
August 21st 2016 at 9:30 am

Fourteenth 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 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.

– *ORDER OF WORSHIP* –
WOV SETTING 5- BREAD OF LIFE

PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
 abounding in steadfast love toward us,
 healing the sick and raising the dead,
 showering us with every good gift.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin
 in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Just and gracious God,

C: we come to you for healing and life.

**Our sins hurt others and diminish us;
 we confess them to you.**

**Our lives bear the scars of sin;
 we bring these also to you.**

Show us your mercy, O God.

Bind up our wounds,

forgive us our sins,

and free us to love,

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

P: The apostle Paul assures us:

“When we were dead in our trespasses,
 God made us alive together with Christ,
 nailing the record of our sins to the cross.”

Jesus says to you, † “Your sins are forgiven.”

Be at peace, and tell everyone
 how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Shall We Gather at the River

ELW#423

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

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 *Stand*

(A) Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: (B) Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy:

(A) Chri - ste e - le - i - son: (B) Christ, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy:

(A) Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: (B) Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE

(B) Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

(I) Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we
 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

(B) Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

(II) 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.

C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
I
II 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.
C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, **C: God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord. Amen**

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Isaiah 58:9b-14

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 103:1-8 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) **ELW#103**

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—**

³who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴**who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶**O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸**LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

L: The 2nd READING is from Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire. L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to: Luke 13:10-17 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and

began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing. P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

SERMON

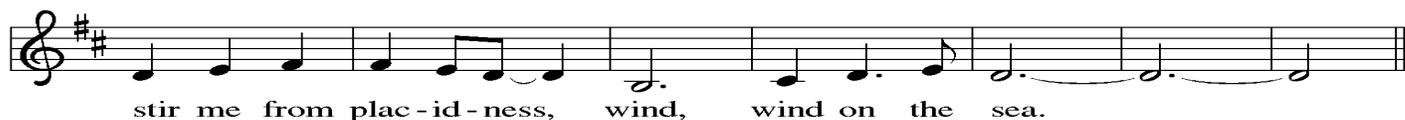
Pastor Art Stees

HYMN OF THE DAY

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW#396

Refrain



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

Refrain

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.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition: WA: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need...

A brief silence

WA: Lord of all languages, we pray with and for Christians in worship all over the world. Make your church joyful to reflect the diversity of your people and the unity of your love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Your Spirit speaks in creation. We thank you for watered gardens, for abundant yield, for clean water, for sunlight, for communities where people and nature live in peace together. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: Remove the yoke of destructive partisanship, the pointing of the finger at our enemies, and bless nations in need. Empower all to speak the truth, encouraging honorable leadership. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Bring strength, health, and wholeness in the parched places of our lives. Bless those in need this day especially **Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Ellen Kyles, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Sean and Lyle Fulfs.** Strengthen and encourage **Carol Wybourn and Ray Stamm** and surround them with care and hope. Love, comfort and Hope of Resurrection for the family and friends of Dorothy Snider. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: We pray for Miho as she moves to Lena this week. May she be welcomed into the community as well as into the hearts of the people of Good Shepherd. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Our stories are shaped in community. We thank you for people young and old, women and men, who have witnessed to your love, and we remember those who have recently died. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING**“Special Music”****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.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS *Please stand*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
 sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
 Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
 Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer *(after acolyte presents offering at altar)*

