May 10th 2015 at 9:30 am

Sixth Sunday of Easter

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

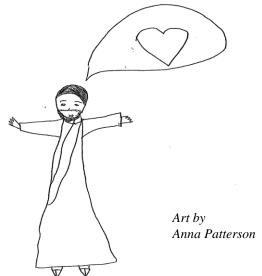
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Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church If you are visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and to know that we are delighted to have you here

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.

Pastor: Pastor Miranda Klosterboer Custodian: Taylor Bastian

Secretary:Darlene BarrPianists:Tena Rackow, Sarah BakerOrganist:Karen NiemeierMissionaries to Tanzania:Randy&Carol Stubbs Family

<u>Choir Dir. /accomp</u>: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr <u>Lector</u> Tena Rackow Acolyte: Coltin Coonts Assisting Minister Wayne Kurth

Worship Assistant:Sondra WintersCommunion UsherChris Brinker, Sheridan BrinkerWelcome Visitor:Jean WenzelCommunion Set-upJay and Michelle Andrews

Sound System: Troy Doubler, Ashtyn Brinker, Dan Kurth

<u>Greeters:</u> Virgil and Joanne Martin, Paul and Shirley Fox, Willie Kayser <u>Ushers:</u> Chris Brinker, Sheridan Brinker, Andrew Martin, Bob Lyvers

Communion Asst: Sue Diddens, Marybeth Brinker

Elevator Operator Donna Gullickson

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THIS WEEK	K AT GOOD SHEPHERD N	May 10 th thru May 17 th 2015
Today	Worship with Holy Communion	9:30 am
-	Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday School after Children's Message	
	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)	11:00 am
	Choir Practice/Chime Practice	11:00 am
Monday	Parkinson Support Group	1:30 pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing at LLC	9:45 am
Council Meeting		6:00 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-8:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion/Teacher Recognition	9:30 am
	Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday School after Children's Me	ssage
	Sunday School Songs	10:45 am
	End of the Year Carnival	11:00 am
Worship Attendance May 3 rd was 60		
Total Offering for May 3, 2015: \$2,294.00		
	Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,649.1	6

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*, *Lynn Hesselbacher*, *Pat and homebound members Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen*.

TODAY WE BAPTIZE Bailey Marie Schoenhard.

Bailey was born on January 29th, 2015 to parents Brian and Paula Schoenhard. Bailey's baptismal sponsors are her cousin Brianna Andrews and cousin Brandon Miles.

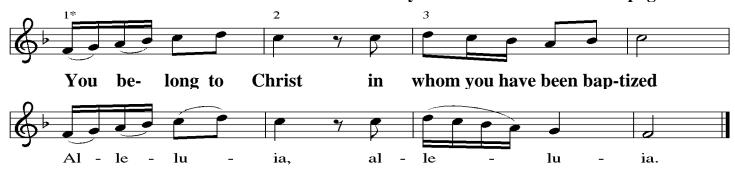
Order of Worship The Work of the People: Dakota Road Music

PRELUDE: Tena Rackow

Announcements & Community Concerns

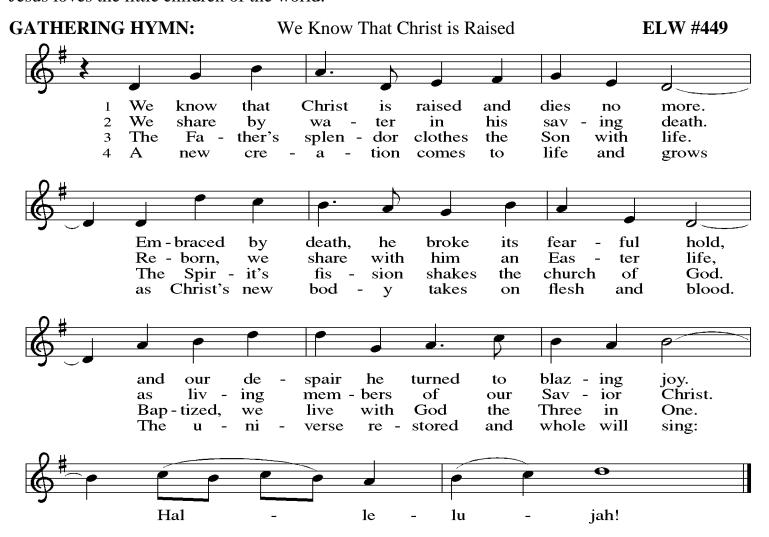
INVOCATION: A: We welcome each other to worship in the name of God our creator, and our redeemer, who walks with us and promises to be with us every step of our lives.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM for Bailey Marie Schoenhard: ELW page 227



JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN (REPEAT)

Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in His hand, Jesus loves the little children of the world.

