



Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church

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Dear friends in Christ,

The words and the message I want to share with you this month are not my words. They are the inspired words of Paul as he wrote to his sisters and brothers in Christ living in Ephesus. His words are actually a prayer.

“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom His whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name, I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have the power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the Love of Christ, and to know this love that surpassed knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.” (Ephesians 3:14-19)

Those words I believe, make for a great prayer for each of us individually as well as for all of you collectively as Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church as you enter into the call process seeking your next fulltime pastor. For as God answers that prayer, here is what will happen (and what we desire to have happen): “Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Serving Christ, together with you!
Pastor Dave

BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY MEETING PENDING APPROVAL MINUTES THURSDAY, May 19, 2022, 7P.M.

Members Present: Dave Perleberg, Bev Gerads, Colleen Woods, Deb Erdmann, Garry Loidolt, Joan Ramey, Keith Peterson, Pastor Dave Stroschein, Absent: Kyle Hackett, Ron McKeever

Call Meeting to Order: 7 P.M. By Vice President Dave Perleberg.

Reading of Mission Statement: Dave Perleberg

Treasurers Report: Ron McKeever gave an update to V.P. Dave Perleberg to present at our meeting. We paid our bills. We are no longer responsible to pay to the Edges. These dollars will be put into account for our next Pastor.

Properties Report: Keith Peterson reported on the air conditioners. We hope they can be installed soon. The mailbox information will be presented at our next meeting. The former library/board room will be continued in use as a meeting room and for Bible study materials. We are seeking a table large enough to seat our entire BOLM/ EMT meetings.

Secretary Report: The report was reviewed and approved. Joan Ramey made the motion, Colleen Woods second.

Pastoral Activity Report: Pastor Dave shared his report on Ministry. Worship, Education, Regular Meetings, Official Acts, Visitation, Circuit & District Activity, Other Activities and Upcoming Event and Projects.

Old Business:

The old laptop has been tabled until we have a new pastor in case he can use it.

The Wedding Coordinator position has been accepted by Ashely Hackett. There are 4 upcoming weddings in 2022 and 2 planned for 2023.

The Simple Church Accountability of Officers format was reviewed after being updated. It is more structured. This will be posted in the Narthex.

National Day of Prayer was held on May 5th. Joan Ramey reported that we served 42 and 52 attended the program. There was great appreciation to SOTP for hosting. Thank you to all who worked at this Community Event.

Annual District Convention: The delegate for SOTP was Bruce Resch. He presented a detailed report of the 3 days. If you have questions see Bruce. Brady Finnern is the new District President. On behalf of SOTP we thank Bruce for this commitment.

Church Directory: Colleen Woods and Josh Anderson continue to take pictures on Sundays for the new directory. Members can also submit their own . We hope to have the directory done in the near future.

New Business:

Money from Lenten supper donations from March 16 and March 30th will be given to the Belize Missions.

Breyden Popp is approved as a new member profession of faith. Bev made the motion, Deb second.

The Worship Shepherd Schedule was reviewed.

The next BOLM meeting will be June 16, 2022, at 7 P.M.

Call Process: Julie and Colleen reported on the process of calling a new pastor. They completed the congregational study. If you have the name of a pastor to recommend, see or call a committee member.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn at 8:39 P.M. Deb motion, Joan second.

Close with Prayer: Garry led us in closing with "The Lord's Prayer."

Respectfully Submitted:

Bev Gerads BOLM Secretary



Education / Small Group Team

Greetings to you all and Happy Father's Day dads!!!

Well here we are on the eve of VBS and the crazy fun time ahead!!! When I type this, we have 75 children registered which is so exciting!!! We will take some walk ins if need be to reach the 130 mark. We have enough volunteers to just cover these kids registered SOOOOOOOo....that being said, if we get more, we could use some helping hands being guides for the children. It would be Sunday night – Thursday night from 6:10 – 8:30. Please let me know if you would be willing to be a quick fill!

A HUGE **"THANK YOU"** to the Rice Lions who made an extremely generous donation to VBS! And to Benton Phone!

I also want to thank all of you who have volunteered in one way or another, or given food, or lifted us in prayer for this ministry of outreach to the community! Without you and your willingness to help, we would not have a great program! Thank you!!! I will give a follow up with some totals for VBS in July! Our Mission of Love Recipient this year for the VBS donations collected through the nights goes out to a young lady **Adylynn**, she is 3 ½ years old and just had surgery for hip dysplasia. She is going to be in a cast for 6 weeks, then physical therapy will start. She will have to go back in a year for surgery to have the metal plates removed that they just put in. Please pray for her and her family as well as everyone involved in VBS the children, volunteer and families.

