
September 10th 2017 9:30 am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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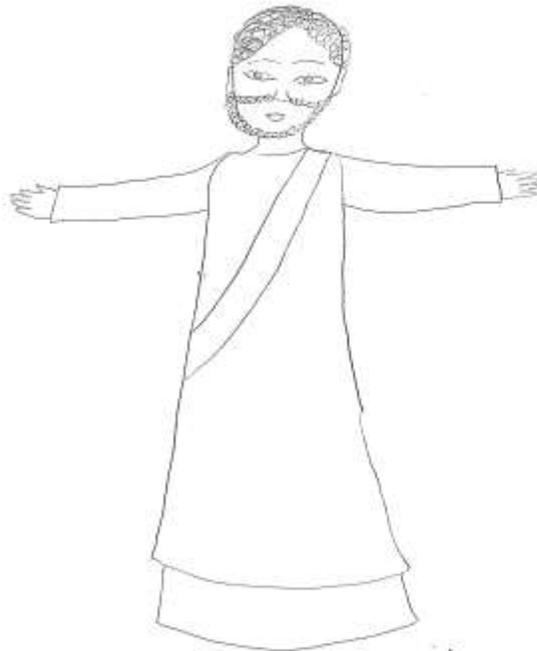
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Art by
Anna Patterson

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 10**

PRELUDE *(A time for prayer and reflection)*
Announcements & Community Concerns

Tena Rackow

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

P: Your waters are a gift to us: oceans and seas, lakes and rivers, streams and ponds, nourishing our land, watering the plants, giving life to us.

C: Our lives flow from your well of grace.

P: Your waters are a gift to us: nourishing the Israelites in the desert, offering healing at the pools of Bethesda and Siloam, proclaiming Jesus beloved in the waters of the Jordan.

C: Our lives flow from your well of grace.

P: Your waters are a gift to us: drowning us in baptism, washing away our death, calling us to the work of reconciliation.

C: Our lives flow from your well of grace.

P: Your waters are a gift to us: soothing our thirst for justice and peace at home, in our community, and around the globe; carrying us forward to our thirsting neighbors in need.

C: Our lives flow from your well of grace.

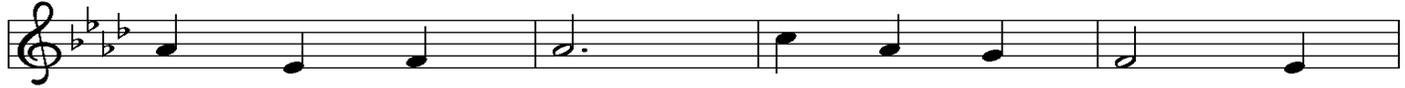
P: Continue to fill us with your love that our lives may proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.¹

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Earth and All Stars! (*Verses 1, 2, & 3*)

ELW#731



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
 2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
 3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!
 4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!
 5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!



Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
 Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!
 Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!
 Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



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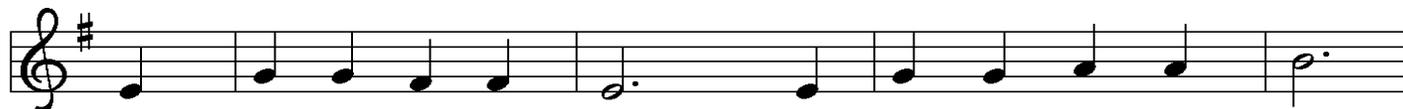
Refrain
 God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

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!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. **C:** O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING is from Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:33-40 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) ELW#119

³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴**Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.**

³⁵Lead me in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.

³⁶**Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.**

³⁷Turn my eyes from holding falsehood; give me life in your way.

