February <u>18th</u>, <u>2018</u> 9:30 am

First Sunday of Lent

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by Anna Patterso**n**

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. <u>If you are visiting</u>, 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.

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PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

Announcements & Community Concerns

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

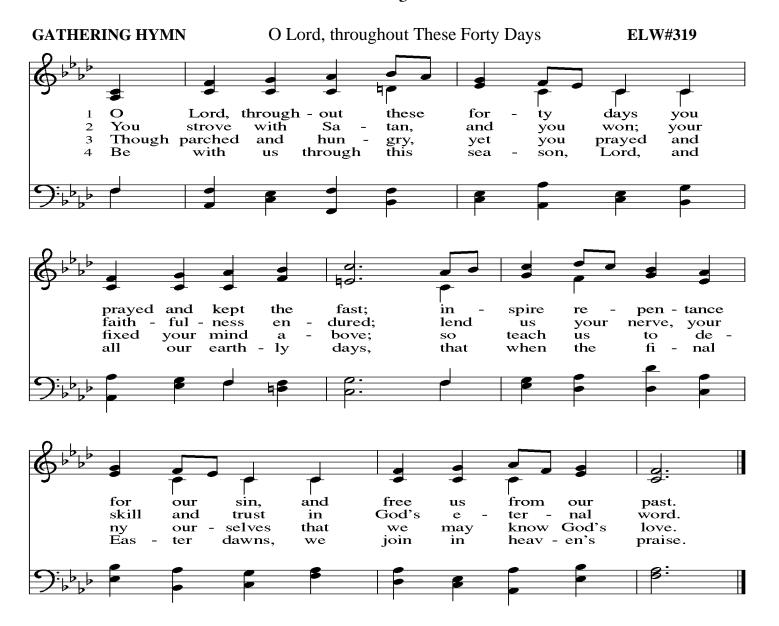
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: In the words of a reformation hymn, let us confess our sin before God.

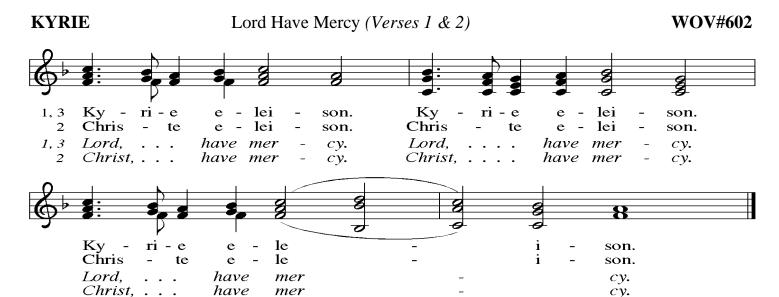
Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Out of the depths I cry to you; C: O Lord God, hear me calling. Incline your ear to my distress in spite of my rebelling. Do not regard my sinful deeds. Send me the grace my spirit needs. Without it I am nothing. Amen.

P: In God alone, in God we hope, and not in our own merit. We hope as Israel in the Lord, who sends redemption through the \(\psi\) Word. Praise God for grace and mercy! 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.**



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your Church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our 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 Genesis 9:8-17

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth." L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-10 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) ELW#25

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way. ¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

L: The 2nd READING is from 1 Peter 3:18-22

¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him. L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (spoken)

C: Return to the Lord, your God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Mark 1:9-15 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." ¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. ¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."P: The gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

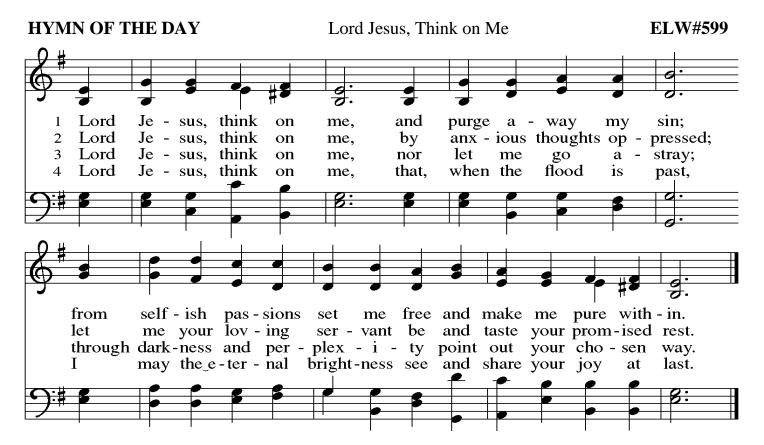
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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sunday School Children

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa



CREED (from the explanation of Luther's Small Catechism) Please Stand

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith through Luther's Small Catechism.

P: The Third Article: On Being Made Holy

C: 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.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

THE PRAYERS

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

WA: Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence*

WA: We pray for the church. For all who preach, teach, and inspire your people to lives of service. Renew your church everyday in ministry, mission, and compassion. We lift our sisters and brother of First Lutheran in Freeport and Trinity Lutheran in Elizabeth. Unite us in faith in you, and uphold us in the promises of baptism. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for the world. For the well-being of both our own surroundings and of distant places. For favorable weather and sustaining rains. For creatures awakening from hibernation or beginning seasonal migrations. Provide safe habitats and abundant food for all. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer** WA: We pray for the nations. For all who govern or hold positions of authority. For those who work to make their communities safe from violence. Protect all who place themselves in danger to save others from harm. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for those in need. For those moving to new communities. For individuals who are incarcerated or recently released from prison. For those who are abused or neglected, for the lonely, and for those who are ill *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Tena Rackow, Susie Gordon, Richard Rutter, Leona Block, Donna Euler, Carol Stubbs, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Elsie Meier, Meghan, Sharon, Lucy, Sharon Peska, Tom Pye, Jamie, Sharon and Pam.* Strengthen and encourage *Verl Price and Steve Fahr*. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for this assembly. For musicians, artists, and poets who help us envision your love through word, image, and song. We pray for those who have faced exclusion or felt forgotten. For all who reach out in love and welcome. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died (*especially Martin Luther*). As they receive the fulfillment of your promises made to them in baptism, sustain us in the hope of resurrection life with you. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

