

September 27th 2015 at 9:30 am

“God’s Work. Our Hands.” Sunday

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.

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miranda Klosterboer	<u>Custodian:</u>	Taylor Bastian
<u>Secretary:</u>	Darlene Barr	<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker
<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier	<u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u>	Randy&Carol Stubbs Family
<u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	<u>Lector</u>	Marybeth Brinker
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Kayla Runkle	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Jay Andrews
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Sondra Winters	<u>Communion Usher</u>	Bill and Jean Engle
<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Jean Wenzel	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Taylor Bastian
<u>Sound System:</u>	Dan Kurth, Austin Andrews, Braden Diddens		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Chris and Angie Brinker, Sheridan and Marybeth Brinker, Lee Wenzel		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Bill and Jean Engle, Virgil and Joanne Martin		
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Tony and Jackie Jordan		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Sue Diddens		

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

September 27th thru October 4th 2015

Today	Worship with Holy Communion "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday 9:30 am	
	- Quilt Sunday	
	- Special Music-Chime Choir – Good Shepherd Choir	
	- Preschool and Kindergarten Sunday School following children's message	
	Divide into Serving Teams	10:45 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Arrive at Service Sites	11:00 am
	Lunch at Service Sites	12:30 pm
	Dessert, Prayer, and Sharing	3:00 pm
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm
Monday	Learning Committee Meeting	6:00 pm
	Worship & Music Team Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program at The Hangout	3:30-5:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:30pm-8:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am	
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm

Worship Attendance September 20th was 82

Total Offering for September 20 2015: \$2,241.57 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,217.83

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, Verl Price, Lloyd Ferris Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Lana, Chris Tippett, Robert Heller, Curt Kluck & homebound members Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen.*

– ORDER OF WORSHIP–

PRELUDE (*A time for prayer and reflection*)

Chime Choir

Announcements & Community Concerns

GATHERING HYMN:

We Are An Offering

ELW#692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are yours,
we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you,
we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering,
we are an offering.

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.**

KYRIE *Please stand as you are able.* (Assisting Minister: regular print, C: bold print)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY A: Let us pray C: **Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.** (*Please be seated.*)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Psalm 19:7-14 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#19**

⁷The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the Lord is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

L: The 1st READING is from James 5:13-20

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise.

¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. ¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Good Shepherd Choir

Canticle of the Turning

ELW#723

Gospel Acclamation *Stand*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Mark 9:38-50 **C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

³⁸John said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” ³⁹But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. ⁴²“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹“For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
 4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,

who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
 still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;

we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,

con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
 by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
 stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
 that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

QUILT SUNDAY BLESSING Lutheran World Relief Prayer of Blessing

Leader: In the name of God, our Creator and Sustainer, our Savior and Friend, who has given us minds to imagine, hands to create and hearts to love. **Congregation: Amen.**

Leader: We thank you for the many gifts you have bestowed upon us and now ask to bless the work of our hands, that it might become a blessing to others.

Congregation: Lord we know that these quilts alone are only ordinary things, but through your power and love they become extraordinary. Bless these gifts we lay before you, that they would not be from our own hearts and hands but from yours. Let each quilt be your unfailing arms of comfort and your trusted means of hope; assurance to those who despair, and light to those who live in darkness.

Leader: Transform us Creator, from idle beings into those who do your work. Help us to recognize our own limitations and acknowledge our need for your strength.

Congregation: Motivate us Lord to fulfill your desire to feed the hungry, give water to those who thirst, and clothe those with nothing. Let these humble offerings become tools of your service, bringing love into the lives of those in need around the world.

