
January 15th, 2017 at 9:30 am Second Sunday after Epiphany
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Anna Patterson

*Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
If you are visiting with us today, 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. Thank you.

Nursery: Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.
Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

–ORDER OF WORSHIP –
ELW SETTING 3

PRELUDE
CHOIR

(A time for prayer and reflection)
“Gloria!”

Karen Niemeier
Chime Choir

Announcements & Community Concerns

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please stand as you are able)*

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,
who creates us and forms us,
who redeems us and calls us,
who unites us and sends us.

C: Amen.

P: Gathered in God’s presence, let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Mighty and loving God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

We seek our own way.

We divide the body of Christ.

In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.

**Let the words of our mouths,
the thoughts of our hearts,
and everything that we do**

be filled with faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

P: Hear the voice of Jesus:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives.”

In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ,

I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released.

The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

ELW#311



1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 You come with res - cue speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 You shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore you, and gold and in - cense bring;



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, your reign on earth be - gun!
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring in your path to birth.
 all na - tions shall a - dore you, your praise all peo - ple sing.



You come to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to
 Be - fore you on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald,
 To you shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as -



free, to take a - way trans - gres - sion and
 light, whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, are
 go; and righ - teous - ness in foun - tains from
 cend; your king - dom still in - creas - ing, a

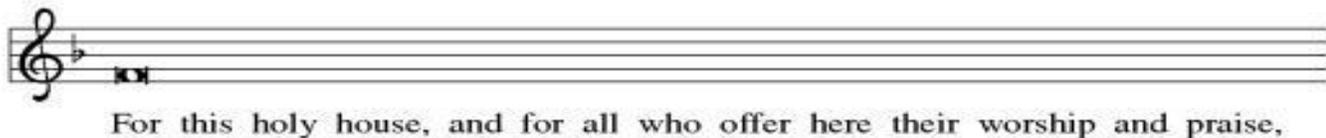
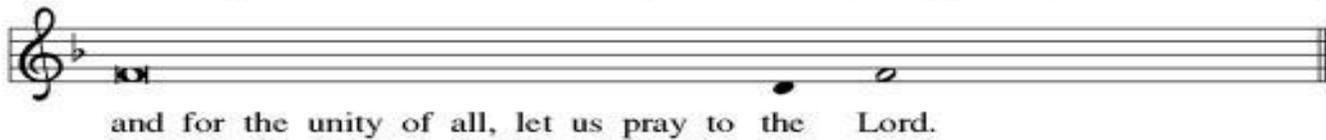
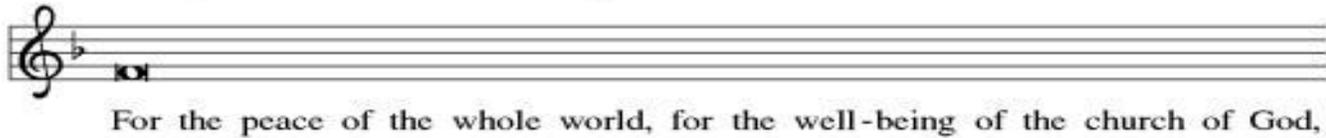
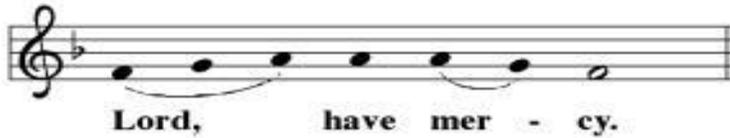


rule in eq - ui - ty.
 pre - cious in your - sight.
 hill to val - ley flow.
 king - dom with - out end.

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



CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



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

All



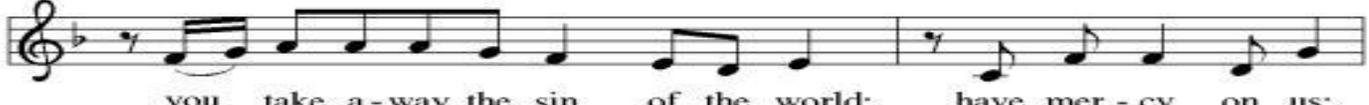
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



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



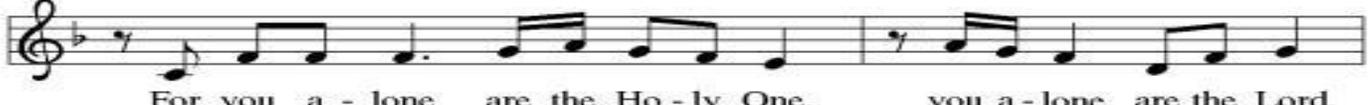
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



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: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." ⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." ⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you." L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 40:1-11 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#40**

¹I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴**Happy are they who trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**

⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

⁷And so I said, "Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸**'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.'** "

⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

¹⁰**I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.**

¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

L: The 2nd READING is from 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Please stand as you are able*)

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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 1:29-42 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

