

July 28th, 2019 at 9:30 am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Memorial Dedication Sunday

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Persistence in prayer evoked the admiration of Jesus and wins the attention of the Lord when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus the Lord—is to be rooted in prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

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 **ELW setting 10** (cranberry hymnal) in your pew.*

GATHERING*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.***PRELUDE****Tena Rackow****WELCOME****CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us † all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN**“DAY BY DAY” *****ELW#790**

1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in pray - er. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
of the mor - row. I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,

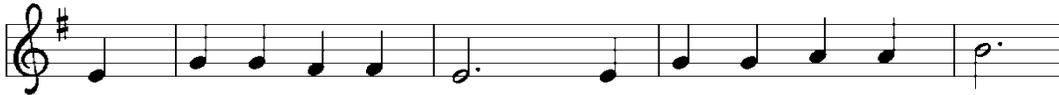


lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

**our member's favorite hymn*

GREETING**ELW p.203**

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**ELW p.203**

1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**EPISTLE READING: Colossians 2:6-15**

Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

L: A reading from Colossians.

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"ALLELUIA!"

ELW p. 205



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

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

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

While you read and hear the story, are there any phrases or images which capture your attention?

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."²He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.³Give us each day our daily bread.⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.⁹"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY "SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD" * WOV# 783

Descant



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Seek ye . . . first the king - dom of God and its
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and
3 We do not live by bread . . . a - lone, but by

righ - teous - ness, and all these things shall be
you shall find; knock and the door shall be
ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
mouth . . of . . . God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

**our member's favorite hymn*

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL GIFTS

A: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Today we seek God's blessing as we gather with thankfulness to dedicate gifts given in memory of loved ones to the glory of God.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe. You have enriched our lives with every good and perfect gift; you have commanded us to show your splendor to our children and to praise you with lives of love, justice, and joy.

Go to the sound system

P: Lord, giver of eternal life accept this sound system given in memory of Joyce Tessendorf, which we offer in thanksgiving to you O Lord. Bless this sound system and may it serve to increase our vision of your glory to remind us of your goodness, and to support our calling to worship you in spirit and truth.

Go to the eternal candle

Lord, giver of everlasting love accept this eternal candle given in memory of Carol Wybourn and Laura Derr, which we offer in thanksgiving to you O Lord. Bless this eternal candle and may it be to us a sign of Christ, the Light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.

A: Bring us all at length to your perfect kingdom, heavenly Father, where you live and reign with the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen

APOSTLES' CREED *please stand*

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the words of the 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: Treasuring your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of your creation.

A brief silence

WA: Merciful God, you know your church. Guard and keep the whole body of Christ. Increase in us strength, love, and peace so that we are a blessing to the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

WA: Merciful Creator, you know the work of your hands. Guard and keep your creation. Bless the work of those who tend the earth's resources and who seek to provide abundantly for all. Encourage and strengthen farmers in our area and the world. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Merciful King, you know the nations, and you are the head of every ruler and authority. Guard and keep the world in justice and mercy, and let the words of your mouth bring peace on earth. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Merciful Lord, you know our needs. Guard and keep those who are hungry, those who are victims of violence or oppression, and those who are weary from illness *especially **Bob and Lynn Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Lois Paulsen, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Charmaine Magee, Nina Mueller, Betty, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Diane, Darren, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Cindy Tessendorf, Randy, Brian, Don Hoge, Vicky Gobeli, the Heimann family, Richard Gordon, Jean, Cathy Stouffer, Dave Heinkel, Janet, Paul Heller, Kayla Gobeli, Brenda Larson, Lori, J.T. and our friends in Pine Ridge community and southern California.*** Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to **Fern Harnish.** *Pray for love, peace, comfort, and resurrection hope for the family and friends of **Pete Konan.***

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

WA: Merciful God, you know our congregation. Guard and keep those who enrich us with the gift of music in this place, especially, Karen, Tena, Janis, Wayne, Jay, Michelle, Brianna, Krista, Sharon, Sue, Terry, Kristy, Dale, Kayla, Billie Jo, Jacob, Jared, Sarah, Cierra, Troy, Larry, Troy, Eric and all who offered special music in our service. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

WA: Merciful Lord, you know your saints. Guard and keep those faithful departed. We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors, especially Joyce, Carol and Laura. Keep us in union with all your saints, and bring us with them to the joyous feast of heaven. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

P: All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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!

