

Good Shepherd LUTHERAN CHURCH

EVERYDAY DISCIPLES



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13 & 14, 2025

SHARING CHRIST, CHANGING LIVES!

Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY! In our second lesson for today we read that “Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst.” Reading this verse can cause us to feel so many different emotions. The heavy weight of our sin. The awe and gratitude when we realize the overwhelming love of Jesus, that He would sacrifice Himself so that we would not suffer the ultimate punishment for those sins. The profound joy that, because of that loving sacrifice, we will be reunited with Him and all believers in heaven for all eternity. This verse is certainly, as Paul writes, “a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance.” If you are our guest, we pray that you find the Spirit of God alive and moving in our congregation. We rejoice that you joined us in that Spirit today. Please come again!

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CONNECTION CARD READING OR MEMORY WORK:

Read: Luke 15: 1 - 10 and/or Memorize: : Luke 15: 7

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service, Setting Two

HYMNS:

Blue 78, Red 294, Handout, LSB 744, Handout

The color next to the number denotes which resource to use.

***Going forward, the Burgundy hymnal will be referred to as LSB ***

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD) 2025

✠ Preparation ✠

Welcome and Connection Cards

Opening Hymn - Blue 78 - “The Wonderful Cross”

Stand

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

[P] In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

[P] If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

[C] But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

[P] Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

[C] Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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] Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained

servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 30: 2 - 5; antiphon: vv. 11a, 12b

P You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!
O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.
O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy Name.
For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
.O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Kyrie

LSB 168

A/P In peace let us pray to the LORD.



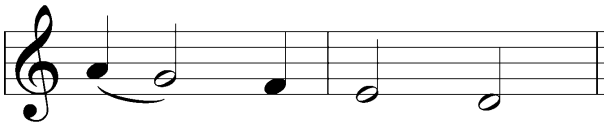
C Lord, have mer - cy.

A/P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the LORD.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A/P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the LORD.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A/P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the LORD.



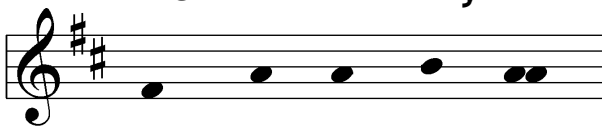
C Lord, have mer - cy.

A/P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious LORD.

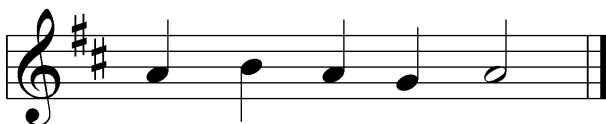


C A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

LORD Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

(11 a.m. only) Children between the ages of 3 years old and 5th grade are invited to meet Jill Persson in the Gathering Space.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34: 11 - 24

¹¹“For thus says the LORD GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I

seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the LORD GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

¹⁷“As for you, my flock, thus says the LORD GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. ¹⁸Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? ¹⁹And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

²⁰“Therefore, thus says the LORD GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.”

A/L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 119: 169-176; antiphon: v. 176

ת TAW*

*ת ‘Taw’ (tau) is the twenty-second and last letter of the Hebrew alphabet. The letter is associated with the concept of a "mark" or "tally", similar to how we use a √ or an x. The original pictograph was in the form of a cross – interestingly it is the last letter in אמת (emet), meaning truth (Hebrew reads right to left). Psalm 119 is an acrostic poem where each line of each stanza begins with the same letter, and each stanza (letter) praises God for His law (Torah) and His word. The Psalm for today is the “T” section at the end of the psalm.

- ¹⁶⁹Let my cry come before you, O LORD;
give me understanding according to your word!
- ¹⁷⁰Let my plea come before you;
deliver me according to your word.
- ¹⁷¹My lips will pour forth praise,
for you teach me your statutes.
- ¹⁷²My tongue will sing of your word,
for all your commandments are right.
- ¹⁷³Let your hand be ready to help me,
for I have chosen your precepts.
- ¹⁷⁴I long for your salvation, O LORD,
and your law is my delight.
- ¹⁷⁵Let my soul live and praise you,
and let your just decrees help me.
- ¹⁷⁶I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant,
for I do not forget your commandments.

Epistle Reading

1 Timothy 1:5–17

⁵The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. ⁶Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, ⁷desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

⁸Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully,
⁹understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for

the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, ¹⁰the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, ¹¹in accordance with the glorious gospel of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our LORD, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our LORD overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

A/L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a C-clef and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff is a C-clef time signature and the lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?". The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below the staff are the lyrics: "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia."

