

November 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 9:30 am

Twenty Fifth Sunday after 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.

<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>	Beth Martin
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Braden Diddens	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Austin Andrews
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Sondra Winters	<u>Communion Usher</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox
<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Wayne Kurth	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Clair and Helen Cross
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Sheila Keene, Tena Rackow		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Krista Keene, Troy Keene		
<u>Sound System:</u>	Wayne Kurth, Taylor Bastian		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Eugene and Vivian Hesselbacher, Jerry and Beth Martin, Willie Kayser		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox, Claire and Helen Cross		

- ORDER OF WORSHIP -  
ELW SETTING 3

PRELUDE (A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

Announcements & Community Concerns

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. (*Repeat 2 times*)

GATHERING HYMN: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

ELW#858

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing  
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;  
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.


join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
if with his love he be - friend you.  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

**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.**

**CANTICLE of PRAISE**

Assisting minister

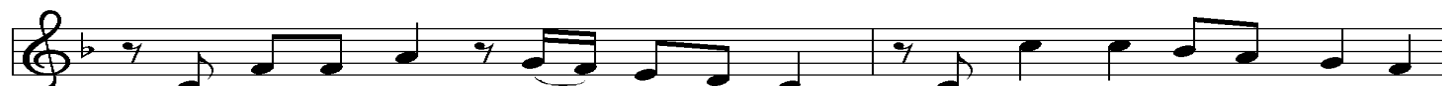


Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.


All




Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



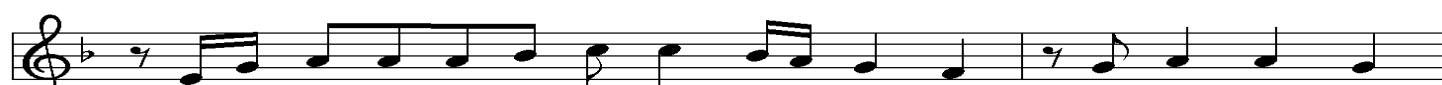
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



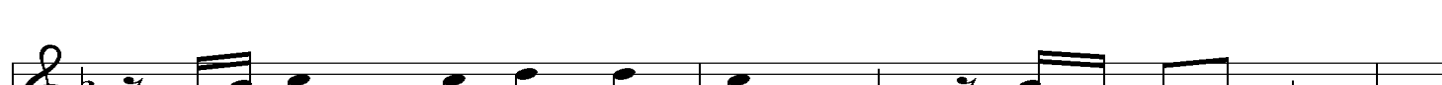
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A: Let us pray C: **Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

L: The 1<sup>st</sup> READING is from Philippians 4:4-9

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. 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**

<sup>1</sup> Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

**<sup>2</sup> O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

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

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

<sup>5</sup> Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

**<sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

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

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

<sup>9</sup> The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

L: The 2<sup>nd</sup> READING is from Hebrews 10:19-25

<sup>19</sup> Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. L: The word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

**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 Luke 19:1-10 **C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. <sup>2</sup>A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. <sup>3</sup>He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. <sup>4</sup>So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. <sup>5</sup>When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' <sup>6</sup>So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. <sup>7</sup>All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' <sup>8</sup>Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup>For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.' **P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

*Please be seated*

**SERMON**

**Pastor Miranda Klosterboer**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

Great is thy Faithfulness

**ELW#733**

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| 1 Great is thy faithfulness,<br>O God my Father;<br>there is no shadow of turning with thee;<br>thou changest not, thy compassions they<br>fail not;<br>as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be. | 2 Summer and winter and<br>springtime and harvest,<br>sun, moon, and stars<br>in their courses above<br>join with all nature in manifold witness<br>to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.<br><i>Refrain</i> |
|--|---|

*Refrain*

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Prayers of Gratitude**

*After each petition: WA: Let us pray. C: We thank you, O God.*

WA: United into one by the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with all God's saints in thanksgiving and for healing, wholeness, and peace in all the earth. *brief silence.*

*Petitions of Thanksgiving*

WA: For your presence, healing, peace, and comfort for all refugees and those in war-torn nations, people living with Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease; for the family, friends, and caregivers who love them; for all who cannot afford medical care when they are sick; for all who mourn and suffer especially *Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Marilyn Diddens, Chris, Janine Furnish* . For homebound members, *Evelyn Hutmacher and Dorothy Wagner*. Let us pray.

**C: We thank you, O God.**

Pastor: Into your care, Alpha and Omega, we entrust all for whom we pray. Be with us now and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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**

**Krista Keene**

*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.*

**OFFERATORY 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.

*(Sing through 2 times)*

**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

### Lamb of God

ELW#154

Musical notation for the Communion Song 'Lamb of God'. It consists of four staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final cadence on the word "peace".

