

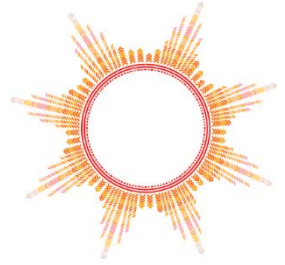
# Shepherd's Voice

A Weekly Publication of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

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## Weekly Schedule

\*Recurring Events\*

### SUNDAYS

- 9:00am Holy Communion
- 10:15am Fellowship
- 10:30am Multi-Generational Sunday School
- 3:00pm Bethel Growth Group (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun.)
- 7:00pm Damascus Growth Group (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun.)
- 6:30pm Nazareth Growth Group (per group)

### Monday

- 10:00am Fellowship Text Study
- 3:15pm to 5:15pm Violin Lessons
- 6pm Car Club Meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Monday)

### Tuesday

- 6:30pm 4-H Garden Gnome Meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Tues.)
- 3:00pm to 5:45pm Violin Lessons
- 6:00pm Deacon Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tues.)
- 7:00pm MTL & Elder Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tues.)

### Wednesday

- 11:30am Fellowship Luncheon (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, location varies)
- 10:00am Women on Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.)
- 2:00pm to 6:15pm Violin Lessons
- 7:00pm Council Meeting (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays)

### Thursday

- 9:30am Emmaus Growth Group (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.)
- 10:30am Park Place Devotions
- 2:15pm to 5:15pm Violin Lessons
- 6:00pm Girl Scout Troop Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.)

### Friday

- Office Closed
- 12:45pm to 4:15pm Violin Lessons
- 6:30pm DIGG Growth Group (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri.)

### Saturday

- Office Closed

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## Reminders

### May 20

- 2:30p – 6:30p Violin & Piano Recital Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

John 14:2

**In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?**



## **PASTOR'S POST: FINAL**

### **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

### **Mother's Day -**

### **May 14, 2017**

Dear Shepherd of the Valley members and friends,

As I write this last Pastor's Post for the Shepherd's Voice my heart is full of gratitude for the time we had together these past 22 months. I absolutely cannot thank you all enough for the marvelous farewell we shared on

Sunday as we marked the conclusion of our time together. Thank you for your kind words and the wonderful cards, for the absolutely wonderful framed collection of Watanabe prints and the great accompanying book from the Brauer Museum of Art at Valparaiso University. I am so grateful for these remembrances to take with me and make part of my life wherever God may be leading me. Thank you!

To be honest, however, it is not without a sense of loss that I begin a new interim call at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sheridan, Oregon. I think a lot about processes of grief and loss and how people work through them, or don't. I think it is true that there is no major change that we experience that is also not at some level also an occasion for feelings of loss. Working through feelings of loss is a primary reason why it is important to have intentional processes of farewell and Godspeed such as we shared last Sunday.

Graduation is a good example of a kind of change that on the one hand is full of anticipation for the new, but also represents a time of loss. Two of my confirmands from Trinity in Salina, Kansas (2012-2014) graduate from high school this year, Samuel and Mikayla. A year from now their lives will be very different than they are today. Relationships with friends and family will change. Priorities will change. Adolescence is becoming adulthood for them.

Sometimes Mother's Day (also this Sunday) can be not only a time to celebrate all those who provide mothering nurturing love, but also can be hard for mothers whose children may have died, and those who would be mothers who were never blessed with children. As heartfelt as our greetings of "Happy Mother's Day" may be this Sunday, still there are some for which it is a time when the absence of a child or children may be felt all the more.

While this Sunday's Gospel (John 14:1-10) is full of assurance and hope grounded in God's love for us, it is also important to recognize that John 14 is part of Jesus's final discourse in the Gospel of John that begins in John 13 with the washing of the feet of the disciples, and concludes with their departure for the Garden of Gethsemane. This is part of Jesus' address in the "upper room" to prepare his disciples for the difficult realities ahead: his betrayal, suffering, and death. Jesus knows that they will be shaken to the core by what they will experience. It is their hope and trust in God and in Christ Himself that will see them through. So Jesus says, "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms...I go to prepare a place for you?"

While uncertain and change are always part of human life, ultimately the future is not uncertain. For we who believe and trust in Him He has prepared a place for each of us, that we may at last come to our true "home" in the household of God. This good news is at the heart of who and what we are wherever we are called to be church. The Lord bless and keep you all.

In Christ,

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## PASTOR JOE'S INSTALLATION SERVICE AT TRINITY, SHERIDAN

Trinity Lutheran Church of Sheridan Oregon invites the members of our local Northwest District congregations to join us for a Service of Installation on Sunday, May 21 at 3:00 PM. The service will be at Trinity Lutheran Church, 311 SE Schley Street in Sheridan.