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 15: 1 - 10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.



¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.



Sit

Hymn of the Day - Red 294 - "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Sermon

"Lost and Found"

Luke 15: 1 - 10

(As you listen to the message, use the space below to jot down things you want to remember)

MEMORY VERSE: "There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." - Luke 15:7

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Pax Domini

LSB180

A The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C Amen.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the Name of the LORD, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

(11 a.m. only) Please wave to all the worshipers online!

Sit

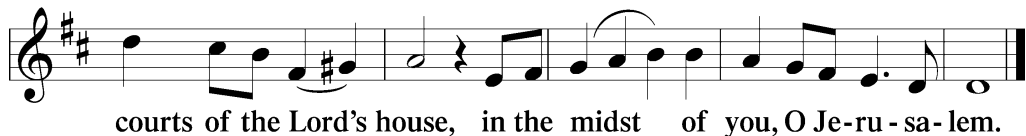
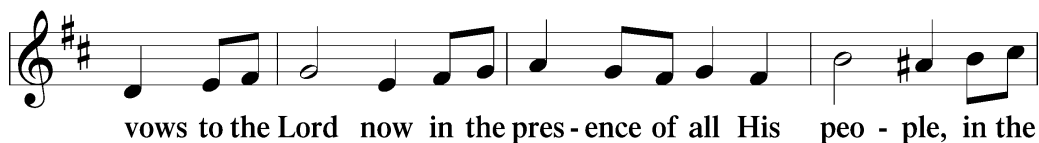
Connection Cards

Offering

Stand

Offertory

LSB 176



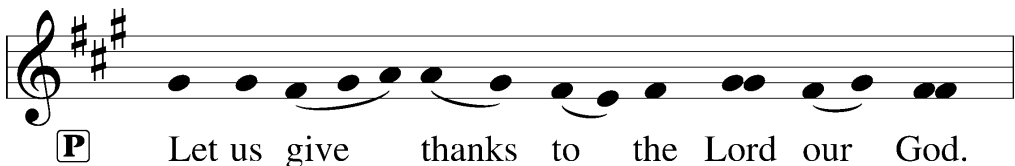
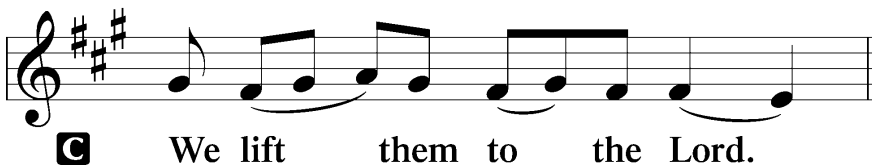
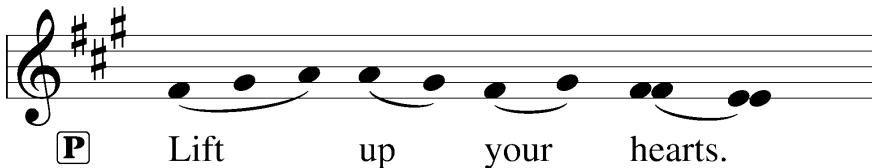
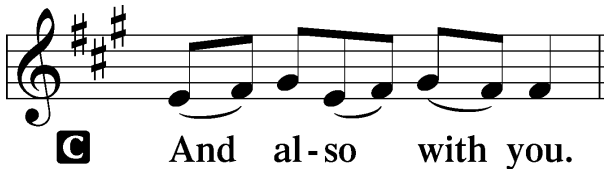
✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

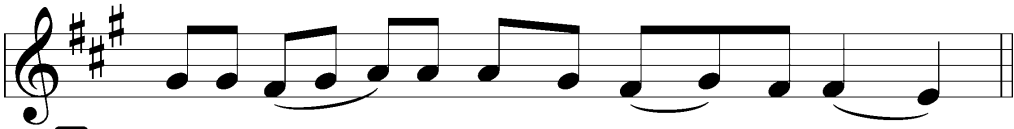
As Lutherans we understand that the body and blood of Jesus is present in, with, and under the bread and wine. St. Paul exhorts in 1 Corinthians 11(:27-32) that we ought to examine ourselves and recognize the body and blood of Christ in this sacrament. We welcome all to the LORD's Table who are baptized in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and wish to participate with this understanding.

