
October 23rd 2016 at 9:30 am Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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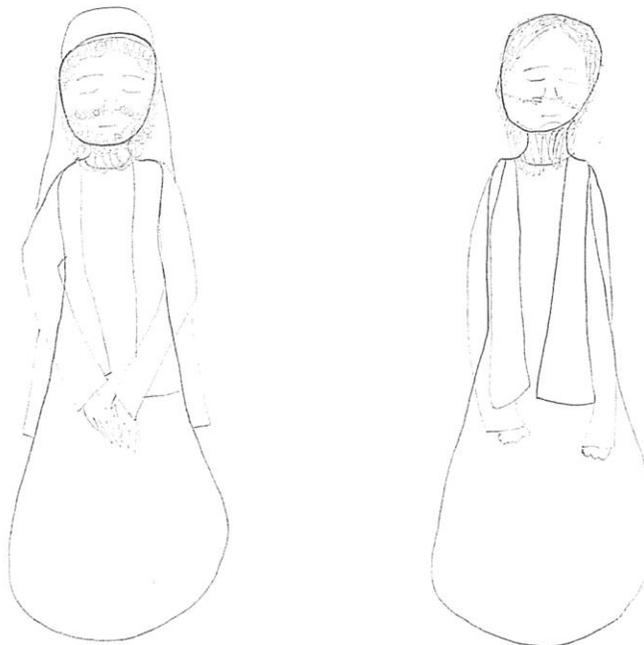
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***Welcome to worship at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
If you are visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome
And to know that we are delighted to have you here***

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 Children are always welcome at our worship services; however, if you desire, please feel free to use the nursery located out the north entrance of the sanctuary.

**–ORDER OF WORSHIP –
WOV SETTING 5-BREAD OF LIFE**

PRELUDE *“The Lord’s My Shepherd”* **Chime Choir accompaniment by Tena Rackow**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
abounding in steadfast love toward us,
healing the sick and raising the dead,
showering us with every good gift.

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Just and gracious God,

**C: we come to you for healing and life.
Our sins hurt others and diminish us;
we confess them to you.
Our lives bear the scars of sin;
we bring these also to you.
Show us your mercy, O God.
Bind up our wounds,
forgive us our sins,
and free us to love,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.**

P: The apostle Paul assures us:
“When we were dead in our trespasses,
God made us alive together with Christ,
nailing the record of our sins to the cross.”
Jesus says to you, ☩ “Your sins are forgiven.”
Be at peace, and tell everyone
how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

In All Our Grief

ELW#615



1 In all our grief and fear we turn to you.
 2 Help us to put a - side the an - gry word,
 3 You did not e - ven spare your on - ly Son.
 4 God, when we suf - fer all that we can bear,



O God, you know all that we think or do,
 the clen - ch - ing fist, the wish and will to hurt.
 He lived our griefs and bore all e - vil done,
 then let us know that you in truth are near



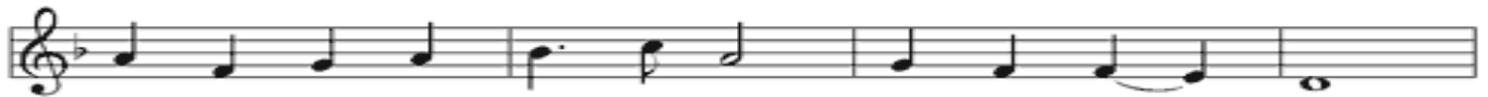
you know the pain we put each oth - er through.
 Teach us the way in which love best is served.
 but through his cross, re - demp - tion has been won.
 and will not leave us lost in all our fear.

Refrain

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, grant us peace.

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 *Stand*

Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Ⓞ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



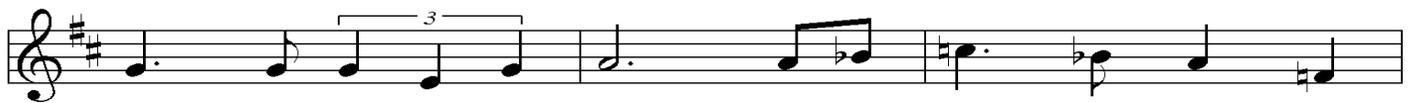
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
I
II For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir- it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.
C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray, **C:** Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen *Please be seated*

L: The 1st READING is from Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? ⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! ¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us ²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain?

Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this. **L:** The word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1-7 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) **ELW#84**

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

²**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

⁴**Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.**

⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶**Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**

⁷They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

L: The 2nd READING is from 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them!

¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen. L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Luke 18:9-14 **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”P: The gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated

CHILDREN ‘S MESSAGE

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

SERMON

Pastor Miho Yasukawa

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

ELW#599

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;
 2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;
 3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;
 4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is past,
 from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.
 let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.
 through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.
 I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM for Connor Elliot Kurth

ELW page 227

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

WA: Set free by the truth of God's gracious love, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's good creation. *A brief silence*

WA: Only you are righteous, O God. Lead your church to true repentance so that we reflect your light and truth to the world. Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

WA: Only you can bring rain, O God. Be with those who lack clean water or must walk miles to quench their thirst. Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

WA: Only you can judge the nations, O God. Raise up leaders with humble hearts so that your peace spreads across the earth. Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

WA: Only you can bring healing, O God. Be with all whose hearts ache, who hold out empty hands, who long for forgiveness. Comfort the grieving and heal the sick *especially Bob Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Verl Price, Bruce, Beverly, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Kelli Huneke, Jane Parks, Sean.* Strengthen and encourage *Gladys Staderman and Dorothy Weimer.* Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

WA: Only you know the depths of our hearts, O God. Call this congregation to loving action in your name and open our eyes to what you are doing among us. Hear us, O God. C: **Your mercy is great.**

WA: Those who live in your house are happy, O God. Keep us by your grace until we join the saints around your throne. *(We especially remember your faithful servants, Ruth Ann Freitag, Ardith Stabenow, and Alice Price. May your comfort be with the families this week.)* Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

Pastor: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

"All To Jesus I Surrender"

Choir Anthem

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church locally and throughout the world, including those in need. 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. During this time, the table is set. After the table is set, the offering is gathered & the anthem concludes, the acolyte walks out to the edge of the chancel steps to receive the offering from the ushers.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS *Please stand*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
 sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
 Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
 Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer *(after acolyte presents offering at altar)*

A: Let us pray, **C: Merciful God,** as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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.

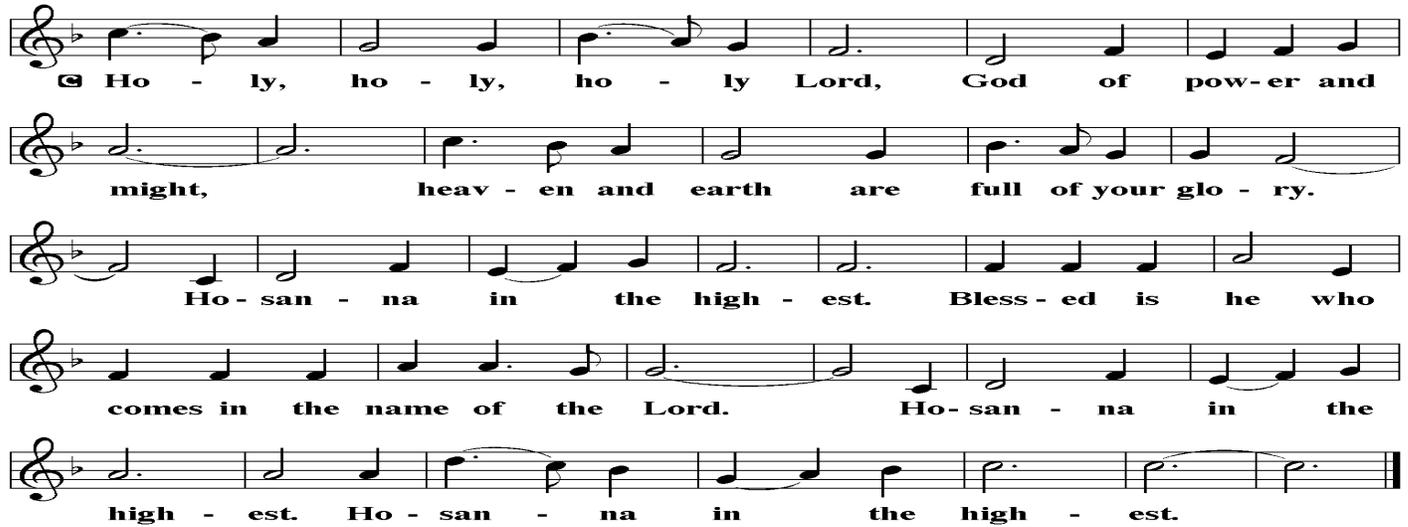
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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 here — you don't have to be a member to participate. All who share our belief that Jesus is present in his holy meal are welcome to receive the bread and cup. Children and adults who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a special blessing. Holy Communion will be celebrated today using intinction (you will dip the wafer into the chalice of wine). 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 wish to commune and are unable to come forward or need other assistance, please let an usher know so that we can serve you.



