

**SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS AT HOME WORSHIP**  
**JUNE 21, 2026**  
**THE LORD'S PRAYER: SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL...**  
**DELIVER US FROM EVIL**



**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Father in heaven, **in your goodness you pour out on your people all that they need and satisfy those who persist in prayer. Make us bold in asking, thankful in receiving, tireless in seeking, and joyful in finding, that we may always proclaim your coming kingdom and do your will on earth as in heaven. Amen.**

**FIRST READING: ROMANS 8:18, 31-35, 37-39**

<sup>18</sup> I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

<sup>31</sup> What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

<sup>32</sup> He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

<sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us.

<sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 121

### Assurance of God's Protection

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?

<sup>2</sup> **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

<sup>4</sup> **He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

<sup>5</sup> The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

<sup>6</sup> **The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.**

<sup>7</sup> The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup> **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.**

### HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:13

And do not bring us to the time of trial,  
but rescue us from the evil one.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** | MY REDEEMER IS FAITHFUL AND TRUE

<https://youtu.be/PEQRKXLEYIE?is=3Z0JI5KAGN66DVBM>

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. (*A brief silence*).

God of abundance, words of gratitude are not enough in response to your generosity.

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 hear our prayer.**

God of presence, when the Spirit helps us in our weakness, healing of your world begins. We see more clearly the importance of love, gentleness, and compassion toward all, and in all things. Keep the Spirit foremost in our lives and hearts. Lord, teach us to pray, **and hear our prayer.**

God of freedom, all of creation waits with eager longing to be set free from bondage. As we await the glory about to be revealed to us, we pray for the world, and especially those engaged in war: the United States, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Russia, and all others known to you. Lord, teach us to pray, **and hear our prayer.**

God of healing, nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus. May all who suffer truly feel your healing to their core. We pray especially for Kaitlynn and Justin Colby, Carl Chaney, "J" and their family, Chris Newkirk, Devon Warren, Pastor Phil, Matt Melton, Brett, Rick and Kelly, Terry Schreier, Jim and Sally, Dave, Dorothy, Clover, and all those named on our Prayer Chain. Lord, teach us to pray, **and hear our prayer.**

God of provision, we pray for strength for all 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 hear our prayer.**

God of wholeness, 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 hear our prayer.**

God of renewal, 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. Transform this earth with the radical power of your grace, after which nothing can ever be the same. Lord, teach us to pray, **and hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

God of mercy, 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 hear our prayer.**

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

## **BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

Our help comes from God, the Creator of heaven and earth. He will not let you stumble or fall; the One who watches over you never tires and never sleeps. So go from here in peace and confidence, for you do not go alone.



**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 21 – JUNE 28, 2026**

### **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>- The Lord's Prayer: Save Us From the Time of Trial...**

#### **Deliver Us From Evil**

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

### **Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. – Men's Zoom Breakfast Bible Study  
5:00 p.m. – Friday Night Perspectives Zoom Gathering

### **Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – Ruth and Naomi**

9:30 a.m. – Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship with Holy Communion  
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<p><b><u>JUNE</u></b> <b><u>BIRTHDAYS</u></b> <b>TIM K. 6/8</b> <b>WAYNE O. 6/14</b> <b>LYLE K. 6/17</b> <b>LORI W. 6/18</b></p>
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## **DAILY NARRATIVE LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 21, 2026**

### **Monday, June 22, 2026**

Genesis 39:1-12     Joseph resists temptation in Potiphar's house

### **Tuesday, June 23, 2026**

Psalms 121     The Lord keeps you from all evil and watches your life

### **Wednesday, June 24, 2026**

Matthew 4:1-11     Jesus faces testing in the wilderness

### **Thursday, June 25, 2026**

1 Corinthians 10:1-13     God is faithful and will provide a way of temptation

### **Friday, June 26, 2026**

Romans 8:31-39     Nothing can separate us from the love of God

### **Saturday, June 27, 2026**

1 Chronicles 29:10-13     The traditional doxology roots: "Yours, O Lord, is the greatness..."

### **Sunday, June 28, 2026**

Ruth 1:1-22     Ruth and Naomi

**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

ASSISTING MINISTERS: TIM KIRCHOFF & REV. PHIL KETTERING

PIANIST: MARGARET SCHARFF

PRAYER CHAIN ADMINISTRATOR: KATHY WOOTTON

#### SHEPHERD COUNCIL:

MICHELLE KIRCHOFF, PRESIDENT

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KELLY MAUER, SECRETARY

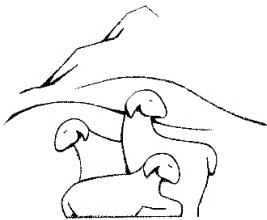
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PASTOR JANET KETTERING

ZOOM TECHNICIAN: FUZZ NEWKIRK

### 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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