January 21st, 2018 9:30 am **Third Sunday of Epiphany GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH** 118 E. Mason, Lena, IL 61048 Phone # (815)369-5552 Pastor Miho: (815) 821-9570 Email: GoodShepherdLena@outlook.com Email: goodshepherdlc@mediacombb.net, Facebook: "GSLCLenaIL" Website: www.GoodShepherdLena.org 1 Art by Anna Patterson

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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.

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PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Karen Niemeier

Announcements & Community Concerns

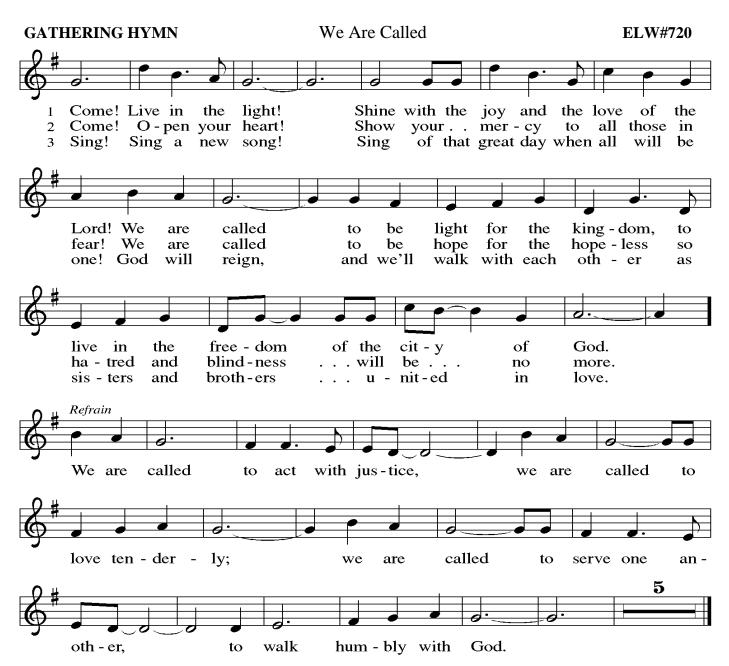
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

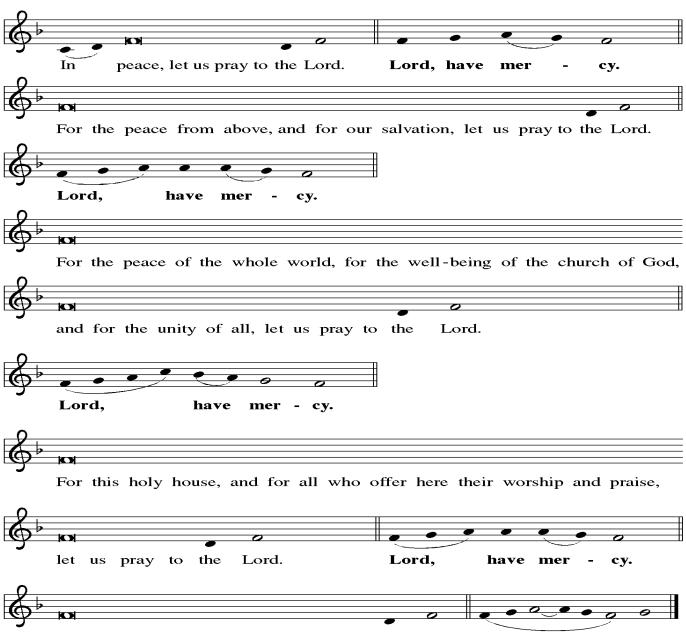
P: Loving God,
C: we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways.
Forgive us for the times
we have spoken or acted too quickly;
we have not spoken or acted at all;
we have hurt those closest to us;
we have hurt those we have yet to know;
we have thought more about ourselves than others;
we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.
Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,
so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

P: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.
Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.
God's love never runs out.
God never tires of calling us beloved children.
Hear God say to you now:
Your sins are forgiven,
for the sake of ⊕ Jesus Christ our Savior.
C: Amen.



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.

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KYRIE (Assisting Minister: regular print, C: bold print)

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. C: Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

L: The 1st READING Jonah 3; 1-5, 10 "Jonah and the Big Fish" Read by the Sunday School Children

Psalm 62:5-12 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#65**

⁵For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted. Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

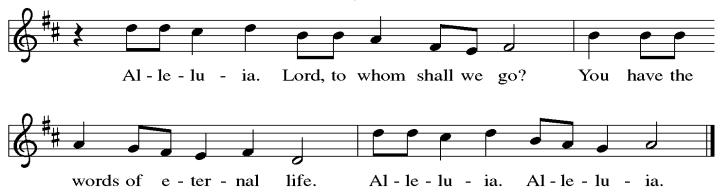
¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

¹²Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

L: The 2nd READING is from 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand as you are able)

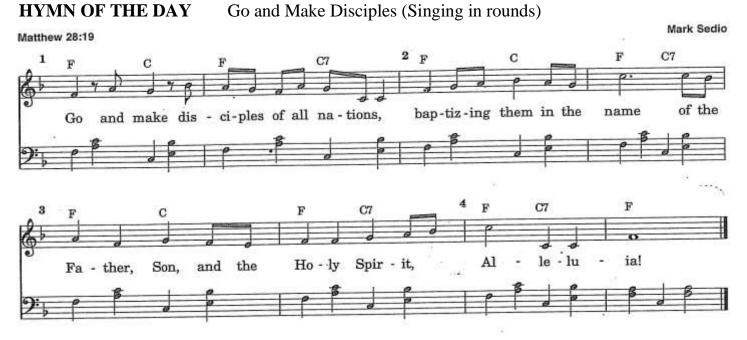


P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Mark 1:14-20 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ**! *Please be seated* **SERMON**

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

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CREED (from the explanation of Luther's Small Catechism) Please Stand

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith through Luther's Small Catechism.

