
July 9th 2017 9:30 am

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by
Anna Patterson

Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

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. We are delighted to have 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 4**

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,
 full of compassion and mercy,
 abounding in steadfast love.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,
 let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Eternal God our creator,

C: in you we live and move and have our being.

**Look upon us, your children,
 the work of your hands.**

**Forgive us all our offenses,
 and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you,
 our refuge and our strength;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Since we are justified by faith,
 we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's love has been poured into our hearts
 through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,
 Christ died for us while we still were sinners;
 and for his sake, God ☩ forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Lord of the dance

1 I danced in the morning when
the world was begun, and I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun, I came down from
heaven and I danced on earth, at Bethlehem I
had my birth.

Chorus (repeated after each verse):

Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

2 I danced for the scribes and the pharisees
they would not dance and
they wouldn't follow me.

I danced for the fishermen, for James and John,
they came with me and the dance went on.

Chorus

3 I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
the holy people, they said it was a shame,
they whipped and they stripped and
they hung me high
they left me there on a cross to die.

Chorus

4 I danced on a Friday when the sky
turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on
your back; they buried my body
and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance
and I still go on.

Chorus

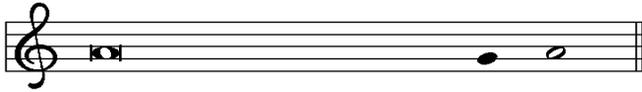
5 They cut me down and I leaped up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the dance, said he.

Chorus

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 (Assisting Minister: regular print **C: bold**)



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



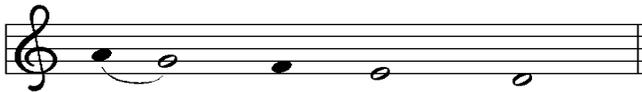
Lord, have mer - cy.



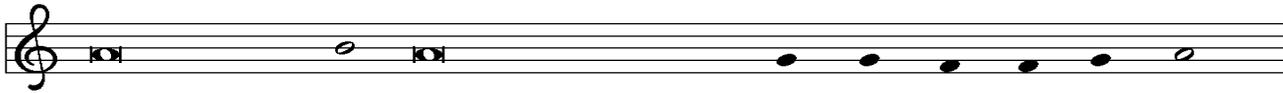
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and

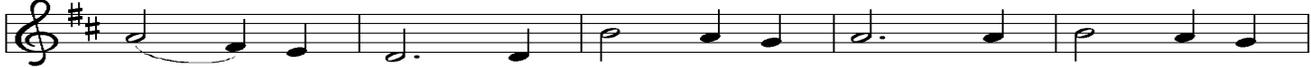


strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war-horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut

off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:8-14 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#145**

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹**LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**

¹²that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

L: The 2nd READING is from Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.

²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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



THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” ²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” 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

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

ELW#608

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain
 watch - ing for you and for me.
 mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
 par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!"

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

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: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Called together in the Spirit's embrace, let us pray for the mending of God's world.

A brief silence

WA: Humble God, lead your church in the way of service. Prosper the work of campus ministries and Young Adults in Global Mission as they raise up leaders to serve the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

WA: Cultivating God, bless and encourage all who work the land to feed your people. Give them joy in their vocation. Shower rain on crops and health on livestock. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

WA: Holy One, you command peace to the nations. Give peaceful hearts and discerning minds to world leaders and citizens alike, that all who suffer violence and hunger come to know the fullness of life. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer

WA: Gracious God, you bid the weary come to you for rest. Renew energy for bone-tired people. Support our brothers and sisters who are burdened by grief, loneliness, and illness *especially* **Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Lee Wenzel, Verl Price, Mark Fulfs, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Scott Bonnet, Carol Stubbs, Cheri Eden-Catron, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Bob Herman, Tom, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Don Koehn, Steve, Joseph Bastian, Max and, Elsie Meier** strengthen and encourage **Lois Paulsen and Laura Derr**. We pray for love, comfort and hope of Resurrection for the family and friends of Greg Watson. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

WA: God of everything, you have compassion for all that you have made. Show our congregation what mercy looks like in our own community, that we become faithful partners in your ministry.

Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: God of life, we give you thanks and praise for all the people who have blessed our lives, for saints among us whose steadfast faith has strengthened ours. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

OFFERING

"Special Music"

Set Free-Lloyd Wubbena

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 Prayer

A: Let us pray, C: **Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this 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.**

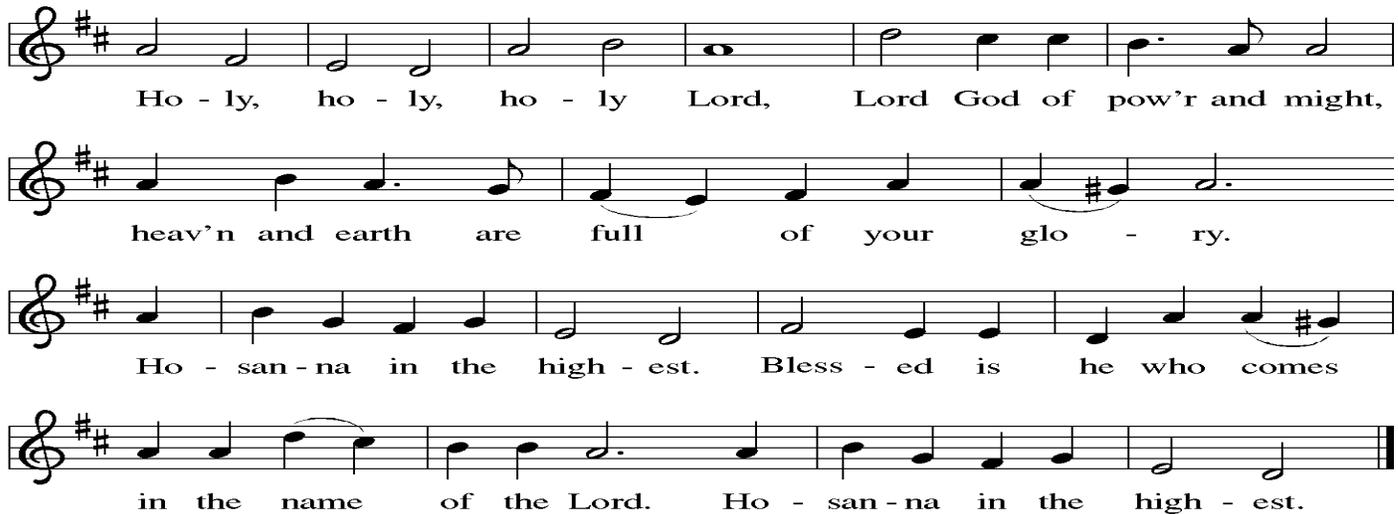
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, Lord God of pow'r 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.

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 return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.



COMMUNION SONG 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.

COMMUNION SONG

When Peace like a River
It Is Well with My Soul

ELW#785

POST COMMUNION 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: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING P: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant us the gifts of faith and hope in Christ. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever. **C: Amen.**

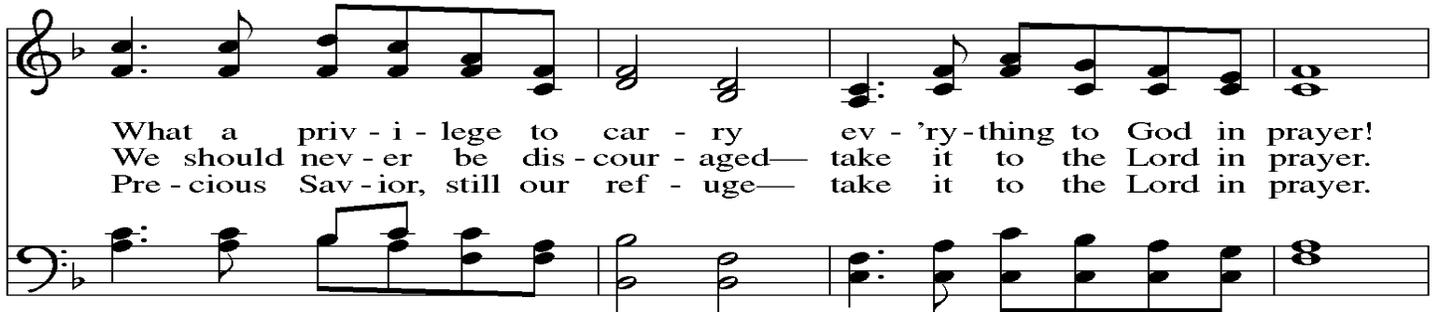
SENDING HYMN

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW#742



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

A: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

POSTLUDE

C: Thanks be to God.

