

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 9:30 am

Baptism of Our Lord

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*The Baptism of Our Lord cannot help but recall our own and all baptismal blessings. We recall and celebrate our adoption as daughters and sons, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we "pass through the waters . . . the rivers . . . fire." On this day the heavens open again for this assembly, and we receive the gift of the beloved Son of God in bread and wine.*

## ***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*

**Tena Rackow**

**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 “WHEN JESUS CAME TO JORDAN” ELW#305**

1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John,  
2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,  
3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;



he did not come for par - don but as the Sin - less One.  
for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.  
this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - 'ry bond - age break.



He came to share re - pen - tance with all who mourn their sins,  
So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,  
Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:



to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.  
the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.  
to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

**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 God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**WORD**

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

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7**

**L:** A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

<sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 29** *(Read responsively.)*

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup>**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength to your people; give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

**SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17**

L: A reading from Acts.

<sup>14</sup>Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus).

<sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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, hal-le, hal-le -

lu - jah. Hal-le - lu - jah. Hal-le - lu - jah.

**GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

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

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

**HYMN OF THE DAY****YOU ARE MINE****ELW# 581**

1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,  
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,  
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,  
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.  
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the  
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be  
shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and  
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*  
Come and rest in me. *To refrain*  
all will know my name. *To refrain*  
up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



*Refrain*  
Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine."

*To stanzas 3 and 4*

**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. Pour out your Spirit upon us and enliven us for mission. Renew your children in the covenant of baptism. Draw us together in love that we may be one. Empower us by your loving Spirit to serve our neighbors. We pray for Rockford Rescue Mission. May their guests, staff, and volunteers know your presence in their journeys. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For the nations. Inspire leaders to work for the common good. Grant courage to those who put themselves at risk to protect others. Turn us away from violence and teach us to live in peace. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For those in need. Protect children and vulnerable adults who depend on others to provide for their daily care. Uphold those who struggle with depression. Console the grieving and heal the sick, *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Sheridan Brinker, Steve Fahr, Lois Paulsen, Verl Price, Jane Boop, Marilyn, 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, and Jim Watson.* Give strength and courage this week to **Fern Harnish**. *Pray for love, comfort and resurrection hope for family and friends of John "Max" Hume* Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** For your beloved children at Good Shepherd: Don & Lisa Wienand, Bill & Ruth Jacobs, Erick, Billie Jo, Kayla, Jared, and Jacob Runkle, Steve & Jan Wybourn, Betty Koehn, Virgil & Joanne Martin, Bob & Lynn Lyvers, Andrew & Carly Martin. May your light shine upon them and their families. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died. Hold us safe in your arms of mercy and bring us with them into your promise of life eternal. 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.*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

**"LET OUR GLADNESS HAVE NO END"**

## 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

## “SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS”

ELW#396

*Refrain*

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness  
 call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,  
 stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,  
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,  
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,  
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;  
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;  
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;  
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

and o - ver the ce - ons you called to each thing:  
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,  
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,  
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

*Refrain*

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”  
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.  
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.  
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

## 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  $\text{†}$  Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. C: Amen.

## SENDING HYMN "SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE" ELW# 310

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, proph-et, priest, and king su - preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole weak-ened bod - y, faint-ing soul;  
 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,  
 and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;  
 man - i - fest in val - iant light, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;  
 grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:  
 that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,  
 and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

**DISMISSAL** (*from the back*)

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

**POSTLUDE**

**Tena Rackow**

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**Pastor: Pastor Miho YasukawaPianists: Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker    Organist: Karen NiemeierChoir Dir. /accomp: Janis Kurth / Tena RackowLector: Marybeth Brinker    Acolyte: Ethan FyeAssisting Minister: Brianna AndrewsWorship Assistant: Sue DiddensGreeters: Troy and Cindy Doubler, Bill and Jean EngelUshers: Virgil Gordon, Tim Gordon, Gene and Vivian HesselbacherCommunion Usher: Troy Keene and Andrew Martin    Communion Set-up: Sheridan and Marybeth BrinkerCommunion Asst: Denny Luke and Beth Martin    Sound System: Troy Doubler and Ashtyn BrinkerElevator Operator: Taylor and Kristy Patterson**THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD****January 13<sup>th</sup> through January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Volunteer at Rockford Rescue Mission	11:30am-3:00pm
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Monday	Pr. Miho at NW conference meeting, First Lutheran, Mt. Carroll	9:00am-11:00am
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Thursday	Good Shepherd at Friendship Center for Devotions and Dessert	1:00pm
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Attendance January 6<sup>th</sup>– 36

Total Offering 01/06/2019 - \$3495.00 amount needed - \$2503.50

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.

**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

**Thank you**

For Men’s group and Sunday School (especially Nakoah and Kristy) for taking down Christmas decorations and trees.

**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**

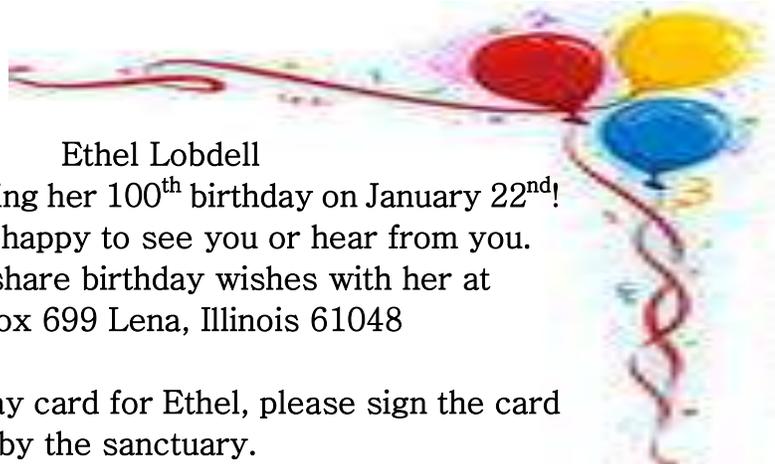
NIS WELCA is coordinating a mission trip to Rocky Boy Indian Reservation in Box Elder Montana this summer. Information and forms are available at the church office. Both women and men are welcome to join the trip. For additional information, contact the church office.

**Lena Living Center**

Lena Living Center will be hosting Mary Beth Janssen, author of “The Book of Self-Care, Remedies For Healing Mind, Body and Soul”. Ms. Janssen will share insights from her book to gain guidance to nurture yourself. Please join us for this special event on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 10:00am-2:00pm. A light luncheon will be provided. Reservations are required – please call 815-369-4561 Monday – Friday 8:30am-4:30pm. Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

**Mark your Calendar: Annual Congregational Meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup>**

We are working on annual report. Please pray for the office staff this week.



Ethel Lobdell

Will be celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 22<sup>nd</sup>!

She would be happy to see you or hear from you.

Please share birthday wishes with her at

PO Box 699 Lena, Illinois 61048

We have birthday card for Ethel, please sign the card on the table by the sanctuary.