

September 6th 2015 at 9:30 am

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by
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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***

WELCOME! We want you to be at ease - we won't ask you to stand up and be recognized, but we'd love it if you would introduce yourself. Welcome to Good Shepherd!

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.

<u>Pastor:</u>	Pastor Miranda Klosterboer	<u>Custodian:</u>	Taylor Bastian
<u>Secretary:</u>	Darlene Barr	<u>Pianists:</u>	Tena Rackow, Sarah Baker
<u>Organist:</u>	Karen Niemeier	<u>Missionaries to Tanzania:</u>	Randy&Carol Stubbs Family
<u>Choir Dir. /accomp:</u>	Janis Kurth / Marion Fahr	<u>Lector</u>	Tena Rackow
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Krista Keene	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Wayne Kurth
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Taylor Bastian	<u>Communion Usher</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox
<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Donna Gullickson	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Karen Niemeier
<u>Sound System:</u>	Troy Doubler, Ashtyn Brinker		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Troy and Cindy Doubler, Darlene Aurand, Wayne and Janis Kurth		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Paul and Shirley Fox, Jerimy and Cara Schriener		
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Colton Brinker, Marybeth Brinker		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Anna Patterson, Kristy Patterson		

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

September 6th thru September 13th 2015

Today	Worship with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Bible Study	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm
Monday	Labor Day "Office Closed"	
Tuesday	Hymn Sing at Lena Living Center	9:45 am
	Stewardship Committee Meeting	4:30 pm
	Council Meeting	6:00 pm
	Endowment Committee Meeting	8:30 pm
Wednesday	Pastor Miranda at NW Conf. Meeting	8:30am-11:30 am
	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program at The Hangout	3:30-5:00 pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment w/Randy Kint	12:00 pm
Friday	Lena Fall Festival Hospitality Tent	4:00 pm-11:00pm
Saturday	Lena Fall Festival Parade	11:30 am
	Lena Fall Festival Hospitality Tent	9:00 am- 11:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm

Worship Attendance August 30th was 61

Total Offering for August 30th, 2015: \$1,736.06 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,047.98

We pray for all of those who are lonely, injured, sick, needing healing, or in need in any way. This week we especially pray for **Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm, Brian Albrecht, Bob Lyvers, Gerry Harnish, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim, Katy Lartz, Rita Andres & homebound members Alice Price & Dorothy Wagner.**

Thank You to Sue Koehn for sharing her special music this morning.

Order of Worship

The Work of the People: Dakota Road Music

PRELUDE:

Karen Niemeier

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

INVOCATION: (congregation stands)

A: We welcome each other to worship in the name of God our creator, and our redeemer, who walks with us and promises to be with us every step of our lives.

CONFESSION: *L=congregation left or pulpit side led by Assisting Minister
R=congregation right or font side led by Pastor*

L: We have not loved you with all of our hearts.

R: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We have put up walls to keep people at a distance.

R: We have failed to respond when someone is hurting.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We are captured by our desire for material wealth.

R: We forget those who do not have food or shelter.

All: **We have not responded to your promise.**

L: We abuse the gifts of your creation.
 R: We destroy your beauty out of ignorance and greed.
All: We have not responded to your promise.
 L: We fail to respond to your call to do justice.
 R: We seek only comfort for ourselves.
All: We have not responded to your promise.

THE PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS A: We are broken but God's promises are not. Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: O Come, All Ye Faithful (*Favorite Hymn*) Verses 1, 3, & 4 **ELW#283**

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O
 2 The high - est, most ho - ly, light of light e - ter - nal,
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 born of a vir - gin, a mor - tal he comes;
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!
 Je - sus, to thee be . . . glo - ry giv'n!

come and be - hold him, born the king of an - gels:
 Son of the Fa - ther now in flesh ap - pear - ing!
 Glo - ry to God . . . in . . . the . . . high - est:
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

Refrain
 Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
 O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!

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.

