

October 4th 2015 at 9:30 am

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Art by
Anna Patterson

***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>	Sue Diddens
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Krista Keene	<u>Assisting Minister</u>	Jay Andrews
<u>Worship Assistant:</u>	Jean Wenzel	<u>Communion Usher</u>	Donna Gullickson, Jim Swain
<u>Welcome Visitor:</u>	Wayne Kurth	<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Jay and Michelle Andrews
<u>Sound System:</u>	Wayne Kurth, Taylor Bastian		
<u>Greeters:</u>	Bill and Jean Engel, Curt and Sue Diddens, Jean Wenzel		
<u>Ushers:</u>	Donna Gullickson, Jim Swain, Jerimy and Cara Schriener		
<u>Communion Asst:</u>	Austin Andrews, Taylor Bastian		
<u>Elevator Operator</u>	Tena Rackow		

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

October 4th thru October 11th 2015

Today	Worship with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Bible Study	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm
	FCA Meeting at The Hangout	5:30 pm-7:00 pm
Tuesday	Faith Circle at Lena Living Center	1:00 pm
	Endowment Policy Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday	"Piece Corps" Quilting Group	8:00 am-11:30 am
	After School Program at The Hangout	3:30-5:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:30pm-8:00pm
Thursday	Friendship Club Potluck/Entertainment with Del Heim	12:00 pm
Next Sunday	Worship with Holy Communion	9:30 am
	Fellowship	10:30 am
	Sunday School	10:45 am
	Choir Practice	11:00 am
	Giving in Gratitude Bible Study	11:00 am
	Chime Choir Practice	5:00 pm

Worship Attendance September 27th was 69

Total Offering for September 27, 2015: \$1,337.00 - Amount needed to meet budget: \$3,362.51

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, Verl Price, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Robert Heller, and homebound member Evelyn Hutmacher.*

– **ORDER OF WORSHIP** –
ELW SETTING 3

PRELUDE (*A time for prayer and reflection*)

Karen Niemeier

Announcements & Community Concerns

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*Please stand*)

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

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

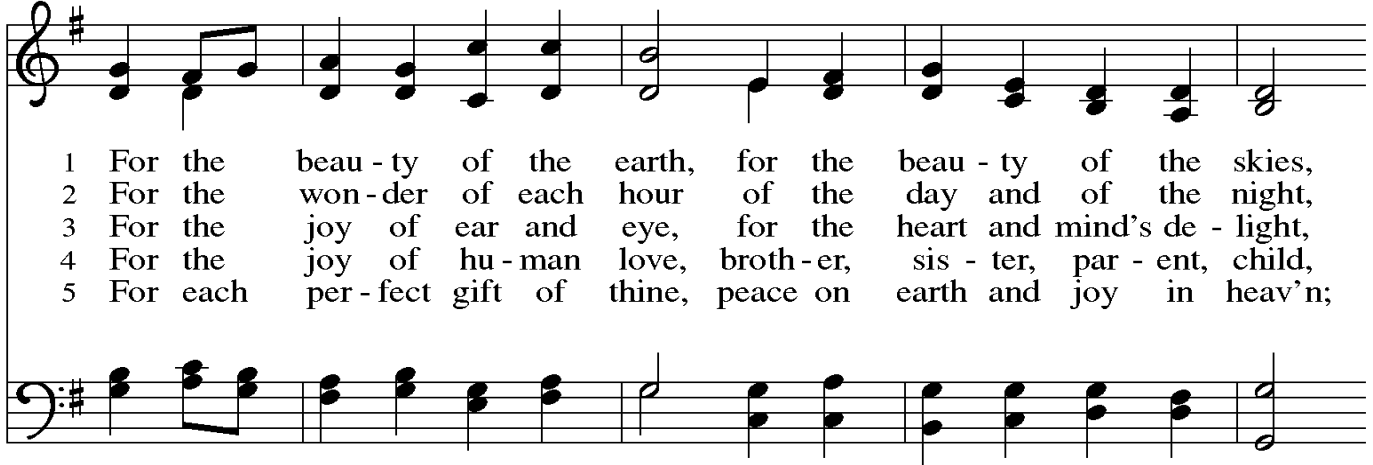
P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

