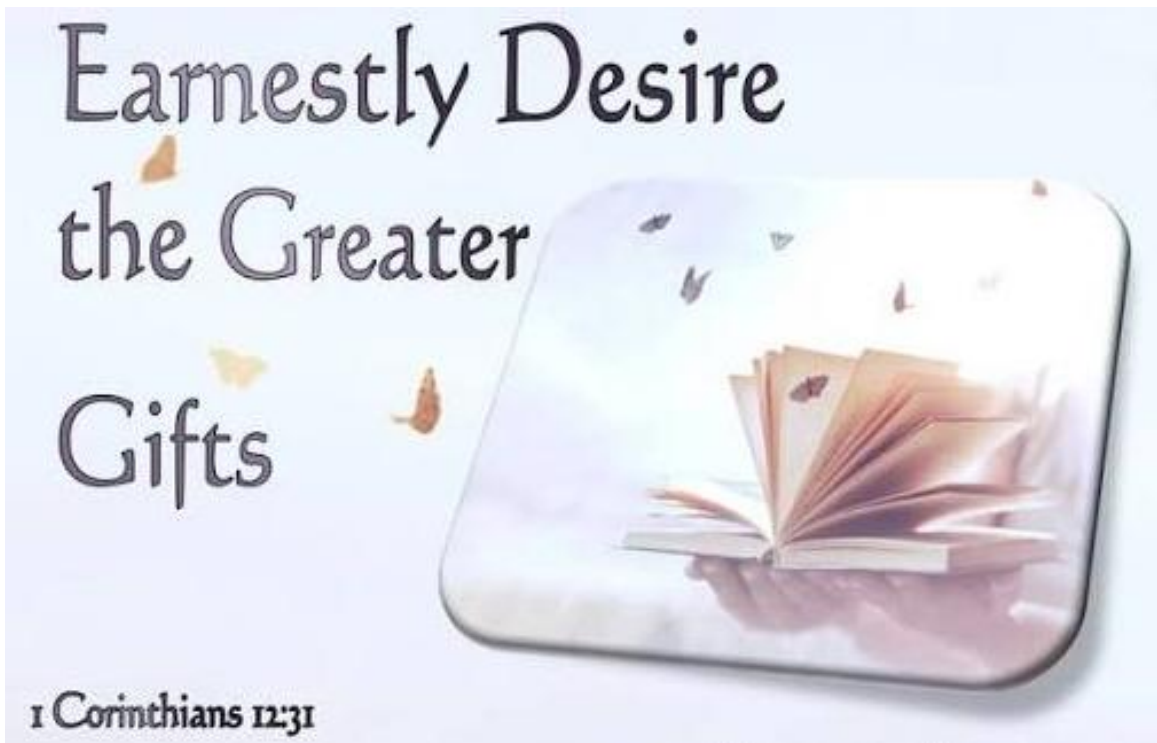


Good Shepherd LUTHERAN CHURCH

EVERYDAY DISCIPLES



20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 11th, 2026

SHARING CHRIST, CHANGING LIVES!

Gathering, Growing, Giving, Going

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY. By His cross and resurrection, the Lord has swallowed up death forever, and by His Gospel He *“will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth”* (Is. 25:8). On the mountain of the Lord of hosts — in His Church on earth, as in the kingdom of heaven — He has made *“for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine”* (Is. 25:6). It is the royal *“wedding feast”* of the Son of God, *“and everything is ready”* (Matt. 22:1, 4). Thus, His servants are sent into the highways and byways to invite and gather as many as they find, *“both good and bad,”* to fill the wedding hall with guests (Matt. 22:8–10). In Holy Baptism, He clothes them all in the *“wedding garment”* of His own perfect righteousness (Matt. 22:11). 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 Cor. 12:27-31 and/or Memorize: 1 Cor. 12:31a — *“^{31a} But earnestly desire the higher gifts.”*

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ALTAR FLOWERS FOR TODAY are given to the Glory of God for blessings received by the Serron Family.

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 Or if you prefer to have your gift automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account, check that box on the right side of your connection card, *“Automating My Giving”* or contact the church office and we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

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 11th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD) 2026

✝ Preparation ✝

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

Opening Hymn - Blue 73 - The Greatest Thing

1. The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.
The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.
I want to know You more;
I want to know You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.
2. The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.
The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.
I want to love You more;
I want to love You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.
3. The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.
I want to serve You more;
I want to serve You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.