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) by Matt Redman (on the computer)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray, O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**


## BENEDICTION

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

**SENDING SONG**

**For the Beauty of the Earth**

**ELW#879**



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:  
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

*Refrain*



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

**DISMISSAL** (*from back*)

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

**POSTLUDE**

**Karen Niemeier**



**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD** **November 15<sup>th</sup> thru November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service with Holy Communion/Gratitude Sunday</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Safe Child Training for all children and youth volunteers	12:00 -1:15 pm
	Good Shepherd leads worship at Lena Living Center	2:30 pm
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Pastor Miranda leads devotions at the Friendship Center	1:30 pm
Tues.-Mon.	November 17-November 23: Secretary on Vacation	
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program at The Hangout	3:30-5:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:30 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday	Good Shepherd hosts NI Synod Northwest Conference	
	Fall Discipleship Gathering	6:15 pm-8:45pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Celebration and Commitment Sunday</b>	
	<b>Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Special Fellowship Hour Hosted by the Stewardship Team	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm

Worship Attendance November 8<sup>th</sup> was 67

Total Offering for November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015: \$1,299.80 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,309.88

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, *Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Toni Brinker, Marilyn Diddens, Chris, Janine Furnish and homebound members Evelyn Hutmacher and Dorothy Wagner.*

**FIRST, WE GIVE OF OURSELVES: Giving in Gratitude**

**GRATITUDE SUNDAY**

Today we gather together in worship to express our gratitude and thanksgiving for the many ways that God has blessed us as individuals and a congregation. Next week, we have the joy of gathering for our **Thanksgiving Celebration and Commitment Sunday**. We will celebrate the ministry God has given to us as a congregation and also have the opportunity to make our commitments of how we can share gifts of time, abilities, and financial resources for ministry next year. Thanks be to God for the many blessings God brings to us, especially Jesus Christ and the gift of grace through him. See you next week for a great celebration as God's people here at Good Shepherd!



**"GRATITUDE TREE"**

**With leaves telling the story of all we are thankful for!**

We have placed a tree in the Sanctuary upon which we invite each person to place hang a leaf of thanksgiving expressing what you are thankful for. We encourage you to write things that you are thankful for and write them on the leaves provided. The goal is to have a fully leaved tree of expressions of gratitude. You can fill out more than one throughout the weeks. Have fun sharing in the Gratitude Tree!

Let us come before the Lord with thanksgiving  
*Psalm 95:2a*

**Lena Area Church Cooperative Thanksgiving Baskets**

The drive continues for the Thanksgiving Basket's. Please leave your monetary donation on the table that is set up in the fellowship hall. Next Sunday is the last Sunday to donate. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Lloyd.

Mark 6:37 But Jesus said, "You feed them

**Good Shepherd to host the NI SYNOD Northwest Conference Fall Discipleship Gathering**

Thursday November 19<sup>th</sup>

The 2015 Gatherings will focus on church leadership and the election of a new synod bishop, which will happen for us in 2016 with the retirement of Bishop Wollersheim.

Registration will begin at 6:15 pm. A light supper will be served from 6:30-7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Devotions will begin at 7 pm, followed by the program. The evening will end by 8:45 pm.

**LENA LIVING CENTER**

Wed. Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> Doll Apts. community room, 1008 S Logan, Lena

Community Supper 5:00-6:00 pm No cost, no obligation—just great food and good fellowship

**MONROE CLINIC HOSPICE**

You are invited to join us on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30pm for the Monroe Clinic Hospice Celebration of Lights Service at the United Methodist Church 2227 Fourth Street, Monroe, WI. There are several ways to honor a person living or/and remember your loved ones. Ornaments can be purchased for you loved one—either living or in memory. Their names will be read aloud and they will be recognized at the service. Ornaments can be reserved October 16<sup>th</sup> through December 1<sup>st</sup>. For those unable to attend the service, ornaments will be available for pick up at St. Camillus/Hospice office through January 9<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are available: St. Camillus Center, 2016 6<sup>th</sup> St. Monroe, Monroe Hospital and Clinic information desks: Prairie Stone Gift Shop; and by calling the hospice office at 608-324-1230 or 800-367-8406. Please join us for an evening of honoring, remembering and finding strength for the days to come.

**Poinsettias:**

Each year, Good Shepherd's chancel is decorated with poinsettias for the Christmas Services. You may order a poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one; or in celebration of the birth of Jesus! Please write your information requested on a flower envelope found in the pew holders, and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office by December 6<sup>th</sup> (Cost \$10.00).