In closing, I want to wish the dads a Happy Father's Day, give praise for all the blessings we get from our Heavenly Father, and wish you all a great kick off to summer! Hope to see you at VBS!!!

Brenda Hackett
Small Group/Edu Team



Join us for our free VBS, which is only 1 week away. Spots are still available however we only have 7 spots left for 4-year-olds! **Picnic at 5PM on the first day**

[Click Here to Register Your child/children](#)

[Click Here to Volunteer](#)

[Click Here to Update your Background Check](#)

June Anniversaries		
David & Sandi	Koep	June 02
Armon & DuReine	Matheny	June 03
Milton & Marlene	Popp	June 04
Steve & Karen	Wood	June 05
Jim & Ardelle	Amundson	June 07
Mark & Julie	Clasen	June 08
John & Annette	Elliott	June 09
Al & Bev	Gerads	June 14
Brent & Jennifer	Betker	June 16
Joshua & Sarah	Anderson	June 20
Dan & Ellie	Cairns	June 21
Dale & Linda	Dirks	June 21
Howard & Nancy	Forer	June 24
Jerry & Jane	Nelson	June 24
George & Cara	Freese	June 25
Duane & Gerri	Ott	June 25
Dale & Terri	Skajewski	June 29

June Birthdays		
Davis	Mickelson	June 01
Charyl	Walberg	June 01
Shawn	Hackett	June 03
Cynthia	Ollman	June 05
Stephanie	Loidolt	June 07
Paul	Tschida	June 08
Michael	Kiraly	June 08
Alli	Maslonkowski	June 10
Shane	Smallfield	June 12
Levi	Brenny	June 14
Rylie	Hoefst	June 15
Leah	Saldana	June 16
Alex	Ostendorf	June 20
Sandie	Resch	June 20
George	Freese	June 22
Glen	Gertken	June 22
Rebecca	Elliott	June 25
Luke	Billmeyer	June 26
Al	Gerads	June 28
Shelby Ann	Hovland	June 28
Richael	Weinand	June 28
Julie	Clasen	June 30

Congratulations to Our Graduates!!



- Aaron Betker
- Ian Cairns
- Isabelle Cairns
- Gabe Gertken
- Shelby Ann Hovland
- Bethany Mears
- Hunter Novitzki

Previously Graduated Celeste Ollman

We will be honoring them on Sunday, June 5th



Worship Team

2022 Worship Team Schedule

Greetings,

We did bring back ushers and with some of our volunteers graduating this year we are in need of help. There are some slots open, and we would be more than happy to add you to the volunteer list in the Fall. Please reach out to me or Julie in the office.

Keith Hackett.

JUNE	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
06/05/22	9:00am	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Julie Kiraly	Richael Weinand	Keith & Roxanne Peterson	Ron Bulthuis
06/12/22	9:00am	Kevin & Janet Maleska	Dennis Arntson	Ron Woods	Travis & Marlys Lenarz	Paul Tschida
06/19/22	9:00am	Milt & Marlene Popp	Cal Ollman	Lois Perleberg	Brad & Holly Jasmer	Steve Ree
06/26/22	9:00am	Scott & Peg Manea	Cynthia Ollman	Ruth Brucher	Tom & Jen Ollman	Dennis Arntson
JULY	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
07/03/22	9:00am	Shelley Pintok	Levi Brenny	Peg Manea	Al & Bev Gerads	Jerry Nelson
07/10/22	9:00am	Charlie & Nancy Anderson	Volunteer Needed	Mary Bulthuis	Kevin & Janet Maleska	Jane Nelson
07/17/22	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Sarah Anderson	Janet Maleska	Keith & Kathy Craft	Steve Ree
07/24/22	9:00am	Keith & Brenda Hackett	Denise Leahy	Dennis Arntson	Keith & Brenda Hackett	Dennis Arntson
07/31/22	9:00am	Deb Erdmann	Julie Kiraly	Celeste Ollman	Steve & Roxann Ree	Paul Tschida
AUGUST	SERVICE	GREETERS	PROJECTIONISTS	READERS	USHERS	WORSHIP LEADERS
08/07/22	9:00am	Ron & Barb McKeever	Julie Kiraly	Richael Weinand	Ron & Barb McKeever	Jerry Nelson
08/14/22	9:00am	Bruce & Sandie Resch	Sarah Anderson	Ron Bulthuis	Bonnie Gottwalt & Cheryl Walberg	Ron Bulthuis
08/21/22	9:00am	Evie Kirchner	Volunteer Needed	Lois Perleberg	Bruce & Sandy Resch	Steve Ree
08/28/22	9:00am	Garry Loidolt	Cynthia Ollman	Ron Woods	Brian & Heather Statz	Keith Hackett