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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

Isaiah 61:10; antiphon: Psalm 146:2

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;

my soul shall exult in my God,

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,

and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

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.
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

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 invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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

Isaiah 25:6–9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the
earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he
might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 5a

¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.
³He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 4:4–13

⁴Rejoice in the LORD always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The LORD is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰I rejoiced in the LORD greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger,

abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

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

C Glory to You, O LORD.

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to

his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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 - The Servant Song

VERSE

D Em/D D G/D D A7/C# D Em/D D G/D D A

♩ = 74

1. Broth er, let me be your ser - vant. Let me be as Christ to you.
 2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney. We are broth - ers on the road.
 3. I will hold the Christ - light for you In the night time of your fear.
 4. I will weep when you are weep - ing, When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
 5. When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall find such har - mo - ny;
 6. Broth er sis - ter let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you.

5 G D/F# Em7 D/A A7 Bm G D/G Em/G G G/A A7 D

Pray that I might have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.
 We are here to help each oth - er Walk the mile and bear the load.
 I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.
 I will share your joy and sor - row Till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 Born of all we've known to - geth - er, of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.
 Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my serv - ant too.

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Sermon *"Earnestly Desire the Higher Gifts"* *1 Corinthians 12:27-31*

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Pax Domini

LSB 209

P The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C 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 Offering 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 singing:

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

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

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 pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Distribution Hymn - Red 176

Break Thou the Bread of Life 176
MARY ANN LATHBURY, 1841-1913 BREAD OF LIFE WILLIAM F. SHERWIN, 1826-1888

1. Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst
2. Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, To me - to me, As Thou didst
3. Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me; Thy ho - ly
4. O send Thy Spir - it, Lord, Now un - to me, That He may

break the loaves Be - side the sea: Be - yond the sa - cred page
 bless the bread By Gal - i - lee: Then shall all bond-age cease,
 Word the truth That sav - eth me: Give me to eat and live
 touch my eyes And make me see: Show me the truth con-cealed

as Thou art, And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
 heart to cling; O let me seek Thee, and O let me find.
 reb - el sigh; Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 scend-ed Dove- My heart an al - tar and Thy love the flame.

Distribution Hymn - LSB 618 - I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's

wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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Stand

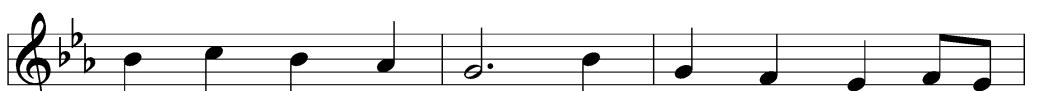
Communion Dismissal

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



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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 212

P 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

Stand

Closing Hymn - LSB 643 - Sent Forth By God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,
 2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,
 The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.
 The Sup-per is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed
 Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,
 The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
 The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.
 Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.
 Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.
 U-nite us as one in this life that we share.
 His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us
 Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing
 To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.
 Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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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
 - Δ** Doxological verse; the congregation stands in praise and honor of the Holy Trinity

GENERAL INFORMATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Oct. 11 - 18, 2026
(at church unless noted)

- Sunday: Worship/Communion, 8 & 11 AM
Sunday School, 9:30 AM
Prayer Team Mtg, 12:30 PM
Prayer Shawls, 12:30 PM
Growth Group @ Church, 1:30 PM
- Monday: Women’s Bible Study, 1 PM
Growth Group via Zoom, 7 PM; Meeting ID: 920 563 7661; Passcode: W1M68Y
- Tuesday: Bible Study, 9:30 AM
Grief Share, 5:30 PM
Vision Team, 6 PM
- 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
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WOULD YOU LIKE A LOVING FOUR-LEGGED FRIEND?

Do you have room in your heart and home to adopt a loveable cat? Terry Henninger is finding it difficult to care for his beloved Randi, a beautiful male ginger (orange) tabby. He would like to know that he will be well loved and cared for. Randi has been neutered and is up to date on his rabies shots. If you are interested, please contact the church office. Thank you.

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, John Pilecki & Don Hendershot for cutting the grass. 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!

SERVING ON October 17th & 18th

SATURDAY EVENING: Karyl Hammond, Mark Carlson, JoAnne VanBuren

SUNDAY EARLY: Greg & Nola Trost, Richard Landholm, Scott Norris, Vince & Tracy Romano, Leslie Smith

SUNDAY LATE: Tammy Beattie, Cindy Hemingway, Sandy Voigt, Amanda, Jared, Ian & Tommy Reding, Kathey Drennan, Joy Cheney, Cathie Geske, Hugh Shipley, Amanda Modzel, Christine Davis, Bob & Sandy Smith

WHAT’S HAPPENING

“HE HEARS YOU” INTERFATIH PRAYER RETREAT, OCT. 23 – 24 – UPDATE!

