
April 8th, 2018 at 9:30 am

Second Sunday of Easter

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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 –
WOV Setting 6

PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Tena Rackow

Announcements & Community Concerns

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Just as God's work of creation never ends,
 so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day.
 Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

L: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life:
 for water to bathe in, water to drink,
 for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder,
 for water that gives life to our planet.

C: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

L: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place:
 for water from our tap, for rain [and snow],

C: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

L: We give you thanks for your salvation through water:
 for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters,
 for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom,
 for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought,
 for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land,
 for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

C: We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

L: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized,
 and for all who gather here;
 for godparents and baptismal sponsors,
 for children and grandchildren,
 for our brothers and sisters in Christ
 whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

C: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

P: We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit:
 for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters,
 for our new birth into a life of freedom and service,
 for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

C: We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

ELW#384

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.
 e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

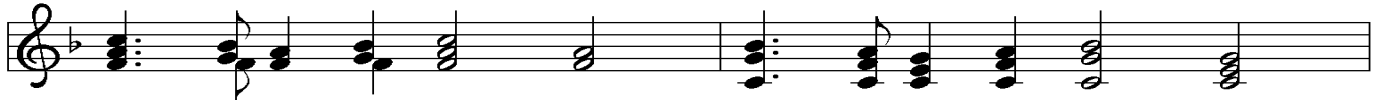
GREETING

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

Lord Have Mercy (*Verses 1 & 2*)

WOV#602



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 Chris - te e - lei - son.
 Lord, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks (*Verse 2*)

WOV#671

Refrain

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
 Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth
 Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, 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 Isaiah 40: 25-31

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

WOV#612

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Matthew 25:31-40 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

³¹When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' P: The gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

MESSAGE

Speaker Danica Balbach

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let me be your servant, Jesus



C Dm7 G7 C

1. Let me be your hands, dear Je - sus, help - ing those who come my way.
 2. Let me be your voice, dear Je - sus, tell - ing peo - ple of your love.
 3. Let me be your ears, dear Je - sus, hear - ing those who cry for help.

C Dm Em F6 G6

Let me be your feet, dear Je - sus, run - ning er - rands
 Let me share your work, dear Je - sus, me on earth and
 Let me share in help - ing oth - ers and not just think

Refrain
 F6 G7 C F C F C

ev - 'ry day. Hands and feet, a voice to bring good news, great news
 you a - bove. of my - self.

F C C

of our King. Let me be your ser - vant, Je - sus,

Dm Em F6 G6 12. F6 G7 C 13. F6 G7 C

help - ing you in ev - 'ry way. ev - 'ry way.

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.**

THE PRAYERS

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

WA: Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

WA: Holy God, you speak peace in the presence of fear. Give us courage to testify to your grace with our lives. Embolden prophets, preachers, and teachers to speak your truth. Lord, in your mercy. C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: Holy God, you create peace in the midst of chaos. Where storms rage and winds howl, bring calm. Protect people and animals from the dangers of weather. Restore damaged lands and homes. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: Holy God, you are peace in a violent world. Heal neighborhoods ravaged by crime. Reconcile political factions at war. Build relationships where suspicion keeps us apart, and bring us to the day of unity. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: Holy God, you bring peace to a hurting world. Fill the stomachs of the hungry. Bind up the shattered. Give rest to the weary and hope to the disillusioned. Restore the sick especially **Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Tena Rackow, Gene Hesselbacher, Donna Euler, Carol Stubbs, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Meghan, Lucy, Sharon Peska, Tom Pye, Jean, Nick, Pam, Bruce, Jeff, Diane and Darren. Strengthen and encourage Steve Fahr and Verl Price.** Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: Holy God, you breathe your Spirit of peace into us. Enlivened by the Spirit, equip us to bring new life to all we meet in our work and in our play. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

WA Holy God, you are our peace in this world and the next. Comfort all who mourn. Hold them in your tender care. Bring us all around the table as we share the heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Jesus Christ, the spring of new and everlasting life. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING

Tena Rackow

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.**

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 and salutary, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

WOV#616

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might:
 heav'n 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: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.

