



Nothing

WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US
FROM THE LOVE OF GOD

in Christ Jesus

ROMANS 8:39

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

“Connecting People to Christ in the Tri-County Area”

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July 5, 2026

Sixth Sundy after Pentecost

Worship Service at 10:30 am

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Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn: God Bless Our Native Land

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Sermon Hymn: America the Beautiful

Handout

Theme: Let Freedom Ring

Leviticus 25: 8-10

John 8: 31-36

Rev. Tim Eichberger

Closing Hymn: Before You, Lord, We Bow

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Closing Words

P: When we follow Jesus at home

C: Our families get stronger

P: When we follow Jesus together

C: We get the support we need

P: When we follow Jesus into our neighborhood

C: Our neighbors get the care they need.

We welcome all members and visitors to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (LCMS) on this Sixth Sunday after Pentecost! We are delighted that you are with us this morning and pray for God’s Word to encourage and guide your hearts and minds. All are urged to fill in the fellowship Register located at the end of each pew.

Holy Communion: Before communing at our altar, all communicants are invited to examine themselves on the basis of these three points of Christian Faith.

1. I am sorry for my sins and believe that Jesus is my Savior.
2. I believe that Christ’s body and blood are truly present in the Sacrament.
3. I desire to amend my sinful ways and live for the glory of God.

Week at a Glance

Monday July 6

10:30 am TOPS

Tuesday July 7

9am-10am Cardio Drumming

Wednesday July 8

Thursday July 9

9-10 am Cardio Drumming

Saturday July 11

7 pm AA Mtg

Sunday July 12

10:30 am Worship Service

REMIMDER: COUNCIL MEETING JULY 19 AT 8:30 AM

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 7:6–9

⁶You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations."

Epistle: Romans 8:28–39

²⁸We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding

for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:44–52

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."



About the Cover: God's love is not found in a mere feeling. God's love is in Christ Jesus our Lord. God's love is in Jesus, through whom all things were made. God's love is in Jesus, who is above all authorities, powers, and creation. God's love is in our Lord, who stretched out His arms on the cross to win us forgiveness. God's love is in Jesus, who rose from the dead to give us everlasting life. Nothing will be able to separate us from that love.