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May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 9:30 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Anna Patterson

*Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

***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.**

**Nursery:** Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.

Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

**Children's Worship Bulletins** are available at both entrances.

We are delighted to have you.

*This service will use a liturgy **Bread of Life in With One Voice** (blue hymnal) in your pew.*

## WELCOME

### PRELUDE

TENA RACKOW

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **C: Amen.**

A: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism

L1: We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you.

L2: All life is sustained by you, our Source. We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life.

L3: Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing through the city of God.

L4: Here, death is washed away forever. Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world.

L5: Pour out your Holy Spirit on this assembly, into this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions.

P: Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### GATHERING HYMN "GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE AND SING!" ELW#385



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is  
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which  
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with



of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:  
rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

### 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

WOV p. 29-30



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



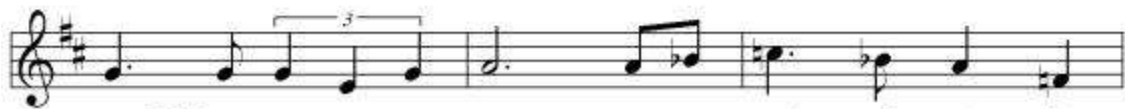
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer.

☩ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 ☩ For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.  
 ☩ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,  
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

A: Let us pray.

**C: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### CHILDRENS MESSAGE STORY TIME WITH MI-SHELL

#### FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

L: A reading from Acts.

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him,

weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

**PSALM: Psalm 23** (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name’s sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You spread a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**WOV p.31**



**GOSPEL: John 10:22-30**

P: The holy gospel according to John. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY "THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD"

ELW#778



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie  
 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;  
 4 My ta-ble thou hast rich-ly spread in pres-ence of my foes;  
 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,



in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.  
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake;  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still;  
 my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.  
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be;



He lead-eth me, he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.  
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still.  
 My head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.  
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be.

### NICENE CREED *Please Stand*

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
 of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.  
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was  
 buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will  
 have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the  
 Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS**

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

**WA:** Trusting God's promise of new life, we pray for the renewal of the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence*

**WA:** Shine your light through us, Good Shepherd, and every congregation across the globe. Reveal to us the light of your salvation in places of hopelessness and decay.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** Empower authorities to be faithful shepherds who lead nations in pathways of righteousness and peace. Heal places suffering destruction caused by floods, typhoons, storms, and mudslides. Guide our leaders to listen and to work for life-giving policies.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** Give strength and perseverance to those facing struggles of hunger or thirst, unemployment or homelessness, chronic illness or anxiety. Look with compassion upon all who seek your face, *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Gene Hesselbacher, Lois Paulsen, Delbert Scheider, Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Sylvia, Diane, Darren, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Randy, Brian, Fred, Don Hoge, Vicky Gobeli, the Heimann family, Aleta Broge, Richard Gordon, Shriley, Steven DeHaven, Jean, Cathy Stouffer, Jim Watson, and our friends in Pine Ridge community.* Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to **Fern Harnish**. Be our never-failing voice of comfort through all the trials of this life. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** Raise up faithful women as witnesses to your strength and compassion. Bless mothers and all who offer mothering care. Protect victims of sexism, abuse, and gender-based violence. Restore dignity to those marginalized because of their gender identity or sexual orientation. We lift our prayers for the works of Tyler's Justice Center for Children, VOICES, Riverview Center, and those who support survivors of violence and abuse. We give you thanks for their courage and compassion.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** We pray for seminary and college students who are in their finals week. Support and reassure them in this time of stress and weariness. Quiet their hearts and grant them moments to rest in your unconditional love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** We give thanks for the ministries of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois. Continue to bless their works of love. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**WA:** Salvation belongs to you, O God. You promise to wipe away every tear. Give us the assurance that all who live and die in you will rest forever beside the river of life.

Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

**P:** We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

**PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

*What is offering? Offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us. Offerings can take various forms such as prayer, voices, time, fruit from the land, money, and being the hands and feet of God's works in the world. Give thanks to our Lord!*

**CHOIR ANTHEM****"THE LAMB"****OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray.

**C: Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, feeding your sheep by using our gifts to tend the weary and feed the hungry, and all for your love's sake. 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.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

WOV p. 37

**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 HYMN

## "LAMB OF GOD"

WOV p.39

☩ 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 HYMN

## "SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US"

ELW#789

1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;

In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Let us pray.

Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS****BLESSING**

P: The blessing of the living God, Father,  $\dagger$  Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY' ALLELUIA!" ELW#369**

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

**DISMISSAL (from the back)**

A: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.  
Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**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 / Tena Rackow

Lector: Janis Kurth                      Acolyte: Jared Runkle

Assisting Minister: Jay Andrews

Worship Assistant: Sheila Keene

Communion Asst: Marybeth Brinker and Beth Martin    Communion Usher: Chris and Angie Brinker

Communion Set-up: Jay and Michelle Andrews

Sound System: Denny Luke and open

Greeters: Willie Kayser, Bob Schlachter, Jerry and Beth Martin

Ushers: Bari Raymer, Jim Swain, Virgil Gordon and Tim Gordon

Elevator Operator: Donna Gullickson

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD****May 12<sup>th</sup> through May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

<b>Today:</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	<b>Fellowship</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>10:45am</b>
	<b>Choir Practice</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
	<b>Chime Practice</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
	Baccalaureate Service at UMC, Lena	7:00pm
Monday	Parkinson Support Group	1:30pm
Tuesday	Hymn Sing Lena Living Center	9:45am
	Council Meeting	6:30pm
Wednesday:	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Thursday	Friendship Club	12:00pm
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Worship Service – Teacher Recognition Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Last Day of Sunday School	
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm

Attendance: May 5<sup>th</sup> - 42

Total Offering 05/05/2019 - \$1507.00; amount needed - \$2601.78

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.

**Graduates**

*Alex Gullickson, grandson of Donna Gullickson, will be graduating from Freeport High School, he will be continuing his education at Illinois Central College in East Peoria, Illinois for Associates Degree in Science for Culinary.*

*Katelyn Nelson, niece of Donna Gullickson, will be graduating from University of Illinois.*

*Congratulations to all our area graduates, best of luck with all your future endeavors.*

**Next Sunday-LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL FUN**

Attention! All children and adults! For the last day of Sunday School we are planning to have fun outside activities, such as dye my t-shirt, plant Easter lilies. Please mark your calendar and join the fun.

**SANCTUS REAL - TODAY at 7:00 pm**

Bethel United Methodist Church is excited to host Sanctus Real on Sunday, May 12 at 7:00 pm in Shannon at 217 S. Hickory. Their song, "Confidence" is up for song of the year and they have just released a new single, "Unstoppable God". Tickets are \$15. general admission or \$20. for artist circle. You can purchase tickets at [itickets.com](http://itickets.com) or call the church office at 815-864-2581. We can mail your tickets to you after receiving your payment or you can pick them up the night of the concert. Tickets would make a great gift for Mother's Day.

**Update on Flooding Relief Effort in Pine Ridge**

Please check their Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/PineRidgeRetreatCenter>) and continue to pray for our siblings in Pine Ridge.

**Good Shepherd Sunday**

Each year on Good Shepherd Sunday, the three Illinois synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) celebrate the ministry we provide together through Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI). We hear Jesus' voice and follow, imitating our shepherd's example of caring for others. LSSI served over 42, 000 people in 2018 through foster care services, affordable housing, home care services, and more. Read their ministries (you may find their stories at <https://www.lssi.org>), pray for them, and consider giving financial support to their work.

**LOMC Memorial Day Work Weekend-May 24(Friday) to May 27 (Monday)**

Who's ready for Memorial Day Work Weekend?

We sure are! So give LOMC a call and bring out your friends and family! This is a great chance to come out and have some fun while working to help



Cycle to Synod is a Three-Day bicycle ride from Princeton to Rock Island leading into the Annual Synod Assembly. This Three-Day ride will bring awareness and raise funds for ELCA World Hunger. Congregations are encouraged to enlist Financial Sponsors and Prayer Sponsors. Anyone who enjoys riding their bike may join the ride for a portion of a day, a full day, or the entire three-day event. To sign up as a cyclist, please go to [nisynod.org](http://nisynod.org).