Stand

Preface

LSB 177





C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy LORD, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our LORD, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

LSB 178



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



The Words of Our LORD

P Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the LORD’s death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, LORD Jesus.

P O LORD Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’s Prayer

**All: 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.

Agnus Dei

LSB 180



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



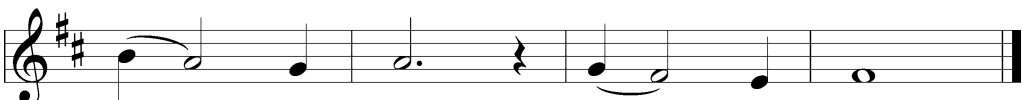
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.

Distribution Hymns:

Handout – “One Bread, One Body

LSB 744 – “Amazing Grace”

Stand

Communion Dismissal

Thank the Lord

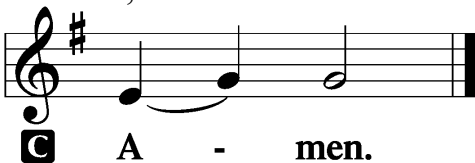
LSB 112

G Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction

LSB 183

A The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Sit

Announcements

Children are invited to come forward and assist in leading the Closing Song with percussion instruments

Stand

Closing Hymn - Handout - “Lead On Good Shepherd”

Our elders offer a ministry of prayer. If you would like personal prayer or for them to gather others to pray with you, please speak to anyone whose name tag says "Elder" on it.

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- P** Pastor or Presiding minister; sole pastor, Liturgist
 - C** Congregation
 - L** Leader or Lector; an Elder, one of the Readers, or another lay person
 - A** Assisting minister; an Elder, Commissioned Minister or other trained worship leader
 - A/L** First worship leader on Saturday/Second worship leader on Sunday
 - All:** Pastor or Leader and the congregation speak together
 - △** Doxological verse; the congregation stands in praise and honor of the Holy Trinity
 - ✙** The pastor makes the sign of the cross; individual worshipers may also as fits personal preference; this is a kinesthetic reminder of grace



GENERAL INFORMATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS September 14 - 21, 2025 (at church unless noted)

Sunday: Worship/Communion, 8 AM & 11 AM
Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM
Prayer Team Meeting, 12:30 PM
Monday: Women's Bible Study, 1 PM
Tuesday: Bible Study, 9:30 AM
Elders' Mtg, 6 PM
Saturday: Worship/Communion, 5:30 PM
Sunday: Worship/Communion, 8 AM & 11 AM
Sunday School, 9:30 AM
Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM
Worship Team Meeting, 12:30 PM
Stained glass Window Presentation

REACH OUT TO PASTOR STEVE



Pastor Steve would love to talk to you whenever he is needed. If you have a life event, or just need to talk through something, please don't hesitate to call, text, Facebook Message, or come by church. Examples are: Going for surgery, hospitalization, death of family/friends, job change, etc. Cell: (585) 465-0620. Office: (585) 394-2760 Ext. 303. Facebook: Steven R. Geske.

ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE

If you prefer the convenience of offering your gift via your smartphone there is a way to do that. Go to the Apple Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" (the half purple V) to download for free. Then enter Good Shepherd; next tap *Donate Now*. 3. Choose a fund and a preset amount or enter another amount. You can make a one-time donation or set up recurring giving right through the app. Select *Add* to add another fund or move forward to the payment information. 4. Scan or enter your card or bank account information. 5. Review your donation summary then select *Complete Donation*. Or if you prefer to have your gift automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account, check that box on the right side of your connection card, "Automating My Giving" or contact the church office and we will provide you with the form you will need to complete in order for us to set that up.

HEARING LOOP

Good Shepherd is equipped with a hearing loop in both the Worship Space and the Gathering Space. If you don't have a hearing aid but need hearing assistance, we have system devices that you can use. Please see the folks at the tech board and they will supply you with one.

THANKS

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING JESUS

We thank Andy & Amanda Reding and Michael & Stephanie Cheney for working out a means for us to share worship with this week. We also thank Lisa Serron, Linda Benivegna, Lisa Brahm, Hugh Shipley, Glenn Banke, Doc Tessendorf, Sandy Voigt, Jacki Scheib, Stephanie Cheney for their work in the office and building. We also thank all who serve at worship this weekend. There are many "angels" in our congregation and community who go about living out their vocations as the Body of Christ. We know they do this not to be recognized, but because God has called and led them to do what they do. God bless you all and thank you to all!

