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August 14<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 9:30 am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

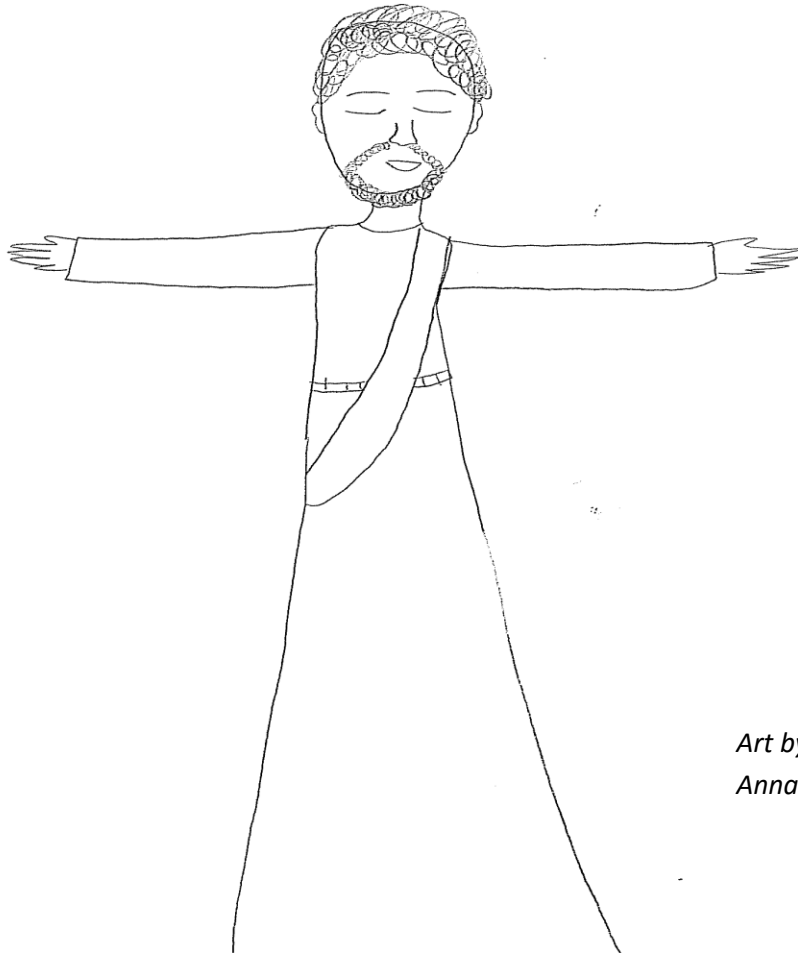
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Art by  
Anna Patterson

***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***

**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.**

– **ORDER OF WORSHIP** –  
**WOV SETTING 5- BREAD OF LIFE**

**PRELUDE**

*(A time for prayer and reflection)*

**Tena Rackow**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
 abounding in steadfast love toward us,  
 healing the sick and raising the dead,  
 showering us with every good gift.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin  
 in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Just and gracious God,

**C: we come to you for healing and life.**

**Our sins hurt others and diminish us;  
 we confess them to you.**

**Our lives bear the scars of sin;  
 we bring these also to you.**

**Show us your mercy, O God.**

**Bind up our wounds,**

**forgive us our sins,**

**and free us to love,**

**for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

P: The apostle Paul assures us:

“When we were dead in our trespasses,  
 God made us alive together with Christ,  
 nailing the record of our sins to the cross.”

Jesus says to you, † “Your sins are forgiven.”

Be at peace, and tell everyone  
 how much God has done for you.

**C: Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

## Borning Cry

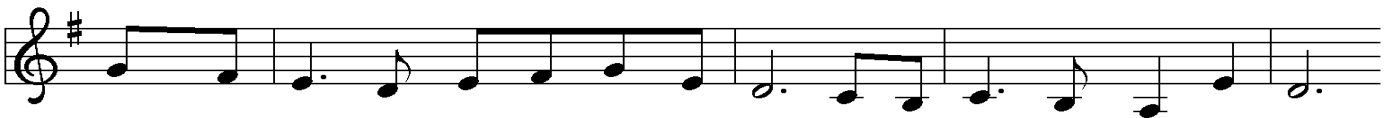
ELW#732



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.  
 you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.  
 I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
 If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."  
 I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."  
 I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

## 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.**

KYRIE *Stand*

(A) Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:      (B) Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

(A) Chri - ste e - le - i - son:      (B) Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:

(A) Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:      (B) Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

## HYMN OF PRAISE

(B) Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

(I) Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we  
 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

(B) Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

(II) Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

**C** Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
**I**  
**II** For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.  
**C** Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,  
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, C: Almighty and ever-living God, you have given great and precious promises to those who believe. Grant us the perfect faith which overcomes all doubts, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Please be seated*

L: The 1<sup>st</sup> READING is from Jeremiah 23:23-29

<sup>23</sup>Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? <sup>24</sup>Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" <sup>26</sup>How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? <sup>27</sup>They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 82** (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#82**

<sup>1</sup>God stands to charge the divine council assembled, giving judgment in the midst of the gods:

<sup>2</sup>**How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?**

<sup>3</sup>Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

<sup>4</sup>**rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

<sup>5</sup>They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a bout in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup>**Now I say to you, ‘You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**

<sup>7</sup>nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.’”