SONG OF PRAISE: This is the Feast (*Favorite Hymn*)

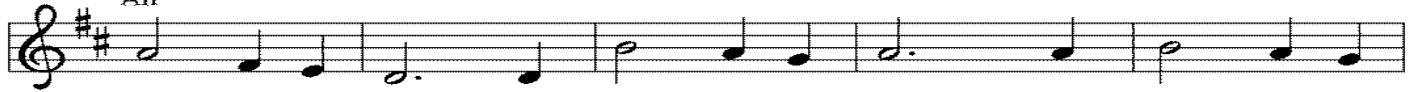
ELW#149-150

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

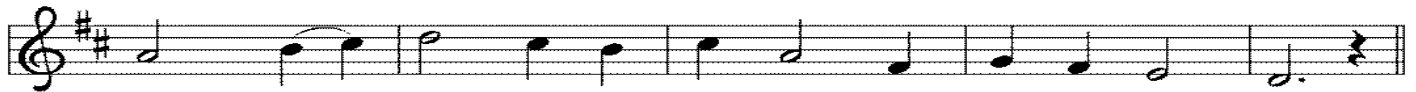
All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

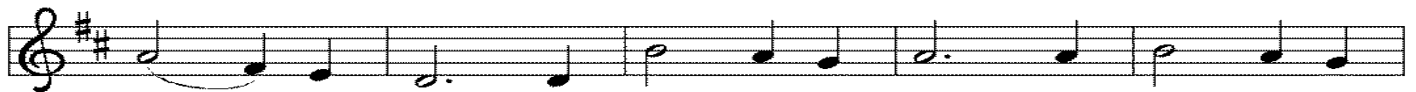


strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

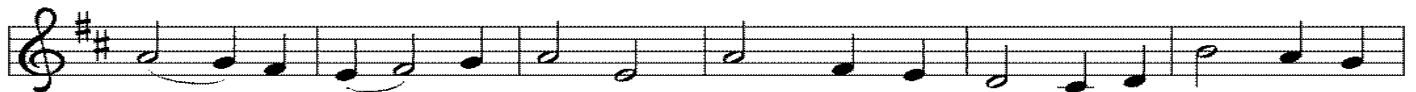
Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray C: **Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen. (Please be seated.)**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

L: The 1st READING is from Isaiah 35:4-7a

These verses are a word of hope to the exiles in Babylon. Chapter 34 portrays God’s vengeance on Edom, Israel’s age-old enemy, which makes the path from Babylon to Zion safe for the exiles’ return. The desert itself will flow with water to give drink to the returning exiles.

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.”⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ^{7a}the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

L: The word of the Lord! C: **Thanks be to God!**

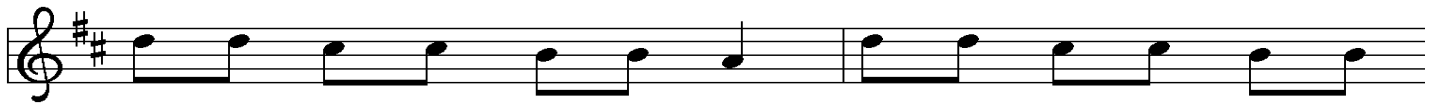
HYMN Cold December Flies Away (*Favorite Hymn*) Verses 1&2 ELW#299



1 Cold De - cem - ber flies a - way at the rose - red splen - dor.
2 In the hope - less time of sin shad - ows deep had fall - en.
3 Now the bud has come to bloom, and the world a - wak - ens.



A - pril’s crown - ing glo - ry breaks while the whole world won - ders
All the world lay un - der death. Eyes were closed in sleep - ing.
In the lil - y’s pur - est flow’r dwells a won - drous fra - grance.



at the ho - ly un - seen pow’r of the tree which bears the
But, when all seemed lost in night, came the sun whose gold - en
And it spreads to all the earth from the mo - ment of its



flow’r. On the bless - ed tree blooms the red - dest flow’r. On the tree blooms the
light brings un - end - ing joy, brings the end - less joy of our hope, high - es
birth; and its beau - ty lives. In the flow’r it lives, in the flow’r, and it



rose here in love’s own gar - den, full and strong in glo - ry.
hope, of our hope’s bright dawn - ing, Son be - lov’d of heav - en.
spreads in its heav’n - ly bright - ness sweet per - fume de - light - ful.

Psalm 146 (Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively) **ELW#146**

¹ Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

² **I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴ **When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the captive free.

⁸ **The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

⁹ The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰ **The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

L: The 2nd READING is from James 2:1-10, 14-17

Faithful Christians do not show partiality to the rich and powerful of the world, especially at the expense of the poor and weak. Likewise, faith does not pay mere lip-service to God's will. Instead, a living Christian faith expresses itself in acts of compassion and mercy for those in need.