Leader: Bless these quilts Lord, and the work of Lutheran World Relief and our Piece Corps group in answering your call to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we ask all these things. **Congregation: Amen.**

“Prayer Adapted for our Quilt Sunday Service.” Special thanks to Joci Post, Christus Honors Scholar at Baltimore Lutheran School in Baltimore, MD for writing this prayer

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition: WA: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation. *brief silence.*

WA: God of all wisdom and truth, send your Spirit on all your people, opening our mouths to prophesy and speak truth to one another. Give us words that make your will known. Help us to offer our hands for your work of love in the world. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Lead public servants and government officials to work on behalf of all people. Send advocates and guide legislation that breaks the bonds of injustice. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

WA: Redeem all who are in trouble or danger especially *Ellen Kyles, Verl Price, Lloyd Ferris Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Lana, Chris Tippet, Robert Heller, Curt Kluck.* Speak healing words to them, and restore them to wholeness, that praise may flow from their lips. Strengthen and encourage *Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen.* Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

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

Tena Rackow

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: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.



COMMUNION SONG

Take, Oh Take Me As I am

ELW#814

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be;

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (assisting minister)

A: Let us pray, We give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in this world, ...following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord. **C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Let's Go Out

Let's go out in - to the world and make it a lov - ing place
 to live Let's go out in - to the world and tell ev' - ry one the Sav -
 ior lives Let's go out (Let's go out) Let's go out (Let's go out) and
 make it a lov - ing place to live Let's go out (Let's go out) Let's go out
 (Let's go out) and tell ev' - ry one the Sav - ior lives! Let's go out!

chorus
 Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a
 Oh ——— Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a

DISMISSAL (from back)

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

POSTLUDE

Tena Rackow

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“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday Day of Service and Quilt Sunday

You work hard to help make your community a better place! Now lets do this work together!

- 9:30 am** **Worship Service with Quilt Blessing**
- 10:45 am** **Divide into Serving Teams**
- 11:00 am** **Arrive at Service Sites**
- 12:30 pm** **Lunch at Service Sites**
- 3:00 pm** **Dessert, Prayer, and Sharing**

The Piece Corps Quilters made 575 quilts this year: Quilts went to Lutheran World Relief, St. Vincent DePaul in Monroe, and 15 quilts were sent with the Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Indian Reservation in South Dakota and 40 quilts were given to local families in need.



September is Food Pantry Month

The Lena Food Pantry serves residents in the Le-Win and Orangeville School Districts. Donations of food, hygiene products, and paper products can be placed in the Food Pantry boxes and on the table in the Sanctuary.

Items needed are *toilet paper, canned corn and beans.*

Donations will be bagged and delivered to the Food Pantry by our Confirmation Students

125th Anniversary of Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton, IL

is commemorating its 125th Anniversary with a celebration October 3 & 4, 2015 and would like to invite you to join us for the festivities. We would be honored to have you as our guests to remember the significant moments and remarkable people who have contributed to the history of the church and our church family. **Saturday October 3** events will be held in the Stockton Park across from the Church.

Bring lawn chairs for seating in the park. Lunch from 11:00-1:00 will be available for purchase from WELCA. Concert by ‘Modern’ Peace Seekers at 1:30, Resolution and Commemoration at 2:00, Historic Pageant of Christ Lutheran Church at 2:30.

Lena Living Center! Wed. Oct. 7th at 2:00

Afternoon Coffee Break Held at Lena Mercantile Eatery Sponsored by Lena Living Center
Educational Speaker Complimentary pie or ice cream and beverage
RSVP 815-369-4561

ROADTRIP FOR FUN

Sign up for a tour of the Minhas Brewery in Monroe WI. on Saturday October 10 2015.

The brewery has been in business since 1845, tours are \$10.00 and also includes samples and a take home pack of beverages. They make beers and sodas. We will learn about how their product is made and how it's bottled or canned. Will plan on doing the 3:00pm tour which takes 45 to 60 minutes. Meet at the church to carpool or you can meet the group in Monroe. Must sign up by October 4th at the latest.

Any questions contact Troy Doubler.

MEN’S GROUP MEN’S STEAK FRY:

Saturday October 24th starting at 4:30pm, along with the monthly meeting
Men of all ages are invited to attend.