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February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9:30 am

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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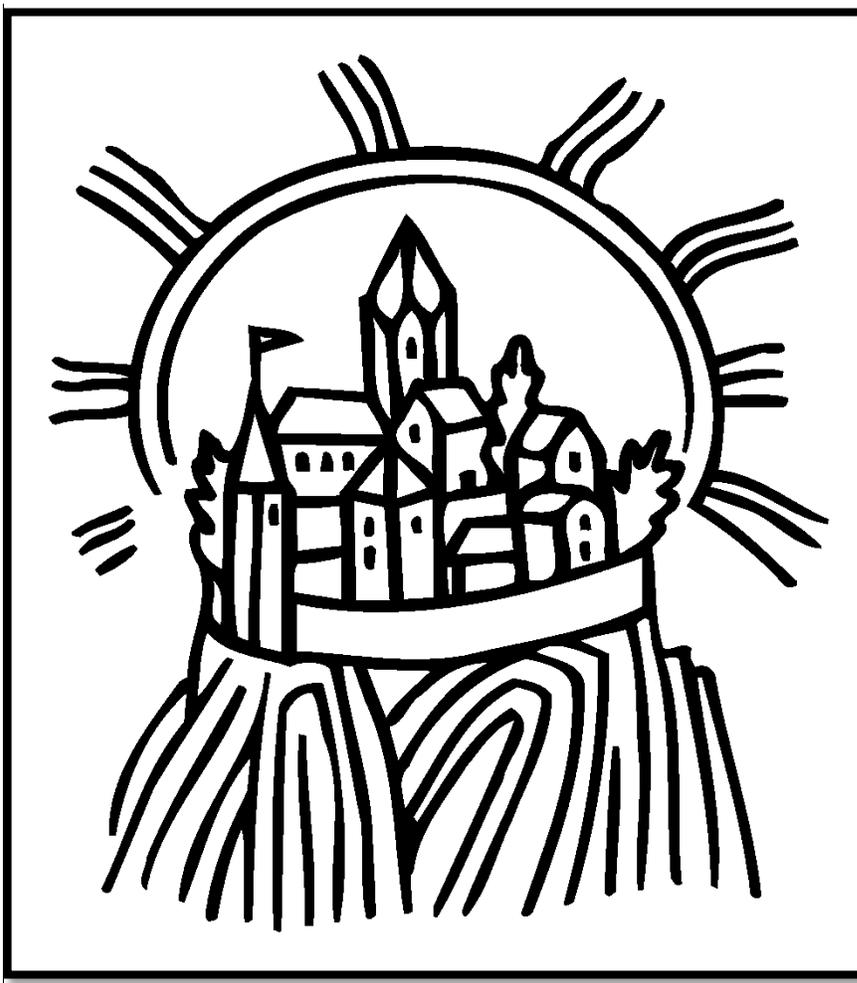
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*Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.*

**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.**

**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.



*Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

*Liturgy for the season of Epiphany is God Give Us Life.*

## WELCOME

*Let us prepare our hearts for worship.*

## PRELUDE

**Tena Rackow**

## GATHERING

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

*Assembly may stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**ELW p. 94**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

## "GATHER US IN"

ELW#532

*(Verses 1 & 4)*

1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the  
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

## INVOCATION



(L) In the name of God the Cre - a - tor of the world, In the name of Christ the

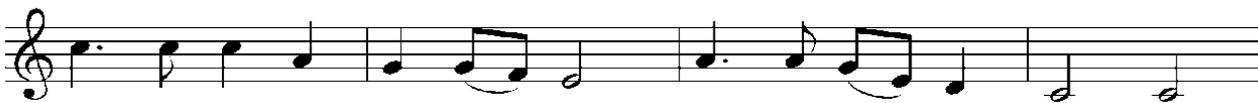


Son, In the name of the Ho - ly Spir - it (C) A - men, A - men.

## GATHERING SONG



Make a joy - ful noise to the Lord, en - ter in with sing - ing.



