



The mission of Park View Lutheran Church is to awaken unbelievers to faith in the Triune God, and teach believers to live as servants of the Risen Lord.

Pentecost: The Holy Spirit at Work

Pentecost is often called the birthday of the Christian Church. 50 days after Easter, the disciples gathered together as Jesus had instructed them, waiting for the fulfillment of His promise: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Then, in Acts 2, God acted in a mighty way. Scripture tells us, "suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind" (Acts 2:2), and the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples. Filled with boldness, they began proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to people from many nations and languages. What began with a fearful group gathered behind closed doors became the beginning of the Church's mission to proclaim Christ to the world.

As Lutherans, we confess that the Holy Spirit continues to work even today. In Luther's explanation to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed, we confess: "I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel..." The Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies God's people through the Means of Grace—God's Word and Sacraments.

The work of the Holy Spirit is not centered on dramatic emotions or extraordinary experiences, but on Christ and His promises. The Spirit works through preaching, Baptism, the Lord's Supper, and Scripture to create and strengthen faith. Though these gifts may appear ordinary, through them God is actively forgiving sins, strengthening believers, and drawing people to Himself.

We see the Holy Spirit at work throughout the life of our congregation. He works through children learning Bible stories in Sunday School, Confirmation and LYLES. He works through worship, fellowship, acts of service, and prayers shared among God's people. He works through families gathering around God's Word at home and through members caring for one another in times of joy and hardship.

As summer begins, Pentecost reminds us that faith does not take a vacation. Schedules become busy and routines change, yet the Holy Spirit continues faithfully working through His Church. Summer can become an opportunity to remain rooted in God's Word through worship, prayer, devotion, and service to others.

Pentecost also reminds us that the Church is sent into the world with the Gospel. The disciples were empowered by the Spirit to proclaim Christ crucified and risen. In the same way, God sends us into our homes, schools, workplaces, and more to share the hope we have in Jesus.

Though we may feel weak or inadequate, the Spirit continues to work through ordinary people for God's extraordinary purposes. Through His Spirit, God still forgives sins, strengthens faith, gathers His Church, and points all people to Jesus Christ. God doesn't call the equipped, He equips the called.

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful people,
and kindle in them the fire of Your love.*

In Christ,
Bethany Dorschner DCE/O

Points of Interest

- * VBS Orientation
- * VBS Week
June 15-19
- * Summer Worship
Schedule
- * Sunday Bible Study
- * Share & Care
Preschool News
- * Our 2026 High School
Graduates

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Normal Schedule:

Sunday Worship Schedule:
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School/Bible Study:
Ages 3 - Adult 9:15 a.m.

Summer Thursday Worship Schedule:
Memorial Day - Labor Day 7:00 p.m.

Summer Sunday Worship Schedule:
Memorial Day - Labor Day 9:00 a.m.

JUNE is VBS MONTH!

JOIN US
JUNE 15-19

FROM
9AM - 11:30AM



IT WILL BE
A WEEK
FILLED
WITH
FAITH
AND
FUN!

MONDAY Learn of the Two Kingdoms, one ruled by the Creator King and the other the Prince of Darkness! Our focus will be: Absolute truth is true for all people, for all times, for all circumstances.

TUESDAY Put on the Belt of Truth, while learning about our Savior King and standing strong in the truth!

WEDNESDAY With the Breastplate of Righteousness and the Shoes of the Gospel of Peace, we will learn to put on Jesus' righteousness and then do what is right.

THURSDAY Donning the Shield of Faith and Helmet of Salvation, we will learn to guard against false teachings and temptations!

FRIDAY Taking up the Sword of the Spirit and Prayer we will be equipped to give an answer for the hope that is in us!

¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, Ephesians 6:13-18



June



Other Education & Bible Study Opportunities

SUMMER BIBLE CLASS: *THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW*

Beginning **Sunday, May 31, 2026 at 10:15 a.m.** in the **Multi-Purpose Room**, our Bible Class will work through selected sessions from *That the World May Know* video series. Each week offers a look into the world of the Bible, helping us see Scripture through its historical and cultural context.

