

# 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.

## -GATHERING -

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**PRELUDE**

*Time for reflection in silence*

**Tena Rackow**

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

L: The morning light reminds us of God's creation, renewed and refreshed each day.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

L: For your creation,

C: **We thank you, God.**

L: Each day when we rise we remember that, through Baptism, we are God's children, sealed with the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. For our new life in Baptism,

C: **We thank you, God.**

L: Each day we live with joy, love, hate, sorrow, problems and possibilities. Help us remember that you are always with us to strengthen and to guide us. For your presence in our lives,

C: **We thank you God.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**Alabaré**

**Rejoice Song Book**

*Alabaré*

11

Refrain F

A-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-ré, a

Refrain

Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré  
a mi Señor.

C7 F

la-ba-ré a mi Se-ñor. A-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-

Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré  
a mi Señor.

C7

ré, a-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-ré, a-la-ba-

1., 2. F Final ending F

ré a mi Se-ñor. ñor.

F

1. Dig - no es Cris - to, el sa - cri - fi - cio, su  
 1. Wor - thy is Christ, the lamb who was slain, whose  
 2. Juan vio a la gen - te, los que cre - í - an, y  
 2. John saw the num - ber of all those re - deemed, and

C7

san - gre nos li - bró de la muerte.  
 blood set us free from our sins.  
 to - dos a - la - ba - ban al Se - ñor.  
 all were sing - ing prais - es to the Lord.

Po - der, ri - que - za, el ho - nor, la fuer - za, y  
 Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength, and  
 U - nos o - ra - ban, y o - tros can - ta - ban, y  
 Thou - sands were pray - ing, ten thou - sands re - joic - ing, and

F to Refrain

la ben - di - ción sean a él.  
 hon - or and bless - ing shall be his.  
 to - dos a - la - ba - ban al Se - ñor.  
 all were sing - ing prais - es to the Lord.

Text and Tune: Traditional Mexican

*Verse 1*

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood has set us free from ev'ry sin.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and all blessing shall be his. *Refrain*

*Verse 2*

John saw the number of all those redeemed, and all were singing praises to the Lord.

Thousands were praying, ten thousands rejoicing, and all were singing praises to the Lord.

*Refrain*

## 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: Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A: Let us pray.

**C: God of gentle wind and strong rain, your Word falls like seeds into our hearts. Make our hearts ready to receive your Word so that it might take root and bear fruit in our lives. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**WORD**

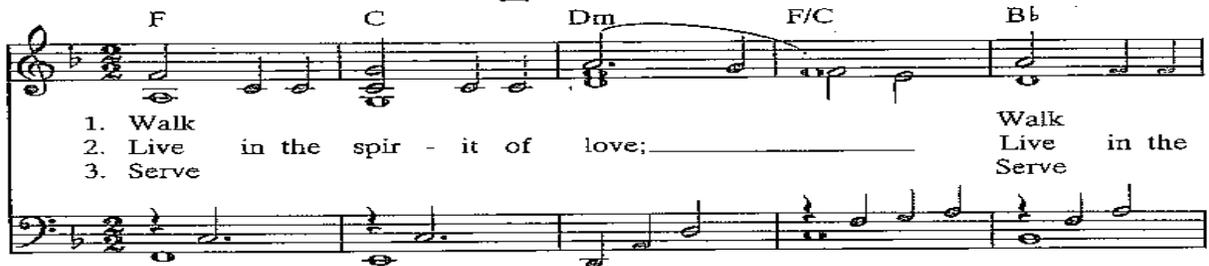
God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

**LESSON: Mark 9:30-37**

"Who is the Greatest?"

**MESSAGE for children and the young at heart.****HYMN OF THE DAY****Walk in the Spirit of Love****Rejoice Song Book***Walk in the spirit of love* 

F C Dm F/C B $\flat$



1. Walk  
2. Live in the spir - it of love;  
3. Serve

Walk  
Live in the  
Serve

Gm7 E $\flat$  C7 FM7 F7



spir - it of love; love one an - oth - er as

B $\flat$  B $\flat$ m F Gm C7 F



Je - sus loves you, Walk  
Live in the spir - it of love.  
Serve

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Music: Mark Blankenship  
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**APOSTLES' CREED**     *Please Stand*

