
March 5th, 2017 at 9:30 am First Sunday of Lent
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by
Anna Patterson

***Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.
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.

An AED (defibrillator) is located on the wall in the Fellowship Hall in case of an emergency. The device is designed to deliver calm, clear voice instructions precisely timed to the responder's actions, guiding the responder every step of the way. When the door is open an alarm goes off to alert others that there is an emergency.

**–ORDER OF WORSHIP –
ELW SETTING 10**

PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

Announcements & Community Concerns

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please stand)*

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

P: During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Merciful God,

C: you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost.

**We confess that we have strayed from you
and turned aside from your way.**

**We fail in love, neglect justice,
and ignore your truth.**

Have mercy on us and wash away our sin.

Create in us clean hearts

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Behold, now is the acceptable time;
now is the day of salvation.

Almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us all our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

ELW#319

1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days you
 2 You strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your
 3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and
 4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, and

prayed and kept the fast; in - spire re - pen - tance
 faith - ful - ness en - dured; lend us your nerve, your
 fixed your mind a - bove; so teach us to de -
 all our earth - ly days, that when the fi - nal

for our sin, and free us from our past.
 skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word.
 ny our - selves that we may know God's love.
 Eas - ter dawns, we join in heav - en's praise.

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

1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.

We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, **C: Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” ^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#32**

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸**I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.”

¹⁰**Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

L: The 2nd READING is from Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵But the free gift is not like the

trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Matthew 4:1-11 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him. 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

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

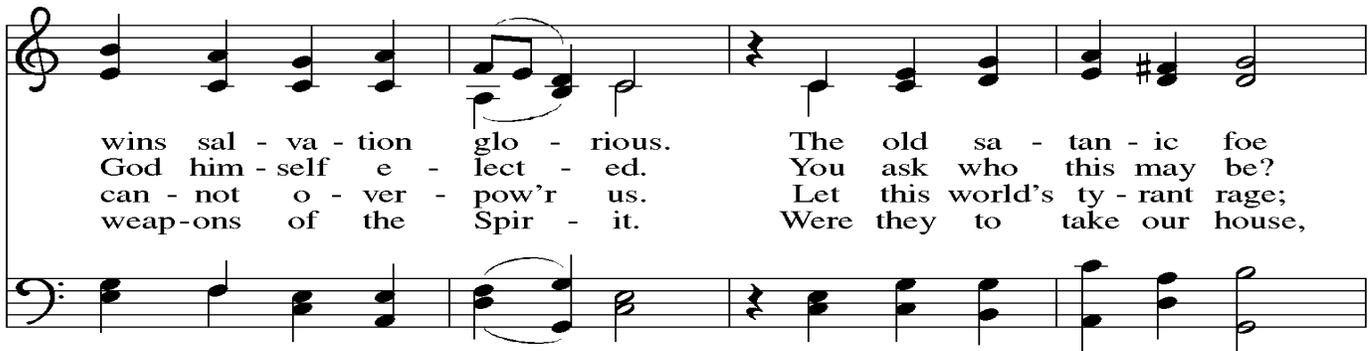
ELW#504



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat -'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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: Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need. *A brief silence*

WA: Holy God, lead your church on earth to do your will and strive for your kingdom. Teach us your ways and increase our understanding. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Show us how to care for your creation and to treasure the fruits of your creating. Guide our actions and increase our commitment. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Give knowledge and wisdom to all leaders throughout your world. Turn hardened hearts of stone toward your nourishing word and let the powerful become providers of daily bread. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Rush to the aid of your people in times of distress. Send your peace and healing to those in need.

*We pray especially for **Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Sheridan Brinker, Marybeth Brinker, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Dave Offermann, Scott Bonnet, Leta Toelke, Carol Stubbs, Steve Kampmeier, David Gray, Cheri Eden-Catron. Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Bob Herman, Connie.** Strengthen and encourage **Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen.***

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Guide those preparing for baptism, sponsors, and this whole assembly toward living into the promises made in baptism. Lead us to scripture, the holy supper, and toward your will for all creation.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Accompany us on our Lenten journeys and inspire us by the witness of the saints who walked faithfully with you. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING**Karen Niemeier**

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.