Although it is a series, **every session is independent**, making it ideal for summer schedules. Whether you can attend regularly or only occasionally, you'll be able to jump in at any point and benefit from each lesson.

The class will be led by **Craig Tannahill**. We hope you'll join us for this engaging and accessible time in God's Word. All ages are welcome!

June LYLES 6:00 - 7:30pm

June 10th - Make your own pizza

June 17th - No Meeting - VBS Week

June 24th - Pasta night

The Tuesday Morning Men's and Thursday Morning Women's Bible Studies are taking a break for the Summer!

A Look Back: Wow! What a great year we had at Share & Care Christian Preschool. We were able to touch the lives of 33 different children and families this past year! These children heard about Jesus daily, grew in friendships and social skills, and learned their letters, shapes, colors, and numbers. Along with these lessons, they learned about rhyming words, matching, improved their fine and gross motor development, and more. Not only did they learn about Jesus, but the children also got to share the message of Jesus through song to their families at our Christmas, Easter, and End-of-Year programs, as well as in some of the projects they took home.

In May, we held tropical dress up day, decorated mini watering cans complete with fingerprint hearts for Mother's Day, and made dad a special sign for Father's Day. We also had some special guest speakers in the classroom which included Rod Weiss who visited our older class with his school bus so those going off to kindergarten could see the inside of a bus before they head off to big school! Our year-end program centered on our theme for the year, God's All Star's, and all things sports. Children sang songs including "Big House" and "Take Me Out to See Jesus" (Tune: Take Me Out to the Ballgame) and other songs that showed their families what they learned throughout the year and about our typical day in the classroom. As always, we sang "Awesome God"

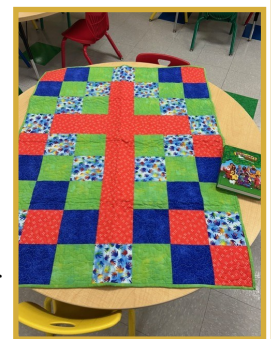
Thank You's: A huge thank you to our PVLC quilters for once again giving each graduating child a quilt. Our graduating class also receives a children's Bible each year thanks to the Buck Fish Memorial Bible Fund. We also wish to thank those who have supported the preschool in any way this past year through prayers, donations, and volunteer support. A special thanks to Denise Weiss, Sandy Ott, and Angela Elmshaeuser for servings as volunteer substitute aids this year. Also thank you to all our congregation members who served as prayer partners this past year.

Looking forward to the 2026-2027 school year: We currently have 29 children registered for next year and a few more families possibly interested in registering. Thanks be to God for those 29 families and please continue to pray for the preschool and for registration to continue during the summer months.

We are already getting things ready for the new school year and continue to be excited about our new camping theme, Adventure in Faith. New this year, we have created a logo for our theme and have chosen a Bible verse to go with that theme. Soon camping décor will be filling our classroom walls!

Blessings,

Jennifer Rathe, Director





As one school year at Share & Care ends...



At the end of the year, the children were asked, "What was your favorite part of preschool?"



and



Things Our
Preschool
Families
Said...



Thanks for being a great place that keeps my kiddos smiling all year through.

My child comes home excited to talk about Jesus!

Look for us this Summer!



Find our bottles of bubbles at businesses around town!



You'll see Share & Care mentioned in the race bags at the Strawberry Stampede & the Moonlight Chase!



Visit our booth at the Eldridge Summer Festival!

planning for the next year has begun!

A New Motto!



A
New
Theme!

Introducing... our 2026-2027
Classroom Theme and Verse:



"The Lord your God is with you
wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

*Thank
you*

**Members Bring Back
Their Bulletins**

Jennifer Wilshusen,
Trinity Lutheran Church &
School, Lincoln, NE
Gene & Trish Horn,
Beautiful Savior Lutheran
Church, Polk City, IA and
Peace Valley Lutheran
Church, Monroe, WI



Sunday, June 14th Orientation

All Kingdom Keepers VBS volunteers are encouraged to attend our **Volunteer Orientation Night** on **Sunday, June 14th at 6:30 PM.**



Koen Krambeck writes PVLC has taught me values like kindness, forgiveness, and putting others before myself. Since my confirmation class was only 2 people, I also became comfortable speaking up and asking questions without feeling self-conscious. Being a member of LYLES has meant helping at the fair booth with my sister and grandma. Koen will be attending Kirkwood Community College getting his degree in Construction Management.

