April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9:30 am

**Youth Sunday** 

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

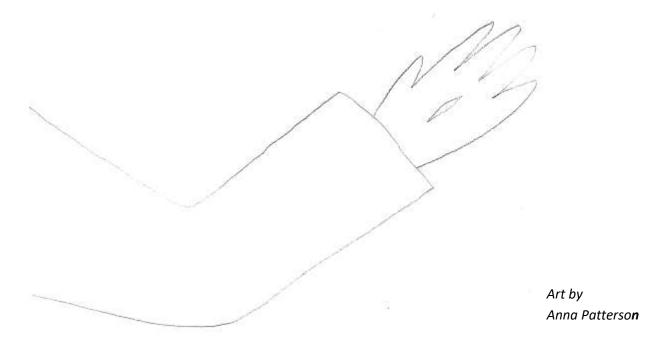
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## Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

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)

Karen Niemeier

## **Announcements & Community Concerns**

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: 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.

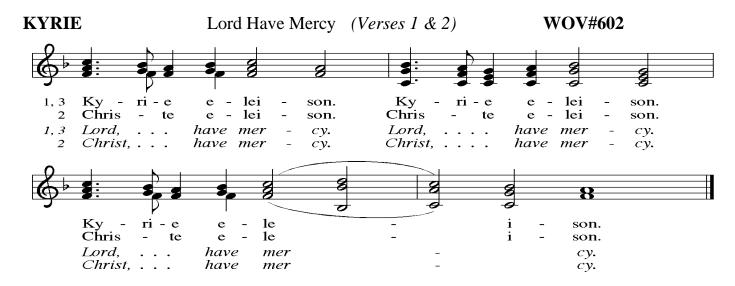
P: We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

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



#### **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.** 



**CANTICLE OF PRAISE** Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks (*Verse 3*)

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Refrain

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

We have been crucified with Christ; Now we shall live forever. *Refrain* 

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

C: Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, 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 1<sup>st</sup> READING is from Acts 3:12-19

<sup>12</sup>[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. <sup>17</sup>"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out." L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.** 

Psalm: Psalm 4 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) ELW#4

- <sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- <sup>2</sup>"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"
- <sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; the LORD will hear me when I call.
- <sup>4</sup>Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence up on your bed.
- <sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup>Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?" Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.
- <sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine abound.
- <sup>8</sup> In peace, I will lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.

## L: The 2<sup>nd</sup> READING is from 1 John 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.** 



THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Luke 24:36b-48 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things."

P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 

**Taylor Patterson** 

**MESSAGE** 

Anna Patterson



### **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.

#### **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING 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.

A brief silence

WA: Holy God, we pray for the church and its many expressions. Strengthen the National Youth Gathering planning team. Prepare the hearts and minds of the youth and adults who will experience your love this summer. Lord in your mercy. **C**: **hear our prayer.** 

WA: Creating God, you gave us dominion over every living creature. Grant us wisdom to use our power to develop sustainable farming and housing practices. Slow down our rush to consume. Lord in your mercy. **C: hear our prayer.** 

WA: Merciful God, walk with all refugees who leave their homes to move to safety. Protect them on their journey. Greet them with hospitality. Lord in your mercy. C: hear our prayer.

WA: Compassionate God, you heal us. For all who have not been granted the healing they desire and for all who cannot access the care they need, send social workers, doctors, parish nurses, and other caregivers. Today we pray especially for *Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Tena Rackow, Gene Hesselbacher, Verl Price, Donna Euler, Carol Stubbs, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jean, Jon Forsythe, Meghan, Lucy, Sharon Peska, Tom Pye, Jean, Nick, Pam, Bruce, Jeff, Diane, Darren and Jerilyn Strohecker. Strengthen and encourage Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen*. Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: God our provider, you give us all we need. Bless the finance committee and stewardship committee members at Good Shepherd. Help us to be good stewards of your generous gifts and talents. Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer

WA: God of our ancestors, in you we have our beginning and our end. We remember all the faithful departed. Enfold in a shield of peace all those who mourn. Hold them in your love. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.** 

P: We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord **C: Amen.** 

### Karen Niemeier

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.

