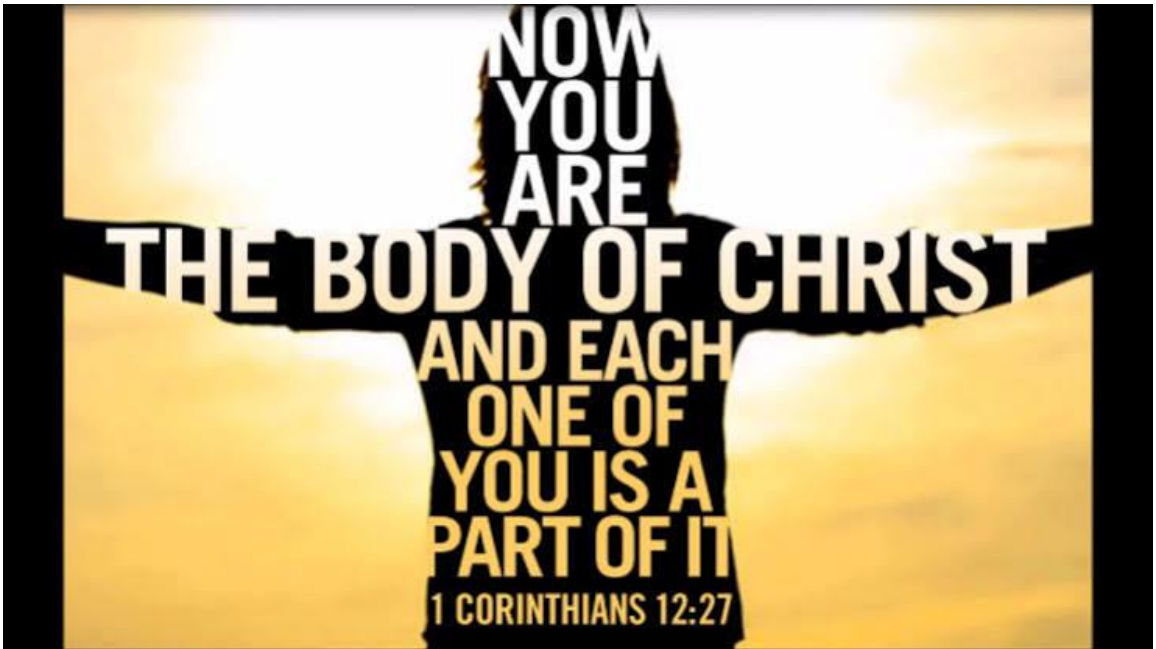


Good Shepherd LUTHERAN CHURCH

EVERYDAY DISCIPLES



18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 27, 2026
SHARING CHRIST, CHANGING LIVES!
Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY. The way of the Lord is righteous and just: *“The soul who sins shall die”* (Ezek. 18:4). However, because the Lord has *“no pleasure in the death of anyone”* (Ezek. 18:32), He calls sinners to repentance and faith in His gracious forgiveness of sins. This way of repentance has been opened for us by the cross of Christ. In the righteousness of faith and love, *“he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death”* (Phil. 2:8), and He was vindicated in His resurrection from the dead. Indeed, *“God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name”* (Phil. 2:9). He has given us this name in our Baptism into Christ, in whom we now *“shine as lights in the world”* (Phil. 2:15). He uses the authority that He has received from His Father (Matt. 21:23–27) to preach a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 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: 1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 26 and/or Memorize: 1 Corinthians 12: 12 - 13

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ALTAR FLOWERD FOR TODAY are given in memory of Pat Quist.

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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 Or if you prefer to have your gift automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account, check that box on the right side of your connection card, *“Automating My Giving”* or contact the church office and we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.

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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.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 27th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD) 2026

✙ Preparation ✙

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

Opening Hymn - Red 420 - Brining in the Sheaves

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 Our help is in the Name of the LORD,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O LORD, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 147:1–5; antiphon: v. 6

The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.
Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.
The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.
Great is our LORD, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
**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.**

The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The LORD be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as LORD, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our LORD, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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 18:1–4, 25–32

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? ³As I live, declares the LORD God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. . . .