April's Church Income Statement

	April	Year-to-Date
Contributions	\$21,590	\$79,709
Expenses	(\$17,271)	(\$78,806)
Over/(Shortfall)	\$4,320	\$903

June NOISY OFFERING!



We will be taking up our noisy offering on **Sunday, June 20th**, for the **Foley Area Care**. Thank you for your support and your generous donations!

Rice Area Food Shelf

April Distribution is
Thursday, June 9th
from 3:00-5:30pm
at the Old Village Hall!



We have a sheet on the Narthex if you are interested in a church outing to Rox Baseball Game on Wednesday July 27th at 1:05pm afternoon game. Please Sign up we will proceed if we have enough interest.



Informational/Gathering regarding Children's Education.

As a follow-up to a conversation which took place at our last SOTP leadership meeting, we would like to meet to discuss some of the issues our children are facing in their classrooms and schools, and how we as Christian parents might help each other to address the issues and take care of our children. We would also like to take a look at some resources and options that are available to us locally for Christian-based education. Please join us on Wednesday, June 15th at 6:30 at SOTP and feel free to invite other concerned parents you may know.

Youth Group Announcements



Psalm 121:7-8 – The Lord keeps you from all harm and watches over your life. The Lord keeps watch over you as you come and go, both now and forever.

Mark your calendars! We will be meeting as a youth group on June 15th and July 20th at 6pm at the church. We will have dinner, an activity and plan for the SD camping trip together. All are welcome!

At our last meeting, we split into two groups, one to plan meals and another to plan an activity and the packing list. Trinity, Waylon, Isabella, Mackenzie & Luke will be planning the activity and packing list. They should bring ideas for an activity for the group we can do in close proximity to Custer SD and a brainstormed list of items each person should bring. Levi, Lacey, Gabby, Lily & Cynthia will be planning meals. They should bring ideas for breakfast, lunch and dinner with recipes. We're looking for meal ideas with foods they want to prepare and eat. Everyone will help with food preparation on the trip.

Please bring your completed participation forms to the next meeting. Let me know if you need another form and I can send it to you.

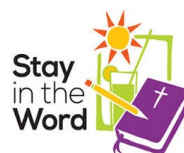
The garage sale was a great success thanks to all the participation! We raised over \$2600! God is good!

Sarah Anderson
Youth Group Leader

Rice Lions

Thank you so much for the very generous gift of money to buy sheets for the backs of our quilts. We really appreciate your support. The Quilters

A BIG
thank
you
♥



Bible Studies

Most Bible Studies will be taking a break for the Summer. If you are interested in leading a study this Summer Please reach out to Colleen Woods. at 320-685-4389 or email colleenwds@yahoo.com

Worship Shepherds

June 5th Deb Erdmann
 June 12th Kyle Hackett
 June 19th Colleen Woods
 June 26th Ron McKeever



June 5th Travis & Marlys Lenarz
 June 12th Kevin & Janet Maleska
 June 19th Milt & Marlene Popp
 June 26th Scott & Peg Manea



June 5th Richael Weinand
 June 12th Ron Woods
 June 19th Lois Perleberg
 June 26th Ruth Brutcher



June 5th Keith & Roxanne Peterson
 June 12th Travis & Marlys Lenarz
 June 19th Brad & Holly Jasmer
 June 26th Tom & Jen Ollman



JUNE

Dennis Arntson, Scott Manea, Laurie Madoll



We have been praying for our church families each week as we go through our church directory from A to Z. As you go about your daily tasks lift a prayer for the family of the week as the Lord brings them to mind. **In June we will be praying for:**

June 5th Mike & Diane Barringer
 Children: Luke & Kyle
 June 12th Shawn & Jennifer Bemboom
 Children: Austin, Breyden, & Courtney
 June 19th Daniel & Joni Berg
 Children: Kami & Vera
 June 26th Art Betker

JUNE

Joanny Ramey



June 5th
 Genesis 11: 1-9
 Acts 2: 1-21
 John 14: 23-31

June 12th
 Psalm 8
 Acts 2: 22-36
 John 8: 48-59



June 19th
 Isaiah 65: 1-9
 Galatians 3: 23-4: 7
 Luke 8: 26-39

June 26th
 1 Kings 19: 9-21
 Galatians 5: 1, 13-25
 Luke 9: 51-62

UPDATE TO FELLOWSHIP!!