Tena Rackow

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>Lector:</u> Janis Kurth
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Braden Diddens	<u>Assisting Minister:</u> Taylor Bastian
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Vivian Hesselbacher	<u>Communion Usher:</u> Jim Swain, Wayne Kurth
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	Bill and Jean Engel	<u>Communion Asst:</u> Shirley Fox, Brianna Andrews
<u>Elevator Operator:</u>	Willie Kayser	<u>Sound System:</u> Jay Andrews, Hanna Brinker
<u>Greeters:</u>	Curt and Sue Diddens, Darlene Aurand	
<u>Ushers:</u>	Bob and Sharon Schlachter, Jim Swain, Wayne Kurth	

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**July 9th thru July 16th 2017**

Today	Worship Service– Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
Monday	Parkinson Support Group	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing at Lena Living Center	9:45 am
	Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Pastor Miho at NW Reformation Meeting – St. John’s Pearl City, IL	1:00 pm
	Open Church (Downtown Lena)	6:00 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment	12:00 pm
	VBS Volunteer Meeting at UMC	7:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service– Holy Communion/Anniversary Sunday	9:30 am

Attendance July 2 was 47

Total Offering 7/02/2017 \$2,311.50 – Amount needed to meet budget: \$2,043.11

***THANK YOU!** To Set Free-Lloyd Wubbena their special music this morning.**Today’s Sending Hymn was choose by Kristy Patterson- What A Friend We Have in Jesus
“Memories of my Grandma & Grandpa Nelson and the fun times we shared”***Save the date Sunday July 16th**

And invite all your friends, family, Confirmation classmates to this special Sunday

This will be our Special **160th Anniversary Sunday** Bishop Clements will be with us for worship and we will have a potluck dinner and a program. A Sunday filled with food, folks and fun for our *Special Day*.**Vacation Bible School**

Treasure Seekers Wanted!!

Come join us as we go on an adventure of exploring God’s Promise as a Treasurer Seeker

Monday July 17th to Thursday July 20th from 5:30pm to 8:00pm (Supper included)

VBS will be at the United Methodist church, Beloved Church and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Registration forms are available at all churches or call the church offices:

The Beloved Church – 815-990-0367

Lena Methodist Church - 815-369-5291

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – 815-369-5552

Parkinson Support Group

Will meet July 10th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall with guest speaker Kayla Maynard, Speech & Language Pathologist, from FHN topic will be “Swallowing & Speech” Questions ? ? ? Call: Carol Griffin 815-947-2208 OR Marion Fahr 815-367-3961. *All are welcome*

Hymn Sing

At the Lena Living Center July 11th at 9:45 all are welcome.

Friendship Club,

All are invited to the Friendship Club Potluck July 13th at 12:00pm bring a dish to pass for the noon luncheon entertainment will be with Nicky J at the Keyboard.

Diakonia Program

The Northern Illinois Synod DiakoniaTM Program is in the process of recruiting participants for the fall 2017 DiakoniaTM is an exciting opportunity which provides a spiritual journey to lay individuals who wish to become more involved in their church or who want to better understand their faith. DiakoniaTM meets once each week during the school year for two years. Individuals are joined by other students and pastors around the Synod to talk about the Bible, Christian Doctrine, Christian Ethics, Church and Society and other topics. We currently have five active locations but are willing to open others if there is an interest in specific geographic areas such as Freeport. Nancy Lillevoid is a graduate of diakoniaTM and would be happy to share her experience with you. If you are interested in learning more about the diakoniaTM program she can be contacted at nancruth@comcast.net or by calling 1-815-541-0579.