SPECIAL MUSIC

GSLC Small Group Ensemble

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; 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.

PREFACE

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P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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

God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready

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

"LAMB OF GOD"

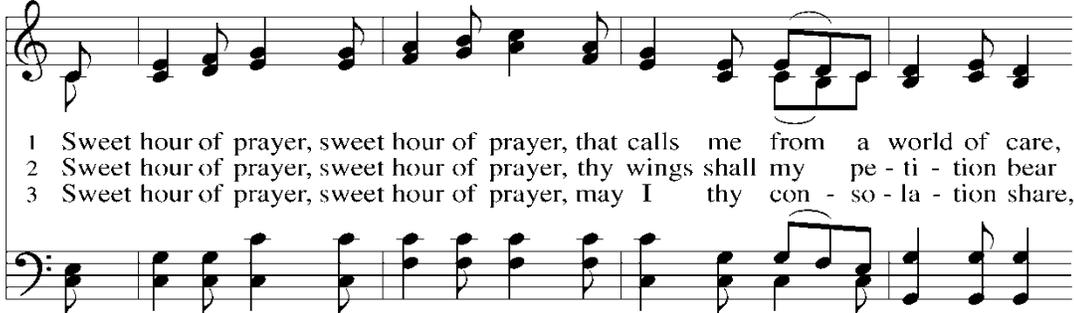
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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

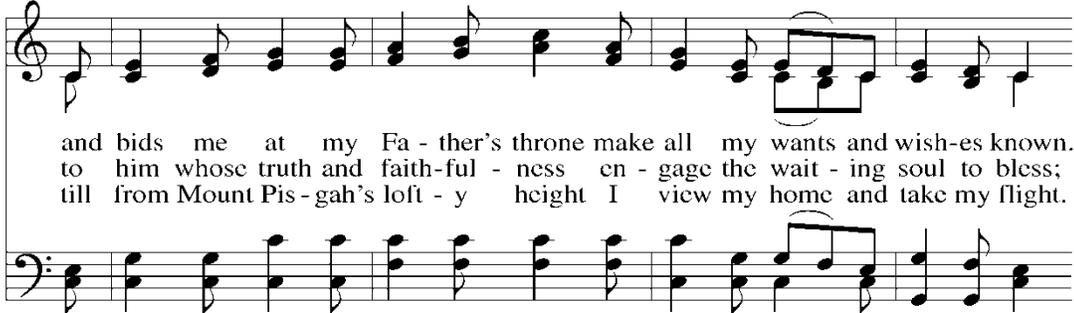
COMMUNION HYMN

"SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER"

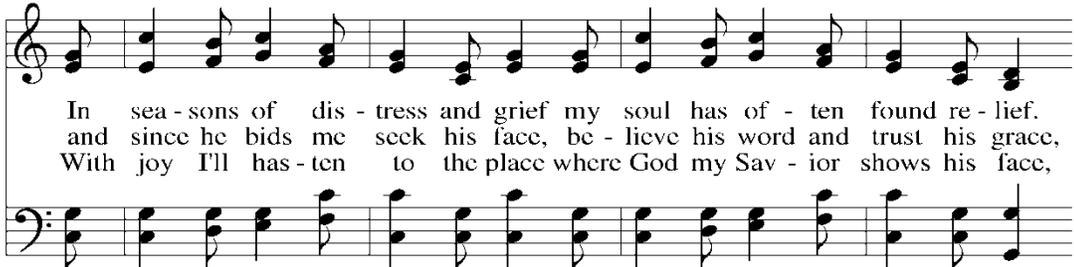
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1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care,
 2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my pe - ti - tion bear,
 3 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, may I thy con - so - la - tion share,



and bids me at my Fa - ther's throne make all my wants and wish-es known.
 to him whose truth and faith-ful - ness en - gage the wait - ing soul to bless;
 till from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height I view my home and take my flight.