Please stand

OFFERING SONG

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW#186

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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

A: Let us pray, **C:** Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

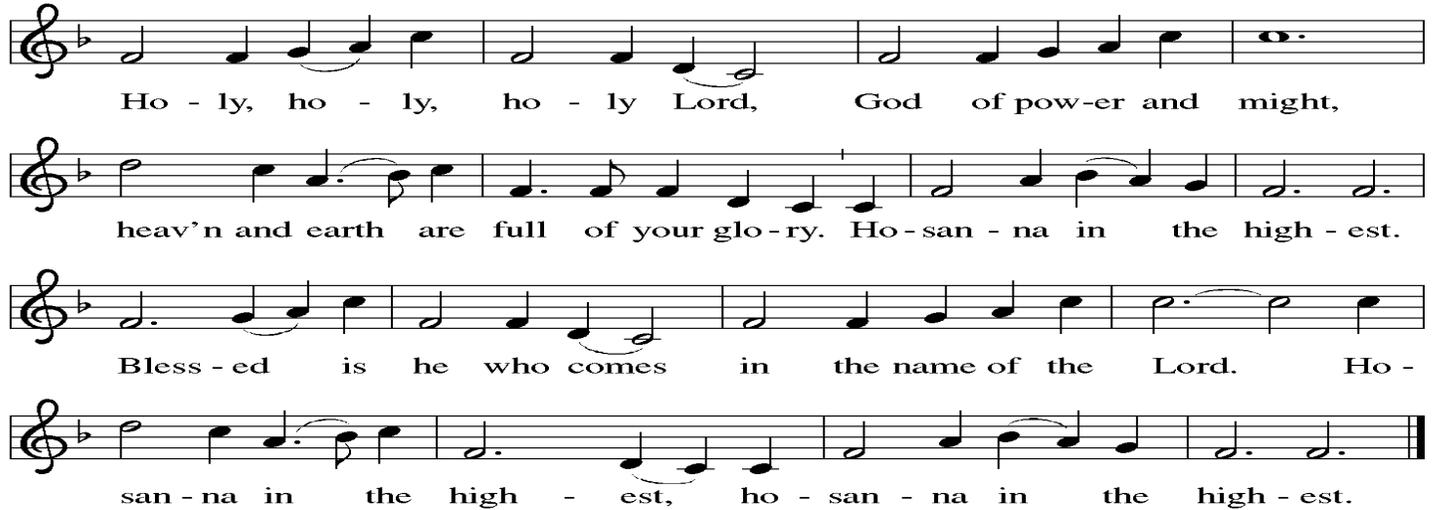
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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-er and might,
 heav'n 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.

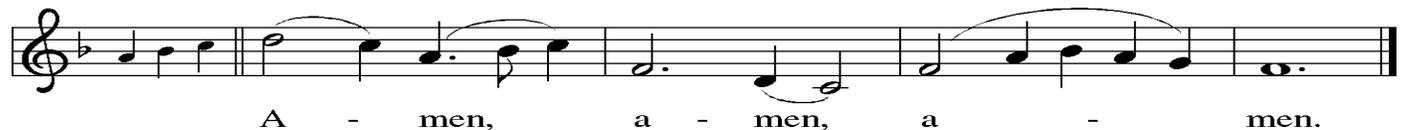
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

....With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

....O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us: For

**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 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

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION SONG

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW#325**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: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

ELW#517

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who
 2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are
 3 O Comforter of price-less worth, send peace and

by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son
 Lord of lords alone; defend your holy church, that we
 u-ni-ty on earth; support us in our final strife

and may and bring to naught all he has done.
 and sing your praise e-ter-nal-ly.
 and lead us out of death to life.

DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE**Karen Niemeier**

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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>	Dennis Luke	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Hanna Brinker
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Dennis Luke	<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Sue Diddens
<u>Communion Usher</u>	Bob and Sharon Schlachter	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Bob and Sharon Schlachter
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Troy and Cindy Doubler	<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Donna Gullickson
<u>Sound System:</u>	Wayne Kurth, Ashtyn Brinker		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Willie Kayser, Virgil and Joanne Martin		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Bob and Sharon Schlachter, Mike Geiseman, Andrew Martin		

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**March 5th thru March 12th 2017**

Today	Worship Service –Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 pm
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Stewardship Meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders at the Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
	Lenten Lunch at Good Shepherd	12:00 pm
	Lent Dinner – WELCA	5:30 pm
	Lent Service	6:30 pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment “Take Two”	12:00 pm
Saturday	NIS Congregational Resource Event at Kishwaukee College	8:30 am – 4:00 pm
	WELCA Northwest Conference Spring Assembly	9:00 am – 12:00pm
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	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
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Attendance February 26 was 56

Total Offering 2/26/2017 \$1,796.00 – Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,539.92

Mid-week Lenten Evening Services

This year’s theme is Luther’s Small Catechism, and our youth will lead the service. Wednesday evening will begin with a light supper prepared by WELCA at 5:30pm followed by worship at 6:30pm. All are welcome to join.

Friendship Club

Will meet Thursday March 9th at 12:00pm for Potluck and entertainment by “Take Two”

WELCA Northwest Conference Spring Assembly

Will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Stockton on **March 11, 2017**, 9:00 am to noon. Program: Brunch with Martin (Renewer of the Church) and Katie Luther. Cost is \$8.00/person. Free will offering will be taken. Reservations due by Friday, March 3, 2017. See flyer and reservation form on Bulletin Board.

Congregational Resourcing Event

Will be March 11 at Kishwaukee College in Malta, IL. Workshop topics include Administration/Council/Treasures, Education, Evangelism/Outreach/Hospitality, Global/Interfaith, Leadership, Social Justice, Spirituality/Prayer/Health & Wellness, Stewardship, and Youth/Young Adult/ Family Ministry. If you are interested in going, please contact the church office for registration.

Reformation Bookstore at Good Shepherd:

During March, Good Shepherd is hosting the Reformation Bookstore. All the books are 50% off and shipping is free. We will display sample copies of some of the books in the Fellowship Hall, and you can fill out order forms there. Payments will be made to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We will collect orders until March 31.

Books will come in April. Please check it out!

The Thankful Quilt

During lent the youth and the congregation will be participating in creating a THANKFUL QUILT. There will be cloth squares and fabric paints at the church entrances for thoughts of thankfulness to be placed upon the squares. (Thankful for parents)(Thankful to be able to worship) to give as examples. The squares can be taken home to do and then brought back and placed in the offering plate or in the bulletin baskets.

The squares will be placed on a poster to start with as a hanging from the banister above the East entrance steps. Later these squares will be sown to form a quilt that will be displayed from that banister. ** Everyone is encouraged to participate. All have something to be thankful for.

It is time to order Easter Lilies

Lilies will be \$10.00 per plant and can be ordered by using the envelopes provided in the pews. Please place them in the offering plate or you can drop them off at the church office. Orders must be in by April 2.

Lilies may be picked up after the 9:30 am Easter Sunday Service.

2017 Flower Calendar

The flower calendar for 2017 is now posted by the north entryway to the sanctuary. Please sign up for the Sunday of your choice. If you are providing flowers for a special occasion or in memory of someone, please indicate that on the calendar or call the church office the week prior to the occasion so that the information can be noted in the bulletin.

Monroe Clinic Hospice Heal Grief and Education Group-6 Week Sessions

Heal grief and education group offers sessions that are open to anyone 18 years and older who has experienced the death of someone special. Learn about the grieving process and ideas for coping and healing in a safe and a supportive setting. Sessions continue Wednesday morning (3/8, 3/15, 3/22) through March 22nd. We will meet from 9:00am to 10:30am at St. Camillus Center 2106 6th Street, Monroe, WI. To register or obtain more information, please call Monroe Clinic Hospice at (608) 324-1230. Also registration can be done online at www.monroeclicin.org. There is no charge for Heal grief Group and it is open to the public.

Safeguarding God's Children

NIS workshop for Safeguarding God's Children will be held March 18, 2017 at Good Shepherd in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00am to 12:00pm. All those who work with children and youth are encouraged to come.