# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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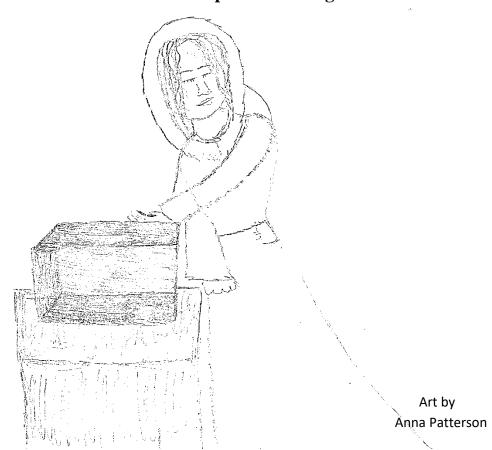
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## Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

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.

#### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

#### **PRELUDE**

Time for reflection in silence

**Tena Rackow** 

#### **COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATION**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Stand)**

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, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

### C: Amen.

P: One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: O God, Our merciful redeemer,

C: we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for  $\oplus$  his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

#### C: Amen

## OPENING HYMN FOR THE FRUIT OF ALL CREATION

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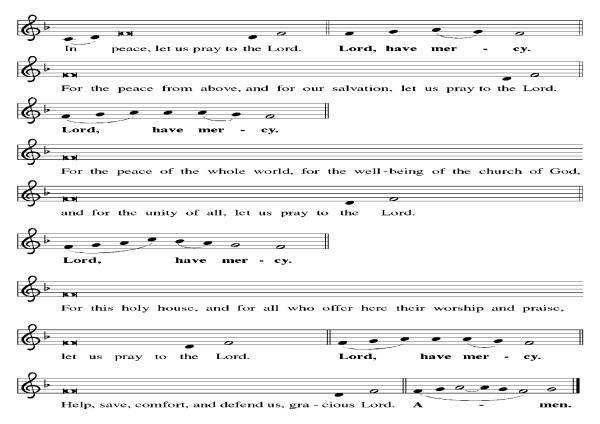


#### **GREETING**

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: O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

## FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8-16

<sup>8</sup>The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, <sup>9</sup>"Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." <sup>12</sup>But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." <sup>15</sup>She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and

her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM: Psalm 146** (Read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup>I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

<sup>3</sup>Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup>When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The LORD sets the captive free.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup>The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28**

<sup>24</sup>Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





## THE HOLY GOSPEL: according to Mark 12:38-44

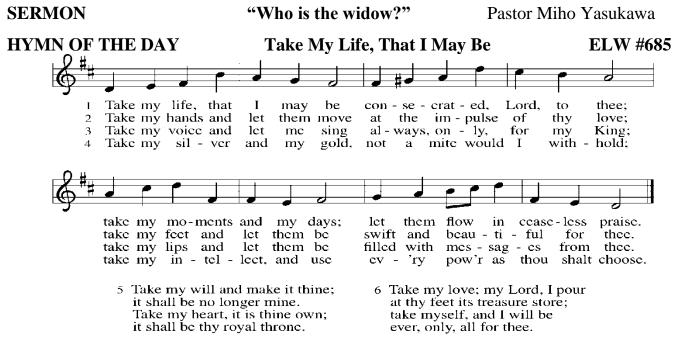
P: The holy gospel according to Mark. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! <sup>40</sup>They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." <sup>41</sup>He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### CHILDRENS MESSAGE



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#### THE APOSTLES' CREED Please Stand

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the words of Apostles' Creed.

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.

#### THE PRAYERS

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

**WA:** With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence

- **WA:** Provide all living things with sufficient food and clean water. Make us ever mindful of the farmers and laborers who supply us with food, and open our hands to share what we have received. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**
- **WA:** Awaken our nation to care for veterans and others who have experienced the stress and trauma of war or other military conflicts. Inspire us to promote the well-being of those who have put themselves in the service of others.

  Lord in your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.
- WA: Bow down to meet those who are trampled. Greet them with mercy, and give new life to those who feel overwhelmed or broken by discrimination, grief, or illness. We pray especially for, *Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Lois Paulsen, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Steve Fahr, Verl Price Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jean, Jon Forsythe Meghan, Pam, Bruce, Diane, Darren, Bruce Johnson, Myron Coaty, Scott Bonnet, Deb Lindeman Harder, Graham Russell, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Jim Watson. Give strength and courage to this week to <i>Lois Paulsen*.