Pastor: Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" **Chimes**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: Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

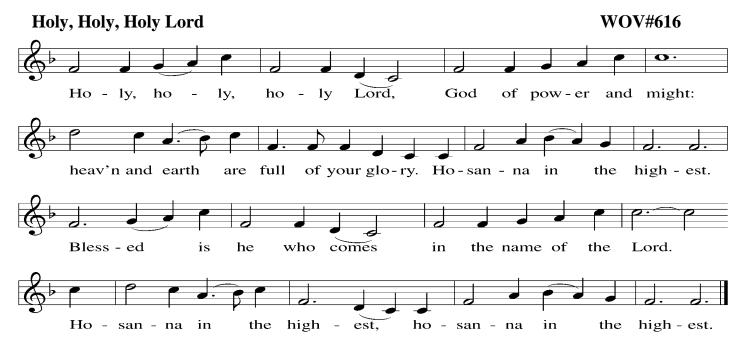
DIALOGUE

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

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

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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



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.

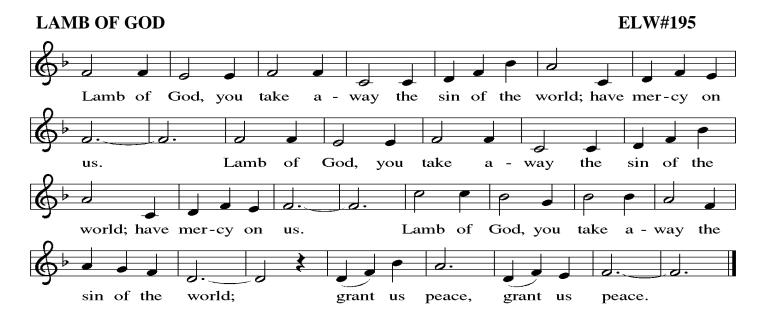
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

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. Please 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, and returned to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.





COMMUNION SONG

Oh, Love, How Deep

ELW#322

- 1 Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high, beyond all thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 God sent no angel to our race, of higher or of lower place, but wore the robe of human frame, in Christ our Lord to this world came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptation sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought, by words and signs and actions thus still seeking not himself, but us.

- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, for us, in crown of thorns arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us he gave his dying breath.
- 6 For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

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: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. **C: Amen.**



DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. 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

Lector: Sue Diddens Acolyte: Ashtyn Brinker Assisting Minister: Sheila Keene

Worship Assistant: Janis Kurth Communion Usher: Virgil and Joanne Martin

Communion Set-up Vivian Hesselbacher Communion Asst: Jay and Michelle Andrews

Elevator Operator: Wayne Kurth Sound System: Troy Doubler, Ethan Fye

Greeters: Jerry and Beth Martin, Dennis Luke

Ushers: Virgil and Joanne Martin, Eugene and Vivian Hesselbacher

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD		February 18 th thru February 25 th , 2018
Today	Worship Service Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Pastor Miho Text Study	2:00 pm
Wednesday	Lenten Lunch at Good Shepherd hosted by WELCA	12:00 pm
	Lenten Dinner	5:30 pm
	Lenten Worship Service	6:30 pm
Thursday	Pastor Miho at Diakonia Class, Christ Lutheran, Stockton	6:00 pm-8:30 pm
Saturday	Good Shepherd at Lena Food Pantry	
Next Sunday	2 nd Sunday of Lent Worship Service-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 February 11 th was 35 Total Offering 02/11/2018- \$1,336.00 Amount Needed \$2,691.17		

Good Shepherd Wednesday Evening Lent Services

This year's mid-week Lenten service will be using Into the Wild: A Lenten Liturgy and Intergenerational Study on Hunger by ELCA World Hunger. We will explore wilderness in our places and hear that God walks with us in the wild. Supper starts at 5:30pm and service starts at 6:30pm. People in every age and every walks in life are welcome to join the Lenten journey.

Updates on the Stubbs Family

See the bulletin board for an updated newsletter from the Stubbs' family and you can also link to the Caring Bridge page for updates on Carol Stubbs at https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/love4carolstubbs

Copy of the Sermon is Available

If you would like a copy of the sermon, please talk to the ushers or Pr. Miho.

Devotions for Lent Booklets

We have two Lenten devotion for this year. <u>You Are the Way</u> is a daily devotion which explores "I am" statements in the Gospel of John. Another one is <u>Faces of Christ</u> which explores Christ in global perspectives. Both are available at all entrances.

2018 Lena Lenten Lunch

Soup and sandwich lunch starts at noon followed by a short devotion,

Theme is "Seven Signs of Jesus in the Gospel of John."

Feb 21st - Good Shepherd

Feb 28th - Lena UMC

March 7th - St. Joseph's Catholic

March 14th - Lena EV Free

March 21st - St. John's

March 28th - Salem UCC & Beloved (Hosted at Lena UMC)

All are Invited February 22 from 4:00pm-6:00pm to an

Open House at the Friendship Center an Adult Day Care - 311 North Lake Road, Lena, IL