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October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9:30 am

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost  
Reformation Sunday

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# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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.**

We are delighted to have you.

**Nursery:** Our nursery is located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.  
Please feel free to use the nursery anytime during the service.

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.

## GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

**PRELUDE**

*Time for reflection in silence*

**Tena Rackow**

**COMMUNITY CONCERNS & CELEBRATION**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** (*Stand*)

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins*

P: Blessed be the ☩ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin calling for God's transforming power.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Source of all life,

**C: we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation.**

**Amen.**

P: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, ☩ God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen**

**OPENING HYMN**

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

**ELW#503**

1 A No might - y for ours - tress is our God,  
 2 strength of ours can match his might!  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land  
 4 God's Word for ev - er shall a - bid,

a sword and shield vic - to - rious;  
 We would be lost, re - ject ed.  
 all threat - 'ning to de - vour us,  
 no thanks to foes, who fear it;

he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod  
 But now a cham - pion comes to fight;  
 we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand;  
 for God him - self fights by our side

and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.  
 whom God him - self e - lect ed.  
 they can - not o - ver - pow'r us,  
 with weap - ons of the Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe, sworn to work us woe,  
 Ask who this may be: Lord of hosts is he!  
 This world's prince may rage, in fierce war en - gage,  
 If they take our house, goods, fame, child, or spouse,

with dread sus - and might he arms him - self to fight.  
 Christ Je - sus our Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored.  
 He is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail!  
 wrench our life a - way, they can - not win the day.

On earth he has no c - qual.  
 He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## 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:

ELW p.138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW p.140

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb  
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic to ry for our God. Al le lu ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of  
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic to ry for our God.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, 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.

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 46** (Psalm will be chanted)

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. (*Ps. 46:7*)

<sup>1</sup>God is our ref- | uge and strength,  
a very present | help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup>though its waters | rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,  
the holy habitation of | the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the | break of day.

<sup>6</sup>**The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth | melts away.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of | hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup>**Come now, regard the works | of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world;  
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that | I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of | hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

**SECOND READING: ROMANS 3:19-28**

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God

through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction,<sup>23</sup> since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;<sup>24</sup> they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,<sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed;<sup>26</sup> it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.<sup>27</sup> Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith.<sup>28</sup> For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 142

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

### THE HOLY GOSPEL: according to John 8:31-36

P: The holy gospel according to John.

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

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’” <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

### WHAT IS REFORMATION?

A Skit by Sunday School Children

### SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## Listen, God Is Calling

ELW #513

*Refrain*  
Leader All



Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,



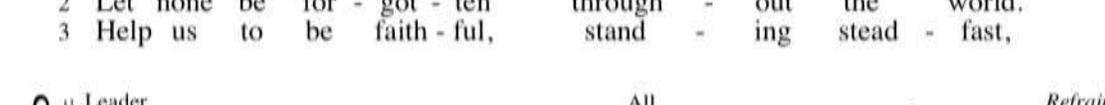
ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*



Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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## THE CREED: (from the Luther's Small Catechism)

ELW p.1162

P: The First Article: *On Creation***C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

A: What does this mean?

**C: I believe that God has created me together with all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and all mental faculties. In addition, God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, fields, livestock, and all property along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life. God protects me against all danger and shields and preserves me from all evil. And all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all! For all of this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.**

P: The Second Article: *On Redemption*

**C: 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 *or*, “he descended into hell,” *another translation of this text in widespread use*. 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.**

A: What does this mean?

**C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchased and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. He has done all this in order that I may belong to him, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.**

P: The Third Article: *On Being Made Holy*

**C: 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.**

A: What does this mean?

**C: I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.**

## THE PRAYERS

*After each petition:* WA: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Longing for God’s will to be fulfilled among us, we pray persistently for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*A brief silence*

**WA:** Holy God, work in your church across denominational and cultural divisions to form us into a more complete expression of your holy community. Show the world your likeness through us. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** By rain, rivers, and oceans, remind us how your word flows through this world, surrounding us with grace. Keep us always in the covenant that is sealed in water and Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Free us from the lies we tell ourselves or others in order to justify our words and actions. Lead us to speak honestly and to listen humbly, and reveal your truth among us. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Be a stronghold for people who are in danger this day . We pray especially for, *Bob Lyvers, Dick and Rene Johnson, Ethel Lobdell, Gene Hesselbacher, Laura Derr , Lois Paulsen,*

*Sheridan Brinker, Steve Fahr, Verl Price Greg Lloyd, Donna Euler, Robin Cross, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Jean, Jon Forsythe Meghan, Pam, Bruce, Diane, Darren, Bruce Johnson, Myron Coaty, Scott Bonnet, Deb Lindeman Harder, Graham Russell, Tim Coleman, Cindy Tessendorf, Larry Larson, Jim Watson.* Surround them with your steadfast love and lighten their pains and burdens. Give strength and courage to this week to ***Fern Harnish***. In your righteous presence cause the evil that surrounds them to flee, and clothe them with your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Continue making all things new. Seal your covenant with humankind, and write your law on our hearts. Make repentance a regular habit for us so that forgiveness abounds. Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

**WA:** Guide all the saints in proclaiming the good news of salvation in Christ. Bring your people eternally into Christ's presence on the last day.

