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May 8th, 2022 Good Shepherd Sunday Graduate Recognition Sunday



John 10:27-28

²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

To listen to the service, please turn your radio to FM 88.9 Thank you for joining our service today.

This worship we will be using ELW Setting 3. You may stand during worship with asterisk (*) in this bulletin

Gathering

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

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"He Leadeth Me"	See Insert
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"This is the Feast"	page 140-141
	"He Leadeth Me"

*Prayer of the Day

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.

Choir Anthem

"Brother James's Air"

Word

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

Children's Message

1st Reading: Acts 9:36-43

2nd Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

*Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go" page 142

*Gospel Reading: John 10:22-30

The Holy gospel according to John. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon.

²⁴So 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." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

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

Message

Hymn of the Day "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" ELW #789

Graduates Recognition and Blessing

Prayer

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

Leader will lead the prayer.

Congregation may respond each petition with the following word:

L: God, in your mercy C: Hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Nina Mueller, Denny Bergmann, Willie Kayser, Rene, Sharon, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, J.T., Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Cindy, Amber, Chris, Ron, Vicki, Sophia, Abby and her triplets, Brenda, Abby Schick, Brenda, Jack, Gretchen, Kay, Roger, Tina, Shane, Joe, Dan Kempel, Bruce Miller, Tana, Ron Heckman, Justin Yeager, Paul, Phil, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Spencer Fransen and LSSI. Pray for love, peace, comfort, and hope of resurrection for the Confer family, Valerie Torkelson, friends and families.

Sending

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

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

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

Amen.

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. **Amen.**

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever. Amen.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!** Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

*Sending Hymn "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!" ELW #385

Postlude

Tena Rackow



Ethan Fye is graduating from Lena-Winslow High School on May 15th.

Madi Diddens is graduating from Pearl City High School on May 22nd.

Anna Patterson is graduating from Highland Community College on May 21st.

Looking for Favorite Hymns

Help our Favorite Hymn Sing Sunday Worship (May 29th) by submitting your favorite hymns. Use the My Favorite Hymn sheet and return to it by May 22nd.



Attendance April 24th In-person— 27 Online – 30

On-line attendance includes Facebook and YouTube video views from the last 7 days.

He Leadeth Me

V1 He leadeth me: oh, blessed thought!
Oh, words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me. His faithful foll'wer I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

- V2 Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters calm, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. *Refrain*
- V3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain*
- V4 And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the vict'ry's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.

 Refrain

Text: Joseph H. Gilmore, 1834-1918

Good Shepherd Sunday

Today we celebrate Good Shepherd/LSSI Sunday, recognizing the social ministry programs we offer together with Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI). One in every 289 people in Illinois is served by LSSI – a wonderful testament to the way in which we respond to the Gospel. The Northern Illinois Synod has a \$5,000 matching grant available for all gifts made to LSSI for Good Shepherd Sunday.

How you can support the mission of Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and the people we care for:

- Give generously to LSSI, so we can continue to serve people in need.
- Become part of The Inspired, LSSI's monthly giving program.
- Leave a legacy by helping others far into the future—make a gift to The Cornerstone Foundation. For information, contact David P. Novak at 847.635.4671.
- Schedule a presentation about LSSI and its programs in your congregation.
- Pray daily for the people served by LSSI and for the LSSI staff.
- Subscribe to *Inspired*, our bi-monthly newsletter. Send an email to Communications@LSSI.org.
- Be a part of our **Facebook** community by liking our page <u>Meet LSSI</u>. It's a great way to stay up-to-date with LSSI's news and events.

Contact information: Call 847.635.617.

If you would like to give to LSSI on Good Shepherd Sunday, please write down "For LSSI Good Shepherd Sunday" on your check or offering envelope. Thank you for your support!