May27th, 2018 at 9:30 am

Holy Trinity Sunday

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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 -God Give Us Life

PRELUDE

(A time for prayer and reflection)

Tena Rackow

Announcements & Community Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP

Source: Rejoice Song Book: Prayers, Songs, and Hymns for Sunday School

L: For the beauty of your creation, for trees, birds, plants, and animals, for family and friend,

C: We praise you, O God

L: For the joy of life you give us in our Lord Jesus Christ,

C: We praise you, O God.

L: For keeping us under the loving care of your Holy Spirit,

C: We praise you, O God.

L: Let us pray. We praise you, O God, that you created us and all things, saved us from the power of death and evil, and guide us in the way of truth. Help us to worship you always with joy and thanksgiving.

C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

OPENING HYMN: Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! (Verses 1 & 3) **ELW#413**



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INVOCATION



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



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Help, save, com-fort, and de-fend us, gra-cious God. A

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray.

C: God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

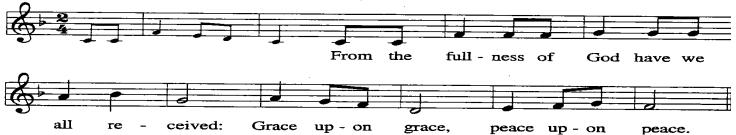
FIRST READING: Romans 8:12-17

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand as you are able)



THE HOLY GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to John, 3:1-17. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

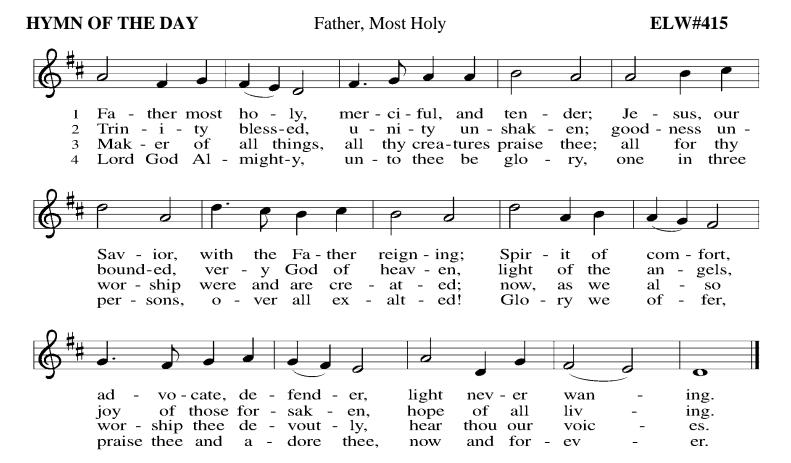
¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you

believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Miho Yasukawa



APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the words of Apostles' Creed.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition: WA: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

A brief silence

WA: Abba, when we cry to you, your Spirit bears witness with our spirit. Give to your church the confidence of the children of God, so that we boldly share with everyone your world-saving love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: The whole earth is full of your glory: cities teem, fields flourish, mountains soar, and waters abound. Blot out our sin of spoiling your creation. Send us to go for you, mending what is torn and tattered in your world. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

WA: You so loved the world that you gave your only Son. In these days, when nation condemns nation, save us. Give us strength and fill us with your justice and peace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: Your people cry out to you, seeking the goodness and hope of your holiness. Let the wind of your Spirit blow into the lives of all who suffer from injustice, want, or anguish of any kind especially *Bob Lyvers*, *Dick and Rene Johnson*, *Ethel Lobdell*, *Gene Hesselbacher*, *Kayla Runkle*, *Verl Price*, *Steve Fahr*, *Donna Euler*, *Robin Cross*, *Connor Stadermann*, *Justin*, *Jean*, *Jon Forsythe*, *Meghan*, *Sharon Peska*, *Tom Pye*, *Jean*, *Pam*, *Bruce*, *Diane*, *Darren*, *Jerilyn Strohecker*, *Sylvia*, *Sandy Groezinger and Bruce Johnson*. Strengthen and encourage *Laura Derr* and *Lois Paulson*. Love ,comfort and resurrection hope for family and friends of Carol Wybourn. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great. WA: In our living and in our dying, we belong to you. In loving remembrance, we honor those who live with scars or have died defending our nation. Beat our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks, and teach us your ways. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great. WA: With affection we remember the saints now departed and rejoice in their faithful witness. Through their example, provoke us to holy lives of loving service in your name. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