We also thank Greg Trost and Dave Chrisman for mowing the lawn this past week and Sandy Voigt and JoAnn Pilecki, for their work on flower beds.

SERVING ON SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

SATURDAY EVENING: Karyl Hammond, Marcus Battaglia, Glenn Banke, JoAnne VanBuren

EARLY CHURCH: Bill Fuge, Marcus Battaglia, Richard & Sudy Landholm Brian Edwards, Vince & Tracy Romano, Greg Trost

LATE CHURCH: Jenny Tessendorf, Jill Persson, Bob Smith, Andy, Amanda, Tommy & Elliot Reding, Steve & Cindy Hemingway, Annie Roxburgh, Gary & Colleen Paradise, Jim & Joyce Wicker, Sandy Voigt Doc Tessendorf

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Last Saturday we welcomed Ben and Ella Goehring who shared with us their plans for serving our Lord as LCMS Missionaries in Romania. We thank those who served: Steve & Cindy

Hemingway, Mary Allhsuen & Gayle Hendershot and those who provided cookies: Cathie Geske, Sandy Smith, Lisa Serron & Mary Allhusen. If we missed your name, we apologize. Please know that your help and/or cookies were greatly appreciated!

WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITH OUT YOU!

Our Sunday School Kick Off was a wonderful time enjoyed by many and we couldn't have done it without the help of: Steve & Cindy Hemingway, Mary Allhusen, Sandy Voigt, Merrick Tessendorf-Khan, Kathey Drennan, Jared, Tommy, Elliot & Ian Reding, Bob & Sandy Smith, Ron & Kathy Chapman, Cathie Geskie, Joy & Jesse Cheney, Annie Roxburgh, Meg Baxter & Beaux Button and Tyler Brahm.

A THANK YOU

Someone donated a large bag full of hand crocheted infant hats. The prayer shawl team took them to Thompson Hospital. They were very much appreciated! Many thanks to you!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

STAINED GLASS WINDOW PROJECT UPDATE!

At the worship services on September 20 and 21, there will be an update on the stained glass project. Come see one of the images for the windows and hear about our plans for the coming month. This presentation will be made at each of the services and we'll be glad to answer whatever questions you have.

ADVENT IS COMING

It's not too soon to think about writing something for our Advent Devotion booklets. Look for more details to come, but remember you don't have to wait till the last minute. Any questions, ask Kathy Chapman or Jacki Scheib or any prayer team member.

NAME TAGS

Are you still waiting for a name tag? Did you now decide that you would really like one? With the holidays coming up, we may have many people visiting our church and we want them to feel as comfortable as possible. Seeing someone's name can go a long way to promoting that feeling. If you would like a name tag, and you don't already have one, please sign up on your connection card.

PRAY AROUND THE SCHOOLS

It's that time of year again! Students head off to an exciting new year. Teachers, other staff and support persons as well. Prayer cards are offered, available at the greeters and ushers station, to help each of us focus on prayer for a particular student, age or grade and/or district for the upcoming school year.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC) IS BACK!

What is OCC? It is an amazing opportunity to spread the love of Jesus to children around the world!



We will be creating 120 “shoe boxes” this year with items from the approved list to be delivered just after Thanksgiving. **RIGHT NOW WE ARE FOCUSING ON BAR SOAP AND SOAP BOXES**—if this is something you can assist with—you can drop your items in the OCC box in the coat room—right next to the CCIA box—or reach out to Tammy Beattie (585-402-4980) or Jared Reding at: RedingJaredm@gmail.com Look for our chart and video coming out soon! Thank you for your support as we witness to the world as instructed by our Lord Jesus: (2 Corinthians 5:20) *“So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!”*

OPPORTUNITIES TO BE IN THE WORD

- **Monday afternoons at 1 PM began Sept. 8th:** “Twelve Ordinary Men”, a study of the disciples. The cost of the book is \$10, and is recommended, but not necessary. It’s not too late to join!
- **Tuesday mornings at 10 AM began Sept. 9th:** “Life Guide Bible Series: Luke”, the cost of the study guide is \$10, and is optional. It’s not too late to join!

