

August 16th 2015 at 9:30 am

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by
Anna Patterson

*Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
If you are visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome
and to know that we are delighted to have you here*

WELCOME! We want you to be at ease - we won't ask you to stand up and be recognized, but we'd love it if you would introduce yourself. Welcome to Good Shepherd!

We would like everyone to fill out the Friendship Pad at the end of the pews and pass it along for all to fill out. Please also mark the names of all in the family who are receiving Communion.

If you are visiting, please include your address and phone number.

Nursery Children are always welcome at our worship services; however, if you desire, please feel free to use the nursery located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miranda Klosterboer	<u>Custodian:</u>	Taylor Bastian
<u>Secretary:</u>	Darlene Barr	<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker
<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier	<u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u>	Randy&Carol Stubbs Family
<u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	<u>Lector</u>	Beth Martin
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Taylor Patterson	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Wayne Kurth
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Sondra Winters	<u>Communion Usher</u>	Vigil Gordon, Tim Gordon
<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Sharon Schlachter	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Karen Niemeier
<u>Sound System:</u>	Jay Andrews, Taylor Bastian		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Virgil and Joanne Martin, Jerry and Beth Martin, Tena Rackow		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Bob and Sharon Schlachter, Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon		
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Austin Andrews, Tena Rackow		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Willie Kayser		

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

August 16th thru August 23rd 2015

Today	Worship with Holy Communion/Mission Trip Sunday	9:30 am
	Fellowship with Mission Trip Pictures	10:30 am
	Summer Bible Study	11:00 am
Monday	Pastor Miranda at Grace Place	11:30 am-4:30 pm
	Property Team Meeting	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Pastor Miranda leads devotions at Friendship Center	1:30 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Informal Summer Worship Service	7:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion/Rally Sunday	9:30 am
	Blessing of Backpacks/Teacher Installation	
	Special Music – Glenda Linneman	
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School Kickoff	10:45 am
	Rally Day Carnival – Games	11:15 am
	Family Meal	11:45 am
	Sunday School Teacher meeting	12:30 pm

Worship Attendance August 9th was 43

Total Offering for August 9th, 2015: \$1, 878.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,838.74

Request for Prayer List: Please call the Church @ 815-369- 5552 or Pastor Miranda @ 815-291-5793

Good Shepherd Prayer List

We pray for all of those who are lonely, injured, sick, needing healing, or in need in any way. This week we especially pray for *Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim, Katy Lartz and homebound member Verl Price and Steve Fahr.*

Thank You to the Good Shepherd Men's Group and Mark Fulfs and Jesse Klosterboer for their special music this morning.

Order of Worship

The Work of the People: Dakota Road Music

PRELUDE:

Karen Niemeier

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

INVOCATION: (congregation stands)

A: We welcome each other to worship in the name of God our creator, and our redeemer, who walks with us and promises to be with us every step of our lives.

CONFESSION: *L=congregation left or pulpit side led by Assisting Minister*

R=congregation right or font side led by Pastor

L: We have not loved you with all of our hearts.

R: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We have put up walls to keep people at a distance.

R: We have failed to respond when someone is hurting.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We are captured by our desire for material wealth.

R: We forget those who do not have food or shelter.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We abuse the gifts of your creation.

R: We destroy your beauty out of ignorance and greed.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We fail to respond to your call to do justice.

R: We seek only comfort for ourselves.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

THE PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS A: We are broken but God's promises are not. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. C: **Amen.**

GATHERING SONGS: Words on Screens and any Hymn #s will be announced.

GREETING:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: **Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

L: The 1st READING is from Ephesians 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: The word of the Lord! C: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

Good Shepherd Men's Group

AM: Our Psalm for today is Psalm _____

(Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively)

L: The 2nd READING is from _____

L: The word of the Lord! C: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

"Help Us O Lord" *congregation sings through two times*

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. It starts with a D chord and contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Help us O Lord to hear your word". The second staff continues the melody for the second line: "O - pen our hearts to feel your word". The third staff continues the melody for the third line: "Give us the strength to live your word each day". The music ends with a double bar line. Chord markings "D" and "DM7" are placed above the first and second staves respectively.

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 6:51-58 C: Glory to you, O Lord!

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of Holy Communion.

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW#689

1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -

liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will

or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Congregation: After piano introduction, sing “The Spirit intercedes for us” with repeat.

