
June 23rd, 2019 at 9:30 am

Second Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific—the demonic—nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of the Holy Communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus "until he comes." It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."

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.

Nursery: Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.

Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

Children's Worship Bulletins are available at both entrances.

We are delighted to have you.

*This service will use a liturgy **ELW setting 10** (cranberry hymnal) in your pew.*

PRELUDE

Tena Rackow

WELCOME

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us ☩ all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.



GATHERING HYMN "PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS"
ELW#843

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;

praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.

Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.

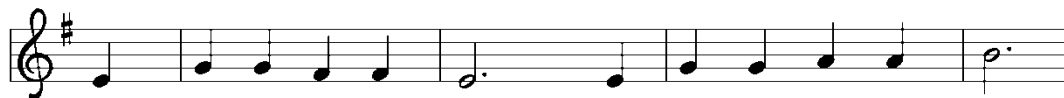
calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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

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1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.

2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.

3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE READING: Galatians 3:23-29

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

L: A reading from Galatians.

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C:** Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"ALLELUIA!"

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39

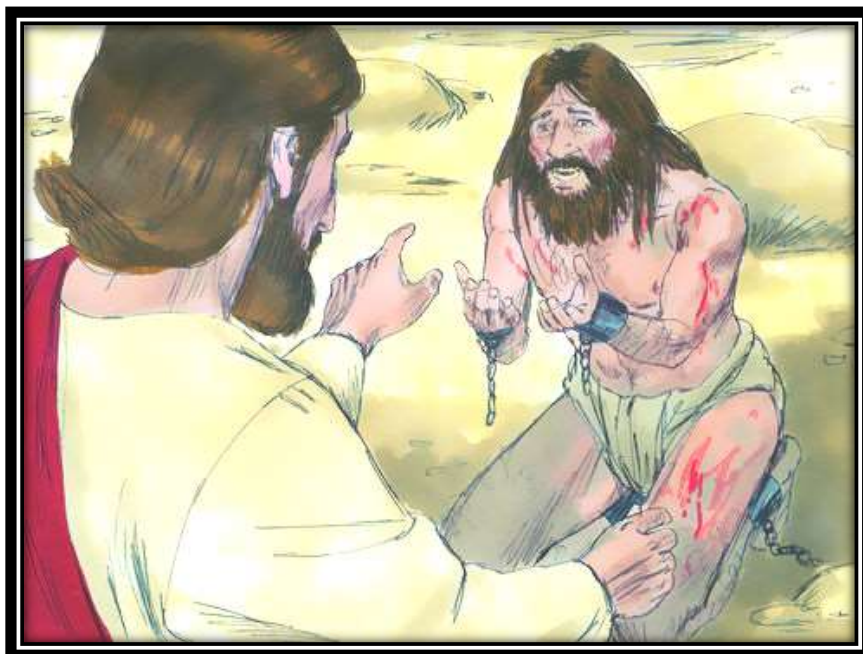
P: The holy gospel according to Luke. C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus' mission includes foreigners, and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony of God's mercy and power.

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**



SERMON

“Why did Jesus leave the man?”

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY “I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY

ELW# 611



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, “I am this dark world’s light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast.”
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live.”
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.”



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing - place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I’ll walk till trav - ’ling days are done.

APOSTLES’ CREED

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the words of the 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: let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God**

WA: Joining our voices with God’s people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.

A brief silence

WA: For all servants of the gospel, for the church throughout the world, and for all who sing the praise and glory of God, that through the gift of faith, all declare the wonderful name of Christ. We especially give thanks for Christ Lutheran in Stockton for their new pastor, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For the well-being of creation, for mountains and lakes, for fields and forests, and for plants and animals, that God lift up good stewards to care for the entire earth, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For the nations and their rulers, for aid workers, and for people in war-torn areas, that God raise up leaders and advocates to work for the equality of all, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God

WA: For all who cry out in need: the hungry and poor, the downtrodden and outcast, the grieving and the sick *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Gene Hesselbacher, Fern Harnish, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Charmaine Magee, Nina Mueller, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Sylvia, Diane, Darren, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Randy, Brian, Don Hoge, Vicky Gobeli, the Heimann family, Richard Gordon, Jean, Cathy Stouffer, Dave, Terry, Dave Heinkel, Janet, and our friends in Pine Ridge community.* Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to **Lois Paulsen**. Pray for love, peace, comfort, and resurrection hope for the family and friends of **Ruth Jacobs**. Restore them, and bring them into the joy of your presence. That all know that God is near and hears their cries, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For VBS leaders and volunteers, for those who are traveling and absent from worship, and for visitors in our midst, for the Men's Group, for children and staff at the pool, that God's love lead them in their daily vocations, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For Good Shepherd family, Duane Eilders, Adam, Dena, Lukas, Penelope, and Kenlee Price, and Jace Schlichting, that your love be known through them, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For all baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, including those who have died. Confident that we belong to you in life and in death, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

P: Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through 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

What is offering? Offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us. Offerings can take various forms such as prayer, voices, time, fruit from the land, money, and being the hands and feet of God's works in the world. Give thanks to our Lord!

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I SAW THE LIGHT"

(By; Hank Williams Sr.)

MEN'S CHOIR

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: And also with you.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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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**

God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready

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.

**COMMUNION SONG****“LAMB OF GOD”**

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN "TAKE MY LIFE, THAT I MAY BE" ELW#685

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the final two verses. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with the bass line providing harmonic support.

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself, and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

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

COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

BLESSING

P: Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN “IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST” ELW#650

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;

but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
 his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind.
 All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

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

POSTLUDE**Tena Rackow**

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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERDJune 23rd through June 30th, 2019

Today:	Worship Service Fellowship Confirmation Class Men's Group Cookout	9:30 am 10:30am 11:00am
Wednesday:	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Next Sunday:	GRACE Worship Hymn Sing "Faith of our families" Fellowship	9:30am 10:30am

Attendance: June 16th - 47

Total Offering 06/16/2019 - \$890.00; amount needed -\$2830.99

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.

We would like to thank the Men's Choir for their special music this morning.

Send your summer pictures

If you are traveling this summer, share your joy with Good Shepherd family by sending your digital pictures to the church office e-mail goodshepherdlc@mediacombb.net
We will share your picture at Sunday worship.

2019 Swing Choir Tour Cancellation

From <http://lomc.org/swing-choir-tour-schedule/>

We are heartbroken to let you know we have postponed (cancelled) our 2019 Swing Choir Tour for this summer and are already working on revamping and reviving it for next year. After prayerful conversation and discussion, we decided that with the lower number of Swing Choir Tour performers, we couldn't provide a quality music experience this summer. Our apologies to the churches, organizations and loyal fans of Swing Choir. We hope next summer to be back with an experience that "connects the Word of God to the World of God."

Cookout!!

Men's Group are grilling pork chops *today*. Join potluck luncheon at the Fellowship hall after the service.

Silent Auction

Our youth group is having silent auction to raise fund for upcoming youth activities. Your donation will be matched by Mitek Co. Check out the auction items in the Fellowship Hall. Bidding ends 11am on June 30th.
Thank you for your support.

Vacation Bible School

Our VBS will be July 15th to July 18th. Theme is Friendship: A Love that never ends. We are looking for helpers and volunteers. If you are interested or have any questions, please talk to Kristy.

Next Sunday: HYMN SING GRACE Worship

Next Sunday's worship service will be a hymn sing. We will sing old and new favorite hymns and hear faith stories.

RAMP Wheel-A-Thon

Join Mason Street VBS, RAMP Wheel-A-Thon team by going our team site:

<https://www.classy.org/team/231531>