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the LORD is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. ²⁷Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. ²⁸Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the LORD is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

³⁰“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the LORD God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the LORD God; so turn, and live.”

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalms

Psalms 25:1–10; antiphon: v. 4

¹To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.
²O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.

- ³Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
- ⁴Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.
- ⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.
- ⁶Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
- ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!
- ⁸Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- ⁹He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
- ¹⁰All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:1–4, 14–18

¹If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. . .

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering

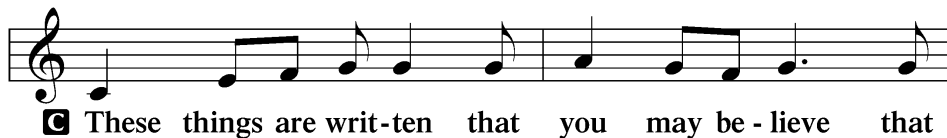
of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23–27

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O LORD.

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?”

²⁴Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven

or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’” ²⁶But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” ²⁷So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”

P This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

**All: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one LORD Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and
the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the LORD and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day - Red 431 - I Love to Tell the Story

Sermon

"The Body"

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Pax Domini

LSB 180

A The peace of the LORD be with you always.

G Amen.

The congregation now greets 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

Stand

Offering and Offertory Prayer

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

As Lutheran Christians 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 208

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 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, O LORD, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O LORD our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our LORD, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:

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.**

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."

Agnus Dei

LSB 210



C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

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

Distribution Song - With One Voice - One Bread, One Body

Distribution Hymn - Red 416 - So Send I You

Stand

Communion Dismissal

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Benedicamus

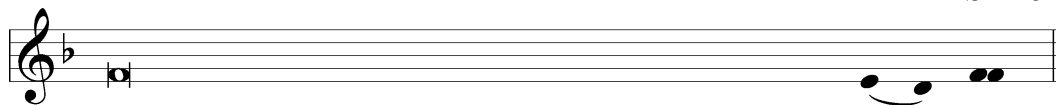
LSB 212

A Let us bless the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 252



L The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre - serve us.



Sit

Announcements

Stand

Closing Hymn - Red 424 - Send the Light

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
 - All:** Pastor or Leader and the congregation speak together
 - △** Doxological verse; the congregation stands in praise and honor of the Holy Trinity

GENERAL INFORMATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Sept. 27 – Oct. 4, 2026

(at church unless noted)

- Sunday: Worship/Communion, 8 & 11 AM
 Sunday School, 9:30 AM
 Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM
 Little Lambs Board, 12:30 PM
 Growth Group @ Church, 1:30 PM
- Monday Women's Bible Study, 1 PM

Growth Group via Zoom, 7 PM
Tuesday: Bible Study, 9:30 AM
Wednesday: Growth Group @ Smith's, 3852 Chatham Lane, Canandaigua
Thursday: Growth Group @ Paradise's, 3925 Rileys Run, Canandaigua

Saturday: Worship/Communion, 5:30 PM
Sunday: Worship/Communion, 8 & 11 AM; **Stella Tiller Baptism at 11 AM service
Sunday School, 9:30 AM
Mission Team, 12:30 PM
Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM
Growth Group @ Church, 1:30 PM

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING JESUS

We thank Lisa Serron, Linda Benivegna, Lisa Brahm, Hugh Shipley, Glenn Banke, Doc Tessendorf, Sandy Voigt, Stephanie Cheney, John Pilecki, for their work in the office and building, Greg Trost & Dave Pittenger for cutting the grass. We also thank all who serve at worship this weekend. We thank Jean Bucher for the beautiful cabinet in the Gathering Space and Greg Trost, Don Hendershot, Andrew Hendershot & Bob Jauch for bringing it from Jean's home to church. 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!

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Bart & Deb Adams wish to thank those who provided and delivered wood to their home. Thanks to you, they will be toasty warm this winter! Your kindness is much appreciated!