Sunday School classes for adults:

- **Join Sandy Voigt’s Class in it study of the Gospel of John.** Our class is finishing its study of the Gospel of John by Warren Wiersbe and it ISN’T too late to join! We are in the final chapters of John’s insights into Jesus. Come join us! This study will run through to Thanksgiving and then the class will choose another study. (A book can be ordered for you. The cost of the book is \$10)

- **Jill Persson's class will be studying *Jeremiah, Lamentations: A Comprehensive Verse-by-Verse Exploration of the Bible* by Barbara Ferguson.** According to the study guide we will explore "speaking for God, desire for revenge, being angry with God, covenants, human nature, what to hope in and power". The cost of the book is \$15.
- **Bob Smith's class will be studying the version of Holy Week and Jesus' resurrection found in the Gospel of Mark.** After Thanksgiving, this class will study 1 & 2 Thessalonians – the Gospel of the End Times. These are Bible studies, no additional books are needed.

And of course, there is Sunday School for children!

SPIRITUAL WARFARE CLASS WITH PASTOR STEVE AND CATHIE SUNDAYS AFTER LATE WORSHIP

Join Pastor Steve and Cathie Geske for an in-depth look at what the Bible has to say about spiritual warfare and putting on the whole armor of God on Sundays after late service. This class is an intense look at the scriptures and what it means to actively work against the fiery darts of the enemy and how to protect ourselves and our families against the devil as he prowls around like a lion seeking whom he can devour. This class will begin soon and will start approximately 15 minutes after late service lets out. Watch your bulletin for the exact start date. We will meet weekly unless there is another meeting begin held at the same time. Please bring a bible (any translation you prefer) and lunch with you as this class will last approximately 1 – 1 ½ hours each week depending on the specific topic. Questions? Call Cathie at 585-369-5696 or email her at mrspastor1977@yahoo.com.

THERE IS STILL ROOM!



Do you know anyone who is looking for preschool for their 3 or 4 year old child? There are still some spaces available for registering for this year's LL class! Tuesdays and Wednesday's are FULL! . Word of mouth is the best advertising so be sure to share the news! Contact the office quickly to get your Lamb registered!

SUPPORT

A THOUGHT FROM THE PRAYER TEAM

“Everyday Disciples, Sharing Christ, Changing Lives!”

Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

Give thanks in all circumstances" ... such a simple command yet often so very challenging. We humans tend to focus on what is wrong, what we lack, or what burdens us. The Bible calls us to choose gratitude as an act of faith. We aren't asked to ignore our struggles, but we are to trust that even in the midst of trials, God is at work.

As we develop a habit of daily prayer and thanksgiving, we see that gratitude will shift our perspective from worry to joy, in both good and difficult times.

“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

1 Thessalonians 5:18

For a better understanding read the surrounding verses

****Check out the prayer resources in the prayer room. Prayer Shawls are available should you desire to have one or wish to gift one to someone you know**

CCIA UPDATE

Summer is nearly over and even during these busy months of family vacations, reunions, graduations, weddings and the like—you still showed up!



We have an amazing church family that truly takes care of others and are good servants of Christ, caring for our less fortunate neighbors. Matthew 22:39 reminds us of this, “A second (commandment) is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

As you may recall, I offered to do the shopping for you...and many have responded to that call. We have some “regulars” who give money every month and also a VERY generous donor recently—I can’t list names as I don’t know who they are—but YOU know who you are and more importantly JESUS knows.

Items running low at the food pantry are: Pasta (anything type except for spaghetti), Cereal, Canned veggies and fruit. ***Can you help our neighbors?*** Put your food donations in the CCIA box in the coat room, or a note in my mailbox. God bless you for being a blessing to others!

Your food donations can be placed in the wooden box labeled CCIA under the Mission counter in the coat room. Thanks in advance for being a good servant!

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

ONTARIO CARES POP-UP FOOD PANTRY



There will be pop-up food pantries held at the Town of Canandaigua Highway Dept. Barn, 5440 Route 5 & 20, Canandaigua (use the Buffalo St. entrance) on the following Mondays beginning at 10 AM and lasting until the food is gone:
September 22, October 20, November 17 & December 15

LEARN HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR SPOUSE IN A WHOLE NEW WAY!

Registration is now open for the next ONLINE enrichment, November 14 - 16, 2025. Marriage Encounter *ONLINE* via Zoom.com (Central Standard Time). You can participate privately from your home or anywhere that affords you privacy as a couple.