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

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

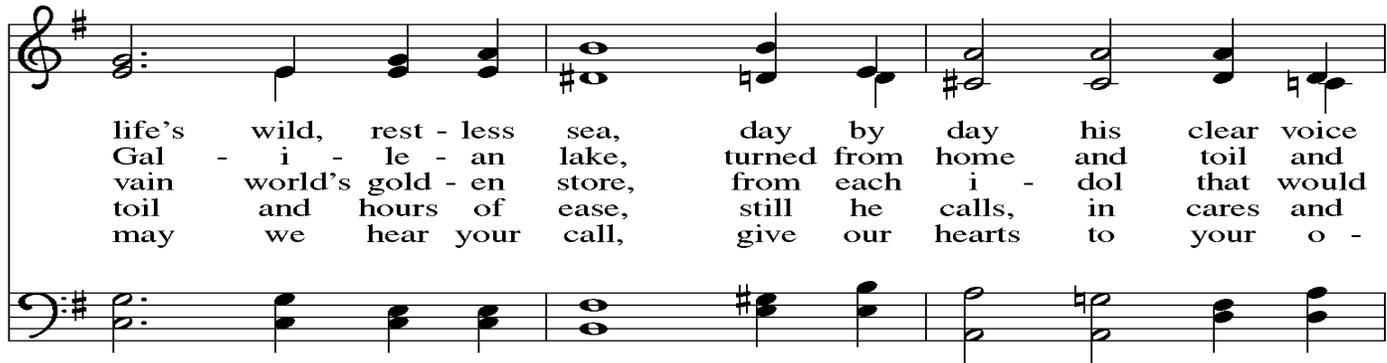
HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

ELW#696



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

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 Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing. *A brief silence*

WA: Gather us in, gracious God. Bring together Methodist and Pentecostal, Baptist and Roman Catholic, Lutheran and AME-Zion. Form us in worship into your united people. Send us out as one in you, proclaiming your glory and serving all. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Fed with bread and wine, Christ's body and blood, make us eager to care for your good creation. Send us to pick up litter from highways and lakeshores and protect animal habitats. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: We pray for all the nations of the world. Help us to reach out to the places where the scandal of hunger resides. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: Quell the anxieties of all who wait for test results. Bring hope to all whose life is a struggle and filled with despair. Send us to care for those who suffer *especially, Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Eugene Hesselbacher, Vivian Hesselbacher, Sheridan Brinker, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Dave Offermann, Scott Bonnet, Thomas Lance, Robin Cross, Michael, Leta Toelke, Connie, Carol Stubbs, Steve Kampmeier.* Strengthen and encourage

Carol Wybourn and Ray Stamm. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: Open us to see how our congregation abounds with every spiritual gift. Send us out to share our abundant gifts and proclaim your steadfast love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: We thank you for the faithfulness of your prophets (*especially Martin Luther King Jr.*).

Strengthen our faith in you. Send us out to proclaim and live your justice boldly. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Pastor: Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING

"In All These You Welcome Me"

Choir Anthem

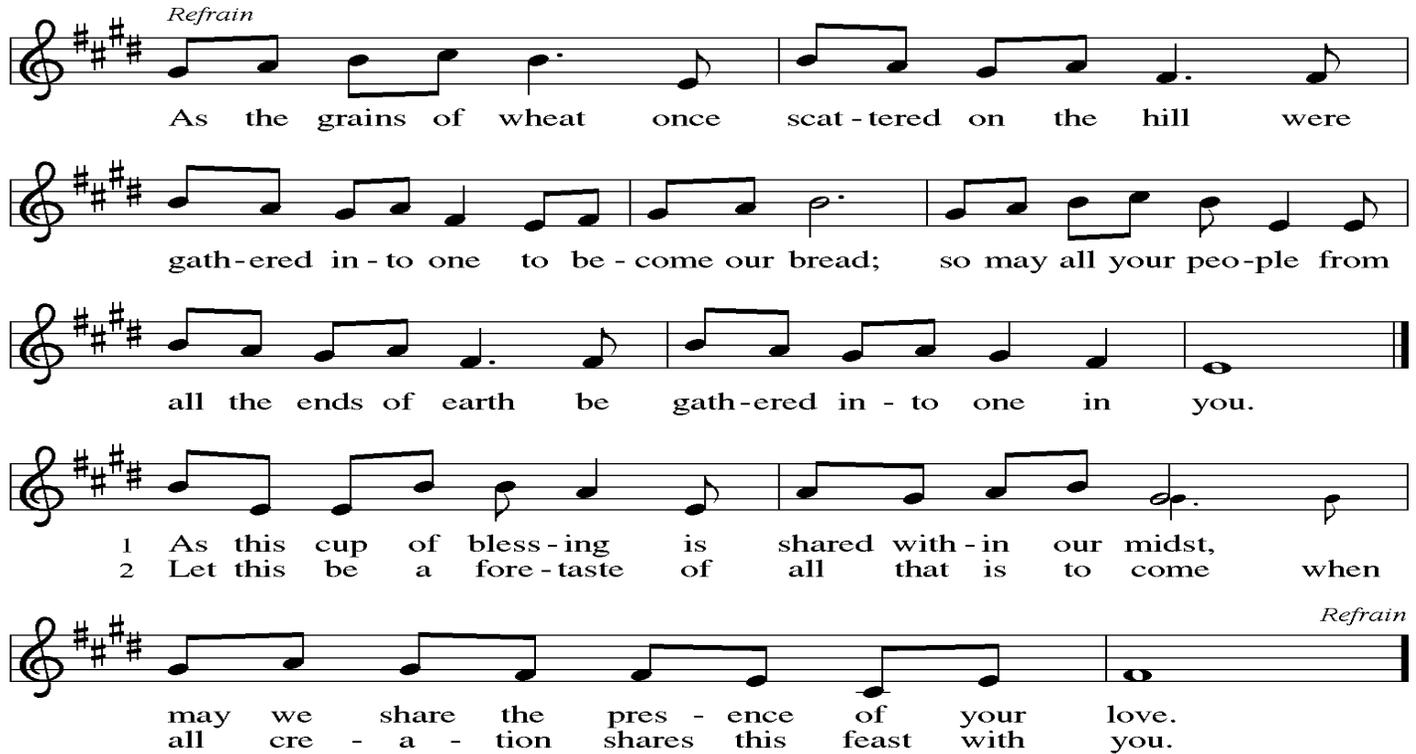
An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including those in need. We also offer up prayers to God as we offer ourselves (time, talents, gifts, and interests) to the Lord's service and dedicate our lives to God's work in the world.