SERVING ON October 3rd & 4th

SATURDAY EVENING: Glenn Banke, JoAnne VanBuren

SUNDAY EARLY: Gail Herman, Jim & Melanie McGuire, Brian & Bev Edwards, Lisa Serron, Gayle Hendershot

SUNDAY LATE: Tammy Beattie, Kathey Drennan, Jill Persson, Amanda, Jared & Ian Reding, Merrick Tessendorf-Khan, Ron & Kathy Chapman, Cathie Geske, Dave Pittenger, Steve & Cindy Hemingway, Jenny Tessendorf, Doc Tessendorf

WHAT'S HAPPENING

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS!

Mark your calendars...**Operation Christmas Child (OCC) kicks off October 4th** and we need your help!

What is OCC? It is a ministry that churches across the world participate in to reach children (and ultimately, their families) that reside in remote areas who have never heard about Jesus. Special shoe boxes are filled with classes about Jesus, school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys. The children get excited about the toys and it's a way we can share the love of Jesus with them. Jesus said, *"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved..."* Mark 16:15 & 16

Good Shepherd will start this year's Operation Christmas Child a bit differently... in the past we have focused on the older Boys (10-14 age group) but folks expressed wanting to change it up. This year YOU CHOOSE! Boy or Girl and if you prefer Age 2-4; 5-9; or 10-14. Perhaps you want to do one box for each age group?

Here's how you can help:

- 1) **Pray:** Prayer is essential for Operation Christmas Child to be successful-and we can ALL pray. We need to pray for cheerful givers, for those shopping, packing, and most of all for the child that will receive each shoebox!
- 2) **Donate:** There are many ways to donate:
 - a. You can donate items
 - b. You can pay the cost of shipping (\$10) a box
 - c. You can pay for 12 weeks of Bible classes AND Shipping (\$16)
 - d. You can also donate \$30 online and choose the items you want in your box-this also covers shipping. See Tammy for more details.

*******If you are writing a check to cover some aspect of OCC, please BE SURE to write specifically what it is for on the check. Thank you!**
- 3) **Pack!** We will be having a Packing Party on November 15 from 9:30-10:30am come join the fun!
- 4) **Blessing of the boxes:** On Sunday, November 22 Pastor will lead the Blessing of the boxes before we pack them up on the truck and deliver them to the Drop Off Point.

ADVENT IS COMING

If Autumn is here can Advent be far behind? Once again, the Prayer Team would like to do an Advent Devotional booklet with devotions written by the congregation. As always, everyone is welcome to participate. If you've never written a devotion before we can give you examples from past years. They don't have to be elaborate. You can write about some part of the Christmas story or a favorite family tradition or a Christmas carol you especially like. It can be a story, poem, or a short devotion about the holiday season. We need them by Nov. 16, and you can give them to Kathy Chapman or put them in her church mailbox or email KathyLChapman@yahoo.com. And, as a bonus, you may feel free to write more than one! Invite your friends and family to help, too! Let's make this the best one ever!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY PICKLEBALL?

Our Tuesday, Thursday 7:30 AM pickleball group is having a great time together! We want to open up an opportunity for those who are available in the evening. On Monday, **Sept. 28th** at 7:00 PM, please

come join the fun! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Sign up on the Wittenberg Door or call the church office.

GRIEF SHARE GROUP BEGAN SEPT. 22

Are you grieving a loss? A new session of Grief Share, a Christ-centered grief support group, will begin on Tuesday, September 22nd at 5:30, here at Good Shepherd in the Teen Room. All are welcome.

CAKE BAKERS NEEDED

Do you like to bake? Do you like to join in the “receptions” that we have after worship? If this is something you enjoy and would be willing to do, please check it off on your connection card or call the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Gayle Hendershot at 585-967-3661 or gaylehendershot@yahoo.com.

OUR FALL THEME: “THE HOLY SPIRIT: HIS GIFTS AND FRUIT”

Three ways to dig deeper and grow in our understanding of the Holy Spirit’s role in our lives.

Starting on Sept. 13th and running through to Advent:

- Pastor’s in-depth Sermon series
- Pastor will be leading the combined Adult Sunday School Classes - with Bob, Jill and Sandy leading discussion groups
- Growth Groups: a 6-week DVD study - small groups

Don’t miss this “Trifecta” of gathering and growing in faith together!

