GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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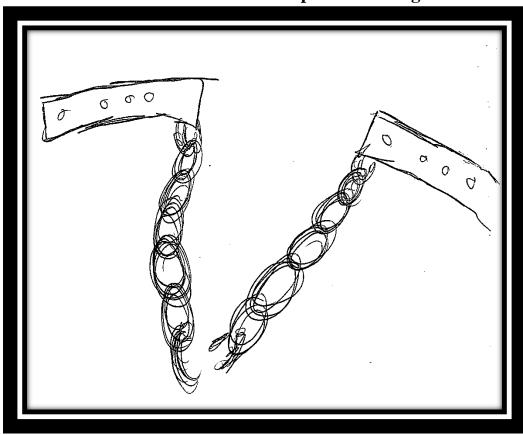
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Art by Anna Patterson

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.



On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE Tena Rackow

Time for reflection in silence.

WELCOME

Assembly may stand.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

ELW p. 97

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

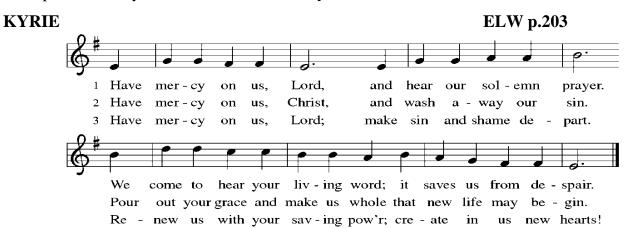


GATHERING HYMN "THE CHURCH OF CHIRST IN EVRY AGE" ELW#729 (Verses 1, 3, & 5)



GREETING ELW p.203

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.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Assembly may be seated.

WORD

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

L: A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

PSALM: Psalm 46 (read responsively)

A: ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

A: ³though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

C: ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

A: ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

C: ⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

A: ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

C: ⁸Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

A: ⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

C: ¹⁰"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

A: ¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

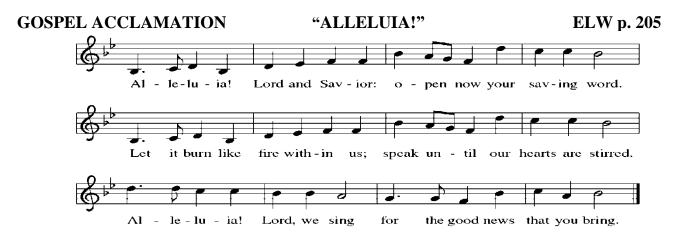
SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

L: A reading from Romans.

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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



GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

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

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They

answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

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

Assembly may be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY

"LISTEN, GOD IS CALLING" *

ELW#513

Neno Lake Mungu



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: Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence

WA: God, our refuge and strength, you make all things new. Reform your church so that our life together bears witness to your unmerited love. Free us from sin and write the law of love on our hearts. We lift Pastor Mack, a new campus pastor at Grace Place, and Pastor Chelsey who will be ordained this afternoon in our prayer. May you guide them and bless their work. Lord, in your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

WA: Reform our relationships with you, with one another, and with all creation. Restore this good earth, the home you entrust to our care. Enrich soils, cleanse waters, and purify the air. Bless farmers who are working in the field day and night. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Be the present help of those suffering the tumult of illness, poverty, abandonment, and uncertainty. Bring your calm and healing to those in need. We pray especially for Bob and Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Diane, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Cindy Tessendorf, Randy, Brian, Don Hoge, Vicky Gobeli, the Heimann family, Richard Gordon, Dave Heinkel, Janet, Paul Heller, Kayla Gobeli, Lori, J.T., Kris Sanders, Dan and Sue White, Irene, Pr. Charles Steinke, Jeff and Deb, and Paul Nelson. Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to Lois Paulsen. Lord, in your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

WA: We give you thanks for college students and young adults in Good Shepherd, Brianna, Colton, Sondra, Austin, Taylor, Anna, and Danica. In their busy days with study, work, and fun times, please watch over them and walk with them. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer. WA:** We remember before you those who have died in Christ and now live in the fullness of salvation. We trust your presence now even as we wait for your glory to be revealed. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE ELW p. 206

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

Assembly may be seated.

