ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

200 11th Street E.

Lemmon, SD 57638

10:30 a.m.

We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC)
Richard Kanzenbach
Pastor

2ND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Katie Wiechmann, organist

May 4, 2025

WELCOME!

If Christ is not risen, your faith is vain, you are still in your sins!
---I Corinthians 15:17

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Human reason, though it ponder, Cannot fathom this great wonder That Christ's body e'er remaineth Though it countless souls sustaineth And that He His blood is giving With the wine we are receiving. These great mysteries unsounded Are by God alone expounded.

--- TLH 305:6

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 426 (melody 616) The Lord My Shepherd Is!

On page 17: **The Kyrie** is read by the pastor. **Hymn 644** in place of the **Gloria in Excelsis.**"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!"

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 40:9-11. Isaiah speaks about the future when God rescues His Old Testament people, held captive in Babylon. Proclaim good news! The Lord will come to rule with His mighty arm. Instead of harsh treatment, He will deal with them gently, as a shepherd with his sheep.

EPISTLE: I Peter 2:21-25 When God's Son, our Savior, suffered on the cross, He suffered in perfect innocence! He could have, but did not, retaliate. He came to serve and to save His straying sheep. He was the loving Shepherd, the Overseer of lost souls. --- Breathe a sigh of relief; you and I are included.

NICENE CREED, p. 22

Hymn 368 The Lord My Pasture Shall Prepare!

SERMON: JOHN 10:11

ABOVE -AND-BEYOND FOR THE FLOCK

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

OFFERING and OFFERING PRAYER:

PRAYERS

Hymn 436 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want (lack)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

VISITORS, please note that our congregation does not practice "open" communion. Communion is an expression of oneness with the Lord and also oneness in faith and teaching with each other. Differences in Bible doctrine do separate. Therefore, we have a "close-knit" communion practice. Respectfully we ask that only members of St. Luke's and sister CLC congregations come forward. Be assured, we are not judging your heart or your faith in Jesus. God knows the heart. For questions, please visit with the pastor. Thank you.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION:

Distribution Hymn 311 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

Benediction

Hymn: "Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep" See back page of bulletin for *Old English Wording. (Contemporary English, Supplement 783)*

SCHEDULE, GOD WILLING:

5/11 MOTHER'S DAY

10:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School and Bible Class

11:45 SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING

5/18 10:30 Worship NO COMMUNION 9:30 S. Sch. and Bible Class

SPECIAL MEETING 5-11-25: A follow-up Voters Meeting will be held next Sunday, May 11, after service, to re-address the time for summer worship. Last Sunday the Quarterly Meeting, agreed on a 9:30 start time; however, there are further considerations. Thank you.

GRADUATION:

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES—THE SAVIOR'S BLESSINGS! Landon Pederson, Lemmon High School.

Graduation: Saturday, May 17, 2:00 pm. at Lemmon High School. Group Reception follows at the Beeler Center.

Open House for Landon: At St. Luke's, Sunday, May 18, 12:00 – 2:00, Lunch provided. **You are invited!**

Blake Larson, Hettinger High School.

Graduation: Sunday, May 18, 2:00 pm. at the Robers-Reinke Auditorium. *Open House for Blake:* Saturday, May 17, 4-7 pm. at The Granary, 240 S. Main Street (across the tracks by the lake). **You are invited!**

REPORT FROM VOTERS MEETING, 4-27-25:

Attendance: 6 voters present, plus pastor

Pastor's Report:

Death in Christ: LaVonne Kinyon, service 3-21-25.

Delegate Conference: May 20-22, Jamestown, ND, delegate Dwight Wenner.

General (synod-wide) Pastors Conference: June 17-19, Eau Claire; one discussion item will be: (?)"virtual" communion [see below]

Quarterly Finances and Funds: Sheets available in church entry.

Auditor's Report: 2024 financial books in order. Thank you Anthony L. Ushers Manual: At printers.

VBS: St. Lukes's will continue a one-day VBS, both morning and afternoon. Community children will be invited via door leaflets and other.

Local and Online Media: Two volunteers are being sought to keep St. Luke's schedule and information up-to-date on radio, newspaper, TV, internet website, facebook, etc. Please see Pastor Kanzenbach, or sign sheet.

Lawnmowing: Volunteers are being sought to mow the church lawn this summer. (Pastor K. will mow parsonage lawn.) See sign-up sheet.

Pastor vacation Sundays: May 18, June 22, August 3. Approved.

"Virtual" Communion: A statement from St. Luke's will be sent with the pastor to the CLC General Pastors Conference, requesting that any "virtual" communion be discontinued. Approved.

Basement Stairs: A railing will also be added to the other side of the steps. Calendar: Approved for May-June-July. [However, see special meeting above]

VOTERS' ITEMS AVAILABLE ON BULLETIN TABLE:

- ---Voters Agenda and Pastor's Quarterly Report
- ---Treasurers' Reports

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO KEEP MEDIA INFO UP TO DATE:

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MOW CHURCH LAWN:

Lawnmowing: Volunteers are being sought to mow and trim the church yard this summer (not parsonage). See sign-up sheet.

MAY CHURCH CLEANING:

4 and 11 VACANT. 18 and 25 Katie W. Thank you!

CALL NEWS: *Pastor Frank Gantt,* Loganville, GA, has returned the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

Hymn 783 Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep (Old English Wording)

- Jesus, Shepherd of the sheep,
 Who Thy Father's flock dost keep,
 Safe we wake and safe we sleep,
 Guided still by Thee.
- 2) In Thy promise firm we stand, None can pluck us from Thy hand, Speak, O Lord, at Thy command, We will follow Thee.
- By Thy blood our souls were bought,
 By Thy life salvation wrought,
 By Thy light our feet are taught,
 Lord, to follow Thee.
 - Father, draw us to Thy Son, We with joy will follow on,
 Till the work of grace is done, And from sin set free.
 - 5) We in robes of glory dressed, Join th'assembly of the blest, Gathered to eternal rest, In the fold with Thee. Amen.