For more information please call (503) 843-4747 or email [stefaniem@sheridantlc.org](mailto:stefaniem@sheridantlc.org). Or log on to the congregation's website at <https://www.sheridantlc.org>

We are delighted that Rev. Dr. Joseph Hughes will be installed as Intentional Interim Minister in that afternoon Divine Service. LC-MS clergy are invited to participate in the Rite of Installation. Please be prepared to vest and wear 'red' for the occasion. A reception will follow.

The Rev. Michael Warmbier, Circuit Visitor

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### Are you Called to be a **communion assistant**?

Shepherd of the Valley is ready to expand the existing list of members that are trained to administer the sacrament to our fellowship of believers. This involves assisting the Pastor and an Elder during weekly communion service. The training will take about an hour.

Over the next two weeks your Elders ask that you prayerfully consider this mission to see if suits your gifts and needs. If you find yourself called to this work, contact Peter Klammer, Jeff Hintzman or Dennis Anderson during the next couple of weeks. Our goal is to have the training complete in three weeks and then begin scheduling communion assistants.

**Blessing from your Elders**

# Voters' Meeting Minutes

\*Subject to revision\*

**Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church (SVLC)  
Revised**

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**Quarterly Voter's Meeting Minutes - 04/30/17**

10:40 am- Meeting called to open - Bill Chambers

61 voting members on roster, 32 voting members in attendance

**Opening Prayer** - Pastor Joe Hughes

**First Quarter Financial Update** - Bill Chambers

The March 2017 monthly net income (actual contributions - actual expenses) was \$2145.98.

The YTD net income (actual contributions - actual expenses) is \$626.53.

The net income - less expenses for 2016 was \$-1015.04 and for 2017 is \$2145.98.

**Call Committee Update** - Peter Klammer

The committee completed the review of candidates. One candidate was viable, one accepted another call, one had family responsibilities and one was not a good fit. The committee decided to request additional candidate names from the District President. The one viable candidate will be considered again. A review process has been established so the process should go quicker. The goal is to have the candidates names to the committee in June.

**Altar Refresh Update** - Peter Klammer

The sanctuary was built in the 1960's. The refresh will make the altar area more appealing and larger. The steps will be removed and the altar, lectern, rails, floor, cross, windows and baptismal font will be new. The committee is looking for a woodworker to create the items. It was estimated to take up to six months and cost up to \$50,000.

**Communion Assistant Proposal** - Bill Chambers and Peter Klammer

Discussion on whether or not non-Elders should be able to help with communion. One person wanted to delay the vote but others wanted to be able to vote today. No motion was needed today as the Church Council had approved a proposal be voted on and requested it be by written vote and needing  $\frac{2}{3}$ 's majority to pass.

Proposal by the Board of Elders:

We propose to open the service of communion assistants to the non-Elder members of the congregation with the following qualification and conditions:

A. Lay assistants who assist the Pastor with communion at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church shall:

- *Be voting members in good standing as defined by bylaws.*
- *Be selected jointly by Pastor and Elders based on spiritual maturity, individual gifts and desire for service.*
- *Be supervised and trained by Pastor and Elders. Training to include:*
  - *Study of and agreement with the Lutheran understanding of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and the Liturgy of the Sacrament.*
  - *Procedural training in communion assistance practices.*
  - *Training references : Lutheran Catechisms, Lutheran Service Book and the resources available on LCMS.org (the synod website).*

B. There will always be at least one Elder who assists with each communion service.

Private ballots provided for voting - Counted by Fernando Henriques and Jennifer Klammer  
25 yes, 4 no, 3 abstain

The Elder's will create a process for being trained to assist with communion.  
Pastor Gene Ludwig will preach in May and we will be looking for a temporary Pastor.

**Closing Prayer** - Pastor Joe Hughes

Meeting called to a close - 11:50 am

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## ~~ SUMMER BIBLE CHALLENGE ~~

Shepherd members and friends are invited to participate in the SUMMER BIBLE CHALLENGE!



This challenge will run from Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> through  
Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Details will be unveiled on  
Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> and you will not want to miss being at church  
that Sunday!!



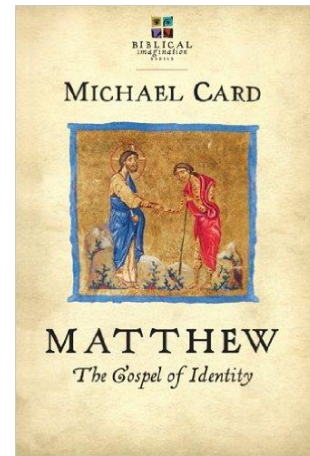
All information will be posted on the Biblical Equipping Bulletin Board located above  
the church mailboxes.