The Spir-it in-ter-ces for us with
 sighs too deep for words to ex-press oh oh oh

Chords: Asus 2, E / A, G, D, Asus 2

After each petition: WA: Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: With confidence in God’s compassion and generosity, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God’s creation. *brief silence.*

WA God of generosity, you came to live among us in communion with us. We pray for all congregations, especially those here and in Pine Ridge, that they be places of welcome and belonging where those who seek you find a home. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: God of creativity, you have given us a rich earth to provide all sorts of nourishment. Grant us the wisdom to be good stewards of this vast and wondrous home. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: God of peace, we pray for the nations of the world. Give the world’s leaders the wisdom that they need to listen, seek peace, pursue justice, and provide space for healing. Give citizens the courage to raise up such leaders. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: God of compassion, we pray for all who are in need, both the needs we understand and the hungers that are beyond our comprehension. Fill all yearning souls with the true satisfaction that comes from you especially, **Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim, Katy Lartz, and brothers and sisters in the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.** Strengthen and encourage **Verl Price and Steve Fahr.** Comfort and instill your hope in those who mourn. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: God of wisdom, we pray for all those who are returning to school: students, teachers, and staff. Give them the joy of learning from each other by sharing their gifts and questions. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. C: **Amen.**

Congregation: After piano introduction, sing “The Spirit intercedes for us” with repeat.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: **And also with you.**

Congregation may greet one another using these or similar words: Peace be with you. Please be seated.

OFFERING

Special Music

Mark Fulfs and Jesse Klosterboer

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including those in need. We also offer up prayers to God as we offer ourselves (time, talents, gifts, and interests) to the Lord’s service and dedicate our lives to God’s work in the world. During this time, the table is set. After the table is set, the offering is gathered & the anthem concludes, the acolyte walks out to the edge of the chancel steps to receive the offering from the ushers.

OFFERTORY

Everybody's Got Something to Offer

(Intro C) G



Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer young and old the prince and the pau - per

Am

F

G

C



Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer in the name of the Lord

C

F

Am7

G



To the lost and the low - ly ones the mes - sage it is clear
To the be - lie - vers gath - ered here the mes - sage it is true

G

F

Am7



we have all got a gift to give our hands our hearts our tears
we have all got a gift to give in all we say and do .

OFFERING PRAYER (*congregation stands*)

A: Let Us Pray. C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We practice open Communion here — you don't have to be a member to participate. All who share our belief that Jesus is present in his holy meal are welcome to receive the bread and cup. Children and adults who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a special blessing. Holy Communion will be celebrated today using intinction (you will dip the wafer into the chalice of wine). The gold chalices have wine; the chrome chalices have grape juice. You will be ushered down the center aisle and return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you wish to commune and are unable to come forward or need other assistance, please let an usher know so that we can serve you.



COMMUNION SONG (sung by all) "Lamb of God"

♩ = 100

E G#m A B E

Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world, have

G#m A B E G#m

Mer-cy up - on us. Lamb of God you

A B E G#m A

Take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

B E G#m A B

Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the

E G#m A B E

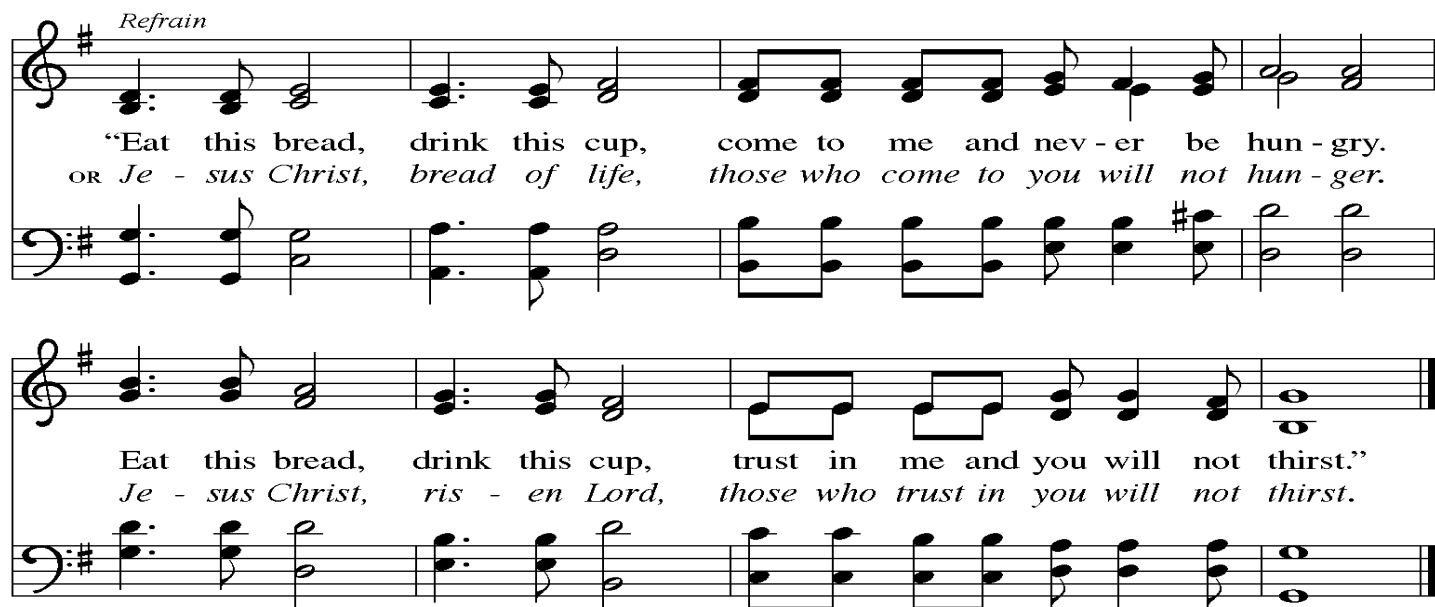
world, Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

