



**SOLOMON'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Solomon's Says

A Newsletter from the Faith Community of Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church

"Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran Church, following the example of Jesus Christ, seeks to live in the confidence and fullness of God's grace; to preach the Good News boldly and truthfully; to support and serve others in faith; to work in harmony with all creation."

Pastoral Letter – Pastor Julia Brown

The UCC offers what we call "Living Psalms," which are, "Psalms in the form of words and art, reborn in the specific contexts of our world, privileging the voices of historically marginalized communities and those acting in solidarity with them."

As we enter the liturgical season of Pentecost and look toward the summer - when many of us will venture into the outdoors, enjoy the fruits of the earth, and travel to beaches, lakes, rivers, or ponds – I want to share with you this Living Psalm by The Rev. Justo González, II. It is a reimagining of our Pentecost psalm, Psalm 104:24-35.

"Renewing the face of the earth"

O Senor, how beautiful and rich the tapestry weaved by your works and the road yet travelled. In splendid bright and unexpected colors you have made them bloom. Everything is your creation, what has been the past, and all that you are making anew. The earth is full of your creatures. Use us, your human ones, as you will.

There is water throughout the world. The waves are calm or difficult to navigate at times. Oceans are vast, indeed often too vast for us to fully absorb. There is an infinite number of marine life that lives, breeds, brings food and scares your people within the waters of life. On the oceans are vessels great and small and creatures, your spectacular sport which bring us all that is necessary.

All faces lift to you, God of mercy and grace. Provide us the bread of life (El pan de la vida), and do not forget us. May your seasons provide for all when they need it most. May your people of the earth not only gather up your provisions for themselves but gather for our siblings at home and abroad. We are all connected to each other. Help us to experience that in times of both calm and distress you provide good things.

When you turn your face away from us, we are all disoriented and confused; when your breath no longer nurtures us, we die. In that time, "from the dust we were created to the dust we shall return" we go home to

you throughout eternity. As the ruach (spirit) of God breathes upon us, we are created and you bring life to the lifeless. La gloria del señor (the glory of the Son of Man) endures para siempre (forever). May the gift of love celebrate these works within us even as we look at the world we see through human eyes.

Yet, with Messiah, the creator of all that was and is, the earth trembles. Mountains smoke as the Holy one touches them. Lead us to the Lord our God as lifegiving energy continues to flow within us. Let us join the celestial and human choir as we sing praise to God whose Son gave himself up freely out of unconditional love. May our meditations be pleasing to your eyes, for we rejoice in you, LORD. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Alabado sea Dios (Praise the LORD) for the embraces we have not earned nor expected but that come through God's compassion and unflinching love.

Works Cited

Gonzalez, Justo. "Renewing the face of the earth." <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/living-psalm-10424-34/>. Accessed May 20, 2026.



Gospel Readings for June:

- Sunday, June 7 - Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
- Sunday, June 14 - Matthew 9:35-10:8(10:9-23)
- Sunday, June 21 - Matthew 10:24-39
- Sunday, June 28 - Matthew 10:40-42

Gospel Readings for JULY:	Gospel Readings for AUGUST:
Sunday, July 5 - Matthew 11:16-19,25-30	Sunday, August 2 - Matthew 14:13-21
Sunday, July 12 - Matthew 13:1-9,18-23	Sunday, August 9 - Matthew 14:22-33
Sunday, July 19 - Matthew 13:24-30,36-43	Sunday, August 16 - Matthew 15:10-20,21-28
Sunday, July 26 - Matthew 13:31-33,44-52	Sunday, August 23 - Matthew 16:13-20
	Sunday, August 30 - Matthew 16:21-28

Solomon's Serving Schedule - June

	6/7/26	6/14/26	6/21/26	6/28/26
<i>Head Usher</i>	Janice McEntire			
<i>Lector</i>		Patricia Yetter		Rich McEntire
<i>Acolyte</i>			Outside worship	
<i>Communion Set-Up</i>		N/A	Outside worship	N/A
<i>Communion Clean-Up</i>		N/A	Outside worship	N/A
<i>Communion Assist</i>		N/A	Outside worship	N/A
<i>Communion Bread</i>		N/A	Outside worship	N/A
<i>Securing Offering</i>	Martie Veilleux & Becky Pecha			
<i>Coffee Fellowship</i>	Colleen Johnson			

News from Social Ministry



Social Ministry thanks all those who participated in the Power Pack Program, to help those in need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



During the months of June, July, and August, Social Ministry will be collecting items for personal care kits. Kits will be assembled on Rally Day, September 13th. Display of items needed will be in the sanctuary. Anyone wishing to give a monetary donation can make a check payable to Solomon's Lutheran Church and mark personal care kits on memo line.

YOU'RE
Invited

Fall Picnic/Campfire

Saturday, September 26
Starts at 5:00 pm/Eat at 5:30 pm
In the Church Picnic Woods



Christian Ed would like to invite the congregation to their Fall Picnic/Campfire in the Picnic Woods.

