

# THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



## TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

JULY 30, 2023 | 8:30 AM

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*Parents of small children: Children can and do encounter Jesus during worship. For your convenience, please know that our entryway and a nursery (Room 113) are equipped with a video reception of the service. We also have activity bags available for their use during worship. Please see an usher for more information.*

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*“Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you.”*

*Romans 15:7*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

*If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and we are blessed you are here! If you need any assistance during worship or otherwise, please seek out one of our ushers. If this is your first time with us, please introduce yourself so we can give you a token of our appreciation for spending the morning with us.*

*\*Denotes stand*

## Gathering

### PRELUDE

“Elevation”

Thomas Eisnor

- Clement Loret (1833-1909)

### WELCOME

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** (*booklet insert page 2*) (*kneel or stand*)

### \*GATHERING SONG

“Gather Us In”

ELW #532

### \*GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**G** And also with you.

**\*KYRIE** (*booklet insert page 2*)

**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE** (*booklet insert page 3*)

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you. **G** And also with you. **P** Let us pray. Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **G** Amen.

## Word

**FIRST READING:** 1 Kings 3:5-12

Pew Bible, pg. 302

**P** The word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM:**119:129-136 *The Psalm will be chanted and the congregation will chant the verses as indicated.*)

**A** Your de- | crees are wonderful;  
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.

**G** When your word is opened | it gives light;  
it gives understanding | to the simple.

**A** I open my | mouth and pant  
because I long for | your commandments.

**G** Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,  
as you always do to those who | love your name.

**A** Order my footsteps | in your word;  
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.

**G** Rescue me from those | who oppress me,  
and I will keep | your commandments.

**A** Let your face shine up- | on your servant  
and teach | me your statutes.

**G** My eyes shed | streams of tears,  
because people do not | keep your teaching.

**SECOND READING:** Romans 8:26-39

Pew Bible, pg. 1030

**P** The word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*booklet insert page 4*)

**\*GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Pew Bible, pg. 890

**P** The holy gospel according to Matthew the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter. **G** Glory to you, O Lord.  
*At the conclusion of the reading:*

**P** The gospel of the Lord. **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

### SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Tillman

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

ELW #705

**\*APOSTLES CREED** (*booklet insert page 4*)

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (*As the Minister closes each petition with the words, "Hear us, O God," worshipers respond with the words, "your mercy is great."*)

**\*PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always. **G** **And also with you.** (*you may greet each other with a sign of God's peace.*)

## Meal

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Beautiful Savior"  
- David H. Hegarty

Thomas Eisnor

**OFFERING SONG**

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

ELW #184

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**A** God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **G** **Amen.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, LORD'S PRAYER**

(*booklet insert page 4 - 5*)

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**LAMB OF GOD** (*booklet insert page 5*)

**COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

"Be Thou My Vision"

ELW #793

**\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **G** **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **G** **Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Sending

**\*BLESSING**

**P** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed  $\mp$  bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **G** **Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

"Soon and Very Soon"

ELW #439

**DISMISSAL**

**A** Go in peace. Share the harvest. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

"Thine is the Glory"  
- Robert J. Hughes

Thomas Eisnor

Today's bulletin cover is created by member Clint Gruwell. Take a moment to view the details of the canvas on display in the Entryway.

"I am a son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and follower of Jesus Christ. This painting is a depiction in art form of our lectionary for today, follow yellow highlighting of the readings and you'll get an understanding of what the painting is telling us."

YBIC, Clint Gruwell.

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### Attendance Last Sunday

8:30 AM - 51 | 10:45 AM - 64 | Online - 13

### June Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Total Income: \$42,967.00 Total Expenses: \$41,596.71

Cash Flow: \$1,460.29

### Year to Date Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-23

Total Income: \$541,635.18

Total Expenses: \$564,336.00

Cash Flow: (\$22,700.82)

*If you have any questions, please contact our Financial Secretary Sharron Ryan. Thank you!*

### This Week

Sun	7/30	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Coffee and Conversation   rm. 118
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service
Mon	7/31	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting
Tues	8/1	6:00 PM	Celebration Ringers
		7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
Wed	8/2	1:30 AM	Via de Cristo
		7:00 PM	Bells of Good Shepherd
Thu	8/3	7:00 PM	Executive Committee
Sat	8/5	9:00 AM	Praise Team Rehearsal
Sun	8/6	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Coffee and Conversation   rm. 118
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service

**BLOOD DRIVE** Saturday, August 12  
8:00 am - 1:00 pm | Fellowship Hall



Schedule an appointment, at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: goodshepherdlutheran  
Along with Warner Bros. and MEG 2: THE TRENCH, we're saying thanks with a chance to win a 3-night trip to NY with a private shark dive and more when you donate! PLUS get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant of choice. See [rcblood.org/movie](http://rcblood.org/movie).

*The Altar flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and are given by Karen Weltz in Honor of Frank Weltz birthday.*

Thank you to Sharron Ryan for contributing for fellowship this morning. If you would like to sign up for providing donuts & snacks, the sign-up and forms are in the administrative hallway. The cost is \$30.



### Aug Event Dates

Sign-up sheets are available at [gslutheran.org](http://gslutheran.org) ([Sign-up Central Online](#)) or Sign-up Central in Fellowship Hall

- Aug 12** Blood Drive | 8-1PM | Fellowship Hall
- Aug 13** Installation of Interim Pastor Karen Boda | Both services
- Aug 27** Rally Day & Picnic | One Service | 10 AM

### Make a Joyful Noise

**The Chancel Choir** will resume on Tuesday's at 7 PM, beginning August 1st. We would love to have new singers this season.

**The Bells of Good Shepherd** beginning August 2, we rehearse Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM.

**The Celebration Ringers** beginning August 1, we rehearse Tuesdays at 6 PM. This is our beginner handbell group.

Come to rehearsal or contact Thomas by email, if you are interested in joining



### BEARS AND FRIENDS

During the whole month of August, GSLC outreach will be collecting stuffed animals.

This project was started by The Encouragement Project to collect donations of new and gently used stuffed animals to share with refugee kids and other children going through traumatic situations. Clean out your closets and storage areas to see if you have something to donate, or you can donate brand new animals. Provisions will be made in the Fellowship Hall for collections. Thank you.

