

GOOD AFTERNOON!

WHAT'S HAPPENING (July 23)

Summer Worship Schedule Worship services are on Saturday at 4:00 pm and 9:00 am on Sunday. Join us for Coffee Under the Trees after the Sunday worship service! Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 am on Sundays.

During Pastor John's leave of absence, Pastor Larry Alb is the main preacher, he will conduct worship services and teach the Sunday morning Bible Class. The Board of Elders, along with Curt Engle and Jenna Lawrenz, will visit the home bound. Mike Zehnder (1.480.861.5000) is available for pastoral emergencies. Pastor John will return on August 8.

Church office hours are:

8:00am – 3:30pm Monday through Thursday

8:00am – 1:00pm on Fridays.

Our email is office@alutheran.org, phone is 303-794-4636.

The Memorial Service for Don Nelson will be Saturday, August 15 at 10:30, followed by his inurnment in the Columbarium and a meal in the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Brainstorm Bonanza and Pizza! August 9th from 11-11:30 AM in room 106, 7th-12th grades are invited to a brainstorming meeting about next summer's mission trip and youth ministry direction. This is their chance to give input on activities, Bible study topics, servant events and other ideas. See you there!

Youth Back-to-School Lock-in at Ascension Lutheran Church is scheduled for August 21-22, 8pm-8am! Glow in the dark theme and games, CEREAL AT MIDNIGHT, mini golf at CO Journey, sardines, movie! Our Bible study time will focus on being in God's Word when experiencing challenging/difficult times that may arise through the school year (and being a light to others). Must RSVP with Stephanie! Stephanieroettjer@gmail.com

Volunteers and staff meeting about abuse and prevention is set for Sunday, August 30 from 10:30-11:00 a.m. in room 106. If you plan to work in our children and youth ministry programs, you must attend this meeting and get a background check. Questions, talk to Stephanie. Thank you!

Back to school blessings on August 9th! During the children's sermon at the 9:00 service, there will be a special message, prayer, and backpack tag for your child. Also, there will be other helpful resources for parents in the narthex. See you there!

Evangelism: Vitalant Blood Drive this Saturday, July 25th:

Our Vitalant Blood Drive is scheduled for this Saturday, July 25th, from 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM in the Church Music Room. Nineteen members have signed up so far with eight openings remaining. If you are able to donate, please sign up using the QR code. Your donation could save a life.



Hosanna Lutheran Church in Littleton (Kipling and Belleview) is becoming the second campus of Bethlehem Lutheran Church from Lakewood. Hosanna, which began in 1974, will have its final worship on Sunday, August 2, at 9:00. On that day, Pastor Greg Peters, who has served Hosanna for decades, will retire from full-time ministry.

On Sunday, August 9, at 9:00 the Southwest campus of Bethlehem will begin worship and ministry. They will begin an Early Learning Center on August 10. Pastor David Dyer will be the main pastor of Bethlehem-Southwest.

We pray for Hosanna during these final weeks, for Pastor Greg as he concludes his ministry, and for the new ministry of Bethlehem here in Littleton.

PROLIFE Petition: WOW!!! WE hit a homerun...almost twice the number I expected signed our petition to remove/repeal the constitutional right to abortion from our Colorado constitution this November. Our next step is to pray that enough signatures of registered voters throughout our state will sign, and this measure will be approved for the ballot. On election day, be sure to vote YES to repeal this measure, as signing the petition does not translate to a vote.

Thank you for your loving hearts and concern for our babies and their parents. Jesus loves you, loves these families and I do too. Jude Donovan

HAAT Force: Short List of Summer Needs for Homeless

New Mens Underwear

Shelf Stable meals like Hormel

Breakfast Options like individual cereal and oatmeal packs

You can drop these items off in the box in the narthex, thank you in advance!

The Young Adult Group will meet again on Friday, August 14, at 6:30 pm at Jenna and Michael Lawrenz' house. For more information, please contact Jenna at jenna.lindeman@cune.org.

Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel: Pastor Ginkel's Bible Study Class meets on Wednesdays at 10:00, Room 106. Will study Luke. All about Jesus so it's refreshing. One chapter a week. Printed handouts. Light refreshments. Please join us if you can.

NEW Bible Study on Saturday afternoons! On Saturday, August 1, at 3:00 pm, we will be starting a new Bible study on the Book of Mark. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us! *Please note:* we will not be having a study on August 8, August 15, or September 5.

