

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

A vibrant faith community of Northwest New Jersey.
A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
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SERVING WORSHIP TODAY: Please remember to arrive **30 minutes** before worship. Contact the church office with any changes.

9 AM	July 3	9 AM	July 10
Reader:	Margaret Krych	Reader:	Marty Nielson
Deacon:	Bruce Whipple	Deacon:	Solveig Schunk
Usher:	JD Allen	Usher:	Ed Schunk
Media:	Barbara Osborne Mike Osborne	Media:	Patrick Wood John Seal
CPIC:	JD Allen	CPIC:	Pat Kovacs
Counters:	Mike Osborne Barbara vonThun	Counters:	Diane Fitzpatrick Barbara vonThun
Altar Guild:	Diane Fitzpatrick	Altar Guild:	Debbie Lockwood
Cantor:	Jim Jicha	Cantor:	Pat Kovacs
Coffee Hour	DiCola Family	Coffee Hour	Volunteer needed

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thurs., June 30	6 PM -SOTH CAR SHOW planning meeting
	Trinity Faith Kitchen weekend
Sun., July 3	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 9 AM – <i>Worship of the Word in Church and on YouTube</i> 10AM – <i>Coffee Hour</i>
Mon., July 4	Independence Day - Office Closed
Sun., July 10	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 9 AM – <i>Worship of the Word in Church and on YouTube</i> 10AM – <i>Coffee Hour – Dedication of a cross from the Spink Family during coffee hour</i>

WEEKLY MINISTRY:

Sunday Worship: 9 AM

In church, Live streamed on Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church channel on YouTube

Youth Education Sept to May:

Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

Confirmation: Thurs.eve.7-7:45 PM

1x/month - Sept -Apr. on **Zoom**

Adult Education:

Brown Bag Bible Study – Wed. 12 PM

(2x/month)

Church Office: Hours subject to

change. Please call before coming.

Monday – Staff works remotely

Tues., 10:45 – 2:45 PM

Thurs., 10:00 – 2 PM

973-729-7010

Church Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jack DiMatteo

Email: pastor@sothnj.org

Emergencies: 908-887-1161

Music Director: Mr. Ronn Sacchiero

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Service of Holy Communion

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost – July 3, 2022

(Note: All wording for the liturgy and hymns will appear on our large monitor screens just above the altar area.)

Welcome from Pastor Jack

Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Hymn “CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD” (#801, 2X)

Children’s Sermon

Prayer of the Day

Sharing of The Assigned Scriptures (See “Celebrate” insert)

Sermon

Quiet Meditation and Personal Prayer

Hymn of the Day “LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION” (#579, V1,2)

The Apostles’ Creed

Prayers (See “Celebrate” insert)

Sharing of the Peace

Offering Collection & Prayer

Communion Liturgy & The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution of Communion

Post Communion Prayer & Benediction

Sending Hymn "OPEN OUR EYES, LORD" (WP #113, 2X)

Brief Announcements & Dismissal

Weekly Announcements

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JOIN US IN PRAYER:

HOMEBOUND OR ILLNESS: Jerry Battifarano, Bob Buchmann, Alice Busch, Jenny Cortese, Susan Dannenberg, Ashley Dismuke, Edwin Foster, Leland Futch, Mark Geiger, Vincent Hassa, Joe Hummers, Rita Jennings, Kay Kozdeba, Bill Lockwood, Janice Mason, Judith Neubauer, Carol & Jack Polcer, Carol Regad, Jack Robinson, Melissa & Ronn Sacchiero, Diane Simonson, Dawn & Gerald Tedesco, Nancy Vermuelen, Judith Worsley.

MASKS ARE OPTIONAL Traditional communion has returned, but communion cups will still be available.

ADOPT A GARDEN – there are many church gardens in need of weeding and planting (if you'd like to add to the flowers.) Please see Pat Wood to choose your space, and thank you for beautifying your church.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS – are needed. Please see the sign-up sheet on the narthex table. Thanks to the DiCola's for leading this fellowship activity.

SAVE THE DATES:

SPINK CROSS DEDICATION – on **Sunday, July 10** during coffee hour in the parish hall.

BLOOD DRIVE is scheduled for **Thursday, July 28 from 1-7 PM.**

PLEASE CALL AHEAD – before venturing a trip to the church office. Hours are subject to change due to voluntary nature of our staff.

FAVORITE HYMN SUGGESTIONS – can be written on the form in the bulletin and placed in offering plate. These will be given to Ronn for possible inclusion in a future worship service.

DID YOU KNOW that our weekly Power Point visuals are prepared by Alice Williamson who also does the cross-stitched banners presented at our baptisms? Thanks Alice!

SUBSTITUTE SECRETARY NEEDED – The church office is in need of a **volunteer**, substitute secretary on an “as needed basis”. Please contact Wendy Whipple if you are interested. Training happily provided!

NEED YARN? -Marty Nielson has replenished the supply of Barbara's stash for anyone's use. Currently, the yarn is in the room between the office and Pastor's office. You are welcome to it. We will be collecting handmade blue hats for #Hat Not Hate again this year. Faith Kitchen does not accept any clothing.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE –Your gifts will support Ukrainians and others. **Gifts to “Eastern Europe Crisis Response”** will be used in full (100%) to assist those affected by the crisis in Ukraine and neighboring countries. Checks or money orders can be sent to:
Lutheran Disaster Response P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009
Write "**Eastern Europe Crisis Response**" on your check memo line. Give by phone at **800-638-3522** (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. CT) or online.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED – CONTROL ROOM HELP, OFFICE VOLUNTEERS, COFFEE HOUR HOSTS, FINANCIAL COUNTERS, PHOTOGRAPHER, DEACONS AND USHERS are all needed. Training joyfully provided. If someone calls to recruit you, please prayerfully consider how YOU can serve. You can always volunteer by contacting the office.

JOIN US WITH GENEROUS GIVING TO OUR MISSION:

with these gifts, we continue to **welcome** folks to our community, to **equip** them with faith tools – learning the word, prayers for one another, and communal support – and then to **send** us into the world to welcome others.

Your donations to SOTH can be accomplished in the following ways:

- On Sunday, place your donation in the offering plate.
- Mail your offering to: SOTH 246 Woodport Rd., Sparta, NJ07871
- Go online to setup your e-giving from your checking, savings, credit card or debit card <http://secure.myvanco.com/L-YXCY>
- Download Vanco Mobile (Faith) on your smartphone, search for Shepherd of the Hills (Sparta)
- Text Giving to 973-832-0226 You can make a one-time gift or setup recurring offerings.

Many thanks to all of the donors who support our mission!