May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 9:30 am

**Fourth Sunday of Easter** 

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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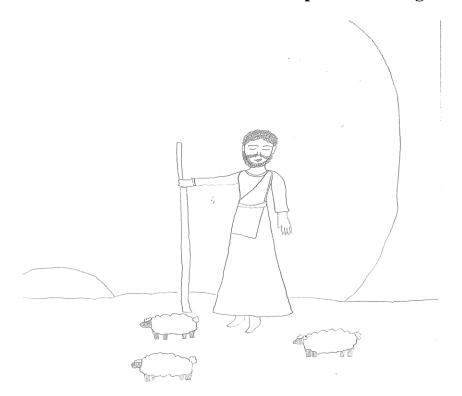
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### CHRIST IS RISEN!

## Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

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. We are delighted to have you.

**Nursery:** Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

An AED (defibrillator) is located on the wall in the Fellowship Hall in case of an emergency. The device is designed to deliver calm, clear voice instructions precisely timed to the responder's actions, guiding the responder every step of the way. When the door is open an alarm goes off to alert others that there is an emergency.

## -ORDER OF WORSHIP – God Give Us Life

**PRELUDE** 

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

### **Announcements & Community Concerns**

INVOCATION (Please stand as you are able)



#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: You, LORD, are my shepherd. I will never be in need.

C: You let me rest in fields of green grass.

L: You lead me to streams of peaceful water, and you refresh my life.

C: You are true to your name, and you lead me along the right paths.

L: I may walk through valleys as dark as death, but I won't be afraid.

C: You are with me, and your shepherd's rod makes me feel safe.

L: You treat me to a feast, while my enemies watch.

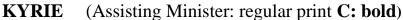
C: You honor me as your guest, and you fill my cup until it overflows.

ALL: Your kindness and love will always be with me each day of my life, and I will live forever in your house, LORD.



#### **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.





### **SONG OF PRAISE**



#### SALUTATION



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

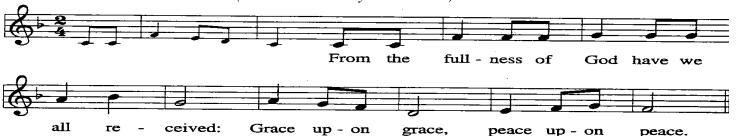
L: The 1st READING is from Acts 2:42-47

<sup>42</sup>[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.** 

## L: The 2<sup>nd</sup> READING is from 1 Peter 2:19-25

<sup>19</sup>It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." <sup>23</sup>When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.** 

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand as you are able)

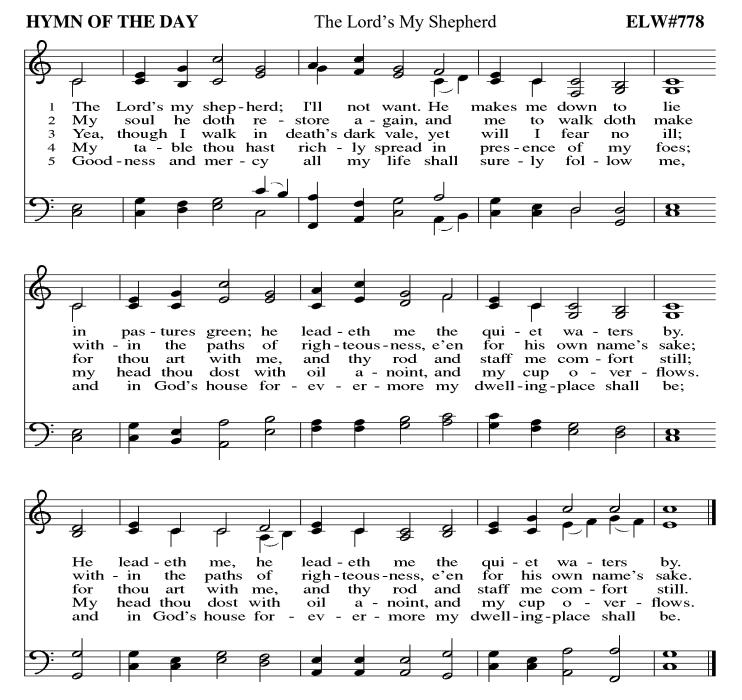


THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 10:1-10 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to

them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ**! *Please be seated* 

SERMON Pastor Miho Yasukawa



### **NICENE CREED** Please Stand

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

WA: Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence* 

WA: We pray for the church. Strengthen ministers of word, sacrament, and service who are called to shepherd your people. Renew your church and unite us through your Spirit. Send us out to serve our neighbors and to receive their care with gratitude. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.** 

