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February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at 9:30 am

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
Souper Bowl of Caring

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# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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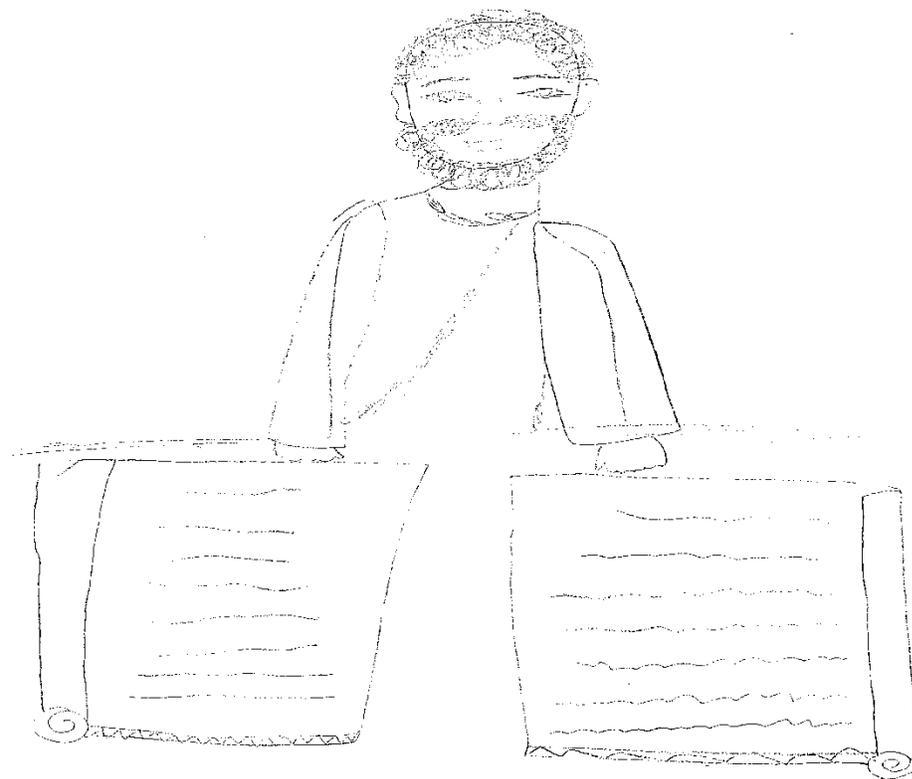
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*The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.*

***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.

We are delighted to have you.

**GATHERING**

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

**PRELUDE**

*Time for reflection in silence*

**Karen Niemeier**

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATION****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.**

P: 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.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen**

**GATHERING HYMN****“I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY”**

**ELW#661**



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.



*Refrain*  
I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

**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.

**KYRIE**

**LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**ELW #155**

1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**A:** Let us pray.

**C:** Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**WORD**

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

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

“Hunger Quiz”

From Souper Bowl of Caring

2. What percent of US children live in hungry or food insecure households?  
 a) 5%      b) 11%      c) 17%      d) 25%
4. How many people in the United States live in households considered to be food insecure?  
 a) 7 million      b) 16 million      c) 24 million      d) 35 million
5. What percentage of America’s Second Harvest (the nation’s food bank network) clients is elderly?  
 a) 8%      b) 10%      c) 14%      d) 17%
6. What percentage of adults requesting emergency food assistance is employed?  
 a) 6%      b) 13%      c) 24%      d) 37%
9. How many people across the world are hungry?  
 a) 321 million      b) 587 million      c) 735 million      d) 854 million
10. How much more food does the world produce than the entire world population could consume?  
 a) 7%      b) 12%      c) 15%      d) 20%

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10**

L: A reading from Jeremiah

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, <sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” <sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” <sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 71:1-6** (*Read responsively.*)

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

**<sup>2</sup>In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.**

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

**<sup>4</sup>Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

**<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother’s womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

L: A reading from 1 Corinthians

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end.

<sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

## Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

ELW #172

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

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

<sup>21</sup>Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup>He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” <sup>24</sup>And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. <sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; <sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. <sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. <sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

## SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

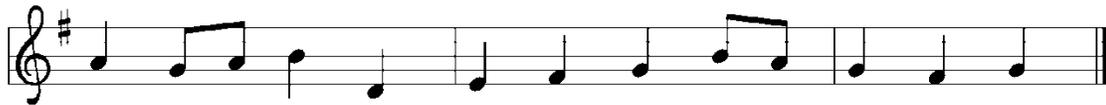
HYMN OF THE DAY    “LORD, SPEAK TO US THAT WE MAY SPEAK”  
ELW#676



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y•a heart.  
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

**APOSTLES' CREED**    *Please Stand*

A: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the words of 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:** United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

**WA:** We pray for the church. Inspire us by your Spirit as we respond to your call. to bear one another's burdens with compassion. Empower youth and unite the communities to help those who are in need through Souper Bowl of Caring movement. We ask that you bless people everywhere who are hungry. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For the earth. For mountains and prairies, cities and farms, rain forests and deserts. Awaken us to the mystery and diversity of your creation. Nurture all living things and protect your creation from harm.. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For those in need. Protect those who suffer abuse and encourage those who lack hope. Guide all who provide medical care. Comfort those who grieve and bring healing to the sick *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Jane Boop, Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jon Forsythe, Brooke, Meghan, Sylvia, Diane, Darren, Myron Coaty, Deb Lindeman Harder, Graham Russell, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Lucille Diddens, Randy, Brian, and Tammy.* Give strength and courage this week to *Steve Fahr.* Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For our church family. Bless our children and our elders. Bless our youth and parents. Bless our quilters and bakers. Inspire in us a spirit of hospitality and kindness. Let your love shine through us. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** We give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, and who now see you face-to-face). Inspire us by their example and bring us into your everlasting presence Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including the care of those in need. Offering is our response to God's blessings and abundant grace given to us.*

*We also offer up prayers to God as we offer ourselves (time, talents, gifts, and interests) to the Lord's service and dedicate our lives to God's work in the world.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

**C: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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.

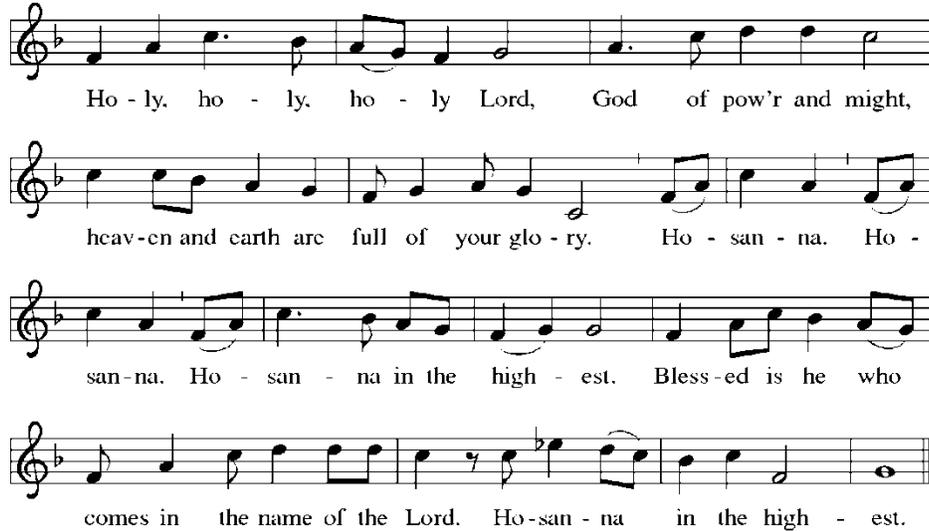
**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**HOLY HOLY HOLY**

ELW p.144



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
 san-na. 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.

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE****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**

Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

*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

ELW p. 146

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.

