October 16th 2016 at 9:30 am

Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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</u>, 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, \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.**

KYRIE Stand





PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, C: Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) ELW#121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

²My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

³The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

L: The 2nd READING is from 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: Luke 18:1-8 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' "⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated

CHILDREN 'S MESSAGE

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa



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: Set free by the truth of God's gracious love, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's good creation. *A brief silence*

WA: Protector of all, you guard your people from evil. Help your church to provide sanctuary for all who are in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Creator of all, you made the sun, the moon, and the stars. Bless efforts to restore clean air, that our pure light may shine in the world. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

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WA: Keeper of all life, you provide justice for the nations. Call upon leaders and judges, lawyers and advocates to proclaim your justice where injustice rules. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Nurturing healer, you reach out to those who have lost heart. Ease their suffering, relieve their pain, comfort the dying, and calm the troubled. Especially we pray for *Bob Lyvers*, *Dick Johnson*, *Bruce*, *Beverly*, *Donna Euler*, *Katy Lartz*, *Kelli Huneke*, *Jane Parks*, *Sean*. Strengthen and encourage *Carol Wybourn*, *Ray Stamm and Fern Harnish*. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of unfailing love, you are our first and best teacher. Guide all who teach in schools, homes, churches, seminaries, and in public life. Let your love shine forth in their teaching. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Holy One, you bless all those who cry out to you. We give thanks for the persistent witness of your blessed saints who now rest in your just and righteous presence. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

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" Krista Keene

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

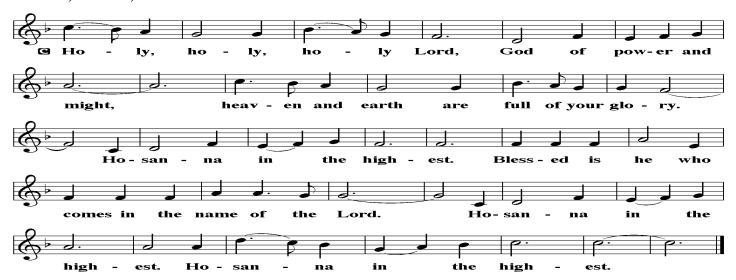
P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

THE LORD'S We practice open Communion here — you don't have to be a member to participate. All SUPPER 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

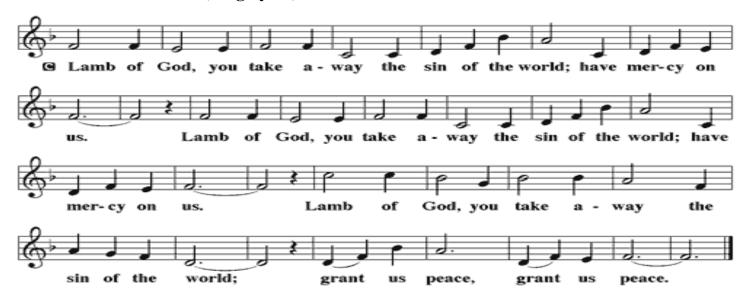


TABLE BLESSING:

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

CANTICLE



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION A: 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.**

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



DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Tena Rackow

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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD		October 16 th thru October 23 rd 2016	
Today	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	
Monday	Worship Committee meeting	6:30 pm	
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am	
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders at the Hangou	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	
	Good Shepherd at Lena Living Center	2:30 pm	
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm	
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Attendance October 9th was 133

Total Offering October 9th, 2016: \$1,470.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,839.17

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Miho Yasukawa	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 Tena Rackow **Taylor Bastian** Lector Acolyte: Sheila Keene Wayne Kurth **Assisting Minister** Worship Assistant:

<u>Communion Usher</u> Dennis Luke, Tim Gordon <u>Communion Set-up</u> Jay and Michelle Andrews

Communion Asst:Troy and Cindy DoublerElevator OperatorBraden Diddens, Sue DiddensSound System:Austin Andrews. Braden Diddens

Pastor:

<u>Greeters:</u> Jay and Michelle Andrews, Darlene Aurand <u>Ushers:</u> Bill and Jean Engel, Dennis Luke, Tim Gordon

September & October are Food Pantry Month

Today is World Food Day. Across the nation people are having Crop Walks to raise awareness and money for hunger issue. Good Shepherd will collect cash donations this Sunday and next Sunday for the Lena Food Pantry. Confirmation class will take our donation of food and money to the Food Pantry on October 26th.

Important Dates to Remember

Ordination for Pastor Miho will be October 30th at 4pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sterling, IL. If you are interested in going to the ordination service, and would like to carpool please sign up on the signup sheet on the bulletin board by Friday October 28th. If you have questions about carpooling please talk or call Wayne Kurth (815-291-3508).

Installation Service for Pastor Miho will be November 6th at 2pm at Good Shepherd.

All Saints Sunday—November 6th

We will remember each "Saint" or loved one that died since November last year. A carnation will be placed on the altar in a bud vase and a family member may take it home after the service. Also, the name of each will be read during a prayer. If you have loved ones who died in the past year and you would like them remembered in this way, please call the church office at (815)-369-5552 and leave the information.

Men's Group Steak Fry:
Saturday October 29th starting at 4:30pm along with the monthly meeting Men of all ages are invited to attend. Please sign up by Sunday October 16th

Children's Christmas Program will be December 18th

Preparations for the Christmas program will start on October 23rd at 10:45. All Sunday school children are encouraged to attend Sunday School to help prepare for the Christmas program. Hope to see you all there!

Area Women's Fall Gathering & Dessert

The women of St. John's Lutheran in Pearls City invite all to an: Area Women's Fall Gathering & Dessert Wednesday October 26 @ 1:00pm in Luther Hall. Program: History of St. John's 125 Anniversary Biblical Quilt Wall Hanging including hymns, special music & bible readings. Please RSVP by October 16 to Karen Bremmner 815-443-2478 or 815-821-4698 or

email: rkbreemer@gmail.com

Pastoral Care:

If you or someone you know needs pastoral care, please notify or call the church office (815-369-5552) and/or Pastor Miho (815-821-9570)

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