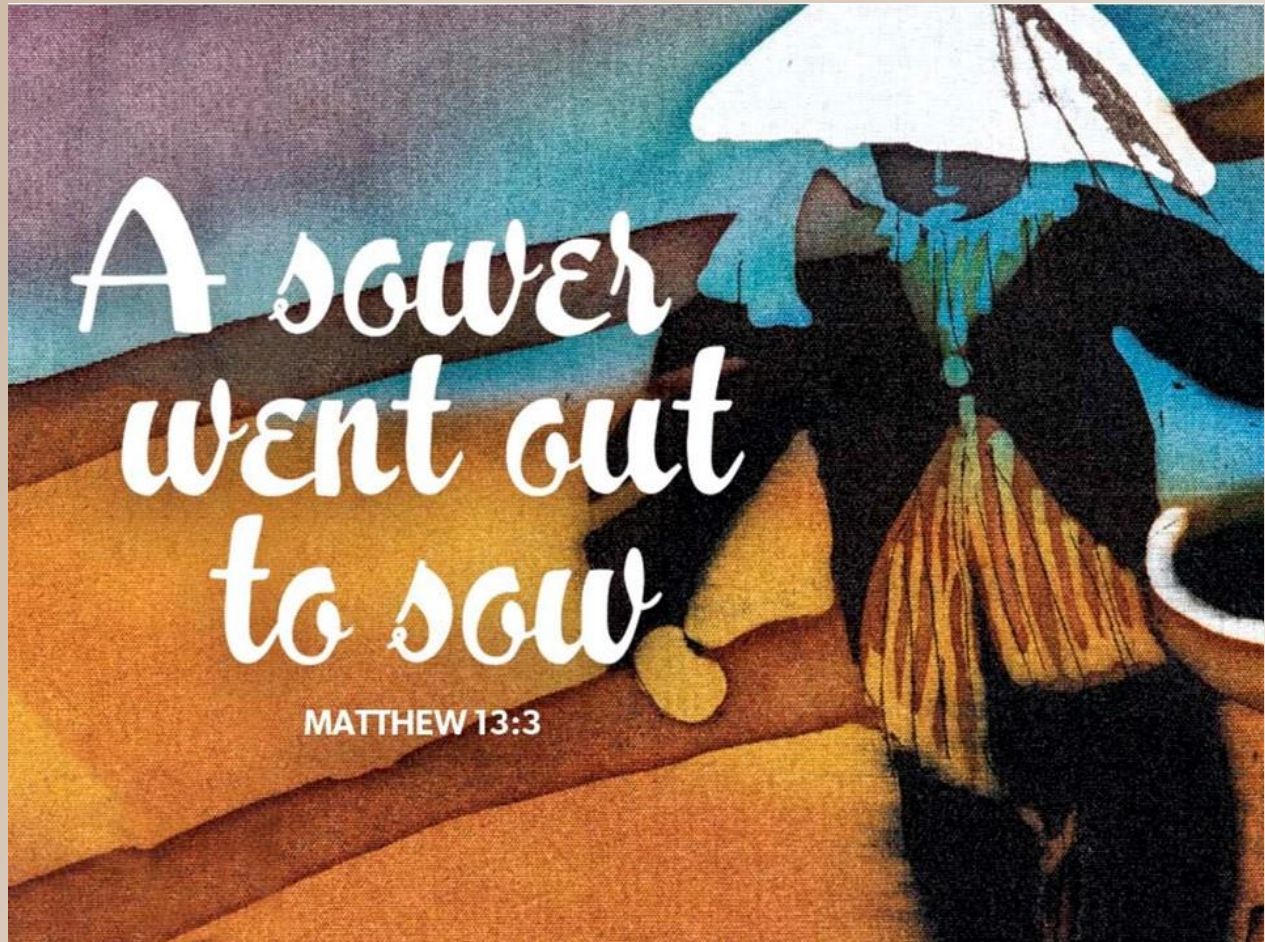


## THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

JULY 16, 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

"O Master Let Me Walk with You"

Thomas Eisnor

- J. Winston Cassler

### WELCOME

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

### \*GATHERING SONG

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

ELW #679

### \*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. Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **G** Amen.

