August 2nd 2015 at 9:30 am

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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.
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 to
Pastor Miranda and our greeters.
Thank you for sharing this time of worship with yet.

Thank you for sharing this time of worship with us!

<u>Pastor</u>: Pastor Miranda Klosterboer <u>Custodian</u>: Taylor Bastian

<u>Secretary:</u> Darlene Barr <u>Pianists:</u> Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier Missionaries to Tanzania: Randy&Carol Stubbs Family

<u>Choir Dir. /accomp</u>: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr <u>Lector</u> Anna Patterson

Assisting Minister Brianna Andrews Worship Assistant: Brianna Andrews

Sound System: Wayne Kurth

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<u>Ushers:</u> Paul and Shirley Fox, Claire and Helen Cross

THIS WEEK	AT GOOD SHEPHERD	August 2 nd	thru August 9 th 2015
Today	Worship		10:00 am
	Special Music - VBS		
	Potluck - After Potluck: games for all ages		11:15am
Monday	Mutual Ministry Team Meeting		6:30 pm
Tuesday	Faith Circle at Lena Living Center		1:00 pm
	Council Meeting		6:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group		8:00 am-11:30 am
	Wild Wednesday "Mini-Golf & Movie" K thru 8 th Graders		9:00 am – 2:00 pm
	Informal Summer Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall		7:00 pm
Thursday	WELCA NWC Summer Retreat at St. John's Pearl City, IL		
Friday	Mission Trip leaves for Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, South 1	Dakota	6:30 am
Saturday	Safe-Guarding God's Children Training in Rockford, IL		9:00 am- 12:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service		9:30 am
-	Special Music – Aaron Phillips		
	Fellowship		10:30am
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Total Offering for July 26, 2015: \$5,100.61 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,773.23

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 *Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm*, *Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim and homebound member Alice Price and Dorothy Wagner*.

Thank You to all Vacation Bible School Participants & Staff for their special music this morning.

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

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.

GATHERING HYMN: 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.

(Sing two times through)

CONFESSION: *L*=congregation left side led by Assisting Minister

R=congregation right side led by Pastor

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.**

HYMNS OF PRAISE: PSALM 25 (TO YOU O LORD)

To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. In You I trust, oh Lord

To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. In You I trust, oh Lord

Higher than the mountains, deeper than the sea,

Wider than the ocean, is your love for me.

You're with me on the mountains and in the valleys below. Whoa-oh!

You are right here beside me everywhere that I go.

To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. In You I trust, oh Lord

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AWESOME GOD

Our God is an awesome God! He reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God! (Sing 3 times)

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

VBS Special Music

Be Bold

Who's the King of the Jungle?

Stomp

Theme Verses from the week (Psalm 139:1, John 10:27, John 3:16, Matthew 28:20, John 10:10)

Radical God

Hippo Song

L: The 1st READING is from (2 Samuel 11:26--12:13a)

God sends the prophet Nathan to rebuke King David for his abuse of power in taking Bathsheba and killing her husband, Uriah. Confronted with his sin, David repents. This sin, however, marks the beginning of troubled times in David's family.

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, ^{12:1} and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." 5 Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." ⁷Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹¹Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. ¹² For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." ^{13a}David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

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

Psalm 78:23-29

²³So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

²⁶The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

²⁷ raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

8 letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

²⁹So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

L: The 2nd READING is from Ephesians 4:1-16

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry, whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." 9(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. L: The word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 6:24-35 C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

HYMN OF THE DAY

Your Love is Deep

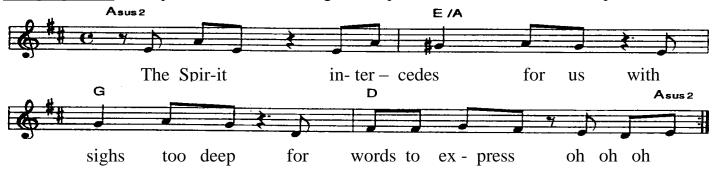
Chorus: Your love is deep, Your love is high
Your love is long, Your love is wide
Your love is deep, Your love is high
Your love is long, Your love is wide
Verse: Your love is deeper than my view of grace
Higher than this worldly place
Longer than this road I've traveled
Wider than the gap You've filled
(Sing twice through then chorus for a 3rd time)

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

C: 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 OF THE PEOPLE

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



After each petition:

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

WA: Gathered by the Holy Spirit and fed by the word, we come together as the people of God to pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *brief silence*.