**P:** Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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

**“When in Our Music God is Glorified”**

### Choir Anthem

*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.*

*Please Stand*

### OFFERING PRAYER

**A:** Let us pray.

**C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, 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.**

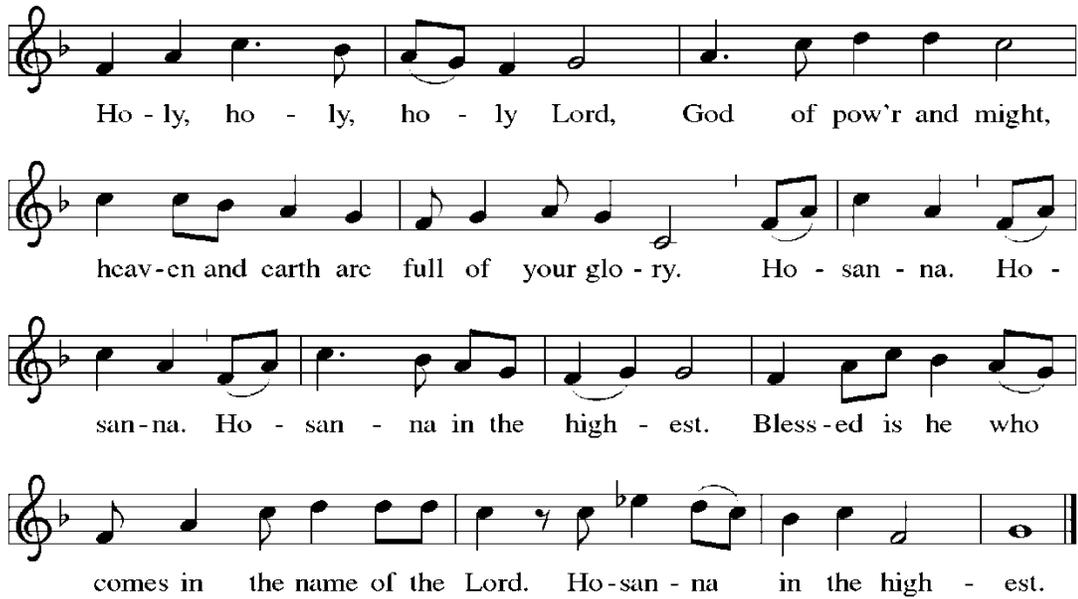
### PREFACE

**ELW p. 144**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, 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**

*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.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION SONG

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 SONG

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

ELW #470

1 Draw us in the Spir-it's teth - er, for when hum - bly  
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of  
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as - sac - ra -  
 in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,  
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er  
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help-ing, giv - ing,  
 you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

**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: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING**

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

**BLESSING**

P: God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**SENDING SONG****Church is One Foundation****ELW#654**

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One.



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

**DISMISSAL (from the back)**A: Go in peace. Christ is with you. **C: Thanks be to God.****POSTLUDE****Tena Rackow**

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<b>Today</b>	<b>Worship Service- Reformation Sunday</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>
	Fellowship	10:30am
	Sunday School/Confirmation	10:45am
	Choir Practice	11:00am
	Chime Practice	5:00pm
Wednesday	“Piece Corps” Quilting Group	8:00am-11:30am
Thursday	Hannah Circle	9:00am
Saturday	<b><i>Turn your Clock Back!</i></b>	
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Worship Service-All Saints Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
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Attendance October 21<sup>st</sup> - 58

Total Offering 10/21/18 - \$3542.00 amount needed \$4377.52

**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

**All Saints Sunday**

We will remember each “Saint” or loved one that died since November last year. A carnation will be placed on the altar in a bud vase and a family member may take it home after the service. Also, the name of each will be read during a prayer. If you have loved ones who died in the past year and you would like them remembered in this way, please call the church office at (815)-369-5552 and leave the information by October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Mental Health First Aid Training This Tuesday**

Monroe Clinic Mental Health First Aid training will be this Tuesday from 8:00am-4:30pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 625 Country Lane Drive, Lena, IL.

**Hannah Circle**

Hannah Circle will meet Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am at the home of Rene' Johnson. This will be a potluck. Rene' will be the Bible Study Leader. The topic is repentance. All women of the church and their guests are invited and welcome at all circle functions. Please call Rene' at 815-369-2818 if you have any questions.

**September and October are Food Pantry Months**

Why do we collect non-perishable food, personal hygiene products, and money to feed the hungry? Because "More than 800 million people-that's 11 percent of people in our world today-are hungry." We, as a member of the ELCA, "we are called to respond. We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work." (quotes from ELCA World Hunger website) We are a church who cares the well-being of our neighbors. Thank you for your donations. They will be delivered to Le-Win Food Pantry to share the love in our community. Thank God for your generous hearts!

**Help Homeless Veterans in Northern Illinois**

The Lena Lions Club is sponsoring a clothing drive to be distributed to the veterans of northern Illinois. Items for donations will include: Winter Gloves, Heavy Socks, Neck Scarves and Winter Stocking Caps. Items can be dropped off at Good Shepherd from now until November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Grief Support Workshop on November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Both FHN and Monroe Clinic Hospice are offering grief support workshops on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Check the bulletin board for details. Both workshops are free.

**Monroe Clinic Hospice presents:**

"Handling the Holidays Program" Holidays can be especially challenging time of the year for adults who are grieving the loss of a loved on. Learn how to cope during the holiday season with help from Monroe Clinic's caring hospice team. We welcome you to joins us Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 1:30-3:30pm, at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 Sixth St., Monroe. There is no cost to attend, space is limited. To register or learn more call 608-324-1230 or toll free at 800-367-8406 or visit [www.monroeclinic.org](http://www.monroeclinic.org).

**Ladies Day Out**

Ladies Day Out will be on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-3:00pm at the Lena Elementary School. 9:00am-12:00pm will be breakfast with Santa. Free admission, door prizes.

*Words from Martin Luther*

"This life therefore is not righteousness, but growth in righteousness; not health, but healing; not being, but becoming; not rest, but exercise. We are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it. The process is not yet finished, but it is going on. This is not the end, but it is the road. All does not yet gleam in glory, but all is being purified." (from *Defense of All The Articles*)