Menu: Roast your own hotdogs, baked beans, mac & cheese, chips, watermelon, roast your own s'mores, and drink.



Outdoor Worship & Picnic

Sunday, June 21
11:00 a.m.

We will have an outdoor worship service in the Woods on June 21 at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting. Following the service, we will gather in the picnic shelter for a potluck lunch. Beverages, plates, napkins, and cutlery will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and a camp chair. If it rains, we will worship in the church and eat in the Fellowship Center. The following “suggestions” for those bringing food are as follows:

- Last name beginning with A-H - a main dish
- Last name beginning with J-R - a salad
- Last name beginning with S-Z - a dessert

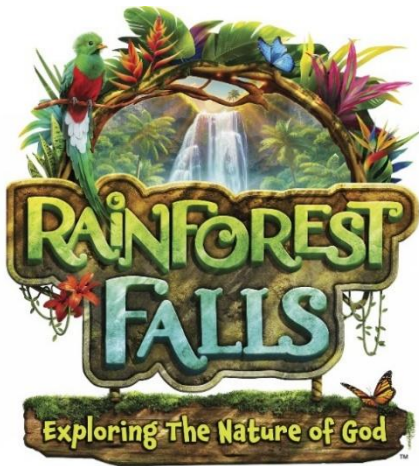


Special Worship Event



Sunday, September 7th
details to follow
Save the date!

Solomon's Lutheran Church VBS 2026



VBS - June 22 - 26, 2026

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Ages: 3 yrs. - 6th grade

CELEBRATION SUNDAY: JUNE 28 @ 10:45 am

**Please fill out the attached
Registration Form and Photo Agreement Form
Bring along the first night of VBS**



Special Collection: On VBS Celebration Sunday June 28th in addition to the regular Sunday offering plate, we will have a special container for donations at the gym entrance.

News from our

CHIR

Director

On Sunday, June 7, we will once again recognize the members of our small (but mighty and dedicated) choir. This group of people faithfully attended rehearsals each Thursday evening and led worship on Sunday mornings. June 7 will be the last Sunday they are scheduled to lead worship as a group until the fall, when rehearsals resume in September. The members of Solomon's choir include:

Kathy Bowen

Wayne Dale

Sally Gayman

Judy Johnson

Norman Kuykendall

LaRue McKenzie

Frances Reichard

Aaron Shreiner

Martie Veilleux



Solomon's is truly blessed by their dedication and faithfulness to our worship life. Be sure to express your appreciation when you see them on June 7.

Celebrating a Birthday in June....

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|-----|------------------|------|-----------------|
| 6/1 | Jared Mummert | 6/15 | Nancy Deardorff |
| 6/2 | Rosalie Hoffman | 6/24 | Dot Hunter |
| 6/4 | Annabelle Hoover | 6/24 | Lisa Mentzer |
| 6/7 | Genny Grant | 6/25 | Richard Amt |
| | | 6/27 | Erin Mummert |
| | | 6/28 | William Hoover |



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in June...



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|------|---------------------------|
| 6/2 | Randy & Mary Jane Hess |
| 6/3 | Daniel & Stephanie Crouch |
| 6/5 | Glenn & Patsy Wildeson |
| 6/6 | Jesse & Tonya Reichard |
| 6/11 | Tytus & Hollie Taylor |
| 6/14 | Phil & Colleen Johnson |
| 6/25 | Wayne & Margie Dale |
| 6/28 | Todd & Marie Dovey |

Celebrating a Birthday in July....

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|------|---------------|------|--------------------|
| 7/11 | Rob Floyd | 7/23 | Mary Jane Hess |
| 7/16 | Joe Wolfinger | 7/27 | John David Schultz |
| 7/22 | Paizley Parr | 7/28 | Rich McEntire |
| | | 7/29 | Brian Coldsmith |



Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in July...



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|------|--------------------------|
| 7/2 | Brandon & Erin Mummert |
| 7/8 | Lee & Carol Locke |
| 7/29 | Ed & Frances Reichard |
| 7/31 | Curtis & Autumn Reichard |
| 7/31 | Todd & Abby Schultz |

Celebrating a Birthday in August...



8/1 Emma English
8/1 Norm Kuykendall
8/5 Calvin Mentzer
8/16 Dustin Mull
8/20 Marty Wenger

8/20 Tana Vance
8/21 Mark Kuykendall
8/21 Earl Weaver, Jr.
8/23 Isabelle Schultz
8/29 Tarryn Taylor

Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in August...

8/12 Blaine & Lisa Mentzer
8/15 Richard & Elizabeth Amt
8/23 Rich & Janice McEntire



Friendly Reminders

If you would like to sign up for **altar flowers** the following Sundays in July and August are still available: 7/5, 8/2, 8/9, 8/30.

Have an item for the September newsletter?! Deadline is August **19th**. Please Email Kimberly at office@solomonslutheran.org.

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Join us Sunday mornings!
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

OR check us out on *YouTube!*
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"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.."
Philippians 4:13 (NRSV)