Here is the schedule for this Summer for Fellowship. We ask that if you can't serve the Sunday that you are scheduled, please find a group to switch with. Each group is to bring in treats, serve, and clean up. Thank You!



June 5th
J. Amundson, M. Popp, M. Kiraly
June 12th
J. Ramey, J. Alstrup, B. Statz
June 19th
D. Arntson, R. Woods, T. Ollman
June 26th
J. Elliott, K. Maleska, K. Huhne/Popp
July 3rd
K. Kirchner, R. Brutcher, P. Tschida, & G. Hendrickson
July 10th
D. Erdmann, J. Brenny, D. Mickelson
July 17th
Ke. Hackett, Ky Hackett, J. Hackett
July 24th
J. Hanebuth, S. Wood, B. Novitzki
July 31st
J. Clasen, R. Hemple, T. Hovland

June 5th Ron Bulthuis
 June 12th Paul Tschida
 June 19th Steve Ree
 June 26th Dennis Arntson



Musicians
 June 5th Heather Statz
 June 12th Bethany Mears
 June 19th Praise Team
 June 26th Gabby Dingmann

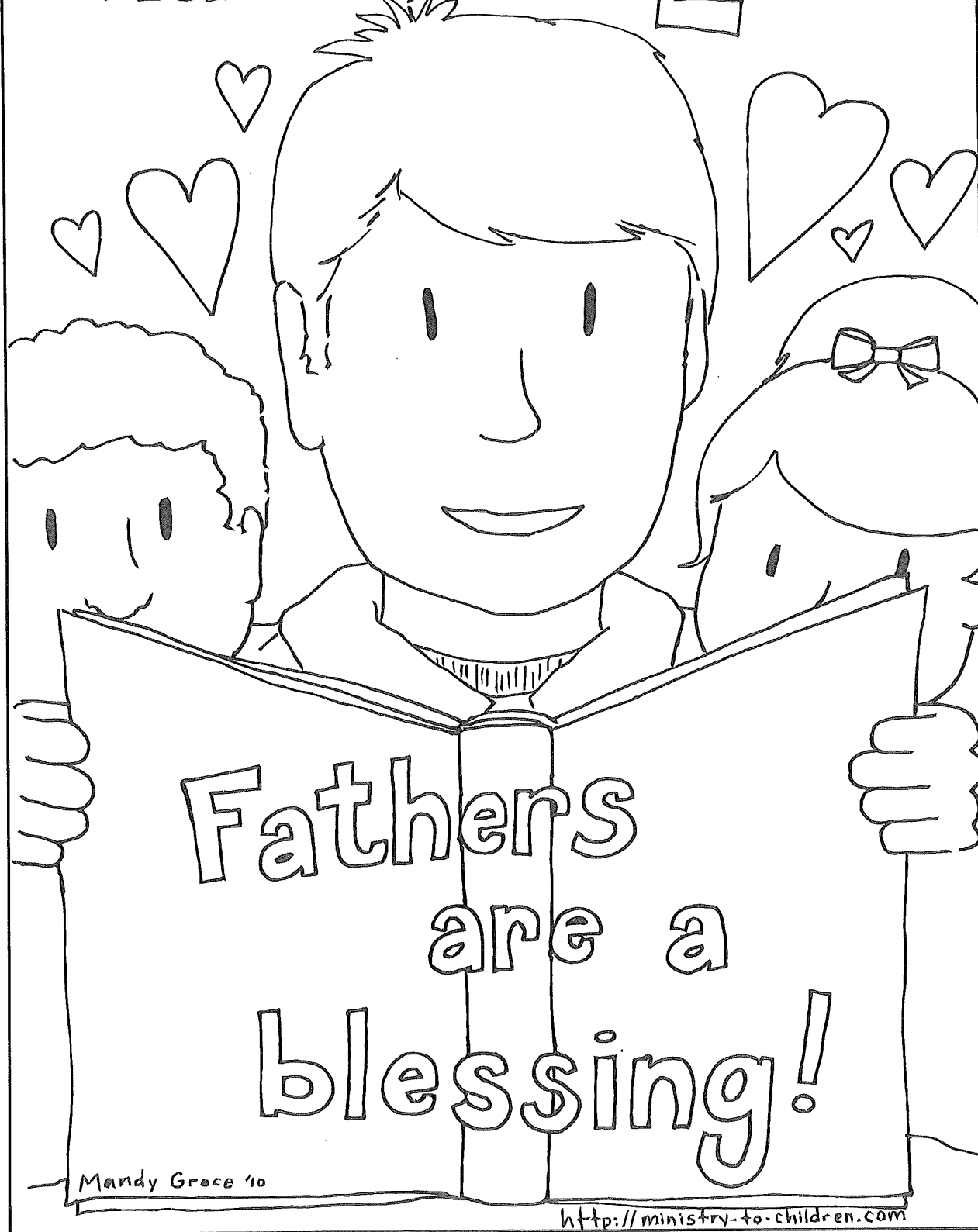


PROJECTIONIST

June 5th Julie Kiraly
 June 12th Dennis Arntson
 June 19th Cal Ollman
 June 26th Cynthia Ollman