## COMMUNION HYMN

## “ALTHOUGH I SPEAK WITH ANGEL’S TONGUE”

ELW#644

1 Al - though I speak with an - gel's tongue, my faith, my  
2 For love is pa - tient, love is kind, and nev - er  
3 For now we peer at dark - ened glass; our vi - sions  
4 The gifts are man - y, the Bod - y one, and in - to

knowl - edge all sur - pass, but have no love, my gifts are  
vain with boast - ing pride; love bears all things, all things en -  
end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now  
one are all bap - tized. Be - lov - ed, share one heart, one

vain as clang - ing gong or blar - ing brass.  
dures. All things must end; love will a - bide.  
see: then we will see love face to face.  
mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

## SENDING

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

**BLESSING**

P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **C: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN “WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL” ELW# 359**

- 1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
- 2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
- 3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
- 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
- 5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
 let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.  
 as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

**DISMISSAL (from the back)**

A: Go in peace. Christ is your light. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

**Karen Niemeier**

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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: Michelle Andrews Acolyte: Jared Runkle

Assisting Minister: Brianna Andrews

Worship Assistant: Denny Luke

Greeters: Wayne and Janis Kurth, Jay and Michelle Andrews

Ushers: Chris and Angie Brinker, Krista Keene, Sheila Keene

Communion Usher: Virgil and Joanne Martin Communion Set-up: Vivian Hesselbacher

Communion Asst: Tena Rackow and Hanna Brinker Sound System: Troy Doubler and Ethan Fye

Elevator Operator: Kristy Patterson and Anna Patterson

**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**February 3<sup>rd</sup> through February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service - Souper Bowl of Caring</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Monday	Learning Committee Meeting	6:00pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
	Annual Meeting	10:45am
	Installation of the Church Council	
	VBS Meeting at the Beloved Church	12:00pm
	Chime Practice	5:00pm

Attendance January 27<sup>th</sup> – 45

Total Offering 01/27/2019 - \$1073.00 amount needed - \$2308.49

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.

**Annual Meeting**

The 2019 Annual Meeting for Good Shepherd has been rescheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10:45am. Annual report is now available for pick up. If you can help deliver the annual report to our members, please take extra copies.

**Children's Worship Bulletin is Available**

The Children's bulletin follows the Sunday lessons with coloring page, word search, and crossword puzzle. They are available at both entrances

**Let Us Know**

If youth or adults in the Good Shepherd family are involved in activities which the public is invited, please provide a schedule to the church office by Tuesday morning so that we can include it in the following Sunday's bulletin.

**Rocky Boy Indian Reservation Servant Immersion Trip**

NIS WELCA is coordinating a mission trip to Rocky Boy Indian Reservation in Box Elder Montana this summer. Information and forms are available at the church office. Both women and men are welcome to join the trip. For additional information, contact the church office.

**Chris the Crazy Pancake Man**

Chris will be returning to St. John's Lutheran Church on Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 4-8pm. He will be preparing an all-you-can-eat pancake supper served with whole-hog sausage, applesauce, cheese, coffee and milk. Chris provides good and fun for all!

Advanced tickets are available from church members or the church office for \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children (ages 3-10). At the door, tickets can be purchased for \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (ages 3-10). For more information call the church office at 815-369-4035.

**Pancake and Sausage Supper**

St. John's Lutheran Church in Pearl City will be hosting a Pancake and Sausage Supper on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00pm-7:00pm. **HAS BEEN CANCELLED**, due to basketball games that have been rescheduled.

**Hymn Sing**

First Lutheran Church of Freeport (303 South Galena Avenue) is hosting, “*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*”, a hymn sing giving thanks and praise for God’s abiding presence in our lives on Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. Chris Parkinson will be the organist/pianist for the hymn sing. There will be a congregational singing, a variety of instrumental accompaniments, and a combined choir anthem.

Please join us as we sing our praises and give thanks to God.

**Souper Bowl of Caring TODAY!**

MORE THAN 29 YEARS AGO, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: “Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since that day, more than \$143million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around the Big Game into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, young people learn what it’s like to make a positive difference in the world –as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

Be part of this movement that is sharing God’s love with those in need.

Please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday.

Every dollar donated goes to Le-Win Food Pantry and ELCA World Hunger.

**THANK YOU!!!****Sock Drive for Le-Win Elementary School**

In November we began a sock drive for Le-Win Elementary students, the sock drive ended January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

We collected 149 pairs of socks, along with one (1) hat and six (6) pairs of gloves. These will be given to the children when they come in from recess. Thank you for your generosity and love.