast you feed us, with your light now

reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.

Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing

to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
 give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.