P: The Second Article: On Redemption

C: 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.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchased and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. He has done all this in order that I may belong to him, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition: WA: let us pray. C: **Have mercy, O God.**

WA: Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. *A brief silence*

WA: For the church in all its forms, for unity in Christ, and for those who proclaim the good news in word and deed, that all trust that the kingdom of God has come near, let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For clean water and air, for fertile lands, so that all creatures and people have enough food, nourishing drink, and breathable air, let us pray **C: Have mercy, O God.**

WA: For public defenders and district attorneys, for the armed forces and international peace organizations, and for all public leaders, that those in authority work for the well-being of all people, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God.

WA: For the poor and oppressed, for the sick and bereaved, for those living with HIV and AIDS, and for all people in need especially Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Ethel Lobdell, Tena Rackow, Susie Gordon, Richard Rutter, Leona Block, Donna Euler, Carol Stubbs, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Elsie Meier, Dale, Meghan, Sharon, and Lucy strengthen and encourage Fern Harnish and Carol Wybourn that your power and compassion will be visible to those who need care and those who provide care, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God. WA: For this congregation and its ministries, for visitors in our midst, and for students returning to school, that your Holy Spirit will guide us in all our endeavors, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God. WA: In thanksgiving for those who have died, that their lives of faithful service point us to the steadfast love of Christ,, let us pray. C: Have mercy, O God.

Pastor: Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

OFFERING

"Brightest and Best" **Chime Choir** 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, receive the gifts we bring, our selves, 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

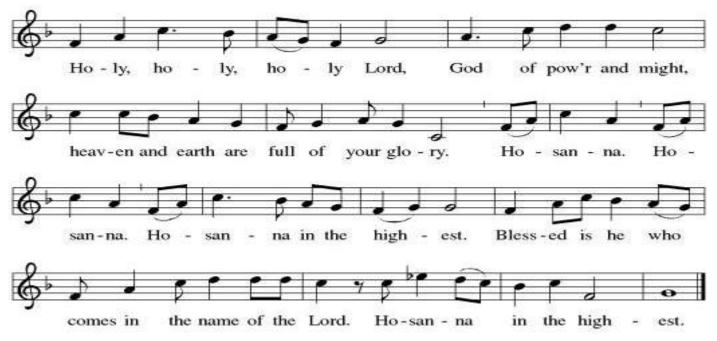
P: The Lord be with you.	C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.	C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: And also with you

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

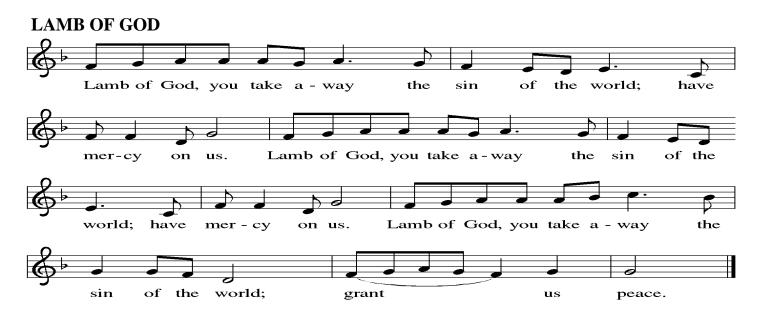
LORD'S PRAYER

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





COMMUNION SONG

 I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
 I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I Love to Tell the Story

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- 2 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*
- 3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *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: 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.

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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.



DISMISSAL (*from the back*) A: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

POSTLUDE

C: Thanks be to God.

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>Lector</u>: Marybeth Brinker <u>Acolyte</u>: Hanna Brinker <u>Assisting Minister</u>: Jay Andrews
<u>Worship Assistant</u>: Cora Hudik <u>Communion Usher</u>: Jerry and Beth Martin
<u>Communion Set-up</u> Sheridan and Marybeth Brinker <u>Communion Asst</u>: Troy and Cindy Doubler
<u>Elevator Operator</u>: Sue Diddens <u>Sound System</u>: Wayne Kurth, Ethan Fye
<u>Greeters</u>: Troy and Cindy Doubler, Donna Gullickson
<u>Ushers</u>: Jerry and Beth Martin, Chris and Angie Brinker

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Total Offering 01/14/2018- \$1,379.00

Annual meeting for Good Shepherd Jan. 28, 2018

Annual report are available please call the church office (815-369-5552) if you would like one mailed to you.

Updates on the Stubbs Family

See the bulletin board for an updated newsletter from the Stubbs' family and you can also link to the Caring Bridge page for updates on Carol Stubbs at <u>https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/love4carolstubbs</u>

Copy of the Sermon is Available

If you would like a copy of the sermon, please talk to the ushers or Pr. Miho.

Check Good Shepherd Facebook

and link to Lutheran World Relief to read article about Piece Corps Ministry

Souper Bowl of Caring February 4th

Souper Bowl of Caring is a youth led movement to feed people who are hungry. Our young members will help collecting money on Sunday February 4th. Donation will be distributed to Lena Food Pantry and ELCA World Hunger. Please share your love and make a difference.

Stewards in the Bible

Stewardship is the way that we love God and our neighbors through the abundance God has provided to us. God's abundance includes time, talents, money, and other resources. The Samaritan in Luke 10:25-37 is an example of a faithful steward. The Samaritan man saw the wounded man on the side of the road and was moved with compassion. He shared his time, medicine, first aid skills, his own animal, money, and caring hearts. In other word, he offered his whole self for the sake of God and neighbor. Stewardship is about love. Next week we will look at other scriptural passages about stewardship.