³⁸**Fulfill your promise to your servant, which is for those who fear you.**

³⁹Turn away the reproach that I dread, because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰**Behold, I long for your commandments; by your righteousness enliven me.**

L: The 2nd READING is from Romans 13:8-14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the

Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. 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 18:15-20 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated

CHURCH HISTORY

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ELW#359

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
 2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
 3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
 5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
 let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
 as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

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: Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence

WA: We pray for the church universal. Reconcile our differences. Forgive our divisions. Unite us at your table. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: For your creation. Increase our stewardship of all that you have given to us. Let the earth flourish for those who come after us. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: For peace in the world. End conflicts among nations. Help leaders and citizens truly to listen to one another and to act for the good of all. Teach us by your example. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: For all those in need. Bind up our hurts. Heal divisions in our families, friendships, and neighborhoods. Comfort those who need your special care *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, Tom, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Steve, Joseph Bastian, Elsie Meier, Dale, Connie, Sydney, Bruce and Linda.* Strengthen and encourage *Lois Paulsen and Laura Derr.* Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: For this congregation. Make us signs of your love and forgiveness in this community and in the world. Help us to grow in our love for one another. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: In thanksgiving for all the faithful witnesses who put on the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep us faithful until the day we rejoice in your majesty with them. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit. **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.

Please stand

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray, **C: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.**

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

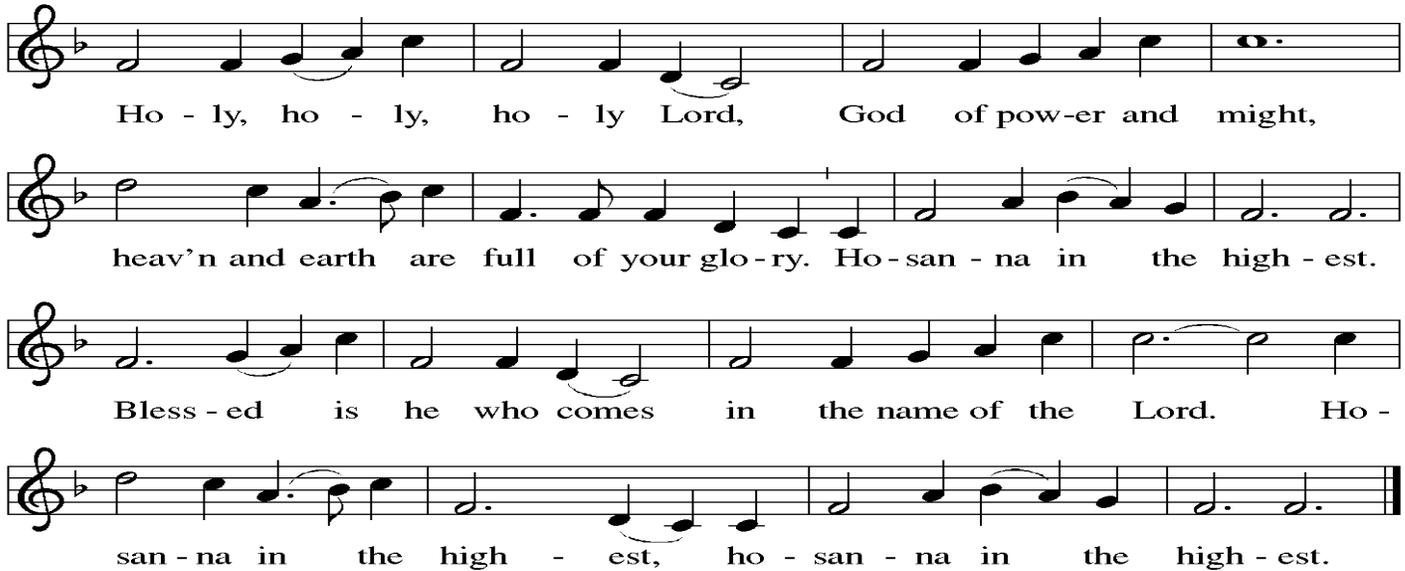
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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**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


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

How Great Thou Art

ELW#856

V1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
 consider all the works thy hand hath made,
 I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
 thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
 how great thou art! How great thou art!
 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
 how great thou art! How great thou art!

V2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
 I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
 when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

V3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
 sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
 that on the cross my burden gladly bearing
 he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

V4 When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
 and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration
 and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain*

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: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. **C: Amen.**

BLESSING P: The Creator who forms you anew, The Christ who sets you free The Spirit who draws you one to another, One God, Bless you in your service to others, Bless you in your rest and renewal, Bless you today, tomorrow, and forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

ELW#864


1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.
 2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
 3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
 4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.
 God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
 but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en-dures un-chang-ing on.
 Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

A: In Christ there is a new creation! See, everything has become new! Go forth to love and serve in Christ's name. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE**Tena Rackow**

