September 25th2016 at 9:30 am "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday

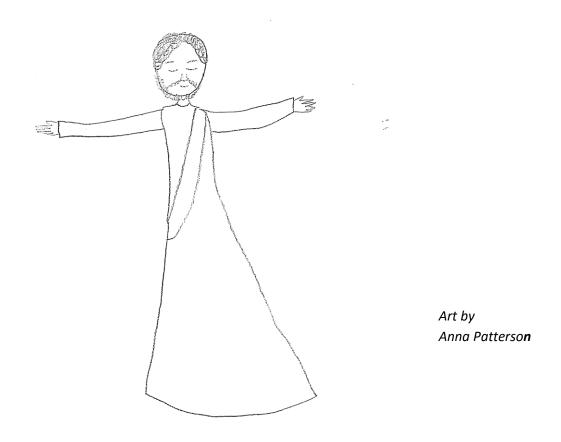
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Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church If you are visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome And to know that we are delighted to have you here

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. <u>If you are visiting, please include your address and phone number.</u>

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, \oplus 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.

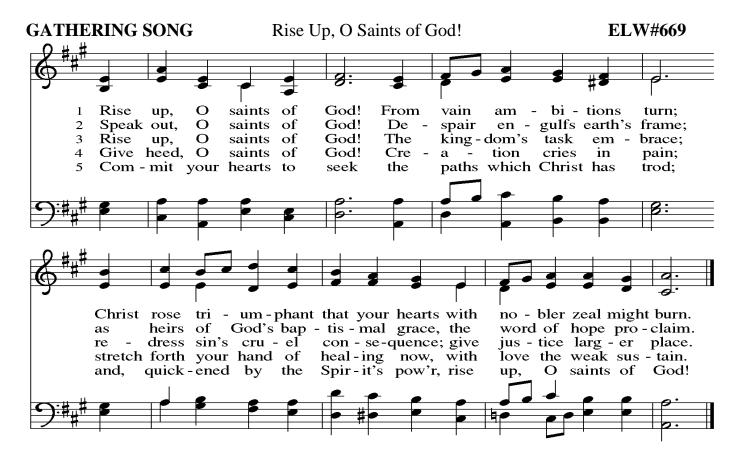
P: The apostle Paul assures us:

"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."

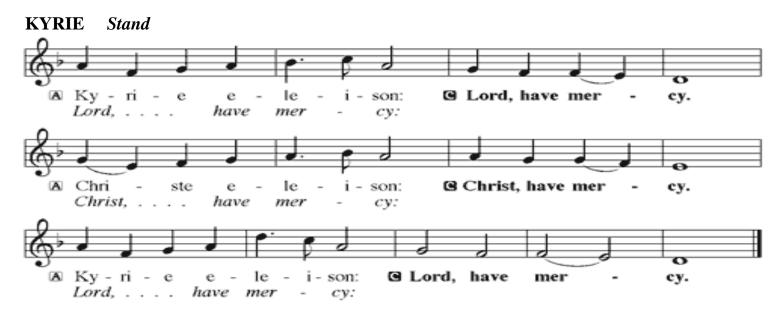
Be at peace, and tell everyone
how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.



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.**



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, C: God of love, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; and guide us in the way of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Amos 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;

⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away. L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#146** ¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever; ⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!!

L: The 2nd READING is from 1Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can

see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: Luke 16:19-31C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." "P: The gospel of the Lord!

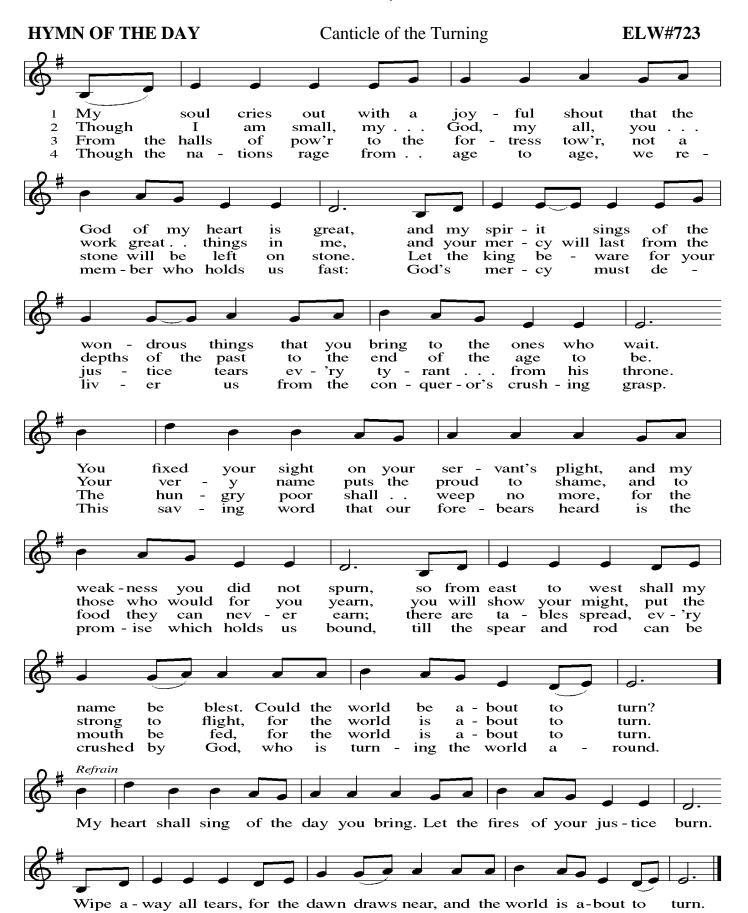
C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