Join the fes - ti - val of love, al - le - lu - ias ring - ing!



Born of the wa - ter we re - call death de - feat - ed, life for all.



In the bod - y of the ris - en Son wel - come ev - 'ry - one.



**KYRIE:***(Assisting Minister: regular print, C: Bold)*

Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts: **God of love, have mer-cy.**

For the peace from a-bove, let us pray to our God: **God of love, have mer-cy.**

For the peace of the world, for the health of the church, for the

u - ni - ty of all peo - ple, pray to our God:

**God of love, have mer-cy. God of love, have mer-cy.**

For the peo - ple of God, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and

praise, let us pray to our God: **God of love, have mer-cy.**

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

**SALUTATION**

**D Bm Gmaj7 A A7 D**

(L) May God be with you. (C) And with you, too.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A: Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

**C: Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Assembly may be seated.*

**WORD**

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

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12**

*Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.*

L: A reading from Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

From the full - ness of God have we  
all re - ceived: grace up - on grace, peace up - on peace.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20**

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.*

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.****SERMON****HYMN OF THE DAY “BREAK NOW THE BREAD OF LIFE”****ELW#515**

1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you  
 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you  
 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page  
 blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,  
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.  
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peacc, my All - in - All!  
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

## INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

### THE PRAYERS

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

WA: Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

WA: Holy God, it is your desire that all people might come to know you intimately. Lead our communities into deeper relationship with you. Liberate us from all fear, bigotry, and greed, and set our hearts and minds on love, equality, and justice. May your church radiate your righteousness to all whom we encounter. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: God of glory, during your time here on earth you were crucified by powerful rulers who did not understand you. Grant leaders in our day wisdom and discernment, that they may recognize you in the lives of the people they serve. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great**

WA: God of life, you reveal your saving love to us through the power of your Spirit. Pour out your Spirit to those who are sick, grieving, afflicted, and lonely. We especially lift our friends and family members: **Bob and Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Gene Hesselbacher, Lois Paulsen, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Diane, Deb Lindeman Harder, Cindy Tessendorf, Randy, Brian, Don Hoge, the Heimann family, Dave Heinkel, Janet, Paul Heller, Lori, J.T., Dan and Sue White, Irene, Jeff and Deb, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr. Nicole, Meghan, Hailey Bettenhauser, Vicar Mike Reibel, Mary Schick, Kyle, Dave Lartz, and Brian Gobeli.** 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 Amy Dickers and Phillip Schmid. Let your love surround them. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: God of wisdom, in your goodness you provide faithful leaders for your church. We give thanks for our church council members. By your Holy Spirit give them insight into your holy word, lives that are example to us all, and courage to know and do the truth. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

WA: God of all eternity, we give you thanks for the lives of the saints who have pointed us towards faithfulness in you. May we trust in your endless mercy and grace. Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.. **C: Amen.**

### PEACE

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

*Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.*

**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!*

**CHOIR ANTHEM****"JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"****OFFERING SONG***The following hymn is sung during the presentation of gifts:*

Come, bring them to the ta - ble— bring the gifts of bread and  
 wine, the hopes and dreams of all the peo-ple, the  
 of - f'ring of our lives, the of - f'ring of our lives.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**A:** Let us pray. **C:** God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING****EUCCHARISTIC 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 which he was betrayed,..... Do this in remembrance of me.

**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**

*Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table of mercy and joy.*

*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****“CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US ALL”**

1 Christ, have mer-cy on us all. Keep us stead-fast e'er we fall.  
 2 God, be with us at the feast. Grant us wis-dom, give us peace.  
 3 Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe a-gain. Light the dark-ness, be our friend.



Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.



4 Bake a great loaf; give it time; choose the best grapes from the vine.



Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

## COMMUNION SONG "YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART"

ELW #484



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out - poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your - self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam - 'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joi - ce.  
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav' n - ly food.  
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.