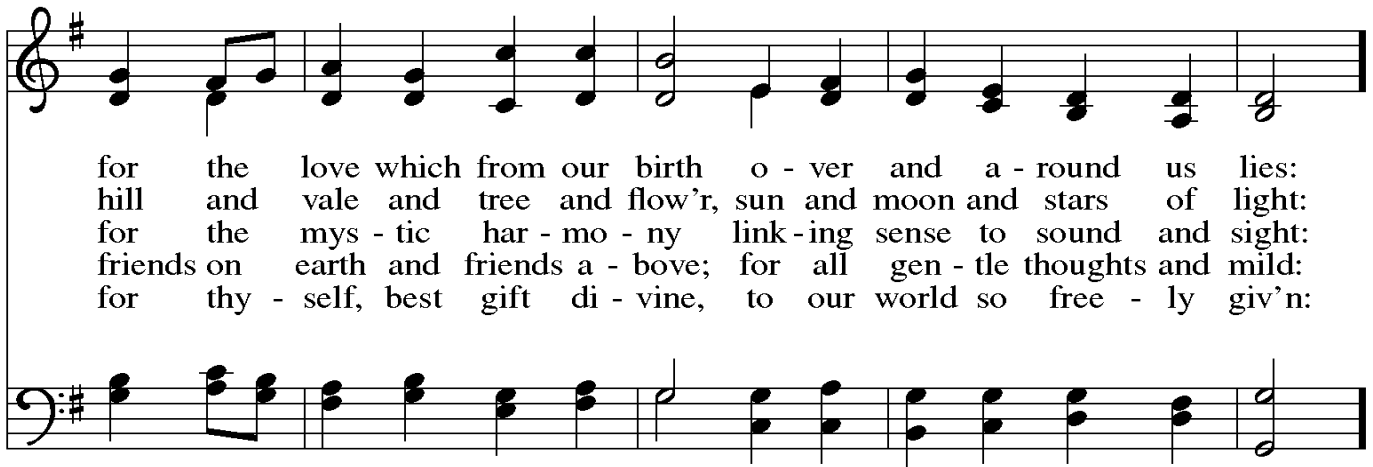
P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN:

For the Beauty of the Earth (Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5) **ELW#879**

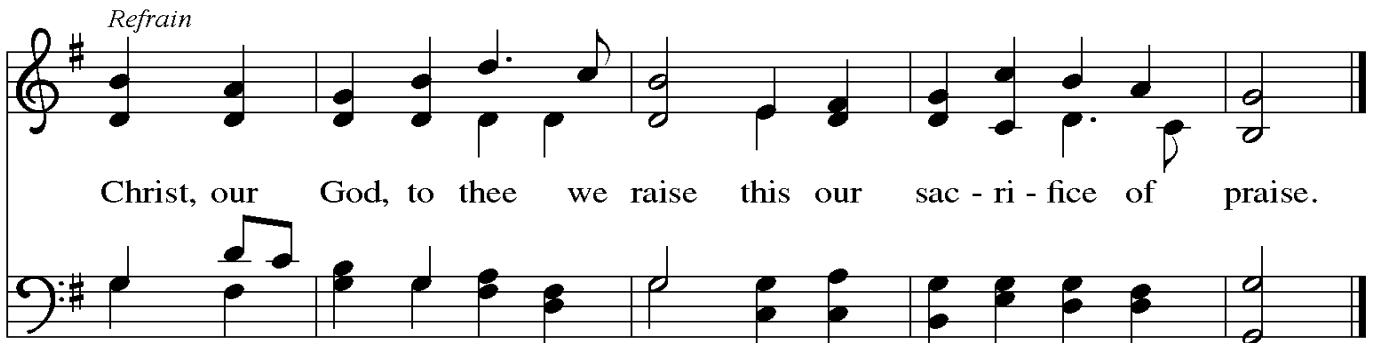


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



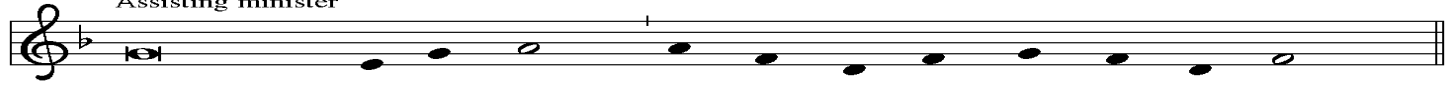
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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.


CANTICLE of PRAISE

Assisting minister




Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.


All



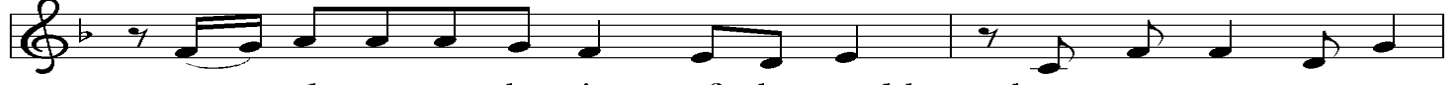
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,




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



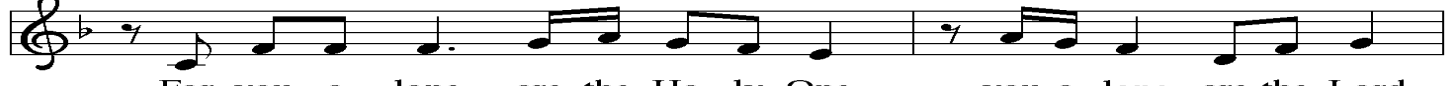
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,




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.