¹ My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ² For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³ and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴ have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

⁵ Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶ But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷ Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸ You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹ But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷ So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. L: The word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

“Help Us O Lord” *congregation sings through two times*

Help us O Lord to hear your word
 O - pen our hearts to feel your word
 Give us the strength to live your word each day

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Mark 7:24-37 **C:** **Glory to you, O Lord!**

In Mark’s gospel, encounters with women usually signify turning points in Jesus’ ministry. Here, a conversation with a Syrophenician woman marks the beginning of his mission to the Gentiles.

²⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice,²⁵ but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet.²⁶ Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.²⁷ He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.”²⁸ But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.”²⁹ Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.”³⁰ So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.³² They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him.³³ He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue.³⁴ Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.”³⁵ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.³⁶ Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it.³⁷ They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.” **P:** The gospel of the Lord! **C:** **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

HYMN OF THE DAY

Silent Night (Favorite Hymn)

Verses 1&3

ELW #281

1 Silent night, holy night!
 All is calm, all is bright
 round yon virgin mother and child.
 Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
 sleep in heavenly peace,
 sleep in heavenly peace.

3 Silent night, holy night!
 Son of God, love's pure light
 radiant beams from your holy face,
 with the dawn of redeeming grace,
 Jesus, Lord, at your birth,
 Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

APOSTLES' CREED *Please Stand*

A: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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; 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 OF THE PEOPLE

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

WA: With confidence in God's compassion and generosity, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation. *brief silence.*

WA: O God, we pray for the church. Give it the courage to translate faith into action. Guide the hands and feet of the faithful to answer the needs so abundant in this world. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for the world's leaders, that they act for the good of all. We pray for all workers, those who can find no work, those who work in unsafe conditions, and those whose labor is exploited. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for those who lack daily food, who are fearful, and who suffer in body, mind, or spirit especially, *Ellen Kyles, Ray Stamm, Brian Albrecht, Bob Lyvers, Gerry Harnish, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Sue, Kim, Katy Lartz, Rita Andres.* Come and save them. Strengthen and encourage *Alice Price and Dorothy Wagner*, Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for this assembly. Make it a place of equality, welcome, and full inclusion. Empower us to live out radical hospitality. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: O God, we remember all who have gone before us and give thanks for their faith and their works. Give us the fortitude to carry on in the work left for us. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, loving God, we commend all for whom we pray, ...trusting in the grace of Jesus our Savior. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Congregation may greet one another using these or similar words: Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

Special Music

Sue Koehn

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.

OFFERING PRAYER (congregation stands)

A: Let Us Pray. C: **Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through 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**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/ LORD'S PRAYER

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"

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E G#m A B E

Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world, have

Mer-cy up - on us. Lamb of God you

Take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

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

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world, Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

COMMUNION SONG 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) by Matt Redman on the computer

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (assisting minister)

A: Let us pray, Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, ...through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death, lift you up and restore you to wholeness. **C: Amen.**

P: Jesus Christ, the Word of life, bless you and send you to be his witnesses. **C: Amen.**

P: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always. **C: Amen**

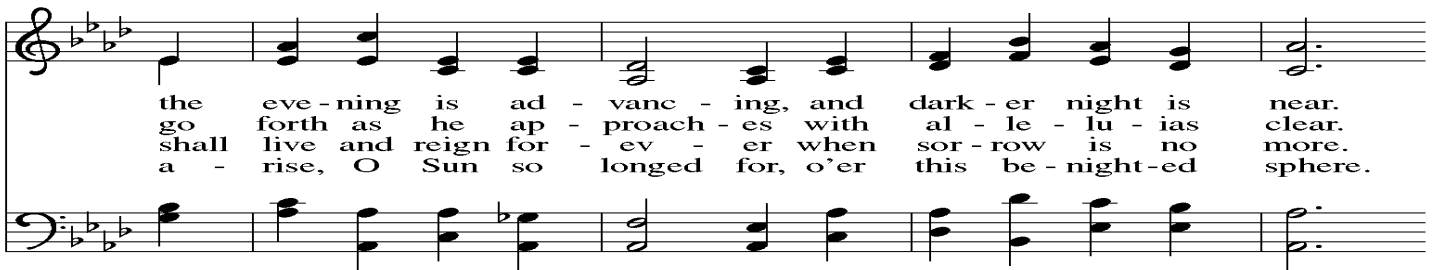
SENDING SONG

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers (*Favorite Hymn*)

ELW#244



1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'rings bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - noon comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

DIMISSAL (*from back*)

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you! **C: Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

Karen Niemeier

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Save the date for:

Confirmation Kick-Off with 7th & 8th Grade Youth and Parents
Wednesday **September 16th at 6:30 pm**

Bible Sunday for 3rd Graders and Older will be Sunday September 20th!