**COMMUNION BLESSING**

May the body and blood of Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE “NOW THE BODY BROKEN”**

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two parts, 1 and 2, each with four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1 Now the bod - y bro - ken; now the blood is shed;  
 now the eyes are o - pen to the liv - ing Bread:  
 Bread of life, Bread of hope, Bread of peace.

2 Now with wills u - nit - ed, now with o - pen hands,  
 now with hearts de - light - ed hear our God's com - mand:  
 "Share the life, share the hope; share the life, share the  
 hope; share the life, share the hope, share the peace."

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

**SENDING**

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

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

P: May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **C: Amen.**

**SENDING SONG****“THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE”***Children will help lead us in the song.*

- 1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2 Hide it under a bushel, “NO!” I'm gonna let it shine;  
Hide it under a bushel, “NO!” I'm gonna let it shine;  
Hide it under a bushel, “NO!” I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3 Don't let Satan , I'm gonna let it shine;  
Don't let Satan , I'm gonna let it shine;
- 4 Shine all over Lena Town, I'm gonna let it shine;  
Shine all over Lena Town, I'm gonna let it shine;  
Shine all over Lena Town, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 5 Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine;  
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine;  
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**DISMISSIAL**A: Go in peace. Let your light shine. **C: Thanks be to God.****POSTLUDE****Tena Rackow**

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**Worship Assistants**

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

Choir Director/Accomp: Janis Kurth and Tena Rackow

Pianist: Tena Rackow and Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier

Lector: Janis Kurth

Assisting Minister: Wayne Kurth

Worship Assistant: Sue Diddens

Acolyte: Ethan Fye

Greeters: Virgil and Joanne Martin

Chris and Angie Brinker

Ushers: Gene and Vivian Hesselbacher

Don and Lisa Wienand

Communion Set-up: Vivian Hesselbacher

Communion Assistant: Troy and Cindy Doubler

Communion Ushers: Paul and Shirley Fox

Sound System: Tim Gordon and open

Elevator Operator: Jean Engel

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD****February 9<sup>th</sup> through February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

<b>Today:</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	12:00pm
Monday:	Go & Cheer! HS Girls' Basketball @ Lena	7:00pm
Tuesday:	Hymn Sing, Lena Living Center	9:45am
Wednesday:	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
	Pr. Miho at NW Conference Meeting, Synod Office, Rockford	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday:	Friendship Club potluck luncheon and entertainment by "Set Free"	12:00pm
	Council Meeting	6:30pm
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Confirmation Class	11:00am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	12:00pm
	Lena Living Center Worship Service	2:30pm

Attendance: February 2<sup>nd</sup> - 56

Total Offering 02/02/2020 - \$4,454.00 amount needed; \$2,537.32

**Go and Cheer!**

We are your "grandparents"

Here is upcoming schedule to cheer for our members.

February 10<sup>th</sup> (Monday) High School Girls Basketball @ Lena, 7:00pm

If you know upcoming games/meets/ concerts/etc, please let the church office know!

**Stirring Chai**

Newsletter from the Msseemmaa ECLA Regional Representatives in East Africa is available. Included in the newsletter is a short biography about their family and when they started serving as regional representatives for the ECLA in East Africa. To read the newsletter it is posted in the library on the bulletin board.

**Souper Bowl of Caring Thank you**

Thank you for your donation to Souper Bowl of Caring last Sunday. We raised \$152.53 (KC \$58, SF \$94.53).

Your donation will go to Le-Win Food Pantry and Lutheran World Relief. Thank you for your support.

**Lent**

Lent is forty days of journey of discipline, renewal, and new life. This year's Lenten seasons starts on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Lenten devotion for 2020, Wondrous Love explores Jesus' journey from baptism to the cross and the empty tomb, as depicted in Matthew. We have large print and regular print available at the rack. Also mark your calendar for Ash Wednesday services with imposition of ashes which will be 1pm at Lena UMC and 7pm at Good Shepherd.

Le-Win Ministerial Association Lenten Lunch schedule is on the bulletin board. This year's theme is Picture of Bread. Lunch starts at noon followed by short devotion.