**Lamb of God****ELW#195****COMMUNION SONG** Taste and See (*All refrain only verses by cantor*)**ELW#493***Refrain*

Taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord.
Oh, taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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.**

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

SENDING HYMN Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain **ELW363** (*Verse 1 all, Verse 2 all, Verse 3 women, Verse 4 men, Verse 5 all*)



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
 2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ has burst his pris - on,
 3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
 4 Nei - ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has ris - en.
 with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to ren - der;
 nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold you as a mor - tal;
 who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;
 All the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
 comes to glad Jer - u - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion
 but to - day, a - mong your own, you ap - pear, be - stow - ing
 Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;



led them with un - moist - ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
 from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
 wel - comes in un - wea - ried strain Je - sus' res - ur - rec - tion!
 your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass - es hu - man know - ing.
 Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

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

Tena Rackow

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miho Yasukawa	<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>Lector:</u> Beth Martin <u>Acolyte:</u>
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Jay Andrews	<u>Worship Assistant:</u> Shirley Fox <u>Communion Usher</u> Chris and Angie Brinker
<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Troy and Cindy Doubler	<u>Communion Asst:</u> Cora Hudik and Shirley Fox
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Sue Diddens	<u>Sound System:</u> Dennis Luke, Ashtyn Brinker
<u>Greeters:</u>	Wayne and Janis Kurth, Don and Lisa Wienand, Izzy Reynolds	
<u>Ushers:</u>	Chris and Angie Brinker, Gary and Cynthia Boeke	

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**April 8th thru April 15th 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
Monday	Parkinson Support Group Meeting	1:30pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing Lena Living Center	9:45am
	Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Take Two	12:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service – Youth Sunday 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 April 1, Easter Sunrise Service 43, Easter Late Service 81

Total Offering 04/01/2018 - \$2712.00 Amount needed \$2842.69

Total Offering Palm Sunday - \$1,848.00 – Needed \$2,837.43

*Thank you Danica for sharing your mission trip stories with us this morning.***Children’s Worship Bulletin is Available**

Children’s bulletin follows Sunday lessons with coloring page, word search, and crossword puzzle.

They are available at the both entrances.

Updates on the Stubbs FamilySee 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>**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**Can be picked up at the church office starting **April 1st**
Applications must be filled out and returned by **April 30th**

Silent Auction for the Youth Gathering

There are variety of items in the Fellowship Hall for the silent auction. Your support will help our youth attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston this summer. Please take a look at all the items available and bid on your favorite item or items. We will close the bid on next Sunday, April 15th. If you have any questions, talk to Kristy or Anna. Thank you for your support.

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP April 9th at 1:30pm

Our speaker will be: Vicki Keilhauer, RN – FHN Topic will be: “FALL PREVENTION”

Any Questions???

Call: Carol Griffin 815-947-2208 OR Marion Fahr 815-367-3961

HYMN SING

At the Lena Living Center will be Tuesday, April 10th at 9:45am.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Will meet Thursday, April 12th at noon for a Potluck Dinner & entertainment with “*Take Two*”

THURSDAY APRIL 12 FIRST LUTHERAN DAY

Papa Murphy’s Pizza (located on South West Ave next to Higher Grounds).

A percentage of all the sales for the day will be given to the youth group.

BAKE SALE April 22

Krista’s 4-H project to raise funds for Puerto Rico

FUNDRAISING FOR YOUTH GATHERING

April 22, 9am-12pm, Little John’s pancake breakfast. Tickets are available from Anna, \$5.00/per person

THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Is springing into action with additional ways that all of Good Shepherd's Congregation can embrace being a Steward,(a caregiver/ manager) of that which we have been blessed within our daily lives. The committee will be sharing the ideas in the months to follow. Check the Newsletter in May.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS for April

Personal hygiene items: Shaving cream, tooth paste, deodorant, shampoo and conditioner