## Word

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 55:10-13

Pew Bible, pg. 672

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

**PSALM:** 65:9-13 *The Psalm will be chanted and the congregation will chant the verses as indicated.)*

**A** You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is | full of water.  
You prepare the grain, for so you provide | for the earth.

**G** You drench the furrows and smooth | out the ridges;  
with heavy rain you soften the ground and | bless its increase.

**A** You crown the year | with your goodness,  
and your paths over- | flow with plenty.

**G** May the fields of the wilderness be | rich for grazing,  
and the hills be | clothed with joy.

**A** May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and  
the valleys cloak them- | selves with grain;  
let them shout for | joy and sing.

**SECOND READING:** Romans 8:1-11

Pew Bible, pg. 1029

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

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

**\*GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Pew Bible, pg. 889

**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 Andrew Lewis

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"

ELW #512, sung twice

## \*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

" Liturgical Prelude No. 3"  
- George Oldroyd (1887-1956)

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

"Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

ELW #510

## \*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 ✠ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **G Amen.**

## \*SENDING HYMN

"On What Has Now Been Sown"

ELW #550

## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE

"Christ Has Triumphed"  
- Lani Smith

Thomas Eisnor

### Attendance Last Sunday

8:30 AM - 57 | 10:45 AM - 68 | Online - 29

### May Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Total Income: \$46,754 Total Expenses: \$43,542

Cash Flow: \$3,212

### Year to Date Income & Expense Summary

#### Fiscal Year 2022-23

Total Income: \$500,390 Total Expenses: 503,575

Cash Flow: (\$3,185)

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

*The Altar flowers this morning are dedicated  
to the Glory of God and are given by Roger  
and Marlene Durst in celebration of their  
57th wedding anniversary.*

Thank you to Vic and Linda Rowell for  
providing the donuts 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.



### July Event Dates

Sign-up sheets are available at [gslutheran.org](http://gslutheran.org)

([Sign-up Central Online](#)) or

Sign-up Central in Fellowship Hall

**July 18** Ladies Night Out | Semper Fi | 7 PM

**July 22** Pirate Bingo | 6 PM | Fellowship Hall

**July 26** Theology on Tap | Game Day | 6:30 PM

**July 30** Pastor Jennifer Tilman

### This Week

Sun	7/16	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service
		6:00 PM	Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Task Force
Mon	7/17	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting
Tues	7/18	7:00 PM	Ladies Night Out   Semper Fi
Wed	7/19	1:30 PM	Via De Cristo
Thurs.	7/20	6:30 PM	Stewardship   Mtg. Room
Sat	7/22	6:00 PM	Empty Nesters Pirate Bingo   F. Hall
Sun	7/23	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
		9:45 AM	Coffee and Conversation   rm. 118
		10:45 AM	Contemporary Praise Service



Thank you for your support for our  
local community. Here are the  
numbers of what we collected for  
Give -a-Kid-A Chance :

- 92 BACKPACKS,
- 1 PACKET OF NOTEBOOK PAPER
- 1,765 FOLDERS!

GREAT JOB GSLC

### Theology on Tap

Karen and Michael Epstein are happy to lead and  
continue Theology on Tap at  
Game Day.

If you are interested in  
continuing with the group or  
join for the first time, please  
add the following dates through the summer:  
Wednesday, July 26, August 9, and August 23. We  
will begin to gather around 6:30.



### EMPTY NESTER'S PIRATE BINGO NIGHT

SATURDAY, July 22, @ 6:00 pm



Bring a wrapped gift. This can be new (LIMIT TO  
~ \$25), or used in good condition, a funny item, etc. Wrap  
your gift (one gift per player) in the most appealing way, so  
that the Bingo winners will want to trade them back and forth!  
You don't know what you "win" until the game is over!

BRING AN APPETIZER OR DESSERT TO SHARE,  
BEVERAGES PROVIDED. Sign up in Fellowship Hall.