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!

CHOIR ANTHEM

"WHEN IN OUR MUSIC GOD IS GLORIFIED"

Congregation will join singing in verse 5.

V.5 Let every instrument be tuned for praise!

Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!

And may God give us faith to sing always:

Alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE ELW p. 206

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

ELW p. 207

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;

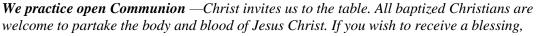
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

Amen.

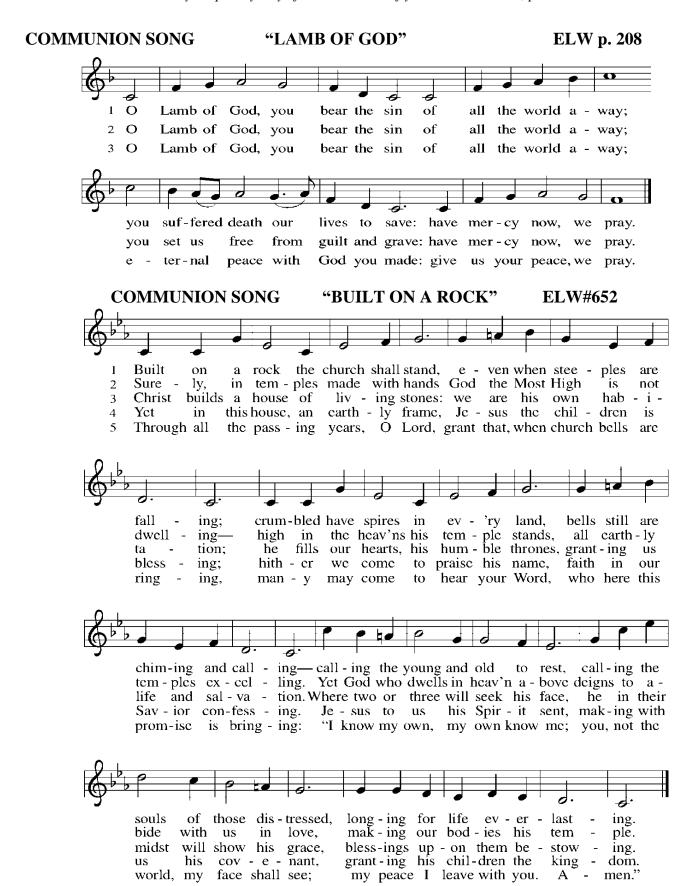
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come, take your place at the feast.





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.



Assembly may remain seated.

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: Let us pray.

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received:

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

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

COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

Assembly may stand.

God's

BLESSING

P: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Almighty God \oplus bless you with grace, mercy, and peace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us. C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Tena Rackow

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Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Tena Rackow

<u>Lector</u>: Sue Diddens <u>Assisting Minister:</u> Jay Andrews <u>Acolyte</u>: Kayla Runkle

Worship Assistant: Vivian Hesselbacher Communion Set-up: Denny Luke

Communion Asst: Sheila Keene and Denny Luke Communion Usher: Larry Fulfs and Andrew Martin

Sound System: Troy Doubler and open

<u>Greeters</u>: Chris and Angie Brinker, Gary and Cynthia Boeke Ushers: Jim Swain, Bari Raymer, Virgil Gordon and Tim Gordon

Elevator Operator: Taylor Patterson and Kristy Patterson

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD October 27th through November 3rd, 2019

Today:	Worship Service -Reformation Sunday	9:30am
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Go and Cheer! Fall Concert @ Highland Community College	3:00pm

Wednesday: "Piece Corps" Quilting Group 8:00am-11:30am

Next Sunday: Worship Service-All Saints Sunday
Fellowship
Sunday School
10: 45 am

Sunday School 10: 45 am
Choir Practice 11:00am
GS at Worship Service at Lena Living Center 2:30pm
Chime Practice 5:00pm

Attendance: October 20th - 59

Total Offering 10/20/2019 - \$4843.00; amount needed -\$3468.35

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.

