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Fifth Sunday of Lent

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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.

**–ORDER OF WORSHIP –
WOV SETTING 6**

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: In the words of a reformation hymn,
let us confess our sin before God.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Out of the depths I cry to you;

C: O Lord God, hear me calling.

**Incline your ear to my distress
in spite of my rebelling.**

Do not regard my sinful deeds.

Send me the grace my spirit needs.

Without it I am nothing. Amen.

P: In God alone, in God we hope,
and not in our own merit.

We hope as Israel in the Lord,

who sends redemption through the ✠ Word.

Praise God for grace and mercy!

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

ELW#803

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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

Lord Have Mercy (Verses 1 & 2)

WOV#602

1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
 Chris - te e - le - i - son.
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray. **C:** **O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in 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 Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 51:1-12 *Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#51**

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother’s womb.

⁶**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

¹¹Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

¹²**Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

L: The 2nd READING is from Hebrews 5:5-10

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; ⁶as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (spoken)

C: Return to the Lord, your God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to John 12:20-33 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. ²⁷“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE *“Deliverance from the fiery furnace”* Sunday School Children

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Loves Me!

ELW#595

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

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 Third Article: On Being Made Holy

C: 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.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition: WA: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

WA: We pray for the church. Guide us into a deeper knowledge of your love and grace. Increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and service. We pray for evangelists, pastors, prophets, teachers, and all servants of the church. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for the world. For seeds planted in hope of an abundant harvest. For fertile soils and sufficient rains. For shepherds and ranchers, farmworkers and seafood harvesters. For flowers and berries. For orchards, vineyards, and citrus groves. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

WA: We pray for those in need. For all who suffer in any way. For those who are lonely or isolated. For those seeking employment. For those who approach the hour of their death, and all who are ill *especially* **Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Ethel Lobdell, Tena Rackow, Leona Block, Donna Euler, Carol Stubbs, Kathy Baumgartner, Robin Cross, Millie Anderson, Connor Stadermann, Justin, Jon Forsythe, Meghan, Sharon, Lucy, Sharon Peska, Tom Pye, Jamie, Jean, Nick, Pam, Bruce and Darren.** Strengthen and encourage **Laura Derr and Lois Paulsen.** Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for this assembly. We give thanks for those who founded this community of believers and for the sign of your presence in Good Shepherd for 161 years. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example of all believers and to all nations. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died, especially those who have been witnesses and examples to us. Bring us with them to the promise of resurrection and life eternal with you.

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

Pastor: Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you

Offering**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.

Please stand

OFFERING PRAYER

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

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

Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

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.

**LAMB OF GOD**

ELW#195

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

Eat This Bread

ELW#472

"Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst."

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: 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: 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

Now the Green Blade Rises

ELW #379



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Pastor Miho Yasukawa Missionaries to Tanzania: Randy & Carol Stubbs Family
Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr
Lector: Michelle Andrews Acolyte: Madilyn Diddens Assisting Minister: Wayne Kurth
Worship Assistant: Sue Diddens Communion Usher: Virgil and Joanne Martin
Communion Set-up Bob and Sharon Schlachter Communion Asst: Beth Martin, Marybeth Brinker
Elevator Operator: Anna Patterson, Kristy Patterson Sound System: Troy Doubler, Ethan Fye
Greeters: Paul and Shirley Fox, Bill and Jean Engel
Ushers: Virgil and Joanne Martin, Jerry and Beth Martin

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**March 18th thru March 25th, 2018**

Today	5th Sunday of Lent 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 Text Study	2:00 pm
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	Lenten Lunch and Devotions at St. John’s	12:00 pm
	Lenten Dinner	5:30 pm
	Lenten Worship Service	6:30 pm
Saturday	Good Shepherd at Lena Food Pantry	
Next Sunday	Procession of Palms 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

Attendance March 11th was 54

Total Offering 03/11/2018- \$1,135.00 Amount needed \$2,795.45

Children’s Worship Bulletin is Available

Children’s bulletin follows Sunday lessons with coloring page, word search, and crossword puzzle.

They are available at the both entrances.

Copy of the Sermon is Available

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

Updates on the Stubbs FamilySee 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 <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/love4carolstubbs>**Good Shepherd Wednesday Evening Lent Services**

This year’s mid-week Lenten service will be using Into the Wild: A Lenten Liturgy and Intergenerational Study on Hunger by ELCA World Hunger. We will explore wilderness in our places and hear that God walks with us in the wild. Supper starts at 5:30pm and service starts at 6:30pm. People in every age and every walks in life are welcome to join the Lenten journey.

Devotions for Lent Booklets

We have two Lenten devotion for this year. You Are the Way is a daily devotion which explores “I am” statements in the Gospel of John. Another one is Faces of Christ which explores Christ in global perspectives. Both are available at all entrances.

2018 Lena Lenten Lunch

Soup and sandwich lunch starts at noon followed by a short devotion,

Theme is “Seven Signs of Jesus in the Gospel of John.”

March 21st - St. John's

March 28th - Salem UCC & Beloved (Hosted at Lena UMC)

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 March 18th.

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

Holy Week Schedule Services

Maundy Thursday Service March 29th at 7:00 pm - Good Friday Worship Service March 30th at 7:00 pm

Easter Worship Services April 1st

Sunrise Service at 7:00 am - Easter Breakfast at 8:00 am - Easter Festival Service at 9:30 am

Easter Breakfast Sunday, April 1st at 8 am

The Good Shepherd youth will be serving Easter Breakfast on Easter Morning at 8am in the Fellowship Hall to raise funds for the youth. Make your reservation by Monday, March 26th by placing your reservation slip in offering plate or turning it in to the Church office.

All Youth and Children of Good Shepherd: We will be meeting on Saturday, March 31st at 4:00 pm

To prepare for the Easter Breakfast.

Also, Easter Sunday, April 1st we will meet at 7:30 am to serve the Easter Breakfast together.

Silent Auction Items Needed

During Easter Breakfast on April 1st, we are going to have silent auction for fundraising for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston this summer.

We are looking for auction items. If you can support, please talk to Kristy or Anna Patterson.