# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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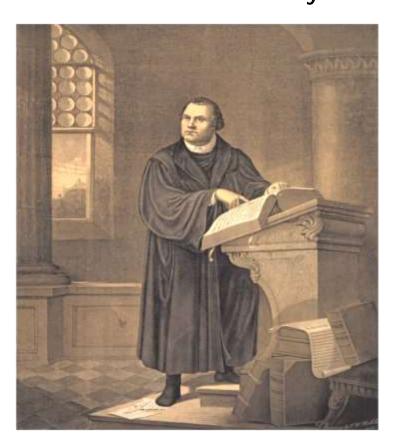
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# October 27th, 2024 9:30am Reformation Sunday



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Please leave your offering in the plate at the door
You may stand at times marked with an asterisk (\*)

# SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER Gathering

#### **Prelude and Contemplation**

Sue Diddens

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Greeting WOV page 46

**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.

#### Dialogue

**P:** In many and various ways God spoke of old to our ancestors by the prophets;

C: but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

**P:** Seek the Lord while he may be found

C: call upon him while he is near.

**P:** The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart;

C: that is the word of faith that we proclaim.

\* Hymn The Church's One Foundation ELW # 654

#### \* Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

### Readings

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

**L:** A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>31</sup> "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup> not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup> For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares 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> And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." [ESV]

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm: 46**

- **L:** Let us read responsively Psalm 46.
- <sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
- <sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
- <sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
- <sup>6</sup> The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- <sup>7</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- <sup>8</sup> Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- <sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.
- 10 "Be still, 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 fortress. *[ESV]*

#### Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

**L:** A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

<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 stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup> It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup> Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. *[ESV]* 

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

\* Gospel: John 8:31-36

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup> Jesus said to the Judeans who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup> and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup> They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. *[ESV, revised]* 

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Reflection

Sermon

**Pastor Thomas Mosbo** 

\* Hymn Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word ELW # 517

\* Apostles' Creed

WOV page 49

**P:** In Christ, we have heard the word of truth, the gospel of salvation.

C: We believe in him and are sealed with the Holy Spirit.

**P:** In trust and hope, we confess the faith in which we were baptized.

C: 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.

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.

# **Prayer**

Reconciliation WOV page 49

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: and pray in the Holy Spirit.

**P:** Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: and look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**P:** If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new.

**P:** Let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**P:** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord ± Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

Peace WOV page 50

**P:** Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

#### **Prayers of Intercession**

WOV page 52

Please respond to each petition with the following:

L: ... God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

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

C: Amen.

#### We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Jerry, Fern Harnish, Taylor B., Denny Bergmann, Rene', Paul Fahr, Gary Hudik, Brady Meier, Virgil Martin, Tena Rackow, Marilyn Fulfs, Richard Frietag, Todd Schlachter, Cyndy Schumacher, Connor Stadermann, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Paul Heller, Janet, Ryse Stone, Nicole, Meghan and her baby, John, Chuck, Joyce, Terri, Tina, Julie, Jamie, Crystal, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby, Karla, Jacob and his family, Richard Gordon, Kay, Shanna, Kathy, Charlie, Brad, Jack, Tina, Joe, Sue, Emma, Cindy, Lamar Hail, Connie, Rachel Collins, Hanna, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Heckman, Jeri, Allie, Al, Bruce Stewart, Pam, Caroline, Tina D., Howard D., Christine, Jim DeMontigny Jr., Anita, Eric, Roger, Larry ,Linda Kruger-Kleckler, Libby Wuethrich, Norman, Vivian, Tina Cheeney, Dennis Bokemeier, Susan Anderson, Wayne Albrecht and Curt Breneman

#### Lord's Prayer

WOV page 52

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.

# **Recognition of Sunday School Ministry**

**P:** Dear friends: United with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are joined in God's mission for the life of the world. We are called to that mission in our daily lives and in the ministries we share as the church of God.

Today it is our privilege to recognize and support those who are engaged in the work of this congregation in the ministry of education.

The names of the teachers are read and they stand.

They are addressed.

**P:** Sisters, your work and your rest are in God. Will you endeavor to pattern your life on the Lord Jesus Christ, in gratitude to God and in service to others, as you carry out the ministry of teaching in this congregation?

Teachers: I will, and I ask God to help me.

The congregation is addressed.

**P:** People of God, I ask you: Will you support these your sisters in their service, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

**P:** Let us pray.

O God of wisdom, in your goodness you provide faithful teachers for your church. Bless those who serve our Sunday School. Help us all to study your word and engage your world, that together we may grow in knowledge and love, pursue what is good, and seek to do your will; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

# Sending

Blessing WOV page 53

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace,

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit..

C: Amen.

\* Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God ELW # 504

\* **Dismissal** WOV page 53

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Sue Diddens

Men's Group
Annual Steak Fry
Sign up sheet by Fellowship Hall
November 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:30pm





Daylight Savings Time ends,
November 2nd.
Remember to turn your clocks
back one hour.



#### All Saints' Sunday

November 3rd

Last day to order carnations in memory of your saint will be Monday, October 28th.

Please have your order submitted by that date.

#### Hannah Circle

Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> after Fellowship Hour



#### Friendship Club

Thursday, November 14th Potluck at 12:30pm

Good Shepherd Council Meeting Thursday November 14th at 6:30pm

Attendance October 13<sup>th</sup> In-person 26, Online 72