April 26th 2015 at 9:30 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by Anna Patterson



Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church If you are visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and to know that we are delighted to have you here

WELCOME! We want you to be at ease - we won't ask you to stand up and be recognized, but we'd love it if you would introduce yourself. Welcome to Good Shepherd!

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 Children are always welcome at our worship services; however, if you desire, please feel free to use the nursery located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.

THIS WEEK	AT GOOD SHEPHERD	April 26 th thru May 3 rd 2015
Today	Worship with Holy Communion/Youth Sunday	9:30 am
	Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday School after Children's Me	essage
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School Opening in Sanctuary (Preshool-6 th grade)	10:45 am
	Sunday School (Small Groups 1 st -6 th grade) and Choir Praction	ce 11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
	Fellowship of Christian Athletes for 6 th -12 th graders at Hango	ut 5:30 pm-7:00 pm
Monday	Pastor Miranda at Grace Place Board Meeting	4:00 pm-10:30 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders @The Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:30 pm-8:00 pm
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<u>Pastor</u>: Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

Worship Planners: Sunday School Children, Confirmation Youth, and High School Youth

Youth Preacher: Colton Brinker
Custodian: Taylor Bastian
Secretary: Darlene Barr

Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker

Organist: Karen Niemeier

Missionaries to Tanzania: Randy & Carol Stubbs Family Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr

Acolyte: Jared Runkle and Hanna Brinker Welcome Visitor: Sue Diddens, Garrett Sutter

Greeters: Tyler Shriner, Madi Diddens, Nathaniel Baker, Cameron Baker,

Ashtyn Brinker, Jared Runkle, Hanna Brinker, Allonah Sutter,

and Sunday School Kids

<u>Ushers:</u> Denny Luke, Sarah Geisman, Ian Geisman, Cierra Hatelak,

& Sunday School Kids

Offering Ushers: Sarah & Ian Geisman, Cierra Hatelak, Nathanial, Baker, Coltin Coonts

<u>Communion Ushers</u>: Jacob Runkle and Khayne Albright Communion Assistants: Madi Diddens and Ashtyn Brinker

Communion Set-up: Troy and Cindy Doubler

Assisting Ministers: Austin Andrews, Taylor Bastian

<u>Lectors:</u> Anna Patterson, Coltin Coonts, Hanna Brinker, Ashtyn Brinker

Worship Assistants: Sondra Winters, Allonah Sutter, Shayleigh Albright, Taylor Patterson,

Kayla Runkle, Krista Keene, and Sunday School Children

Sound System: Braden Diddens, Jay Andrews, Troy Doubler

<u>Power Point Creator</u>: Taylor Bastian

Song Leaders: Khayne Albright, Sarah Geisman, Cierra Hatelak, Shayleigh Albright,

Allonah Sutter, Garret Sutter, Kayla Runkle, Krista Keene, Taylor Patterson, Jesse Klosterboer, Taylor Bastian, & Sunday School Kids

Decorations: Kayla Runkle, Andrea Sutter, Jared Runkle, Allonah Sutter,

Garrett Sutter, Khayne Albright

Confirmation Skit: Braden Diddens, Krista Keene, Coltin Coonts, Anna Patterson,

Taylor Bastian, Taylor Patterson, and Jesse Klosterboer

Worship Attendance April 19th was 53 Total Offering for April 19, 2015: \$3,960.00 Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,658.39

Request for Prayer List: Please call the Church @ 815-369- 5552 or Pastor Miranda @ 815-291-5793

Good Shepherd Prayer List

We pray for all of those who are lonely, injured, sick, needing healing, or in need in any way. This week we especially pray for *Betty Koehn*, *Ellen Kyles*, *Lynn Meyers*, *Jon Forsythe*, *Roger Schamberger*, *Steve Gray*, *Donna Euler*, *Larry Bonebright and homebound members Gladys Staderman and Dorothy Weimer*.

The flowers on the altar are in celebration of Kurt and Sue Diddens' 40th wedding anniversary today.

Order of Worship

The Work of the People by Dakota Road Music

Music on CD PRELUDE:

Krista Keene on Piano &

"Lamb of God"

Good Shepherd Chime Choir

WELCOME

Jacob: Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here to worship with us on this Youth Sunday!

ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Assisting Ministers

GATHERING SONGS

On a Day Like This

On a day like this... oh, I need the Lord to Help Me!

Every Move I Make

Every Move I make, I make in you You make me move, Jesus Every breath I take I breath in you Every step I take, I take in you You are my way, Jesus Every breath I take, I breathe in you Waves of mercy, waves of grace Everywhere I look I see your face Your love has captured me Oh my God, this love, How can it be? La- La- la la la,la (4x)

INVOCATION: (congregation stands)

Taylor Bastian

We welcome each other to worship in the name of God our creator, and our redeemer, who walks with us and promises to be with us every step of our lives.

EASTER LITANY

Shaleigh: Christ is risen! Alleluia! C: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia Shaleigh: The power of death is broken.

C: God's people are free.

Shaleigh: This is the day the Lord has made;

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Shaleigh: Christ is risen! Alleluia! C: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

ELW PG. 97

Taylor B.: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. C: Amen.

Austin: 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 we gives thanks.

Taylor B.: 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.

Austin: 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.

Taylor B.: 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.

Austin: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

As a reminder of the gift of baptism, the assembly may be sprinkled with water during the singing.

GATHERING HYMNS: Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

ELW #857

Lord, I lift your name on high.

Lord, I love to sing your praises.

I'm so glad you're in my life,

I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,

from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;

from the cross to the grave,

from the grave to the sky;

Lord, I lift your name on high. (repeat)

Lord, I lift your name on high.

Lord, I lift your name on high.

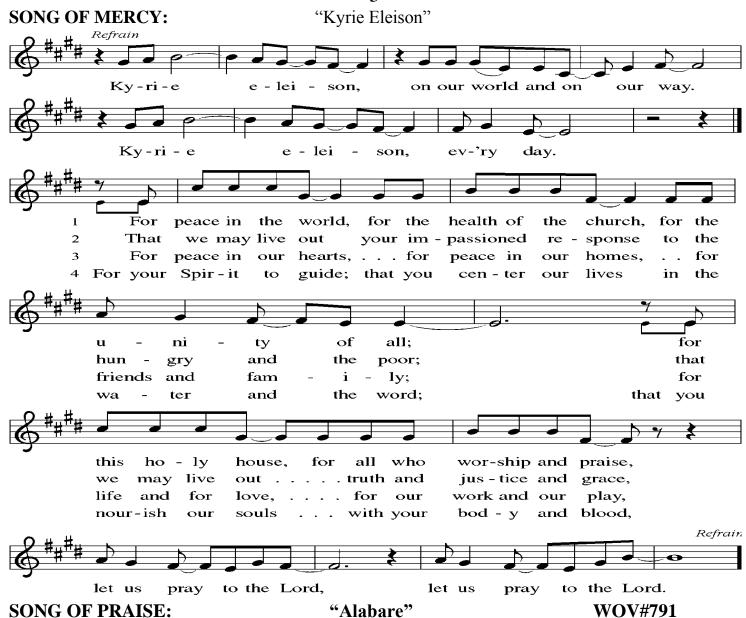
I, the Lord of Sea and Sky Here I Am, Lord

ELW#574

- "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
- Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.
- 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*
- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

GREETING:

Kayla: 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.**



Refrain

Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré a mi Señor! Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré a mi Señor!

- John saw the number of all those redeemed, and all were singing praises to the Lord. Thousands were praying, thousands were rejoicing, and all were singing praises to the Lord. *Refrain*
- Voices united in joy and in singing, we offer praise and glory to our God: to God the Father, to Christ the Savior, and to the Holly Spirit, three in one. *Refrain*
- We are your people, O God everlasting, the people you created out of love. Mercy and Justice, Power and Wisdom: we bless you, we adore you without end. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Kayla: Let us pray. C: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Please be seated.)

ALL AGES MESSAGE

Trusting in God Skit

Confirmation Class

Congregation members are invited to write or draw something on their notecard that they would like to trust God with. Note cards placed in the offering plate will be displayed together, as we celebrate our God who is with us, who gives us peace, and who we can trust.

