May 24th 2015 at 9:30 am Day of Pentecost 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.

Pastor:	Pastor Miranda Klosterboer	Custodian:	Taylor Bastian		
Secretary:	Darlene Barr	<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker		
<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier	Missionaries to Tanzania:	Randy&Carol Stubbs Family		
Choir Dir. /accomp:	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	Lector	Larry Fulfs		
Acolyte:	Krista Keene	Assisting Minister	Denny Luke		
Worship Assistant:	Tena Rackow	Communion Usher	Jerimy and Cara Schriner		
Welcome Visitor:	Robert Schlachter	Communion Set-up	Jay and Michelle Andrews		
Sound System:	Troy Doubler. Taylor Bastian				
Greeters:	Neal and Cynthia Shumaker, Dana Diddens, Braden Diddens				
Ushers:	Darlene Aurand, Dana Diddens, Jerimy and Cara Schriner				
Communion Asst:	Austin Andrews, Taylor Bastian				
Elevator Operator	Lee Wenzel				

May 24th thru May 31st 2015

Tena Rackow

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

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Today	Worship with Holy Communion/Graduate Recognition		9:30 am	
	Preschool & Kindergarten Sunday School after Children's M	lessage		
	Fellowship		10:30 am	
	Good Shepherd leads Worship at the Lena Living Center		2:30 pm	
	Fellowship of Christian Athletes for 6 th -12 th grades at the Ha	ngout	5:30 pm-7:00 pm	
Monday	Office Closed for Memorial Day			
Tuesday	Mission Trip Meeting		4:15 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	
Thursday	Office Open		9:00 am-1:00 pm	
Saturday	Men's Group		4:30 pm	
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion		9:30 am	
	Fellowship		10:30 am	
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Total Offering for May 17, 2015: \$1,072.00 Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,711.58 **Dequest for Prover List:** Please cell the Church @ \$15,260, 5552 or Paster Miranda @ \$15,201,5702

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, Jon Forsythe, Roger Schamberger, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Lynn Hesselbacher, John Heim, Al Hudson and Pat and homebound members Alice Price and Dorothy Wagner*

Order of Worship

The Work of the People: Dakota Road Music

PRELUDE:

CHIMES	"People Need the Lord"	Chime Choir
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ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

INVOCATION: (congregation stands)

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.

CONFESSION: *L*=*congregation left or pulpit side, R*=*congregation right or font side*

- L: We have not loved you with all of our hearts.
- R: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

All: We have not responded to your promise.

- L: We have put up walls to keep people at a distance.
- R: We have failed to respond when someone is hurting.
- All: We have not responded to your promise.
- L: We are captured by our desire for material wealth.
- R: We forget those who do not have food or shelter.
- All: We have not responded to your promise.
- L: We abuse the gifts of your creation.
- R: We destroy your beauty out of ignorance and greed.

All: We have not responded to your promise.

- L: We fail to respond to your call to do justice.
- R: We seek only comfort for ourselves.
- All: We have not responded to your promise.

THE PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS A: We are broken but God's promises are not. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. **C: Amen.**

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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.



GRADUATE RECOGNITION



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the

native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' L: The word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 104:24–34, 35b (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#104** ²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

L: The 2nd READING is from Romans 8:22–27

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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

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P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

²⁶When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{4b}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you. P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ**! *Please be seated*

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SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer



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APOSTLES' CREED *Please Stand* A: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. **C:** 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.

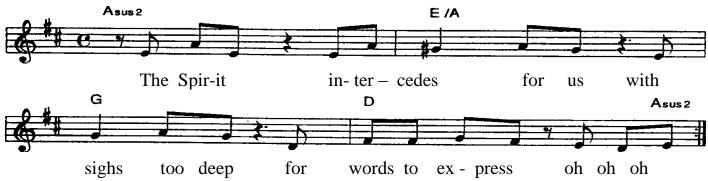
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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



After each petition: WA: Hear us, O God. **C Your mercy is great.** WA: Trusting the Spirit's power, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

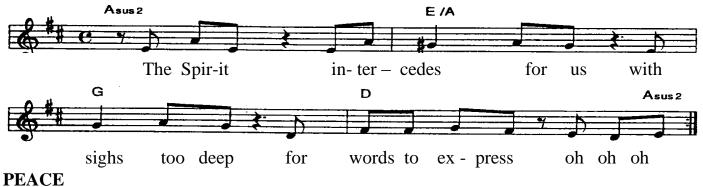
WA: For the church as it receives your Holy Spirit and shares its hope in Christ. For advocates of truth and forgiveness and for perseverance in prayer. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.** WA: For the creation as life takes root and grows. For the earth and all planets, for the sun, moon, and stars, for the natural wonders in, among, and beyond us. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.** WA: For the nations as they seek guidance. For government and tribal leaders, for international organizations, for translators and interpreters, for prophets and peacemakers. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: For those who suffer as they long for healing. For those who are lonely or forgotten, for those who are ill, especially *Betty Koehn, Ellen Kyles, Jon Forsythe, Roger Schamberger, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Lynn Hesselbacher, John Heim, Al Hudson and Pat.* Strengthen and encourage *Alice Price and Dorothy Wagner.* For veterans, military personnel, and those who advocate on their behalf. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: Receive these prayers, gracious God... and those prayers known only to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ ... by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

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



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.

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Choir Anthem

"The Old Country Church" **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 PRAYER (congregation stands)

C: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you A: Let Us Pray. 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. P: Lift up your hearts. P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

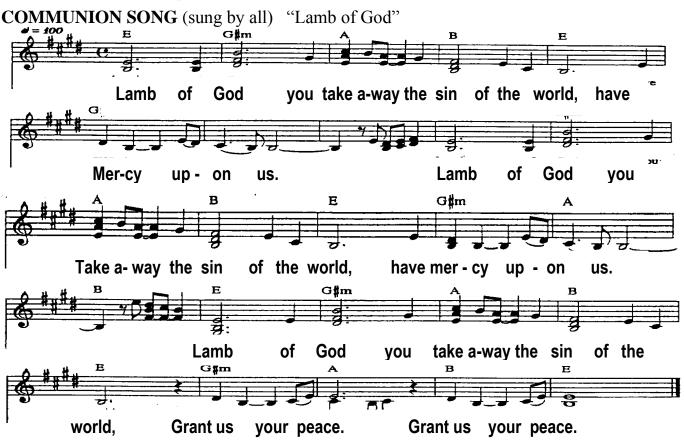
C: And also with you. C: We lift them to the Lord. C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

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.



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.**



THE LORD'S

SUPPER

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

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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 26th, at 4:15pm

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 24th, 31st

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)

Join in the Musical Ministry of The Erwins,

a family of four siblings, for a Gospel music concert at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City on Friday, May 29, at 7 p.m. The trio of three brothers and their young sister have traveled across the United States performing Bluegrass, Country, Folk, Christian and Gospel music. Recently they performed on the television show RFD. The concert will be held in St. John's sanctuary with additional seating in the fellowship hall. Additional parking will be at the Pearl City School at 100 S. Summit St. Free shuttle bus service will be provided from the parking lot to the church beginning at 5:30 p.m. A meet and greet will be held after the concert in Luther Hall.

Come see this amazing Gospel Singing Group in Concert.

Lena Living Center Wed. June 3rd at 2:00

Afternoon Coffee Break at the Lena Mercantile Eatery. Enjoy a piece of pie/dessert and a beverage compliments of Lena Living Center. RSVP to 815.369.4561