<sup>8</sup>**Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.**

L: The 2<sup>nd</sup> READING is from Hebrews 11:29--12:2

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. <sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. <sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: Luke 12:49-56 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens.<sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens.<sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?” P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

*Please be seated*

**SERMON**

Pastor Art Stees


**HYMN OF THE DAY**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW#789




1 Sav - ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

**APOSTLES CREED** *Please Stand*

A: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition:* WA: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need...

*A brief silence*

WA: God near to us, increase your people's passion to share how Christ transforms lives. Raise up prophets in your church, Lord, to interpret the word and the world today. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Renewing God, we pray for scorched places that need rain, those recovering from disaster, and those needing balance. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: God of power, administer justice. Pour your spirit of compassion and mercy into those who hold the lives of others in their hands. We pray for all who are persecuted or imprisoned for their beliefs. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Compassionate God, save us from being overwhelmed by addictions, medical conditions, competition, and fear. Comfort all in need in body, mind, or spirit especially **Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Ellen Kyles, Mark Fulfs, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Sean, Chris Harbach, and Connie Staderman.** Strengthen and encourage **Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen.** Love, comfort and Hope of Resurrection for the family and friends of Marvin Kempel. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Give wisdom to our community, Lord. Help us discern your will for our life and ministry together, even when it may divide or challenge us. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: We thank you, O God, for the great cloud of witnesses that surrounds us. Gather us with all the saints around your throne on the last day. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

**PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**



**OFFERING****“Special Music”****Sue Koehn**

*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.*

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS** *Please stand*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
 sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
 Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
 Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**Offering Prayer** *(after acolyte presents offering at altar)*

**A:** Let us pray, **C:** God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

**DIALOGUE**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

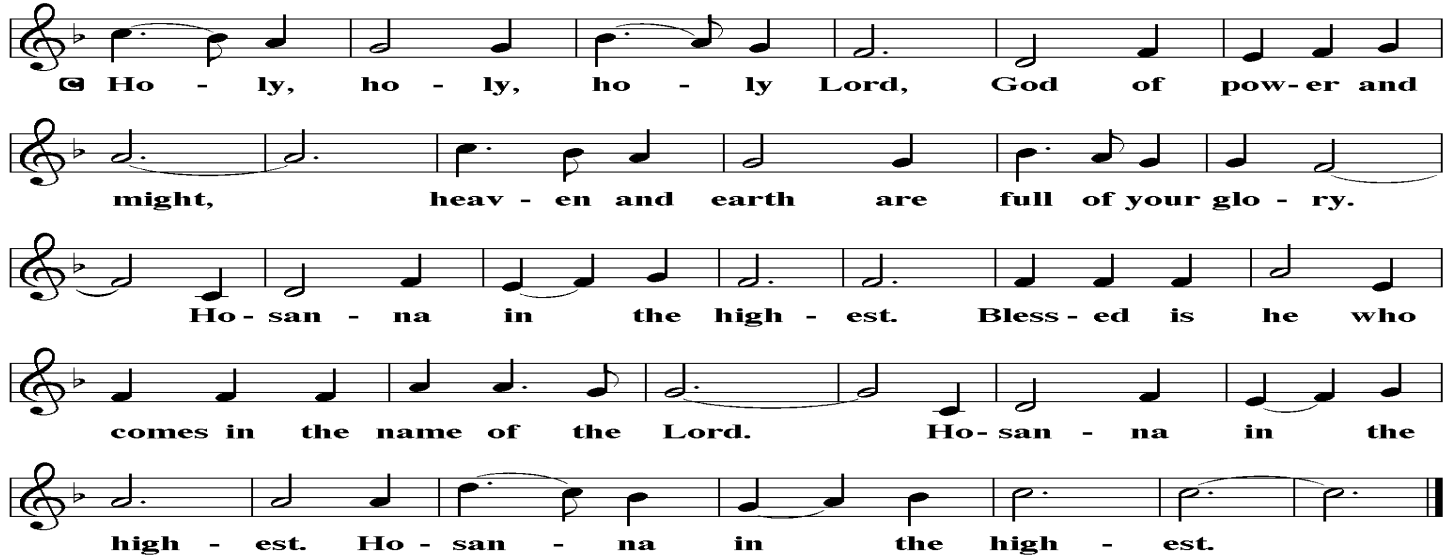
**C:** We lift them to the Lord.