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray C: **Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.** (*Please be seated.*)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

L: The 1st READING is from Genesis 2:18-24

Genesis 2 stresses that people are not meant to live in isolation but in relationship. Out of love for humanity, God creates them male and female, to provide companionship for each other and to become with each other "one flesh." The Hebrew words used here are ish (man) and ishshah (woman).

¹⁸The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the

air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.”

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.
L: The word of the Lord! C: **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 8 (*Please join the Assisting Minister in reading the psalm responsively*) **ELW#8**

¹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?**

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Gospel Acclamation *Stand*

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.

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Mark 10:2-16 **C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” ¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom

of God as a little child will never enter it.”¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Miranda Klosterboer

HYMN OF THE DAY

All Are Welcome

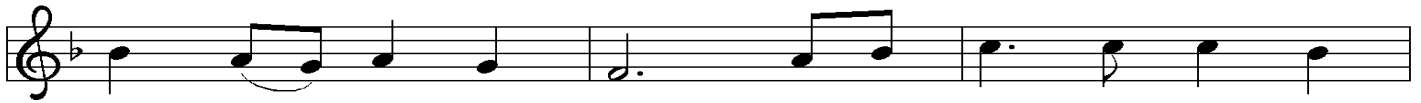
ELW#641



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
 strang-er, bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
 laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 claim the faith of Je - sus:
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 end to fear and dan - ger:
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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: Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *brief silence.*

WA: Holy and loving God, through the cross of Christ, continue your redeeming and unifying work among your people. Show us how to live well with each other as one family. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: Walk faithfully with those who find great joy in relationships and with those who experience the pain of broken relationships. Make the church a place where all people may come to know loving companionship. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We pray for those who are victims of gossip, false accusations, or threats. Speak a word of healing to those who have been lashed by others' tongues. Heal and preserve those in any need especially *Ellen Kyles, Verl Price, Jon Forsythe, Steve Gray, Donna Euler, Katy Lartz, Robert Heller.* By your presence, restore their hope. Give love, comfort and Hope of the Resurrection for the families and friends of Lloyd Ferris and Hazel Chapman. Strengthen and encourage *Evelyn Hutmacher.* Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

WA: We bless you for the lives of the saints, through whom you have revealed your love for the world. Continue to reveal your covenant life through us until the last day. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord. **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

Karen Niemeier

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.

Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.
 nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

OFFERING PRAYER (congregation stands)

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

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

Our God Reigns

by Delirious on CD

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray, We give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in this world, ...following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord. **C: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

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

SENDING SONG

Beautiful Savior

ELW#838

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robbed in flow'rs of spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

DISMISSAL (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!!

Good Shepherd to host the NI SYNOD Northwest Conference
Fall Discipleship Gathering Thursday November 19th

The 2015 Gatherings will focus on church leadership and the election of a new synod bishop, which will happen for us in 2016 with the retirement of Bishop Wollersheim.

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

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Will meet October 12th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Speaker will be Leanne Christians-hygienist from FHM Family Dental topic will be
"Dental Health in Parkinson's"

Any Questions ? ? ? Call: Carol Griffin 815-947-2208 OR Marion Fahr 815-367-3961

LENA LIVING CENTER

Wed. Oct. 7th at 2:00 Afternoon Coffee Break

Held at Lena Mercantile Eatery Sponsored by Lena Living Center
Educational Speaker Complimentary pie or ice cream and beverage
RSVP 815.369.4561

Thursday Oct. 8th COOKOUT FOR A CAUSE

Drive-thru lunch and supper 11:00-1:00 and 4:00-6:00
Pulled pork sandwich, chips, cookie and a drink. Only \$5
Lena Living Center, 1010 S Logan, Lena IL
Call ahead to have your order ready. Will deliver within Lena.
Proceeds go to The Friendship Center Adult Daycare

CHRISTIAN ROCK CONCERT

TobyMac and Colton Dixon live in concert! November 8th at 7pm
Aliant Energy Center in Madison, WI
Cost: \$15.50 if we have a group of 10 or more
We'll meet at church at 5pm to drive to Madison

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT LEAF RAKING

If you wish to have your yard raked or knows of someone who needs their yard raked, please call the Church office (815-369-5552) and leave your name and telephone number for the youth to contact you.

MEN'S GROUP STEAK FRY: Saturday October 24th starting at 4:30pm.

along with the monthly meeting.
Men of all ages are invited to attend

ROAD TRIP FOR FUN

Sign up for a tour of the
Minhas Brewery in Monroe, WI, on Saturday October 10 2015.
The brewery has been in business since 1845, tours are \$10.00 and also include samples and a take home pack of beverages. They make beers and sodas. We will learn about how their product is made and how it's bottled or canned. We will plan on doing the 3:00pm tour which takes 45 to 60 minutes. Meet at the church to carpool or you can meet the group in Monroe. Must **sign up by October 4th** at the latest.
Any questions contact Troy Doubler.