

God's "Let us" Plan



for a
Happy & Healthy 2019



SEEKING THE LOST...FEEDING THE FOUND...WITH GOD'S WORD AND SACRAMENTS

WELCOME!

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! We are honored that you are with us. We pray that the word of God you hear will strengthen your faith and increase your love for the Lord!

If you are a guest today, know that we are thankful you have joined us, and hope that you will join us again soon. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about us, please speak to an Usher after today's service.

ABOUT OUR SERVICE

The gospel (or good news) is not just information about what Jesus did to save sinners. It is also the power God uses to work faith in our hearts and transform our lives. Therefore, Lutheran worship places the gospel in central focus in our order of service. In the sermon, in specially selected Bible readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers and creeds, our order of service proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish.

Lutheran worship is also designed to include the participation of the entire assembly (including children). For your ease and convenience, the order of service is printed out in the following pages. If a song is not found in the service folder, it can be found in the red hymnal. Parts marked **M** are spoken or sung by the minister, and parts marked **C** and printed in bold are spoken or sung by the congregation.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

- If you are in need of **restrooms**, they are located on the left as you exit the worship area. There are also restrooms on the right side of the Fellowship Hall.
- If your child needs a moment to be quieted, a **children's room** is available in the Fellowship Hall (exit the worship area and turn to your right down the hallway) in the first room on the right. A television in that room has a live audio/video feed of the service.
- **Children's activity sheets**, which include activities and lessons pertaining to today's Bible readings, are available from the ushers in the entryway.

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING HYMN

Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising

Christian Worship 42

stanzas 1-3

STAND

M The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C And also with you.

CONFESSION

M Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE



C Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -



ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -



ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 10:19-25

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

M This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL

Luke 18:18-27

¹⁸ A certain ruler asked him, “Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

¹⁹ “Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone.

²⁰ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother.’”

²¹ “All these I have kept since I was a boy,” he said.

²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

²³ When he heard this, he became very sad, because he was very wealthy. ²⁴ Jesus looked at him and said, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

²⁶ Those who heard this asked, “Who then can be saved?”

²⁷ Jesus replied, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.”

M This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

A Great and Mighty Wonder

Christian Worship 36

stanzas 1,4,5

SERMON

Hebrews 12:1

Throw Off Whatever Is Hindering You

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, **let us throw off everything that hinders** and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

In response to God's love, we bring him our offerings. The members of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Guests need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

*We ask that everyone, both guests and members, sign the **worship register** during the collection of the offering so that we might thank our guests who have joined us today.*

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Prayers and petitions are offered on behalf of the Church, nation, and world.

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

M Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



C A - men. A - men. A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

Let Us All with Gladsome Voice
Christian Worship 64

*Please join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall
(take the hallway to the right) following the service!*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor Kevin Klug, *Vacancy Pastor*

Caryn Heller, *Organist*

Ahmad Sedgahat & Shawn Wilson, *Ushers*

Thomas Krafft, *Elder*

Linda Kennedy, *Altar Care*

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today	9:30 a.m.	Worship with the Lord's Supper
	10:45 a.m.	Bible Study & S.S.
	12:00 p.m.	Call Meeting with Lunch
	1:00 p.m.	Youth Catechism Class
Wednesday	1:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	3:45 p.m.	Faculty Meeting
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Pastor Klug Office Hours (9am-4pm)
	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Klug
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Klug
Saturday		Church Cleaners: Moya & Ehrlich/Kennedy
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Bible Study & S.S.

Next Sunday Ushers: Hohenstein & Goforth

Next Sunday Snacks: Recknor & Seckler

Next Sunday Elder: Bollmeier

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Bible Class

Join us this morning at 10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Adult Bible Class.

Sunday School

Classes for children age 3 through Grade 8 will meet in the Bible Study Room in the Education Wing at 10:45 a.m.

Call Meeting

The congregation has scheduled a meeting to issue a Divine Call for our next pastor today at 12:00 p.m. after the Open Forum. We will have soup and sandwiches lunch after Bible class before the meeting. Please either bring sandwiches or soup to share. Thank you.

Position Opening

Beginning immediately, our church leadership will be accepting applications for our open position of *Office Assistant*. Our current Office Assistant is willing to continue working while we find someone for that position, as well as train our newly hired person.

The role of *Office Assistant* is to oversee all activities of the church and preschool office and provide a welcoming, positive, and confidential environment for all visitors during office hours. This position handles many aspects of behind-the-scenes communication, administration, and logistical duties to support the church and its preschool.

A Job Description and Application Form can be found on the Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall. Completed applications can be given to Phil Prellwitz.

Preschool Enrollment and Open House

If you are interested in enrolling your child into preschool or have any extended family that is interested in our preschool, please get an enrollment packet from Karen Schott. Priority enrollment for our current and past families begins on Tuesday, January 22. Open enrollment to the public will begin Monday, February 11. We will have a Preschool Open House on Monday, February 11 from 4:00-6:00pm for anyone interested in finding out more about our preschool.

Midweek Bible Study Starting

Pastor Klug would like to invite you to join him on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month for a Bible Study. Starting on January 17, we will have a Bible Study based on the sermon at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. If you think you might be able to attend, please let Pastor Klug know so that he can have enough materials.

RMLHS Booster Club Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

The Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Booster Club is sponsoring an all-you-can-eat pancake fundraiser from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, January 19 at Applebee's Restaurant, 297 E 120th Avenue, Thornton, CO 80233. Tickets are \$10 per person, and include pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk, juice and soft drinks. \$6 of each ticket will be used to offset athletic uniform costs. Tickets are available for purchase from RMLHS students and through the school office, 303-346-1947. You may also purchase tickets at the door.

Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Eagle for a Day/RML Sneak Peek

RMLHS will be hosting its annual Eagle for a Day/RML Sneak Peek for 7th and 8th graders on Monday, January 28. To register, please complete a simple online form at <https://tinyurl.com/y6vps6o9> by Wednesday, January 23. Your registration allows RMLHS to plan for the number of guests who will be present that day. Please contact the office with any questions at 303-346-1947 or kathy.kieselhorst@rmlhs.net - Thank you! Here is a link to the schedule for the day: <https://tinyurl.com/yd7x3lot>

RMLHS Federation Basketball Day

Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School would like to invite you, your students, and congregation to our afternoon basketball games on Saturday, February 2nd. Our basketball teams will be playing Arickaree/Woodlin: boys JV-1:00, girls varsity-2:30, boys varsity-4:00. The games will be played at Adams City High School located at 7200 Quebec Pkwy, Commerce City, CO 80022. Both of our varsity teams are having really great seasons and the games will be fun and exciting! Those attending the games for the RMLHS Federation Day will not be charged admission. Please help us by inviting your members and students. We would love to have you join us!

ABOUT US

OUR MISSION

Shepherd of the Hills Evangelical Lutheran Church began public worship in 1975, so that with the gospel of Jesus Christ, we might strengthen the faith of our members and reach out into our community and the world. Shepherd of the Hills has Jesus', the Good Shepherd's mission, to SEEK THE LOST and FEED THE FOUND with God's Word and Sacraments.

OUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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OUR MINISTRY

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study and Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

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OUR CHURCH BODY

Shepherd of the Hills proclaims the truth about Jesus throughout the world as a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). The WELS—so-named because it began in Wisconsin—has about 400,000 members, congregations in all 50 states, and missions throughout the world. For more information about WELS go to www.wels.net.