In sea - sons of dis - tress and grief my soul has of - ten found re - lief.
 and since he bids me seek his face, be - lieve his word and trust his grace,
 With joy I'll has - ten to the place where God my Sav - ior shows his face,



and oft es - caped the tempt - er's snare by thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.
 I'll cast on him my ev - 'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.
 and glad - ly take my sta - tion there, thy prom - ise gained, sweet hour of prayer.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

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

COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

BLESSING

P: Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS SAY” ELW#611



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

A: Go in peace. Christ is sending you. **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 / Tena Rackow

Lector: Sue Diddens

Acolyte: Maddi Diddens

Assisting Minister: Brianna Andrews

Worship Assistant: Vivian Hesselbacher

Communion Asst: Troy and Cindy Doubler Communion Usher: Larry Fulfs and Andrew Martin

Communion Set-up: Lisa Wienand

Sound System: Jay Andrews and open

Greeters: Kristy Patterson and Sue Diddens

Ushers: Chris and Angie Brinker, Andrew Martin and Larry Fulfs

Elevator Operator: Donna Gullickson

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

July 28th through August 4th, 2019

Today:	Worship Service Fellowship	9:30 am 10:30am
Wednesday:	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Thursday:	NW conference WELCA Summer Retreat at Prince of Peace	8:30am-2:00pm
Next Sunday:	Praise All God’s Creation Worship Fellowship Fall Festival Float meeting Learning Committee Meeting	9:30am 10:30am 11:00am

Attendance: July 21st - 41

Total Offering 07/21/2019 - \$3386.00 ; amount needed -\$2795.85

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.

*We would like to thank the GSLC Small Group Ensemble
for their special music this morning.*

*Today’s Gathering Hymn, “Day by Day” and Hymn of the day, “Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God” are
our member’s favorite hymns.*

Join NW Conference WELCA Summer Retreat

All women of the church and their guests are invited to attend NW conference WELCA Summer Retreat this Thursday (August 1st) at Prince of Peace in Freeport. Registration starts at 8:30am. Cost is \$5 including lunch. Bring your Bible and June and July/August Gather magazine. If you need a ride, contact Rene at 815-369-2818.

Back to School Shindig

Lena Living Center is having “Back to School Shindig” on Friday, August 2nd from 11 am-2 pm. Hot dog lunch and games to win school supplies. Come and join the fun and help support our local school.

Bring or e-mail pictures of your animals and plants

Next Sunday’s worship service will be celebrating all God’s creation. If you have pictures of your animals and pets, please bring with you or send digital one to the office at goodshepherdlc@mediacombb.net.

We will bless them all!

Freeport Choral Society

On Sunday, August 4th from 7-8:30 pm, The Freeport Choral Society will be presenting their final summer concert at Krape Park. There is plenty of seating at the bandshell or bring your favorite lawn chairs. Admission is free.

Mobile Food Pantry

The Northern Illinois Food Bank's Mobile Food Pantry will come back to Lena on Tuesday, August 13th from 4pm-6pm at the parking lot of the Le-Win Food Pantry (130 ½ Main Street, Lena). It is open to everyone. Please bring your bags or boxes.

Dog Days of Summer dinner outing

Don't know what to make for dinner, feeling burned out? To help beat those "dog days of summer", how about meeting at Route 20 Bar and Grill on **Friday, August 16th at 6:30pm** for an evening of fellowship and great food. Friday night specials include fish, prime rib, steaks or order off their menu. Meet at the church if you wish to car pool by 6:15pm or meet us at the restaurant by 6:30pm.

Please sign up on the sign up sheet by Monday, August 12th.

VBS Thank YOU

BIG THANK YOU for your prayers and support for this year's VBS. Children, youth and adults enjoyed 4 days of learning about God's love and friendship. Thank you for your cookies, your time, your energy, your monetary donations, your prayers and your love.

Pine Ridge Retreat Center

Check out their new video and cover photo on Facebook at **<https://www.facebook.com/PineRidgeRetreatCenter>**.

Deb Harder Benefit

Will be held on Saturday, August 10th 4-8 pm at the Monroe Den (1506 31st Ave, Monroe). There will be food, silent auctions, 50/50 raffles, and more. Check the flyers on the bulletin board for detail. If you have any questions, contact at 608-214-0306.

Lutherdale 33rd Annual Quilt Auction

Lutherdale (N7891 US Hwy 12, Elkhorn, WI) is holding their annual quilt auction on August 10th 8am-4pm. There will be over 300 quilts to bid on. Live auction starts at 10am. Quilt Preview and Fish Fry will be on Friday August 9th 4:30pm-7:00pm. See the flyers on the bulletin board for detail.