COMMUNION SONG (sung by all) Lamb of God



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, grant us peace.

TABLE BLESSING:

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

C: Amen.

CANTICLE

Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION A: We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit...bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

ELW#815

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,
 be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with

light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain
 In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the

day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the

cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

DISMISSAL (*from the back*)

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Tena Rackow

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THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD**October 23rd thru October 30th 2016**

Today	Worship Service with Baptism and Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Good Shepherd at Lena Living Center	2:30 pm
	Chime Practice	5:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program for 4 th -8 th graders at the Hangout	3:30 pm-5:00pm
	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm-8:00pm
Saturday	Men's Group Steak Fry	4:30 pm
Next Sunday	Reformation Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Ordination for Pastor Miho at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Sterling IL	4:00 pm

Attendance October 16th was 53Total Offering October 16th, 2016: \$1,709.88 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$4,061.69**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miho Yasukawa	<u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u>	Randy & Carol Stubbs Family
<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker	<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier
<u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	<u>Secretary:</u>	Darlene Barr
<u>Lector</u>	Janis Kurth	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Krista Keene
<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Austin Andrews	<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Dennis Luke
<u>Communion Usher</u>	Jerimy and Cara Schriener	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Troy and Cindy Doubler
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Shirley Fox, Eugene Hesselbacher		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Coltin Coonts, Jerimy and Cara Schriener		
<u>Sound System:</u>	Troy Doubler, Ashtyn Brinker		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Chris and Angie Brinker, Sheridan and Marybeth Brinker		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Jeirmy and Cara Schriener, Larry Fulfs, Jim Swain		

TODAY WE BAPTIZE

Connor Elliot Kurth was born on March 3, 2016 to parents Annie and Robert Kurth to grandparents Janis and Wayne Kurth and Barb and John Stadfield. Connor's Sponsors are Erica Jarzynski and Jeffery Hand.

September & October are Food Pantry Month

Good Shepherd will collect cash donations this Sunday October 23rd for the Lena Food Pantry. Confirmation class will take our donation of food and money to the Food Pantry on October 26th.

Important Dates to Remember

Ordination for Pastor Miho will be October 30th at 4pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sterling, IL. If you are interested in going to the ordination service, and would like to carpool please sign up on the signup sheet on the bulletin board by Friday October 28th. If you have questions about carpooling please talk or call Wayne Kurth (815-291-3508).

Installation Service for Pastor Miho will be November 6th at 2pm at Good Shepherd.

All Saints Sunday—November 6th

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.

Men’s Group Steak Fry:

Saturday October 29th starting at 4:30pm along with the monthly meeting
Men of all ages are invited to attend.

Children’s Christmas Program will be December 18th

Preparations for the Christmas program will start on October 23rd at 10:45. All Sunday school children are encouraged to attend Sunday School to help prepare for the Christmas program. *Hope to see you all there!*

Area Women’s Fall Gathering & Dessert

The women of St. John’s Lutheran in Pearls City invite all to an: Area Women’s Fall Gathering & Dessert Wednesday October 26 @ 1:00pm in Luther Hall. Program: History of St. John’s 125 Anniversary Biblical Quilt Wall Hanging including hymns, special music & bible readings. Please RSVP by October 16 to Karen Bremmer 815-443-2478 or 815-821-4698 or email: rkbreemer@gmail.com

Pastoral Care:

If you or someone you know needs pastoral care, please notify or call the church office (815-369-5552) and/or Pastor Miho (815-821-9570)

Contact Information for Pastor Miho

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“Save the Date”

**Prince of Peace will host the NI SYNOD Northwest Conference
Fall Discipleship Gathering “*Loving Your Neighbor*”
Thursday November 15th**

The 2016 Gatherings will focus on loving your neighbor.

Registration will begin at 6:15 pm. A light supper will be served from 6:30-7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Devotions will begin at 7 pm, followed by the program. The evening will end by 8:45 pm. Topics will include congregational leadership, the constitutional responsibilities as well as the joys and challenges of a bishop, and the election process for a bishop. Find out more at nisynod.org/gatherings