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**

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

**WA:** Dear God, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's beloved creation.

*A brief silence*

**WA:** We thank you for the church and we ask you to strengthen it by the power of your Word. Nourish the church through Holy Communion and baptism, and fill it with the presence of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** O Great Spirit of stars, moon, clouds, and sun, you bless your creation with the goodness of your love. Help us bring the news of this love to all human kind. Help us share their joys and their troubles. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Merciful Lord, bless all those who lead and govern our towns, cities, and nations. Give them wisdom to do their work justly and faithfully. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Dear Jesus, you touched many sick people with your healing hand. Today we pray for, *Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Laura Derr, Lois Paulsen, Fern Harnish, Steve Fahr, Verl Price, Sheridan Brinker, Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jean, Jon Forsythe Meghan, Tom Pye, Pam, Bruce, Diane, Darren, Bruce Johnson, Myron Coaty, Scott Bonnet, Deb Lindeman Harder, Graham Russell, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson* and ask that you be with them and those who care for them. Strengthen their body, mind and spirit and restore them to good health. We pray for peace, love, comfort and resurrection hope for family and friends of Roy Watson and David Wagner. May they know your love and hope that one day we will be together in heaven. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Welcoming God, you placed children among us. We thank you for young people, middle age people and old and wise people at Good Shepherd. All of us are your children through our baptism into Christ. Guide us in everything we do and say so that we may always glorify your holy name. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Dear God, in baptism you have made us all members of Christ's body, the church. We remember and give you thanks for your servants of all times and all lands. We praise you for their examples of faith and for the mercy they showed your creation. We rejoice as they did, in your promise of eternal life. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Into your wide loving embrace, we trust that you hear all our prayers in our hearts. Thank you Jesus, we pray. **C: Amen**

**PEACE**

P: The peace of the Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

**MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**OFFERING**

*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.*

**OFFERING SONG****Jesus, Name Above all Names****Rejoice Song Book**

Je - sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful Sa - vior, glo - ri - ous  
 Lord, Em - man - u - el; God is  
 with us, bless - ed Re - deem - er, liv - ing Word.

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*Please Stand*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

C: Merciful God, we thank you that you have given us so much: our bodies, our time, our talents, and all that we have. Now we give something back to you. Receive these offerings as a sign of our love for you, for the sake of your Son, 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**

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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 (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 return to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you need assistance, please let an usher know.*



## COMMUNION SONG

### Jesus

### Rejoice Song Book

C Am F G C Am Dm E

1. Je - sus! What a name to know! Je - sus! Sing it where you go.  
 2. Je - sus! Liv-ing on the earth. Je - sus! Giv-ing peo - ple worth.  
 3. Je - sus! What a word to teach. Je - sus! What a word to preach.

Am F Em Dm G7 C

Je - sus! Sav - ior and my Lord. Je - sus! What a lov - ing word.  
 Je - sus! Help-ing peo-ple heal. Je - sus! See how good I feel.  
 Je - sus! Noth-ing more to hide. Je - sus! Walk-ing by my side.

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## COMMUNION SONG

## Do Lord

## Rejoice Song Book

*Refrain* Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me.  
 Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me.  
 Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me, look away beyond the blue.

v1. You're my light and my salvation, I won't be afraid! You're the stronghold of my life by you all things were made. Foes attack me, hassle me but I will never fade, for I move in the strength of the Lord. *Refrain*

v2. Though a host encamp against me, I will never fear! Even though a war surrounds me you are always near. One thing I have asked of you that I will see for sure is to live in the house of the Lord. *Refrain*

v3. You will hide me in your shelter in the day of strife; you'll conceal me in your tent or set me on the height. Now my head is lifted up above the storms of night, so I'll sing to the name of the Lord. *Refrain*

**Do Lord**

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*Refrain:*

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do re-mem-ber me.

1. You're my light and my sal - va - tion, I won't be a - fraid!  
 2. Though a host en - camp a - gainst me, I will nev - er fear!  
 3. You will hide me in your shel - ter in the day of strife;

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do re-mem-ber me.

You're the strong-hold of my life by you all things were made.  
 E - ven though a war sur - rounds me you are al - ways near.  
 you'll con - ceal me in your tent or set me on the height.

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do re-mem-ber

Foes at - tack me, has - sle me but I will nev - er  
 One thing I have asked of you that I will seek for  
 Now my head is lift - ed up a - bove the storms of

me, -look a - way - be - yond - the blue.

fade, for I move in the strength of the Lord.  
 sure is to live in the house of the Lord.  
 night, so I'll sing to the name of - the Lord.

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 Music: Traditional American  
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**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 God, you are our life, our strength, and our food. Thank you for the body and blood of Jesus. By your Holy Spirit help us to serve you and your children. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen.

**SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

**BENEDICTION****Shalom, Chaverim****Rejoice Song Book**

Em C D7 G

Sha - lom, cha-ve-rim! Sha - lom, cha-ve-rim! Sha - lom, sha - lom!  
Sha - lom, my\_friends! Sha - lom, my\_friends! Sha - lom, sha - lom!

Em C Bm Em

Le - hit ra - ot. Le - hit ra - ot. Sha - lom, sha - lom!  
We'll see you a-gain. We'll see you a-gain. Sha - lom, sha - lom!

Words: Traditional  
Music: Traditional Israeli

**BLESSING**

P: The Lord almighty guide our days and our deeds in his peace.

C: Amen.