Anna Patterson: The 1st READING is from Acts 4:5-12 *Peter and John had been arrested the previous day because they were proclaiming the news of the resurrection to the people. In today's reading, Peter is filled with the Holy Spirit so that he is able to proclaim salvation in Jesus' name to the religious authorities.*⁵The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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

Psalm 23 ELW#23

Hanna: 1The LORD is my shepherd;

Ashtyn: I shall not be in want.

Hanna: 2The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures

Ashtyn: and leads me beside still waters. Hanna: 3You restore my soul, O LORD,

Ahstyn: and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

Hanna: 4Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

Ashtyn: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Hanna: 5You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; Ashtyn: you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Hanna: 6Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

Ashtyn: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Special Music

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

Good Shepherd Choir

Coltin Coonts: The 2nd READING is from 1 John 3:16-20 *Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.*

¹⁶We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us — and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before

him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. L: The word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

"Help Us O Lord" congregation sings through two times



P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 10:11-18 C: Glory to you, O Lord!

In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.

¹¹I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away — and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. 14I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father." P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to vou, O Christ! Please be seated **SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound Colton Brinker

ELW#779

- Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

CREED We Believe by The Newsboys

In this time of desperation

When all we know is doubt and fear

There is only One Foundation

We believe, We believe

In this broken generation

When all is dark, You help us see

There is only One Salvation

We believe, We believe

We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ.

We believe in the Holy Spirit. And He's given us new life

We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death

We believe in the resurrection. And He's comin' back again, we believe

So, let our faith be more than anthems

Greater than the songs we sing

And in our weakness and temptations. We believe, We believe

We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ

We believe in the Holy Spirit. And He's given us new life

We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death

We believe in the resurrection. And He's comin' back again

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised

In the here and now, let love invade

Let the church live love our God will see We believe, We believe.

And the gates of hell will not prevail

For the power of God, has torn the veil

Now we know Your love will never fail We believe, We believe!

We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ

We believe in the Holy Spirit. And He's given us new life

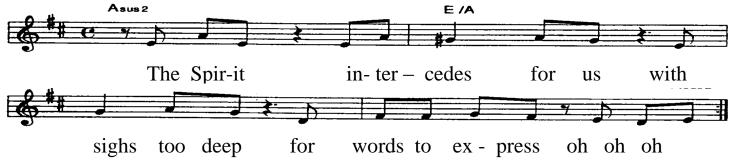
We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death

We believe in the resurrection. And He's comin' back, He's comin' back again

He's comin' back again. We believe! We believe

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Congregation: After piano introduction, sing "The Spirit intercedes for us" with repeat.



After each petition: WA: let us pray C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: Confident that the resurrection of Christ has defeated sin and death, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

WA: For the leaders of the church of all ages; for those who teach the gospel; that salvation be preached to all in word and deed, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For the beauty of creation, for those who care for the land and all creatures, especially those who work the land during this time of planting, and for those who find recreation in natural resources, that all see God's goodness revealed there, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**WA: For the rulers of nations, local and national leaders, and those who provide counsel to them.

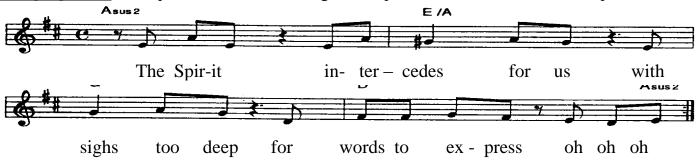
WA: For the rulers of nations, local and national leaders, and those who provide counsel to them, that they be guided by the command to love one another, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For the imprisoned, those who feel themselves living without hope, and the sick *especially Betty Koehn, Ellen Kyles, Lynn Meyers*, *Jon Forsythe, Roger Schamberger, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Larry Bonebright*, and those living with HIV/AIDS, that they know the comfort of the Lord surrounding them. Strengthen and encourage *Gladys Staderman and Dorothy Weimer*, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For families and friends, for those absent from worship, and for those celebrating significant events in their lives, that the Holy Spirit guide all God's people in their work and their journeys, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

Austin: Holy God, by the death and resurrection of your Son, you have granted new life, abundant renewal, and salvation. Hear our prayers for the sake of the one who has set us free, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

Congregation: After piano introduction, sing "The Spirit intercedes for us" with repeat.