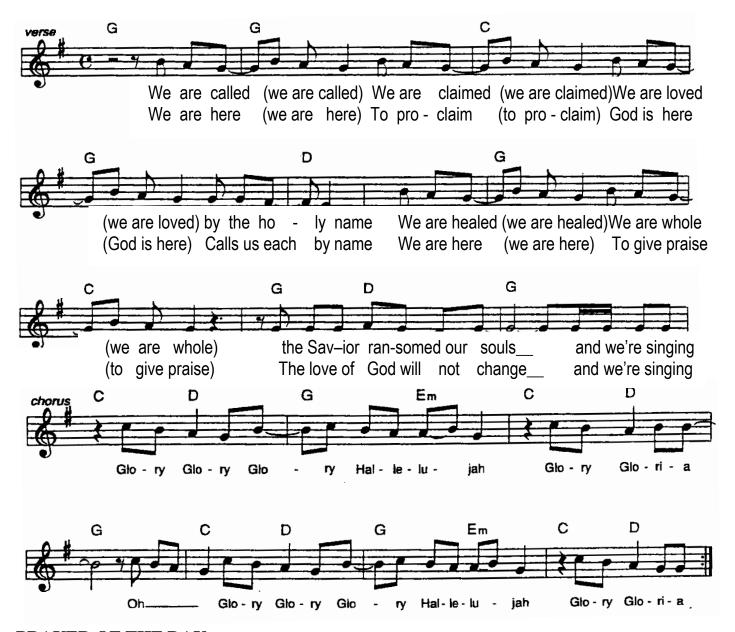


GREETING:

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.**



SONG OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Please be seated.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

L: The 1st READING is from Acts 10:44–48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit

just as we have? ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

Psalm 98 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) **ELW#98** ¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

L: The 2nd READING is from 1 John 5:1–6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. L: The word of the Lord! C: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

"Help Us O Lord"

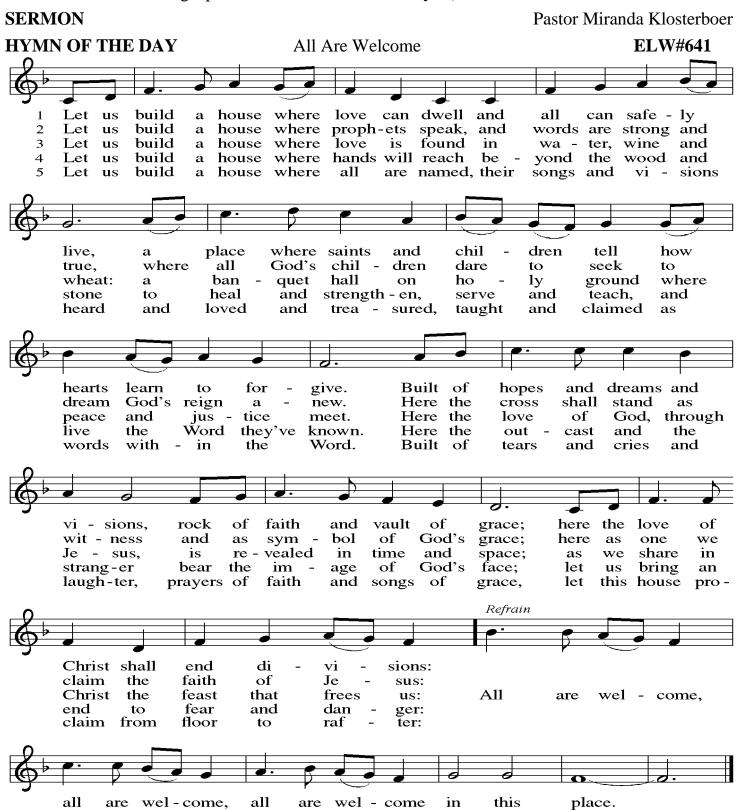
congregation sings through two times



P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 15:9–17 C: Glory to you, O Lord!