Apply Now or Learn More at GodLovesMarriage.org! Questions? Contact Randy & Jill Sigler via email, info@godlovesmarriage.org, or call 402-560-3475. Pre-registration is required to send you the materials you'll need for your experience via snail mail – don't miss out!

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SERVING OUR LORD SATURDAY EVENING

ELDER	Gail Herman
ASSISTING MINISTER	Marcus Battaglia
A/V	Glenn Banke
ALTAR CARE	JoAnne VanBuren

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SERVING OUR LORD AT 8 AM

ELDER	Richard Landholm
ASSISTING MINISTER	Marcus Battaglia
A/V TEAM	Matt Meyers
LECTOR	Karyl Hammond
ALTAR CARE	Hope Murray
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Vince Romano
USHER	Tracy Romano
GREETERS	Terry & Linda Savage

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SERVING OUR LORD AT 11 AM

ELDER	Tammy Beattie
ASSISTING MINISTER	Cindy Hemingway
SERVICE SHEPHERD	Sandy Voigt
A/V TEAM	Andy & Amanda Reding
LECTOR	Jenny Tessendorf
ACOLTYE	Addy Modzel
ALTAR CARE	Kathey Drennan
KID'S WORSHIP	Jill Pesson
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Katherine Costigan
USHER	Dean Bugenhagen
GREETER	Manada Modzel, Christine Davis
HOST	Jacki Scheib, Greg Quinn
OPENERS & CLOSERS	Terry & Linda Savage/Doc Tessendorf

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE **Sept 20 & 21, 2025**

Saturday	5:30 PM	Worship/Holy Communion
Sunday	8 AM	Worship/Holy Communion
	11 AM	Worship/Holy Communion

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

****If you have placed someone on the prayer list, please let us know if they need to be removed. We would love to add their names to the prayers of rejoicing or pray for their family if they have passed away. Thank you.**

PRAYER BIDS FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

September 13 & 14, 2025

Connected to Good Shepherd directly: Bill & Judy Ballway & Gary Paradise & Steve Hemingway & Jean Bucher & Terry Henninger & Steve & Barb Schneider & Joe Benivegna & Brian & Bev Edwards & Family & Bev Carlson & Maryanna Chard & Jim Wicker & Marlene Pawlukewicz & Bill Fuge & Fran Beswick & Dorothy Castle & Leon & Theresa Pfuntner & Bart Adams & Sharon Ridley & Karen Schumacher & Kathey Drennan & Donna Allhusen & Jonathan Allhusen & Karen Lenz & Tierney Bristol & Mary Ann Menge & Delores Furnum & Pam Rood & Shirley Perryman

