

NEW JERUSALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Pastor David Hefner

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Ms. Carolyn Miller

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026
10:30 am

The Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
*Confession and Forgiveness page 56

GATHERING
*The Opening Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* # 499
*The Greeting page 57
*The Kyrie page 57
*The Hymn of Praise page 58
*The Prayer of the Day Insert

WORD
The Children's Sermon
Noisy Offering (for School Supply Drive)
The First Reading Isaiah 55:10-13
The Psalm 65:1-14 (To be sung responsively.) Insert
The Second Reading Romans 8:12-17
*The Verse page 62
*The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
The Sermon Pastor Dave
*The Hymn of the Day *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God* WOV # 783
*The Apostles' Creed page 65
*The Offertory page 75
The Prayers of Intercession page 76
The Lord's Prayer page 76

SENDING
*The Closing Hymn *We Plow the Fields and Scatter* # 362
*The Benediction page 76
The Postlude Silent Prayer
(* Congregation please stand)
Silent Prayer

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
Today 8:30 am Early Service of Holy Communion (Outdoor Chapel)
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Service of Worship
Monday 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday 10:00 am Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 pm Piece Makers Meet
1:00 pm Bible Journaling Group (Scout Hut)
5:45-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School
Wednesday 10:00 am Senior Friends
5:45-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School
Thursday 5:45-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School
Next Sunday 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Service of Holy Communion
1:30 pm-4:30 pm American Heritage Girls (Fellowship Hall)

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK Sunday School – 30
10:30 Service – 98

THE FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Women's Group #4.

Next week – Paula White

TELLER COMMITTEE – Donald Barger, Billy Young, Ken Temple

COUNCIL DESIGNATE – Donald Barger

ALTAR COMMITTEE – Dana Hoyle, Janet Lynch, Julie Temple

USHERS – Allen Cook, Jose Barba, Dennis Bollinger, Audrey Rozzelle

ACOLYTE – Sandra Bollinger

PASTOR'S ASSISTANT – Connie Lutz

TAPE MINISTRY – Robert Hoyle

Next week – Robert Hoyle

YARD MAINTENANCE

Week Beginning July 12 – BJ Morgan, Paul Lail

Week Beginning July 19 – Dennis Lutz, John Lutz

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK – Danny Sorrells, Callie Southers, Candice Johnson, Nautia Yount, Dalton Hefner, Roy Seitz, Jacob & Luke Caulbe, Tammy Brooks



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VBS FOR ADULTS LED BY PASTOR DAVE: Come for supper if you like at 5:45. Class will begin in the adult assembly room when we finish our meal (no later than 6:30) and end around 8:00. Here's our daily focus. Bring your Bibles.

Day One: **Jesus is the Promised and Perfect Son of God**

Who is Jesus? Messiah? Was Jesus just an ordinary man? Savior? Divine Son of God?

Day Two: **Jesus is the Powerful and Proven Son of God**

Was Jesus just a teacher? a miracle worker? What authority does he have?

Day Three: **Jesus is God's Plan for Forgiveness**

What is forgiveness? How does God forgive us in Jesus? How do we repent and receive forgiveness?

Mark your Calendars-

- **VBS** is this week, and we are ready to illuminate for Jesus. VBS will be this Tuesday, July 14th through Thursday, July 16th from 5:45 pm to 8:30 pm with the Water slide and Ice Cream on the evening of the 16th. We are looking for volunteers so be on the lookout for ways you can serve.
- **Back to School Community Event** is Sept. 13th
- **Fall Festival w/ Trunk or Treat** is November 7th

CALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Dana Hoyle (Chairperson), Rusty Lutz, Callie Southers, Landon Scronce, Jan Sorrells, and Ken Temple. Please reach out to any of these committee members with questions or to provide input.

IF YOU NEED PASTORAL CARE, please contact Pastor Dave Hefner by phone (828-200-2980) or email (revhef1982@gmail.com).



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PLEASE REMEMBER OUTREACH MINISTRY

PROM May/June '26 Summary:

- Visitations 41 58 Hours
- Greeting cards 120 24 Hours
- Phone contacts 37 20 Hours
- E-sign messages 30 18 Hours
- Facebook Group page 5 1 Hour

CONTACTS250 PROM CONTACTS

PROM TEAM members:

Jennifer Bumgarner, Donna Bunton, Barbara Hamrick, Carolyn Miller, Wayne Cashion,
Judy Vane, and Betty and Mike Scipione

IF INTERESTED IN JOINING PROM TEAM, SEE ANY TEAM MEMBER LISTED ABOVE.