

August 4th, 2019 at 9:30 am

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Praise All God's Creation Sunday

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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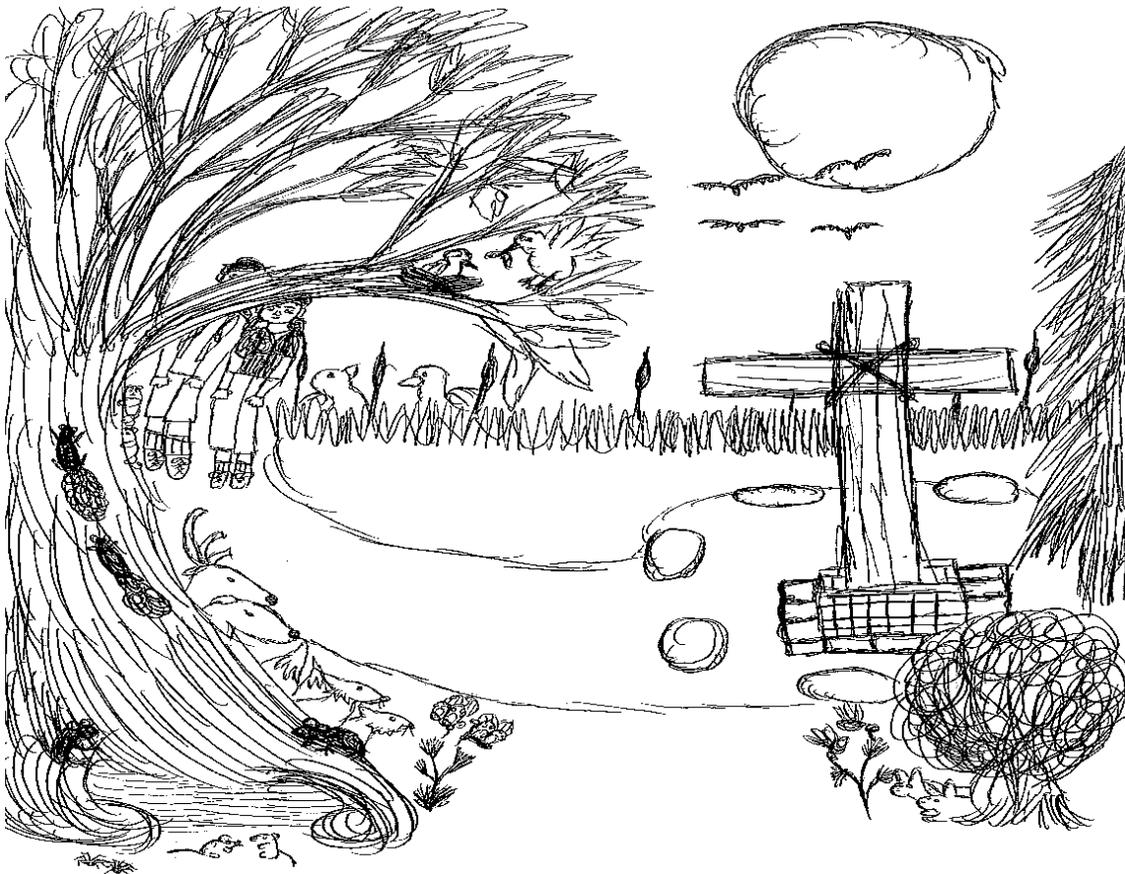
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We give thanks to you, O God, for animals that live in our homes, on farms, in the wild, and in havens of refuge. Make us ever aware of our responsibility to these, your creatures. Help us to be faithful in caring for them, through the one in whom all creation is made new, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

GATHERING*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.***PRELUDE****Karen Niemeier****WELCOME****CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.

C: All things wise and wonderful, The Lord God made them all.

L: Each little flowers, each little bird

C: The Lord God made them all.

L: Mountains, rivers, Sun and moon,

C: The Lord God made them all.

L: God gave us eyes to see them, and lips to tell how great God is who has made all things well.