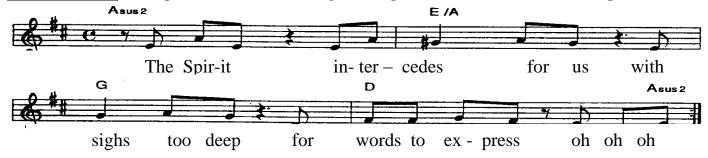
⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you

servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!** *Please be seated*



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 church on earth, for those who proclaim the gospel, and for the ministry of congregations throughout the world, for the newly baptized, that the Holy Spirit guide all to love and service, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For seas and fields, plants and animals, for the well-being of the earth, and for those who advocate for the just use of God's gifts, that all creation continue to thrive, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

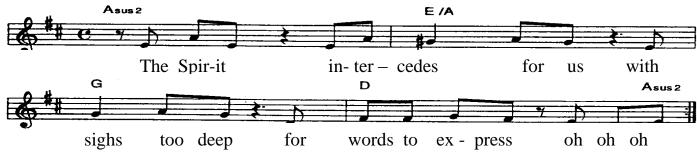
WA: For the nations of the world, those who govern and those who serve, that leaders accomplish their duties faithfully and judge people with equity, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For the sick, the lonely, those who mourn, those afflicted with malaria, and those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit especially *Betty Koehn*, *Ellen Kyles*, *Lynn Meyers*, *Jon Forsythe*, *Roger Schamberger*, *Steve Gray*, *Donna Euler*, *Lynn Hesselbacher and Pat*, *that God provide them with compassionate caregivers*, Strengthen and encourage *Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen*, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For diverse families in all places, for mothers celebrating this day, and for all parents and caregivers as they teach their children to know and love God, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.** WA: In thanksgiving for all the saints who have died in Christ, that their faithfulness to the gospel inspire us every day, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

Pastor: 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

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

Congregation may greet one another using these or similar words: Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING "Hymn of Promise" Choir Anthem

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 PRAYER (congregation stands)

A: Let Us Pray. C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/ LORD'S PRAYER

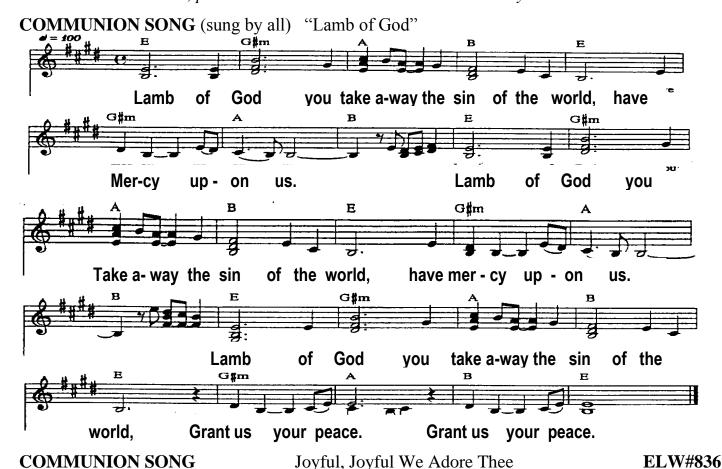
P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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 wafer 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.





- Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
- 2 All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.
- Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

 Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (assisting minister)

A: 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

- P: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death, lift you up and restore you to wholeness. **C: Amen.**
- P: Jesus Christ, the Word of life, bless you and send you to be his witnesses. C: Amen.
- P: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always. **C: Amen**



DIMISSAL (from back)

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

POSTLUDE Tena Rackow

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, as we did in 2013. We will work with Pastor Karen at the Pine Ridge Retreat Center as she serves as a mission outpost of service, pastoral ministry, meeting basic needs, offering a Sanctuary for kids to come after school, offering a sandwich ministry at lunchtime, and organizing cultural learning and service in the community with groups that come to learn and serve. The Pine Ridge Retreat center is a Lutheran Lakota Shared Ministry. I encourage you to pray about going yourself and/or about inviting a friend to join you.

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

Team Building! Discipleship! Relational Ministry!

Ministry with Lakota children! Cultural Learning! Service!

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

Our Next Mission Trip Meeting is Tuesday, May 19th, at 4:15pm

End of the Year Carnival Sunday May 17th

WORSHIP with Sunday School Staff and Confirmation Leader 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

God's Global Barnyard

Sunday School offerings this year are going towards ELCA's God's Global Barnyard. All of the animals in God's Global Barnyard help families who are poor and hungry throughout the world. All ages are invited to join us in this effort! God's Global Barnyard is a part of ELCA World Hunger.

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.

Looking... For Special Music for Summer Worship

If you or someone you know would like to share your talent, please call Vivian Hesselbacher at (815-369-4496)

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

May 11th at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Speaker will be Pat Leitzen Fye on "Yoga for Every Body".

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

will meet for a pot-luck dinner and entertainment with "Mississippi Man" at noon on Thursday, May 14th, in the church Fellowship Hall.

Lena Living Center Wed. May 13th

Meet at Doll Memorial Apts. Community Room 1008 S Logan, Lena, II.
-Complimentary Fall Risk Screenings by Aegis Therapy 1:00-2:00
Fall Prevention Seminar 2:00