Today's Hymn of the Day "Listen, God is Calling" is our member's favorite hymn.



We, as the Good Shepherd family, will go and cheer our members! Here is upcoming schedule.

October 27th (Today) Fall Concert from Stage and Screen @ Highland Community College, 3pm November 8th (Friday) and November 9th (Saturday), Fall HS Play "A Suessified Pride and Prejudice" @ Le-Win Fine Arts Center, 7:30pm.

If you know upcoming games/meets/concerts/etc., please let the church office know.

Beloved Church 2019 Harvest Fest

Beloved Church, 216 W. Mason Street, would like to invite everyone to their 2019 Harvest Fest on October 31st from 5pm-8pm, Free events plus food, rides, prizes and candy.

The American Passion Play

Prince of Peace is planning a trip to see the "Passion Play" at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts, Bloomington, Illinois, on Saturday, 21 March 2020. We will be taking a bus, so seats will be limited to 40 – first come, first served. The cost is \$85.00 per person, which includes the bus with gratuity for the driver, ticket for the performance, and a buffet lunch. Reservations need to be in by 31 October, and money paid by then, in order to get the tickets ordered. Friends are welcome. Contact Prince of Peace of you would like to attend the performance.

September and October are Food Pantry Months

Bring your donation to the food pantry boxes (located at each entrance) or the table in the Sanctuary. Monetary donations are also appreciated. (Please mark on the envelope FOOD PANTRY and place it in the offering plate.) Current needs are: laundry soap, dish soap (smaller sized), and personal hygiene products: toothpaste, bar soap, shaving needs, toilet paper.

All Saints' Sunday

We will remember our loved ones who passed away since last November with a carnation on the altar and by lifting their names during prayer of the people. If you would like to remember your loved ones who died this past year to be included this year's All Saints' Sunday, please contact the church office by October 29th.

Alzheimer's Disease & Dementia

ADRC of Monroe will be hosting a workshop for family members, caregivers, and professionals, "Understanding and Coping with challenges or Alzheimer's disease and dementia", on Wednesday, November 6th, from 8:30am-3:15pm at Monroe United Methodist Church 2227 4th Street, Monroe. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Nathaniel Chin, from Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (ADRC). Fee is \$30, registration is due by November 1st. Registration is required. Lunch will be included. Questions call ADRC at 608-328-9499.

Monroe Clinic Hospice presents:

"Handling the Holidays Program" Holidays can be especially challenging time of the year for adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Learn how to cope during the holiday season with help from Monroe Clinic's caring hospice team. We welcome you to joins us Saturday, November 2nd, from 1:30-3:30pm, at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 Sixth St., Monroe. There is no cost to attend, but space is limited. To register or learn more call 608-324-1230 or toll free at 800-367-8406 or visit **www.monroeclinic.org**.

Time/Talent/Pledge Form for 2020

Please fill out and return your Time/Talent/Pledge form for 2020 by **November 10th**. Please return the form back to the church office or place it in the offering plate or fill it out during fellowship hour! Stewardship committee will help you fill them out. Your response will help tremendously to plan next year's ministry. Thank you.

Come and join us for the special 536th Birthday Party at Good Shepherd Fellowship Hall
Date: November 10th (Sunday)
Time: after worship, around 10:45am-1:00pm
Ice cream and cupcakes!
No gifts please. Your presence is precious.

Looking for FAVORITE CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Please submit your favorite Christmas carols by Sunday November 3rd. We need your help to plan 5 Christmas services. Thank you!

	Favorite Christmas Carols	
Hymn Title:		
Hymn #: ELW or WOV (circle one) _		