The goal of our study, using LifeLight questions, is to learn Gospel truths on our own through Scripture lookups. As Jesus reveals God's truths to His slow-learning disciples in the Book of Mark, He also reveals His truths to us: "And He said to them, 'Do you not yet understand?'" (Mark 8:21). If you have questions, please email Curt at Kengle0920@gmail.com

Online Auction to Benefit Mission Experience in Haiti Rev. Mike Paulison and Mission Experience are requesting items of at least \$50.00 retail value for their Online Auction. Please send a photo, description, dimensions, estimated value, as well as your name / contact info, suggested opening bid and minimum bid (if needed) to sarah@missionexperience.org. Submissions are needed by the end of September.

Church Patio Project

The summer is well underway and the temperature keeps climbing but after the Sunday morning service the congregation has been getting together for coffee and treats under the trees. What a wonderful time socializing, sharing thoughts and reflecting on what we just learned in our service and enjoying all that God has blessed us with in togetherness. The beautification project is moving forward with donations to "Project Peter" and toward the \$100,000 mark needed to complete the grounds remodel. We are one third of the way there, so please consider adding to the amount now and help us finish this beautiful planned project with a small or really large donation to Project Peter. All of us working together, let us get it done!

Moving forward in Christ,
Blessings,

The Capital Campaign Grounds Upgrade Committee: Bob Hea, Art Gordon, Kim McCormick, Chuck Mielke, Terry Utecht, Kathleen Wucherpfenning Larry Nisbet (Campaign Committee Chair)

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Flowers on the Altar this weekend are given by Tom and Dawn Munson, in joyful celebration of their granddaughter Emily's birth on the 4th of July!

Prayers: For Sherry Kerbs and her family, at the death of her 26-year-old son, Tyler; For Mavis Slifka, recovering from abdominal surgery; For the friends and family of Sam Sanchez, friend of Joyce Gallagher, who passed away on July 19; For Christina Rabe-Kim, Dianne Backhus' niece, as she recovers from her abdominal surgery on July 12; For Lorraine Winckler, who will have knee revision surgery on July 28; For Jeannette Nelson, at the death of Jeannette's husband, Don, and for Jeannette's grandson, Ethan; For Steve Shelton, at the passing of his girlfriend, Cheryl John, on July 5; For Barb Bader; For Bill Burchett; For Gayla Buethe; For Starla Moltz; For Susan Price; For Bruce Gordon, Michele Yowell, C.J. Earhart and Jim Nichols, as they go through cancer treatments; For firefighters and first responders; For our military and their families, fighting the war in Iran; For our nation and president; For God to strengthen

and sustain us in conflict and grant us victory over our foes; For God to send His Holy Spirit for strengthening of faith and witness.

Prayers of Thanksgiving: For Joyce Gallagher, who has been released from the hospital. Please pray that her health continues to improve.

Blessings and Congratulations! To Rachel Becker and Josh Loy, who will be married on July 24!

Happy Birthday! To Jackie Adams, who will be 90 years old on July 23, to Stephanie Roettjer, celebrating her birthday on July 24, and to Mary Farley, who will be 99 years old on July 28!! Happy Birthday!

<u>Attendance</u>	Service Time	Attendees	
Saturday, 7/18	4:00 pm	48	
Sunday, 7/19	9:00 am	112	
			Total: 160

Online Views (as of July 22) for July 12: 163 views.

<u>Stewardship</u>	July 18-19, 2026	Year-to-Date (YTD)
Budgeted Revenue	\$13,000.00	\$377,000.00
Received Amount	\$ 5,635.00	\$398,697.00
Project Peter 2026	\$ 205.00	\$ 36,143.00

Calendar (Saturday, July 25 – Sunday, August 2):

Sat. (7-25)	9:30am-2:30pm	Heritage Fine Arts Workshop
	10:30am-3:00pm	Vitalant Blood Drive – Music Room
	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (7-26)	9:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 am	Coffee Under the Trees
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Class
Tues. (7-27)	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Weds. (7-28)	10:00 am	Bible Study with Pastor Ginkel
Sat. (8-1)	3:00 pm	Saturday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sun. (8-2)	9:00 am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Coffee Under the Trees
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Class