PEACE

Austin: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Austin: We invite you to greet one another as we sing together "Shake Another Hand"

SONG

Shake Another Hand

Shake another hand, shake a hand next to ya,

shake another hand as you sing this song.

Shake another hand, shake a hand next to ya,

shake another hand as you sing, sing this song

Chorus: A-la-la, la la le-lu-ia, A-la-la-la, la la le-lu.

A-la-la, la la le-lu-ia, A-la-la, la-a-a-le-lu-ia

- 2. High another five
- 3. Hug another friend
- 4. Bump another rump
- 5. Praise the God of all, praise the God who loves you. Praise the God of all and sing this song.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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. During this time, the table is set. After the table is set, the offering is gathered & the anthem concludes, the acolyte walks out to the edge of the chancel steps to receive the offering from the ushers.

OFFERING MUSIC

"Sanctuary"

Confirmation Students

OFFERING PRAYER (congregation stands)

Krista: Let Us Pray. C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. ay by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/ LORD'S PRAYER

Allonah: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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 here — you don't have to be a member to participate. All who share our belief that Jesus is present in his holy meal are welcome to receive the bread and cup. Children and adults who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a special blessing. Holy Communion will be celebrated today using intinction (you will dip the piece of bread into the chalice of wine). 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 wish to commune and are unable to come forward or need other assistance, please let an usher know so that we can serve you.





COMMUNION SONG

Walk in the Spirit of Love

Tena Rackow

Walk in the spirit of love;
Walk in the spirit of love;
Love one another
as Jesus loves you,
Walk in the spirit of love.
(Live in the spirit of love...)
(Serve in the spirit of love...)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Taylor B.: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Hanna: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death, lift you up and restore you to wholeness.

C: Amen.

Allonah: Jesus Christ, the Word of life, bless you and send you to be his witnesses.

C: Amen.

Ashtyn: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always. **C: Amen**

SENDING SONG

Hippo Song

In the beginning God made the seas
And the forest filled with trees
God made the mountains up so high
Above it all He made the sky
God's fingerprints are everywhere
Just to show how much He cares
In this time He had some fun
He made a hippo that weighed a ton!
Hip, hip, hipp-o-potamus
Hi, hip, hurray! God made all of us!
(repeat)

DISMISSAL (from back)

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

POSTLUDE Music on CD

Summer 2015 Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Dates: August 7th to August 15th

We are in the process of forming our team for this year's Good Shepherd Mission Trip.

We will be going to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

Consider joining this year's team and see what God will do in and through you!

If you are interested contact Pastor Miranda 815-291-5793. Financial Assistance is available.

NEXT MISSION TRIP MEETING: Tuesday May 5th at 4:15 pm.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: can be picked up at the church office starting April 1st. Applications must be filled out and returned by April 30th.

Women's Mother/Daughter, Sister/Friends Spring Supper

Date: May 5, 2015 (Tuesday) Time: 6:00 pm Potluck Supper in Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm we will play Bingo **Mother/Daughter**, **Sister/Friends Spring Supper** hosted by the women of Faith and Hannah Circles. This year we are trying something new, because we are getting older and can't do as much as we used to be able to do. **So this year, please bring your favorite casserole, salad and/or dessert (enough to serve at least 10 people).**

If you have questions, please call Rene' Johnson (815) 369-2818. A free-will offering will be taken. Please call the church office (815) 369-5552, with the total number attending in your group by May 3, 2015. (See flyer on bulletin boards for more program information.)

Please join us for a wonderful evening of fun, fellowship and prizes.

End of the Year Carnival Sunday May 17th

WORSHIP with Sunday School Staff Recognition and special reception following in the Fellowship Hall SUNDAY SCHOOL SONGS in Fellowship Hall, FAMILY CARNIVAL with games for all ages, music, and treats in fellowship hall! And SUMMER MINISTRY REGISTRATION

Calling for Favorite Hymns!

Submit the names of your favorite hymns during fellowship time the next few weeks, and we will sing some of the top favorite of the congregation during worship this summer. Slips will be available during coffee hour May 3rd, 10th, and 17th.