WA: For students preparing for finals and graduation. We give you thanks for Larynn, Colton, and Sondra. We ask your blessing on their journeys. Lord in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.** 

WA: For the earth. For pastures and prairies, rivers and streams, oceans and mountains. For those who care for livestock and pets. For all animals, wild and domestic, with whom we share this world.

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

WA: For the nations. Guide leaders into the path of peace. Uphold all who govern. Bring an end to injustice, warfare, and violence. Protect those who risk their lives to shield others from danger.

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

WA: For those in need. For those who lack safe housing and adequate food. For workers whose pay is insufficient to meet their daily needs. Comfort the grieving and heal the sick *especially Bob Lyvers*,

## Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Delbert Scheider, Vivian Hesselbacher, Ray Stamm, Lee Wenzel,

Mark Fulfs, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Scott Bonnet, Leta Toelke, Carol Stubbs, Steve Kampmeier, David Gray, Cheri Eden-Catron, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Bob Herman, Tom, Millie Anderson, Jean Otte, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Virgil, Jon Forsythe, Sandra Leroy.

Strengthen and encourage Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen. Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: For this assembly. For ushers, acolytes, and greeters. For those who clean and prepare this space for worship. Give wisdom to our councils, committees, and all who guide this congregation's ministry. Lord, in your mercy, **C**: **hear our prayer.** 

WA: With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died in faith. In your goodness and mercy, bring us to the fulfillment of your promise to dwell in your house forever. Lord, in your mercy,

## C: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.** 

### **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

**OFFERING** "10000 Reasons" Chime 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.

Please stand

## **Offering Prayer**

A: Let us pray, C: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS**

- P: Living God, Risen Christ, you make yourself known to us in the breaking of bread and the pouring of wine. Refresh us once again with this reality of your healing presence in all the world.
- C: We break bread today and remember the brokenness throughout all the world. We pour wine today and remember the blood being shed throughout all the world.
- P: Living God, Risen Christ, through eating of this bread and the drinking of this wine, may our eyes and our hands be opened to the needs of others, and our hearts to the sharing of your gifts in all the world.

#### C: Amen

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

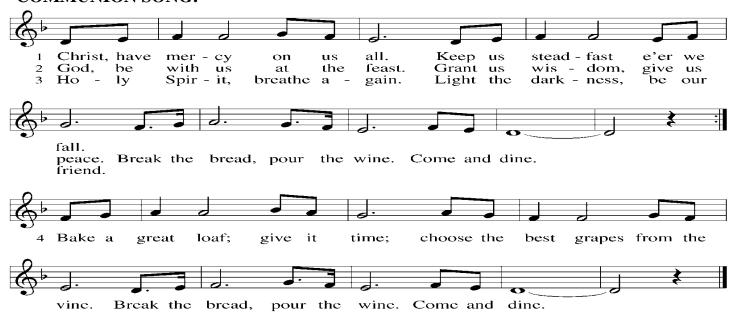
- P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
  Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
  Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
  as we forgive those who trespass against 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 — Christ invites us to the table. All baptized Christians are welcome to partake the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive a blessing, you may come forward. Holy Communion will be celebrated by intinction you will dip the bread into the chalice. The gold chalices have wine; the chrome chalices have grape juice. You will be ushered down the center aisle return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.