WA: We pray for the church. Raise up prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers, and others who equip the saints for the work of ministry and build up the body of Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C:hear our prayer.

WA: We praise you for the beauty of your creation that we can worship in this morning and we pray for the restoration of your creation to the full beauty you intended. Send rain for the fields so that crops grow and wildlife flourishes. Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for leaders around the world. Call them to lead with patience, humility, and gentleness, bearing with one another in love. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for refugees, families who are separated because of war, medical personnel, and emergency workers. We pray for all who are dying, hospitalized, or ill this day especially, *Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim.* Strengthen and encourage *Alice Price, Dorothy Wagner*, Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for our congregation, that it be ready to welcome those you send to us. We pray for all visitors, those who long for connection with a community, and those who are searching for meaning in their lives. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, loving God, we commend all for whom we pray, ...trusting in the grace of Jesus our Savior. **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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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 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 Special Music: "In My Life Lord" VBS Children and Staff

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 SONG

Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living, sanctuary for you.
(repeat)

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.

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

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

SENDING SONGS

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)

DIMISSAL (from back)

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

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<u>Summer 2015 Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation</u> **Dates: August 7th to August 15th**

Thank you for the generous support that you have given over these last months of preparing for our Good Shepherd Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. Your prayers, offerings, and donations are such a blessing as we engage in this mission together!

We have over 20 bicycles that have been donated! Thank you! We are at our limit of bicycles that we will be able to take; but we are still accepting pillar candles, gift cards (Walmart, Family Dollar, Shell, and Sinclair), tools, and diapers to take to those in need in Pine Ridge. Items can be dropped off at the church by Monday August 3rd.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to be a part of the Mission Trip Prayer Team this year. We are asking for prayer for safe travel, meaningful connections with the children that we minister with, opportunities to serve and share our faith, humility in learning from the Lakota people, and that Christ would work through us to bless the people we journey with in Pine Ridge.

We will head out at 7am Friday August 7th and return the evening of Saturday August 15th. On August 16th we will have a special Mission Trip Sunday, where we will share pictures, stories, and music from the trip. This is a mission of Good Shepherd, and we look forward to sharing with you on August 16th! Thank you!

Afternoon Coffee Break Lena Mercantile Eatery

Wed. August 5 at 2:00 Sponsored by Lena Living Center Come listen to an educational speaker while you enjoy a complimentary dessert and beverage.

Wild Wednesday Outing! August 5th Summer Fun! Mini-Golf & Movie (9am-2pm)

for completed K-8th graders & high school mentors

At Wild Wednesday we will play mini golf, share a picnic together, sing some songs, learn more about Jesus, watch a movie and have a great time! Sign up by TODAY!

The MEN'S GROUP is looking for projects for "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday on September 27th.

If you or someone you know has a service project/ need that we could help with as a church. Please contact the church office for a project application.

FREEPORT CHORAL SOCIETY SUMMER POPS

Sunday, August 2, 2015 – Krapes Park Koeing Amphitheater Rain Place – St. John U.C.C. 7:00PM Sponsored by Walker Mortuary-Admission Free-Offering taken

WELCA NORTHWEST CONFERNCE SUMMER RETREAT

Thursday, August 6, 2015 at St. John's Pearl City. Pastor Tom Ekstrand presenting the "Gather" Summer Bible Study written by Emma Crossen. *NO COST*, but a freewill offering will be taken. Morning coffee and lunch provided. Watch for a flyer and more details. Transportation will be provided. Please bring your Bible!