Caitlynn Peters writes PVL has been a safe, loving church family since I was a few weeks old. While my parents both worked weekends I stayed with my grandparents and attended church and Sunday school. Every summer I attended VBS and helped my Grandma with getting things ready for Share & Care. When I was old enough I became a VBS helper. All of you and more helped me grow in my faith. I was not a member of LYLES because I lived too far away. I was part of a youth group and weekly Bible study with my friends in Kalona, Iowa. I will be attending Kirkwood then hopefully onto a 4 year college. I will be getting my degree in psychology and social work and working at Maurice's.

Aubrey Toohey writes PVLC has meant a lot to me throughout the years. The love and support from the congregation along with my faith in the Lord have helped guide me through difficult times. I am thankful for the memories I have made and the relationships I have formed here at the church. At a time when there are so many distractions in the world, it is comforting to have fellowship with the Lord. Begin a member of LYLES has helped me grow both personally and spiritually. It has given me the opportunity to meet a lot of great people and share my faith in the Lord. Through LYLES, I have learned the importance of serving others, being a leader, and setting an example for other youth. I am thankful and blessed for the opportunities and experiences LYLES has given me, and look forward to sharing my faith throughout my future. I will be attending Luther College in Decorah, IA getting my degree in nursing with the plan to become a pediatric or family nurse practitioner.



Birthdays

- 2 Kurt Krambeck
- 3 Esther Harrison
- 4 Karl Elmshaeuser
Christopher Tague
Nathan Tague
- 5 Nora Bomia
Trisha Horn
- 6 Tammy Gustafson
Matthew Klever
Jim Payne
Brylee Rathe
- 7 Alayna Krambeck
- 8 Carol Hauser
Sally Oberlander
Jace Tippet
- 9 Russell Soenksen
- 11 Hadley Thompson
- 13 Alex Yaudas
- 15 Patrick Looney
Oliver Mangan
- 17 Angela Elmshaeuser
Michaela Goodwin
- 19 Jo Miller
Devin Sanders
- 22 Tyler Kull
Caleb Wilshusen
- 23 Dale Grunwald
Sarah Blazier
- 25 Ikyah Hill
- 26 Deborah Brown
- 28 Ben Fish
Peyton Paxton
Zach Warm
- 29 Gemma Bomia
Ken Thomsen
- 30 Mallory Grunwald



Anniversaries

- 1 Christine & Jeffrey Fluegel (24)
- 8 Sue & Quintin Gerard (41)
Lydia & Nathan Hoft (2)
- 10 Jackie & Tom Knapper (22)
Corie & Cody Nelson (3)
- 11 Addie & Mark Akin (15)
- 12 Amanda & Adam Ahrens (22)
- 19 Sue & Tim Raleigh (33)
- 20 Becky & Steve Knorrek (28)
- 22 Betty & Francis Kircher (30)
- 28 Kay & Jerry Hartwig (51)
Marcia & James McKinney (51)

Please keep the following members in your prayers:

For those fighting/healed of cancer: Bonnie Amhof, Rich Atwood, Andrew Claeys, Mike Cornett, Gene Horn, Cheryl Kofron, Jim McKinney, Marcia McKinney, Cy Miller, Jo Miller, Chuck Moeller, Connie Morse, Judy Mumm, Don Petersen, Grace Pfeiler, Donna Ploog, Dorcas Smith, Del Traub, Connie Youngers, for strength and healing from our Great Physician.



For our members who suffer silently from chronic life threatening illness, for comfort, strength and healing of all weaknesses.

For our members confined to a nursing facility or homebound by illness or other weakness, for patience, healing and comfort.

For Park View Lutheran, calling a pastor.

For Mary Fahrenkrug, relief of back pain.

For Donna Ploog, in hospice.