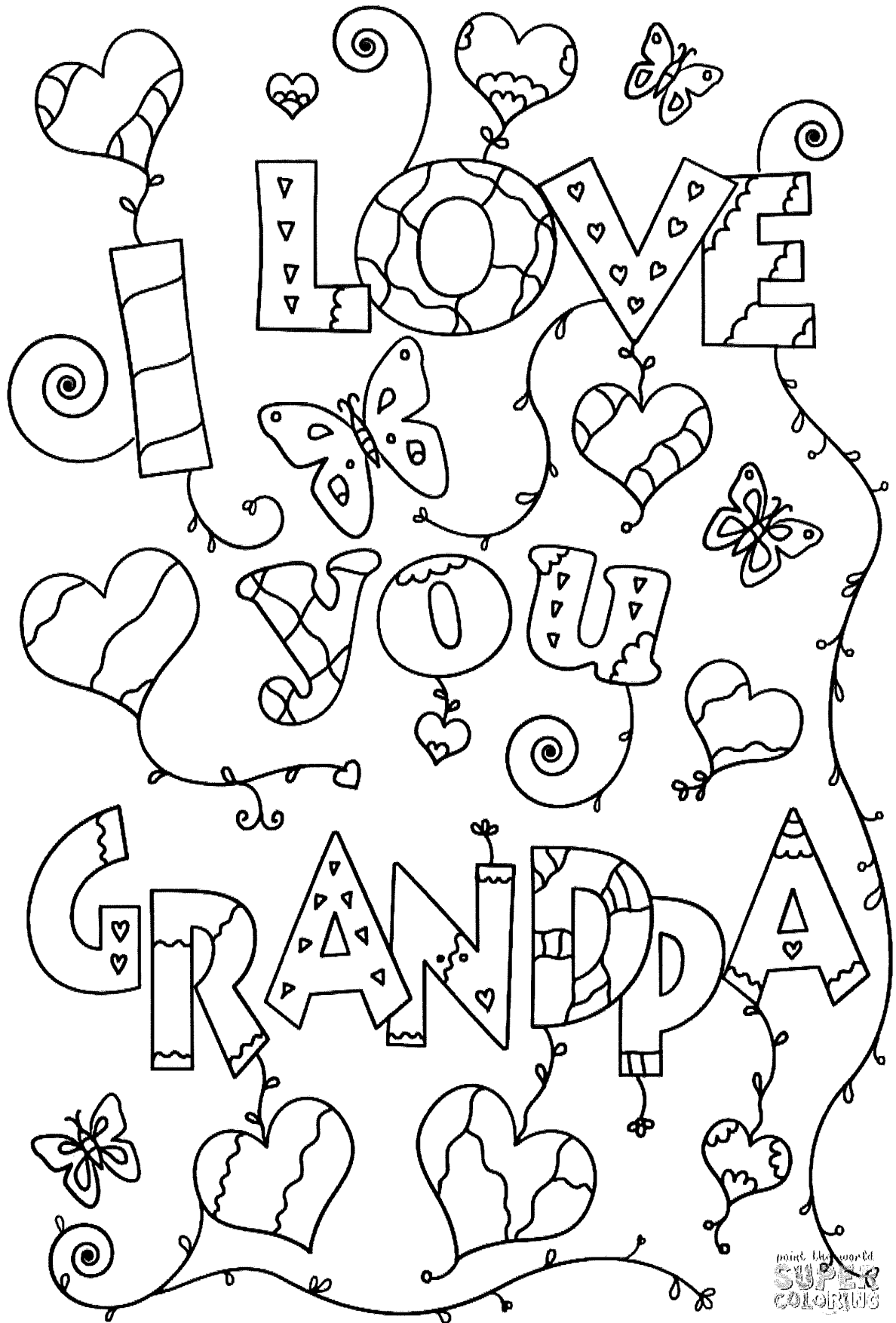


Thank You Lord...



Mandy Grace '10

<http://ministry-to-children.com>





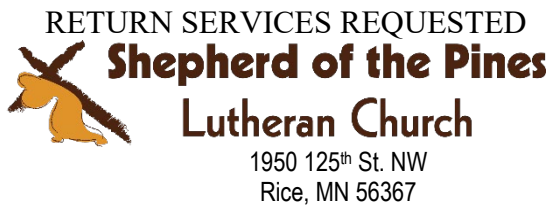


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June 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			9:00 Quilters		Wedding Rehearsal 5pm	Wedding 2pm Congratulations Jacob & Sara
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Graduation Sunday Music: Heather 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 5:00 VBS Picnic VBS 6:30-8:30	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group VBS 6:30-8:30	6:00 Al-Anon VBS 6:30-8:30	6:30-8:30 VBS	VBS 6:30-8:30		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Music: Bethany 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Bible Study- Sanctuary	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group	9:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon	Informational/ Gathering regarding Children's Education 6:30	9:00 Quilters 6:30 Elder's Meeting 7:00 BOLM Meeting		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
 Noisy Offering Foley Care Center Music: Praise Team 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Adult Bible study - Sanctuary	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group	9:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon		9:00 Quilters	Wedding Rehearsal	Wedding Congratulations Eric & Brittny
26	27	28	29	30	Email: office@sotpministries.com Website: sotpministries.com Monday - Friday 9:00-3:00	
Music: Gabby 9:00 Worship 10:00 Fellowship 10:20 Bible study - Sanctuary	7:30 Praise Team 7:30 Small Group	9:00 Quilters 6:00 Al-Anon				



Jesus smiles on..

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SOTP BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY/ELDERS

Kyle Hackett, President 266-1700; David Perleberg, Vice President 360-5147; Bev Gerads, Secretary 761-1894; Joan Ramey 393-3342; Ron McKeever Treas. 393-2524; Colleen Woods 685-4389; Deb Erdmann, 249-4804; Garry Loidolt 393-2097