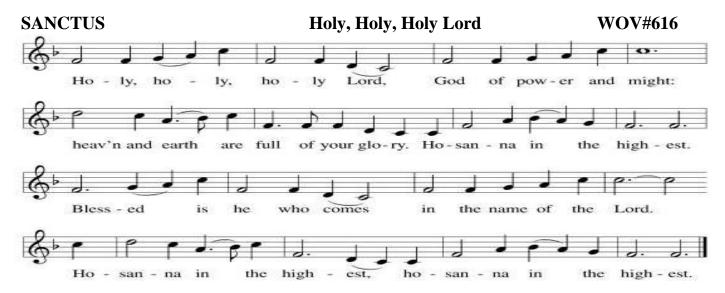
#### **DIALOGUE**

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

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

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### 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;

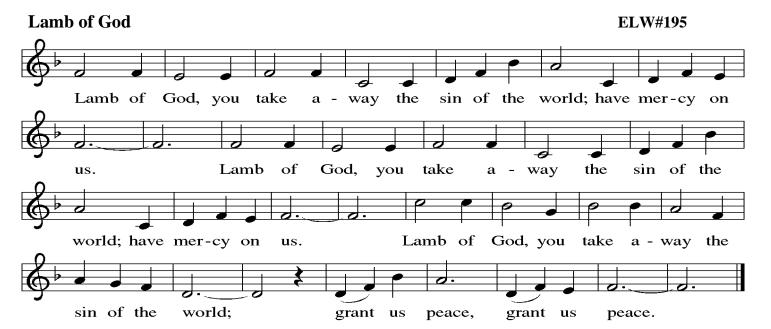
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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.





#### **COMMUNION SONG**

I Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

#### Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

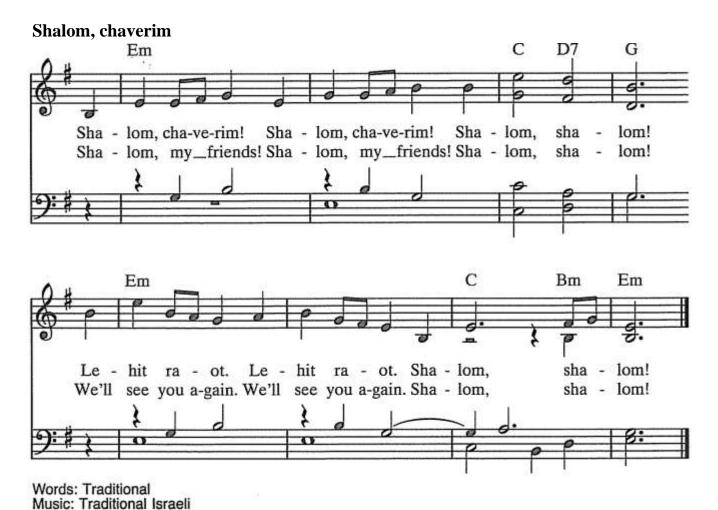
#### Jesus Loves Me!

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- 2 Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's gates to open wide; he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. *Refrain*
- 3 Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside me all the way; when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high. *Refrain*

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING:**

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



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



## **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**

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS** 

Pastor Miho Yasukawa Missionaries to Tanzania: Randy & Carol Stubbs Family Pastor:

Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier Pianists:

Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr Lector: Madi Diddens Acolyte: Hanna Brinker

Assisting Minister Krista Keene Worship Assistant: Ashtyn Brinker

Communion Usher: Brianna Fye and Izzy Reynolds Children's Sermon: Taylor Patterson

Communion Set-up Troy and Cindy Doubler Communion Asst: Ashtyn Brinker and Kayla Runkle Jacob Runkle and Chris Brinker Sound System: Ethan Fye and Troy Doubler Elevator Operator

Greeters: Nakoah Cronwell and Lucas Fye

Jared Runkle, Kayla Runkle, Ashtyn Brinker and Madi Diddens Ushers:

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD		April 15 <sup>th</sup> thru April 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2018
Today	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
Monday	Pastor Miho at FCTE Joyful Spirit, Bolingbrook	10:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday	Pastor Miho Text Study	2:00pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday	Good Shepherd at Friendship Center/Devotions and Dessert	1:00pm
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	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Attendance April 8, 56		

Total Offering 04/08/2018 - \$2200.70 Amount needed \$2863.08

Thank you to the Sunday School Teachers, children, and youth for leading worship 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 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 <a href="https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/love4carolstubbs">https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/love4carolstubbs</a>

#### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Can be picked up at the church office starting April 1st Applications must be filled out and returned by **April 30<sup>th</sup>** 

## **LAST DAY for the Silent Auction**

If you have not checked the silent auction table in the Fellowship Hall yet, you had better be in hurry. We are going to close the bid for the silent auction after the service. Your support will help our youth attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston this summer. Thank you for your support.

## FHN Family Health Fair and YMCA's Healthy Kids Day

Saturday, April 21, 2018 9am-Noon YMCA of Northwest Illinois, 2998 W Pearl City Road, Freeport

#### **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

### **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS for April**

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

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