For those of our armed forces, especially those with ties to our faith family here at PVLC:

Overseas: Lucas Miller; **Stateside:** Michael Bartel, Tanner Carpenter, Caleb Claeys, Kasey Denison, Larry Goodwin, Isabella Richards, Brett Slaughter, Luke Striegel, Christopher Teuscher, Nate Thayer, Jadin Valesco.

For our First Responders: Law Enforcement, Fire and Ambulance.

Friends and Relatives of Members to keep in our prayers:

Rev. Brad Birtell, Tammy Cheek, Dawn Dorschner, and Scott Horn, as they face natural disaster recovery, Covid-19, pneumonia, influenza, cancer, surgery, stroke, Alzheimer's, or illness, we pray for peace that surpasses all understanding.

Missionaries in Puerto Rico Rev. James and Angie Sharp & Bible Translators Nathan and Sarah Federwitz

Thank you to Wayne and Sandy Ott; Stan and LuAnn Paxton; Susan Kalainoff; Craig Tannahill; Rod Weiss; and Donna Ploog for cleaning up and preening the church garden beds!



Thank you for the many prayers and for celebrating with us. My dad, Fred Smith, is enjoying the cards you sent to him for his 100th birthday! It was so kind. I also appreciate all the prayers for healing after my eye procedure. We truly have a FAMILY of faith here at Park View Lutheran. We appreciate you so very much!

Sue Klever

June 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Primary Voting	3	4 7:00pm-Worship HC	5	6
7 9:00am-Worship HC 10:15am-Bible Study	8 6:30pm-Ex Bd Mtg	9 9:00am-Quilting	10 LYTES-6-7:30pm	11 7:00pm-Worship	12	13
14 9:00am-Worship HC 10:15am-Bible Study 6:30pm-VBS Orientation	15 9:00am-VBS	16 9:00am-VBS	17 9:00am-VBS	18 9:00am-VBS 7:00pm-Worship HC	19 9:00am-VBS	20
21 9:00am-Worship HC 10:15am-Bible Study	22 6:30pm-Fair Booth Mtg	23 9:00am-Quilting	24 LYTES-6-7:30pm	25 7:00pm-Worship	26	27
28 9:00am-Worship HC 10:15am-Bible Study	29	30				

June Serving Schedule

Ushers

- 7 Dan Kilen, Jerry Hartwig, (9:00)
Rob Martin, Zach Cameron,
Gayle Rasmussen
- 14 Lee Holden, Rod Kjersten (9:00)
Jerry Wuestenberg, John Schaub,
Craig Tannahill, Mark Hundley
- 21 Tim Raleigh, Del Traub, (9:00)
Shawn Gerard, Chuck Moeller
Andrew Claeys, Joe Claeys
- 28 Jeff Pearce, Wayne Ott, (9:00)
Gene Horn, Brian Klever
Rob Martin, Zach Cameron,
Gayle Rasmussen

Elders

- 4 Jim Gruntorad (C) (7:00)
7 Scott Campbell/Andy Hartwig (C)
(9:00)
- 11 Tim Raleigh (7:00)
14 Craig Tannahill/Kyle Rehn (C) (9:00)
18 Jim Gruntorad (C) (7:00)
21 Kyle Rehn/Craig Tannahill (C) (9:00)
25 Brian Klever (7:00)
28 Quintin Gerard/Tim Raleigh (C) (9:00)

Acolytes

- 4 Volunteer (7:00)
7 Mason Rathe (9:00)
11 Volunteer (7:00)
14 Michaela Goodwin (9:00)
18 Volunteer (7:00)
21 Zane Ayers (9:00)
25 Volunteer (7:00)
28 Kip VanWetzinga (9:00)

Communion Washers

- 4 Sandy Ott (7:00)
7 Mary Lou Engler (9:00)
Marcia Perdieu
14 Barb Huff (9:00)
Julie Daniels
18 Connie Youngers (7:00)
21 Catherine Schaub (9:00)
Dawn Dittmer
28 Mary Lou Kaney (9:00)
Teri Wuestenberg

Counters

- 7 Lee/Jackie Holden
Doug/Aimee Egesdal
14 Tracy Carstens
Randy Ridgeway
21 Connie Youngers
Ralph/Pam Schneklath
28 Jerry/Kay Hartwig
Andy Hartwig