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 Guastaferro will lead the couples. The cost of the retreat is: \$155 (single); \$140 (shared room); \$185 (couples) and \$100 commuters. **Extended Registration deadline, Oct. 14!**

If you wish to attend, but need a little more time to pay, please get your registration form in by the 14th and the payment before the event.

UPDATE: Now offering a “Day Pass”! Have you held back from registering because you weren’t available both Friday and Saturday? Then sign up for the “Day Pass” to attend Saturday only. The cost is \$75 and includes breakfast at 8 AM, lunch and the full day’s program. Fill out a registration form and note that you will come for the day, or you can call the church office or register via email. However you choose to register, be sure to do it by Oct. 14th!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – NEW STUDY TO BEGIN

The Tuesday morning Bible Study is wrapping up their study of the Gospel of Luke and will begin a study of the Gospel of John in a couple weeks. They will be using the Life Guide Bible Series study guide, \$10. If you would like to order a book, please check your connection card, call the church office or speak with Charlotte Chrysler. The order will be placed soon. Everyone is invited!

TRUNK OR TREAT, OCT. 30

Come and join the fun on Friday, Oct. 30 from 6 – 8 PM (set up beginning at 5 PM). Fun & Games for all ages! Decorate your trunk in a Halloween theme and bring treats for the trick-or-treaters. The event will go on rain or shine, if the weather does not cooperate, we will move everything inside! Sign up on the Wittenberg Door or your connection card to say you'll come and/or help. If you have any questions, please see Steve Hemingway or Andy Reding.

SAVE THE DATE- Sunday Nov.1st

Dish To Pass-“Fellowship, Food and Find Out Your Spiritual Gifts!”

Come join us to find out the results of the Spiritual Gifts Inventory- AND enjoy a time of fellowship. SIGN UP on your connection card or the Wittenberg Door to let us know that you are coming AND what you will bring!

ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE, NOV. 3RD

Calling all bakers! Election day is Nov. 3rd and we would like to have baked goods to sell to the voters. Can you help? We ask that you bring them to church by Monday, Nov. 2. Sign up on your connection card or the Wittenberg Door to let us know that you can bake and if you can help at the sale. The funds from the sale are used to purchase food for our Christmas Baskets.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Are you interested in being involved in the Christmas play/musical? Please sign up on your connection card or the Wittenberg Door and Cindy Hemingway or Stephanie Cheney will reach out to you.



IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS!

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) has kicked off 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 9:30-10:30 a.m. Come join us!
- 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.

Operation Christmas Child **weekly focus for 10/11 is School Supplies**
can we count on you?

We need:

Scissors	Pencil erasers	Markers	Pencil sharpeners
Calculators	Coloring books	Crayons	Rulers
Glue sticks	Pencil cases		

We now have enough notebooks.

Items can be brought to church and put in the box labeled OCC in the coat room-please do not take them to the basement as we are keeping a running total.

“Thank you” so much for your continued support as God directs us in our efforts to spread the word of Jesus and His love.

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!

SATURDAY AFTERNOON YOUTH

Do you have a 5th – 10th grader who wants to come hang out and fellowship with other kids their age? Saturday afternoons from 3 – 5 PM are a fun time to play games, watch anime, learn cooking skills and more! This is a lightly-structured, supervised time to have fun at church. No registration needed – just come on by! Questions? Call Cathie Geske at 585-369-5696

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 (see calendar)

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

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.

THERE'S STILL ROOM!

Do you know someone with a child who is ready for preschool? Suggest Little Lambs! 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

Saved by His grace we have inherited the Kingdom of God and all of His blessings and hope with it. In Christ we are children of God saved not **BY** good works but **FOR** good works. When God calls us His children, He doesn't leave us idle. He remakes us.... His Holy Spirit breathes new life into each one of us, providing both the specific gifts we need and the genuine desire to love and serve others well. Good works are not the root of our salvation; they are the fruitful result. Let us listen, as we pray, for direction

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” Ephesians 2:10

For a better understanding read the surrounding verses

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



CAN YOU HELP WITH OUR CCIA FOOD PANTRY?