P: By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you

OFFERING The Journey **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: Most gracious God, as you have blessed us with these gifts, so may we offer them as a blessing to others. We offer ourselves to your service. We dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

- P: Living God, Risen Christ, you make yourself known to us in the breaking of bread and the pouring of wine. Refresh us once again with this reality of your healing presence in all the world.
- C: We break bread today and remember the brokenness throughout all the world. We pour wine today and remember the blood being shed throughout all the world.
- P: Living God, Risen Christ, through eating of this bread and the drinking of this wine, may our eyes and our hands be opened to the needs of others, and our hearts to the sharing of your gifts in all the world.

C: Amen

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

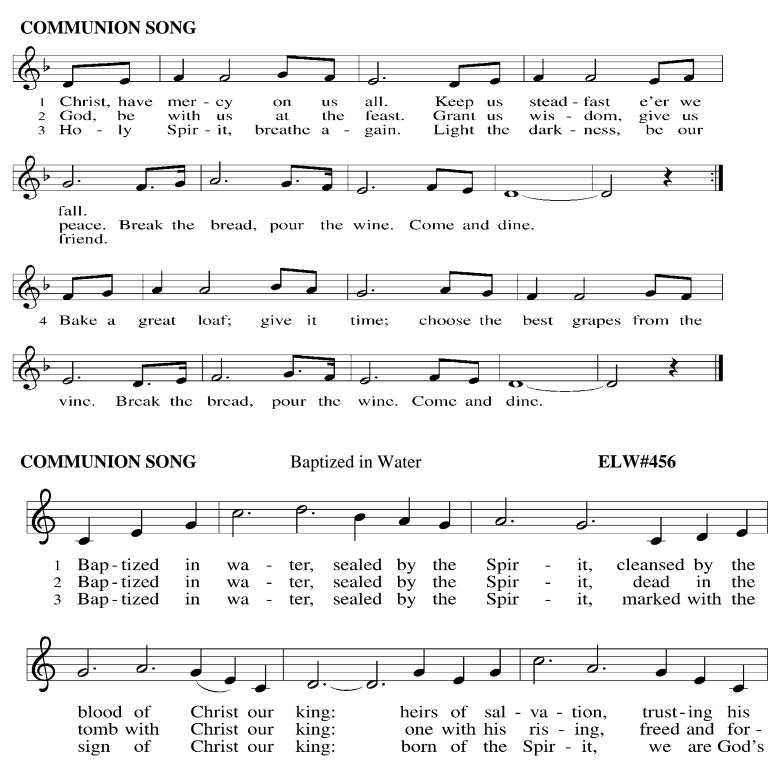
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

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







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

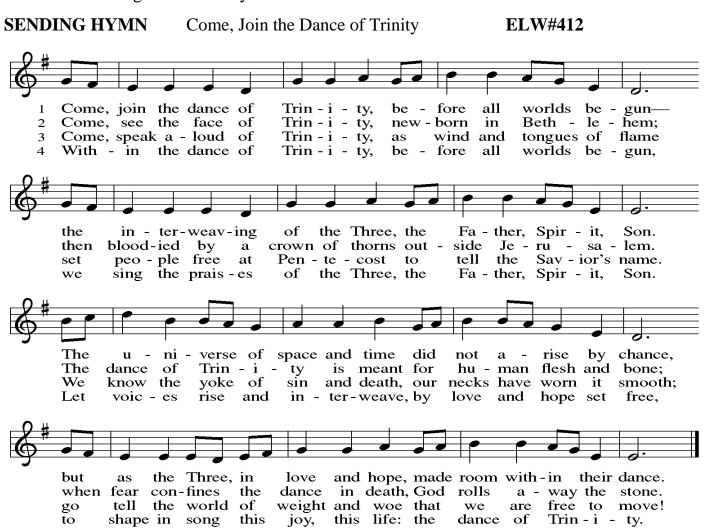
A: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **C: Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: The God of all grace \oplus bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**



DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve. C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Tena Rackow

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Pastor Miho Yasukawa

Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier

Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr Acolyte: Madilyn Diddens

Lector: Sue Diddens

Assisting Minister: Wayne Kurth Worship Assistant: Kayla Runkle

Greeters: Bob and Sharon Schlachter, Darlene Aurand

<u>Communion Usher</u>: Jerry and Beth Martin <u>Communion Set-up</u>: Sheridan and Marybeth Brinker <u>Communion Asst</u>: Jay and Michelle Andrews <u>Sound System</u>: Denny Luke and Ashtyn Brinker

Elevator Operator: Donna Gullickson

<u>Ushers:</u> Jerry and Beth Martin, Bob and Sharon Schlachter

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD		May 27 th thru June 3 rd 2018
Today	Worship Service –with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
Monday	Office Closed – Memorial Day	
Tuesday	VBS Meeting at Lena UMC	6:00pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
Saturday	Bake Sale at Pearl City (fund raising for Youth Gathering)	11:00am-2:00pm
Next Sunday	Worship Service—Special Music, Krista Keene	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am

Attendance May 20th - 51

Total Offering 05/20/2018 - \$1374.00 Amount needed \$2911.83

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.

Monroe Clinic Heal Grief and Education Group

Heal grief and education group offers sessions to anyone 18 yrs. and older who have experienced the death of someone special. Learn about the grieving process and ideas for coping and healing in a safe and supportive setting. Group session begins Wednesday June 6th from 6-7:30 pm and will run through July 11th. Meetings will take place at St. Camillus Center, 2101 6th Street, Monroe, WI,. There is no cost to attend, space is limited. To register or express interest in attending please call 608-324-1230 or 1-800-367-8406

Strawberry Social

St Joseph's annual Strawberry Social in Lena on June 6th 2018 from 4:30-7:00pm at the St Josepha's Hall, 410 W. Lena Street, Lena. The menu consists of whole hog roast, BBQ, baked beans, potato salad, strawberry pie, sundaes and strawberry shortcake. Whole pies are available also for purchase. We hope you and your family can come for a good meal, Carry outs are welcome. Thank you, St. Joseph's Parish

Food Bank Mobil Pantry

Food Bank Mobil Pantry will be at the Orangeville High School, 201 South High Street on Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 from 4-6pm. Please bring bags or boxes.

Vacation Bible School

Theme: All Aboard! Gospel Express

This year's VBS will be June 18th-21st 5pm-8pm at Lena UMC. Registration forms and volunteer forms are available at the church office. If you have any questions, talk to Kristy or Pr. Miho.

Sign up your slot for the Pictorial Church Directory

Get your smiles ready for the new Pictorial Directory. We will start to pick out times to come to the church and get your photos taken. Pictures will be taken on June 21st 2pm-9pm, 22nd 2pm-9pm, and 23rd 10am-5pm. Every family will receive a new directory and an 8"x10" photo. Sign up your slot today! Any questions please contact Denny Luke at church or call him at 815-985-5552.

<u>This Changes Everything: 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering</u> ELCA Youth Gathering is happening June 27th –July 1st in Houston, TX under the theme of "This Changes Everything." Young people desire and struggle to find someone to become, somewhere to belong, and something to do that changes the world. At the gathering, each day there will be a theme which they will explore deeply. Day 1 is God's call changes everything from a story of Moses and the Burning Bush in Exodus 3:1-16. Anna Patterson will be attending the gathering from Good Shepherd, please journey with her and pray for the youth and adults who will be at the gathering.

In-Kind Offering for the Synod Assembly

This year's in-kind offing is Basic Needs Bags for the Homeless. We are collecting the following items: warm socks, juice drink, \$5 McDonalds card, hot hands, wipes, lip balm, prayer card, granola bar, beef jerky, and hat or scarf. We will put in a gallon size baggie and pray over them at the assembly. Please see the flyers on the bulletin board for details. If you would like to help, please bring the items to the church by June 13th.

Let Us Know

If youth or adults in Good Shepherd family are involved in activities which the public is invited, please provide a schedule to the church office by Tuesday morning so that we can include in the following Sunday's bulletin.