CHILDREN 'S MESSAGE

Rene' Johnson

SERMON Rene' Johnson



APOSTLES CREED <u>Please Stand</u>

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: Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: Rejoicing in the Spirit's work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. *A brief silence*

WA: God, we thank you for the church, its mission, and its ministry. Help us to be examples of the faith and to pursue righteousness in all we say and do. Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: We pray for the well-being of all creation. Make us wise stewards of your rich and beautiful world. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Ruler of the nations, we pray for peace in places of conflict and war. We pray for exiles, refugees, and those far from home. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: **hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for all those who are lonely or homebound, those who are trapped in any kind of prison of body, mind, or spirit, and for those who are sick or injured. We pray especially for *Bob Lyvers*, *Dick Johnson*, *Fern Harnish*, *Steve Fahr*, *Roger Shamburger*, *Bruce*, *Beverly*, *Donna Euler*, *Katy Lartz*, *Kelli Huneke*, *Jane Parks*, *Sean*. Strengthen and encourage *Gladys Staderman and Dorothy Weimer*. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**.

WA: God who sits high but looks low, we pray for our brothers and sisters who struggle to make ends meet. Provide for all of our physical and spiritual needs. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We remember and give thanks for all your saints in light and for those who have recently died. Thank you for the good foundation of their lives and witness. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

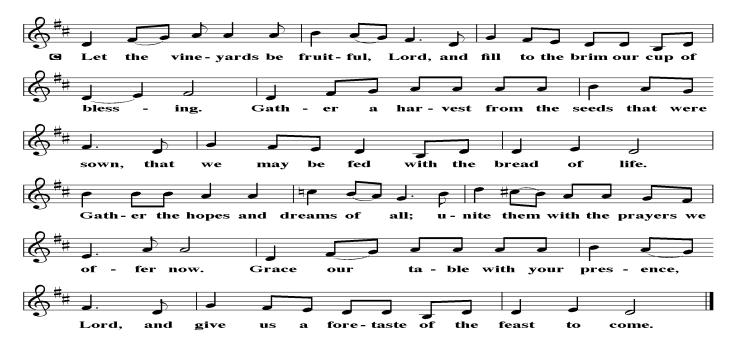
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING "Special Music" The Men's Choir

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



Offering Prayer (after acolyte presents offering at altar)

A: Let us pray, C: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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



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.

THE LORD'S

COMMUNION SONG (sung by all) Lamb of God



TABLE BLESSING:

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

CANTICLE Co Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry one what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice 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-

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNIONA: We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work ,that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

QUILT SUNDAY BLESSING Lutheran World Relief Prayer of Blessing

Leader: In the name of God, our Creator and Sustainer, our Savior and Friend, who has given us minds to imagine, hands to create and hearts to love.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: We thank you for the many gifts you have bestowed upon us and now ask to bless the work of our hands, that it might become a blessing to others.

Congregation: Lord we know that these quilts alone are only ordinary things, but through your power and love they become extraordinary. Bless these gifts we lay before you, that they would not be from our own hearts and hands but from yours. Let each quilt be your unfailing arms of comfort and your trusted means of hope; assurance to those who despair, and light to those who live in darkness.

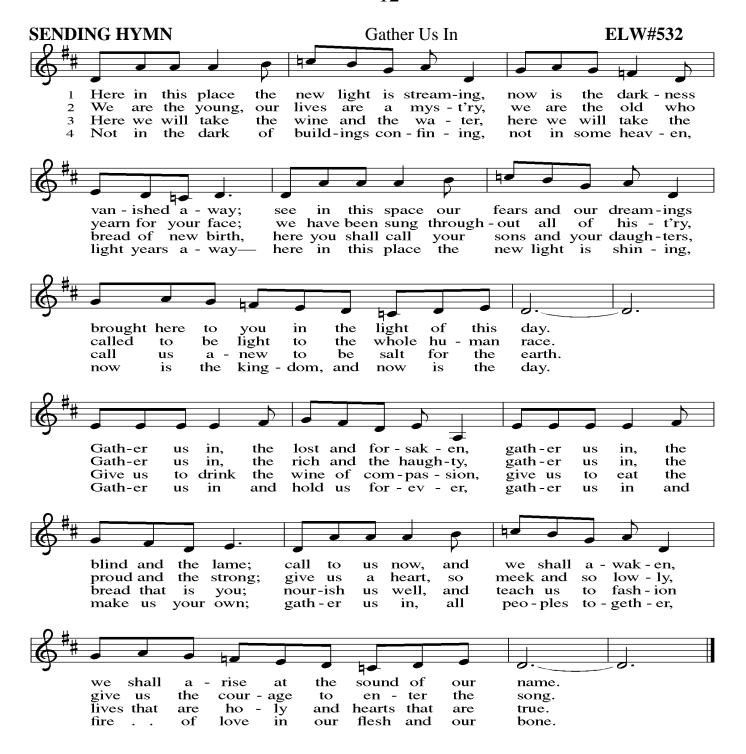
Leader: Transform us Creator, from idle beings into those who do your work. Help us to recognize our own limitations and acknowledge our need for your strength.