COMMUNION SONG

Eat this Bread

ELW#472

Refrain



“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (assisting minister)

A: Let us pray, Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, ...through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death, lift you up and restore you to wholeness.

C: Amen.

P: Jesus Christ, the Word of life, bless you and send you to be his witnesses. **C: Amen.**

P: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always. **C: Amen**

SENDING SONG

Here I Am, Lord

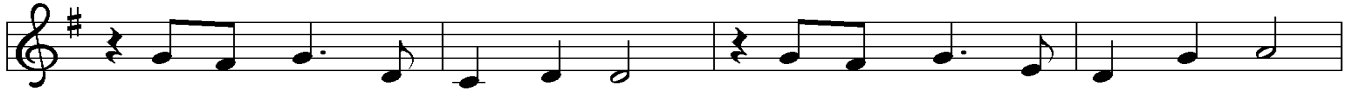
ELW#574



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

DIMISSAL *(from back)*

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you! C: Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

Karen Niemeier

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS! August 23th at 9:30am

RALLY DAY/ BLESSING OF BACK PACKS and Teacher Installation August 23th at 9:30am.

It will be an exciting first day of Sunday School! Games! Face Painting! It will be a great chance to celebrate as a family and meet your new Sunday School leaders! Gather in the Sanctuary at 10:45am for Sunday School opening and meeting your new teachers. At 11:15 we will have a family carnival with games, music, and treats! We will gather for a meal together with volunteers and families at 11:45am.

Parents and loving adults are invited to join in on the fun, too! Who will you invite? Think of your neighbors and friends... who will you invite to join us for Sunday School for an opportunity to learn and grow as children of God? Register today for Sunday School 2015/2016!

Registration forms and conduct covenants available by bulletin board

ELCA MISSIONARIES

Carol Stubbs and daughter Marissa will be at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Polo, IL on Sunday August 30th at 9:00am. Carol and Marissa will share about their ministry and life in Tanzania. Light refreshments will be served immediately following the service. All are invited to join them at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 201 N. Division Ave., Polo, IL 61064

Get ready to serve! "God's work. Our hands." Sunday, Sept. 27th, 2015

This fall, the nearly 10,000 congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) are invited to put their faith into action by serving their communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God's people.

Save the date to join brothers and sisters in Christ in serving our neighbor on September 27th. We will seek to have service opportunities for all ages and abilities. Make sure to sign up!

**The MEN'S GROUP is looking for projects for
"God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday on September 27th.**

If you or someone you know *has a service* project/ need that we could help with as a church.

Please contact the church office for a project application.

Your Giving Statements

Please pick up your giving statements they are available at south entry of Sanctuary

LENA LIVING CENTER

Wednesday August 19th from 5:00-6:00 Community Supper Doll Community Room 1008

Thursday Aug. 27th from 8:00- 10:30 - FREE cholesterol and blood sugar screenings

Doll Memorial Apt. Community Room, 1008 S Logan, Lena, Il.

Sponsored by FHN Top 50 - Fasting is required.

Today's favorite hymns are listed below with members' name and reasons for choosing them:

Here I am Lord- anonymous