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November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 9:30 am Twenty Sixth 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***

**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)*

**Tena Rackow**

**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.**

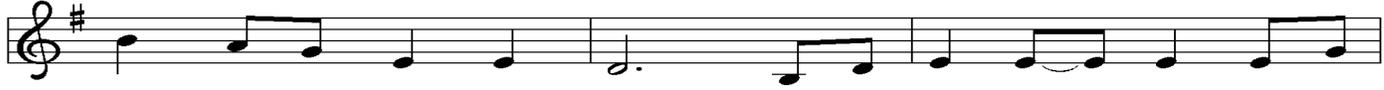
## GATHERING SONG

## Canticle of the Turning

ELW#723



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .  
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a  
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the  
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your  
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.  
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to  
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the  
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the  
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry  
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.  
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



*Refrain*  
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

## 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*

Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:      Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son:      Ⓞ Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:

Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:      Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

## HYMN OF PRAISE

Ⓞ 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.

Ⓛ 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.

Ⓞ 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.

Ⓜ 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: Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord: Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

*Please be seated*

L: The 1<sup>st</sup> READING is from Malachi 4:1-2a

<sup>1</sup>See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2a</sup>But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. <sup>9</sup>This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. <sup>13</sup>Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right. 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 21:5-19 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” <sup>7</sup>They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” <sup>8</sup>And he said, “Beware that you are not

led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup>there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup>This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup>So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup>for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your souls." P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

*Please be seated*

**CHILDREN 'S MESSAGE**

Stewardship Committee

**SERMON**

Pastor Kurt Nordby

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## If You But Trust in God to Guide You

ELW#769



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle  
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less  
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and  
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -  
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's  
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -  
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in  
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who  
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has  
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.  
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.  
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.  
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

**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: let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation. *A brief silence*

WA: For the church, for missionaries and teachers, clergy and laity, and all ministers who proclaim the gospel in word and deed, that the Sun of righteousness enlighten the whole earth, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, fruit and vegetables, and animals great and small, that creation thrive and that we care for all God has given us, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For all in authority at the local, state, provincial, national, and international levels, for those who advocate for equity, and for relief workers and their supporters, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For those who hunger or thirst, for those who doubt or are terrified, for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and for caregivers, that all experience the healing and comfort given through Christ, *especially, Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Terry, Bill and Marion* strengthen and encourage **Ray Stamm. Carol Wybourn and Fern Harnish** let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA For those gathered in this place to hear the gospel and receive the good gifts of God through Christ Jesus, that guided by the Holy Spirit, we serve our neighbor who is in need, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: In thanksgiving for men and women of every time and place who have died in Christ, and that we follow their examples of faithful living, let us pray. **C: Have mercy, O God.**

Pastor: Almighty God, you have promised to hear those who call upon your name. We commend all our spoken and silent prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

**PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

**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.*

**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: 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.

**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 —Christ invites us to the table. All who share our belief that Jesus is present in his holy meal are welcome to receive the bread and wine. Children and adults who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a special blessing. Holy Communion will be celebrated today by intinction you will dip the bread into the chalice. 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 need assistance, please let an usher know.*

**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:** We give you thanks, shepherding God, that you have gathered your scattered flock again this day, feeding us richly with the food of Paradise.

Accompany us as we serve you all the days of our lives, and gather us with the saints in the day of our death; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. **C: Amen.**

**BLESSING P:** Almighty God, Father,  $\text{†}$  Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past (*Verses 1-4*)

ELW#632

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,  
 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

**A:** Go in peace. Share the Good News.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

Tena Rackow

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**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**November 13<sup>th</sup> thru November 20<sup>th</sup> 2016

<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service with Pastor Kurt Nordby/ Holy Communion</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	<b>10:45 am</b>
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Monday	Parkinson Support Group " <i>Holiday Potluck</i> "	12:00p,
Tuesday	Discipleship Gathering at Prince of Peace, Freeport, IL	6:15 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Confirmation Class for new 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> graders with Parents	6:30 pm-8:00pm
	After School Program for 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> graders at the Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00pm
Thursday	Pastor Miho at Friendship Center for Morning Devotions	10:30 am
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	<b>10:45 am</b>
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm

Attendance November 6<sup>th</sup> was 72

Total Offering November 6, 2016: \$3,410.14 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,941.85

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miho Yasukawa	<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>	Larry Fulfs	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Open
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Wayne Kurth	<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Shirley Fox
<u>Communion Usher</u>	Bill and Jean Engel	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Clair and Helen Cross
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Beth Martin, Dennis Luke		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Troy Keene, Krista Keene		
<u>Sound System:</u>	Austin Andrews, Jay Andrews		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Curt and Sue Diddens, Eugene and Vivian Hesselbacher		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Bill and Jean Engel, Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon		

**Children's Christmas Program will be December 18<sup>th</sup>**

All Sunday school children are encouraged to attend Sunday School to help prepare for the Christmas program.

*Hope to see you all there!***Parkinson Support Group**Will meet November 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. For a "*Holiday Potluck*" Please bring a dish to pass.

Everyone is welcome: Any questions please call Carol Griffin 815-947-2208 or Marion Fahr 815-367-3961.

**Fall Discipleship Gathering****Prince of Peace will host the NI SYNOD Northwest Conference****Fall Discipleship Gathering "*Loving Your Neighbor*" Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup>**

The 2016 Gatherings will focus on loving your neighbor. 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. Topics will include congregational leadership, the constitutional responsibilities as well as the joys and challenges of a bishop, and the election process for a bishop. Find out more at [nisynod.org/gatherings](http://nisynod.org/gatherings)

**Lena Area Church Cooperative Thanksgiving Baskets**

**Reminder:** The Lena Area Church Cooperative is accepting monetary donations for the Thanksgiving Baskets in the fellowship hall. The last Sunday for donations is November 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Fox or Mary Lloyd.

Thank you!

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

**Generosity Jar**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the stewardship program is GENEROSITY. A generosity jar has been placed in the center of the church aisles. The Jar is to collect ways that persons have received generosity, shown generosity, what generosity means, etc. To give an example would be: donating ones organs /time and talents given without expecting pay.

There are many more ways generosity is shown and the papers that are going to be by the jar are for the congregation to write thoughts down on Generosity and place in the jar. The thoughts will be used at various time throughout the year in worship, Sunday bulletins and monthly newsletters.

*Please share your Generosity stories with us.*

**Pastoral Care:**

If you or someone you know needs pastoral care, please notify or call the church office (815-369-5552) and/or Pastor Miho E-mail: [gslpastor@aeroinc.net](mailto:gslpastor@aeroinc.net) Cell: 815-821-9570

**Plants to Give Away**

As Lee Wenzel has moved to his new home some of his plants were unable to go with him, if you would like to take any of these to your home please call the office.