C: All things bright and beautiful, the Lord God made them all!**GATHERING HYMN “ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL” * WOV #767**

Refrain



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



1 Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
2 The pur - ple-head - ed moun-tains, the riv - er run - ning by,
3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum - mer sun,
4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

Refrain



God made their glow - ing col - ors, God made their ti - ny wings.
the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky.
the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - 'ry one.
how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

Text: Cecil F. Alexander, 1818–1895, alt.
Music: ROYAL OAK, English tune, 17th cent., adapt. Martin Shaw, 1875–1958

our member's favorite hymn*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The joy of our Lord Jesus Christ, the compassion of God, and the creative power of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us pray.

**C: Source and sustainer of life, we cherish the myriad works of your hands.
Water, earth, and sky are yours, as are all their inhabitants, wild and tame.
We thank you for creatures that nourish and serve us, befriend, enrich,**

entertain, and protect us. May we, who are made in your image, care for them well. And may your groaning yet wondrous creation rally and thrive, revealing to all who come after us your wise, redemptive, transfiguring love; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

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

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 8

How many different God's creation can you find in the Psalm 8?

L: A reading from Psalm.

¹O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ²Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. ³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? ⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. ⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, ⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

REFLECTION/ BLESSING OF GOD'S CREATION

Please help us name God's interesting and beautiful creation.

- *What are the most nimble creatures that God created?*
- *What are the hardest working creatures that God created?*
- *Which God's creatures have the most unique voice?*
- *Which God's creatures have the funniest looking?*
- *Name God's creatures who love the summer heat.*
- *Name God creatures who are glutton.*



*God created heaven and earth, sky and sea, plants and trees, stars and moons, the great sea monsters, fish, every winged birds, cattle, creeping things, and wild animals. God created humankind in God's image. And God saw that it was good.
(Paraphrased from Genesis chapter 1)*

LITANY

P: People of God, let us live gently alongside other living creatures and with the whole creation.

C: Gracious God, in your love you created us in your image and made us stewards of the animals that live in the skies, the earth, and the sea.

P: Praise the Spirit in creation.

C: Spirit is the breath of God, the source of life.

P: You created all the living on earth and blessed them.

C: Bless us in our care for our pets, animals, plants, bugs,

P: the nimble creatures, the hard working creatures, the ones with unique voices and funny faces, the one who love summer heat, and the one who love to eat.

C: Bless all your creation and help us recognize your power and wisdom in the variety of creatures that live in our world.

P: And hear our prayer for all that suffer overwork, hunger, and ill-treatment.

C: Protect your creatures and guard them from all evil.

P: you are the source of life, O God,

C: and praise your spirit in all your creation. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY "PRAISE THE SPIRIT IN CREATION" WOV# 682

1 Praise the Spir - it in cre - a - tion, breath of
 2 Praise the Spir - it, close com - pan - ion of our
 3 Praise the Spir - it, who en - light - ened priests and
 4 Tell of how the as - cend - ed Je - sus armed a
 5 Pray we then, O Lord the Spir - it, on our

God, life's or - i - gin: Spir - it, mov - ing on the
 in - most thoughts and ways; who, in show - ing us God's
 proph - ets with the Word; ho - ly truth be - hind the
 peo - ple for his own; how a hun - dred men and
 lives de - scend in might; let your flame break out with -

wa - ters, quick - ning words to life with - in, source of
 won - ders, is for us the pow'r to gaze; and God's
 wis - doms which as yet know not our Lord; by whose
 wom - en turned the known world up - side down, to its
 in us, fire our hearts and clear our sight, till, white -

breath to all things breath - ing, life in whom all lives be - gin.
 will, to those who lis - ten, by a still small voice con - veys.
 love and pow'r, in Je - sus, God by us was seen and heard.
 dark and fur - thest cor - ners by the wind of heav - en blown.
 hot in your pos - ses - sion, we, too, set the world a - light.

