

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS AT HOME WORSHIP
JUNE 14, 2026
THE LORD'S PRAYER: FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS,
AS WE HAVE FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Nothing escapes your notice, O Lord. Teach us what joy there is in releasing others from their debts as we have been so graciously pardoned. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.



FIRST READING: COLOSSIANS 3:12-15

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: MATTHEW 18:21-22

²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

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HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:12

¹² And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY | THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

(A brief silence.)

Merciful God, words of gratitude are not enough in response to your generous forgiveness. Turn us instead to the ones who await release from the bonds of indebtedness, grudges, and unresolved conflict with us. Make your words our own, that all may be free indeed. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, when forgiveness is granted, the earth is healed. We see more clearly the importance of love, gentleness, and compassion toward all. Keep this spirit foremost in our lives and hearts. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, so often we get it wrong in this world. We seek one outcome, but our actions bring about another. We harm instead of heal, alienate or dominate others instead of walking side by side as equals. We have far to go, and much to learn. Forgive us for engaging in the atrocities of war, which always results in the suffering of the innocents. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for peace in the world, and especially those engaged in war: the United States, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Russia, and all others known to you. Transform this earth with the radical power of your forgiveness, after which nothing can ever be the same. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, forgiveness is healing. May all who suffer truly know your pardon and feel your compassion to their core. Grant your healing in the midst of suffering. Be with all who are sick or unwell in any way. We pray especially for Carl Chaney, "J" and their family,

Chris Newkirk, Devon Warren, Pastor Phil, Matt Melton, Brett, Rick and Kelly, Terry, Jim and Sally, Dave, Dorothy, Clover, and all those named on our Prayer Chain. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, grant strength to those who provide care for their loved ones, especially James and Chris Elkins, and Kirk, Clare, and Gwen Fallon. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for the work of the Joshua School. May our relationship with them reflect your love and care for those with special needs. We pray that all those on the Autism Spectrum, especially those in our faith family, might find fulfillment, joy, and love. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Merciful God, in the beginning and in the end, we are yours. Remind us of your faithful ones who walked this earth before us, and who now live with you, in the never-dimming light of your grace. Lord, teach us to pray, **and receive our prayer.**

We pray, and you hear us. It is so simple. And it is enough. **Amen.**

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

As you go forth from this place, may the wind of the Spirit startle your senses and blow through your life. May the fire of the Spirit scorch your complacency and light your way. And may the blessing of the Holy One – Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer – rest with you now and forever more. **Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

This is Christ's church. There is a place for you here.

We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person—questions, complexities and all.

Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

CLICK LINK TO ACCESS READINGS, SERMONS & SPECIAL EVENTS FROM PAST SUNDAYS:

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SHEPHERD HAPPENINGS: JUNE 14 – JUNE 21, 2026

Sunday, June 14th- The Lord's Prayer: Forgive Us Our Debts, As We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors

9:00 a.m. Ryssby Hymn Sing

9:30 a.m. Ryssby In-Person ONLY Worship with Holy Communion and Fellowship Potluck Picnic to follow.

Wednesday, June 17th

11:00 a.m. - Amazing Grace Bible Study

Friday, June 19th

7:00 a.m. – Men's Zoom Breakfast Bible Study

5:00 p.m. – Friday Night Perspectives Zoom Gathering

JUNE

BIRTHDAYS

TIM K. 6/8

WAYNE O. 6/14

LYLE K. 6/17

LORI W. 6/18

Sunday, June 21st - The Lord's Prayer: Forgive Us Our Sins

9:30 a.m. – Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship with Holy Communion
Happy Father's Day!



DAILY NARRATIVE LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2026

Monday, June 15, 2026

Psalm 51:1-12 A prayer for cleansing and a right spirit

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Genesis 50:15-21 Joseph forgives his brothers

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

Colossians 3:12-15 Clothe yourselves with compassion and forgiving one another

Thursday, June 18, 2026

Matthew 18:21-35 The parable of the unmerciful servant

Friday, June 19, 2026

Luke 7:36-50 The woman who washed Jesus' feet; those forgiven much, love much

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Ephesians 4:25-32 Be kind, tenderhearted, and forgiving as God in Christ forgave you

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Matthew 6:13 Save us from the time of trial...deliver us from evil



WELCOME! *Thank you for worshiping with us today!*

GUESTS

Please sign our Guestbook and/or fill out the brightly-colored Info Slip and place it in the offering plate. This helps us get to know you better so that we can serve you more effectively.

DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED PRAYERS?

Prayer Changes Things. The Shepherd Prayer Chain members stand by ready to help. You'll find our Prayer Box on the table to your left as you enter the building, as well as paper and pencils. Please write your prayer request and place it in the box. *You are not required to sign your request or give the name of the person for whom we will pray, unless you wish.* If you desire a private conversation with Pastor Janet, please contact the Church Office or call her on her cell phone at 507-360-1625. **All prayer requests will remain confidential.**

CHILDREN ARE CHERISHED AT SHEPHERD!

In our Sanctuary, you'll see a coloring table and soft toys. Children's bulletins are available on the table just outside the Sanctuary. If at any time you wish to take your child out for some quiet time, our Nursery/Library is stocked with supplies for playing, coloring, studying the Children's Bulletin, or reading.

REMEMBRANCE

On the north wall of the Sanctuary a table is set with candles. You are invited to light a candle in memory of a loved one at any time before, during, or after our worship service.

COMMUNION

At Shepherd of the Hills, we recognize that the Table of Communion is not our table. It is not a Lutheran table. It is our Lord's Table – a meal prepared for all – prepared in love. *Please come.* All who long for the Good News in Jesus Christ are truly welcome at this table. As Jesus called children to be close to him, we, likewise, extend this invitation to all children. Should you not feel comfortable receiving the Sacrament, please come forward indicating that you wish to receive a blessing by folding your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION OUTSIDE OF WORSHIP

Arrangements can be made to bring communion to you at a time convenient for you. If, for any reason, you are unable to attend normal services, such as a hospital stay or for personal reasons, and wish to have communion brought to you, please contact the Church Office or Pastor Janet at 507-360-1625.

MEMBERSHIP

At Shepherd, we worship as one Faith Family. If you wish to extend your worship to include membership, please see Pastor Janet.

Shepherd of the Hills

LUTHERAN CHURCH

PARTNERS IN WORSHIP

THE MINISTERS: ALL THE PEOPLE

PASTOR: REV. JANET COLBY KETTERING

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: CAROLINE MICHALAK

ALTAR GUILD: RAEANNE MILLER, KEN & GERRY MOORHEAD, LYNN TRUMBLE & KAY WERPY

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PIANIST: MARGARET SCHARFF

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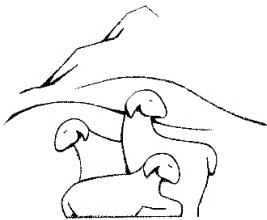
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PASTOR JANET KETTERING

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT



Marked by the Cross of Christ Forever, we

† *Gather in Love*

† *Grow in Faith*

† *Share God's Love & Grace*

† *We are Empowered to BOLDLY*

Proclaim & Witness God's Word



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