OFFERING SONG

As the Grains of Wheat

ELW#465

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst, when
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

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

A: Let us pray, **C:** Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our 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'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. 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.

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 —Christ invites us to the table. All baptized Christians are welcome to partake the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive a blessing, you may come forward. Holy Communion will be celebrated 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 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.

COMMUNION SONG**Arise, Your Light Has Come****ELW#314**

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

TABLE BLESSING:

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION A: O Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now— today, tomorrow, every day— that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN**O Day Full of Grace****ELW#627**

1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on
 2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, our Lord on the
 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the
 4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, the Spir - it new
 5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for

earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may
 earth ar - riv - ing; then came to the world that light sub -
 cross was hang - ing; and then he a - rose and moved the
 life re - veal - ing, that we might no more in death be
 us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -

be a - bun - dant in joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
 lime, great joy for us all re - triev - ing; for Je - sus all
 stone, that we, un - to him be - long - ing, might join with an -
 lost, its pow'r o - ver us dis - pel - ling. This flame will the
 glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and there we will

now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
 mor - tals did em - brace, all shame and des - pair re - mov - ing.
 gel - ic hosts to raise our voice - es in end - less sing - ing.
 mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all true heal - ing.
 join God's end - less praise, with an - gels and saints a - dor - ing.

DISMISSAL (from the back)**A:** Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.**C:** Thanks be to God.**POSTLUDE****Karen Niemeier**

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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**January 15th thru January 22nd 2017**

Today	Worship Service –Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Pastor Miho at Mentor Meeting for Pastors at Rochelle, IL	10:00 am
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders at the Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00pm
	Confirmation	6:30pm-8:00pm
Thursday	Pastor Miho Devotions at Friendship Center	10:30 am
	Worship Committee Meeting	6:30 pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm

Attendance January 8, 2017 was 45

Total Offering January 8, 2017 \$9,622.00 – Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,416.96

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>	Krista Keene	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Ashtyn Brinker
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Dennis Luke	<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Sue Diddens
<u>Communion Usher</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Sheridan and Marybeth Brinker
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Troy and Cindy Doubler	<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Chris Brinker
<u>Sound System:</u>	Wayne Kurth, Hanna Brinker		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Dana Diddens, Braden Diddens, Troy and Cindy Doubler		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox, Virgil and Joanne Martin		

Annual Congregational Meeting - January 29th, 2017 at 10:45

Annual report will be available to pick up at the church January 22nd to the 29th if not able to pick up call the church office at (815-369-5552) and one can be mailed to you.

Winter Time Pastoral Visits

The winter season makes it difficult for some of us to come to Sunday worship service if you or someone you know would like Pr. Miho to visit and to share communion, please contact the church office (815-369-5552) and/or Pr. Miho at (815-821-9570) or email her at gslpastor@aeroinc.net to arrange a time for a visit.

Pastor Kay from Pine Ridge

Is talking at the North Conference meeting on Thursday, January 26, at 10am at United Lutheran Church in Rockford. If you are interested in going, please let the church office know.

International Heritage Luncheon

At Good Shepherd February 12th at noon in the Fellowship Hall bring your favorite heritage dish or family dish to share. Please sign up if you are coming and bringing a dish to share.