Congregation: Motivate us Lord to fulfill your desire to feed the hungry, give water to those who thirst, and clothe those with nothing. Let these humble offerings become tools of your service, bringing love into the lives of those in need around the world.

Leader: Bless these quilts Lord, and the work of Lutheran World Relief and our Piece Corps group in answering your call to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Renew our hands for your work, O God, today and every day. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we ask all these things.

Congregation: Amen.

"Prayer written by Joci Post and Adapted for our Quilt Sunday Service



DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

POSTLUDE

C: Thanks be to God. Tena Rackow

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THIS WEEK	X AT GOOD SHEPHERD	September 25 th thru October 2 nd 2016
Today	Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
-	"Gods work Our Hands"/Quilt Sunday	
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	"God's work Our Hands "	
	Divide into Serving Teams	10 : 30 am
	Arrive at Service Sites	11:00 am
	Lunch at Service Sites	12:30 pm
	Sharing about your day	3:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders at the Hangou	at 3:30 pm-5:00pm
	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm-8:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm

Attendance September 18thwas75

Total Offering September 18th, 2016: \$1,719.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,460.35

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS				
Pastor Miho Yasukav		Missionaries to Tanzania: Randy & Carol Stubbs Family		
Pianists:	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker	Organist:	Karen Niemeier	
Choir Dir. /accomp:	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	Secretary:	Darlene Barr	
<u>Lector</u>	Marybeth Brinker	Acolyte:	Kayla Runkle	
Assisting Minister	Austin Andrews	Worship Assistant:	Coralyn Hudik	
Communion Usher	Troy Keene, Krista Keene	Welcome Visitor:	Donna Gullickson	
Communion Set-up	Chris and Angie Brinker	Communion Asst:	Sheila Keene, Beth Martin	
Elevator Operator	Donna Gullickson			
Sound System:	Wayne Kurth, Hanna Brinker			
Greeters:	Jerry and Beth Martin, Virgil and Joanne Martin			
<u>Ushers:</u>	Troy Keene, Krista Keene, Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon			

Flowers in the chancel are given by Wayne and Janis Kurth to the glory of God.

THANK YOU! To the Men's Group for sharing your special music with us this morning.

September & October are Food Pantry Month

The Lena Food Pantry serves residents in the Le-Win and Orangeville School Districts .Donations of food, hygiene products, and paper products can be placed in the Food Pantry boxes and on the table in the Sanctuary.

Donations will be bagged and delivered to the Food Pantry by our Confirmation Students

<u>Today September 25 is Quilt Sunday</u>. This year Piece Corps made over 615 quilts for distribution here in our community and by Lutheran World Relief (LWR) overseas. Quilts were also taken to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation by the Mission Trip Team.

"God's work. Our hands." Today Sunday, Sept. 25th, 2016

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. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ in serving our neighbor on today. We have service opportunities for all ages and abilities.

Confirmation Sunday

We join in prayer, celebration, and worship on October 9th Confirmation Sunday with Braden Diddens, Coltin Coonts, Krista Keene, Kayla Runkle, Taylor Patterson in professing our faith.

Monroe Clinic Hospice Heal Grief and Education Group

HEAL grief and education group offers session open to anyone 18 yrs and older who has experienced the death of someone special. Learn about the grieving process and ideas for coping and healing in a safe and a supportive setting. Wednesday evening (9/28, 10/5, 10/12) we will meet from 6:00-7:30pm at the St. Camillus Center 2101 6th Street, Monroe WI 53566.To register or obtain more information please call Monroe Clinic Hospice at (608) 324-1230. Registration can also be done on line at www.monroeclinic.org. There is no charge for these sessions.

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. Those who sign up can choose to sign up for half a month or for the full month. If you are interested in signing up the chart will be in the fellowship hall or you can call or email the church office (815)369-5552

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Important Dates to Remember

Ordination for Pastor Miho will be October 30th at 4pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sterling, IL. Installation Service for Pastor Miho will be November 6th at 2pm at Good Shepherd.