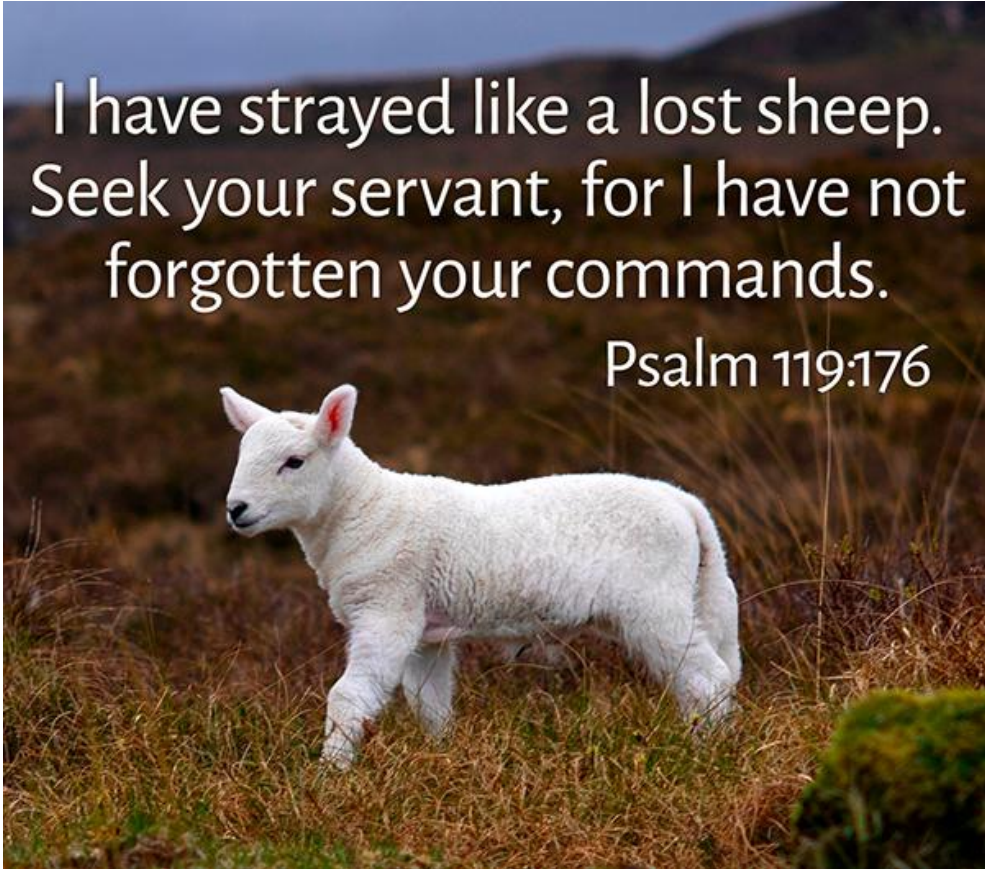
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Julie Gray, Baby Lucas, MaryBeth Waterstram, friends & family of Mark & Lisa Serron; Joyce Willard, aunt of Charlotte Chrysler; Jackson Coston, great-great grandson of Kathey Drennan; John & Sandy Beatty, Allison Sacheli & Kitty Braddon, friends of Bill Fuge; Dawn Lucas, daughter of Bill & Judy Ballway; Sara Romano, s-i-l of Vince and Tracy Romano; Chris Shepherd, friend of Jill Persson; Erin Smith Bernard & Chris Wyant, daughter & friend of Bob & Sandy Smith; Paige Bianchi, s-i-l of Mike & Stephanie Cheney; Blain Tiller, Mark Carey, Teresa, family and friend of Tammy Beattie; Sydnee, Dale Tomlin, Ben Cramer, friends & family of Pete & Kerri Ellison; Brooks Wehnke, nephew of Laura Ouimette; Bev Wicher, wife of Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher (Eastern District President Emeritus); Stan Klimeczko, brother of Mike; Ernie Cratsley, Theresa Thompson, Arlene Lead, family and friend of Leon & Theresa Pfuntner; Derek Pittenger, son of Dave & Sandy; Lorna Frennette & Lalia Nichols, aunt & mother of Cliff & Kelly Nichols; Garrison Ball, son of Rev. Mark (St. Paul, Hilton) and Leslie Ball; GH, friend of many; Chelsea Ellis, daughter/step-daughter of John & Cindy Marino; Mike Tigue & Linda Chapman, friend & family of Chapmans; Joe Lewis, father of Jay Powell; Ronda Stiles, friend of Leon & Theresa Pfuntner; Sue Wagner & Mathais, friends of

Gary & Colleen Paradise; **Belle Browne**, friend of Pastor Steve & Cathie Geske; **Brian Torres**, friend of Richard & Sudy Landholm; **Anne Flannery**, cousin of Annie Roxburgh; **Bob Bassage**, brother of Bev Edwards; **Charles Bucher**, brother of Jean Bucher; **Nora Swatly**, sister-in-law of Fred Salvagni; **Lucy Stanley**, aunt of Cindy Hemingway; **Kathy Harris**, friend of Nola Trost; **Kian**, friend of Hannah Battaglia; **Annie McGee**, friend of Greg Quinn; **Alan Vossler**, friend of Steve & Cindy Hemingway; **Phyllis Granger**, friend of Zagata's and Hemingway's;

I have strayed like a lost sheep.
Seek your servant, for I have not
forgotten your commands.

Psalm 119:176



In our **PRAYERS** we remember:

- **FREEMAN HAUSEL**, family of Butch & Lisa Brahm
- **CHRIS BEATTIE**, husband of Tammy Beattie
- **Rejoicing in the healing of Kathy Fox, friend of Sandy Voigt**
- **For the family of:**
 - **Carol Caskey, friend of Gayle Hendershot, who died this past week.**
- **For us to be guarded from self-righteousness**
- **For the blessing and calling of Pastors in Circuit 7**
- **For the households of this congregation**
- **For all entrusted with public office**
- **For those who need healing and those who rejoice**
- **For those who commune today**

For us to be in fellowship with the saints who have gone on before and grace to sustain us in this world