  Lord in your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.
- WA: You ground us in love of Christ and teach us to pray for one another. We lift our prayers for Good Shepherd family, *Kurt & Krystal Schlichting, Neal & Cyndy Schumaker*, *Marcelle Fahr, Tim Gordon, Mitch Winder, Betty Raders, Joshua Proehl, Dawn Diffenderfer*. Bless them and their family, and surround them in your great love. Lord in your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.
- **WA:** Bind us together with the saints of every time and place until we join them around your throne. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**
- P: Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

## **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

#### **MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### **OFFERING**

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including the care of those in need. Offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us. 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.

#### **CHOIR ANTHEM**

### OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE

Please Stand

#### OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **DIALOGUE**

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

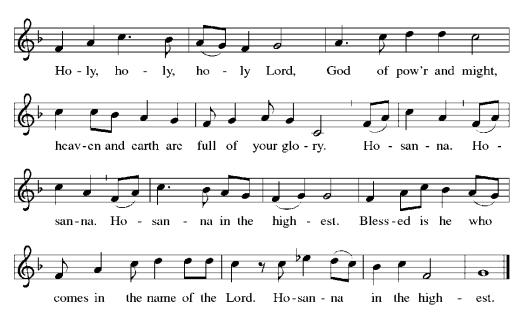
P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### HOLY HOLY HOLY

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#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

#### LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

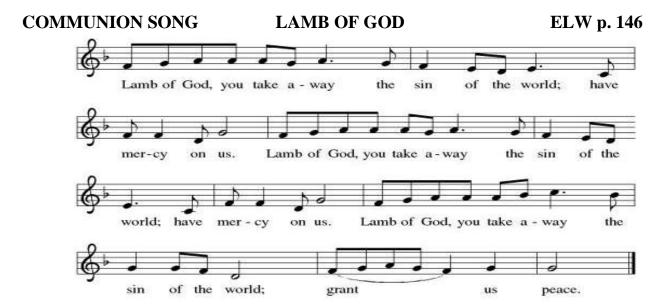
Amen.

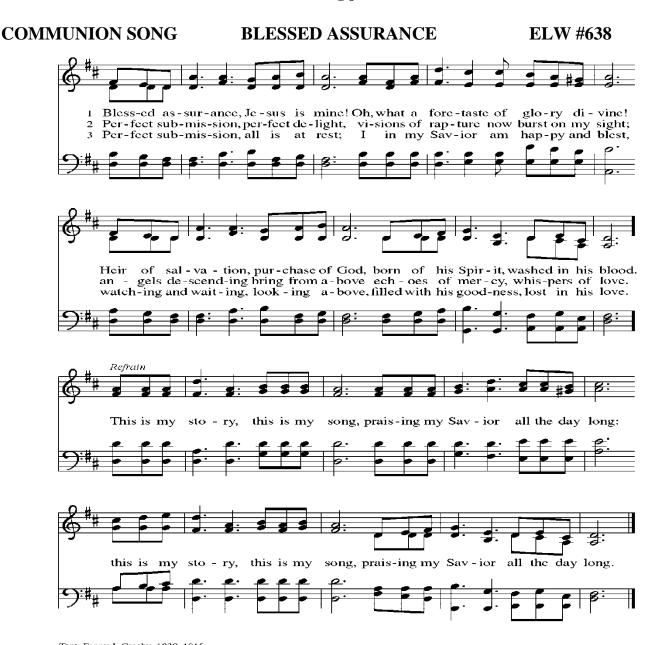
#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.





Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

#### 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: Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

#### **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **BLESSING**

P: The love of God surround you; the grace of  $\oplus$  Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore. **C: Amen**.