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

**C:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**P:** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**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**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
 us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**TABLE BLESSING:**

P: The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

**CANTICLE**

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
 Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and  
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION A:** Let us pray, O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**BLESSING P:** Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit...bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

## Faith of Our Fathers

ELW#812

1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,  
 2 The mar - tyrs, chained in pris - ons dark, were still in heart and  
 3 Faith of our fa - thers! We will love both friend and foe in

fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy  
 con - science free; and blest would be their chil - dren's fate  
 all our strife; pro - claim thee too, as love knows how,

*Refrain*  
 when - e'er we hear that glo - rious word.  
 if they, like them, should die for thee. Faith of our fa - thers,  
 by sav - ing word and faith - ful life.

ho - ly faith, we will be true to you till death.

**DIMISSAL** (*from the back*)

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE****Tena Rackow**

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD****August 14<sup>th</sup> thru August 21<sup>st</sup> 2016**

|                    |   |                  |
|--------------------|---|------------------|
| <b>Today</b>       | <b>Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>          | <b>9:30 am</b>   |
|                    | Fellowship  | 10:30 am         |
| Wednesday          | "Piece Corps" Quilting Group                        | 8:00 am-11:30 am |
| Saturday           | Wine & Cheese Party at the home of Donna Gullickson | 6:30 pm          |
| <b>Next Sunday</b> | <b>Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>          | <b>9:30 am</b>   |
|                    | Fellowship  | 10:30 am         |
|                    | Choir Practice                                      | 11:00 am         |
|                    | Good Shepherd at Lena Living Center                 | 2:30 pm          |
|                    | Chime Practice                                      | 5:00 pm          |

Attendance August 7<sup>th</sup> was 41Total Offering August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016: \$1,155.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,054.95**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

|                                  |  |                           |                                  |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <u>Interim Pastor:</u>           | Pastor Art Stees                           |                           |                                  |
| <u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u> | Randy & Carol Stubbs Family                |                           |                                  |
| <u>Pianists:</u>                 | Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker                   | <u>Organist:</u>          | Karen Niemeier                   |
| <u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>       | Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr                  | <u>Secretary:</u>         | Darlene Barr                     |
| <u>Lector</u>                    | Taylor Bastian                             | <u>Acolyte:</u>           | Krista Keene                     |
| <u>Assisting Minister</u>        | Wayne Kurth                                | <u>Worship Assistant:</u> | Jean Wenzel                      |
| <u>Communion Usher</u>           | Bill and Jean Engel                        | <u>Welcome Visitor:</u>   | Sue Diddens                      |
| <u>Communion Set-up</u>          | Taylor Bastian                             | <u>Communion Asst:</u>    | Colton Brinker, Marybeth Brinker |
| <u>Elevator Operator</u>         | Donna Gullickson                           | <u>Sound System:</u>      | Troy Doubler, Ashtyn Brinker     |
| <u>Greeters:</u>                 | Curt and Sue Diddens, Paul and Shirley Fox |                           |                                  |
| <u>Ushers:</u>                   | Bill and Jean Engel, Clair and Helen Cross |                           |                                  |

*THANK YOU! Sue Koehn for your special music this morning***MARK YOUR CALENDARS! SUNDAY AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup>!***Rally Day and Blessing of Backpacks**A Family Carnival style event with a light lunch will follow worship.**Invitations Including a puzzle piece will be sent to all prospective Sunday School attendees.**WATCH THE MAIL FOR YOUR PUZZLE PIECE***WINE & CHEESE PARTY***We are having our annual Wine and Cheese party on August 20, 2016 at the home of Donna Gullickson.**Please bring your favorite wine, pop or lemon aid as well as some cheese or other finger food.**The fun and fellowship will begin at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the evening.**Today's favorite hymns are listed below with members' name for choosing them:**Borning Cry-Tena Rackow**Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us-Jean Wenzel "He does!"**Faith of Our Father-Larry Fulfs "I remember my Father when we sing this."***Volunteers Needed for Custodian Work**

Good Shepherd is in need of a custodian or a custodial service. Until there is a new custodian or custodial service hired there is a need for volunteers to sign up to do the cleaning. If you are interested in signing up the chart is in the fellowship hall or you can call or email the office (815) 369-5552

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