GROWTH GROUP OFFERINGS

“When God’s Spirit Moves” by Jim Cymbala

Growth Groups are offered at different times and in different places in the hopes that everyone will be able to join in. Please sign up on the Wittenberg Door or your connection card.

1. Steve and Cindy Hemingway – Hosts/Facilitators – Sundays 1:30 PM at church – Teen Room – starting Sept. 20th
2. Pastor Steve facilitating – this is a ZOOM meeting, Monday evenings, 7 PM – starting Sept. 28th (*must also give accurate emails*) Meeting ID: 920 563 7661 Passcode: W1M68Y
3. Bob and Sandy Smith – Hosting; John Evarts Facilitating – Wednesdays, 7 PM, starting Sept. 23. 3852 Chatham Lane, Canandaigua
4. Gary and Colleen Paradise – Hosting; Bob Smith Facilitating – Thursdays, 7 PM, starting Sept. 24. 3925 Rileys Run, Canandaigua. Please note that there is a cat “in residence” that will very likely come out to say hello!

“HE HEARS YOU” INTERFATH PRAYER RETREAT, OCT. 23 – 24

Please join us for a weekend of fellowship on Oct. 23rd – 24th at Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua. The theme of the retreat is “He Hears You.” Kim Raduns will lead the women, Peter Sprigg the men, and Jeanne & Jo Guastaferrro will lead the couples. The cost of the retreat is: \$155 (single); \$140 (shared room); \$185 (couples) and \$100 commuters. **Registration forms are available in the church office and must be received, with payment, by Oct. 9th.**

DAYS OFF SCHOOL CAMP AND PARTY PACKAGES



Summer Day Camp has ended for this year but when the children are off of a day of school, **what do working parents do** with them? Camp-in-Daigua keeps going year-round to meet the needs of children and families! **Want to have a party with kids** but don't want all of the work? Birthday, Anniversary, Baptism parties, and any kind of reception are available especially where there are many children present. Please call/text Cathie Geske at (585) 369-5696 for more details, or talk to her after service.

SPOTS ARE FILLING UP! REGISTER SOON!

Do you know someone with a child who is ready for preschool? Suggest Little Lambs! Spots are filling up for the 2026/2027 school year. If they have questions, they are free to call the church office and Miss Kelly will return their call. Remember, word of mouth is the best advertisement!

SUPPORT

A THOUGHT FROM THE PRAYER TEAM

Everyday Disciples – Sharing Christ – Changing Live Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

Sometimes our culture tells us that value is tied to productivity, speed, and youth. When joints ache, energy fades, and retirement replaces a busy career, the world tends to whisper a lie....You are done..... You are sidelined..... You are no longer useful. Scripture reminds us that our faith is anchored in His faithfulness, not our own performance or strength!! In the Kingdom of God, retirement from a earthly job is never retirement from serving Him and using the gifts we have been given. While the manner of our service, our gifts, may shift from being very active to a ministry of presence, wisdom, and prayer, our calling remains intact. If we are still drawing breath, we each still have gifts from the Spirit and a purpose here on earth. Let us pray and thank God that the gifts the Spirit has given us grow and change and do not expire with our youth or our physical strength... that as we age our lives can still bear fruit and others see His strength through our weakness.

“But [God] said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” 2 Corinthians 12:9

For a better understanding read the surrounding verses

****Check out the prayer resources in The Study Room at the rear of the sanctuary**

REMEMBER CCIA!

God has blessed our church family with SO much-let's do for others as God commands and feel the joy of helping others in your soul. As always, pasta sauce, cereal, tuna fish and pasta are general staples for the pantry if you'd rather stick with donating those foods, but everything is appreciated! God Bless you for doing God's work! Questions? Call Tammy Beattie at (585) 402-4980.