APOSTLES' CREED

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: Gracious Lord of love, we affirm our vital connection with all living creatures. Empower us to seek their welfare, intervening where needed, defending and tending your world with grace, compassion, and dignity. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Patient Lord of life, guide our choices so that we might safeguard habitats, ensuring, by your grace, that the mysteries and beauties of nature unfold for future generations. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Saving Lord of lords, your word foretells a day when the wolf will lie down with the lamb. Renew our vision for the peaceable kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Caring Lord of compassion, your children praise you and pray for your almighty help. Comfort those who suffer from anxiety, depression, or stress. Provide for those in need *especially Bob and Lynn Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, , Delbert Scheider, Fern Harnish, Jerry, Charmaine Magee, Nina Mueller, Ellen Kyles, 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., Joyce Scholl, and our friends in Pine Ridge community and southern California.* Give strength and courage and your blessing this week to **Lois Paulsen.** Pray for love, peace, comfort, and resurrection hope for the family and friends of Colton Drye. Trusting in God, our purpose and goal, Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Living Lord of heaven and earth, we remember your saints and furry friends who have died and now rest in your merciful care. Comfort us in faith and love as we continue our labor on earth. Trusting in God, who gives life to the dead, Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

P: Hear our prayers, gracious God, for the sake of Jesus, our good shepherd. **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!

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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LORD'S PRAYER

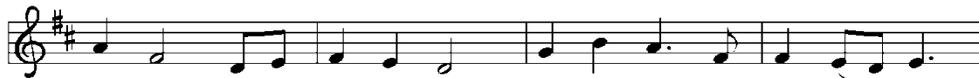
P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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 HYMN “WE COME TO THE HUNGRY FEAST” WOV#766**

1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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: Almighty God bless us, and direct our days and our deeds in peace. **C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “FOR THE FRUIT OF ALL CREATION” * WOV#760

1 For the fruit of all cre-a-tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re-ward of la-bor, God's will is done.
 3 For the har-vests of the Spir-it, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to ev-'ry na-tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done.
 For the good we all in-her-it, thanks be to God.

For the plow-ing, sow-ing, reap-ing, si-lent growth while we are sleep-ing.
 In our world-wide task of car-ing for the hun-gry and de-spair-ing.
 For the won-ders that as-tound us, for the truths that still con-found us,

fu-ture needs in earth's safe-keep-ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har-vests we are shar-ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

**our member's favorite hymn*

DISMISSAL (from the back)

A: Go in peace. Christ is sending you. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Karen Niemeier

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Pastor Miho Yasukawa

Pianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker Organist: Karen Niemeier

Choir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Tena Rackow

Assisting Minister: Taylor Bastian

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

August 4th through August 11th, 2019

Today:	Worship Service	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Fall Festival Float meeting	
	Learning Committee Meeting	11:00am
Wednesday:	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Thursday:	Friendship Club	12:00pm
Next Sunday:	Worship Service	9:30am
	Fellowship	10:30am

*Pr. Miho will be out of the office from August 4th to 10th to attend ELCA Churchwide Assembly in Milwaukee.

Attendance: July 28th - 57

Total Offering 07/21/2019 - \$1371.00 ; amount needed -\$2860.61

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.

Today’s Gathering Hymn, “All Things Bright and Beautiful” and Sending Hymn, “For the Fruit of All Creation” are our member’s favorite hymns.

Thank you all for sharing your animal pictures.

Freeport Coral Society Concert: Today!

Today, the Freeport Choral Society will be presenting their final summer concert from 7-8:30 pm, at Krape Park. Admission is Free. There is plenty of seating at the bandshell or bring your favorite lawn chairs. Come and enjoy your evening.

Friendship Club this Thursday

Friendship club is an ecumenical group who meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month for potluck lunch and entertainment at Good Shepherd. Dave & Duska Ruter will be the entertainment in August. Lunch starts at noon. Everyone is welcome.

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

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.

Pine Ridge Retreat Center

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

Sundae Fun Day

Invite your friends to Sundae Fun Day on Sunday, August 18th. Worship is at 9:30am at the fellowship hall. There will be games, foods, and ice cream! Bring your favorite toppings or fruit and enjoy. Everyone is welcome.