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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>Lector:</u> Marybeth Brinker <u>Acolyte:</u> Ashtyn Brinker
<u>Assisting Minister:</u>	Jay Andrews	<u>Worship Assistant:</u> Janis Kurth <u>Communion Usher:</u> Jerry and Beth Martin
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	Vivian Hesselbacher	<u>Communion Asst:</u> Sue Diddens, Austin Andrews
<u>Elevator Operator:</u>	Sue Diddens	<u>Sound System:</u> Wayne Kurth, Hanna Brinker
<u>Greeters:</u>	Robert and Sharon Schlachter	<u>Ushers:</u> Jerry and Beth Martin, Chris and Angie Brinker

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**September 10th thru September 17th 2017**

Today	Worship Service– Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Monday	Parkinson Support Group	1:30 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
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th Graders at Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm-8:00pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment	12:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service–Confirmation/Holy Communion	9:30 am

Attendance September 3rd was 45

Total Offering 9/3/2017 - \$1,902.00 – Amount needed to meet budget: \$1,843.83

*Today’s Communion Hymn: How Great Thou Art was choose by: Lee Wenzel***FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION***“This is my body and blood which seals God’s promise, that your sins are forgiven.”**Matthew 26:27 - 29*

Who: Any child whose parents feel she or he is ready to receive this Gift from God.

When: Sundays, October 8, 15, & 22 during the Sunday School Hour

Celebration on Sunday, October 29 during Worship.

Reception following in Fellowship Hall.

Why: To learn about God’s promise of forgiveness for ALL!

How: Listening, sharing, drawing, and making a banner.

Please bring your Bible, if you have one.

If interested, please call the Church Office at 815-369-5552 or Marybeth Brinker at 815-369-2501 BEFORE September 10th.**September & October are - Food Pantry Months**

The Lena Food Pantry serves residents in the Le-Win and Orangeville School Districts. Donations of food, hygiene products, and paper products can be placed in the Food Pantry boxes and on the table in the Sanctuary. Donations will be bagged and delivered to the Food Pantry by our Confirmation Students.

The After School Program is looking for Volunteers

The After School Program for 4th through 8th graders meets Wednesday at 3:30pm at the Hangout downtown. Each day there is worship with music and a Christian message; pizza; homework help; and lots of time for all sorts of games, challenges and play.

If you are interested in volunteering for the After School Program please call the church office.

Monroe Clinic Hospice Heal Grief and Education Group

HEAL grief and education group offers session open to anyone 18 yrs 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. Our six-week series will begin Wednesday evening September 6th through October 11th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm (9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11). We will meet at the St. Camillus Center 2101 6th Street, Monroe WI 53566. To register or obtain more information please call Monroe Clinic Hospice at (608) 324-1230 or (800) 367-8406. Registration can also be done on line at www.monroeclinic.org.

There is no charge for these sessions.

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP

Will meet Monday September 11th at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall with guest speaker Stephanie Snider Physical Therapist from FHN topic will be

“Exercise for those with Parkinson’s & Big & Loud Program.”

EVERYONE IS WELCOME !!!

Invite all those you know who are interested in sharing in an afternoon of Parkinson Disease Information, fellowship and refreshments

Any Questions: Call: Carol Griffin 947-2208 OR Marion Fahr 815-367-3961

Get ready to serve! “God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday, Sept. 24th, 2017

Save the date to join brothers and sisters in Christ in serving our neighbor on September 24th. We will seek to have service opportunities for all ages and abilities. Make sure to sign up!

If you are interested in volunteering or have questions on “God’s work. Our hands” Sunday contact Troy Doubler or Wayne Kurth

Sunday October 1st Rally Day and Teacher Installment

first day of **Sunday School!** meet your new Sunday School leaders! Gather in the Sanctuary at 10:45am for Sunday School opening and meeting your new teachers. At 11:00 we will have a family carnival with games, music, and treats! We will gather for a meal together with volunteers and families at 11:45am .

Bible Sunday October 1st

If you are in 3rd grade and older and do not have a Bible, contact the church office at 815-369-5552.

Annual Wine and Cheese Evening

September 16th at Donna Gullickson ‘s Home

Please bring your favorite wine, pop or lemon aid as well as some cheese or other finger foods. The fun and fellowship will begin at 6:30pm.

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the evening.