Keith Peterson, Church Properties 292-4007

EXECUTIVE MINISTRY TEAM

Keith Hackett - Worship Team Leader, Jen Ollman- Service Team Leader, Brenda Hackett – Education & Colleen Woods Small Group Team

*In case of church cancellation due to bad weather listen to, 98 COUNTRY 98.1, SPIRIT 92.9, KCLD 104.7, WJON 1240,
or call the church office and listen to the message.*

Shepherd of the Pines Mission Statement: Connecting People to God...To Others...and To Service

The purpose of this congregation is mandated for us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as found in the words of the Great Commission (Matthew 28), namely first of all to Go. To leave our walls of refuge, going into all the world, comprising of our families and neighbors. We plan to achieve our purpose by identifying persons with whom we are particularly well-equipped to serve and reach with the challenge of becoming Disciples of Christ.

Second, to Make Disciples or in the words of St Paul, "To equip the saints" (Ephesians 4:12). This is to be understood as helping people to live the Christian life here on earth. Preparing and encouraging young and old alike to find and to use their God given gifts and abilities for the extension of His Kingdom, and to grow in fervent love for God and for others.

Thirdly, to Baptize as commanded by Jesus Himself. As God reaches down to mankind with His means of grace, He would have us baptize His people, bringing them into His family and Kingdom, granting to them life, forgiveness of sins, and eternal salvation.

And lastly, to continue steadfast in His Word, Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. A continued zeal for the study of His Word, the Bible, is necessary for the growth of any Christian congregation. Thus, the Word of God will be taught and studied in full measure and His Word shall be the rule and norm of this congregation's faith and life.

To that end, our every effort and energy will be used in motivating, training, and putting to use our time, and talents and treasures to Make Disciples.