A: Let us pray, **C:** God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

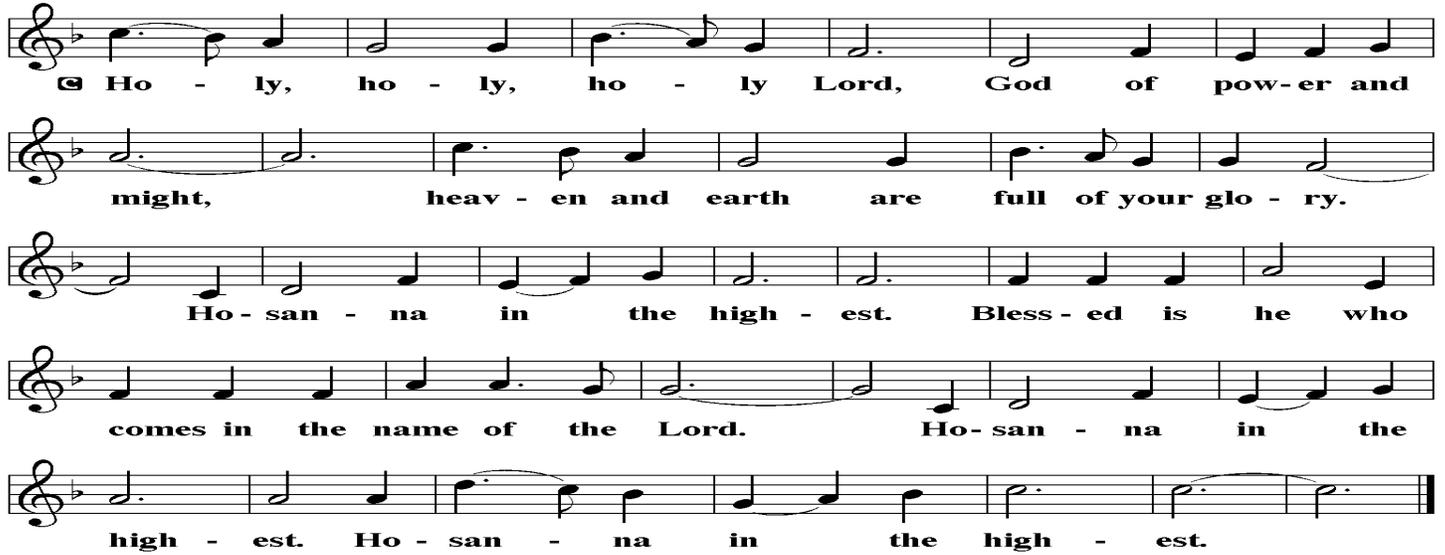
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.



COMMUNION SONG (sung by all) Lamb of God

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, grant us peace.

TABLE BLESSING:

P: The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

CANTICLE

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION A: Let us pray, O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN*Refrain*

Shine Jesus shine
 Fill this land with the Father's glory
 Blaze, Spirit blaze,
 Set our hearts on fire
 Flow, river flow
 Flood the nations with grace and mercy
 Send forth Your word
 Lord and let there be light

DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

POSTLUDE

Shine, Jesus, Shine

ELW#671

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining
 In the midst of the darkness, shining
 Jesus, Light of the word Shine upon us
 Set us free by the truth you now bring us
 Shine on me Shine on me: *Refrain*
2. As we gaze on Your kindly brightness.
 So our faces display Your likeness.
 Ever changing from glory to glory,
 Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.
 Shine on me. Shine on me; *Refrain*

C: Thanks be to God.

Karen Niemeier

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERDAugust 21st thru August 28th 2016

Today	Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Good Shepherd at Lena Living Center	2:30 pm
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Rally Sunday/Blessing of Backpacks/Teacher Installation	
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School Kickoff	10:45
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Rally Day Carnival Games/Light Lunch	11:15
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm

Attendance August 14th was 53Total Offering August 14th, 2016: \$1,666.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,128.05**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<u>Interim Pastor:</u>	Pastor Art Stees	<u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u>	Randy & Carol Stubbs Family
<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker	<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier
<u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	<u>Secretary:</u>	Darlene Barr
<u>Lector</u>	Karen Niemeier	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Hanna Brinker
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Colton Brinker	<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Taylor Bastian
<u>Communion Usher</u>	Virgil and Joanne Martin	<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Wayne Kurth
<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Taylor Bastian	<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Tena Rackow, Austin Andrews
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Jackie Jordan	<u>Sound System:</u>	Jay Andrews, Taylor Bastian
<u>Greeters:</u>	Dana Diddens, Braden Diddens, Bill and Jean Engel		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Virgil and Joanne Martin, Eugene and Vivian Hesselbacher		

THANK YOU!** Krista Keene for your special music this morningMARK YOUR CALENDARS! SUNDAY AUGUST 28th! Rally Day and Blessing of Backpacks***A Family Carnival style event with a light lunch will follow worship.**Invitations Including a puzzle piece will be sent to all prospective Sunday School attendees.****WATCH THE MAIL FOR YOUR PUZZLE PIECE******Today's favorite hymns are listed below with members' name for choosing them:****Shall We Gather at the River-Sue Diddens**Spirit of Gentleness-Sue Diddens**Shine, Jesus, Shine-Sue Diddens***Volunteers Needed for Custodian Work**

Good Shepherd is in need of a custodian or a custodial service. Until there is a new custodian or custodial service hired there is a need for volunteers to sign up to do the cleaning. If you are interested in signing up the chart is in the fellowship hall or you can call or email the office (815) 369-5552

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