CARING NOTES

- Leon & Theresa Pfuntner as they both deal with health issues
- Donna Allhusen, daughter of Mary, as she deals with health issues
- Delores Furnum as she deals with health issues
- Marlene Pawlukewicz, (spouse, Joe) as she deals with health issues
- Jonathan Allhusen, son of Mary, (wife, Andrea, son, Christian), as he deals with health issues
- Steve Schneider (spouse, Barb) as he deals with health issues
- Sandy Pittenger, as she recuperates
- Barbara Jauch as she recovers from surgery
- Deborah Adams, as she recovers from surgery
- Dick Stell, at the death of his son-in-law, Donald Kilbourn
- Terry Henninger as he deals with health issues

SERVING OUR LORD

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SERVING OUR LORD AT WORSHIP THIS WEEKEND 9-26/27-26

SERVING OUR LORD SATURDAY EVENING

ELDER

A/V

ALTAR CARE

Hugh Shipley

Greg Trost

Lisa Serron

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SERVING OUR LORD AT 8 AM

ELDER	Richard Landholm
A/V TEAM	Scott Norris
LECTOR	Laura Ouimette
ALTAR CARE	Tracy Romano
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Sudy Landholm
USHER	Vince Romano
GREETERS	Fred Salvagni

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SERVING OUR LORD AT 11 AM

ELDER	Kathy Chapman
ASSISTING MINISTER	Bob Smith
SERVICE SHEPHERD	Sandy Smith
A/V TEAM	Amanda, Andy & Mr. Jared Reding
LECTOR	Jenny Tessororf
ACOLYTE	Addy Modzel
ALTAR CARE	Christine Davis
KID'S WORSHIP	Jill Persson
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Dave Pittenger
USHER	Ron Chapman
GREETERS	Jim & Joyce Wicker
HOST	Bob Smith
OPENER & CLOSER	Sandy Voigt, Fred Salvagni

ONGOING PRAYERS

Connected to Good Shepherd by family or friendship:

Pat & Mark Gunn, Tashi & Emma Benivegna, Kerri Eames, family & friends of Benivegna's; **Donna & Jonathan Allhusen**, daughter & son of Mary; **Marsha Johnson**, family of Terry & Linda Savage; **John & Sandy Beatty, Allison Sacheli and Rena Faulkner**, friends of Bill Fuge; **Sara Romano**, s-i-l of Vince and Tracy Romano; **Erin Smith Bernard**, daughter of Bob & Sandy Smith; **Judy Brainard**, mother of Kelly Nichols; **Charles Bucher**, brother of Jean Bucher; **Marilyn Lane**, friend of Sandy Voigt; **Chad Wood**, son of Fred & Sandy Salvagni; **Gary Pohlman**, brother of Mark; **Monica Reding**, mother of Andy; **Summer Miller & Mike Leggett**, friends of Sandy Voigt; **Joan Trost**, mother of Greg; **Judy Dreesen**, niece of Dorothy Cherry; **Bob Chrisman**, brother of Dave Chrisman; **Bob Purvis**, friend of Glenn

Banke; **Frank Cardavale**, friend of Mark Serron; **Cindy R.**, friend of Jill Persson; **Joy Clark**, aunt of Cindy Hemingway

Please review this prayer list and let the church office know of any updates or if the prayer has been answered.

In our **PRAYERS** today we remember:

- **Terry Henninger**, ongoing health issues
- **Mark Zagata** – ongoing health issues
- **Leon and Theresa Pfuntnr** – foot issues, other health issues
- **Shirley Perryman** – ongoing health issues
- **Robert Joslyn** – ongoing health issues
- **Steve & Barb Schnieder** – ongoing health issues
- **Jacki Scheib** – ongoing health issues
- **Dorothy Cherry** – recovering
- **Bart and Deb Adams** – ongoing health issues – Deb recovering from shoulder surgery
- **Sandy Pittenger** – ongoing health issues
- **Bill and Judy Ballway** – ongoing health issues
- **Caitlyn Minns** – mother of Little Lamb James; in hospital after surgery
- **Shelly** – daughter of Shirley Perryman, in the hospital
- **Vic** – friend of Jill Persson, personal struggle
- **Keith** – friend of Gail Herman, being deployed to the Middle East
- **For the family of Donald Kilbourn** – son-in-law of Dick Stell, who died recently
- **For the family of Gerald Roethel** – uncle & godfather of Bev Edwards. Gerald passed Sept 13th.

**WORSHIP NEXT WEEKEND
NINETEETH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

October 3rd – 5:30 PM

October 4th – 8 and 11 AM

Divine Service, Setting Four

-With Holy Communion-