

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 24, 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

“Salvation Now Has Come to Us”
- anonymous (18th century)

Thomas Eisnor

WELCOME

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

*GATHERING SONG

“Salvation unto Us Has Come”

ELW #590

*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.**

*KYRIE (*booklet insert page 2-3*)

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE (*booklet insert page 4*)

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

P Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C** **Amen.**

Word

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:10--4:11

Pew Bible, pg. 845

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

PSALM 145:1-8 *The Psalm will be chanted and the congregation will chant the verses as indicated.)*

A I will exalt you, my ^l God and king,
and bless your name forev- ^l er and ever.

C **Every day ^l will I bless you
and praise your name forev- ^l er and ever.**

A Great is the LORD and greatly ^l to be praised!
There is no end ^l to your greatness.

C **One generation shall praise your works ^l to
another
and shall de- ^l clare your power.**

A I will speak of the glorious splendor ^l of your majesty
and all your ^l marvelous works.

A **They shall tell of the might of your ^l wondrous
acts,
and I will re- ^l count your greatness.**

C They shall publish the remembrance of ^l your great
goodness;
they shall sing joyfully ^l of your righteousness.

A **The LORD is gracious and full ^l of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in ^l steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

Pew Bible, pg. 1069

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*booklet insert page 5*)

*GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

Pew Bible, pg. 897

P The holy gospel according to Matthew. **C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

☐ The gospel of the Lord. ☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Karen Boda

*HYMN OF THE DAY "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

ELW #733

*APOSTLES CREED (*booklet insert page 5*)

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (*As the Assisting Minister closes each petition with the words, "Merciful God," worshipers respond with the words, "receive our prayer."*)

*PEACE

☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always. ☑ **And also with you.** (*you may greet each other with a sign of God's peace.*)

Meal

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Jerusalem"
- Russell Schultz-Widmar

Chancel Choir

OFFERING SONG

"As the Grains of Wheat"

ELW # 465

*OFFERING PRAYER

☐ God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. ☑ **Amen.**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, LORD'S PRAYER
(*booklet insert page 6-7*)

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD (*booklet insert page 7*)

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"

ELW #492

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

☐ May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ☑ **Amen.**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

☐ Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. ☑ **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sending

*BLESSING

☐ The God of glory, ✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever. ☑ **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN

"Rise Up, O Saints of God!"

ELW #669

*DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace. God is at work in you. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Praeludium"
- Hermann Schroeder (1904-1984)

Thomas Eisnor

Attendance Last Sunday

8:30 AM - 54 | 10:45 AM - 67 | Online - 21

August Income & Expense Summary Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Total Income: \$45,758 | Total Expenses: \$50,086
Cash Flow: (\$4,328)

Year to Date Income & Expense Summary Fiscal Year 2023-24

Total Income: \$85,121 | Total Expenses: \$86,482
Cash Flow: (\$1,360)

*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 Pete
and Sue Dumpis in celebration of their
wedding anniversary and family.*

This Week

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| Sun 9/24 | 8:30/10:45 AM | Worship |
| | 9:45 AM | Sunday School |
| Mon 9/25 | 1:00 PM | Staff Mtg. |
| Tues 9/26 | 6:00 PM | Celebration Ringers |
| | 7:00 PM | Chancel Choir |
| | 6:30 PM | Youth & Family Mtg |
| Wed 9/27 | 11:30 AM | Lunch & Learn Mtg room |
| | 6:30 PM | Bells of Good Shepherd |
| Thu 9/28 | 10:00 AM | Thursday Bible Study F. Hall |
| | 6:30 PM | Stewardship Mtg. |
| Sat 9/30 | 9:00 AM | Praise Team Rehearsal |
| Sun 10/1 | 8:30/10:45 AM | Worship |
| | 10 AM | How to Change a Tire |

Thank you to the [Social Justice Task Force](#) for providing donuts/snacks for Fellowship this morning.

If you would like to help with this ministry, sign up using a form in the Administration Hallway, the cost is \$30.

Upcoming Event Dates

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

- Oct 2 Yarn Angels | 11 AM | Epling's
- Oct 4, 18 Theology on Tap | Game Day | 6:30 PM
- Oct 7 Blessing of Animals Service | 10 AM
- Oct 15 Combined Worship | 10 AM | Fall Harvest
- Oct 21 Talent Show | 6 PM | Fellowship Hall
- Oct 25 Trunk or Treat | 6 PM | Lwr. Parking lot
- Oct 29 Reformation Sunday
- Nov 4 Blood Drive | 8 AM | Fellowship Hall

ALL ARE WELCOME

Blessing of the Animals
Saturday, October 7th
10:00 AM

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