# OUR BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

## SYLLABUS AND READING ASSIGNMENTS in *MATTHEW, THE GOSPEL OF IDENTITY* February–May 2017

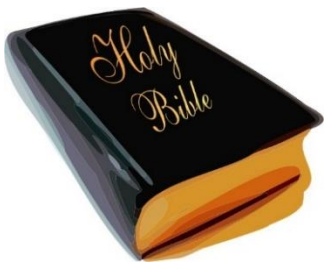
### Updated Syllabus – Subject to Change

	<b>Book</b>	<b>Bible</b>
5/14	Card, pp. 175-181	(Matthew 20)
5/21	Card, pp. 182-191	(Matthew 21)
5/28	Card, pp. 192-199	(Matthew 22)
6/4	Card, pp. 200-206	(Matthew 23)
6/11	Card, pp. 207-213	(Matthew 24)
6/18	Card, pp. 214-222	(Matthew 25)
6/25	Card, pp. 223-234	(Matthew 26)



*The Biblical Equipping Ministry Team will be taking responsibility for the remainder of the sessions on the Gospel of Matthew.*

<b>Staff &amp; Lay Leaders</b>	
Pastor	Vacancy/Supply Pastors
Office Manager	Callie Santora
Musician	Lisa Boylan
President	Bill Chambers
Secretary	Gail Millimaki
Treasurer	Debi Anderson
Property Chair	Bill Randall
PR Coordinator	Sandy Bell
Elders	Peter Klammer Jeff Hintzman (elect) Dennis Anderson (elect)
Ministry Team Leaders	Lisa Boylan, <i>Worship &amp; Prayer</i> Jennifer Klammer, <i>Community Building &amp; Care</i> Ray Hart, <i>Missional Outreach</i> Jay McDougal, <i>Biblical Equipping</i>
Deaconesses	Donna Durbin Sandy Nash OPEN



## LECTIONARY BIBLE READINGS FOR WORSHIP:

Everyone is welcome to participate in Monday Fellowship Bible Studies, 10:00-11:30. We read, learn about, and discuss the Bible readings for the coming Sunday. These important discussions help provide a variety of ways you can get more out of your worship experience by sharing insights and questions raised during class. Bring a friend! Everyone is welcome.

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May 14, 2017	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter	First Reading Psalm Epistle Reading Gospel	Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60 146 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14
May 21, 2017	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter	First Reading Psalm Epistle Reading Gospel	Acts 17:16-31 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21
May 25, 2017	Ascension of Our Lord	First Reading Psalm Epistle Gospel	Acts 1:1-111 47 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53
May 28, 2017	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter	First Reading Psalm Epistle Gospel	Acts 1:12-26 68:1-10 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11 John 17:1-11
June 4, 2017	Day of Pentecost	First Reading Psalm Epistle Gospel	Numbers 11:24-30 25:1-15 Acts 2:1-21 John 7:37-39
June 11, 2017	The Holy Trinity	First Reading Psalm Epistle Gospel	Genesis 1:1-2:4a 8 2:14a, 22-36 28:16-20
June 18, 2017	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun. a. Pentecost	First Reading Psalm Epistle Gospel	Exodus 19:2-8 100 Romans 5:6-15 Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-20)

## Linus Pauling Request!

Dear Shepherd Friends in Christ ~

I received a call from Gen McConnell, our contact at Linus Pauling Middle School, who once again thanked us for our quick and generous response to her plea for dressers.

There is now a new, emerging need that we may be able to help with. Gen is contacting us and other possible sources in order to come up with a DOUBLE BABY STROLLER and a BABY BACK-PACK (the baby carrier one places on her back).

Might you have either of these items and are no longer in need of them? A 12 year old student is picking up her four siblings (two sets of twins) and walking them from the babysitter to her home each day with no accessories to help her. These items would be a major blessing.

Gen is contacting her list of churches and agencies in order to meet this need. I am glad we are on the top of her list and are allowed an opportunity to assist. Please email me, Katy Trautman, at [ktrautman@comcast.net](mailto:ktrautman@comcast.net), if you can help.

Blessings,  
Katy



**CORVALLIS SENIOR MEALS on WHEELS**

**is looking for**

**KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS**

*\*PLEASE SEE THE ENTRY WAY BULLETIN FOR MORE INFORMATION\**



## **Lay Ministry May 14**

**Greeter:**

Cheryl Viner & Pauline Holthofer

**Acolyte:**

Kari Dort

**Reader:**

Jeff Hintzman

**Sound & Slides:**

Craig Bell

**Ushers:**

Jay McDougal, Karen Inman, Bobby  
Webb, NEED HELP

**Communion:**

Dennis Anderson & Peter Klammer

**Refreshments:**

Karen Inman & NEED HELP

**Musician:**

Lisa Boylan

## **Lay Ministry May 21**

**Greeter:**

Craig & Sandy Bell

**Acolyte:**

Caroline Hintzman

**Reader:**

Alison Hintzman

**Sound & Slides:**

Ellie & Caroline Hintzman

**Ushers:**

Jay McDougal, Karen Inman, Bobby  
Webb, NEED HELP

**Communion:**

Dennis Anderson & Peter Klammer

**Refreshments:**

Debi Anderson & NEED HELP

**Musician:**

Lisa Boylan