If you are in 3rd grade and older and do not have a Bible, contact the church office at 815-369-5552

Church Choirs

Bell Choir

will start their new season today with practice at 5:00pm and have their first performance on September 27th.

Good Shepherd Choir

will start the new season with practice on September 13th at 11:00 with their first performance on September 27th

Please come and join in the fun of making a joyful noise to the Lord, as it is fun!!

Questions on choirs? Contact Janis Kurth at 291-3507

FRIENDSHIP CLUB noon on Thursday September 10th, in the church Fellowship Hall

For a pot-luck dinner and entertainment with "Randy Kint"

Lena Fall Festival September 11th and 12th

Hospitality Tent

Volunteers are needed to help with the Hospitality Tent for the Fall Festival. Sign-up sheet is on the board by the Fellowship Hall Contact Person Coralyn Hudik 312-502-8536 or corahudik@gmail.com

Float

A float will be put together for the parade also, we are looking for volunteers to walk the parade route and ride on the float as we represent Good Shepherd in the community. Join us by meeting on Mason Street at 11:30 am on Saturday September 12th to help with the parade

Float building will be done September 8,9,10 & 11 evenings 5:00-8:00 pm., at the Doubler home. All church members are invited to help with the float project.

Get ready to serve! "God's work. Our hands." Sunday, Sept. 27th, 2015

This fall, the nearly 10,000 congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) are invited to put their faith into action by serving their communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God's people. Save the date to join brothers and sisters in Christ in serving our neighbor on September 27th. We will seek to have service opportunities for all ages and abilities.

Make sure to sign up!

The MEN'S GROUP is looking for projects for
"God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday on September 27th.

If you or someone you know *has a service* project/ need that we could help with as a church.

Please contact the church office for a project application.

MONROE CLINIC HOSPICE
HEAL GRIEF AND EDUCATION GROUP – 6 Week Sessions

Heal grief and education group offers session open to anyone 18 yrs. and older who has experienced the death of someone special. Learn about the grieving process and ideas for coping and healing in a safe and a supportive setting. A Six week series will begin on Wednesday evenings, starting September 2nd and continues to meet every week (9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30 & 10/7) from 6:00pm-7:30pm at the St. Camillus Center, 2101 6th Street, Monroe, WI. To register or obtain more information please call Monroe Clinic Hospice office at (608) 324-1230. Registration can also be done online at www.monroeclinic.org. There is no charge for HEAL grief Group and it is open to the public.

VOLUNTEER HOSPICE of Northwest, Illinois, Inc.

New bereavements support group “New View” is a monthly meeting that meets on the last Monday night of the month from 6:00pm to 7:30pm.

The purpose of New View is to help heal those wounded by grief and loss and is facilitated by Rev. Brent Riemer, non-denominational. It is open to anyone who is grieving from a loss, whether it is a death, divorce, job loss, etc. It is also a place to freely express one’s feelings in a confidential atmosphere.

A Memorial Service is planned for September 28, 2015 at Horseshoe Mound Preserve located off Blackjack Road near Galena. If inclement weather service will be at Country Inn and Suites in Galena for more information call Volunteer Hospice of Northwest Illinois -815-947-3260.

September is Food Pantry Month

The Lena Food Pantry serves residents in the Le-Win and Orangeville School Districts. Donations of food, hygiene products, and paper products can be placed in the Food Pantry boxes and on the table in the Sanctuary.

Donations will be bagged and delivered to the Food Pantry
by our Confirmation Students



Today’s favorite hymns are listed below with members’ name and reasons for choosing them:

O Come All Ye Faithful – Alexis Martin “For everyone to be faithful”

This is the Feast – Alexis Martin

Cold December Flies Away- Tena Rackow

Silent Night- Tena Rackow

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers- Alexis Martin

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