HELP US SERVE OUR NEIGHBORS

God has blessed us abundantly; let's serve Him by helping our neighbors. Our food pantry is currently in need of the following items:

- **Canned fruit**
- **Canned meat**
- **Cereal**
- **Kidney beans**
- **Spaghetti sauce**

*“Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done.”
Proverbs 19:17*

Every donation, large or small, helps provide nourishing food and encouragement to families in our community. Thank you for sharing your blessings and showing God's love through service! If you would like to donate cash (towards meat) or would like Tammy Beattie to shop for you-label your envelope and place it in her mailbox. May God Bless you abundantly!

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 shoulder surgery
- Dick Stell, at the death of his son-in-law, Donald Kilbourn
- Terry Henninger as he deals with health issues
- Dorothy Cherry as she recuperates

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

KIWANIS ELECTION DAY SPAGETTI DINNER

On Election Day, Nov. 3, Canandaigua Kiwanis will host their 59th Annual Spaghetti Dinner from 4:30 – 7 PM at the Canandaigua Academy, 435 East St., Canandaigua. Dine-in, take-out and curbside pick-up are available. The cost of the dinner is \$15 for adults, children under 12 are \$10 each. Tickets are available the night of the dinner or buy online at CanandaiguaKiwanis.org or you can scan the QR code on the bulletin board.

SERVING OUR LORD

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SERVING OUR LORD AT WORSHIP THIS WEEKEND 10/10 & 11, 2026

SERVING OUR LORD SATURDAY EVENING

ELDER	Hugh Shipley
A/V	Glenn Banke
ALTAR CARE	Lisa Serron

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SERVING OUR LORD AT 8 AM

ELDER	Nola Trost
A/V TEAM	Greg Trost
LECTOR	Gayle Hendershot
ALTAR CARE	Lisa Serron
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Vince Romano
USHER	Fred Salvagni
GREETERS	Terry & Linda Savage

SERVING OUR LORD AT 11 AM

ELDER	Jenny Tessendorf
ASSISTING MINISTER	Sandy Voigt
SERVICE SHEPHERD	Bob Smith
A/V TEAM	Amanda Reding, Mr. Jared “Donut” Reding
LECTOR	Cindy Hemingway
ACOLYTES	Addy Modzel, Joy Cheney
ALTAR CARE	Christine Davis
KID’S WORSHIP	Jill Persson
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Sandy Smith
USHER	Miss Merrick “Meerkat” Tessendorf-Khan
GREETER	Kathy Chapman
HOSTS	John & JoAnn Pilecki
OPENERS & CLOSER	Terry & Linda Savage, Ron Chapman

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, Summer Miller & Mike Legrett**, friends of Sandy Voigt; **Chad Wood**, son of Fred & Sandy Salvagni; **Gary Pohlman**, brother of Mark; **Monica Reding**, mother of Andy; **Joan Trost**, mother of Greg; **Judy Dreesen**, niece of Dorothy Cherry; **Bob Chrisman**, brother of Dave Chrisman; **Bob Purvis**, friend of Glenn Banke; **Cindy R. & Vic**, friends of Jill Persson; **Joy Clark**, aunt of Cindy Hemingway; **Shelly**, daughter of Shirley Perryman; **Keith**, friend of Gail Herman; **Caitlyn Minns**, mother of Little Lamb James; **Jessie**, friend of Glenn Banke

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:

- **Mark Zagata** – ongoing health issues; in rehab
- **Bart and Deb Adams** – ongoing health issues – Bart going in for knee surgery soon, Deb recovering from shoulder surgery
- **Terry Henninger**, ongoing health issues
- **Mary Anna Chard** – hospitalized after a fall
- **Dorothy Cherry** – recovering in rehab
- **Leon and Theresa Pfuntner** – foot issues, other health issues
- **Jacki Scheib** – ongoing health issues
- **Robert Joslyn** – ongoing health issues
- **Sandy Pittenger** – ongoing health issues
- **Steve & Barb Schnieder** – ongoing health issues
- **Bill and Judy Ballway** – ongoing health issues
- **Shirley Perryman** – ongoing health issues
- **Bob Smith** – heart issues
- **Tracy Romano** – heart issues
- **Jim McGuire** – recovering from eye surgery
- **Jan Hemingway** – mother of Steve, testing after a fall
- **Nancy Schipper** – health issues
- **Paul** – son of Sudy Landholm, collapsed lung
- **Grandfather of Matt Meyers** – health issues

**WORSHIP NEXT WEEKEND
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

**October 17th – 5:30 PM
October 18th – 8 and 11 AM
Divine Service, Setting Four
-With Holy Communion-**