### **SENDING SONG**

## LORD OF GLORY, YOU HAVE BROUGHT US ELW#707



Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818–1889, alt. Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

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

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you. C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Tena Rackow

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#### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Pastor: Pastor Miho Yasukawa

Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier

Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr Lector: Shirley Fox Acolyte: Jared Runkle

Assisting Minister: Sheila Keene Worship Assistant: Kayla Runkle

Greeters: Bill and Jean Engel, Troy and Cindy Doubler <u>Ushers:</u> Gary and Cynthia Boeke, Jerry and Beth Martin

Communion Usher: Mike and Kelly Geiseman Communion Set-up: Angie Brinker

Sound System: Denny Luke and Ethan Fye Communion Asst: Marybeth Brinker and Hanna Brinker

Elevator Operator: Krista and Troy Keene

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD November 11 <sup>th</sup> through November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2018		
Today	Worship Service	9:30 am
-	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Monday	Parkinson Support Group, Holiday Pot Luck	12:30pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing at Lena Living Center	9:45am
·	Pr. Miho at PLC meeting, Synod office, Rockford	2:00 pm
	Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
•	Pr. Miho at NW Conference meeting, First, Chadwick	9:30am-11:00am
Thursday	Good Shepherd at Friendship Center for Devotions and Dessert	1:00pm
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·	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation Class	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
	Attendance November 4 <sup>th</sup> - 57	•

Total Offering 11/04/18 - \$1759.00 amount needed \$4480.64

#### **Praying for Our Members**

Every week we are going to lift our members in prayer. Sunday school children will pick names during the class, and the names will be added to the following Sunday service.

#### Children's Worship Bulletin is Available

The Children's bulletin follows the Sunday lessons with coloring page, word search, and crossword puzzle. They are available at both entrances

<u>Parkinson Support Group</u>
The Parkinson Support Group will meet Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm for holiday potluck in the Fellowship Hall.

#### **Lena Area Church Cooperative Thanksgiving Baskets**

**Reminder:** The Lena Area Church Cooperative is accepting monetary donations for Thanksgiving Baskets in the fellowship hall. The last Sunday for donations is November 18th.

Good Shepherd volunteers at the food pantry on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month. The hours are from 8:30 until 11:30. There is a signup sheet by the bulletin board, so please let us know if you are able to volunteer or be a sub. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Fox or Mary Lloyd.

#### Thank you!

Mark 6:37 But Jesus said, "You feed them."

#### **Cheese and Sausage Gift Boxes**

Members of the Lena Area Historical Society are taking orders for gift boxes of cheese from Torkelson Cheese and sausage log from AJ Lena Maid Meats. The cost of the gift box is \$25.00 and will be available for pick up on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Orders need to be turned in by November 24<sup>th</sup>. Order blanks available in the church office or from Cindy Drye at 815-369-4030 or Eleanor Holmes at 815-369-4304

#### **Ladies Day Out**

Ladies Day Out will be on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-3:00pm at the Lena Elementary School. 9:00am-12:00pm will be breakfast with Santa. Free admission, door prizes.

### **Looking for Vintage Christmas Ornaments**

Do you have OLD VINTAGE Christmas ORNAMENTS that we can borrow for the Christmas season? The Sunday School children will be decorating their classrooms and the entire church for the Christmas season. If you can help, please contact the church office

## Wear your Hat to church on November 25

We will celebrate Christ the King Sunday by wearing hats. Put on your favorite cowboy hat, cap, beanie, beret, bonnet, helmet, cheesehead, or any hat to the worship service.

### **Sock Drive for Le-Win Elementary School**

Good Shepherd is having a Sock Drive this winter. Our collection goes to Le-Win Elementary School to help children keep their feet warm with our love. There will be a collection box near the church office. Please bring NEW comfortable socks for children. We will collect until January 7th, 2019.

#### **Christmas Parade**

We are participating in the Christmas parade in downtown, Lena on November 30<sup>th</sup>. The theme of this year is "Lena's Vintage Christmas." The parade starts at 6pm. We are looking for helpers and riders.

If you are interested, talk to Kristy or Pr. Miho

#### Christmas is Coming

December 2 (Sunday) 9:30am-3:00pm Advent Fun--Let's Good Shepherd get ready for Christmas! baking cookies, decorating church, crafts, lunch, and more.

December 7, 8 (Friday, Saturday) Christmas Tour of Homes

December 9 (Sunday) 2:00pm Christmas Caroling

sharing the joyful sounds of Christmas season with our community.

December 16 (Sunday) 9:30am Children's Christmas Program "Ornaments of Christmas"

December 21-22 (Friday-Saturday) 5:30pm-9:30am Youth OWL Night