#### **COMMUNION SONG:**



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**Boring Cry** 

**ELW#732** 

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING:**

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

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

Please be seated

#### **BLESSING OF GRADUATES**

**BLESSING** P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father,  $\pm$  Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.** 



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.
  Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

## **DISMISSAL** (from the back)

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE Karen Niemeier

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor: 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

<u>Lector</u> Jay Andrews

Acolyte: Ashtyn Brinker <u>Assisting Minister</u> Taylor Bastian

<u>Worship Assistant:</u> Sondra Winters <u>Communion Usher</u> Chris and Angie Brinker Communion Set-up Jay and Michelle Andrews Communion Asst: Colton Brinker, Sheila Keene

Elevator Operator Willie Kayser

Sound System: Austin Andrews, Hanna Brinker

Greeters: Jay and Michelle Andrews. Darlene Aurand Ushers: Chris and Angie Brinker, Clair and Helen Cross

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD		May 7 <sup>th</sup> thru May 14 <sup>th</sup>	
Today	Worship Service/Graduation Sunday – 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	Parkinson Support Group	1:30 pm	
Tuesday	Hymn Sing at Lena Living Center	9:45 am	
	Council Meeting	6:30 pm	
	Baccalaureate Service at Lena United Methodist Church	7:30pm	
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am	
	Pastor Miho at NW Conference Meeting at Prince of Peace, Freeport	9:30 am- 12:00 pm	
	After School Program for 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> graders at the Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00 pm	
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment Glenda Linneman	12:00 pm	
<b>Next Sunday</b>	Worship Service/ Teacher Recognition – Holy Communion	9:30 am	
	Fellowship	10:30 am	
Attendance April 30 was 60			
Total Offering 4/30/2017 \$3,183.87 – Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,438.43			

#### **Blessing of Graduates**

We are delighted to honor this year's graduates from high school and college: Colton Brinker, Sondra Winters, Larynn Shumaker. We are proud of you!

#### Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Good Shepherd members are going on a Mission trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation from May 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 28<sup>th</sup>. Items that are needed for Pine Ridge are: Blankets or quilts, diapers: sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6, adult size toothbrush, toothpaste, bath size bars of soap, shampoo, combs and monetary donations will be accepted.

Please drop off your donations to the church by May 21st

#### **Parkinson Support Group Meeting**

Monday, May 8, 2017, 1:30 pm Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Speaker Robin Woolcock—Friendship Center, Lena, IL Topic will be: "All about the Lena Friendship Center" Questions??? Call: Carol Griffin 815-947-2208 OR Marion Fahr 815-367-3961

## **The Friendship Club**

will meet Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck Dinner and entertainment with "Glenda Linneman."

## Northern Illinois Synod Assembly 2017 In-Kind Offering

Are collecting Gift Cards and Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detectors for foster care services in Illinois. Please bring your donations of a new smoke/carbon monoxide detectors and/or gift cards to the church to help LSSI Care for the children of the Northern IL Synod by June 4<sup>th</sup> 2017. See Bulletin Board for suggested gift cards and gift card items.

## **Called Forward Together in Christ**

Lutheran Youth Organization

Northern Illinois Synod Youth Assembly June 15 and 16, 2017 at

Augustana College Erickson Residence Center, Rock Island, IL

Join the LYO in learning about discipleship and vocation! This year the youth will gather the night before synod assembly to have fun and learn how God calls us to share the Good News. Music and worship leadership will be provided by the Glocal Musician-Educators of the ELCA.

Registration is due by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

If interested in attending talk to Pastor Miho or call the church office at 815-369-5552

#### **Looking... For Special Music for Summer Worship**

If you or someone you know would like to share your talent, please call: Vivian Hesselbacher at (815-369-4496) or Good Shepherd at (815-369-5552)

#### **Favorite Hymns**

Spring is here, it is also time to think of your favorite hymns for the summer months. Think of your favorite hymn and write down the title and if possible the hymnal and page number so it can be found. Please fill out the form below and place in the offering plate or there are also forms available in the fellowship hall for your convenient to fill out and place in basket. We are limiting everyone to their three most favorite hymns. Please turn your hymns in by May 7<sup>th</sup> so that they may be organized and put into the hymn schedule starting in June this year.

## **Favorite Hymn**

Name:			
Favorite Hymn:			
This Hymn meaningful to you because:			