*Reach out in love* 2

G Em C Am D7

1. Reach out in love, reach out in love.  
 2. Reach out in faith, reach out in faith,  
 3. Reach out in hope, reach out in hope.

G Em C Am D7

Reach out in love, reach out in love, and give your  
 Reach out in faith, reach out in faith, and give your  
 Reach out in hope, reach out in hope, and give your

G Em

hand, your heart, your ev - 'ry - thing the Lord did give you.  
 hand, your heart, your ev - 'ry - thing the Lord did give you.  
 hand, your heart, your ev - 'ry - thing the Lord did give you.

D7 G

Reach out, reach out in love.  
 Reach out, reach out in faith.  
 Reach out, reach out in hope.

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**DISMISSAL** (*from the back*)

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE****Tena Rackow**

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Pastor: Pastor Miho Yasukawa

Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker    Organist: Karen Niemeier

Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr

Lector: Beth Martin    Acolyte: Jacob Runkle

Assisting Minister: Wayne Kurth

Worship Assistant: Sheila Keene

Greeters: Robert and Sharon Schlachter, Chris and Angie Brinker

Ushers: Jay and Michelle Andrews, Paul and Shirley Fox

Communion Usher: Andrew Martin, Larry Fulfs    Communion Set-up: Lisa Wienand

Communion Asst: Beth Martin, Marybeth Brinker    Sound System: Troy Doubler and Hanna Brinker

Elevator Operator: Denny Luke

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**

**September 23<sup>rd</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service- Holy Communion</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30am
Saturday	Good Shepherd outing to Massbach Winery	1:00pm
	Wine & Cheese Evening at the Gullickson’s	6:00pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Worship Service-Quilt Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm

Attendance September 16 - 48

Total Offering 09/16/18 - \$2,539.00, amount needed \$3,535.82

**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.

**Rally Day: TODAY**

Immediately after the service come down to the fellowship hall for games, food, and fun. Eat tacos, decorate your cookies, do crafts, play giant Jenga and live musical chair. All ages are welcome to join.

**Coffee with the Bishop Jeff**

Bishop Jeff Clements from Northern Illinois Synod will be First Lutheran in Freeport this afternoon September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00pm-3:30pm. All are invited to attend and have coffee and conversation with the bishop.

**Stomp the Grapes--Outing to Massbach Winery**

Join us to Massbach Ridge Winery on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at Good Shepherd at 1pm to go to the winery together. Sign up sheet is at the ramp.

**GRACE Worship/Quilt Sunday**

Mark your calendar. Our Quilt Sunday and GRACE Worship will be September 30<sup>th</sup>. We will sing upbeat songs and Rene Johnson will share the message.

**Wine & Cheese Evening**

Donna Gullickson will be hosting a wine and cheese evening on September 29th. The fun and fellowship will begin at 6:00pm. Please bring your favorite wine, pop or lemonade as well as some cheese or other finger foods. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the evening.

**Photo Directory is HERE!**

New photo directory is available for pick up. Contact the church office if you would like to be mailed to you.  
Thank you.

**Fall Festival Quilt Raffle**

We had 65 entries for the quilt raffle. Vickie Curran and Jen Howarth were the winners. Both winners have picked up their quilts with great joy. Thank you for your help.

**New Address**

Marion Fahr has moved into Lena Living Center.  
Her new address is 1010 South Logan, Lena, IL. She is in room 2B. Visitors welcome.

**Hannah Circle**

Hannah Circle will meet Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am at the home of Rene' Johnson. This will be a potluck. Rene' will be the Bible Study Leader, the topic is on repentance. All women of the church and their guests are invited and welcome at all circle functions. Please call Rene' at 815-369-2818 if you have any questions.

**My Friend's Closet Thrift Store**

We are dependent on volunteers. We are always in the position of looking for more willing hands. If you or anyone you know might be interested in helping us at the store, please call Fawn Nolan at 815-369-4035 during the day. We are open 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday with extended hours on Wednesday evening until 8 p.m. We offer servant hours to students also. Check us out!

**September and October are Food Pantry Months****Hunger affects everyone, but it is especially harmful for children.**

When a child does not receive proper nutrition it impedes their ability to learn, grow and engage. Poor nutrition has an immediate effect on a child's health and academic achievement. When a child is hungry it is harder for them to concentrate and stay awake during class. In our country 16 million children are living in households without consistent access to adequate food, which is 1 out of 5 kids. 22.5% of children under the age of 18 live in poverty. Having nutrition is vital. Study shows that 1.5 days school attendance increase and 17.5% test score increase with sufficient nutrition. (from ELCA World Hunger Backpack Buddies) It is our call to share our gifts and pray for one another. Your support is essential. Please consider ways you can do to help combat hunger in our community.

**Devotion Books**

October issue of Pockets and October-December issue of Christ in Our Homes and The Word in Season are available now. These devotion books are helpful way to growing our faith. Take one home today!

**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.